

# SAINT CLEMENT CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

 Monday:
 Tuesday – Friday:

 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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# RECONCILIATION

Before Daily & Sunday Masses; Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

# **STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

#### May 27 & 28

Church Support Énvelopes \$2,791.00
Offertory Cash\$723.00
Children's Collection\$50.00
Weekly Electronic Giving \$1,205.00
Total\$4,769.00
May Budgeted Offertory\$39,500.00
May Offertory Received \$28,969.00
Monthly Offertory Comparison
April 2023 (5 weekends)\$49,191.00

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RECENTLY BAPTIZED BRETON ALLEN AND KAMRI JEAN Children of Brandon & Kessa Klaas

# From Our Pastor:

This Sunday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (and we read from Exodus 34:4-9; Daniel 3:52-55; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18). "By sending His only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed His innermost secret: God Himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and He has destined us to share in that exchange" (Catechism of the Catholic Church #221). God has called us to share in His eternal love! He has made each of us in His image – and, through our baptism, the Holy Trinity dwells in us, giving us the grace to live the virtuous life of faith, hope and love. By the power of His Holy Spirit, God's love has been poured into our hearts and He calls us to witness to His love by our prayers, words and actions.

When we pray, we invoke the Holy Trinity, as we often begin our prayers by making the sign of the Cross, "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." However, Pope Benedict XVI has asked, "How often have we made the sign of the Cross, invoking without really adverting to it, the Name of the Triune God? In its original meaning, the sign of the Cross was, each time it was made, a renewal of our baptism, a repetition of the words by which we became Christians, and an assimilation into our personal life of what was given us in baptism... Water was poured over us and, at the same time, the words were spoken: 'I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.' The Church makes us Christians by calling on the name of the Trinitarian God. From Her beginning, the Church has expressed in this way what She regards as the truly definitive mark of our Christianity: faith in the Triune God. We might find that disappointing. It seems so remote from our life. It seems so useless and so hard to understand. If there must be short formulas for expressing the tenets of our faith, then they should at least be attractive, exciting, something whose importance for men and for our lives is immediately apparent. Yet, in the last analysis, this is what we are saying here: Christianity is not first concerned with the Church or with men, but with God. Its proper orientation is not to our hopes, our fears, or our wishes, but to God, to His majesty and His power. The first article of Christian faith, the basic orientation of Christian conversion, is that God exists. We must, therefore, learn again to understand from God's perspective what being a Christian really means - that is, believing that He is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit." (Co-Workers of the Truth, Ignatius Press).

As the Holy Spirit enables us to pray (Romans 8), many of us prayed this past Memorial Day (at Mass, in cemeteries and at Memorial Park). Our prayers continue each day in thanksgiving to God for all the brave men and women in our U.S.A. Armed Forces who gave the ultimate sacrifice, in their love for God and our country, to ensure our peace, safety and liberties – may they be resting in God's eternal peace in Heaven, as we also pray for their families, for God's consolation and peace for them, and for all veterans and for all who are currently serving in our U.S.A. Armed Forces. Let us pray for one another, as disciples of Christ, to keep holy the Lord's Day, to pray daily, to get to Confession regularly, and to practice selfless love in acts of penance each week – for God is with us always (Matthew 28:16-20) and in Him we live and move and have our being (Acts 17:28). *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.* 

With prayers and peace in the Most Holy Trinity,

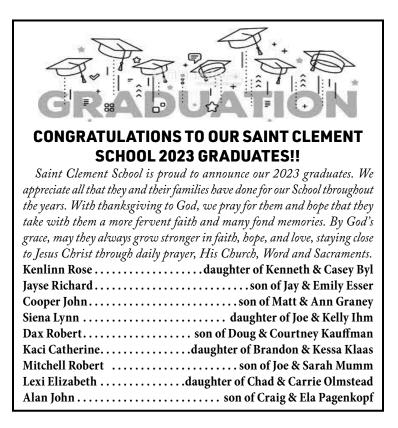
Fr. William

# THE 68<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MADISON DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN CONVENTION

The MDCCW Convention is Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at Saint Clement. There will be guest speakers including Msgr. James Bartylla. Registration deadline is June 13. Please find the registration forms and complete agenda list at the church entrances.

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE: JUNE 10 & 11

5:00 p.m. Lector: Mary Seiler 5:00 p.m. Servers: Brody, Brooklyn & Braelyn Crubel 7:30 a.m. Lector: Lenny/Carol Bass 7:30 a.m. Servers: Eliza Haas, Cooper Graney 9:30 a.m. Lector: Kitty Mumm 9:30 a.m. Servers: Carolyn Recker, Nicole Kelley, Josephine Spraggon



# **FAMILY PROMISE NEWS**

Our next host week for Family Promise begins on the eve of Father's Day, June 18. Volunteer sign-up forms are on a table at the entrance of the church. We need many more people to volunteer a few hours of their time to assist the families during our week. This is one of the ways that we can be like Saint Teresa of Calcutta who saw the sick and dying people that she helped as helping Jesus in disguise (Matthew 25). Contact Bill Manthe at 723-4990 or Peg Jonas at 723-2051 if you have any questions or need more information.

#### **FATHER WILLIAM'S ANNIVERSARY & FAREWELL**

Happy 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood of Jesus Christ, Fr. William! Father William was ordained as a priest of the Lord Jesus Christ on June 14, 1997. "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek" (Ps 110:4; Heb 5:6). Father William, may our Triune God bless you abundantly for all that you do for our parish family. We will be celebrating Father William's 62<sup>nd</sup> birthday and wishing him farewell on his last Sunday here at Saint Clement Parish, June 25, after the 9:30 Mass in the dining hall.

# **SIGN UP NOW!**

The first days of photography for our Parish Directory are complete, and it will continue and conclude this week, June 6-10. The online 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. Please take part in this last St. Clement Parish directory. It will become one of our parish's archived items, as it will show who were St. Clement Parish members before becoming part of a much larger parish. Also, having your photograph taken will help the new clergy who are arriving July 1 put names to faces. I can't emphasize enough how much previous directories have helped the priests I've worked with. Sign up today by calling the parish office or doing so online. **Please Note**: When you are signing up online, if your family size is 6 or more, you need to schedule 2 consecutive times! Also, if you need to change your scheduled session, contact Bill Manthe.

\*\*\* If you can assist us during photography to check people in, contact Bill Manthe to donate a few hours of your time. Thank you!

### **NEWLY ORDAINED IN OUR DIOCESE**

With praise and thanksgiving to almighty God, we joyfully thank Him for the ordination of Rev. Mark Foley and Rev. Simon Tipps to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by Bishop Donald J. Hying on Friday, May 26, 2023 at Saint Maria Goretti Parish in Madison.

# **IN MEMORIAM**

Please remember in your prayers David "Dave" Bausch who died on May 21, and whose funeral Mass was offered on June 1. Dave was 85 when the Lord called him home. Dave and his wife Mary are members of Saint Charles Borromeo Church in Cassville, but they have been living in Lancaster for a number of years, which is why the funeral was at St. Clement. Farming, family and faith were at the heart of Dave's life. May this good and faithful servant now rest in the eternal peace and joy of Heaven. And may the Lord pour out His consolation and comfort upon his wife Mary, their children Rick, Todd and Jen, and all of his family and friends in this time of sorrow and sadness.

"Eternal rest grant unto David, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

# SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL SUMMER SCRIP IS HERE!!!

Summer is finally here and we would like to invite you all to make SCRIP a part of your weekly routine. Simply stop by the SCRIP Table after each of the weekend Masses or visit the school office throughout the week. The school office will be open from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Monday - Friday and by appointment. Please note that we have SCRIP on hand for a majority of the businesses that you shop at, it doesn't cost you anything more than you are already spending, and it greatly benefits our beloved parish. One easy way to get started is by simply using SCRIP for your gas and grocery purchases. SCRIP is also great for all of your gift-giving needs, and can now be purchased right from your computer or smartphone using the RaiseRight App!!



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