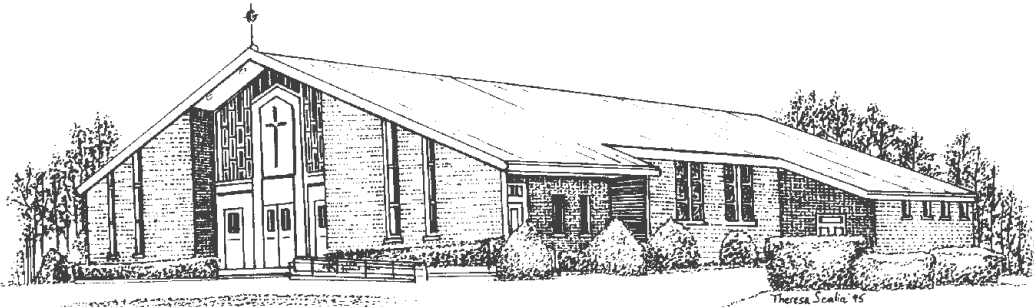


# THE PARISH OF SAINT CLARE

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Parish Hall is accessible to Handicapped via elevator



### 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

### Business Office

Email: stclaret@verizon.net

### Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM, September - June  
8:30 & 10:00 AM, July and August

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

### Religious Education: 848-7481

Debbie Clancy, Grades K-5

E-mail: FaithFormation4K25@verizon.net

Anne Marie Tranfaglia, Grades 6, 7, 8

E-mail: FaithFormation4628@verizon.net

### Middle School Youth Group

Nancy Alessi

E-mail: StClareYouthGroup@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

### Al-Anon:

Meets in Parish Hall - Tuesdays at 10:30AM

### 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

### Religious Education Special Events Coordinator:

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

### Prayer Shawl Ministry:

First Wednesday of the month.

Marilyn McGrath 848-0624

**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:

SUNDAY, March 31

- 8:30 AM All the Deceased Parishioners of St Clare's
10:00 AM In Memory of Those for Whom Easter Flowers Were Donated
11:30 AM Josephine Ruffini ..... Birthday Memorial

WEDNESDAY, April 3

- 9:00 AM Recipients of Our Prayer Shawl Ministry

FRIDAY, April 5

- 9:00 AM John E. English & Christine E. English .. Memorial

SATURDAY, April 6

- 4:00 PM Walter Kirkland ..... 3rd Anniv

SUNDAY, April 7

- 8:30 AM John Barton ..... Birthday Memorial
10:00 AM Arthur & Harriet Pugsley ..... Memorial
11:30 AM Robert J. Barrett ..... Memorial

Banns of Marriage

- III Sean R. Stanley ..... Jenna A. Monticone

Please remember in your prayers the intentions written in the book in the devotional area.

Additional Names of Those Remembered by Easter Flowers:

Catherine McSheffrey, Neil McSheffrey, James McSheffrey, Thomas Hayes, Tommaso Gioioso, Donald Petro, Silas Adams, Sophie Horan, Harold Horan, John Horan, Alfred & Margaret Sweenie, Raymond & Mary Reed, The Donnellan Family, The Walsh & Francis Families, Martin Pierce Sr, Ann Twohig, Jacqueline Pierce, and John Geswell,

The Parish of St. Clare would like to welcome the following parishioners who have recently registered: Tony & Emily Rosa, Mark & Michelle Henry, Kimberly Flores, Stella Fidler, and Joseph AuCoin.

The Monthly Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting will be Wednesday, April 3, after the 9:00 AM Mass in the Parish House. All are welcome; all help appreciated.

Fr. Bill's Place will be visited on Tuesday, April 2. If anyone is interested in baking desserts, please leave them at the Parish House by noontime of that day. We sincerely thank you.

Poor Box Reminder: All donations to St. Clare Poor Boxes are greatly appreciated and put to immediate good use. The funds help support monthly meals served to residents of Pine Street Inn and Fr. Bill's Place. All your pennies are sent to the Catholic Daughters for the purchase of cribs for "Friends of the Unborn". Thank you for your continued support!

Have You Considered Remembering St. Clare Parish in your will? It is a wonderful way to pass on the legacy of our faith.

WE ARE THE STEWARDS ... and this is how we live our stewardship

The Offertory Total will be published next week due to the early transmittal required for the Easter bulletin.

As always, we thank you for your ongoing generosity. The offertory is our primary means of meeting our Parish weekly operational expenses

The Easter Collection benefits sick & retired Clergy: we ask that you be especially generous to help fund the increasing costs associated to the care of 645 sick and retired priests who have served faithfully the Church of Boston. The Easter Collection represents 40% of the grand total of 7.2 Million raised for the benefit of the Clergy Fund. Every donation is extremely important and appreciated.

The 2013 Catholic Appeal is geared to help support the work of the Church for 288 Parishes, 144 Cities & Towns, 121 Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools for Catholics of all ages of life. The Theme is "There is a Good Samaritan in Each One of Us". The total amount reported to us which has been donated to date is \$12,055.00. Our goal this year is to raise \$57,847. We hope your participation and support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal will help to promote another successful campaign.

CRS Rice Bowl: During the past six weeks, our parish community has prayed, fasted, and given alms with a special focus on the poorest members of our global community. Our lives were touched by stories from Burkina Faso, East Timor, Lesotho, Dominican Republic, Pakistan and the United States. Through our Lenten prayers and donations, we have touched the lives of millions of people served by Catholic Relief Services, our representative to the poorest communities in the world. Please return your Lenten Rice Bowl to the sanctuary Rice Bowl Box at your earliest convenience. Your contributions help the hungry throughout the world!

Easter Gratitude: I am most grateful to a wonderful staff and generous parish members who contribute time & talent to help make Holy Week and Easter liturgical celebrations memorable. The roles to help contribute to memorable celebration include our guest priests, ushers, readers, Eucharistic ministers, decorators, servers, choir members, instrumentalists, and worshipers. In other words, I am thankful for all who help to do so much so that we might rejoice in the gift of the risen Lord.

Mass & Healing Service with Fr. Joseph McDermott on Tuesday, April 2, at 7:00 PM at St. Thomas More Church. All are invited. Sponsored by the STM Charismatic Prayer Group.

Eucharistic Ministers for this Easter weekend of March 30 & 31

- 7:30 PM.....D. Hoffman, F. Mafrici, J. & D. Dalton
8:30 AM.....F. Buonopane, B. & M. Welch, D. Picewick
10:00 AM.....M. DeSantis, M. Smith, B. Little, J. Collier
11:30 AM.....J. Donovan, M. Rochon, B. & M. Bohannon

### Literature and Life

Easter! It has a nice sound to it as religion's harbinger of spring as a season, spring in one's step, or a slinky-like spring, moving forward, making progress, accomplishing good. Soon the aroma of the Easter lilies will dissipate. Soon the fragrance of the Easter flowers will be but a feint memory. Is Easter a 24 hour energy booster that soon fades like the withered flowers? It is always helpful at Easter to reflect on how we hold together in Easter. Hopefully Easter will be long enduring with a daily spring to your step, and energy to your demeanor. Hopefully, you'll sense Easter as slinky-like, springing forward, making progress.  
Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

**Religious Memorabilia:** We are pleased to receive religious memorabilia, prayer cards, book marks, meditation booklets, calendars, medals, rosaries, crucifixes no longer of use to you personally. We sift through these items and present them to people on sick calls, nursing homes, hospitals, & rehab centers. Please leave them neatly packaged at the doors of Church. Many thanks!

**Catholic Lifestyle:** Loyola University Press offers the following meditation by way of the internet that is most worthwhile. Nothing is Impossible for God: Luke 1:37 – “for nothing will be impossible for God.” Life often carries with it challenges and struggles, unexpected twists and turns. When we receive shocking news or encounter unexpected struggles, we often respond with fear or anxiety. As Luke recounts in this story, initially Mary was greatly troubled by the angel Gabriel's announcement that she had been chosen to be the mother of God's Son. But even in the face of the impossible, Mary demonstrates the depth of her relationship with God and her faith in God's power. How do I respond to unexpected struggles or challenges? At these times do I lean on my faith in God, or try to cope alone? Let us pray: God of surprises, I stand in awe of your power. Strengthen my faith, so that I may turn to you first in times of need. Grant me the grace to believe, as Mary believed, that nothing is impossible for you. Amen.

**Parish Website, [www.stclarebraintree.org](http://www.stclarebraintree.org):** The parish web site is always new and different. Come visit to pray, to reflect, and to register in so many ways including: for the Parish, for Baptism, and for marriage. There is opportunity for general commentary to help us serve you better. It would be helpful to know of people who are in need of a visit from extraordinary ministers of Eucharist as well as in need of the Sacrament of the sick.

**Anti-Trafficking Symposium** at Fontbonne Academy, Milton, on Saturday, **April 6** from 12:30-4:00 PM. All desiring to raise awareness about human trafficking are invited. There is no cost, but please register by calling 617-746-2028.

**“Coping With Loss”:** The Irish Pastoral Centre is offering a new bereavement support group for members of the community who have had a recent loss. Meetings will be on 6 consecutive Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM from **April 9 to May 14** at 15 Rita Road, Dorchester. Pre-registration is required (no charge). Call Fr. John McCarthy at 617-265-5300 or email [jmcarthy@ipcoston.org](mailto:jmcarthy@ipcoston.org).

### Religious Education

**This will be the last week of classes** for all elementary and middle school students. The last day will be on Thursday, **April 4**. Rehearsals for First Communion will be held on the Monday before the respective Communion date from 3:15-4:45 PM. Please refer to mailings you have received, and feel free to contact your child's teacher or director if you have any questions.

**Please remember to notify us if you change your email address**, since this is our most utilized way of notifying our families of any news and events.

**If you have any questions or concerns**, please call the Religious Education Office at 781-848-7481 or email:

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

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**Glastonbury Abbey Bookstore** has a large selection of wonderful First Communion gifts. Please visit them and simply mention your Parish name, and 10% of all sales will be donated back to St. Clare's! Call 781-749-2155x210 for store hours or directions or visit their website: [www.glastonburyabbey.org](http://www.glastonburyabbey.org).

**Braintree Catholic Women's Club** has two **\$1,000 scholarships** available to High School Seniors who are graduating this year, one for a public school and one for a Catholic high school student. The deadline to apply is **April 1**. Please call your guidance department of your school, or call Marie Connelly of the Braintree Catholic Women's Club at 781-843-1965.

**Pastoral Care to the Sick:** Workshop presented by Sr. Paula Tinlin, SND, Pastoral Center, six Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 PM beginning **April 18**. \$40 registration fee - please call Karen Farrell at 617-746-5843 or email [kfarrell@RCAB.org](mailto:kfarrell@RCAB.org).

**“Women Helping Women”, Braintree Women's Club \$1,000 Scholarship** is available to a Braintree woman who has delayed entering college for a specific reason and would like to re-enter the work force. Please contact Marta Googins at 781-848-4768. Applications must be submitted by **April 10**.

**Adult Formation CHRISM Program**, “Many Religions, One God”, will be held at Sacred Heart Parish, North Quincy, on Tuesdays at 9:45-11:45 AM from **April 2-30**. Call 781-331-5194.

**Parish Registration Drive:** We are eager to update all our parish records. People move within the parish, cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses are important. We naturally encourage enlisting in the Parish Envelope System. Please fill out this form if these issues apply, and place it in the Offertory Box or drop it off at the Parish House. Thank you!

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Parish Envelopes YES \_\_\_\_\_

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