



# St. Clare Catholic Church

**The Reverend Daniel O. Kingsley, Pastor**

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 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. Mr. Christopher Barber, Permanent Deacon

Rev. Mr. Richard Hurst, Permanent Deacon

Ms. Dianne Sealy-Soon, Office Manager

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

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## 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, DECEMBER 2**

5:00pm In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings to  
Rose Marie Chery req. by the Mompremier Family.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3**

8:00am In Loving Memory of my Deceased  
Parents, requested by Giselle Pierre-Louis

10:30am In Thanksgiving for Errol Granderson,  
requested by his Wife and Children

12:30pm For You, the People of the Parish

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 4**

8:30am For the Souls of those Enrolled in our  
Purgatorial Society.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5**

8:30am Birthday Blessings to Shanya Aubourg  
requested by her Mother.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6**

8:30am Birthday Blessings for Marthe Saintvil.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7**

8:30am In Loving Memory of Walter Pyle  
requested by the Pyle Family.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8**

8:30am Birthday Blessings to Noel Soon  
requested by the Soon Family.

7:30pm For the Immaculate Conception

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9**

8:30am Birthday Blessings for Jean Marie  
Gregory Baudin

5:00pm In Thanksgiving to the Immaculate  
Conception requested by Martha Edmond.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10**

8:00am Special Intentions for Aileen Ramdeen  
requested by Elizabeth Sucre.

10:30am God's Richest Birthday Blessings on  
Anthony Martinez req. by the Martinez Family

12:30pm For You, the People of the Parish

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**The Holy Father, Pope Francis'  
Prayer Intention for DECEMBER 2023**

**For Persons with Disabilities**

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

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**GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>\$5,082.00</b>	<b>\$3,557.00</b>

12/05/2022	12/03/2023
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(THANKSGIVING DAY MASS—\$644.00)

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Sun	Ez 34:11-12, Mt 25:31-46 (160)
Mon	Dn 1:1-6,8-20, Lk 21:1-4 (503)
Tue.	Dn 2:31-45, Lk 21:5-11 (504)
Wed.	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, Lk 21:12-19 (505)
Thur.	Rom 10:9-18, Mt 4:18-22 (684)
Fri.	Dn 7:2-14, Lk 21:29-33 (507)
Sat.	Dn 7:15-27, Lk 21:34-36 (508)
Sun	Is 63:16b-17, Mk 13:33-47 (2)

**THIS WEEK****Sunday December 3**

8:00am Mass, 10:30am Mass

12:00pm—Women's Ministry Meeting - **Rec. Basement**

12:00pm—Faith Formation

12:30pm—Mass

3:30pm—Vespers & Benediction—

**Guest Speaker—Rev. Mr. Joseph Dass**

**Monday, December 4**

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—100th Anniversary Committee Meeting

**Tuesday, December 5**

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Parish Council Meeting—**Rectory Basement**

**Wednesday, December 6**

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Bible Study (Zoom)

**Thursday, December 7**

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Worship4Life

**Friday, December 8****THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:00pm—The Holy Rosary

7:30pm—Evening Mass

**Saturday, December 9**

8:30am—Morning Mass

3:30pm—Confessions

5:00pm—Vigil Mass

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Dear Parishioners,

Our secular culture does not provide us with much of a lead time from Thanksgiving to Christmas. It's as if before the turkey is carved, we are already decking the halls with boughs of holly. Thus, the Church, in her wisdom, gives us to the four weeks of Advent to ease into the celebration of Jesus' birth.

Advent gives us certain visual and audio cues. Notice how our sacristans have exchanged the "green" - ery of Ordinary Time, symbolizing growth and change for the violet of the present season, representing quiet hopeful expectation. In addition, our Advent wreath with its four candles---three violet, one rose, lit one at time, week by week---call to mind that our mortal pilgrimage takes place against the backdrop of eternity, hence the wreath's ring shape. In ages past, Advent was just as penitential as Lent. While presently the Church does not prescribe days of fasting and abstinence for this season, she asks that we refrain from singing the Gloria until Christmas. \* The rationale being that great canticle was first sung by the angels to alert the shepherds to the Savior's birth (Lk 2: 14). While we do retain the Alleluia at Mass, at Saint Clare for the prayer of the faithful we will either say or sing, "Marantha, Come O Christ the Lord." The word "*marantha*" (1 Cor. 16:22) stems from Aramaic, again meaning, "Come, Lord!" This expression in relation to Advent has a double meaning as we, await Christ's first arrival in history as a babe in the arms of Blessed Mary, and again at the end of all time when He will judge the living and the dead.

Our Advent observance, this year, will be a special one. We will have Vespers and Benediction, at 3: 30 PM, this Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, and next Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Deacon Joseph 'Joe' Dass, a key organizer of the annual Guyana Mass, will preach on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, while Father Richard "Rick" Riccioli, OFM Conv., the pastor of Holy Trinity-St. Mary Church, Brooklyn, will preach on the 10<sup>th</sup>. We welcome world-renowned revivalist Father Trevor Nathasingh to Saint Clare Church from December 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. The doors open each night at 6: 30 PM. For more information, please consult the flyer in this weekend's bulletin. At last, but not least we will Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 17, 5: 30 PM. Michael Zephyrine, our music director, along with the choir are hard at work rehearsing the various anthems, hymns, and carols of Advent and Christmas for the occasion. Monsignor Sean Ogle, the diocesan Vicar for Clergy and Consecrated Life, will be the guest preacher. During the service we will having the blessing and lighting of the parish Christmas tree and lights. Lastly, on Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, the Archdiocese of New York and the Diocese of Brooklyn will observe Reconciliation Monday. Priests will be available in every parish church throughout the five boroughs and upstate counties to hear the confessions of the faithful. At Saint Clare, Fr. John and I will hear confessions after the 8: 30 AM Mass as well as at a special 6 PM Penance Service.

The praying and the praising of Advent will prepare us for the great joy of Christmas.

In Christ,

Fr. Daniel O. Kingsley,  
Pastor

\*the only exception to this rule is December 8<sup>th</sup>, the Immaculate Conception of the BVM

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October 28th thru December 16th 2023

This year the Women's Ministry will be partnering with a local Domestic Violence Shelter that houses Men, Women & Children and they have provided a needs list which is below. If you would like to donate to this Drive, please place selected items from this list into a Shoebox and call anyone from the contact list below to arrange pickup or deliver packed Shoebox to the Rectory office by Saturday Dec. 16th, 2023. Please attach a copy of flyer, checking off included items. Please contact anyone from the Women's team for more information.

(Please note -No used or travel sized items accepted).

### Personal Care

- ☐ Feminine Hygiene Products
- ☐ Body Wash    ☐ Shaving Cream
- ☐ Washcloths, loofa sponge puffs
- ☐ Adult Diapers
- ☐ Hair care products
- ☐ Body Lotion (fragrance free)
- ☐ Toothbrushes
- ☐ Full size toothpaste
- ☐ Shampoo/Conditioner
- ☐ Deodorant (Men & Women)
- ☐ Duffel bags/Weekend Bags

### Clothing items

- ☐ New Underwear (assorted types & sizes)
- ☐ New Women's Bras    ☐ Socks
- ☐ Sweat Pants (assorted sizes)

### Infant Items

- ☐ Diaper rash cream
- ☐ Children's Toothpaste    ☐ Baby Wipes
- ☐ Diapers & pull-ups (assorted sizes)

### Household Items

- ☐ Paper Towels
- ☐ Laundry Detergent    ☐ Toilet Paper
- ☐ Household Cleaning Supplies

For Details Please Contact:

Beverly Carr (646) 255-7968  
Michelle McKenzie (646) 270-7689  
Monique Sampson (917) 453-5115 or  
Email us: Stclarewm@gmail.com



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### TAKING ADVENT HOME

During the season of Advent as we await the birth of our Lord, may you experience Hope, Joy, Love and Peace. Every family is encouraged to place an **Advent Wreath** in their home and light the candles each evening. Today, Sunday December 3rd, is the **First Sunday of Advent**,

**LIGHT THE FIRST PURPLE CANDLE ON YOUR ADVENT WREATH**



### CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AROUND THE CHURCH

The Christmas season is just a month and away, we at Saint Clare Church are thinking ahead. Once again we have convened a Christmas Lights Committee to spearhead the decoration of the Church building and surrounding grounds for the holiday season. If you wish to sponsor lights In Memory of, or In Honor of a loved one, you can make a donation by cash, check, or Money

Order addressed to the parish, with "Christmas Lights" in the memo line, or on the envelope.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to committee chair Cheryl Ann Lee or call the Rectory Office. Whatever amount you give will help our parish church shine at night in honor of Our Savior's birth.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

December 3rd—First Sunday of Advent  
December 8th—Immaculate Conception  
December 11th— 13th— Advent Revival  
Guest Speaker: Fr. Nathasingh  
December 16th—Infant Baptism  
December 18th—Advent Reconciliation  
December 24th—Christmas Eve  
December 25th—Christmas Day

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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	Rosemary Nolan
Myles Ayoun	Phillip Wright
Evelyn Farquharson	Nancy Joseph
Matthew Zinser III	Hugh Myton

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*God's Love is Enough  
He Called My Name  
And set me free*

**Healing and Anointing Mass**  
*Guest Revivalist: Rev. Trevor Nathasingh*  
 December 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 6:00pm  
**St. Clare Roman Catholic Church**  
 137-35 Brookville Blvd. Rosedale, NY 11422  
**718-341-1018**  
 6pm- 6:30pm~Rosary / Confessoins  
 6:45pm-7:30pm~Praise & Worship  
 7:45pm~Fr. Nathasingh



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**ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

On Monday December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, our Diocese will celebrate **Advent Reconciliation Monday**. On this special day, St. Clare Church will offer the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** after the 8:30am Mass, and during the 6pm Penance Service. This is in preparation of the great **Feast of the Lord's Nativity**.

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## ADVENT 2023 at St. Clare Church

*Join us this Advent, in prayer and praise, to herald the Savior's birth.*



### Vespers & Benediction

Sunday, December 3, 3:30 PM

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Mr. Joseph 'Joe' Dass

Sunday, December 10, 3:30 PM

Guest Preacher:

The Rev. Richard "Rick" Riccioli, OFM. Conv.

### Three Day Revival

December 11-13, 6 PM

Guest Revivalist: The Rev. Trevor Nathasingh

### Lessons & Carols

with the Blessing of the Parish Christmas Lights & Trees

Sunday, December 17, 5 PM

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Msgr. Sean Ogle

### Reconciliation Monday

Monday, December 18

Confessions heard after the 8:30 AM Mass & 6 PM Penance Service

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# Youth MINISTRY

## \$5 Christmas Ornament Sale

**Nov. 19th- Dec. 10th**

Buy an ornament for the tree,  
place your prayer intentions inside  
for Christmas Blessing



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**Youth & Family Life MINISTRIES**

Invites you to  
**Brunch with Santa & Gift Exchange**

**St. Clare School Auditorium**  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 2023**  
**12PM- 4PM**  
**137-35 Brookville Blvd. Rosedale NY 11422**

**ADMISSION FEE:**  
 Each person bring a wrapped gift labeled for  
 a boy or girl & age group  
 3mths -1, 2- 4, 5-7, 8-11, 12-15, 16-18

**FULL BUFFET BREAKFAST**  
**Pancakes, Eggs, Bacon, Sausage,**  
**Juice, Coffee, Tea**

**Arts & Crafts, Games**  
**Dancing & Fun**  
**Picture with Santa**  
**Gift Exchange**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**ST CLARE CHURCH ROSEDALE**  
 THE MEN OF THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY AND  
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
 PROUDLY INVITE YOU TO THEIR

**Mardi Gras & Valentine**

**Dinner Dance**

WHEN: SAT FEBRUARY 10, 2024  
 TIME: 6:30PM - 10:30PM  
 WHERE: ST CLARE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM  
 TICKETS: \$30 SINGLE / \$50 COUPLE

COMPLIMENTARY MARDI GRAS MASK OR BEADS WITH EACH TICKET

**GREAT MUSIC! GREAT FOOD! GREAT FUN!**

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE RECTORY OFFICE AND AFTER EACH MASS

**GIFT BASKETS**  
**50/50 RAFFLES**

137-35 BROOKVILLE BLVD. ROSEDALE NY 11422

**SAVE THE DATE— AUGUST 3RD, 2024**

100th Anniversary of St. Clare Catholic  
 Church Dinner & Dance Gala

**\$175.00 (4 Part Payment Plan Available)**

Yellow Limo Will take You To and From Venue

**TICKETS ON SALE SOON AT THE RECTORY OFFICE,**  
**JOIN US FOR THIS GREAT OCCASION.**

**MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW**

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**THE FEAST OF**  
**THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

This Mass will be celebrated next  
 Friday, December 8th at 8:30am & 7:30pm.  
 It is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics.

