# St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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Nov. 22, 2015 Christ the King Sunday



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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

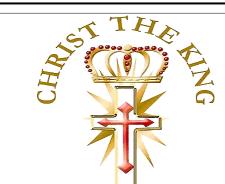
Confessions Mon 7:30P–8:30P Before weekend Masses

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 Rm Tuesday 7-9P Music Ministry,Upper Rm Thursday 6P Legion of Mary ,Front Rm Thursday 7P Pure In Heart, Upper Rm



## Sunday, 8:00pm – Missa Musica

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.

### 7:00am 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, grateful for your prayers.



May God bless all of you with abundant graces on St. Clement's feast day!

# Please Note: Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Day THERE WILL BE NO 7am or 12:10pm MASSES ONLY ONE (1) MASS WHICH WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 11:00am

#### **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, 4P
Tuesday	7A, 10A, 2P
Wednesday	8A, 10A 12:30P, 3P, 5P
Thursday	9A, 12:30P, 2P, 5P, 9P
Friday	2A, 11A, 1P, 10P
Saturday	3A, 4A, 3P, 4P, 5P
Sunday	2A, 3A, 4A, 9A



#### Spiritual Thought

The night before Hurricane Sandy, I had the 8:00pm Mass. Later, I went to the hospital to visit three patients. When I was done I was famished. My plan was to go to grocers on the way back home and buy a few tomatoes to make a sauce for spaghetti: delicious carbs. I picked out the

tomatoes and I got in a long line to pay. I was standing in a sea of shopping carts and every one of them was filled. As I was waiting, I thought to myself that maybe I should buy something else, to make storm preparations like everyone around me. I felt ridiculous standing there with two tomatoes. I thought, "No, we are ready for the storm; we have everything we need."

In the Gospel, Jesus talks about the veiled moon and the sun covered with the stars no longer visible – a storm. The storm He warns about is different. There were no twenty-four hour news services, no mayor warning everyone to flee the coast, or no evacuation plan. Only the Father knows when this storm is going to hit. The question is: How do you prepare for a storm when no one knows when it is going to arrive?

I joined my fly fishing friend one day at the lake. I noticed he had a plastic straw dangling from his mouth. I asked, "What's with the straw?" He said, "I quit smoking. The straw replaces the cigarette that is usually in my mouth" I said, "That's wonderful. When?" He told me that his doctor told him he had to quit. I said, "I suggested that to you years ago." He said, "I have cancer; he gave me a year." My thought is this: If you have something important to do, do it now. Do not wait until later. That is how we prepare for the hidden storms in life. Do not put off the important things or the things that really matter.

Years ago I was asked to help with a reconciliation service. Before the priests went to their stations, a priest gave a short reflection that went something like this. The master devil sent his three junior fledglings to wreak havoc on the earth and to get some experience. They came back to report. The first one said, "I got the idea of a great mystery novel. Everyone is reading it. In it, it says that the life of Jesus Christ and His church is just a hoax." The master devil said, "Well, actually, we've tried that. People got curious about their faith. They wanted to search and find deeper meanings and truths. That is the last thing we want." A little frustrated, the master turned toward the second devil. He said, "I just unearthed a church scandal. It is really huge. Everyone in the world is talking about it. It is rocking the church." The master devil said, "Well, we tried that as well and the Church faithful and their leaders were humbled and repentant. We don't want to see is humble, repentant Christians." The master devil turned to the third devil who calmly reported his work. "I went around to all the Christians. I told them that they should get their lives in order. I told them they should be more prayerful and vigilant. "You need to obey all Ten Commandments, and live virtuous lives. We were destined to live the life that Christ left us in the gospel. We do not want to lose that opportunity. You should begin to do these things *tomorrow*." The master smiled and turned to his other two and said, "This plan always works. Everyone thinks (s) he has plenty of time."

One day, not long after my mother died, I walked in the office; Carol, our office manager, was busy at work. I sat down and started up the computer. The date appeared on the screen and I reflectively stared at it for a long time. I then said, "Today is my mother's birthday; she would have been seventy-one." Carol, who lost her mother a few years before, stopped what she was doing and swiveled the chair around to face me. She said, "You know what the hardest time is? Just before Mother's Day. You are in the store and you know that you can never give her another card."

If you have something important to do, do it now. Do not put it off. If you do, you will be like me standing in the grocery store, just before the storm, holding two tomatoes and saying, "I am ready."