St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

July 19, 2015 Sixteenth 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 Rm*

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



Monday8A, 4P, 5PTuesday2A, 3A, 7A, 10A, 4P, 10PWednesday3A, 8A, 10A 12:30P, 3P,4PThursday7A, 10A, 2P, 3PFriday2A, 8A, 12:30P, 1P, 4P, 5P, 10PSaturday3A, 4A,Sunday2A, 3A, 4A,

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



Br. Paul

- 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

Phone: 617-698-6785

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 retreats and spiritual direction inspired by the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents- 1 Day Spiritual Retreat - July 25th 9a-7:30p Losing a child under any circumstance is horrific. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously. Please join us. All are welcome. **St. Anthony shrine , 100 Arch Street, Boston , MA**

(\$9/day parking at Post Office Square Garage) For more information or to register, Call Diane, Mother of Paul, At 617-542-8057 or visit www.emfgp.org



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*



Someone pulled the lever of a slot machine and won close to a million dollars. After the initial shock, the winner had dreams of providing a great education to the kids, helping relatives and friends who were struggling financially, and giving extra support to a favorite charity. The winner thought that finally he was able to make a significant difference in people's lives. The dream, however, was put on hold when the casino made the winner an honorary guest. There was free lodging, free meals,

and, oh yes, bring the family and friends. You know what the casino was doing? They wanted their money back. In the end they got it all. To help prevent that from happening, the Scripture points us in the right direction: Whenever God gives us a gift, money, talents, promise, remember - it is not for us. It is so we can help others.

Amos was a farmer who lived in the south. One day God told him to go to the north and talk to the people. Amos said, "I am not a prophet. I don't' know what to tell these people. I am a cowboy; I feed cows all day. You need someone with a trained tongue." God said, "Just go and when you get there you will know what to say." Amos went to the north without a clue. When he arrived, he noticed that everything was green. The whole land was fertile because of the generous rain fall. He also saw the Cows of Bashan. What are the Cows of Bashan? They are the most beautiful, big, plump, cows on the planet. When he compared the Cows of Bashan to his scrawny cows what a difference! It was then he knew what to say to the people. "Hear this, you Cows of Bashan." Why did Amos call the people Cows of Bashan? Not because they were all overweight, but because they, like the cows were ready for the slaughter. What Amos was really saying, "God did not give you all this food so you could get rich. He gave you a rich harvest so that you could help others. Look to the right and to the left, there are countries around you that are in a serious draught and need help." Enter the Assyrians. They saw the wealth in the northern kingdom and came in for the slaughter. Had the northerners been generous, and not horded the wealth, the enemy would have no reason to bother them.

Let me ask, why did our Lord send out the apostles in two's without any food or money? Imagine traveling without a few dollars for the tolls or something to eat on the way. That doesn't make any sense. The reason is that the disciples did not need any money or food because they can cure the sick.

When I broke my thumb it cost me almost nine hundred dollars. You know emergency room fee, doctor's bill and ex-rays. At the end of the visit, the doctor admitted, "You have a broken thumb but there is not much we can do with it." I said, "I wish you told me that when I first came in here." Actually, I didn't tell the doctor that because I didn't think of it until he left. But suppose there was a different scenario. Let's suppose I was on my way to the emergency room with a thick book for the five hours I would have to be there waiting, and I ran into two of the disciples that Jesus just sent out. I wave and one of them says, "What happened to your thumb?" I tell him that I think I broke it and I am on my way to check it out. He said, "Let me see that." He touched it and it was cured. Do you think I am not going to be grateful? I am going to ask, "Can I buy you to lunch?" Or, "Do you have a place to stay for the night?" Or I look at his feet and say, "Can I buy you a pair of shoes?" What is the message here? If you put your gifts in the service of God, like the disciples gift of healing, and you use your gifts to help others, you will not have to worry about anything.

I had a good day yesterday; I had a wedding, a funeral, a baptism, confessions, and a Saturday evening Mass. At the end of the day, it is my practice to review the day and remember all the great things that happened to me. Often the day go by so fast that we don't have time to appreciate all the "little things" that pass us by. I thought, "What if I didn't have my arms today, I would not have been able to achieve what I did. What if I didn't have ten years of seminary training, I would not have been able undertake what I did."

Attention Singers: We are looking for volunteers with any level of singing experience to join a choir that will provide music for worship at the 8pm mass every Sunday. We will rehearse Tuesday nights 7-9pm at St. Clement and have a warm-up before the mass. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact the Choir Director: Brett Kostrzewski: brettak@bu.edu