# St. Clement Perpetual **Eucharistic Shrine**

May 17, 2015 Seventh Sunday of Easter

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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

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

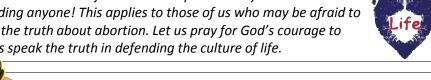
Park in-between the Church Parking Signs. If you park beyond you will be towed.

## Pure in Heart Boston - Young Adults Breakfast Sunday, May 17th



Please join your fellow young adults (ages 18 – 35) for breakfast after Mass this Sunday, May 17. Following the conclusion of the 11 a.m. Mass, we'll gather outside St. Clement's to get coffee as a group. It will be a wonderful time for fine food, good conversation and fellowship! Please feel free to contact Samantha Craig at sacraig@bu.edu with any questions.

Many times truth and justice are compromised by the desire to avoid 🔼 🤽 offending anyone! This applies to those of us who may be afraid to speak the truth about abortion. Let us pray for God's courage to always speak the truth in defending the culture of life.





At this time of year we receive many requests to received the sacrament of marriage at St Clements. The Shrine is a special home to many.

St Clements has been designated at the Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine for the Archdiocese of Boston and has been set aside for Divine Worship. We do not keep any records nor can we offer the rites of Marriage, Baptisms, Confirmations, etc. We invite you to call St. Cecilia's the nearest parish church for any sacramental need (617.536.454).

Some of St Clement attendees have asked Fr. Peter to officiate at their marriage and/or child's baptism. Depending on his schedule, Fr. Peter tries to accommodate these requests.

Others parishes around Boston are:

Our Lady of Victories Church 617.426.4448 www.olvboston.com 27 Isabella St, Boston

Near Mass Gen. Hosp.: St. Joseph Church 617.523.4342 www.stjosephboston.com 68 William Cardinal O'Connell Way, Boston

North End: St Leonard/Sacred Heart 617-523-2110 www.stleonardcatholicchurch.org 320 Hanover St, Boston.

St Mary 617- 242-4664 www.stmarystcatherine.org 55 Warren St, Charlestown

East Boston: St Joseph/St Lazarus 617.569.0406 - 59 Ashley St, East Boston

Also Holy Cross Cathedral 617.542.5682

#### **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 3P, 5P

Tuesday 2A, 3A, 6A, 7, 10A,4P Wednesday 3A, 9A, 10,A 12P,3P,4P Thursday 8A, 10A, 12P, 2P,3P Friday 2A, 8A,11A, 12:30P, 1P

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





I had a dream that I died and went to heaven. I knocked on the door and St. Peter answered, "What can I do for you"? I told him that I would like to enter. He said "Before proceeding through, you need 100 good-deed points to get in. Did you do anything in life that earned you some points"? I thought, this should be easy enough to get 100 points so I told him that I was a priest for 25 years. He said, "Yes, you are right, a priest in good standing. I will give you two points for that. I said, "That's it?" Then I told him that

I was an on-call chaplain every weekend for seventeen years. He said, "That is correct, you did get up many times during the night. I will give you three points for that; anything else? I told him that I gave my new bike to my brother when I was eight years old. He gave me one point for that. He said, "All you need now is ninety-four points." I told him this story. When I entered the seminary in Italy, I went to my first class which was called Metaphysical Anthropology. I didn't understand a word the professor said. Not only is Metaphysical Anthropology difficult, but the professor spoke in Italian. After the class, I turned to our Lord and said, "Lord, if you want me to pass this class, and if you want me to be a priest, then you are going to have to help me." After I told that story, the pearly gates of heaven opened wide. I asked, "What is happening?" St. Peter said, "Trusting in God is 100 points; you can come in now. Sometimes we think it is all about what we do, but it is really about what God does for us.

One day during the Iraqi war, Sister Olga called me and told me that a priest from Iraq is going to be in town for a few days and could he stay with us? When he arrived, I brought the priest, Fr. Yousef, to his room. He placed a book from his luggage on the table. The front cover caught my eye. I was picture of a boat being tossed about in the waves with disciples waving their hands in panic. Jesus was sleeping in the middle of the boat. One of the disciples had his two hands on Jesus shoulders trying to wake Him up. The caption was in Arabic. I asked Fr. Yousef what was the name of the book. He said, Jesus I have a Problem, and You are Asleep. He said, "I wrote that book because we are in a storm in Bagdad and it appears that Jesus is asleep. We will not be afraid like the disciples because we know that our Lord is in the boat. We do not have to wake Him up. We know He is with us.

I have a tree in the front of my window. In the summer the leaves block the building across the street. When I look out the window it looks like I am in the middle of a forest. It is really nice. One night there was a storm. The next day I looked out the window and there was a big hole in the tree. No more forest. Many branches landed on the sidewalk. I cleaned up the mess and lost my forest view. A few months later the hole filled in and I have my forest back. Here is my point. No matter how bad the storm or the damage around you - just stay connected to Christ. That is, abide in Him.

My first assignment as a priest was in New Jersey. After five years I came here to Boston. Five years into my work in Boston I had to go to a vocation conference near my old parish. I stopped by the parish where I was invited to stay for the night. The pastor asked me if I wanted to say the 9:00am Mass. He said, "Some people still remember you and they would be glad to see you again. With me on the altar was a server. She held the book for me and helped me around the altar. After the Mass, her parents came over and asked if they could take a picture of me together with their daughter. After some pictures, they asked if I recognized her. I said, "I think this is the first time we met." They said, "No, when she was a baby, you baptized her. And before you did anything, you made an announcement. You told us to please be patient with you because this was your first baptism." I remember that day. Little did I know that ten years ago when I was baptizing my altar server "In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit," that God was going to prepare this girl to be a server at Mass and that I would return to celebrate where the two of us would meet again. I couldn't have planned that if I tried.

That is what happens when we remain in our Lord. He is the one guiding our lives. It is okay to depend on God because it is the best decision we will ever make. When St. Peter asks you "What are your good-deed points? Tell him, you needed our Lord.