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## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### **MASSES**

Saturday ----- 4:30 pm & 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)

Sunday ----- 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 12:30 pm (*Spanish*)

### **WEEKDAYS**

Monday ----- 9:00 am

Tuesday ----- 9:00 am & 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)

Thursday ----- 9:00 am & 7:00 pm (*Spanish*)

Friday ----- 9:00 am

**RECONCILIATION** ----- By appointment  
*\*subject to change*

**BAPTISM:** Please contact parish office to arrange.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the parish office.

### MINISTRIES & COMMITTEES

**Altar Servers** ----- Yolanda Sanchez ----- 973-980-8065

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### VACATION

Visit [www.masstime.org](http://www.masstime.org), enter address or zip code and you will find a list of Mass times for area churches.



## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✠ OCTOBER 8, 2023



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#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday -</b>	<b>October 7</b>
4:30pm	Catherine Jugan (Elekes) Francis McAloon (McAloon) Patti Maguire (Rao) Liturgy in Spanish
7:00pm	Liturgy in Spanish
<b>Sunday -</b>	<b>October 8</b>
8:30am	Parishioners
10:30am	Blessed Souls of Purgatory (Rodriguez) Kim DeLauro (Gagliardo) Liturgy in Spanish
12:30pm	Liturgy in Spanish
<b>Monday -</b>	<b>October 9</b>
9:00am	<b>No Liturgy</b>
<b>Tuesday -</b>	<b>October 10</b>
9:00am -	Unborn Children
7:00pm	Liturgy in Spanish
<b>Wednesday -</b>	<b>October 11</b>
9:00am	<b>No Liturgy</b>
<b>Thursday -</b>	<b>October 12</b>
9:00am	Parishioners
7:00pm	Liturgy in Spanish
<b>Friday -</b>	<b>October 13</b>
9:00am	Dorothy Mathews (Curtin)
<b>Saturday -</b>	<b>October 14</b>
4:30pm	Catherine Jugan (Elekes) Silvia Dachisen (Rao) Eda Pineda (Waldek) Liturgy in Spanish
7:00pm	Liturgy in Spanish
<b>Sunday -</b>	<b>October 15</b>
8:30am	Unborn Children
10:30am	John Amodio (Amodio) Patrick Turiello (Blohm) Blessed Souls of Purgatory (Rodriguez)
12:30pm	Liturgy in Spanish

#### First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

This passage about the failure of the Lord's vineyard is a metaphor for the ingratitude of the people of Israel and Judah. In tones of sadness and rebuke, the Lord asks, "What more was there to do for my vineyard?"

#### Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

In a moving appeal to the Philippians, Paul exhorts them to embrace all that is pure, decent, and admirable; then God's peace will be theirs.

#### Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

In another rebuke to the chief priests and the elders, Jesus recounts a parable in which the owner of a vineyard leases his vineyard to tenant farmers. When the owner sends his servants and even his son to claim his rightful share of the crops, the tenants kill all of them. With some bitterness, Jesus warns the chief priests that "the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to people that will yield a rich harvest."

#### PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK & SUFFERING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jack Ferguson, Rane, Wilson & Julia Garcia, Steve DaSilva, Inaru Moctezuma, Dave DiPolis, Lillian Peluso, Ralph & Francis Anderson, Cassie & Alice Collins, Joseph Martino, Moira Noriega, Steve Shaw, Arden & Elisa McPhearson, Juan R. Labady, John Krsulic, Walter Delinsky, Daniel Mulhaul,, Kevin Bellini, Laura K, Agnes D, Maria Finocchiaro, Eli Durkin, Sally Smith, Lance Wiedman, Dominic Nicastro, Colton Farrel, Carol Andreazza, Paul Verhoest, Mini Agront, Gloria Agront, Michelle Reznik, Michael Palermo, Kathy Tarr, Dylan Evans, Dennis Tomala, Alex Marrese, Andrew, Lucy & Miguel Veja, Lucy Lanno, Alison Sorrentino, Kamil Nowak, Asnel Rivero, Alina Nicastro, Nancy Gaynor, P.J. Ferrone, John & Virginia Cummo, Maria Metzger, Deacon Hank Hyle, Elvira Hernandez, Angela Gorman, Carolina Saputo, Helen LaFergola. **If you would like to add someone to the list, please call the Parish Office 973-366-7095.**

#### PLEASE NOTE

There will be **no 9am Mass on Monday** and the Parish and Religious Education offices will be closed

#### ST. CLEMENT CHURCH



If you or anyone you know is in need of food, please call the Parish Office (973-366-7095) or Irene Byrne (973-714-1941) Monday thru Friday to arrange to pick up pre-packed bags of food. All information is confidential.



There will be a special Mass in honor of all our deceased loved ones on **Saturday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>** at **4:30pm (English)** and **7:00pm (Spanish)**

If you would like to honor a deceased family member or friend at this Mass, **you can reserve a candle after all masses beginning next weekend. Candles are \$16 each.** Candles will be placed in front of the altar during Mass. After Mass you are welcome to take your candle home, or you can leave it in the Church all week.

### **A THANK YOU FROM BIRTH HAVEN**

Our Baby Bottle Campaign was a huge success! Thank you for your very generous monetary gift to help support the mothers of Birth Haven. With your help, we collected more than 300 filled baby bottles. **The total contribution to Birth Haven was \$5,338.** The young mothers of Birth Haven will be able to buy diapers, baby food and formula, baby clothing, and even their baby's first set of books.

Birth Haven provides shelter and hope for young mothers. You have made each of these mom's extraordinarily happy. Please know that your generosity does not go unnoticed. What a wonderful gift you have given them! **Thank you**

### **UN AGRADECIMIENTO DESDE BIRTH HAVEN**

Nuestra campaña de biberones fue un gran éxito. Gracias por su generosa donación monetaria para ayudar a apoyar a las madres de Birth Haven. Con tu ayuda, recolectamos más de 300 biberones llenos. La contribución total a Birth Haven fue de \$5338. Las madres jóvenes de Birth Haven podrán comprar pañales, comida y fórmula para bebés, ropa para bebés e incluso el primer juego de libros para su bebé. Birth Haven brinda refugio y esperanza a las madres jóvenes. Has hecho extraordinariamente feliz a cada una de estas mamás. Tenga en cuenta que su generosidad no pasa desapercibida. ¡Qué maravilloso regalo les has hecho! Gracias



### **REMINDER!**

No classes this Sunday 10/8 or Monday 10/9

### **All Class Schedules Can Be Found on the Website**

All of our 20 Religious Education classes have started. If you have misplaced your child's schedule, it can be found on the St. Clement website.

[www.stclement-rtwp.org](http://www.stclement-rtwp.org)

Click on the FAMILY LIFE section and use the drop down for the CALENDAR and then the side menu to select Sunday or Monday classes.

**Level 2 and Confirmation Year 2 Students**  
**Get to Know You Sacrament Buddy forms**  
**are DUE by 10/16. Email or hand them in ASAP.**

### **Religious Education Bulletin Board**

Be sure to check out the Religious Education bulletin board on your way in and out of Mass. It can be found on the wall of the left side entrance when walking into the church. Each month will display something we've been focused on. This month features:  
**Getting to Know Our Catechists.**



From now on The Parish Office will be closed for in-person visits **every Wednesday**

**You will still be able to reach the office by phone and by email**



## MUSIC MINISTRY INVITATION

Music forms a necessary and integral part of the liturgy. Music in the liturgy takes a ministerial role in service to the assembly in their participation in the liturgy. The music assists the people in their communal prayer and provides solemnity and significance to the ritual action. There are several opportunities in which to serve within the Music Ministry.

### Choir

The Choir's role is to encourage and provide support to the assembly. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Church.

### Cantor

A Cantor leads and assists in sustaining the singing of the assembly. The ministry of the Cantor requires additional rehearsal time above and beyond that of the Choir.

### Instrumentalists

Experienced musicians who play an instrument are invited to share their gifts with our parish community. The primary role of the instrumentalist is to accompany and provide support to the assembly's singing.

If you are 18 years or older and interested in joining the Choir, 21 years or older with instrumental experience or have any questions, please contact Debbie Cicchino, Director of Music, at 973-770-2265.

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## Calling all Knitters and Crocheters!

(and those who want to learn)

We are starting a new yarn enthusiast club here at St. Clement called: **Hooked on Jesus!** We will be making hats, scarves, and gloves for the needy as part of RISEUP Rockaway's **1<sup>st</sup> Annual Knitting Competition!!** Please join us for an informational club meeting on **Monday Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Gathering Space.** Our **Hooked on Jesus club** will continue meeting **once a month on Monday evenings from 7:30-8:30 pm**, however, you are welcome to join our competition team from home. All ages welcome!! Bragging rights are at stake! Questions? Contact Mary Beth Ramsay 862-505-4286

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## 2023 Diocesan Ministries Appeal

*"I Have Called you By Name"*

There are a number of ways to support the Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Parishioners can make a one-time gift, a pledge payable over five months, or a recurring monthly gift to the Diocesan Ministries Appeal. By making a recurring gift, you are helping ensure that your donation continues not just monthly, but from year to year. You can adjust or cancel your recurring gift any time. For more information, please call the Diocesan Development Office at 973-777-8818, ext 263. Please know that any way you contribute to the 2023 Diocesan Ministries Appeal is a blessing to all people that are served. May God bless you for your support!

Please consider a donation to the 2023 Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Visit [www.2023appeal.org](http://www.2023appeal.org) to make a gift today.



# < KID'S > KORNER

## Gospel Today | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 21:33-43

The farmer trusted his workers to do their job in the vineyard, just as God trusts us to do His work here on earth. The workers who did not follow the farmers message were turned out of the vineyard. When we follow God's way, our harvest or reward will be the Kingdom of Heaven.

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### God's message is "Love God and Love One Another."

Cut out  
pictures  
and fill in  
the blanks.



1] The  gave workers a job in his vineyard.



2] God gives His people a job here on .



3] The farmer asked for his share of the .



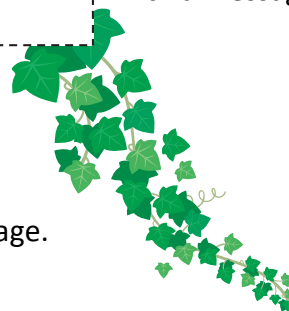
4] God asks us for a share of our  for Him and others.



5] The farmer sent his son to the  with a message.



6] God sent His son,  with a message.



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