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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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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

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Nancy Alessi

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Mike Panciotti, Grades 9 & 10

E-mail: FaithFormation4910@verizon.net

Do You Wish to receive Offertory Envelopes? Yes

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			
	he priests or bring it to the rectory or place in the collection basket. Name:	Phone:	i	
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ST.CLARE BRAINTREE

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 29					
4:00 PM	Cara Flaherty-Brady9 th Anniv				

SUNDAY, June 30

8:30 AM	All the Deceased Parishioners of St. Clare's
10:00 AM	Doris Barron4 th Anniv
	William Barron Memorial
11:30 AM	Bruce Robertson

THURSDAY, July 4

9:00 AM Domenic Marinilli... Birthday Memorial & Anniv

SATURDAY, July 6

SUNDAY, July 7

	8 th Anniv
Marion L. Gould	3 rd Anniv

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Dr. Nicholas Pelligrino.

Banns of Marriage

III Ryan P. Pitts......Kristen M. Cushing

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

The Parish of St. Clare would like to welcome the following parishioners who have recently registered: Domenic Venezia, Katie Riley, Rachel Brundige, and Joan Compton.

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.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not meet in July and August. The next meeting will be September 11, with regular meetings the first Wednesday of the month resuming in October We would like to thank all those who have donated to the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Your help benefits all who need the comfort of the items that are made. If anyone needs a shawl or pillow over the summer please contact a member of the PSM or Lucille Barton directly at 781-848-0626. Thank you again and see you in the fall and maybe even more of you!

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.

Fr. Bill's Place will be visited on Tuesday, **July 2**. 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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Offertory (June 22 & 23) \$5,600 Capital Improvement Fund \$1,363

As always, we thank you for your ongoing generosity.

The offertory is our primary means of meeting
our Parish weekly operational expenses

The One Offertory Collection taken this weekend of June 22 & 23 is for the Parish of St. Clare and the Peter's Pence Collection. We appreciate your generosity.

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 \$45,555.50 from 150 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.

Family & Tots Program Concludes: On Wednesday, June 19th, Families and Tots celebrated their final meeting with each child receiving a small bucket loaded with everything needed for a good summer including eyeglasses, sand shovel, and assorted toys. Over 50 families from Abington, Braintree, Quincy, Randolph & Weymouth enjoyed the program coordinated by Karen McBrine. One parent and child combination stated that we are sad because, "we have attended for the last seven years". This program is so beneficial for all participants, both young and old alike!

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!

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.

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

Eucharistic Ministers for this weekend of June 29 & 30

4:00 PM.....T. English, R. McDonough, C. McGaffigan, M. Ryan 8:30 AM.....I. Supple, G. Milgroom, M. Walsh, F. Buonopane 10:00 AM.....M. DeSantis, B. Little, J. & D. Dalton 11:30 AM....I. Barone, J. Donovan, B. & M. Bohannon

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

Prayerfully, Fr. Paul

Literature and Life

Friday, June 7: Pope Francis — "Dear young people, if I were to ask you now why do you go to school, what would you answer me? There would probably be a whole range of replies, according to the sensibility of each person. But I think that they could all be summed up together by saying that school is one of the educational environments in which we develop by learning how to live, how to become grown up mature women and men who can travel, who can follow the road of life. How does school help you to grow? It helps you not only by developing your intelligence but also by an integral formation of all the aspects of your personality." Let us pray that these objectives may be realized by all who are enrolled in the school of life.

Tree Work: We are pleased with tree removal performed by Bogantree Service removing 5 overgrown "umbrella" like trees from the devotional area, 3 overgrown rose of Sharon bushes, overgrown evergreen near the garage, 2 small birches in front of Church, a 10" birch on the left side of Church, and 16 arborvitae in the rear of the Church grounds. Groleau's Landscape from Quincy will complete the landscaping of our parish grounds and replanting where needed. We take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your generosity to the Parish which allows us to keep our grounds reflecting the beauty of God's grandeur.

Steve's Dairy Delivery: Steve's Dairy Delivery provides St. Clare with weekly delivery of fresh milk, cream, & drinks featured at Sunday hospitality in the Parish Hall. His delivery occurs each Thursday. Those who might wish to engage his services are encouraged to call 781-447-1324 or to send an e mail message to stevesdairydelivery@verizon.net.

Catholic Lifestyle: Loyola University Press offers the following meditation by way of the internet that is most worthwhile is "Ask, Seek, Knock" - Luke 11:9 - "And I tell you, ask and you will receive, seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you". Prayer is risky business. We bring our whole self before God, even those parts we'd prefer remain hidden. Though we know in our mind God loves us as we are, we still may be hesitant to open ourselves to God's grace. Jesus' teaching about prayer reminds us that there is nothing that we cannot bring before God. And there is nothing about us that could ever prevent God from wanting to be with us. Jesus tells us, as he told his disciples, that when we ask, seek, and knock, God will respond. There is no risk involved in approaching God, for we already have the promise of God's presence. How challenging is it for me to bring my whole self to God in prayer? What do I seek from God today? Let us pray: Loving God, I bring my whole self before you, trusting in your deep care for me. Help me to grow in my understanding that nothing is off limits to you and that you are always there for me. Amen.

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!

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

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 karensmusicklass@aol.com.

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 karenmusicklass@aol.com or 781-961-3460.

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.

St. Joseph Retreat Center, Cohasset, Upcoming Programs: Directed or Private Retreats: July 9-11, July 19-21, July 29-August 1, August 19-25, September 18-26, October 7-14. For more information and to register, visit www.csjretreatcenter.org, email Retreat.Center@csjboston.org, or call 781-383-6024.

A Prayer for the Fourth of July

We lift up our hearts on this day of celebration in gratitude for the gift of being Americans. We rejoice with all those who share in the great dream of freedom and dignity for all. With flags and feasting, with family and friends, we salute those who have sacrificed that we might have the opportunity to bring to fulfillment our many God-given gifts. As we deny all prejudice a place in our hearts, may we also clearly declare our intention to work for the time when all people, regardless of race, religion, or sex, will be granted equal dignity and worth. Come, O gracious God, who led our children Israel from slavery, keep us free from all that might hold us in bondage. Bless our country and join our celebration that we may praise you, our source of freedom, the one in whom we place our trust, Amen.

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