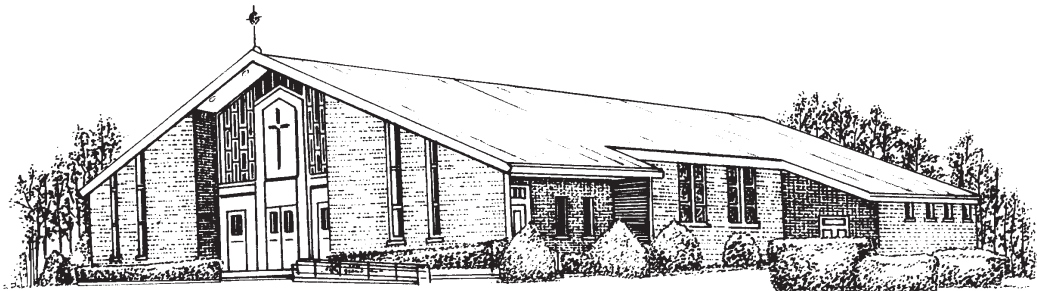


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Theresa Scalo, '95

### Parish Mission Statement

May the Lord bind us together as a community of faith filled with His love. Let us go forth and spread His Good News as St. John preached: "Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth." 1 John 3:18

### Pastor

Rev. Paul S. Sughrue

Email: FrPaul1@verizon.net

### Deacon

Michael J. Cavanaugh

### Faith Formation Office

Email: faithformation2@verizon.net

### Business Office

Email: stclaret@verizon.net

### Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM Monday through Saturday

Holy Days: As Announced

### Sacrament Of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM

Anytime by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: 2nd Sunday at 1:00 PM.

### Sacrament of Marriage:

A minimum six months notice is required. Couples must participate in a marriage preparation program.

### Sacrament of the Sick and Communion Calls:

Please notify the Parish House if anyone is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass because of illness, handicap or age.

### Eucharistic Adoration:

Every Monday 7:00-8:00 PM in the Church.

### Music Director:

Kathy Clancy 849-9219

### Faith Formation: 781-848-7481

Debbie Clancy, Grades K-5

E-mail: FaithFormation4K25@verizon.net

Ann Marie Tranfaglia, Grades 6, 7, 8

E-mail: FaithFormation4628@verizon.net

Mike Panciotti, Grades 9 & 10

E-mail: FaithFormation4910@verizon.net

### Fr. Bill's Place:

First Tuesday of the month.

Mary Glynn 781-640-8528

### AI-Anon:

Meets in Parish Hall - Tuesdays at 10:30AM

### Alcoholic Anonymous:

Twelve Step & Twelve Tradition - Meets in Parish Hall

Conference Room Fridays 8:00-9:00 PM

Dave: 617-413-3430

### Help for the Poor:

Dave Wallace 848-3585

### Coffee House:

Brian Manning 380-8709

### Pine Street Inn Society:

Second Thursday of the month

Joan McCarron 848-0813

### Holy Name Society:

Second Sunday of the month at the 8:30 AM Mass.

### Boy Scout Troop #138:

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Ed Fruth 843-9854

### St. Clare Social and Event Activities Coordinators:

Marybeth Moriarty 356-4842

### Family & Tots Program:

Karen McBrine 961-3460

### Bulletin Deadline:

All notices must be submitted to the Parish House by Monday 1 PM.

**Welcome To New Parishioners.** We want to know and serve you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and present it to one of the priests or bring it to the rectory or place in the collection basket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street/City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Do You Wish to receive Offertory Envelopes? Yes

**Prayers** are requested for the Parishioners of St. Clare Parish, for those who are hospitalized, for our deceased relatives and friends, and for the following intentions:

**SATURDAY, May 16**

4:00 PM Eleanor MacEachern .....7<sup>th</sup> Anniv

**SUNDAY, May 17**

8:30 AM John Clougher.....6<sup>th</sup> Anniv

10:00 AM Robert Son.....3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv

11:30 AM Idalina Silva .....4<sup>th</sup> Anniv

**WEDNESDAY, May 20**

9:00 AM John Mahoney.....Birthday Memorial

**FRIDAY, May 22**

9:00 AM Nora Bye.....Anniv

**SATURDAY, May 23**

4:00 PM Vittoria Raimondi.....1<sup>st</sup> Anniv

**SUNDAY, May 24**

8:30 AM Thomas & Kate McDonagh.....Memorial

Joseph & Margaret McDonagh.....Memorial

10:00 AM Tommaso Gioioso.....15<sup>th</sup> Anniv

11:30 AM Thomas J. McCarthy .....1<sup>st</sup> Anniv

**Please remember in your prayers the soul of Thomas Garrity.**

**BANNS of MARRIAGE**

**Kenneth H. Hulke, Jr.....Kimberly N. Morrissey**

**Jesus' commandment is that His disciples love one another**, even to the point of laying down their lives, is necessary. What gifts of myself – my skills and talents, my time and resources – will best demonstrate my love for God's people?

**Daily Mass Schedule:** With only one priest assigned to Clare Parish, please know of the following changes to our schedule: **Daily Mass will be Wednesday-Saturday at 9:00 AM.** Know that daily Mass in the area is as follows: St. Francis of Assisi – 7:00 AM, St. Thomas More & St. Francis Xavier – 9:00 AM, Pastoral Center - 12:05 PM, St. Mary, Randolph - 12:10 PM.

**Liguorian Magazine** will be represented this weekend by Fr. Donnell Kirchner, CSSR. We hope many will choose to subscribe to this fine Catholic publication.

**The Feast of the Ascension** is Thursday, **May 21**, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Holy Day are Wednesday at 4:00 PM and Thursday at 9:00 AM. Please make every effort to attend.

**We welcome Madeline Swain Carey** as our newest member of our faith through Baptism. We pray God will bestow upon her many spiritual blessings throughout her life.

**Our Monthly Food Collection** will be next weekend of **May 23 & 24**. Please bring your non-perishable donations to the Masses. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**The Altar Breads & Wine** to be used in all the Masses this week have been donated in loving memory of **Hattie Costa & Tina Martino**.

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**Thank you for your ongoing generosity**

**The Second Collection** taken this weekend of **May 16 & 17** is for the **Catholic Communication Campaign**. Please show your usual generosity.

**A Second Collection** will be taken next weekend, **May 23 & 24**, for our **Jubilee Celebration Fund**.

**2009 Catholic Appeal:** Thank you to all supporters of the 2009 Catholic Appeal. Our Parish has raised \$58,593 reaching 83% of our parish goal of \$70,500. If you have not yet pledged, please consider a gift today and help us meet our goal. Remember, our Parish will receive 25 percent of all funds we raise above our goal. Please remember to make your pledge now even if you plan on fulfilling that pledge towards the end of the year. For more information please visit [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com) or call 617-779-3700. Every gift matters. Thank you!

**Eucharistic Adoration** will be held the first Monday of the Month on Monday, **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

**Yard Sale & Bake Sale** sponsored by Court St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Daughters – Saturday, **May 23** from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM in St. Clare's Far Right Parking Area near the meditation garden. You're sure to find something you always needed and take home a delicious cake! All proceeds to go to CDA projects and charities.

**Boston Catholic Directory:** Anyone wishing a copy is welcome to purchase one at the Parish House.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) invites you to pray the Rosary** on Monday, **May 18**, at 7:00 PM at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Braintree. Celebrate Mary during the month of May. Refreshments will be served downstairs in the Church Hall.

**Bulletin Entries** are to be submitted to the Parish House before 1:00 PM on Mondays. For your convenience, you may email them directly to [Debby115@verizon.net](mailto:Debby115@verizon.net).

**Liturgical Roles**

**May 16 & 17**

**Lectors:**

4:00 PM.....B. Dugan

8:30 AM.....R. Ford

10:00 AM.....M. Dalton

11:30 AM.....J. McCarthy

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 PM.....D. Hoffman, M. Ryan, T. Kane, T. English

8:30 AM.....R. Hyland, M. Walsh, P. Fillion, B. Welch

10:00 AM.....B. Little, A. Moran, E. Ramirez, J. Collier

11:30 AM.....J. Donovan, M. Rochon, P. Manter, I. Barone

### Liturgy & Life

Here is an excerpt that I really enjoyed. Mt16:24 reads "If any want to be my followers, let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me". The language of denial in this scripture passage can sound harsh. This may be especially true for people who are experiencing hardship. How can I give up one more thing when so much has already been taken from me? How can I bear the weight of one more cross? But Jesus' words are not meant to overwhelm people with more hardship – they are meant to be freeing. They challenge the listener to see hardship, and indeed our whole life, in light of the Good News that God alone is the proper center of our existence. It is God, not hardship, that defines our existence. To deny oneself is to take oneself out of the center of one's existence and recognize that God is already there. To take up one's cross is to follow Jesus both in places of suffering and death and in places of joy and new life. (Loyola Press)  
Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

**Wednesday, May 20 - St. Bernardine of Siena (1380-1444):** Many saints' lives are depicted by problems and perplexities that afflicted them in life. St. Bernardine on the other hand was a human dynamo who took on the world. He was blessed with boundless energy and became a Franciscan at 24. There were 300 friars when he entered and 4000 at the time of his death. He was a strong advocate of scholarship and reflection as necessary for effective ministry. He was known for his devotion to the holy name of Jesus. We should not forget the source of his energy!

**The Pope Speaks:** One of the most critical and urgent social problems of the world today is "the shameful tragedy that one fifth of the world goes to bed hungry", the Pope declared to the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences. Answering an adequate food supply requires international cooperation to eliminate this shameful tragedy. The figures are staggering. Some 25,000 die daily and one child dies every six seconds of malnutrition. Alarming statistics call for attentive response from all people of good will and means.

**You can now go to [SeekAndFind.com](http://SeekAndFind.com)** to find a copy of your bulletin and nearby parishes for reference anytime, 24 hours a day!

**Several students from St. Francis of Assisi School & St. Clare's Faith Formation Program took part in the 2009 CDA National Education Contest** by submitting great work in art, essay and poetry. The Catholic Daughters of Court St. Francis of Assisi, #1859, congratulate the following local winners:

**1<sup>st</sup> place:**

**Ellen McNiff** – Essay (from St. Clare)

**Erin Flannery** – Poetry (from St. Clare)

**Mary Kate Gawron** – Art (from St. Clare)

**2<sup>nd</sup> place: Elizabeth O'Neill** – Poetry (from St. Francis of Assisi)

**3<sup>rd</sup> place: Kasey Kenny** – Poetry (from St. Francis of Assisi)

Thank you to all the students who participated, for your thoughtful efforts!

**In addition to having won at our local Court, Ellen McNiff went on to win 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Erin Flannery to win 1<sup>st</sup> place in the State CDA competition.** Erin's poem, "The Gifts I Give to Others" has been submitted to the National CDA competition! Congratulations girls, and "Good Luck" Erin!

### Faith Formation

**First Communion photos** taken of each child by Sedman Photographers on **May 2** are now available for you to pick up in the Faith Formation Office. (The cost for these pictures was included in your registration fee paid last Fall.) Please call ahead since office hours are flexible whereas classes are now over.

**The sacrament of Confirmation** will take place on **May 30** at 11:00 AM by the Most Rev. John Doohar.

**If any teacher has not returned their Teacher's Manual**, please do so, so that we may order books accordingly for next Fall.

**If you have any questions or concerns**, please call the Faith Formation Office at 781-848-7481.

**Individual Email Boxes for each Director:**

Debbie Clancy (**Gr K - 5**): Faithformation4K25@Verizon.net

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**We congratulate and warmly welcome to the Table of the Lord the following children who received their First Communion on May 9**

Amanda Akins	Nora Kilmain
Sean Barry	Ailish Kokoros
Mark Blaney	Kathryn McCarthy
Rebecca Blasi	Alexis Muscolino
Connor Brown	Declan O'Connor
Trent Brown	Jake O'Neil
Elizabeth Burchill	Christopher Paquin
Catharine Clougher	Kara Paquin
Mary Kate Clougherty	Jeffrey Pollara
Christian Collins	Deborah Proulx
Edward Connolly	Olivia Ridge
Jason Curley	Dianna Riley
Daniel DeGregorio	Michael Seaman
Paul Derrane	Matthew Sharpe
Cailin Donovan	William Silvia
Aoife Dunphy	Molly Smith
Christian Flanagan	Teresa Smith
Aiden Flynn	Laurie Storlazzi
Leo Folan	Sarah Sullivan
Jennifer Jaehnig	Michael Summers

**Register Now for St. Clare's Vacation Bible Camp, "Crocodile Dock: Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light!"** The camp will be held the week of **August 24-28, 2009** for children ages 5-9. Camp hours: 9:00-11:45 AM, Monday thru Friday. Cost: \$50 per child. Pick up your registration form at the Faith Formation Office or at the Parish House.

**Come help us "Rock the Dock"!** Come be part of the magic. Witness Jesus' miraculous power as He fills the hearts and minds of our parish's youth this summer. He is calling you to use the gifts that have been given to you. Any adults or responsible children 12+ interested in helping at this year's VBS, please contact Nancy Corrieri at 781- 849-8698 or Karen McBrine at 781- 961-3460.

**Sacred Heart, Quincy, Bereavement Support Group** will meet Wednesday, **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, 7:00 - 8:30 PM in the convent. All who have experienced a loss of a dear loved one are welcome to attend and to share in an atmosphere of confidentiality.

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