

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

Pastor

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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

Debbie Clancy, Grades K-5

E-mail: FaithFormation4K25@verizon.net

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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. 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 5

4:00 PM Mother Theresa.....12th Anniv

SUNDAY, September 6

8:30 AM Eric Frye.....Memorial

10:00 AM Paul Fagan.....16th Anniv

WEDNESDAY, September 9

9:00 AM Special Intention

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

BANNS of MARRIAGE

III Barrett W. Costello.....Christine M. Fasoli

The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have many material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.

Next week we will resume our regular Sunday Mass schedule which will include an 11:30 AM Liturgy.

The Parish Family of St. Clare's would like to welcome the following new parishioners who have recently registered: **Gerard & Nancy O'Doherty, Mark Boyle, Julie Mulkerrin, Alfio & Jennifer Caldelari, Justin & Sarah Casanova, Julie Silva, Paul & Diana Vannelli, Stephen & Mary Grogan, Marc & Marisa Siracusa, Patricia Shields, and Michael & Kathleen Reynolds.**

Memorial Opportunity: We are very much interested in upgrading the Parish Hall furniture in this Jubilee year. We have examined new tables at St. Agatha's Pastoral Center in their newly renovated lower Church and have found them very much to our liking. They are distributed through WB Mason, Office Supplies, Furniture, and Printing which offers the Church of Boston substantial discounts. The tables are varista tables with versa shape meaning they can be round, rectangular or oval configurations. They are tile-topped eliminating the need for table cloths and thereby increasing their usefulness for the multi purposes of usage in the Parish Hall. If you would be willing to purchase in memory of a deceased loved one(s) a table or two, please notify the Parish Business Manager, Sandy Sisk at your earliest convenience.

Plan Ahead

Red Cross Blood Drive for Braintree: Sunday, **September 20th** at St. Clare Parish

Jubilee Charter Member Mass: Sunday, **September 27th** 10:00 AM Mass

Jubilee Day of Prayer: Saturday, **October 10th**, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM in the Parish Hall

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

The Sanctuary Light will burn September 5-11 in loving memory of **Ellie & Frank Cuprinski.**

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Offertory	(August 29 & 30)	\$5,856
Jubilee Celebration Fund		\$1,777

Thank you for your ongoing generosity

The Second Collection taken this weekend of **September 5 & 6** is for **The Catholic University of America.** Please be as generous as your means allows.

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!

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.

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.

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.

Catholic Cluster Blood Drive - Sunday, September 20 at St. Clare Parish Hall from 9:00AM to 2:00 PM: **There is still no substitute for blood.** The demand is great and the supply only comes from voluntary donors. You are invited to be a Braintree Catholic Cluster donor; a successful blood drive will help a lot of people. Call 1-800-448-3543(1-800-Give-Life) for an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.

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.

Pine Street Inn: Thursday, **September 10,** is the date of our monthly visit to serve our friends a hot meal. **Desserts are always needed and appreciated,** which you may leave at the Parish House before noon of that day.

Please remember the Parish of St. Clare when you are planning your estate.

Liturgy & Life

At Crocodile Dock this past week 50 kids were guided through five days of unforgettable faith formation activities by Ann Courage, Karen McBrine & Nancy Correiri. Over 50 “campers” witnessed to God’s awesome power overcoming the fear of the Bayou and all crocodiles by shining forth in their lives God’s light. They were helped by an awesome volunteer group of teenagers. The weather was perfect and the kids were spectacular! The music helped to bring the message of the week alive in the hearts of all who attended.

Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

Saturday, September 5th - Blessed Mother Theresa:

Mother Theresa, the tiny woman who was known throughout the world for her work among the poor, was beatified October 19, 2003. She, named Agnes, was one of three children born to her parents in Skopje, Macedonia. The sudden death of her father brought her family quickly from riches to rags. At 18 she entered the Loreto Sisters of Dublin. In 1928 she went to the convent in Darjeeling, India. In 1946 she moved on from the religious order to “help the poorest of the poor”. She took a nursing course and formed the Missionaries of Charity. In 1979 she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize and spent her remaining years serving the poor. She died September 5, 1997.

The Pope Speaks: Today not a few are scandalized by the paradox of the Christian faith. Jesus’ teaching seems “hard”, too difficult to put into practice. As a result there are those who reject the message, adapt the message, or distort the message. Jesus in fact is not satisfied with a superficial following. If we open our hearts with confidence in Christ, we too can experience that our only happiness on this earth is to love God and know that he loves us.

Bowling: St. Clare’s Holy Name bowling league has openings for this year’s bowling season on Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM at the Union St. Bowling Alleys (formerly Wright Bros.). Please call Bob Giggie at 781 843 4429 or Ed Tausevich at 781 843 1062.

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.

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.

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.

Faith Formation

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

At this time, we could 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

Music Together: Registration for the upcoming Fall session is currently taking place. Music Together is a music and movement class for parents/caregivers and children age birth to five. Class activities include singing, creative movement and instrument play, all presented in a fun, playful way where parents (grandparents and nannies too!) and children can participate together responding spontaneously to the musical environment. For registration information, or to attend a free class, contact Karen McBrine at 781-961-3460 or karensmusicclass@aol.com.

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!

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.

Catholic Religious Medal Training: A session will be conducted for leaders in Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts Saturday, **September 12**, 8:30 AM – 12 Noon, Pastoral Center, 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA. To register, visit www.oymboston.org and receive a letter of recommendation from Fr. Paul as well. This is a great opportunity which should not be missed.

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