

THE PARISH OF SAINT CLARE

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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

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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, September 12

4:00 PM Mary Di Napoli.....4th Anniv

SUNDAY, September 13

8:30 AM Paul A. Mc Cabe.....2nd Anniv

10:00 AM Agata Muscolino.....26th Anniv

11:30 AM Malachy Mc Grath.....Anniv

WEDNESDAY, September 16

9:00 AM John Varrasso.....8th Anniv

THURSDAY, September 17

9:00 AM Thomas F. McDonough.....11th Anniv

SATURDAY, September 19

4:00 PM Patricia Tausevich.....Memorial

SUNDAY, September 20

8:30 AM John Marino.....Memorial

10:00 AM Myrna Rae Griffith.....5th Anniv

11:30 AM Leonilde, Josephine & Zachary Ruffini.....Anniv

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Susan Courage**.

In the second reading today, St. James has harsh words for those who do not put their faith into action. May we be such good stewards of God's gifts to us that we can never be accused of having "faith that does nothing in practice." See James 2:17

Please Note: There will be No Hospitality after the Masses on Sunday, September 20, due to the Blood Drive being held in the Parish Hall.

Memorial Masses are celebrated in memory of deceased family members and loved ones as well as for special intentions. To arrange a Mass to be celebrated in memory of your deceased family members, loved ones, and/or a special intention please call the Parish House.

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.

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.

Men's Clothing Drive to Benefit St. Francis House:

St. Clare's has supported this worthy charity for many years. Items needed are coats & jackets, shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, jeans, footwear, backpacks & bookbags, all gently used and new white crew or tube socks, t-shirts & underwear. All sizes from Large thru 6X. Please leave all items in the screened porch behind the Parish Garage from now until Sunday, **September 20**. Thank you for your generosity to the less fortunate.

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

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Offertory	(September 5 & 6)	\$4,474
Catholic University of America		\$1,174

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2009 Catholic Appeal: Thank you to all supporters of the 2009 Catholic Appeal. Our Parish has now raised \$65,238 reaching 92.5% of our parish goal of \$70,500 from 242 donors. We only need \$5,262 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!

Jubilee Charter Member Mass – Sunday, September 27th at 10:00 AM: Please return your invitation reply to join us for a Mass of Recognition and brunch to follow. Commemorative charter member group pictures featuring his eminence, Sean Cardinal O'Malley, will be distributed immediately following Mass in the Parish Hall.

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 might display it properly in the Devotional Space.

Catholic Cluster Blood Drive - Sunday, September 20 at St. Clare Parish Hall - 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM: **Give Blood – Give Life!** A blood donor offers a very special kind of charity by giving a unique part of herself/himself to help others. There is no age limit; 17 years of age is the minimum and reasonably good health is a basic requirement. Please help. Walk-ins are welcome or you can contact the Red Cross at 1-800-448-3543 (1-800 GIVE-LIFE) for an appointment.

Jubilee Day of Prayer, Jesus Saves: Saturday, October 10th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Fr. Joseph Callahan will present thoughts on Mark and Mary, confessions and Mass. Fr. Callahan has worked with Fr. Matt Talbot and De Colores. He is easy going, down to earth, uncomplicated and a sweet, sweet man. Free will offering.

Liturgical Roles

September 12 & 13

Lectors:

4:00 PM.....	C. Cavanaugh
8:30 AM.....	B. Gawron
10:00 AM.....	M. Panciotti
11:30 AM.....	R. Burke

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM.....	M. Cahill, Deacon Mike, J. Dente, M. Ryan
8:30 AM.....	J. Barrett, R. Ford, R. St. Jean, C. Vitagaliano
10:00 AM.....	B. Little, A. Moran, M. Smith, J. Collier
11:30 AM.....	P. Manter, I. Barone, B. & M. Bohannon

Liturgy and Life

In the Footsteps of Paul by Ken Duncan is a lovely pictorial book describing the journeys of Paul. He concludes with a thoughtful reflection: "The definitive biography of Paul is yet to be written and may never be written. But were the apostle to have written an autobiography, without doubt he would have stressed the cruciform and christocentric pattern of his life. He stood in the shadow of the Galilean and not infrequently reflected the character of the One he served. No higher compliment can be paid to a Christian than to say he lived out and strove to emulate the story of Christ.

Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

Parish Envelopes: We are always hopeful of adding to our list of Parish envelope users. The importance of contributing to St. Clare Parish by means of the envelope system is crucial. We know this by reason of the fact that 2/3rds of Parish income is contributed 1/3rd of Parish contributors. If you would like to register for Parish envelopes and join those who are regular in their parish contributions please fill out the form in the front of the bulletin.

Feast of Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian – Wednesday, September 16: Cornelius dies 253 when the Church in the mid third century numbered 50,000 Christians including 46 priests, 7 deacons and 7 sub deacons. He served a two year term as Pope. Cyprian died 258. Cyprian was a mixture of kindness and courage, vigor and steadiness, cheerful and serious. He was a martyr who wrote a treatise on patience. There is much to emulate in the lives of these early saints of the Church.

Books for Charity: "Hands Across the Waters" is affiliated with Reading Tree who donated 1.6 million books in 2008. This results in an environmental impact of 42,000 trees and 226,000 cubic feet of land saved! 7 million books have been shipped as literacy aid. Please donate all unused books to the bright blue receptacle in the rear parking lot!

Focus on Eucharist: As our weekly readings have recently focused our attention on the celebration of Eucharist, it is important to feel welcome and invited to engage ourselves in the many roles and responsibilities which good liturgy implies. Therefore, please feel welcome to join in the following capacity:

Lector, Reader of God's Word _____
 Extraordinary Minister of Eucharist _____
 Art & Environment _____ Usher _____
 Altar Server _____ Choir Member _____
 Offertory Collection Counter _____

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 TELEPHONE # () _____

Please return as soon as possible ~ Thank you!

Please Remember the Needy: Please be generous in donating to our Poor Boxes, which provides monthly meals for those at Pine Street Inn, Boston, and Fr. Bill's Place, Quincy. Pennies are collected for The Catholic Daughters to purchase and donate cribs to the Friends of the Unborn.

Faith Formation

All classes begin this week of September 14, with the exception of Kindergarten, which begins on Tuesday, September 22.

At this time, we could still use a few more teachers in the elementary grades, but we are in most need during the evenings in Grades 7, 8, 9 & 10. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in and share your faith. Why not give it a try? You have nothing to lose, but plenty to gain!

If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to meet with one of the directors, please call the Faith Formation Office at 781-848-7481.

Individual Email for each Director:

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

A High School Fair for 8th Graders will be hosted by Archbishop Williams High School on Sunday, **September 20**, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the school gymnasium. There will be a gathering of many different schools – both Catholic and private. For additional information please call 781-843-3636.

A "Protecting God's Children" Workshop, which is mandated by the Archdiocese of Boston for Parish staff and all volunteers who have contact with children will be available on Tuesday, **September 22** at 6:30 PM and again on Sunday, **October 4**, at 1:00 PM in St. Clare Parish Hall, with Patricia Spataro as our program facilitator. If you have already taken part in this program, it is not necessary to attend again. Please call the Faith Formation Office at 781-848-7481 to register.

Workshop on Visiting the Sick: Starting Wednesday, **September 23**, and running for six weeks, a workshop on Pastoral Care to the Sick and the Homebound will be offered at St. Mary Parish in Hull from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. The workshop will include a review of communication skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issues, spiritual needs and concerns, grief, loss and dying, and caregiving issues. Eucharistic ministers, pastoral visitors, parish nurses and others are encouraged to attend. Pre-registration is required. Please call the Parish House at 781-848-7480.

Third Friday in Honor of Divine Mercy: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 PM, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is sung at 6:30 PM, and Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 PM in St. Ann's Church, Dorchester on **September 18**. For more information, please call the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy at 617-288-1202.

Upcoming Fall Adult Faith Formation Scripture & Spirituality Programs sponsored by CHRISM: "Reading Luke" **September 14-October 5** (7:00-9:00 PM) St. Helen Parish, Norwell & **October 20-November 17** (9:45-11:45 AM) Sacred Heart Parish, Quincy; "Translating Peter" **September 18-November 20** (10:00 AM-Noon) St. Helen Parish, Norwell; and "Luke's Magnum Opus" **September 16-November 18** (10:00 AM-Noon) St. Peter Parish, Plymouth. All courses are \$5.00 a session. Please call 781-331-5194.

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