



## Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, August 14 . . . . .	8:15 AM
† August and Mary Portwine	
Tuesday, August 15	
<b>HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION</b>	
	8:15 AM
People of Our Parish	
	7:00 PM
Living & Deceased Members of the Boughton Family	
Wednesday, August 16 . . . . .	8:15 AM
† Diane Heinrichs	
Thursday, August 17. . . . .	8:15 AM
† Souls in Purgatory	
	5:15 PM
Special Intention	
Friday, August 18 . . . . .	8:15 AM
† Al Klaas	
Saturday, August 19 . . . . .	8:15 AM
† Lona, Lynn & Darrall Leighton	
	<b>5:00 PM</b>
† Grover Weber	
Sunday, August 20 . . . . .	<b>7:30 AM</b>
People of Our Parish	
	<b>9:30 AM</b>
† Eunice Zenz	

## RECONCILIATION

(in the confessional closest to the rectory)

**Mon. thru Sat. Before Mass**  
**Saturday at 4:00 PM**

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

*August 1, 5, 6 & 7*

Church Support Envelopes . . .	\$5,650.00
Offertory Cash . . . . .	\$475.00
Children's Offertory . . . . .	\$26.00
Weekly Electronic Giving . . . . .	\$978.00
1st of Month Electronic Giving	\$1,125.00
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>\$8,254.00</b>
Budgeted Offertory for July . . . .	\$36,340
Offertory Received in July . . . . .	\$8,254
<b>Budgeted Amount Still Needed . .</b>	<b>\$28,086</b>

### REMINDER:

Please remember that we often pray the Rosary before daily and Sunday Masses. Please join us.

## From Our Pastor:

The essence of faith, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI has said, is that *something* meets us that is *greater* than anything we can think of for ourselves. In this Sunday's Gospel, that is literally what happens to the disciples as they see Jesus walking on the water (Matthew 14:22-33). And Jesus summons them to faith – He calls them *and us* to leave behind our old ways of measuring things and see all according to this *something greater* that meets us. We should not be surprised that Christ often will come to us in ways that we least expect, as the Prophet Elijah found out in that tiny whispering sound (1Kings 19:9-13). And when such faith takes hold of us, we want everyone we know to share in it, as Saint Paul testifies today (Romans 9:1-5).

In Matthew 14, the sea symbolizes this life and the instability of the visible world; the storm points to every kind of trial and difficulty that oppresses human beings; the boat represents the Church, built by Christ and steered by the Apostles. Jesus wanted to teach the disciples to bear life's adversities courageously, trusting in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Peter shows such trust when he walks on the water, not by his own effort, but rather through Divine grace in which he believes. Peter knows, loves and serves God. Yet, when he doubts God, when he no longer looks at Jesus and is frightened by the gale and fails to trust in Jesus, he begins to sink in the sea of life's troubles. So it is also for us, Pope Benedict has said: if we look only at ourselves, we become dependent on the winds and can no longer pass through storms on the waters of life (Angelus, August 7, 2011).

In the example of the Apostle Peter, we realize that even before we seek the Lord or invoke Him, it is He Himself who comes to meet us, who lowers Heaven to stretch out His hand to us and to raise us to Himself – what He expects of us, His disciples, is that we totally trust in Him, that we really take hold of His hand, that we believe in Him, love Him and serve Him.

Every time we come to Mass, we come to Jesus and He offers His hand to us – as He gives us His Word and literally gives us Himself in the Holy Eucharist, His true, real and *substantial* presence. Although we're undeserving of such a gift, we receive *Something Greater*: the love of God in the person of Jesus Christ! We realize that the "something" is really a "*someone*," Jesus Christ, the Only Savior of the world. He calls us to meet Him, crucified and risen from the dead, to humbly receive Him in prayer, and in His Church, Word and Sacraments – and in that encounter, He changes us and instills in us the virtues of faith, hope and love, calling us to be saints, His holy witnesses in the world. And as God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit gives us faith, hope and love, He compels us to share them with others, to be instruments of His love and mercy – for when we extend to others the love God offers us in Jesus Christ, our lives become wonderfully fulfilled. Let us call on the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose Assumption into Heaven we celebrate this week, as she is the model of discipleship and total entrustment to God – so that in the midst of the anxieties, troubles and difficulties that churn up the sea of our life, our hearts may resonate with the reassuring words of Jesus Christ, Who also says to us, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." And may our faith, hope and love in Him grow each day.

With peace and prayers in Christ,  
*Fr. William*

## FATHER MAZZUCHELLI ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

The Father Samuel Mazzuchelli Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus extend an invitation to all to attend a Mass to honor the Venerable Father Samuel Mazzuchelli. The Mass will take place on Sunday, August 27 at 3 PM at St. Patrick's Church in Benton. Following the Mass, the Assembly will serve a beef or chicken breast dinner in St. Patrick's reception hall. Contact John Pace at 723-4463 if interested in attending.

## YOUR PHOTOS, PLEASE!

Last call for individual/family photos for our directory as well as photographs of parish events and from parish groups and organizations. Please bring these pictures into the parish office as soon as possible as we have begun work on the directory activity pages. Activities such as the Steubenville Youth Conference, May Crowning, Fall Festival, KC and CCW events are a few examples. As you submit these photographs, include who is in the picture, what event it is from and who to return it to.



Please put all submitted photos of family and events in an envelope so that they can be kept separate from other submitted photos. Thank you for your help as we work on this project!

## THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY, AUGUST 15

On Tuesday, August 15, the Church joyfully celebrates the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states in paragraph 966:

“Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into Heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of Lords and the conqueror of sin and death. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son’s Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians.”



The Assumption of Mary is God’s gift for her life-long fiat, her continual saying yes to God’s will for her life. Being kept free from original sin by God’s grace from the moment of her conception, and by His grace assisting her to be free from sin throughout her life, Mary’s being taken body and soul into Heaven is a continuation and completion of God’s marvelous grace working in and through her. As the Catechism says, her assumption is also an anticipation of our own resurrection on the last day when our body and soul will be reunited again. What the Blessed Mother already experiences in joy, we will also experience one day by God’s mercy and grace. See John 6:40 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

The Assumption of Mary is one of our Holy Days of obligation. This is a wonderful occasion for us to give thanks to God for all He has done for us through the cooperation and intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses offered on the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary will be at 8:15 AM and at 7:00 PM. **Bishop Morlino will be here to celebrate the 7 PM Mass with us! What a special honor and joy this is for our parish!**



## STEWARDSHIP & THE WORD OF GOD

August 13, 2017 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“He said, ‘Come.’ Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.” – MATTHEW 14:29*

When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that He knows what He’s doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say “yes” to Jesus, we allow the power of His presence to give direction to our lives. We know and experience the freedom He gives us. Listen to Jesus calling you to “come” to Him, as He called to Peter, and live the extraordinary life Jesus has in mind for you.



**Lectors:** We are in need of lectors to assist at the 7:30 Mass on Sunday morning. Please call Bill to volunteer if you can lector at this Mass.

**Servers:** We also need altar servers to assist at the 7:30 Mass on Sunday. Call the Parish Office to volunteer. Also, please go to the sacristy if you are at the 7:30 Mass and check to see if servers are needed. When the next schedule comes out, we will also include this Mass as part of the schedule. So if you would prefer to serve at this early morning Sunday Mass, let Bill know.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Please come up to the altar to assist with the distribution of the Holy Eucharist when Fr. William is receiving from the chalice.

Also, **after you have finished distributing Holy Communion** and taken the Blessed Sacrament to the altar, please “rinse” your fingers of any fragments of the Blessed Sacrament in the ablution cup (a covered, glass container with water). This will be on a table, along with the hand sanitizer, on a table behind Fr. William and the servers. Thank You!

## RESPECT LIFE RETREAT, SEPTEMBER 15 & 16

Vigil for Life invites you to come away to be re-energized in your prayer and work to protect life. Please join us for this Respect Life Retreat led by Fr. Eric Sternberg, pastor of St. Cecelia Parish in Wisconsin Dells. The retreat will run Friday evening, September 15 through 3:30pm on Saturday, September 16 at Durward’s Glen Retreat Center in Baraboo. \$85 with overnight room or \$30 for commuters. Scholarships are available. Please contact Marie Lins at marielins@hotmail.com or 608-469-3982 or Bette Weisshaar ehweisshaar@hotmail.com or 608-358-5963 for more information and to reserve your place.

## RELIGIOUS ED NEWS for Grades K to 6

K - Grade 6 RE opening meeting for parents and children is Wednesday, Sept. 13, 5:30 to 7:00pm in the dining hall. We will serve a light picnic meal, register the children, and provide information for the year. Regular class times will be 6:00-7:00pm, beginning on September 20.

*Bring a small picture of each child for Mrs. Mumm to keep as a reference.*

*Bring a small family picture that you will use in a project.*

We welcome everyone back from last year. We encourage new families to join us. If you took a break for a year, we invite you back. Please extend this welcome to any Catholic neighbors or friends. We strive to support parents in their role as the first and most important teachers of their children in the ways of our Catholic faith. Together, we will grow in our ability to Know, Love and Serve God so we can be happy with Him in this world and for all eternity in Heaven. We will learn about God and His Church, participate in prayer and the sacraments, and celebrate our lives as God's children in St. Clement Parish. Come and learn about the new Family Activity which you will do at home throughout the year.

Watch for current information throughout the year on Facebook: St. Clement K-6. Questions: use the Facebook page or Kitty's information on the front of the bulletin.

*God the Father, thank you for your love!*

*God the Son, Jesus, we want your saving grace!*

*God the Holy Spirit, our friend and our guide, strengthen us!*

## RELIGIOUS ED NEWS for Grades 7 to 9

The parent meeting for grades 7-9 is scheduled for Monday, August 21 at 7 p.m. Please have at least one parent attend. The meeting will be held in the dining hall. The registration forms are also on the table closest to the holy water font (by smaller CCW Lighthouse Catholic Media stand). Please note that the registration forms are the same for Grades 7 to 9, but each grade has a separate schedule. Please help by spreading the word so no parish members going into grades 7-9 are left out. As a reminder, 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will be preparing for Confirmation. The registration forms (with the fee) can be dropped off at the Parish Office, in the offertory basket or mailed at your earliest convenience so we can order enough books/workbooks.

### ISAIAH 43 (YOUTH MINISTRY)

Stuebenville North Youth Conference 2017 Participants



### Grades 10-12 Students

Please sign up on the form in the entrance of church and also look for the information/schedule packet.

## VOLUNTEER AT BADGER CAMP!

Parish members, please join the Knights of Columbus in volunteering for the Badger Camp Olympics taking place on Wednesday, August 16. The plan is to meet at St. Clement parking lot at 5:30 PM to arrive at the Badger Camp by 6:30 PM. This is a great family service event and is open to everyone. Come and cheer on the Wisconsin Badger Camp Athletes.

Wisconsin Badger Camp

11815 Munz Lane | Prairie du Chien, WI 53821



## MEN: SAVE THE DATE!

On behalf of the Men's Group at St. John the Baptist Parish, a quick reminder about the "Becoming Better Men" conference Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Our keynote speaker will be Steve Bollman, founder of the **That Man Is You** program. For more information, visit us online at [www.becomingbettermen.net](http://www.becomingbettermen.net) or call 608-849-5121, ext. 118 at St John's, Waunakee. \$25 before Aug 31: \$30 after Sept 1.

## SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

### SCRIP NOW AVAILABLE IN PARISH OFFICE

To help make SCRIP more readily available to all of our parishioners, SCRIP will now be available for purchase at the parish office throughout the week. Simply stop by during regular office hours and let Katie help you with all your SCRIP needs. We will also continue to sell SCRIP after each weekend Mass, in the school office during the week, and at Walker's Clothing and Shoes during their normal business hours. Please feel free to call the school office or email us at [scrip@saintclementschoo.com](mailto:scrip@saintclementschoo.com) if you have any questions or need any assistance with SCRIP. You can also like our St. Clement SCRIP Program on Facebook to stay updated on the latest SCRIP news, deals, and more. Please help spread the word and thank you for your participation in our great SCRIP program!!!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW

The 2017-18 school year will be here before we know it. Here are a few important dates to add to your calendars:

- Monday, August 21, 2017: Registration 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Open House 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 29, 2017: First Day of School
- Monday, September 4, 2017: No School - Labor Day
- Tuesday, September 5, 2017: Public School / Busing Begins

### SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL/HOME & SCHOOL RAFFLE CALENDAR WINNERS:

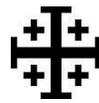
#### August

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| 7  | \$25 | Jack Craugh            |
| 8  | \$25 | Mark & Carol Helmke    |
| 9  | \$25 | Mag & Nelson NeCollins |
| 10 | \$25 | Matt & Anna Selby      |
| 11 | \$25 | John & Julie Pluemer   |
| 12 | \$25 | Rev. John Sasse        |
| 13 | \$50 | Isabella Reuter        |





## WEEKEND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



### AUGUST 19 & 20

**5 PM Lectors:** Mary Seiler & Bill Manthe

**5 PM Servers:** Zach Mendis, Quentin Fritz & Hunter Abing

**7:30 AM Lectors & Servers:** Need Volunteers! Call the rectory

**9:30 AM Lectors:** Sheri Ihm & Kitty Mumm

**9:30 AM Servers:** DJ Kelley, Gabi Dressler & Tom Bennett

### AUGUST 26 & 27

**5 PM Lectors:** Tom Hughey & Emil Everix

**5 PM Servers:** Paige & Larry Pluemer, Braeden Bausch

**7:30 AM Lectors & Servers:** Need Volunteers! Call the rectory

**9:30 AM Lectors:** Sam Jonas, Jenny/Gracie Winter

**9:30 AM Servers:** Haley & Caden Timmerman, Cole Zenz

*If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled liturgical role,  
please find a substitute.*

### PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE:

Thank you to those who have already returned your updated email and phone number information to the parish office. If you have not already done so, please fill out the form below and return it to the parish office either by mail or by dropping it into the collection basket. This will help us greatly in keeping you informed about parish events and opportunities! In the near future we would like to send some of our parish communications via email, thereby saving postage, time and materials. Thank you for your help and cooperation!

Parishioner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone/Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**JUST A REMINDER:** If you're receiving the newspaper *Catholic Herald* and haven't submitted the payment of \$22.00, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you to the parishioners who have already made the payment. Our parish has to absorb the cost of those subscriptions that are not paid. Envelope holders will find an envelope in their packet or you may put your payment in a plain envelope marked "Catholic Herald" with your name for proper credit. Please make the check payable to St. Clement Parish. Thank you.

### WHY NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING?

Fertility awareness (or natural family planning—NFP) is more than just a family planning method. It's a great way to learn about your spouse's fertility; in addition, you will become versed in how to communicate with your spouse about topics you probably have never talked about—topics that speak to the heart of each of us who are married or planning to be married. Class #1 in the 3-class series begins Saturday, September 9th in the meeting room of St. Clement Parish office, 135 S. Washington St. Lancaster, WI at 1 pm. For more information call Vicki at 608-495-6117; to register: <https://registration.madisondiocese.org/nfp/> and click on Couple to Couple League course.

## YEAR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

With Father William's guidance, we will continue parish plans for the Year of the Holy Spirit with renewed joy, we pray to intensify and rejuvenate the life of the parish under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our new pastor, Father William Vernon.

Please continue to pray the prayer to the Holy Spirit to bless St. Clement Parish:

*Holy Spirit, Lover of my Soul, lead me to grow in holiness and charity. Awaken in me the awesome wonder of Your gifts within, that in response to Your grace I may be a gift to my family, my friends, my parish and especially to You.*

*Holy Spirit, my Friend and my Guide, strengthen me.*

Check out the following opportunities to plan for the immediate future:

- August 15<sup>th</sup> is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This means Mary was assumed into Heaven, body and soul, when her earthly life was over. Mary is intimately involved in the life of the Church and the Most Holy Trinity. She is a daughter of God the Father, the Mother of God the Son, and the Spouse of God the Holy Spirit. August 15<sup>th</sup> is a Solemnity, a holy day of obligation, which means we attend Mass as we do on a Sunday. Please mark your calendars to be here for the evening Mass at 7 p.m. with Bishop Robert Molino and Father William. "A child of Mary will never perish." We ask Mary for her motherly love for all of us at St. Clement and for her particular care during this year.
- Thursday, August 24, 6:30 p.m. in parish office basement meeting room  
*Bridget Spraggon has volunteered to chair the Hospitality Committee which will recognize parishioners on their birthdays and anniversaries, and send condolences when and where needed. Please come, anyone from age 12 and beyond if you want to participate in this work of charity throughout the year.*
- Saturday, September 9: Movie night for families. Our first family movie will be "A Song for Bernadette".  
*Call Kitty if you or your family would like to help organize snacks and refreshments.*

### WE NEED YOUR HELP AT THE PANTRY!

Over the past number of years, Ron and Mary Koenen, and Tom and Joan Sheehan have assisted immensely at the Lancaster Association of Churches (LAC) Food Pantry on the nights that St. Clement Parish is staffing the pantry. In recent months, Ron and Mary have moved away, and now circumstances are such that Tom and Joan are no longer able to give of their time as they have in the past. So we are in need of a few volunteers to take over the work they were doing. Three to four people would be ideal. Tom is willing to train new volunteers in this important service to those who are in need. This is a wonderful opportunity to put our faith into action with works of mercy (Matthew 25:31-46). Contact Bill at the parish office for more info.

We are always looking for more volunteers to assist working the pantry when it is our parish's turn to do so. Contact Renee Schwantes at 723-2231 to volunteer or get more info.