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(1 Corinthians 13:8)



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Bulletin Announcements: Deadline is Monday at Noon to the St. Clement Parish Office or to st_clement@tds.net



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, April 25	8:15 a.m.
	<i>(Saint Mark, Evangelist)</i>
	†Sr. Angeline Kieler, SSSF
Wednesday, April 26.	8:15 a.m.
	†William R. Vernon
Thursday, April 27	8:15 a.m.
	Marsha Pace
Friday, April 28.	8:15 a.m.
	<i>(Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr;</i>
	<i>Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest)</i>
	†Marcella Mulrooney
Saturday, April 29.	8:15 a.m.
	<i>(Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the</i>
	<i>Church)</i>
	†William R. Vernon
	5:00 p.m.
	†Betty DeShaw
Sunday, April 30.	7:30 a.m.
	<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>
	People of our Parish
	9:30 a.m.
	First Communicants

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. **Tuesday – Friday:** 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Before Daily & Sunday Masses;
Saturdays, 4:00 p.m.

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

April 15 & 16

Church Support Envelopes	\$7,842.00
Offertory Cash.	\$1,216.00
Children's Collection	\$83.00
Weekly Electronic Giving	\$1,205.00
Total	\$10,346.00
April Budgeted Offertory.	\$39,500.00
April Offertory Received	\$31,318.00
Monthly Offertory Comparison	
March 2023 (4 weekends)	\$36,356.00
March 2022 (4 weekends)	\$31,608.00

From Our Pastor:

Happy Easter! With the Church, we celebrate the Easter Season for 50 days, through Pentecost Sunday (May 28 this year), when we remember the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Upper Room (Acts 2). God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit has called not only the Apostles and Jesus' Mother, but each of us to be His disciples! In the Gospel this Sunday, we read about Our Lord calling the disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35), reminding us all to recognize Him in His Word and Holy Eucharist. What does it mean to be "Resurrection-disciples," *disciples of Jesus Christ crucified and risen from the dead*? To help us answer this, the following is adapted from Pope Benedict XVI and his book, Seek That Which is Above:

The first message of the Risen Lord, communicated by means of the angels and the women is: *Come, follow me; I am going before you!* Resurrection-disciples step forward in faith, hope and love to follow Jesus Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:6). Saint John and Saint Luke state very clearly where and how Christ has gone and where we are to follow Him: to Heaven (John 20; Acts 1-2). Jesus tells Mary Magdalen that she has to wait until He has ascended before she can hold on to Him – and now we can hold on to and follow Jesus in His Church, Word, Sacraments and daily prayer. That is why Christian tradition deliberately speaks of following Jesus Christ crucified and risen from the dead. We follow, not a dead man, but the living Christ, without compromises, in holy boldness. Resurrection-discipleship means that we can go where Peter and others initially could not go (John 13), for Jesus has ascended into Heaven. Resurrection-disciples embrace Jesus Christ's Cross and Resurrection and His divine Sonship, accepting the entire path of Jesus Christ, going forward into those things that are above, that come from God, to all that is good, beautiful and true, living the virtues of faith, hope, love as children of God.

Resurrection-disciples step forward in genuine selfless love, in our love for God and love for neighbor, in order to find what it is to be a human person, sons and daughters of God, to communicate the truth and joy of the Lord that the world so urgently needs. Christian disciples have a duty to manifest the fruits of the Holy Spirit – joy, love, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control (Galatians 5:22-23) – in our words and deeds as we strive by God's grace to live the virtues of faith, hope and love, to proclaim the Truth with love (Ephesians 4) about life, family, marriage, and all the fundamental life-affirming teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church.

By God's grace, as Resurrection-disciples, may we faithfully and joyfully follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, giving witness to Him in Truth, in faith, hope and love, *asking* for His mercy, *being* merciful and *completely trusting* in Jesus Christ, the Only Savior of the world. Amen! Alleluia!

With peace and prayers in Jesus Christ,
Fr. William

NOTES & REMINDERS

First Holy Communion is Sunday, April 30, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Confirmation is Thursday, May 18, at the 7 p.m. Mass with Bishop Donald Hying.

Please check the Lost & Found for items that may have been misplaced.

Please check out our tables at the church entrances for a Saint Clement family event on Sunday, May 7th after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.





**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:
APRIL 22 & 23**



5:00 p.m. Lector: Bill Manthe
 5:00 p.m. Servers: Brody, Brooklyn & Braelyn Crubel
 7:30 a.m. Lector: Rita Schmitz
 7:30 a.m. Servers: Eliza Haas & Cooper Graney
 9:30 a.m. Lector: Sheri Ihm
 9:30 a.m. Servers: Vivian & Eleanor Bernhardt, Seth Mendis

THE WILD GOOSE: THE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control...If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit.” – Galatians 5:22-25

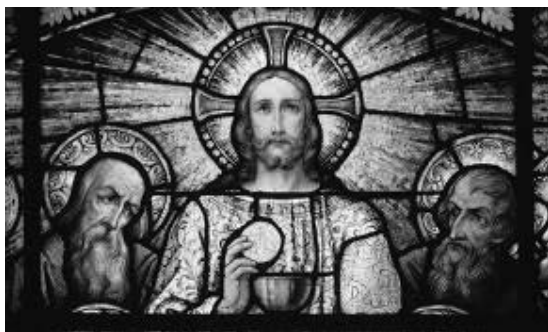
By the way we live and how we treat people, our lives are producing some type of fruit. The sort of fruit our lives produce has eternal consequences for us personally, as well as a profound impact on the people we encounter. Join us as Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, takes a deeper look at the kind of fruit we are called to bear as disciples of Jesus Christ. We meet on Tuesdays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass and on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Even if you have not been able to join us for previous sessions, know that you are welcome! Reflection Question: What fruit do you need “to grow” more fully in your life?

FAMILY PROMISE HOST WEEK WRAP-UP

Thank you to everyone who assisted in any way during our Family Promise host week, which concludes today (Sunday, April 23). The families will now be served by other host churches in the coming weeks until we host again in June. Know that they always thank us for our generosity and care. They look forward to being at St. Clement, not only because this is one of the few churches that have beds, but also for the hospitality that they receive. On their behalf, thank you!

PRAY FOR OUR 1ST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN AND CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Next Sunday, April 30, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, twenty of our children will receive their First Holy Communion Mass, and on May 18 our Confirmation students will be Confirmed in the Holy Spirit by Bishop Donald Hying. At the entrances of the church there are baskets with the names of our children and youth who will be receiving these Sacraments. Please take a name or two, and lift them up in your daily prayers as they continue to prepare for God’s graces to come upon them. Pray too, for their families as they support and encourage them in their faith journey.



SAVE THE DATES

Photography for our new Parish Directory is scheduled for June 1-3 and June 6-10. The sign-up link for scheduling your session is: www.ucdir.com. Click on “Photography Appointment Scheduling Login.” Our Church Code is: WI243 and our Password is: photos. Sign up soon! Starting next weekend, April 29 & 30, we will also be scheduling photography appointments at the entrance of the church after Mass. Look for us near the SCRIP table!



Even if you have recently had your family photos taken, we encourage you to sign up for a photo session with us. With the forming of the pastorates July 1, this will be our last St. Clement Parish directory. We would like as many of you to participate and be included in it. It will only take a few minutes of your time for a photo sitting and choosing your free 8x10 photo, plus you will receive a free parish directory for taking part. Please schedule soon, either online, doing so after Mass, or calling the parish office.



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“Easter is not just something that happened over 2,000 years ago. The Resurrection is always present to us. It is a great “mystery of faith” (*mysterium fidei*) – as the priest proclaims at every Mass right after the consecration. Mystery, in this sense, does not mean that God is hiding something from us that we need to figure out, but rather that God is constantly inviting us deeper into relationship with Him so that we enter more deeply into the sacred mysteries of our faith.”

“This is My Body, which will be given up for you; do this in memory of Me” (Luke 22:19).

“There is no greater way to enter into the mystery than at Mass, where Heaven truly meets earth. The Lord Jesus longs to give us eyes to see, ears to hear, and a heart open to receive His gifts at Mass. Jesus is inviting us on a very special journey this Easter Season (the fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost). He deeply desires for us to be fully present at Mass, to actively participate from the heart. He wants to encounter us even as we encounter Him, so that, together with Jesus and the whole community of believers, we can all go on mission with Him for the life of the world.” ~ Sr. Alicia Torres, F.E., managing editor of *The Heart of the Revival*

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

THIRD QUARTER HONOR ROLL

The teachers and staff of Saint Clement School would like to congratulate the following fifth and sixth grade students on making the Honor Roll for the third quarter:

High Honors: Cooper Graney, Franklin Ihm, and Isaac Jensen

Honor Roll: Jon Hermsen and Lexie Olmstead

Honorable Mention: Kenlinn Byl, Georgia Ihm, Sienna Ihm, and Mitchell Mumm

Special recognition goes out to Isaac Jensen for earning a perfect 4.00 grade point average for the third quarter... Keep up the great work!!!

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