# St. Clement Perpetual **Eucharistic Shrine**

July 5, 2015 Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time

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## **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

## Save the Date: Wednesday, August 5th

You are invited to attend the 7:00PM Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the First Religious Profession of: our brothers Nathan Marzonie and Paul Kallal





Br. Nathan - Reception to follow -To assist us in planning, please leave the number who will attend on the voicemail at 617-226-5999 ext. 130 or email: omvusa@gmail.com



St. Joseph Retreat 65 Carney Drive Milton, MA 02186

## Saint Joseph Retreat House Milton, MA

Located on the outskirts of Boston, in Milton MA., St. Joseph Retreat House provides a quiet space for prayer where a person can rediscover and deepen his or her relationship with God. The Retreat House is staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. The essential mission and ministry of our religious community is to provide directed and preached Phone: 617-698-6785 retreats and spiritual direction inspired by the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.



Labouré Center, 275 West Broadway, South Boston, MA Become a Nurse Assistant/Home Health Aide in just over 4 weeks! Catholic Charities Labouré Center in South Boston (conveniently located 4 blocks from the Broadway T stop on the Red Line) offers training from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Tuesdays-Fridays. We also hope to offer an 8-week evening program starting in early September. Call 617-464-8544

Costs: The NA/HHA program is \$1,000 (includes book). Other: \$93 Money order (payable to American Red Cross) to take the State exam to become Certified. \$25 (est. cost) of burgundy-colored scrubs for clinical classes

#### **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 adorationboston.com



Monday 8A,3P, 5P Tuesday 2A, 3A, 7, 10A, 4P, 10P

Wednesday 3A, 10,A 12:30P,3P,4P Thursday 7A, 10A, 12:30P, 2P,3P,6P Friday 2A, 7A, 8A,12:30P, 1P,4P

Saturday 2A, 3A, 4A, Sunday 2A, 3A, 4A,



Many of us who have prayed the Stations of the Cross know that at the sixth station Veronica wipes the face of Jesus. A woman in the crowd comes forth and wipes the blood of Jesus' face, then she vanishes. Who is this woman? I have a theory. We ask, "Is there a time in the New Testament when a cloth removes the flow of blood"? Remember the woman who was bleeding for twelve years? "If I can only touch the hem of His garment,

I will be cured." There are, however, two problems: first, she is unclean. She is not supposed to be in a crowd of people because she will rub up against others and make them ritually unclean. Let's suppose that I am a Jewish priest listening to Jesus and curious to know if there is going to be a sign. Then this bleeding woman bumps into me and now I am ritually unclean and I can't work in the temple. I will be unemployed for a few weeks without pay until I do penance and sacrifice a red heifer which will cost me a lot of money. She can't just walk into a large crowd.

The second problem is that Jesus happens to be in a hurry. Jairus's daughter is at the brink of death and the clock is ticking. He has to get there right away. I would say that this is one of the most significant of Jesus' miracles. We all enjoy the story of Jesus walking on the water and when he turned the water into wine, but this miracle has more intensity and meaning than all the others. The woman also knows that this is her last resort, her only hope. She does not want to jeopardize the life of a little girl so she chooses to quietly reach down to touch the hem of His garment. She has to literally get on her hands and knees below the crowd and swipe her hand to make contact with His clothing. It worked. She is immediately cured. As soon as she finds out she is cured, Jesus stops. Don't stop! You have an emergency. Jesus asks, "Who touched Me"? The disciples are in a state of incredulity. "What are you talking about? Look at the crowd that presses in on you; everyone is bumping into you. We have an emergency to attend to; there is a girl who is dying; keep focused, you are distracted." Jesus doesn't move and He won't until someone comes forward. The woman is busted. She knows she will be humiliated, her illness exposed, and she will probably get blamed for the child's death. Jesus wants to hear her story. The woman tells about her twelve years of suffering, the doctors' inabilities, and the money thrown out the window. Jesus gets the whole story. Then Jesus tells her, "Go, your faith has saved you." She is no longer a social outcast, no longer in pain and she gets her life back. Now, let's return to the Way of the Cross. The roles have shifted. Now Jesus is the one who is bleeding and the woman is the one who has the cloth that will remove the blood, the shame and the stigma. The woman reciprocates. That is what this station is about. If Jesus forgives your sins, reciprocate. If Jesus gives you gifts, health, joy...reciprocate. If Jesus gives you healing, reciprocate. You may say, "When did I see Jesus in need of forgiveness or bleeding or hurt"? He will tell you, "Whatever you did to least one, you did for Me.

## **Young Adults Activities**

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

St. Francis House, 39 Boylston St.- first Saturday of each month.

Please contact Joey George jgeorge@alum.mit.edu

Friendship Works, Boston 617-482-1510 Assist elderly and/or adults with disabilities getting to doctors appointments