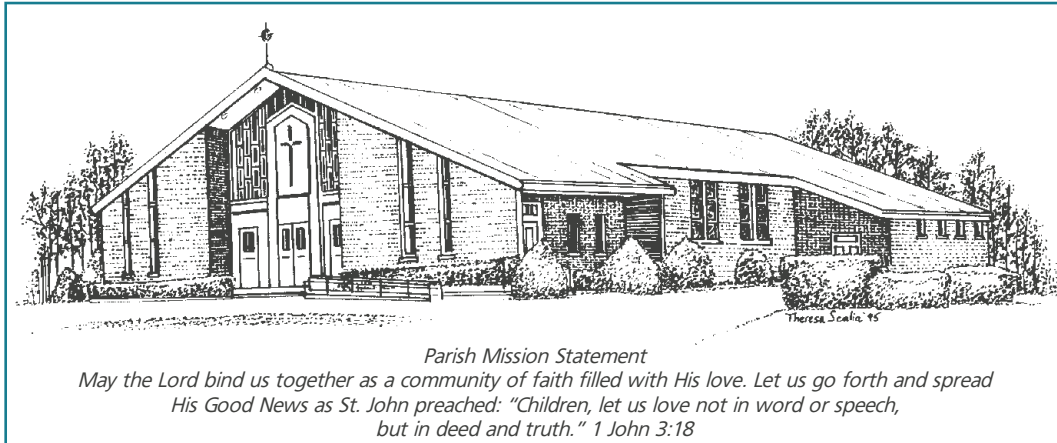


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Parish Mission Statement

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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Michael J. Cavanaugh

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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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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

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, June 15
 4:00 PM Ellen Crowe 1st Anniv

SUNDAY, June 16
 8:30 AM Noel Madigan Anniv
 10:00 AM Urbano Cadete 10th Anniv
 11:30 AM Emidio Ruffini Birthday Memorial
 Zachary Ruffini & Jose Barone..... Memorial

FRIDAY, June 21
 9:00 AM Marvin Constant..... Memorial

SATURDAY, June 22
 4:00 PM Rita Griffin.....5th Anniv
 J. Donald Griffin43rd Anniv

SUNDAY, June 23
 8:30 AM Philip Pittman 8th Anniv
 10:00 AM Gerald & Anna Fagan Anniv
 11:30 AM Catherine Farrell 2nd Anniv

Banns of Marriage

I Ryan P. Pitts.....Kristen M. Cushing

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

We welcome Ashlinn AuCoin, Joseph Darren Fidler, and Aiden Michael Kerns as our newest members of our faith through Baptism. We pray God will bestow upon them many spiritual blessings throughout their life.

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule: July 1 - 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.

Parish Staff: As the activities of St. Clare approach summer this gives me a good opportunity to extend sincere thanks and appreciation to the Parish staff: They include visiting priests Fr. Paul Kilroy and Garrett Barry; Deacon Mike; Bereavement Coordinator, Claire Cavanaugh; Co-coordinators of Religious Education, Debbie Clancy, Anne Marie Tranfaglia, & Mike Panciotti; Director of Music, Kathy Clancy; Business Manager, Sandy Sisk; Family and Tots Coordinator, Karen McBrine; Facility Manager, John Walsh; and interior care, Diane Cullinane. I am truly blessed with such a dedicated and committed staff and we are all likewise blessed to serve to the best of our God given talents members of St. Clare Parish.

Our Monthly Food Collection will be next weekend of **June 22 & 23**. Please bring your non-perishables to Mass and leave them at the doors of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

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

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Offertory (June 8 & 9) \$6,592

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 **June 15 & 16** is for the **Parish of St. Clare**. We appreciated your generosity.

An Additional Collection will be taken next weekend of **June 22 & 23** for our **Capital Improvement Fund**.

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.

Save these Dates! August 19-23 for this year's **Vacation Bible School** program, "**Kingdom Rock: Where Kids Stand Strong for God!**" 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 karensmusicklass@aol.com or 781-961-3460.

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!

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.

Eucharistic Ministers
for this weekend of June 15 & 16

4:00 PM.....D. Hoffman, T. English, E. Tausevich, R. McDonough
 8:30 AM....C. Vitagliano, I. Supple, M. Walsh, F. Buonopane
 10:00 AM...M. DeSantis, Deacon Mike, B. Little, M. Smith
 11:30 AM...P. Manter, B. & M. Bohannon, J. Donovan

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

Literature and Life

NYT (5-25-'13): Lt Phillip Wise, 52, Bethany, Ok. Police department stated, in '95 we were first responders to the Murrah Building attack because "we get paid to do a job and we do it." Lt. Wise responded last month to the Tornado's destruction in Moore, Ok. He extended himself outside of his jurisdiction, risking his life to do his job. He is one of hundreds of first responders involved in countless terrorist attacks and natural disasters. In living our faith life it would be meritorious if we could do as well as first responders, i.e., going where we are needed without counting the cost, "knowing that we have a job to do and we do it!" Do you feel like a first responder for the Lord? Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

Catholic Lifestyle: Loyola University Press offers the following meditation by way of the internet that is most worthwhile is "Together for Eternity" – Matthew 16:27: "For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory and then He will repay everyone according to his conduct." Our God is not a harsh judge but rather a loving parent who desires to have all his children together for eternity. We were given a gift called free will and what we do with that gift will determine our destiny. You see, if you choose to ignore the embrace of God, it will not be forced upon us. If we accept God's love it will be returned for all time. How would I answer this question today: "How well did you love?" Let us pray: Lord God, help me use the gifts you have given me for your glory and in service to your people. Amen.

Finance Council Highlights 6/5/'13: The meeting began at 7:00 PM with an opening prayer remembering Joey Glynn who was a graduate of Cardinal Spellman HS, and died recently playing the game he loved, basketball. Two members were missing. Budget analysis was reviewed at 92% of the budgetary year. Parish income looks good with increase in offertory giving which is main source of parish income. In addition, positive returns in the market have been reflected in holdings in the Common Investment Fund. The category of Maintenance is subdivided into contracts, grounds, and buildings. Significant expenditures in these categories suggest a deferred maintenance budget amount that anticipates cost and expense on contracts, grounds, & buildings. Too many vendors think the Church has a limitless supply of money, which is far from the case. Brian Raiche from Cornerstone Fundraising presented a proposal for the Grand Annual. His proposal reflected on "success" his firm has had with countless parishes who seek the same goal. The process includes careful mailings and follow-ups with Thank You notes to all contributors. The Grand Annual begins October 5/6, 2013, and is an important factor in St. Clare's Parish budgetary success. Present percentages of givers to the Grand Annual should increase substantially. Cornerstone Fundraising will address the mechanics of the Grand Annual and will help to provide solid financial footing to St. Clare Parish meeting the challenges we all face. His proposal and expenses associated with this campaign were unanimously approved by all members who cited his previous success with the increased offertory giving program. The tithing report for the 3rd quarter was reviewed. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read. Landscaping proposals were reviewed and soon a final decision will be in place. A member inquired when St. Clare Parish will have a picture of Pope Francis I in the front vestibule. The meeting closed with prayer at 8:40 PM.

Religious Education

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 by calling 781-848-7481 or email: Debbie Clancy for **Grades K – 5** at Faithformation4K25@Verizon.net; Anne Marie Tranfaglia for **Grades 6-8** at Faithformation4628@Verizon.net; or Mike Panciotti for **Grades 9 & 10** at Faithformation4910@Verizon.net

The Walk/Run for ALS was on Saturday, June 8. My daughter, Sarah, pushed me for the whole 2.5 mile walk in my wheelchair. My daughter, Tricia, ran the 5 mile race as a tribute to me. She trained for a year even though she has RA. The back of her T-shirt read, "I run for my Dad". The walk/race was in my honor as were the T-shirts worn by the participants. The back of the T-shirts read. "I will love you forever and one day. In honor of Tom Matthews." Thanks to all once again for your support, prayers and donations. Donations to the Angel Fund are always welcomed with 100% going to ALS research. Checks made to the Angel Fund can be sent to: Tom Matthews, 24 Portland Road, Braintree, MA 02184. Progress is being made in finding a cure for ALS. A cure may not be found for me, but will help others inflicted with this terrible disease. Please keep me in your prayers. God Bless! Tom Matthews

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)
Worship: Ushers, Readers, Servers, Eucharist Ministers, Art & Environment, Choir, Song Leader
Religious Education: Catechist, Summer Bible Vacation School
Service: Meals at Fr. Bill's and/or Pine Street Inn, Money Counters
Organizations: Holy Name, Catholic Women of Braintree, Boy Scout Troop #138, Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Council

Father's Day Prayer

Fatherhood calls for many challenges and hardships which every Dad bears with pride and happiness. Your Dad has been your best friend who has always been with you, no matter what. He is the one person who has bestowed you with love and care, without asking for anything in return. When it comes to the relationship you share with your father, there are absolutely no strings attached. He may not show it, but he is always there for you, with his unwavering support and assistance. How often do you make the time to offer a prayer for the continued health and happiness of this wonderful person? This Father's Day, take time to seek blessings for your Dad. May we pray: God our Father, in your wisdom and love, you made all things. Bless all the Fathers of the world. Guide them to be good role models and loving to their children. Help them to be a Father as you are. Grant that we your sons and daughters may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Amen.

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