St. Clement Perpetual **Eucharistic Shrine**

Oct. 25, 2015 Thirtieth Sunday

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ST. CLEMENT EUCHARISTIC SHRINE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Staffed by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary omvusa.org

PARKING - especially at Sunday's 8PM Mass Park in-between the Church Parking Signs. If you park beyond you will be towed.

Sunday, Oct.18th Choral Motet: Ave verum corpus by Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, 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

Holv Hour & Benediction October 30th 7:00PM

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 **Tuesday** 7-9P Music Ministry, Upper Rm **Thursday** 7P Pure In Heart, Upper Rm



Sung in Latin

Celebrate *Consecrated Life* with the Oblates! Join us for a holy hour at 7pm on Friday, October 30, including Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, followed by light refreshments and a chance to meet everyone, especially all of the religious in attendance. All are welcome! Please RSVP to 617-266-5999×210 or paulnomv@gmail.com.

Monday, November 2nd 8:00P - All Souls Day



Join us for a musical commemoration of All the Faithful Departed Souls. The beautiful Officium defunctorum (Requiem Mass) by Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611) will be performed by a professional sextet in the sanctuary of St. Clement, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Excerpts will be sung as part of the 8pm Mass on Sunday, November 1st.

St. Clement Book Club Sunday, Nov. 8th 6:00-7:30 PM Front Room

This meeting will complete the discussion of the diary of St. Faustina Divine Mercy in My Soul. All are Welcome. Please contact Joanne Donovan at donovan.joanne@gmail.com with questions.



The Legion of Mary-Sancta Maria Praesidium Thursdays at 6 PM in the Front Room

Spiritual Director is Rev. Breaulio Roger Perera, CSsR. The Legion of Mary is a worldwide organization of Lay

Catholics with more than 4 million members in 160 countries. It is the Blessed Virgin Mary's Apostolate of prayer and love in action.

The Sancta Maria group meets weekly, to pray Legion prayers, Holy Rosary and members are assigned weekly Apostolic work with the conviction that Mary accompanies them. Faithfulness in sacramental life, attendance of weekly meeting and assigned work are priority for obtaining Grace for Holiness. All are welcome. www.newenglandlegionofmary.org

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: Joev 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, 4P,

 Wednesday
 8A, 10A 12:30P, 3P, 5P

 Thursday
 9A, 12:30P, 2P, 3P, 5P

 Friday
 2A, 11A, 12:30P, 1P, 4P, 10P

 Saturday
 3A, 4A, 3P, 4P, 5P, 10P

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



Spiritual Thought

A messenger from God appeared to a man and asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" He replied, "What can you give me?" "I can give you the Wisdom of Solomon or all the money you can imagine," the angel replied. "Let me consult my family and get back to you." His family asked, "What do you mean, which one?

Are you crazy? Take the money." The man said, "There are more important things in life. You can't buy happiness with money. I will take wisdom." When the man returned to his family and friends, they gathered to welcome him. They asked, "Oh wise one, speak to us of the Wisdom of Solomon." The man took a deep breath, as if he was about to impress the crowd, opened his mouth and said, "I should have taken the money."

If God asked, "What would you like me to do for you?" What would you tell Him? Do you have a readymade answer? That is what happened in the gospel. Jesus asked James and John, "What would you like me to do for you?" The two disciples asked for truly godly gifts. Not only do they want heaven, which, in itself, is a big prize, but they want the most important places in heaven. Now before we all start to look down our noses at the two, remember the most important rule in fundraising: Always aim high.

When I first came to St. Clement Shrine there were needed repairs that required immediate attention. One of them was the kneelers. They badly needed to be reupholstered. So, I had a kneeler campaign. People could donate \$45 per kneeler. It was a successful fundraiser because it didn't require everyone to break the bank. After about a week, a gentleman called and asked if there were any kneelers left. I said, "There are about thirty." He said, "I will take them all." Of course, I thanked him. I then told him that we had other "gift items" that needed filling...such as the sound system. Often during Mass the police radio would come over the speakers. I also needed to scaffold the interior of the church so we could clean the walls that were blacked with years of city grime. He paid for it all. You see, always aim high. What went wrong with the two disciples? Why didn't they get their request? They failed to aim high enough. Is it possible that there is a higher request than the highest place in heaven?

Immediately after this scene Jesus walks by a blind man and asks him the exact same question: "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said, "I want to see." Jesus honored his request and the man followed Jesus. I have a question: What group is blatantly missing when Jesus dies on the cross? The mother of Jesus is there. The women who followed Jesus were there. The apostle John and Simon of Cyrene, who helped Jesus carry the cross, were there. The crowd was there with the Pharisees and Sadducees and the high priest to satisfy their blood lust. The Roman soldiers were in the front row. Every group in Jerusalem was represented except disciples. Why? They didn't answer the question correctly. They should have said, "We want to see so we can follow you. We want to see you turn the other cheek. We want to see you stand strong before Pilate and not compromise the truth. We want to see you love your enemy and pray for your persecutors." Whenever you pray, make sure you get it right. Aim high and give Him the correct answer. Tell Him you want to see.

Jesus tells the disciples that their request can only be honored by the Father. Who possibly could be more worthy of the right and the left than the two apostles? They have a legacy that is known by every person that has ever been born in the last two thousand years. Who could be more deserving? Mother Theresa? John the Baptist? At the cross, where Christ wins redemption for all humankind, at the moment that has been anticipated by the prophets, we see whom the father has chosen for the right and the left: two thugs, the lowest of the low. Why them? Who are these two? Sometimes I imagine heaven. I picture a group of people around St. Peter. St. Francis will have a group as well. But there is a mob scene around the two thugs. They represent us. We are all sinners who need God at our most vulnerable moment. This is why Christ came. God, our Father, loves nobody-sinners – you and me. He sent His Son to save us. We are very privileged to be so loved by God

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