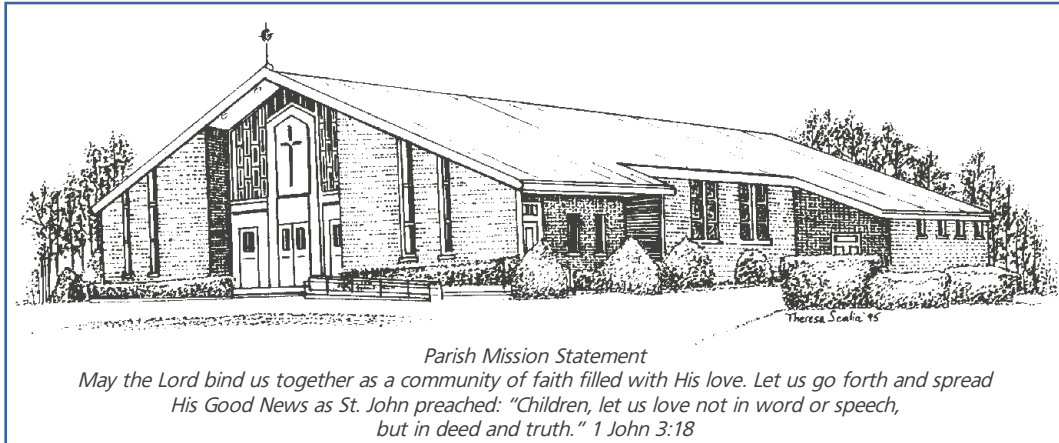


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Parish Mission Statement

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

Rev. Paul S. Sughrue

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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

Derek Menadue 617-653-9404

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:

SATURDAY, July 13

4:00 PM Eleanor MacEachern 11th Anniv
 Brother Xavier MacEachern 3rd Anniv

SUNDAY, July 14

8:30 AM Henry Picewick Anniv
 10:00 AM Maryann Marotta Memorial

SATURDAY, July 20

9:00 AM Rev. Thomas F. Casey Anniv
 4:00 PM Thomas F. McDonough 15th Anniv

SUNDAY, July 21

10:00 AM Alfred O'Connor 4th Anniv

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Rita Wynne**.

We welcome Jeremiah Thomas O'Connor as our newest member of our faith through Baptism. We pray God will bestow upon him many spiritual blessings throughout his life.

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule: through September 1: Saturday 4:00 PM Mass; Sunday 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM Mass. **During the summer there will be no 11:30 AM Sunday Mass.** The regular schedule will return on the weekend of September 7/8.

Memorial Opportunity: A book of Readings for Children has just been purchased. It is presented in a striking red binding and will be of use for many children's services, especially the Family Liturgy from September through April. Anyone wishing to dedicate this liturgical book is asked to call the Parish Office and talk to the business manager, Sandy Sisk.

Vacation: As you begin to plan your summer vacation or have the opportunity to sneak away for a weekend, here is something to pack in your suitcase along with your sunscreen or into your smart phone...to find the Mass closest to your location, visit www.masstimes.org. So when you are making your various reservations, please remember to reserve some time for our Lord!

Summer Bulletins: As you travel near and far, please be kind enough to return with a Church bulletin and pass it on to Fr. Paul. We learn a lot from the liturgy as celebrated in other parishes and hope that we can incorporate what works elsewhere here as well. Your impressions of the liturgy are welcome as well as a copy of the bulletin. Many thanks!

Praise Banners: Three new "Praise" Banners have arrived for placement in the Church. The inscriptions read as follows: "Love your neighbor as yourself" Luke 10:27; "The greatest love letter" with an image of the Bible; "Greater love has no one than this" Jn. 15:13 with an image of Christ's hand nailed to the cross. Anyone wishing to memorialize these exquisite banners for use in the Church is asked to call the business manager, Sandy Sisk, at the Parish House.

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Offertory	(June 29 & 30)	\$6,155
Peter's Pence		\$879
Offertory	(July 6 & 7)	\$5,229

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

The Offertory Collection taken this weekend of **July 13 & 14** is for the **Parish of St. Clare**. We appreciate your generosity.

In Grateful Appreciation: We are grateful to many who have continued to send their offerings for our Church expenses during the weeks while they are away on Summer vacation. Your envelopes of sacrificial offerings are always most appreciated for the ongoing maintenance of our parish property and programs. Please keep in mind that the offertory collection remains in the parish and is the primary means of support for all that takes place here.

Bulletin Contribution: Anyone who has read a passage, wrote inspiring words, reflected on a meaningful prayer or poem, is welcome to submit such passages for inclusion in future bulletins. Please include your name and mark the envelope "Bulletin Contribution: attn: Fr. Paul".

Parish Website: 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 enrichment and update on contemporary issues of faith, prayer, and reflection.

Religious medals, prayer books, cards: Please leave any religious items at Church which can be re-cycled and used by folks who enjoy them. Please know that Fr. Paul is especially grateful for your donations.

Register Now for this year's Vacation Bible School Program, "Kingdom Rock: Where Kids Stand Strong for God!" August 19-23. Any child ages 5-9 may register for the program which meets from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Registration forms can be found at the entrances to the church, in the church hall, and at the Parish House. We will be needing many volunteers to help that week (pre-teen, teen and adult helpers are welcome!) If you are interested in helping, please contact Karen McBrine at karensmusickclass@aol.com or call 781-961-3460.

**Eucharistic Ministers
 for this weekend of July 13 & 14**

4:00 PM.....	D. Irvine, E. Tausevich, F. Mafri, T. English
8:30 AM.....	D. Picewick, C. Mahoney, B. & M. Welch
10:00 AM.....	C. Mahoney, P. Manter, J. Donovan, M. Rochon

Eucharistic Ministers: Please remember to use the hand sanitizer before distributing Communion

Literature and Life

“Two Paths for Charitable Giving: From the Head or from the Heart?” (NYT 6/29/13) – What motivates people to give? For selfish reasons, a name on a building is at the top of the list. But some people want to effectuate something that has some personal interest to them. This category of givers is described as “giving with the heart” people. The “other side of the coin” so to speak of, this debate would say that you must evaluate the merits related to whom you give. Such donors would consult with Give Well, a charity rating service, which aims to identify groups which make each dollar count. Which path do you take in giving to the Parish; what motivates your feelings, or what convince your intellect? Hopefully there is a healthy combination of both from which the Parish of St. Clare truly benefits.
Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

Hospice Service of Massachusetts: is looking for caring individuals to become hospice volunteers in this area. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of others. To assist, please either call Carrie Riposo at 508-291-0049 or email criposo@hospiceserviceofma.com

Catholic Lifestyle: Loyola University Press offers the following meditation by way of the internet that is most worthwhile is “Listening to God” – Luke 2:51 - “He went down with them and came to Nazareth; and his mother kept all these things in her heart.” No family is perfect. We are not perfect children and we do not have perfect parents. God, however, does not ask us to be perfect; he asks us to be obedient. To be obedient is to live in listening love to God, to our family, and to those who call us to be aware of the needs of the world. Jesus is the model for our obedience. In Jesus we can recognize how God calls us to be in obedience today. How do I show that my family is a gift from God? What can I do to listen more lovingly to God, my family, and to those in need? Let us pray: Jesus, in your life with Mary and Joseph you experienced the blessedness of family. Bring happiness to my family and help me to become your instrument of peace and healing. Amen.

Is There Anyone Sick Among You? This question, found in the New Testament Letter of James, gives the response that the sick should call for the priests of the Church who are to pray over and anoint the sick with oil in the name of the Lord. Never hesitate to call to ask for prayer and the Sacrament of the Sick prior to surgery or when diagnosed with serious illness. This sacrament is not to be looked upon as the “Last Rites” but as a powerful instrument of God’s healing presence. Please avail yourself of this gift! Also, if someone is dying or near death, please call the Parish House for pastoral assistance.

Norfolk County Volunteer Program: The Norfolk County RSVP Volunteer Program is seeking non-shelter volunteers for a wide range of tasks which include the administration and donations. In-shelter volunteers are needed to help serve meals, answer phones, computer assistance, and help in job resumes and application process. Please call Elisabeth Larkin, Norfolk County RSVP coordinator, at 781-329-5728 or by email at elarkin@norfolkcounty.org.

Have You Considered Remembering St. Clare Parish
when planning your estate?

Religious Education

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. **Also, please be certain that we have your up to date mailing address before registration materials are mailed this month.** If you have a child attending Kindergarten this coming Fall, or a child who will be new to our Program, please let us know.

You may call 781-848-7481 or email:
Debbie Clancy (Gr K - 5): Faithformation4K25@Verizon.net
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Summer “Music Together”: Registration for the upcoming summer 6-week session of “Music Together” classes is currently taking place. “Music Together” is a music and movement program for parents and caregivers with children from 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 please contact Karen McBrine at 781-961-3460 or email karensmusicclass@aol.com.

LIFT (Live In Faith Together): Summer 2013 includes Tuesday, **July 16th**, featuring the guest speaker, Jimmy Mitchell, “Beauty, Art, & the New Evangelization”; Tuesday, **August 13th**, Mass at 6:00 PM celebrating 7 years; Lift 7:00 PM at Fontbonne Academy, 930 Brook Road, Milton. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Early Bird Men’s Group: Saturday, **July 20** from 7:00 to 8:30 AM at St. Mary of the Hills Lower Church, Milton. Leaders, Bob Dunn, Phil Plageman, and Geoff Fitzgerald will speak on the purpose of a Catholic men’s group; why a man should join; and what he can, and should contribute. Please call 617-822-1785.

We have recently received notes of appreciation for your contributions through our tithing and poor boxes from the following: The Greater Boston Food Bank, Camp Sunshine, Braintree Community Food Pantry, the Maryknoll Sisters, Cor Unum, Homes for Our Troops, the Little Sisters of the Poor, Wounded Warrior Project, the Monastery of St. Clare, and Pine Street Inn. Please know that your support is greatly needed!

“Be careful how you live –
you are the only Bible some people read.”

**Opportunities in which to
Memorialize Deceased Loved Ones**

If you wish to memorialize a deceased loved one, you may do so by calling the Parish House and scheduling one of the following:

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