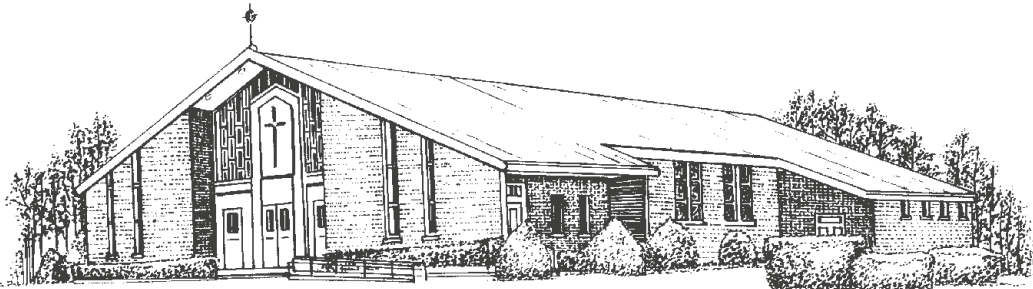


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Parish Mission Statement

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

Email: FrPaul1@verizon.net

Deacon

Michael J. Cavanaugh

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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

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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

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:

SATURDAY, June 1

4:00 PM Noreen & Redmond Carroll..... Anniv

SUNDAY, June 2

8:30 AM Anthony Quercia.....4th Anniv

10:00 AM Mary C. Cronin2nd Anniv

11:30 AM Josephine Ruffini Anniv

WEDNESDAY, June 5

9:00 AM Elizabeth Darcy..... Memorial

FRIDAY, June 7

9:00 AM Rev. Arthur F. Ward, OMI..... Anniv

SATURDAY, June 8

9:00 AM Marcella "Teddy" KirklandMonth's Mind

4:00 PM Paula Connelly..... 1st Anniv

SUNDAY, June 9

8:30 AM Thomas Prior..... Anniv

10:00 AM Matilda Fasoli 1st Anniv

11:30 AM Stephen Stefanowicz..... Memorial

Kathryn & James Cowen Memorial

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Ruth Nourse.

Bake Sale This Sunday After All the Masses: The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life **Team 24 Hour Power** is a youth team composed of 25 sophomores from Braintree High School. They have been raising funds together for 3 years to aid cancer research, prevention, and care taking. Please donate and buy a delicious treat at their bake sale and show your support!

The Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Jesus is June 2nd:

This feast is celebrated the week following Trinity Sunday in the United States. The feast calls us to focus on the two manifestations of the Body of Christ; the Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose is to focus on the Eucharist. The secondary focus is on the body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is the body of Christ because of the intimate communion Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the Gospels by using the metaphor of the body in which He is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church. Our worship of Jesus in His Body and Blood calls us to offer to God, our Father, a pledge of undivided love and an offering of ourselves to the service of others.

(Catholic News Agency)

Sheets of All Sizes & Pillow Cases Are Needed at My Brothers Keeper: new or used (in good condition) for mattresses delivered to those in need. Please drop any donations off at the Parish House.

Fr. Bill's Place will be visited on Tuesday, **June 4**. If anyone is interested in baking desserts, please leave them at the Parish House by noontime of that day. We sincerely thank you.

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As always, we thank you for your ongoing generosity.

**The offertory is our primary means of meeting
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The Offertory Collection taken this weekend of **June 1 & 2** is for the **Parish of St. Clare and a Natural Disaster Relief Offering** to help those victimized by the deadly and destructive tornados in the diocese of Moore, Oklahoma. We appreciated your generosity.

The Second Collection scheduled for the **Clergy Benefit Trust on June 2** has been postponed by the Archdiocese to **September 22**.

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. **We have raised to date \$38,300.50 from 137 donors (of our total goal of \$57,847).** We hope your participation and support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal will help to promote another successful campaign. Everyone should do their fair share! The address for a pledge and/or donation is 2013 Catholic Appeal, PO Box 9226, Chelsea, MA 02150-9226 or online at www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org.

In keeping with St. Clare's long tradition of helping those in need, the Stewardship Committee is pleased to report that we have contributed a total of \$6,000 for the third quarter of the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Donations of equal amounts have been sent to: Angels Voice Orphanage, Bridge Over Troubled Waters, Camp Sunshine, Homes for Our Troops, VEMA Project (Maryknoll Sisters), and the Wounded Warriors Project. The continued generosity of our parishioners has made it possible for us to send donations of \$1,000 each from the Poor Box Collections to: The Braintree Food Pantry, Bread for the World, Cor Unum Food Center, Greater Boston Food Bank, The Little Sisters of the Poor and The Pine Street Inn. We are very grateful for the support that our parishioners have provided, both financially and by bringing many of these worthy organizations to our attention. If there are any suggestions or questions regarding this program, please contact Dorothy Irvine at dli223@beld.net or 781-848-6706, or the Parish Office at 781-848-7480.

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

**Eucharistic Ministers
for this weekend of June 1 & 2**

4:00 PM.....M. Cahill, R. McDonough, D. Irvine, E. Tausevich
8:30 AM.....F. Buonopane, M. Walsh, C. Mahoney, C. Vitagliano
10:00 AM....M. DeSantis, J. Collier, B. Carr, P. Frazier
11:30 AM....B. & M. Bohannon, M. Rochon, C. Mahoney
Eucharistic Ministers: Please remember to use the hand sanitizer before distributing Communion

Literature and Life

L'Osservatore Romano: Pope Francis stated on 5/8/13 – “Who is the Holy Spirit?” The Holy Spirit is the inexhaustible source of God’s life within us. Jesus came to give us the Holy Spirit, that our life might be guided by God, might be moved by God, nourished by God. A spiritual person is one who thinks in accordance with God. The Holy Spirit makes us participants in the very life of God that is love. And we, do we listen to the Holy Spirit? Let us allow ourselves to be guided by the Holy Spirit. May we move forward on this path of love.
Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

Emma’s Bake Sale: Emma and her family would like to express their deep gratitude for your kind words, prayers and generosity in supporting the Bake Sale last weekend. Thank you all so very much!

Braintree Interfaith Prayer Service: Thursday, **June 13**, at 7:00 PM at the Thayer Academy Auditorium. Join together as our town offers prayers for our community, and musicians offer inspiring selections.

Catholic Lifestyle: Loyola University Press offers the following meditation by way of the internet that is most worthwhile is “God of the Living”: Mt. 22: 31-32: “And concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God, ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ He is not the God of the dead but of the living.” Jesus is responding to an attempt by the Sadducees to trick him. But Jesus turns it into a teaching about God’s power. In his answer to the Pharisees, Jesus is saying that God’s creative power transcends all earthly relationships. There is but one God, the God of all, who abundantly gives life both on earth and for all eternity. We are called to live in this world without becoming bound to earthly things. When am I tempted to put something else before God in my life? How does my life proclaim that God is not a God of the dead but of the living? Let us pray: God of all, thank you for the gift of life. Grant me the grace to put your love and grace before all else. Amen.

Our Military Personnel Prayer Board depicts the names, addresses, and pictures of military personnel for whom we pray at every Mass that God will protect them from harm’s way. Please check the board to make sure all information is current. Those presently listed are: Brain Fitzgerald, Kurt Tom, Lt. Patrick McBride, Michael Sullivan, Joshua O’Brien, Josh Thompson, Kevin Antonellis, Michael Dietz, Jonathan Staid, Brendan Duffy, Joshua Zahn, Spc. Edward Diggin, Ryan Plummer, Paul Osis, Stephen Hogan, Mark Gillen, Matthew Crane, Lt Ian Dwyer, Kyle Cushing, Matthew Simmons, Staff Sgt. Chad Campbell, William Walsh, Lt. Steven Brightman, Pvt. Jarrod McIvor, Matthew Linskey, Pvt. Matthew Ruscio, and John Sayers. Along with these men, please keep in your prayers, Active Duty Chaplains: Rev. Timothy A. Butler, Rev. Robert J. Cordery, Rev. Paul K. Hurley, Rev. William M. Kennedy, Rev. Robert J. Monagle, Rev. Redmond M. Raux, and Rev. Henry M. Yanju. If you would like to add the name of a person serving our country in military service please contact Paula Jansen at 781-843-6843 or Gerry Miller at 781-848-4372.

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 address before registration materials are mailed next 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
 Anne Marie Tranfaglia (Gr 6-8): Faithformation4628@Verizon.net
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My Brother’s Keeper Family Walk (Easton): Saturday, **June 15** – registration 9:00-9:45 AM; prayer service 10:00 AM; 10:20 AM 3-mile unpaved walk begins; 11:00 AM lunch & family fun activities; closing event at 2:00 PM. Please park by Holy Cross Center. Pledges are encouraged and gratefully accepted. Register on-line at www.MyBrothersKeeperFamilyWalk.org (no fee). Jack Shaughnessy will match on-line and team contributions up to a total of \$10,000! All are welcome!

Books for Charity: “Hands Across the Water” is affiliated with Reading Tree which makes an environmental impact in our world. Please donate all unused books to the bright blue receptacle in the rear parking lot.

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.

Early Bird Men’s Group: Saturday, **June 15**, from 7:00-8:30 AM in St. Mary of the Hills Lower Church, Milton. “Why Catholicism Matters” explained by Geoff Fitzgerald of the Boston Pro-Chapter of St. Dominic. All men are welcome!

Pithy Truism: Farmer’s Almanac: Benjamin Franklin had it right when he said: “Would you live with ease, do what you ought, and not what you please.”

The Pentecost Season: This season urges us to reflect on our desire to share our gifts and talents with St. Clare Parish. Please fill out the following form realizing that the Parish benefits when members volunteer to serve.

Name-----
 Address-----
 Telephone (home)------(Cell)-----
 E Mail-----

I would like to volunteer in: (please circle your choice/choices)
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Religious Education: Catechist, Summer Bible Vacation School
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