CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT

114 Lindberg Avenue Johnstown, Pennsylvania 15905 (814) 255-4422



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM **DAILY MASS**

Consult Liturgical Schedule

Rev. William E. Rosenbaum, Pastor

Mandy Vigna, DRE

Suzie Catanese, Parish Secretary

Richard Von Schlichten St Clement Food Pantry, (814) 255-2200

PARISH MEMBERSHIP - New members are always welcome! Please call the Rectory Office if you wish to join St. Clement Church. Current members are asked to notify the Rectory Office with any changes in address or phone numbers



RECONCILIATION - Saturday - 3:00 PM

BAPTISM - Call Rectory Office to register for Parents' Program prior to Baptism.

MARRIAGES - Call Rectory Office at least nine months in advance to arrange.

R.C.I.A. - Call Rectory if you are interested in becoming a Catholic.

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THE CLEMENTIAN DECEMBER 1, 2024

First Sunday of Advent





Jumpstarting Jubilee 2025 – Advent Hope

The first Advent candle symbolizes hope. Every 25 years the Church celebrates a special Holy Year called the Jubilee Year. This Jubilee will begin with the opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome on Christmas Eve, 2024. The theme of the Jubilee Year is HOPE. It is a time for us to realize that "hope does not disappoint" when it is rooted in the knowledge that God has committed himself to us in *Emmanuel*, "God with us."

Readings for next weekend, December 7 & 8: Baruch 5:1-9/Philippians 1:4-11/Luke 3:1-6 Worship Book #771

DAILY MASS READINGS

Mon	12/02 Isaiah 2:1-5/Matthew 8:5-11
Tue	12/03 Isaiah 11:1-10/Luke 10:21-24
Wed	12/04 Isaiah 25:6-10/Matthew 15:29-37
Thur	12/05 Isaiah 26:1-6/Matthew 7:21-27
Fri	12/06 Isaiah 29:17-24/Matthew 9:27-31
Sat	12/07 Isaiah 30:19-26/Matthew 9:35—10:1-8

ST. CLEMENT CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION								
	OCTOBER 2024	Fiscal Year						
		<u>to date</u>						
Cash Received:	\$ 42,180	\$162,019						
Expenses Paid:	58,159	185,291						
Cash Received Over (Under)								
Expenses Paid:	\$ (15,979)	\$ (23,272)						



Let us pray for the Holy Land.

O Merciful God, shield Israel and its people. Grant them peace and protection from harm. Lead their leaders with wisdom and their defenders with strength. Bless the land with harmony and let love conquer discord. Amen.



CALENDAR WINNERS

Nov 20— Michelle Petrell, #459

Nov 21—John & Kathy Russin, #145

Nov 22—Lori Meyers, #713

Nov 23—James Preuss, #116

Nov 24—Melissa Alt, #945

Nov 25—Lisa Wadsworth, #198

UNSOLD CALENDARS

Please return any **UNSOLD 2025** calendars to the Rectory Office ASAP. Thank you!



PRAYER NETWORK CONTACT—

Dr. Judith Thomas – 814-535-4747 thomasangelight@gmail.com



TODAY'S GOSPEL REFLECTION— First Sunday of Advent



We have arrived at the powerful season of Advent, a season to prepare with awe and gratitude for the Feast of the Incarnation of Jesus, born to us as Savior and

Brother. A season to prepare for His return at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our individual judgement day is coming too – the moment when we will be called to give an account for all the love God has shown us and the gifts He has given us during our lifetime. Get ready Christian stewards! He's coming! Let us prepare with awe and wonder!



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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—A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Sunday, December 8th – 4:00 PM Monday, December 9th – 6:30 PM



During the month of December, from the heart will take a back seat to the many charities seeking donations during the Christmas season. We encourage you to support the upcoming St. Clement Food Pantry Collection and the ongoing Angel Tree Ministry. Look for a new announcement in January of 2025!

We are extremely grateful for the gift of your support throughout the past year that has allowed us to bring hope to those in need. During the hustle and bustle of the upcoming Christmas season, we hope you will slow down enough to notice all the little gifts God lovingly tucks into your day!



Our St. Clement Food Pantry is in need of your monetary donations.

Our RED BUCKETS are available this weekend, November 30-December 1, for your monetary donations.

Please make checks payable to the *St. Clement Food Pantry*. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Advent is here! Please join us on this first **Sunday of Advent, December 1st** here at St. Clement Church at 6:30 PM as we pray the Stations of the Crib. We will use shadow stations with prayer, song, and guided meditation to prepare for Christmas. We will begin with the Annunciation and will travel through the Return of the Holy Family from Egypt. For those who prefer to join us in prayer in daylight, we will be praying the stations with All Saints Parish at their activity center at 505 Center Avenue, Boswell at 3 PM on December 1st. All are invited!

ANGEL TREE REMINDER



Please attach the tag SECURELY to the outside of your WRAPPED package.

Place the gift under the Angel Tree by **next**

Sunday, December 8th.

 Monetary donations may be sent to the rectory marked

Angel Tree.

Questions? Call **Andrea Riek @** 255-3147.



SACRISTAN NEEDED

You might not be aware of it, but there is a behind-the-scenes dedicated. team parishioners who launder, iron, and fold the altar linens on a regular basis. We are currently looking for someone to fill an open position for the months of May and November. If you are looking for an "in-home" ministry where you can quietly contribute to the care of the Lord's Table and make your own hours, this ministry is for you! Please consider this humble but very important ministry. If you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions, please call the Rectory @ 255-4422 or email Suzie stclementchurch@atlanticbb.net.

Marriage: The season of Advent is a time of anticipation that directs our hearts and minds to preparing for the celebration of the Lord's birth on Christmas and for Christ's second coming at the end of time. During this time of preparation and expectant waiting, we also remember expectant mothers who are preparing for the birth of their children.

Life Matters: We pray to the Lord to be Inspired by the example of the Blessed Mother. May we, like Mary, have the courage to say "yes" to God's gift of human life.



ST. CLEMENT CHURCH CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE

Order forms for our Christmas Cookie Sale were in last week's bulletin. Please return your order form, along with payment, **by Friday, December 6**th by either dropping it off at the Rectory Office, putting it in the collection basket at church, or mailing it to 114 Lindberg Avenue, Johnstown, 15905. Please make checks payable to *St. Clement Church*. Extra order forms are located at the entrances to the church.





We invite you to experience the gift of God's loving forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Tuesday**, **December 10th from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM.** Several priests will be present to celebrate the Sacrament by hearing confessions and sharing Jesus' forgiveness. We hope you will take advantage of this special opportunity to prepare the "manger" of your heart for the birth of Jesus.

"It is not too late to make a fresh start with God."

LIFTING SPIRITS FOR CHRISTMAS



If you are looking for a way to spread some Christmas cheer, please consider adding the names of our nursing home and

homebound parishioners to your Christmas Card List this year. A list of names and addresses can be found at all entrances to the Church. Feel free to use some of the cards from the basket in the vestibule which have been donated for your use.



PEACE ON EARTH: AN ADVENT CELEBRATION



Join us for an evening of music and worship with Award Winning Catholic Artist,

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Wednesday, December 11th 6:30 PM

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PUBLIC ROSARY

Santa says, "Jesus, this is Your season, not mine."



Lifting our prayers for

KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH 6:30 PM



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14^{TH} 11:30 AM

(note time change)

Central Park, Downtown Johnstown



ADVENT by Daniel Berrigan

It is **not** true that creation and the human family are doomed to destruction and loss -- **This is true:** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

It is **not** true that we must accept inhumanity and discrimination, hunger and poverty, death and destruction --

This is true: I have come that they may have life, and that abundantly.

It is **not** true that violence and hatred should have the last word, and that war and destruction rule forever --

This is true: For unto us a child is born, and unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, the Everlasting, the Prince of Peace.

It is **not** true that we are simply victims of the powers of evil who seek to rule the world -- **This is true:** To Me is given authority in heaven and on earth, and lo, I am with you, even unto the end of the world.

It is *not* true that we must wait for those who are specially gifted, who are the prophets of the Church, before we can be peacemakers. *This is true:* I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your young shall see visions, and your old shall have dreams.

It is **not** true that our hopes for the liberation of humanity, for justice, human dignity, and peace are not meant for this earth and for this history --

This is true: The hour comes, and it is now, that true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

So let us enter Advent in hope, even hope against hope. Let us see visions of love and peace and justice. Let us affirm with humility, with joy, with faith, with courage:

Jesus Christ -- the Life of the world!









LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND APPOINTMENTS

SCHEDULE	MASS SCHEDULE	ALTAR SERVER(S)	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER(S)	LECTOR(S) CANTOR ORGANIST	HOSPITALITY MINISTERS
MONDAY	ADVENT WEEKDAY	Dave Vranich	Ed Serafin	John Pattison	
2-Dec	Anniversary Remembrance				
8:00 AM	for Joseph Fyock,				
	Req. by Wife, Patricia				
TUESDAY	ST. FRANCIS XAVIER	Dave Vranich	Andrea Riek	R Von Schlichten	
3-Dec	Intentions of Parish Family				
8:00 AM					
WEDNESDAY	ST. JOHN DAMASCENE				
4-Dec	NO MASS				
THURSDAY	ADVENT WEEKDAY	Dave Vranich	Terri Connor	Mary Koval	
5-Dec	Birthday Remembrance				
8:00 AM	for Threse Baywood,				
	Req. by Children				
FRIDAY	ST. NICHOLAS, BISHOP				
6-Dec	NO MASS				
SATURDAY	ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS	Chase Gleason	Joe Brawley - MC	Stephanie Bischof	Sally Drager
7-Dec		Hunter Gleason	Rebecca Brawley - MC	Michael O'Connor	Charlie Hagins
4:00 PM	Dr. Bernard McQuillan,		Betsy Reitz - MH	Dave Pavlik	Pete Hohrun
	Req. by Family		Ralph Trofino - MH	Bryan Bazyk	Josie McVicker
			Chris Hohrun - FH		Bonnie Pavlosky
			Marsha Critchfield - FC		Frank Rovder
			Sharon Mock - FC		
SUNDAY	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Dominic Facciani	Connie Mercik - MC	Bruce Eash	Pat Butler
8-Dec		Larry Wagner	John Pattison - MC	Deb Rullman	Nanci Gaborek
9:30 AM	Michael Delich, Req. by		Diane Grasser - MH	Mary Statler	Ron Konicky
	Aunt Jean Delic		Andrea Riek - MH	Rosalyn Marovich	Butch Park
			Julie Wagner - FH		Dave Vranich
			Karen Harnish - FC		Allen Wright
			Mandy Vigna - FC		
4:00 PM	VIGIL-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	Ed Serafin	Sharon Mock - MC	John Pattison	Sally Drager
		Nancy Stamplis	Linda Rigo - MC	R Von Schlichten	Charlie Hagins
	Intentions of Parish Family		Chris Sheridan - MH	Mary Statler	Josie McVicker
			Kathy Williams - MH	Bryan Bazyk	Frank Rovder
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			Mary Casto - FC		
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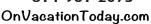
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