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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

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Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 PM

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

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM Wednesday 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.

Music Director:

Kathy Clancy 849-9219

Faith Formation: 781-848-7481

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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. You may email them directly to Debby115@verizon.net

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, October 24

4:00 PM Teresa & Mary McNamara.....Anniv

SUNDAY, October 25

8:30 AM Richard Mazzola.....8th Anniv

10:00 AM Ismeraldo Esgerra.....1st Anniv

11:30 AM Richard Sullivan.....8th Anniv

WEDNESDAY, October 28

9:00 AM Special Intention

THURSDAY, October 29

9:00 AM Richard L. McMaster10th Anniv

SATURDAY, October 31

9:00 AM Isabel Coloma.....Month's Mind

4:00 PM Shannon M. Faherty & John R. Faherty..Memorial

SUNDAY, November 1

10:00 AM Michael & Claire McCarthy.....Memorial

11:30 AM Josephine & Zachary Ruffini.....Memorial

Jose & Logrezia Barone.....Memorial

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Josephine C. Canney.

Today's psalm says, "The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have. See Psalm 126

Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Monday, November 2 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM here at St. Clare Church. Adoration will be observed the **first Monday of each month.** Please make an effort to spend one hour with Jesus present in the Eucharist.

Children's Liturgy will begin again November 1st at the 10:00 AM Mass and will continue through the rest of the school year. The first three weeks of the month will be the children's liturgy and the last week of the month will be designated a Family Mass.

The Parish Family of St. Clare's would like to welcome the following new parishioners who have recently registered: **Brian Murray, Meghan Dowd, James & Lisa Litterio, Jason & Sarah Rotondo, Anthony Chiulli, Michael & Christine Milward, and Theresa Gorman.**

Coats for Kids, Adults & Babies, too: Collecting now through the Fall: Sponsored by Anton's Cleaners. Please leave the coats behind the Parish Garage in a large box. Accepted: warm winter jackets, gently used, good quality, coats that you would give a friend. All sizes needed. Not accepted: rips, holes and/or tears, broken zippers, permanent stains, sweatshirts, vests, spring coats. Many thanks for your generosity to help the needy.

Our Monthly Food Collection will be this weekend of **October 24 & 25.** Thank you for your continued generosity towards the less fortunate.

The Altar Breads & Wine to be used in all the Masses this week have been donated in loving memory of **Herbert Murphy.**

The Sanctuary Light will burn October 24 through October 30 in loving memory of **John T. Cronin.**

WE ARE THE STEWARDS ...		
and this is how we live our stewardship		
Offertory	(October 17 & 18)	\$5,107
Catholic World Missions		\$1,915
Grand Annual		\$45,958
Thank you for your ongoing generosity		

Parish Finances: Envelopes are available at the doors of Church in the hopes that all parish members will participate in the 2009 Parish Jubilee Grand Annual Collection. The average donation requested is \$300 knowing that some may be able to give more while others may need to give less. The most important feature of this collection is that everyone try to do their fair share! Will you?

2009 Catholic Appeal: Thank you to all supporters of the 2009 Catholic Appeal. Our Parish has now raised \$66,948 reaching 95% of our parish goal of \$70,500. We only need \$3,552 to reach our goal! Please remember, our Parish will receive 25 percent of all funds we raise above our goal. Every gift matters! Thank you!

Devotional Space is dedicated to Military Personnel serving our country: Please bring a picture of family military personnel along with their military address as well as your own, and leave it at the Parish house so that we may display it.

St. Clare Coffee House – This Sunday, October 25, 5:30-7:30 PM: Looking for positive message music? Listen to Contemporary Christian music, enjoy refreshments and good company. Free. Call Brian Manning with any questions at 781-380-8709.

St. Clare 1st Annual 5K Fun Run/Walk: Saturday, **October 31**, registration at 9:30 AM in the lower parking lot - start at 10:00 AM. Register in advance at the Parish House for \$15, \$20 on race day, \$30 per family. All proceeds to benefit the Cara Foundation for Cancer Comfort (www.carafoundation.org). More information about this cause may be read in today's bulletin insert. Tee shirts will be given to the first 100 who register. Come in Halloween costume – 3 prizes will be awarded for the best costume for adults, ages 13-18, and 12 and under.

<u>Liturgical Roles</u>	
<u>October 24 & 25</u>	
<u>Lectors:</u>	
4:00 PM.....	G. Cahill
8:30 AM.....	R. Murphy
10:00 AM	M. Panciotti
11:30 AM	M. Santos
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u>	
4:00 PM.....	D. Hoffman, J. Dente, T. Kane, M. Ryan
8:30 AM.....	B. Welch, J. Barrett, C. Vitagliano, I. Supple
10:00 AM.....	A. Moran, B. Little, A. & J. Sheehan
11:30 AM.....	B. & M. Bohannon, J. Donovan, I. Barone

Fr. Paul once again thanks everyone for their well wishes and prayers for his speedy recovery, and is looking forward to be back at St. Clare's as soon as possible.

St. Simon and St. Jude, apostles, are honored on October 28: According to tradition, Simon called "the Zealous" preached the Gospel in Egypt and later joined St. Jude and went with him to evangelize Persia, where they were later martyred. St. Jude is known as the "patron of impossible cases". The power of his intercession has been acknowledged by countless persons who are devoted to him.

Sheets of All Sizes & Pillow Cases Needed at My Brothers Keeper: new or used (in good condition) for mattresses delivered to those in need. Please contact Mary Belanger at 781-848-3533.

Health Memo: Please be extremely aware of keeping a healthy environment in the Church and Parish Hall. Hand Sanitizers are available throughout the building. Practice coughing into a handkerchief or tissues whenever possible. Please make every effort to maintain a germ free environment.

Pope Benedict declared five new saints of the Church, and praised their "luminous example" and said they were people who "did not put themselves at the center, but chose to go against the current and live according to the Gospel." The most famous of these new saints, was Fr. Damien of Molokai, who elected to live among the lepers of Hawaii, before contracting leprosy himself, and ultimately dying from it. There was a profound kind of martyrdom in the selfless way he sacrificed himself for the outcasts of Molokai. For more information you may go to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Father_Damien. Another new saint, a bit less familiar, is Jeanne Jugan, who was the foundress of the Little Sisters of the Poor. The order's website has an extensive biography of her and the order that makes for compelling reading. One of the most surprising details of her life, though, is that so much of it was spent in utter obscurity. Please go to http://www.littlesistersofthepoor.org/about_jeanne_jugan.html/.

Internet Site: Information and reflection on selected projects funded by the Lilly Endowment, Inc., a website where religious leaders and teachers can find grant making initiatives. Important findings, articles and study guides and grants. Please visit www.resourcingchristianity.org.

The Paulist Center is Hosting a Concert and Liturgy Workshop entitled "Here I Am, Lord" with renowned composer and liturgist Dan Schutte. On Friday, **November 6**, at 7:30 PM there will be the concert - tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door, and the liturgy workshop will be held on Saturday, **November 7** from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM - fee is \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Register by **October 31** by calling 617-742-4460.

Poor Boxes: Don't forget to do your part by "feeding" the poor boxes! This money helps to feed the guests at Pine Street Inn and Fr. Bill's Place. The pennies are collected by the Catholic Daughters to purchase cribs for Friends of the Unborn.

Faith Formation

Candy Bar Guessing Contest Winner: The lucky winner who guessed that 115 candy bars were in the jar was **Jack Ferrini of Grade 4**. His answer was the closest number to the actual 114 candy bars. Congratulations Jack!

A Trivia Game Day was held for Kindergarten through Grade 5 last week with a lucky winner in each class. Everyone had some fun while reviewing their religious knowledge.

Our Next Contest about St. Clare is open until October 29. Please return your picture and/or biography to your teacher or the Faith Formation Office. One winner in each grade level will be awarded a prize.

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

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

Anne Marie Tranfaglia (Gr 6-8): Faithformation4628@Verizon.net

Mike Panciotti (Gr 9 & 10): Faithformation4910@Verizon.net

Clothing Collection for Cradles to Crayons: We are asking for donations of gently used and new clothing for newborn to 12 year olds through our Faith Formation Program. Winter coats & snowsuits, hats, mittens & gloves, new socks & underwear, winter boots, shoes, sneakers, sweaters, sweatshirts and child safety items may be placed in the bin near the Faith Formation Office. You can help make a difference! Thank you!

Shopping Night at Sacred Heart, Weymouth: Thursday, **November 5**, from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. \$5.00 admission includes a raffle ticket. Lots of great vendors and raffles! Located in the lower Church Hall - all proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School. For more information please contact Liz Corwin at 617-827-8010.

Save the Date: Sunday, **November 22**, at 3:30 PM we will be having **John Henry & His World of Magic**. A wonderful, entertaining family afternoon of magic with light refreshments following in the Church Hall. No admission fee - although a free will donation would be appreciated to help defray the cost.

A Night at the Tonys: A Benefit Concert for Sacred Heart School, Weymouth will be held on Saturday, **November 7**. Two different tickets are available - \$20.00 for the show only, and \$25 for the show plus a buffet dinner. Performers include local professionals, parish cantors, and parents. Coffee & dessert during intermission, show trivia with prizes, cash bar. Call 781-335-6010 for more information or to purchase tickets.

Eight New Seminarians for the Archdiocese of Boston: Entering this past September, these men will discern and prepare for the Priesthood. During this Year for Priests, consider praying each day for these men that they will hear God's call clearly and respond with generosity.

The Serra Boston Vocation Club is initiating the "Adopt-a-Priest Apostolate" where parishioners spiritually adopt someone for a year. You are given the name of a priest, prayer cards and a booklet, and asked to pray for the particular intentions and ministry of that priest. If you are interested or wish more information, please call 978-462-1057 or go to www.serraboston.org.

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