

# St. Clare Catholic Church

# The Reverend Daniel O. Kingsley, Pastor

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**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2023** 

# **Rectory Hours**

Monday—Friday: 9am—12pm, 1pm—4pm

Saturdays: 10am-2pm

Sundays: Closed

Please call in advance to make an appointment to see

either a priest or a deacon.

Parishioners at St. Clare worship regularly at Mass, participate in the community life of the Church and make use of the weekly envelopes in support of the parish.

# **Parish Clergy and Staff**

Rev. John Nimako, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Msgr. Anthony Kyereme, Summer Assistant

Rev. Mr. Christopher Barber, Permanent Deacon

Rev. Mr. Richard Hurst, Permanent Deacon

Ms. Dianne Sealy-Soon, Office Manager

 $\label{eq:ms.lisa} Ms.\ Lisa\ Sampson,\ Director\ of\ Faith\ Formation$ 

(718) 527-6153

Mr. Michael Zephyrine, Music Director

Ms. Sachara Valme, Youth Minister

Mr. Richard Sealy, Custodian

# St. Clare Catholic Academy

137-25 Brookville Boulevard, Rosedale, NY 11422

Pre-K-Grade 8

Mrs. Providencia Quiles, Principal Mrs. Deanna Maynard, Assistant Principal Mrs. Joanne Pinnock, Dean Mrs. Lucy Diaz, Administrative Assistant (718) 528-7174

# **Mass Schedule**

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am Saturday Vigil: 5pm Sundays: 8am, 10: 30am & 12:30pm Holy Days: *To Be Announced* 

#### **Devotions**

Miraculous Medal said on Monday mornings after Mass. St. Clare Novena is said on Saturday mornings after Mass. The Rosary is said daily after weekday Mass, Sacred Heart Novena will be said after First Friday Mass, 20 Decades of the Rosary after First Saturday Mass. First Friday Holy Hour: 7:30pm

#### Sacraments

**Baptism:** Monthly (except during Lent and the summer months), on Saturdays at 12:30pm. We are pleased to baptize infants and children up to 7 years of age with at least one parent who is Roman Catholic. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

# **First Holy Communion/Confirmation:**

For Children and Youth from ages 7 to 17, please call Ms. Lisa Sampson at 718-527-6153

#### Order of Christian Initiation in Adults (OCIA)

Adults, 18 yrs. and older, who wish to become Catholic or if Catholic and wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation, e.g., Confirmation & Communion. Call Ms. Lisa Sampson.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Call the Rectory.

**Confessions:** Offered every Saturday from 3: 30pm—4: 30pm or by appointment.

**Matrimony:** Couples are asked, first, to make arrangements with parish clergy at least six months in advance prior to the wedding date.

### **HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

5:00pm Birthday Blessings in Heaven to Kimberly Bernadel requested by the Bernadel Family.

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1**

8:00am For the 1 Year Death Anniversary of Robert J. Lavender requested by Felita and Family 10:30am Birthday Blessings to Marie Ann Devis & Dorthley Beauval requested by Marie Ann Devis 12:30pm For You, the People of the Parish

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 2**

8:30am In Thanksgiving requested by Suze Jean-

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3**

8:30am Birthday Blessings in Heaven to Marie Therese Yolette requested by Carline Turin

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:30am In Loving Memory of Rosana & Dutreuil Deslisca requested by Yvrose Baptiste

# **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5**

8:30am In Thanksgiving requested by Roodolph Joseph

# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:30am In Honor of Saint Bruno, Priest: Blesse Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**

8:30am Happy 51st Anniversary to my dear Husband in Heaven, requested by his wife Lorraine 5:00pm Birthday Blessings & In Loving Memory of Dr. Christopher Andrew Phang req. by Andrew Peck

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**

8:00am For You, the People of the Parish
 10:30am In Loving Memory of Joseph Grannum,
 Rest in Peace, requested by Norma Grannum
 12:30pm In Thanksgiving requested by the
 Charles Family



# The Holy Father, Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for <u>OCTOBER</u> 2023

# FOR THE SYNOD

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

# **GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

2022 \$**5,124.00**  <u>2023</u>

\$4,245.00 (Rain)

# **WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Ez 18:25-28, Mt 21:28-32 (136) Sun Mon Zec 8:1-8, Mt 18:1-5, 10 (650) Zec 8:20-23. Lk 9:51-56 (456) Tue. Wed. Neh 2:1-8, Lk 9:57-62 (457) Neh 8:1-4a, Lk 10:1-12 (458) Thur. Fri. Bar 1:15-22, Lk 10:13-16 (459) Bar 4:5-12, Lk 10:17-24 (460) Sat. Is 5:1-7, Mt 21:33-43 (139) Sun

# **THIS WEEK**

# Sunday, October 1

8:00am, 10:30am

12:00pm—Faith Formation, 12:30pm Mass

# Monday, October 2

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:00pm—100th Anniversary Committee Meeting

# Tuesday, October 3

8:30am—Morning Mass

#### Wednesday, October 4

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Bible Study—Zoom

## Thursday, October 5

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Worship4Life (Rectory Basement)

### Friday, October 6

# **FIRST FRIDAY**

8:30am—Morning Mass

# Saturday, October 7

## **DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

8:30am—Morning Mass

3:30pm—Confessions

5:00pm—Vigil Mass

#### Sunday October 8

8:00am, Mass, 10:30am Mass,

12:00pm—Faith Formation

12:30pm Mass

3:00—Guyana Mass

5:00pm—Guyana Reception—School Auditorium

Dear Parishioners,

I have had the joy, these last few weeks, to visit other parishes in the Brooklyn Diocese. One of my colleagues, Fr. Manuel de Jesús Rodriguez, had invited me to his parish, Our Lady of Sorrows, Corona, for the celebration of their patronal feast this past September 15<sup>th</sup>. Thankfully, I wore my good walking shoes! First, we proceed around the neighborhood with hundreds of the faithful with an ornate black-clad statue of the Madonna with her heart pierced by seven swords. The statue was hoisted by several men. Upon the procession's return, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus Octavio Cisneros blessed Sorrows' new food pantry and soup kitchen. Afterwards, Holy Mass was celebrated in the church, it was standing room only! And of course, one cannot have a patronal feast without a party. Fr. Manuel, always the host, insisted that I stayed for traditional Latin American street fiesta. The people, the liturgy, the food, the music, was exciting. It also gave me a reason to brush up on rusty Spanish.

On the 17<sup>th</sup>, I went home to Saint Vincent Ferrer Church, Brooklyn, for the closing Mass of her centennial year. She holds a very special place in my heart. I credit her now-shuttered parochial school with fostering my Catholic faith. I was communed and confirmed at her altar, and over a decade later, returned to celebrate my first Mass as a priest. My father and maternal grandfather were also buried from said parish. In short, I could not miss this celebration for the world! It was nice to see many of the old timers who remembered my siblings and I from our school days. Bishop Paul Sanchez, an alumnus of the school as well as a son of the parish, celebrated and preached the Mass. Their pastor, Fr. Peter Gopaul and I exchanged a few ideas that I will share with our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee in the days ahead.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup>, I found myself in Howard Beach's St. Helen's Church for their annual Padre Pio Mass. Amongst Italian Catholics there is a deep devotion to Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, an Italian Capuchin priest, who in life was renowned for his personal sanctity. Our bishop emeritus, Nicholas DiMarzio, recounted that Padre Pio underwent tremendous suffering manifested on his hands and feet in the stigmata. The saint's pain never eroded the trust and joy he had in Jesus Christ our Lord. Bishop DiMarzio pointedly remarked that there is no such thing as the Christian life without first the Cross of Christ! Certainly, words that bear repeating in our spiritual lives daily.

Aside from the Uber bill, what I found remarkable about each celebration were the presence and participation of youth and young adults. Fr. Manuel had the school children front and center for the food pantry's ribbon cutting. Fr. Gopaul insisted the altar was crowded with altar servers, along with praise dancers. And Fr. Frank Colamaria, St. Helen's pastor, wowed me with his youth choir some 20 children strong. The youth, at Our Lady of Sorrows, Saint Vincent's, and Saint Helen's are not the future, but the present reality! Jesus' parable of the vineyard workers, proclaimed at last weekend's Masses, warned us of comparison as it can lead itself to envy and jealousy. Such comparison can cause us to forget—or take for granted---what God is doing for us in our own lives, in our own situations! If I may digress for a moment, everywhere I went priests and laypeople spoke glowing of the good that happens in Saint Clare's Each of the churches I mentioned are in different neighborhoods serving very different populations, nevertheless their pastors and people get it. We must build up our youth, now, if our faith communities are going to have a future.

I had the opportunity to celebrate and preach our Youth Mass, last Sunday. And we, thankfully, get "it" as well. It warmed my heart that the voices of our young people were heard from the pulpit and the choir loft. It was amazing to see the 70+ children registered in various levels of faith formation. That being said, we cannot rest on our laurels. Both the interim Director of Faith Formation, Lisa Sampson, and the youth minister, Sachara Valme, have shared with me the need for additional volunteers to assist them in their important and valuable work. As the old African proverb says, "It takes a village to raise a child." And the same is true for our beloved Saint Clare's. The next generation will need the love and support of this generation to walk confidently as disciples of the Risen Lord.

In Christ,

Fr. Daniel O. Kingsley, Pastor October 1st, 2023 St. Clare Catholic Church Page 4



# The Board of Trustees of SAIDT CLARE CATHOLIC ACADEMY

wish to invite alumni, friends, families, and supporters to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the Dedication of our beloved School.

Holy Mass will be celebrated on SATURDAY, DOVEMBER 11TH, 2023, 10 AM,

in the Church followed by a fundraiser brunch in the School Auditorium.

More information to follow.

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# IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR the Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized, Send in the names of your loved ones who

are ill, so that we may pray for them daily.

Edgar Grove
Myles Ayoung
Errol Granderson
Matthew Zinser III
Hugh Myton
Phillip Wright

Rosemary Nolan Roy Farquharson Evelyn Farquharson Delmena Bryan Nancy Joseph Annette B. Young

# **Youth Ministry New Shoes 4 Children**

We are collecting clothing, shoes, and hygiene kits for displaced men, women, and children Sept 9th thru Oct. 15th, 2024.

We are also accepting Toothpaste,
Toothbrushes, Bath Soap, etc. and Monetary
Donations

For more information contact the **Youth Ministry Office at 718-341-1018 X 1015**.

Youth Volunteers will be needed for packaging day, on Friday October 20th, from 6:30pm—9:00pm.

A Spaghetti Dinner + 4hr service credit is awarded for this endeavor.





# 33RD ADDUAL GUYADA MASS

(SPONSORED BY THE GUYADA MASS COMMITTEE) Sunday, October 8th, 2023 at St. Clare Church, Rosedale

Join Guyanese Catholics and friends for a celebration of their rich faith and culture!



# HOLY MASS, 3 PM

# Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Carl Philadelphia

Parish Priest of the Parishes of St. Pius X, Holy Spirit, and Our Lady of the Mount, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Georgetown, Guyana

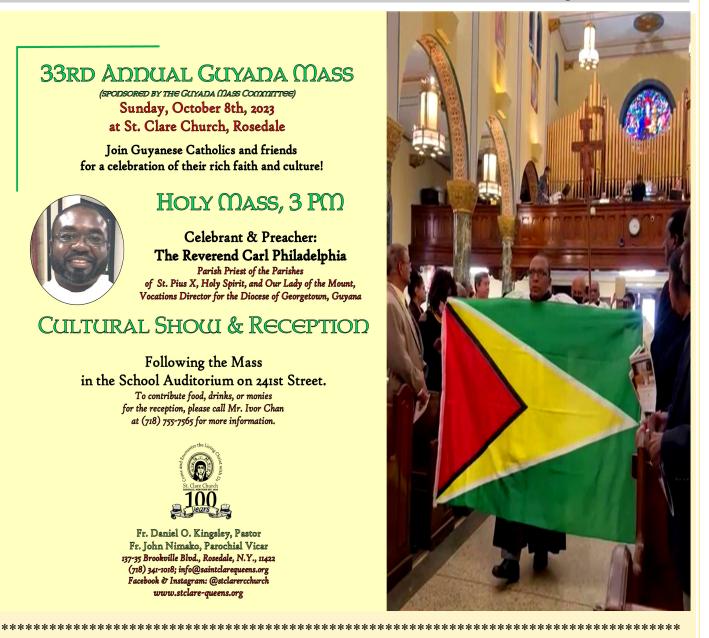
# CULTURAL SHOUL & RECEPTION

Following the Mass in the School Auditorium on 241st Street.

> To contribute food, drinks, or monies for the reception, please call Mr. Ivor Chan at (718) 755-7565 for more information.



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# **EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

On October 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a Diocesan Eucharistic Revival at Maimonides Park in Brooklyn.

Bishop Brennan is calling the faithful of the Diocese to come and renew your faith in God. St. Clare will have a bus to and from the church for a low cost of only \$10.00. In the days ahead please call the Rectory office to reserve your seat, as this revival will be awe inspiring.

# SAVE THE DATE **OCTOBER 28TH, 2023**

# ST. CLARE CHURCH

**Presents** 

**NEW!!!!!!! TRICK & TREAT COSTUME PARTY** 

Tricks: We have the Haunted House, Games, Music, Fun Contests & Prizes!!!



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An eleven week Bible study of James—
"Pearls for Wise Living" every
Wednesday at 7:30pm via Zoom.
Participants meet every week to view an engaging
video presentation followed by a time of lively
group discussion
and fellowship.

"James" is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to those who feel torn between the demands of this world and Faith.

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BIBLE STUDY

For more info. or to register, visit ascensionpress.com, or contact
Timothy Turner at
516-754-6898, email—
ttur63@aol.com.



# **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

Parish Goal: \$55,051.00

Pledged: \$44,270.77 Paid to Date: \$24,251.47

When we give to the Annual Catholic Appeal, we share the Light of Faith.

The continuation of our programs in the Diocese of Brooklyn assures us that we will have a healthy, vibrant Church for future generations to come! Please remember how many good things can be achieved by your sacrifice to the

#### **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL.**

We ask you to please be generous and to put your faith into action.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 7th—Diocesan Eucharistic Revival

October 8th - Guyana Mass & Reception

October 9th—Columbus Day—(Office Closed)

October 14th—Parish Prayer Breakfast

October 21st—Infant Baptism

October 28th—Halloween Party (School Gym)

October 31st—Halloween

November 4th — Foxwoods / Tanger Outlet

November 5th—Daylight Savings Time

November 11th—Veterans Day (Office Closed)

November 11th— 70th Anniversary of the Dedication of the St. Clare Academy

November 23rd—Thanksgiving—Office Closed

November 24th—Office Closed

December 8th—The Immaculate Conception

December 11th— 13th— Advent Revival
Guest Speaker: Fr. Nathasingh

December 16th—Infant Baptism

December 24th—Christmas Eve

December 25th—Christmas Day



With respect, admiration and thankfulness we pray for those who are currently serving around the world and those to be deployed in the near future in defense of our nation.

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# The Visitation

Mass starts at 10:30am and ends with a procession to the Breakfast which will be held in the School Auditorium on 241st Street.

Guest Speaker: Fr. Wedner Berard

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