# St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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Park in-between the Church Parking Signs. If you park beyond you will be towed.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

These are the current "open" hours of Adoration where we need an adorer. Please let me know if you can cover one of these hours either temporarily or regularly. Rich McKinney 617.536-4141 or at adorationboston.com

Monday3P,5PTuesday3A, 7AWednesday3A, 12P, 5PThursday10A, 12PFriday11A, 12P, 1PSaturday4A, 1P, 4P, 5PSunday2A, 3A, 4A, 4P

## **Schedules**

#### Masses

Mon-Fri 7A, 12:10P Sun 11A, 8P Sat 11A Holy Days 7A, 12:10P, 7P

### **Perpetual Adoration**

All day, every day After 9P, pass key required; contact 617-536-4141 x127

### Confessions

Mon 7:30P-8:30P Before weekend Masses

### Liturgy of the Hours

Mon-Fri 6:30A, 5P

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## Weekend Seminar February 7 & 8, 2015 Discerning The Will of God

An Ignatian Guide to Catholic Decision Making.
"Is it time to change jobs?"
"Should I marry?"

"Am I called to the priesthood or religious life?"

Sooner or later, every thoughtful Christian asks such questions.



This seminar will help you to make spiritual sense of your major life decisions. A few seats are still available.

To Register: email: OMVUSA@GMAIL.COM or call St. Clement's at 617 266-5999 x130\* Include the spelling of your name & phone number.

Weekend Fee: \$50 – Students \$30

Fr. Tim n Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/frtimothygallagher

## **Weekly Activities**

Monday 6:30–6:45P

Rosary, Front Room

### **Monday Night Confessions**

7:30-8:30P

### Monday 7-8P

Young Adults, Front Room

### Thursday 7P

Pure In Heart, Upper Room

# First Saturday, Feb. 7 Front Room Reparation to the Immaculate and Sacred Heart of Mary

8:30A continental breakfast (Goodwill donation: \$5),



9:00A Exposition and Rosary, 9:30A Meditation, 10:00A Eucharistic Procession, 10:15A Reading and Reflection on Mary

Mass: 11:00AM

### St. Anthony Shrine, 100 Arch Street Boston - Adult Confirmation Program 2015

Five Saturdays, 10:30A-12Noon beginning Saturday April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9 Confirmation on Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup>.

# Have you been baptized and made First Communion in the Catholic Church but have not yet been confirmed?

Adult Confirmation classes begin on Saturday mornings (see above schedule) at St. Anthony Shrine 101 Arch Street for adults (ages 20 and over). Candidates for Confirmation are adults who participate in Sunday Liturgy and the sacraments. Those preparing for the sacrament and their sponsors are all welcome. **Deadline for registrations for 2015 program will be early March 2015.** *Copy of Baptismal certificate is required*. For more information and to register, please contact Dr. Jackie Stewart at 617-542-6440, ext 143 or email evangelization@stanthonyshrine.org



At 1:30 pm, Dad called me, on my day off, and asked if I were interested in fishing at a favorite Cape Cod pond during the evening hatch. We met at a Park and Ride. I suggested taking my car so I could drive. I rolled up the windows up to put the AC on as I normally do. To my horror, the AC didn't work. We opened the windows. Dad, of course, had the sunny side of the car, so he was really uncomfortable. When we got to the pond I put air in our float tubes. A float tube if you don't know is an inner tube with a seat. You move in the water with flippers on your feet. As I told a boat

owner who didn't catch any fish that day: "They catch a lot of fish because they are quiet, and they are great on gas mileage, that is if you remember to bring the flippers." Dad wasn't' exactly happy that I left them home so I had to share. Because dad had heat exhaustion and only one flipper he was not able to go to middle of the pond where the big fish hold out. He was restricted to a closer area which produced for him a very large brown trout! On the drive back he said, "I had a great time and was really glad I went on the trip." I learned something that day. Nothing went my way. Yet it was a great day. Why? I did one thing right: I answered his call.

We have to be impressed with the fishermen who left their nets to follow our Lord. This will be their finest hour. This is when they shine because after this it will be a long series of failures: our Lord will reprimand them for arguing about who is the greatest, for doubting and fearing during a storm at sea, for being clueless at the Last Supper, and for falling asleep three times in the garden before Jesus is arrested. Peter will even remind our Lord in John's Gospel: "We did do something right, we followed You." The finest hour of a disciple is following our Lord.

Cecil B. DeMille directed the classic film "Ben Hur." He told the actor, Charlton Heston, that he was planning something that had never been done before on the screen. He was going to have a chariot race in the film. Cecil said, "I want you to be in that race. I do not want you to have a stand-in." Heston said, "You mean you want me to stand on a chariot while four horses run full speed around a track?" Cecil said, "That's correct and I will give you all the time that you need to learn how to drive a chariot." Charlton said, "Fine!" After he received training, he said, "I'm ready, I know how to ride a chariot. I can stay in the race, however. I am not sure if I can win." "Heston," said Cecil, "you just stay in the race. I will make sure you win."

I think this is a very important message for Christians. You may not be happy with your Christian track record. You may have lots of inconsistency, downfall, stumbling...but you just stay in the game. The most important thing we need to do is follow our Lord.

During the priestly sex abuse scandal, when it felt "uncool to be a priest." I was invited to a catholic college in West Virginia to promote vocations. I was given a table at the perfect location, a place where I would have access to every kid in the school: the cafeteria. Each student must have walked past my table at least four times getting lunch and snacks and yet not one of them came over to my table. I remember hoping that anyone would walk over just to say hello. Toward the end of a long and slow day, I heard a voice say, "Pedah, is that you?" I said, "Amy?" It was my old girlfriend. I asked her if she was mad at me for going in the seminary. She said, "After you left, I dated a guy who is now my husband. I said to God, 'Hands off, this one is mine'" Then she started to tell me about her life. She has a beautiful home overlooking the Blue Ridge Mountains. I met her wonderful children. She married a doctor and I heard all the great things that have happened to her since I last saw her. Then she switched topics and started to talk about me. "Just look at you," she said, "you're a priest." I replied, "Yah, I guess." She then said this to me: "Think of the people you are going to be able to help." It took my former girlfriend to turn on the light for me to see with clarity. Isn't that the reason we follow our Lord? We follow Christ so that we are able to serve others.