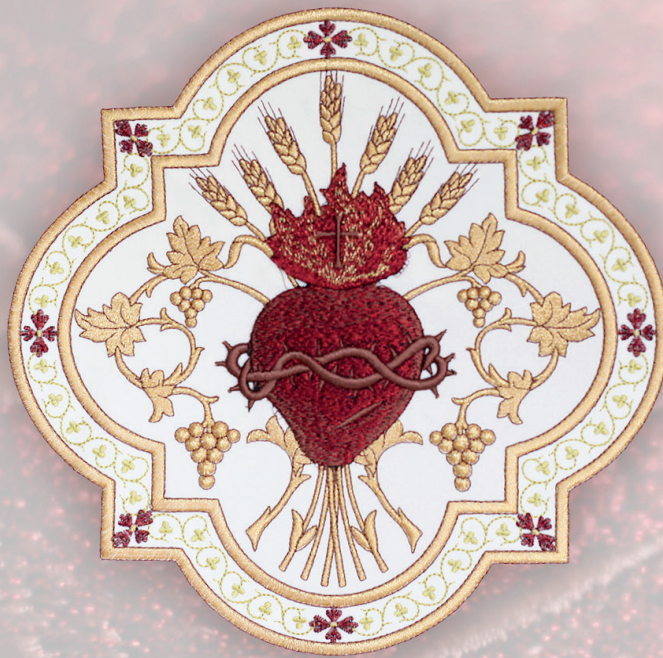


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Bulletin Announcements: Deadline is Monday at Noon to the St. Clement Parish Office or to [st\\_clement@tds.net](mailto:st_clement@tds.net)



## Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, July 4 . . . . . 8:15 a.m.  
(Independence Day)  
†Debra Reinsbach

Wednesday, July 5 . . . . . 8:15 a.m.  
(Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;  
Saint Elizabeth of Portugal)  
†Marcella Mulrooney

Thursday, July 6 . . . . . 8:15 a.m.  
(Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr)  
†Clarence Fuerstenberg

Friday, July 7 . . . . . 8:15 a.m.  
†Carlos Winters

Saturday, July 8 . . . . . 5:00 p.m.  
†Doris McLimans

Sunday, July 9 . . . . . 9:00 a.m.  
**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**  
†Marie Drew

### OFFICE HOURS:

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

### RECONCILIATION

**Saturdays 8–9 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.**  
Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

*June 24 & 25*

Church Support Envelopes . . . . .	\$5,822.00
Offertory Cash . . . . .	\$.681.00
Children's Collection . . . . .	\$.149.00
Weekly Electronic Giving . . . . .	\$1,205.00
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>\$7,857.00</b>
<b>June Budgeted Offertory . . . . .</b>	<b>\$.39,500.00</b>
<b>June Offertory Received . . . . .</b>	<b>\$.29,653.00</b>
<b>Monthly Offertory Comparison</b>	
May 2023 (4 weekends) . . . . .	\$.28,969.00
May 2022 (5 weekends) . . . . .	\$.38,742.00

### NOTES & REMINDERS

We will no longer be having a First Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration & Confessions will be Saturdays 8-9 a.m. and Confessions at 4 p.m. Saturday.

**Reminder: As of July 1, Mass** will be at Tuesday-Friday 8:15 a.m., Saturday 5 p.m., and Sunday at 9 a.m.

### A Thank You from your former pastor

Dear Parish family,

*Thank you* to all the Knights of Columbus and all of you for the beautiful birthday celebration and farewell gathering this past Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, and for all the notes, cards, gifts and food. Please accept this “**thank you**” note from me for all your kind words and deeds and your generous and thoughtful gifts during my nearly six years as your pastor here at our wonderful Saint Clement Catholic Parish in Lancaster! Thanks be to God for you and all your good words and deeds!

As Bishop Donald J. Hying has sent me to be a parochial vicar at four Catholic churches and two Catholic schools in Sun Prairie, Marshall and Waterloo, please know that I thank God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for the privilege to have served Him and you, the parish family of Saint Clement, our church and school, these past nearly six years (to sanctify, teach, govern), and that I pray for you all every day, especially at Mass, that God gives you, us and all our families His saving grace, peace and strength, and an increase in His virtues of faith, hope and love, in our journey to our purpose in life, Heaven. I also thank God for the privilege to have served God and His Church with such a faithful, dedicated and wonderful staff and faculty, and Knights of Columbus, Council of Catholic Women, and various groups and volunteers here at Saint Clement.

As Jesus Christ invites us to follow Him again in the Gospel this Sunday (Matthew 10:37-42), to take up our cross each day and follow Him, in our love for God and our love for neighbor (the two Great Commandments), to suffer with Him and for Him as, by His grace, we witness to the Truth with Love (Ephesians 4), so as to be glorified in Him, let us always thank God for our life, for faith, hope, love, families and friends, for His Church, Word, Sacraments, His gift of prayer, Communion of Saints and all His teachings. Let us keep praying for one another and our families, especially at Mass. As we strive by God’s grace to be in communion with God in daily prayer, His Church, Word and Sacraments, to be His faithful, hopeful and loving disciples, to always get the right order of **Jesus, others, yourself**, may we always seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph, Saint Clement and all the saints, and grow in our love for Jesus Christ, His Church and one another – and may God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you and your families now and always.

With love, peace and prayers in Christ,  
*Fr. William F. Vernon*

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“Jesus hasn’t left us. Actually, He is here in the Holy Eucharist, but the very reason for this gift of His Body is that He wants us to be connected as one! When we receive the Body of Christ, we are being called into communion.” ~ Cande de Leon, member of the National Eucharistic Revival Committee



**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:  
JULY 8 & 9**



**5:00 p.m. Lector:** Connie Reinsbach  
**5:00 p.m. Servers:** Will & Abel Kratochvill  
**9:00 a.m. Lector:** Rita Schmitz  
**9:00 a.m. Servers:** Trinity, Vanessa & Selina Ihm

**WELCOME TO ST. CLEMENT PARISH!**

Welcome Fr. Steve Brunner, Fr. Mark Miller and Fr. Sudhakar Devarapu as you begin your ministry with us! We look forward to your presence among us and the other churches that make up this area that we often refer to as “God’s country.” May the Holy Spirit guide you, and guide us, in this time of transition, restructuring and change.

**LETTER FROM FATHER STEVE**



Dear Parishioners of Pastorate #1:

My name is Fr. Steve Brunner, and I will be your new “Parochial Administrator!” Parochial Administrator is a big title that essentially means “Pastor,” but it is often used in situations where there is a change in leadership. I am excited to come to your church, along with Fr. Mark and Fr. Sudhakar, and to teach you the Catholic faith and to deepen your personal relationship with Jesus Christ. In this bulletin letter, I’d like to introduce myself and tell you more about my story.

I grew up in Yardley, Pennsylvania, which is a small town outside of Philadelphia. I grew up there with my two brothers Greg and Matt. I am 37 years old, Greg is 40, and Matt is 42. As a boy growing up in Yardley, I went to the public grade school and middle school. Then, for high school, I attended Holy Ghost Prep, which is an all-boys Catholic high school in the area. I was blessed throughout all of those years to have great teachers in school and great coaches in sports. Among the sports I played, I enjoyed soccer, baseball, basketball, and hockey the most.

One quality about myself for which I give thanks to God is that I have always been a good student. I’ve always been fascinated by math and science. So, leaving high school, I studied physics at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA, and then came to UW-Madison to study medical physics in graduate school. Some people love physics, and others hate it! I think you can imagine how I felt about it!

Things started to change for me in January 2011 when I attended the baptism of my niece, Miriam. I went to the baptism to be a good brother and uncle, I left the baptism thinking, “How can I come back to the Catholic Church?” From that point on, I became active and involved in my Catholic faith, and eventually entered the seminary!

It is great to take a moment to introduce myself to you in this bulletin letter. There is much more to say. I look forward to meeting you and hearing more about YOU and YOUR story!

In Jesus through Mary, Fr. Steve Brunner

**LETTER FROM FATHER MARK**



I’m Fr. Mark Miller, and I’ll be part of the pastoral team in Grant County beginning July 1. I’ve been a priest for eleven years, and I’m 43 years old. I grew up in Blanchardville, Wisconsin, a town of 800, just shy of an hour southwest of Madison. I grew up in town but worked on a farm in high school, and it’s made every job I’ve had since seem easy by comparison. My folks have retired and live in Cross Plains. My younger brother Scott and his wife live in California. I went to UW-Madison for Materials Science Engineering, and worked briefly for the Kohler company in their brass foundry. While I grew up Lutheran – my Dad was a Lutheran pastor – I had something of a conversion of heart in college that led to a lot of questions, and eventually, after graduating, to the Catholic Church. I will tell you more about that eventually – I promise. I’m looking forward to getting to know you all, building each other up in the Gospel, and making Grant County home.

Christ’s Peace, Fr. Mark

**LETTER FROM FATHER SUDHAKAR**



Dear Parishioners of Pastorate #1: My name is Fr. Sudhakar Reddy Devarapu, and I will be one of your new Parochial Vicars. I am glad to come to your Pastorate along with Fr. Steve and Fr. Mark to take care of your Pastoral needs. In this bulletin letter, I’d like to introduce myself and tell you more about me.

I am from India and grew up in a town called Warangal in South India. I grew up there with my parents and with my only brother Ravi. I am 50 years old, and my brother Ravi is 47. From third grade onward, I studied in a Catholic Boarding school run by P.I.M.E. missionary fathers from Italy. I was inspired by the life of Fr. Colombo, an Italian missionary priest who was in charge of our boarding school then. Inspired by his life, I decided to become a priest like him when I was in 5th grade. Then I joined the Apostolic seminary as a pre-seminary student in 6th grade, and I never looked back from then. After 10th grade, I decided to continue my seminary studies and after 12 years of seminary as well as academic studies, I was ordained as a priest in the year 2000 when I was 27 years old. It has been 23 years and I never regretted becoming a priest.

In 2016, I was given a chance to come to the USA to the Diocese of Madison to render my priestly services. I worked as a parochial administrator of St. Matthew Parish, Shullsburg, WI, for 5 years and I’m presently working as an Associate Pastor at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Madison. Once upon a time I was inspired by an Italian missionary priest who worked in India and now I am happy to work in this great country as a missionary priest. The Church is universal and our needs are universal too. I am happy to render my priestly services to the Universal Church.

It is great to take a moment to introduce myself to you in this bulletin letter. I am so happy to come to Pastorate 1 for my priestly ministry and I look forward to meeting you and hearing more about you. -Thank you, Fr. Sudhakar Reddy Devarapu

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