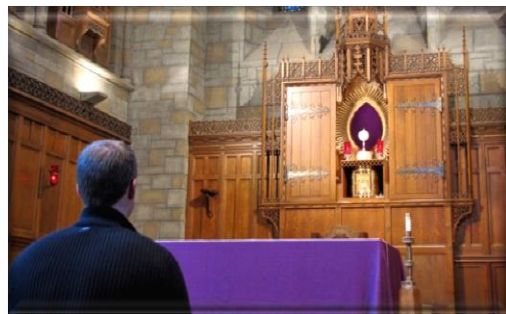


# St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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**November 15, 2015 Thirty-third Sunday**



## 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

**Sunday's Choral Motet: Ave verum** by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-91)  
Sung in Latin

**Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine,  
Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine,  
Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine,  
Esto nobis prae gustatum in mortis examine.**

*Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary,  
Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for man,  
Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood,  
Be for us a foretaste in the test of death.*

**St. Clement Book Club Sunday, Dec. 13th 6-7:30 PM** *Front Rm*



**"The Second Greatest Story Ever Told"** by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC.

In *The Second Greatest Story Ever Told*, bestselling author Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, reveals St. John Paul II's witness for our time. Building on the prophetic voices of Margaret Mary Alacoque, Thérèse of Lisieux, Maximilian Kolbe, and Faustina Kowalska, *The Second Greatest Story Ever Told* is more than a historical account of the Great Mercy Pope. This book expounds on the profound connection between Divine Mercy and Marian consecration. It serves as an inspiration for all those who desire to bear witness to the mercy of God, focused on Christ and formed by Mary.

Now is the time of mercy. Now is the time to make John Paul's story your own.

## Eucharistic Adorers Prayer Groups - *Front Room*

Prayer groups of Eucharistic Adorers are forming. We will be getting together twice a month for discussion, praying with Scripture, faith sharing and fellowship. Discussion in the first six sessions will be on the topic of the mystery of the Eucharist, after watching Bishop Barron's talk: *Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence*.

Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm **Nov. 17**, Dec. 1, Dec. 15, Jan. 5, Jan. 19

**or** Sundays, 2:00 - 3:30 pm **Nov. 22**, Dec. 6, Dec. 20, Jan. 10, Jan. 24

Please email [AdorationBoston@gmail.com](mailto:AdorationBoston@gmail.com) to sign up for either the Tuesday evening group or the Sunday afternoon group.

## Weekly Activities

**Monday** 6:30-6:45P

**Rosary**, *Front Room*

**Monday Night**

**Confessions** 7:30-8:30P

**Monday** 7-8P

**Young Adults**, *Front Rm*

**Tuesday** 7-9P

**Music Ministry**, *Upper Rm*

**Thursday** 6P

**Legion of Mary**, *Front Rm*

**Thursday** 7P

**Pure In Heart**, *Upper Rm*

## Potluck Brunches Sunday, Nov. 15th & Sunday, Dec. 13th



Join us for a potluck brunch after the 11AM Mass in the Upper Room, sponsored by Adoration Boston. For more information email [adorationboston@gmail.com](mailto:adorationboston@gmail.com). Everyone is welcome!

*Should you wish to bring a potluck offering, please remember there is no access to a fridge or stove.*



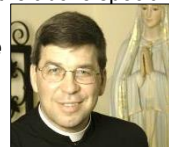
## Sunday, November 22nd 8:00P - Missa Musica

On 22 November, Christ the King Sunday, St. Clement will present its first Missa Musica of the season. A professional trio will sing the complete *Mass for three voices* by William Byrd (c. 1539 - 1623) in the 8pm mass liturgy. Please join us for this special mass preceding Advent.

## 7 AM Mass Monday, Nov. 23rd, the Feast of St. Clement

In honor of this feast day, the patron Saint of our beloved St. Clement Church, and in thanksgiving to the Oblates of the Virgin Mary for their many years of faithful service here, and for the healing and cure of Fr. Greg Staab, OMV, the 7am Mass on Monday November 23rd will be celebrated for the above special intentions.

*Fr. Greg's health shows continuing signs of weakness, but with his ever-joyful smile and hopeful disposition, he would be very, very grateful for your prayers. May God bless all of you with abundant graces on St. Clement's feast day!*



## Eucharistic Adoration

These are the current "open" hours of Adoration where we need an adoror. Please let me know if you can cover one of these hours either temporarily or regularly.

Rich McKinney 617.536-4141 or [adorationboston.com](http://adorationboston.com)



<i>Monday</i>	2P, 3P, 4P
<i>Tuesday</i>	7A, 10A, 2P
<i>Wednesday</i>	8A, 10A 12:30P, 3P, 5P
<i>Thursday</i>	9A, 12:30P, 2P, 5P, 9P
<i>Friday</i>	2A, 11A, 1P, 10P
<i>Saturday</i>	3A, 4A, 3P, 4P, 5P
<i>Sunday</i>	2A, 3A, 4A, 9A



### Spiritual Thought

When you eat dinner, where are your feet? Under the table...you may be wearing your Nikes or your smart wool socks or slippers but your feet are under the table so you don't have to worry about them. This is not the case in the ancient world...they had no table. You ate dinner in a reclined position and that meant your feet were next to the mashed potatoes. Here is the problem: Let's say you are invited to your friend's for dinner. You are walking through the dusty and dirty streets of Jerusalem. There is mud and dirt on the road, and remember that this is the same road that the oxen travel carrying their loads into the city, and the shepherd leads his flock to pasture. Who knows what is on your feet when you arrive at your friend's. Then he says, "Hurry up, we have just reclined to eat." There you are with your feet next to the chicken wings. You are not going to be very comfortable. To prevent this from happening, the ancients provided hospitality. That is, they made a basin of water and a clean towel available for the guests so they could wash their feet. In fact, often the slave or one of the kids would assist you. Then you would recline at table and not have to worry about your feet.

I tell you this because just a few days before Jesus stood before Pilate and was condemned to die, He met two inspirational women that had a profound impact on the way Jesus approached His death: A woman with two copper coins, and a woman He met at a dinner. The religious leaders who invited Jesus to dinner did not offer Him any water for His feet or a towel. A woman outside of the group thought, "Well if they are not going to provide proper hospitality, then I will." She thought about her misspent life and started to cry. The tears slowly washed away the dirt. She didn't have a towel - she used her hair. We may watch this scene and ask, "What is she doing? This is not her guest. This is not her home. Why is she doing this?" She was anticipating that God would forgive her sins. That God would give her a new start in life so she can begin anew. That God will want to inspire people for two thousand years with her example. It is okay to anticipate God's goodness. We know God will provide for us.

Then there was a mother who had only a little flour left in her kitchen to make her son a meal. It was at that moment a stranger came to her door and said, "I am hungry; give me something to eat." The woman made him a meal with the food. Why did she do that? Why did she take the food that she was going to give her kid and give it to a stranger? Why didn't she explain to him that there was a seven-year famine and there was no food. She was anticipating that God would bless her with food during the famine. She was anticipating that God would be good to her and her son. It was okay to show this stranger hospitality.

There was another woman who put in all that she had, a mere two pennies, into the temple treasury. Why? She would have been prudent if she just used it to provide for her own needs. So why did she give? She was anticipating that God was going to do something special with her generosity. Her example provided two-thousand years of inspiration.

The lesson is that it is more than appropriate to anticipate the goodness of God in our lives. What is anticipation? We normally like to thank God for what he has done for us in the past. We thank Him for our families, friends, health, food and material goods. Anticipation means that we thank God and show our appreciation before God gives us the blessing. We know that God has a great plan for us and that He is watching out for us. We show our gratitude now for that future. This is the time to be grateful to God for what is to come.

One evening, after the 8:00 pm Mass, I greeted the people: "Have a nice week...thank you for coming.... A family from Virginia came over to me and started to talk about their visit to Boston. They said they loved the city, they found the church and they were glad they came. They were now on their way back to Virginia. We exchanged niceties and they left. One minute later they returned to me and said, "Our car was towed." I said to them, "Get in the van." Naturally they objected, "But Father, we do not want to put you out, it's very late" I told them, "Everyone gets towed, that is how I meet the parishioners." Let me tell you about the Somerville tow lot. It is at the end of dead-end road and there are no streetlights. If you are making a movie and want a great place for a murder scene, this is it. It is the seediest place I have ever been. I arrived at the lot and they jumped out of the car and thanked me. I said, "Wait. Hold it. I am not leaving here until I see you drive out of the lot. Then get behind my van and follow me to the highway." When we arrived at the highway, I looked through the rear view mirror and I saw a pair of hands waving to me. Why did I help them? I am not going to get a Christmas bonus, or a donation for the capital campaign. I helped them because I am anticipating. There will be a day when I will be knocking on God's door and He is not going to say, "You are the guy that says the Mass in Boston." God is not going to say, "I know you. You are the one who had a mid-life crisis and went back to school at the age of fifty-five." (Okay, maybe He will say that.) God is going to say, "I know you. You are the guy who is hospitable to strangers who can't read parking signs."

The woman in the gospel loved much because she knew that God only gives good things. She anticipated. So must we. We need to show our appreciation for God now, because God is going to do great things for us.