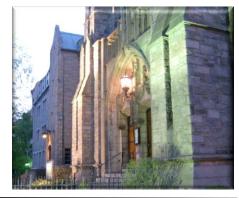
St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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February 8,2015 Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time



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PARKING - especially at Sunday's 8PM Mass

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

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

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*

Sunday, February 8th – 8:00PM Mass Music Ministry - Missa Musica Series



St. Clement's music department is proud to present our new Missa Musica series, which will present complete choral masses a few times each year!

Sunday, February 8th, at the 8pm Mass, a chamber ensemble will sing the complete Missa O Magnum Mysterium by Spanish Renaissance composer Tomás Luis de Victoria as a part of the liturgy. Join us for a mass fully integrated with the beautiful music of our Roman Catholic tradition. For more information, contact Director of Music Brett Kostrzewski at <u>brettak@bu.edu</u>.

Wednesday, Feb. 11th at 4:45PM

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Mass for Fr. Greg Staab, OMV, St. Francis Chapel 800 Boylston Street (Prudential Center Hynes Court)

The intention is for the miraculous healing and cure of Fr. Greg through the intersession of Our Lady of Lourdes. Please come, if you are able, and assist at Mass for his healing; and if you have time, stay for the Rosary after Mass. Fr. Greg truly appreciates the love and prayers of all his friends and would be greatly consoled by our joint efforts. Moreover, Our Lady of Lourdes is a very powerful Intercessor for healing.

Sunday, Feb. 15, 6:30-7:30PM front room



Rosary and discussion. We will be reading and discussing Story of a Soul - Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux.

Young Adults Activities

To be added to the Young Adult emails, contact **stclementyoungadults@gmail.com**

Volunteer Opportunities:

<u>St. Francis House</u>, 39 Boylston St.- first Saturday of each month. Please contact Joey George jgeorge@alum.mit.edu

<u>FriendshipWorks</u>, Boston 617-482-1510 Assist elderly and/or adults with disabilities getting to doctors appointments

This year, Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18^{th..}

Lent is a time of sacrifice for Jesus. It is a season of prayer, penitence, good works and self-denial, which prepares us for Holy Week's commemoration of His Passion, Death and Resurrection through which we attained redemption.

Wondering what to do this Lent? Want to boost your "prayer, good works and self-denial" all in one swoop? Commit to 1 Adoration Hour during the coming Weeks of Lent.

Sign-up at www.adorationboston.com Or email your choice to adorationboston@gmail.com

Or call Rich McKinney 617.266.5999 x127



When my oldest brother turned sixteen, he went to work with my father for the first time. When he got home that afternoon his t-shirt was socked with his sweat and he had smudges of tar on his face. I asked him, "What happened to you?" He said, "Roof job." That is what he said, but I knew what he was thinking, "I am not doing this for a living." He went to college, got great grades and he now works in a cushy office designing memory chips for computers. When my younger brother turned sixteen and worked for my father for the first time, he came home and I asked him, "What happened to you?"

He said, "Roof job. And I know that I am not going to do this for a living." He then went on to college and got a doctorate in chemistry. So when I turned sixteen, I figured that I too would be inspired, and I was. At the end of my first day of work with my father, I discovered that I have a new best friend...and it has been that way ever since. One day that summer he asked me to take the truck and go to the town hall to pick up a building permit. I went to the building department there was a man dressed in a nice suite jacket and tie, and he said, "Are you a contractor." I said, "I work for my father, Al Grover." He said, "Oh, I know Al Grover, he is very good carpenter." After he said that I thought, "you may know my father's name, occupation, reputation, office phone number and address. But you do not know my father like I know him. We both get up at 5:30 am and put on work shoes. At 7:00 am we pull off a forty-foot ladder off the roof racks of the truck. At 7:15am we walk up the ladder with an eighty-pound bundle of roof shingles. At 4:00pm we fall asleep on lazy-boy chairs in the living room. And at 7:00pm we fish for striper-bass in the Canal. It is an amazing thing when you walk in someone's shoes, and live their life, you can get really close.

In the Gospel, Jesus is God. The devil also could tell you how many stars that God put up in the heavens. The devil can tell you how many gallons of water it took God to fill the ocean. He can tell you how many pounds of rock it took to make Mount Everest. The devil could tell you how you can make a million dollars this year. The devil knows scripture better than I ever will. But the devil will never know Jesus because he will never walk in His shoes.

I took a state senator fly-fishing. He was the highest bidder on a charitable auction item, which was *A Day of Fly Fishing with Fr. Peter.* I asked him where he wanted to go. He said, "I have no idea where to go. I was hoping you could tell me." I said, "Let's go." I drove to Boston harbor, parked in a lot with plenty of free parking. We put on our waders and rigged up the rods. We took a walk along a beach until we came to the end. I told him, "This is a great place to fish. We will have the whole place to ourselves. There is a nice current. The fish like that because the food comes to them like it was on a conveyor belt." I gave him a fly and told him I was going to check out some water around the bend. I figured I better earn my keep and do something productive. When I came back I saw that the senator was fighting a fish. When I got to him he looked pretty happy. He looked up and saw that the sun was setting. We took note of all the colors that were filling the sky. He said to me, "I really needed this today; there is so much stress where I work." I told him that we were only ten minutes away. The other day I bumped into his friend and I asked him how the senator was doing. "Oh, great, fantastic! He quit politics and bought a boat." Notice what the senator did? He cast out the demon of high stress from his life, and replaced it with something better. That is what our Lord did in the gospel. Jesus did not fight with the devil. The evil spirit was simply cast out and replaced with something better: God's Spirit.

The greatest privilege that I have is not being a priest. It is not being director of a St. Clement, it is not teaching a St. John's Seminary although I like them all. The greatest privilege that you and I will ever have is that every day we have the ability to follow Him. And do you know why that is the greatest privilege? Because when you walk in our Lord's shoes you can get close, you can get very close.