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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



So Jesus went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

Mark 1:39

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09:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

HOÀ GIẢI - RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sunday

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

LỊCH TRÌNH PHỤNG VỤ - LITURGY

Thánh Lễ Cuối Tuần - Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 (Việt)

4:00 p.m. (English - Việt)

Thánh Lễ Trong Tuần - Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday

7:00 a.m. (English) & 7:00 p.m. (Việt)

Chầu Thánh Thể - Benediction

Sau Thánh Lễ Tối Thứ Năm

Following the Thursday Evening Mass

Xin liên lạc Văn Phòng Giáo Xứ trong giờ làm việc hoặc
Cha Quản Nhiệm vào bất cứ lúc nào cho những Nhu Cầu
Mục Vụ khác.

Please contact the Office for additional need

MASS INTENTIONS

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| 7:00 AM 4:00 PM | Saturday, February 6 Recitation of the Rosary +Armando Federico <i>4th Anniversary</i> +Anna Arrowsmith <i>1st Anniversary</i> +James F. Donovan <i>Anniversary</i> +Harry Romano <i>Anniversary</i> +Pearl Nora Cella <i>3rd Anniversary</i> |
| 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00PM | Sunday, February 7 +Family of Saint Clement +Family of Saint Clement +Family of Saint Clement |
| 7:00 AM | Monday, February 8 Recitation of the Rosary |
| 7:00 AM 7:00 PM | Tuesday, February 9 +Sanctification of Priests +Family of Saint Clement |
| 7:00 AM 7:00 PM | Wednesday, February 10 +Rev Messina Ordination Anniversary +Family of Saint Clement |
| 7:00 AM 7:00 PM | Thursday, February 11 +Orphan Souls of Purgatory +Family of Saint Clement |
| 7:00 AM 7:00 PM | Friday, February 12 +Souls of Purgatory +Family of Saint Clement |
| 7:00 AM 4:00 PM | Saturday, February 13 Recitation of the Rosary +Vinny Pintone Memorial +Salvatore & Norma Cicarelli +Carlo & Eleanor Patturelli +James F. Donovan |
| 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM | Sunday, February 14 +Family of Saint Clement +Family of Saint Clement +Family of Saint Clement |

PRAYER CORNER

Please all those who are in need of our prayers, especially Dora DelGizzi, Mary Ackerley, Brian Branson, Marie Lahue, Donna Chiozzi, Sally Kiely, Thomas Marabella, Glenda Gutierrez, Tricia McShane, Mary Bottari, Ann Hoag, Sam Guarino and Anthony Capraro. If there is anyone you wish to add to the Prayer List, please call or email the Parish Office. All names will remain on our Prayer List unless our Office is notified to remove an individual.



FROM FATHER PHONG

Thusfar the Medford winter has not been very friendly. While the temperature outside is hovering just above the freezing point, the rectory boiler has decided to go on a tantrum. Man, thank God that I have kept for myself a thick layer of fat. Otherwise, no amount of blankets could have chased away last night's cold.

Covid was ruthless. Shuffling between bouts of fever and chill were physically torturous and existential agonizing. Perhaps I should have called on God's Name for alleviation. But I didn't and hadn't. I thought there are millions out there who need God's attention more. No, I still do not know how I was infected. I had been tested regularly, almost once a week. Yes, at times, I did get careless and observed not very strictly facial covering and the social distance. I simply got tired...

I did think a lot about my own family. How helpless they must have felt being so far away. I thought of my mother and her anxious heart. I was so energy depleted that even returning a text from my oldest sister became a challenge. I thought of the parishioners. I thought of the many responsibilities left untended. I thought of my mentor, Rev. Joseph Fix, who has just been placed under Hospice Care. During my recent quick trip to Michigan, I was called over to his house to give him the Last Rites. And of course while being holed up in bed, shaken badly from the chills and sweated uncontrollably from the fevers I thought hard of my own mortality. Where am I going to be buried? Do I have enough monies put aside for the funeral expenses? Am I ready to go? I guess that being seriously sick does mess up one's spiritual well being, or smack across one's face with a 2X4 plank of reality!

The first day of the **Lunar New Year of the Ox** is Friday, February 12. The Viet parishioners will be holding the celebration to the bare minimum: Mass at 7:00 PM Friday with the traditional rite of paying respect to the ancestors, Mass at 7:00 PM Saturday with an offertory dance to God, and Masses at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Sunday with the lion dances. Do come!

Ash Wednesday falls early on February 17. We will have Mass at 7:00 AM, Noon and 7:00 PM. Instead of marking the Sign of the Cross on the penitent's forehead, ashes will be sprinkled on the top of each person's head. Just bow your head and allow this beautiful Lenten symbol to start our inward journey to God.

Stations of the Cross in English will begin at 6:00 PM every Lenten Friday. The Vietnamese Stations will begin right after the Friday evening Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession will be at the usual weekend designations and by appointment. Communal Celebrations of the Sacrament will be announced once we gather enough help.

As of right now, the distribution of palms on **Passion Sunday** is permissible. How to carry that out safely is yet determined. The **Celebration of Holy Thursday** will be at 8:00 PM. There will be two **Good Friday Services**. The one in English is at 3:00 PM and the one in Vietnamese is to take place at 8:00 PM. **Easter Vigil**, at present, is scheduled to begin at 8:00 PM. We are looking into the possibility of having an outdoor celebration. On **Easter Sunday Morning**, celebrations in English will be at 9:00 and in Vietnamese at 11:00.

By the weekend, I have completed my quarantine period and am ready to jump back to work with both hands and feet. Weak I am still. Tender my spirit still remains. So keep me still in your prayers. I need you to.

SHALOM, FATHER PHONG

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF:

Carmela Leopold
who was buried from
Saint Clement Church
this past week

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR
FEBRUARY 2021**

- February 2 Feast of the **Presentation** of the Lord to the Temple or **Candlemas**
- February 3 Memorial of **St. Blaise; Blessing of Throats**
- February 11 Feast of **Our Lady of Lourdes**
World Day of Prayer for the Sick
- February 17 **Ash Wednesday**
(**Annual Catholic Charities Collection**)
- February 21 First Sunday of Lent

SAINT CLEMENT FOOD COLLECTION


We are continuing to collect nonperishable foods for the local food banks. Donation boxes are located at the front entrances of the Church. We appreciate your continued support and generosity. Thank you.

**BLESSING OF THE THROATS AFTER ALL
MASSES THIS WEEKEND**


The legend of Saint Blaise says that as he was being hauled off to jail and martyrdom by his captors (for the "crime" of being Christian), he encountered a mother with her son who had a fishbone caught in his throat. At Bishop Blaise's command, the child coughed up the bone and was able to breathe.

"Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness..."

MASS FOR COVID VICTIMS Please submit the names of anyone you know who has succumbed to COVID. We will offer a special Mass for all at a later date.



If you are new or visiting at Saint Clement Parish, please introduce yourself to Father Phong, or call the Parish Office if we can be of assistance. If you would like to become a member, please complete the registration form at the entrance of the Church.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements must be submitted to Saint Clement Parish Office no later than 6:00 PM on Tuesdays. Submit all notices to: secretarystclement@outlook.com.


COLLECTION

Last Week's Collection: \$2,235.00

No second collection next weekend.

The second collection next weekend is the Parish Monthly.

IN LOVING MEMORY


Our sanctuary candle for the weeks of **February 1-13** will burn in loving memory of **Armando Federico**, given by his wife, **Valentina** and their family.

HOMEBOUND OUTREACH If you know of anyone who is homebound, who may like to receive a weekly bulletin and/or a "sunshine call," please submit their names to the Parish Office, or place their names into the collection box. Thank you very much!


PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil.

KINH KÍNH THÁNH GIUSE

Kính chào Đấng gìn giữ Đấng Cứu Thế,
Bạn trăm năm của Đức Trinh Nữ Maria:
Chúa đã trao Con Một của Chúa cho ngài.

Mẹ Maria đã tin tưởng vào ngài.
Chúa Kitô đã lớn lên thành người cùng với ngài.
Lạy Thánh Giuse diễm phúc,
xin cũng hãy tỏ ra ngài là cha của chúng con và
hướng dẫn chúng con đi trên đường đời.

Xin ban cho chúng con ân sủng,
lòng thương xót và lòng can đảm,
và xin bảo vệ chúng con khỏi mọi sự dữ.

Amen