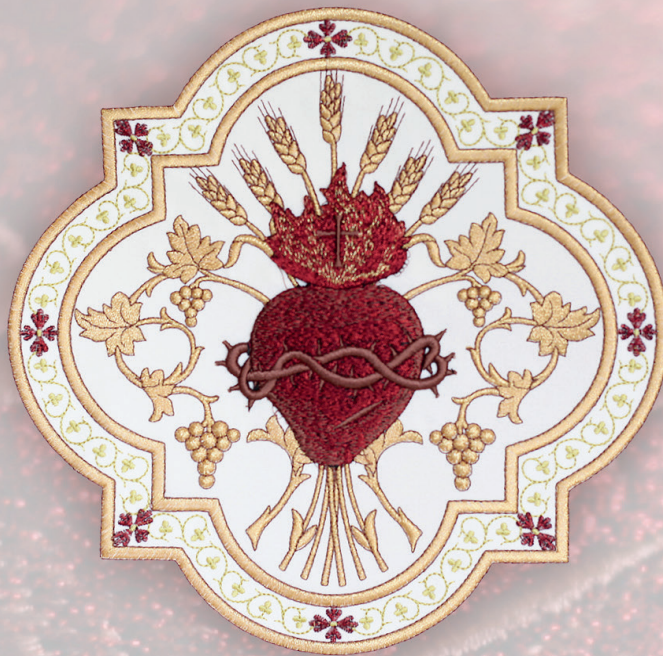


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(1 Corinthians 13:8)



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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, March 5 8:15 AM
†Leonard & Marcella Mulrooney

Wednesday, March 6 8:15 AM
†George & Mary Burke

Thursday, March 7 8:15 AM
(St. Perpetua & St. Felicity, Martyrs)
†Dave Sturmer

Friday, March 8. 8:15 AM
(St. John of God, Religious)
†Jim Orfe

Saturday, March 9 5:00 PM
†Vince & Germaine Mumm

Sunday, March 10. 9:00 AM
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
†Clara Fuerstenberg

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 8 AM – 3 PM
Tuesday – Friday: 9 AM – 3 PM

CONFESSION

Saturday 8 – 9 AM and 4 – 4:45 PM
Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

ADORATION

Saturday 8 – 9 AM

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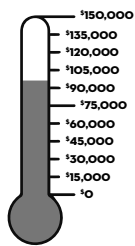
Fridays during Lent at 5:30 PM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

February 24 & 25

Church Support Envelopes . . . \$4,646.00
Offertory Cash. \$623.00
Weekly Electronic Giving. . . . \$1,230.00
Total \$6,499.00

Feb. Budgeted Offertory . . . \$35,335.00
Feb. Offertory Received. . . . \$36,528.51



BOILER FUND
Goal
\$150,000.00

Total Received
\$94,450.00

Still Needed
\$55,550.00

WHERE ARE WE IN THE PROCESS OF INTO THE DEEP?

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Dear Parishioners of Pastorate #1:

Last Sunday, February 18 marked our 3rd meeting with the transition team. I want to thank our transition team for participating in this committee as it helps us to implement the Into the Deep Initiative in a more successful manner for our pastorate. Last Sunday, the team turned in a brief history of each of their respective churches so that we can put them on a new pastorate website, which is under construction. Remember, at this time, no financial merging has occurred yet. Our 6 parishes continue to exist as 6 parishes, and we have not become 1 parish canonically or legally yet. Remember, I will communicate to the pastorate whenever something significant occurs, especially from a financial perspective. The purpose of our transition team meetings are to discuss things they may be happening in the future to our pastorate and to think through how we want to handle them as a parish family.

In our meeting, we discussed more deeply the financial dynamics of our current set-up of 6 distinct parishes that have 4 schools and how it will change when we become 1 parish with our 4 schools. In our current set-up as 6 distinct parishes, each parish with a school makes up for whatever the school cannot raise in income. For example, through tuition and endowment, St. Clement School covers 62% of its expenses, St. Charles School covers 86% of its expenses, St. Andrew-Thomas School covers 69% of its expenses, and St. Mary's School covers 58% of its expenses. The remaining money is supplied by St. Clement Church, St. Charles Church, St. Andrew-Thomas Church, and St. Mary's Church respectively. The issue becomes more concerning if one or more schools are unable to continue to support themselves due to the cost of teachers/staff or the lack of teachers/staff, declining enrollment, or lack of financial resources. If this occurs, it means that the surrounding communities will have to carry more of the financial weight to keep the school operational. Again: the principle has always been that whatever a school cannot raise for itself will be subsidized by the parish, and in the new structure, we will be 1 parish with 4 schools. As a consequence of this, we discussed various scenarios that could arise in the future, and every representative was able to express his/her own opinions about how the parish as a whole should respond if school income were to drop substantially for a particular school. We all affirmed that we want to have channels by which we can support our local Catholic schools, and yet, we agreed that we don't want our local Catholic schools to become a financial burden on the parish as a whole.

Ultimately, we agreed that the criteria would have to be established and thought through by the parish finance council, i.e. the "All Saints Finance Council" or the "Christ the King Finance Council" or the "St. Joseph the Worker Finance Council," in order to promote fairness amongst our Catholic Schools. Therefore, in the next month, I will be working with the 6 finance councils and choosing 1 representative per parish according to the number of masses (just like the transition team).

I look forward to sharing with you those representatives who will help to guide me so that we are being fair, responsible, and generous with each other, respecting each other, and cooperating with each other as a new family of Catholic faith called to make disciples of all nations.

I look forward to communicating more about this in the future. Thanks and may God bless Pastorate #1, Fr. Steve

EASTER MEMORIALS

As we journey through Lent, it's that time of year again where we anticipate the opportunity to remember our deceased loved ones through Easter memorial donations. The money collected will go toward decorating the church for the Easter Season. Please put your donation in an envelope marked with your name and the name(s) of those you wish to remember, and drop the envelope in the offertory basket or at the parish office. All checks should be payable to St. Clement Parish and turned in by noon on Monday, March 25. Thank you!





LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

MARCH 9 & 10



5:00 p.m. Lector: Kitty Mumm

5:00 p.m. Servers: Will & Abel Kratochvill

9:00 a.m. Lector: Ivars Kalnins

9:00 a.m. Servers: Ava, Addie & Aubrie Stader

AED TRAINING

AEDs, we have them in many places around the parish complex. But do you know what they are for and how to use one? An automated external defibrillator (AED) is a medical device designed to analyze the heart rhythm and deliver an electric shock to victims of ventricular fibrillation to restore the heart rhythm to normal. AED training will be offered by Jackie Edge, EMT, and Jeff Boughton, EMS director, to interested members of St. Clement and members of the other churches in Lancaster. The training will be held at the EMS location on N. Washington St. (the Fire Department). The training date is Tuesday, March 12 at 10:30 AM or 6:30 PM. It will be offered again on March 19 at 10:30 AM. PLEASE RSVP by Tuesday, March 5, by contacting the parish office if you plan to attend one of these 1 hour trainings.

YEAR OF PRAYER

Pope Francis asked that 2024 be dedicated as a Year of Prayer for Catholics worldwide. Bishop Hying has identified prayer as one of our Holy Habits, and is foundational to Lent and the spiritual life. Prayer is the life-blood of the soul. Each week we hope to highlight a prayer that you may know, and at times, a new prayer that you may want to become familiar with.

Prayer to the Holy Trinity

"O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me forget myself entirely so to establish myself in you, unmovable and peaceful as if my soul were already in eternity. May nothing be able to trouble my peace or make me leave you, O my unchanging God, but may each minute bring me more deeply into your mystery! Grant my soul peace. Make it your heaven, your beloved dwelling and the place of your rest. May I never abandon you there, but may I be there, whole and entire, completely vigilant in my faith, entirely adoring, and wholly given over to your creative action."

~St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, OCD (+1906)

NOTES & REMINDERS

-Our next transition team meeting will be on Sunday, March 17.
-Prayer Service for an End to Abortion held every Wed. at 6 PM in church.

-Check out the Bulletin board for many area events. Including the Cod Fish Fry at St. Mary's Parish in Bloomington on Friday, March 8, 2024.

- National Eucharistic Congress is coming to Indianapolis, July 17-21, 2024.

- The Knights of Columbus "40 Cans for Lent" food drive goes through Lent.

-The movie 'Cabrini' opens March 8th and tells the inspiring true story of St. Frances Cabrini, who showed what faithful trust can accomplish.



MARCH WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturdays:	4:30 PM	St. Charles in Cassville (SD)*
	5:00 PM	St. Clement in Lancaster (SB)
	8:00 PM	St. Mary in Glen Haven (MM)
Sundays:	8:00 AM	St. John in Patch Grove (MM)
	8:00 AM	St. Thomas in Potosi (SD)*
	9:00 AM	St. Clement in Lancaster (SB)
	10:00 AM	St. Mary in Bloomington (MM)
	10:00 AM	St. Andrew in Tennyson (SD)*



*Dcn. Roger will be preaching March 16 & 17.

PASTORATE EASTER MASS TIMES

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	10:00 AM	St. Mary in Bloomington (SB)
	10:00 AM	St. Charles in Cassville (SD)



ST. CLEMENT MEN'S GROUP 'TRUE REFORMERS'

Join us to watch the True Reformers series and get to know six inspiring and relatable saints. Doors open at 7 PM with drinks and snacks provided. Men of all ages are encouraged to attend.

No need to register or RSVP, come to one or come to all!

Time: Sunday Night's Presentation Starts at 7:15 PM

Place: St. Clement Dining Hall

Dates: February 11, 25, and March 3, 10, 17, 24.

Contact: Mike Tennesen: 563-599-5381 or tenny3044@gmail.com

Mar. 03 - Session 3 - Saint Phillip Neri: The Apostle of Joy

Mar. 10 - Session 4 - Saint Charles Borromeo: The Good Shepard

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

During Lent, we walk with Jesus, remaining close to Him as He makes His journey to Jerusalem, to the cross and the empty tomb of Easter. Our Lenten Adult Faith Formation is the seven-session series, "THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY: The Sorrowful Mysteries." We meet on Tuesdays, with our morning session at 9 AM, and our evening session at 6:30 PM. This week we will reflect on the second sorrowful mystery- "The Scourging at the Pillar." For more information, contact Bill Manthe at 723-4990. This is open to all in our pastorate!

TEC RETREAT:

TEC Retreat 192 is coming to St. Mary in Bloomington, WI, March 22-24, 2024.

TEC (Together Encountering Christ) is especially designed to help us grow in our love for Christ and our Holy Catholic Church. It is an amazing experience for the young at heart who are 15 years of age or older. Regardless of your present walk in our Catholic Faith, you will be rejuvenated. We hope you will join us! Find out more at www.facebook.com/kairostec.

For registration and more information see www.MadisonDiocese.org/TEC, contact Marie Lins at the OEC: 608-821-3135, or call Bill Seyer at 608-988-6543

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