# St. Clement Perpetual Eucharistic Shrine

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November 8, 2015 Thirty-second 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

## **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, Nov. 8th Choral Motet: If Ye Love Me - Thomas Tallis (c. 1505 - 85)

Sung in English

If ye love me
Keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may bide with you forever,
e'en the spirit of truth.



St. Clement Book Club Sunday, Nov. 8th 6-7:30 PM Front Room

This meeting will complete the discussion of the diary of St. Faustina *Divine Mercy in My Soul. Please contact donovan.joanne@gmail.com with questions*.

## **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. 8, Nov. 22, Dec. 6, Dec. 20, Jan. 10, Jan. 24

Please email <u>AdorationBoston@gmail.com</u> to sign up for either the Tuesday evening group or the Sunday afternoon group.

Saturday, Nov 14, 8:30A- 4P Our Lady of Perpetual Help/"Mission Church" 1545 Tremont St, Roxbury Crossing Institute on Religious Life Meeting: "Rich in Mercy"

Preparing for the special Jubilee of Mercy declared by Pope Francis, which begins December 8th, 2015, come experience refuge, retreat and renewal at this year's IRL Regional Meeting, "Rich in Mercy". Guest speakers: Rev. Andrew Beauregard, F.P.O.-Pope Francis as a witness and servant of mercy; Dr. Greg Kolodziejczak-human relationships within community; Rev. Giuseppe Maria Siniscalchi, C.F.R.-spiritual ailments keeping all of us from responding to our vocations. Please find registration form and information here, <a href="http://religiouslife.com/news-programs/regional-meeting">http://religiouslife.com/news-programs/regional-meeting</a>. Cost: \$15 dollars per person to help defray costs. After November 11, the registration fee will be \$20. Please email Pat O'Donnell with any questions, pat.odonnell1@verizon.net.

## 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 <a href="mailto:adorationboston@gmail.com">adorationboston@gmail.com</a>. 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.

**Young Adults Activities** To be added to the St. Clement Young Adult emails, contact **stclementyoungadults@gmail.com** 

Volunteer Opportunities:

St. Francis House, 39 Boylston St.- first Saturday of each month.

Please contact: Joey George jgeorge@alum.mit.edu

#### **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 2P, 3P, 4P Tuesday 7A, 10A, 2P

Wednesday8A, 10A 12:30P, 3P, 5PThursday9A, 12:30P, 2P, 5P, 9PFriday2A, 11A, 1P, 10PSaturday3A, 4A, 3P, 4P, 5P

Sunday 2A, 3A, 4A, 9A



The first thing I did at my first parish was to send a questionnaire asking, "What do you want us to do for you?" Almost unanimously, the parishioners let us know they wanted a youth program for the high school kids. The request made a lot of sense. There was nothing for kids in Avenel, New

Jersey, no malls, no playgrounds, no fields, no trout streams and no lakes. The only thing to do was hang out on the street. We all know what that can lead to. I said, "Fine, I guess." We had lock-ins, trips to Six-Flags, dances, retreats, car-washes...the kids loved it. In fact, one day I asked, "Where are all these kids coming from?" I found out they were coming from neighboring communities. On one trip, a chaperone told me that we had too many kids. I looked out the window and saw a group of kids standing in front of an already full bus. I said, "Don't send anyone away. Get another bus." Every kid was important.

If I do go to heaven, and St. Peter asks me for some proof that I lived a good life, I will show him a mark on my hand. During one of the youth meetings, the kids were getting excited and waving things about. I got stabbed in the palm of my hand with a pencil. Kids! The lead in the pencil left a permanent blue dot on my palm. I will also show St. Peter my head because it was at that time that my hair started to grey and fall out.

In the Book of Revelation there is a vision of one hundred and forty-four thousand saints praising God in heaven. If you do the math, it is twelve times twelve hundred. The twelve represents the twelve tribes of Israel; the number is a symbol that everyone in the tribe makes it to heaven. It is also noted that everyone has a tattoo or a mark. The mark shows they belong to God. Everyone who goes to heaven will have a mark that they gained during the trials and tribulations of living Christ's life on earth. I have my mark on my palm. My father has calluses on his hands for fifty years of manual labor to support his family. My brother will have a scar on his butt for all the times they had to pull out his wallet to pay for sporting goods, tuition, and dental care. I know a religious who is going to heaven with bags under her eyes for the many hours this good woman worked at Children's Hospital.

I believe you get these marks when you live out the eight beatitudes. Blessed are the poor; blessed are the sick; blessed are the peacemakers, etc. Let me put it this way. When do we see all eight of these beatitudes in full display? When are they all lived out and practiced at the same time? Answer: When Jesus is on the cross. At that moment, Jesus is poor in spirit (they take away his clothes), he is merciful, (Father, forgive them), he is persecuted for righteous sake, he thirsts for justice, he even says, "I thirst" (the redemption of all souls). He is the peacemaker (he could have called down a host of angels to destroy them). All eight of the beatitudes are lived perfectly for us to see how they are done. What's more is that when Jesus lives the beatitudes, we are the ones who get blessed. When Jesus dies, we are shown mercy; we receive the kingdom of God. It is when Jesus is living out the beatitudes that He receives His marks. Know that when we see Christ in heaven, He will not have the prefect body. It will be deformed. He will have holes in His hands, holes in His Feet, scars surrounding His Head and a large scar on His chest where a Roman spear stabbed Him. He will not have the perfect body but He will be beautiful because the only reason we can be with Him is because of those wounds.

Little did I know that when I pulled out the pencil from my palm, and hair was falling off my head that years later I would receive a Christmas card from one of the first members of the youth group. He sent me a picture with his arm around his wife and three children posing in front of their home. He wrote on the card: "If you didn't come to us and started that youth group, this picture would never have happened."

Live the beatitudes. When we do, people get blessed.