

St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine



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Dear Friend,

In the book of the prophet Jeremiah, the Lord declares, "I know the plans I have for you, plans for your welfare and not for woe, to give you a future filled with hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find, when you seek with all your heart."

St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine is a place where many people over the years have come to seek, find and discover a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Whether it is the celebration of the Mass or Eucharistic Adoration, St. Clement has served the spiritual needs of the people of God. It is a sacred space that provides solace and solitude from the noise of the world and a greater connection with our Lord.

However, the building is in need of restoration. The two most important areas are the façade and the large upper stained glass windows along the side of the church. The façade is structurally deteriorating and requires major repairs to the stonework. The repairs include staging, cleaning, pointing or replacing over one hundred and twenty-five precast pieces that are cracked or failed. The cost for this work is \$395,000.

A second area is the stained glass windows. The lead between the glass pieces has weakened due to rain, moisture and dampness. Each window will need to be re-leaded to preserve it for years to come. The estimated cost for this work is \$50,000-\$75,000.

We need your help to address the necessary repairs and work of restoration. The good news is that we have received a \$100,000 gift challenge in which each dollar will be matched for each gift given. I have included a brochure for you to read and we ask that you prayerfully consider how you might help us raise the finances to complete this work.

I am personally grateful for the many ways you have supported St. Clement. Furthermore, I thank you for considering how you can help in this restoration project so the beauty of the building can continue to be a means that serves the spiritual needs of the people of God.

May God bless you with his grace and peace.

In Christ,



Fr. Peter Grover, OMV
Director