

St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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**PARKING - especially at
Sunday's 8PM Mass**

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Lent Days of Fast/Abstinence

All Fridays in Lent: No Meat. Good Friday: 1 Meal-No Meat



Sunday, March 22, 6:00-7:30pm front room

St Clement Book Club

We will be reading and discussing Notebook 1 (up to p. 221) of
St. Faustina's Diary

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

LENT: Wed 6:30-8:00pm

Before weekend Masses

Liturgy of the Hours

Mon-Fri 6:30A, 5P

You are Invited

Please come and experience Christ's Healing & Saving Love

In lieu of Monday Night, on all Wednesdays in Lent from 6:30-8:00pm,

St. Clements will be offering confessions, together with all the Catholic
parishes and chapels in the Boston Archdiocese.

This outreach is called ***The Light is On For You***, and is an effort to highlight
the importance of the sacrament of confession in the life of Catholics and
to make it as easy as possible for every Catholic to come or to return to
this great source of God's Mercy and healing Love.

You are welcome to come here or go to any other parish church or chapel.

Fr. Peter's Friday Night 7:00PM



Stations



of the Cross



Weekly Activities

Monday 6:30-6:45P

Rosary, *Front Room*

**Wednesday Night
Confessions**

6:30-8:00P

Monday 7-8P

Young Adults, *Front Room*

Thursday 7P

Pure In Heart, *Upper Room*

First Saturday, Mar. 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



*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 Four Weeks of Lent.***

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Or call Rich McKinney 617.266.5999 x127**



God says to Elijah, "Go to the mountain and I will meet you there." So Elijah goes and there is an earthquake; but God is not in the earthquake. Then there was a fire; and God was not in the fire. Then there was a _____. The Hebrew word is so archaic that no one can translate it. Our bibles can't just leave it blank and publish "...and God was in the blank." They made an educated guess and wrote that God was in the silence. However, there is good news. Last century we discovered an ancient language called Arcadian and there was a word with the same spelling as the mystery Hebrew word. The word was "powder." That makes sense to me. The earthquake caused a fire and the fire produced ashes, which were reduced to powder. As the ashes floated down, they created a very slight, audible sound. You have to really stretch your ear to hear, but it can be heard. So God is in the falling powder. That to me is a powerful lesson. Often God can just go by unnoticed, except to those who really try to hear Him.

My Dad tells the story of a woman who asked her husband why he likes to go to the woods of Maine. "Nothing is there, there are no malls, no restaurants, no theaters...nothing." They took a ride in the country, drove up a hill and got out of the car to enjoy the scenery. There was nothing but forest as far as one could see in any direction. The husband said, "Listen." The wife said, "I don't hear anything." "Listen again," he quipped. "I still can't hear anything." The husband then said, "That's why I love it here."

I was puttering around in the garden and a student from Berkeley School of Music came over and started to talk. Naturally, we were talking about music. He asked me, "What kind of music do you like?" I told him I like silence. He said, "That's a cool sound."

Presently, I am working on my doctorate. I finished my class work and my language requirement and I am now preparing for my comprehensive exams in October. I have to read eighty books that average about 500 pages each. My problem is simple. How do I read something in February and try to remember it in October. I need a strategy, and my strategy is to concentrate. The opposite of to concentrate is to dilute. You can't pour bleach directly on your clothes, for example. You have to dilute it by adding water. Sometimes we say that we have a lot on our minds. I call that a "brain dilution." Examples: I am going to be late for my appointment. Look at all this traffic. I hope it doesn't snow again this week. Oh, I like that song, it reminds me that no one loves me..." To concentrate for me means that all the thoughts have to leave the brain. Thoughts of "I hope it doesn't snow again..." have to leave. Thoughts about "No one loving me" have to leave. The only thing I want in my brain is the print on the page I am reading. Concentration is a hard discipline but I have to do it if I want to survive the October exams.

When God lead the Israelites out of Egypt, He brought them to the desert and they remained there for forty years. Why? Why didn't God just say, "This desert is awful. Let's get out of here and go to the Promised Land where there is perfect "LA" weather, pomegranates, citrus fruit and double lamb chops. The reason God left them in the desert is because there is nothing there, not even a cactus. In the desert, it will just be you and God. What happens when it is just you and God? Remember that God is the kindest, most merciful, compassionate person you will ever have the privilege to meet. You will certainly get close. You will get so close that you will form a bond that no one or no event will ever be able to break. The Israelites called this forty-year bond a covenant.

You will notice that Mark, unlike the other Evangelists, is really brief about his narrative about Jesus in the desert for forty days. His main focus is in on Jesus being in the desert. And what happens when it is just Jesus and His Father? They will become so close that a bond will be formed and they will go on to save the world.

Let's review. We are now in Lent which endures for forty-days. That means we are in a desert experience. A desert experience means that it is just you and our Lord. You can get close, very close so that you will be able to form a bond that nothing can dissolve. Sounds good to me.

If you can, these are the most needed Hours:

Monday	7A,5P
Tuesday	2A, 3A, 10A
Wednesday	3A, 10A, 12P, 3P
Thursday	10A, 12P, 2P,3P
Friday	2A, 7A, 11A, 12P, 1P
Saturday	2,A 3A, 4A, 4P, 5P
Sunday	2A, 3A, 4A

SAVE THE DATE

The Seminarian Scholarship Auction and Dinner is to be held this year on Saturday, April 25, 2015
For more information contact Richard McKinney,, 617 536-4141, omv.office@gmail.com.

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