

St. Clare Catholic Church

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 2024

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 Religious Education (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, FEBRUARY 17

In Honor of the Seven Holy Founders of 5:00pm

the Servite Order

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

8:00am Repose of the Soul of Ismet Francisque,

requested by the Francisque Family

10:30am For You, the People of the Parish

12:30pm In Loving Memory of Benjamin A Kaczynski

requested by Maureen Kaczynski

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

In Memory of the Death Anniversary of 8:30am Ursule Laroche requested by the Stephen Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

In Loving Memory of Fr. James J.M. 8:30am

Revnolds

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

8:30am In Honor of Saint Peter Damian, Bishop

and Doctor of the Church

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

8:30am The Honor of the Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

8:30am In Honor of Saint Polycarp, Bishop and

Martyr

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

8:30am In Loving Memory of Carmelite Serafin, requested by Rose M. Antoine

5:00pm In Loving Memory of Marie Lourdes Mirna Levegue Pierre reg. by her Daughters & Grandchildren

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8:00am In Loving Memory of Anne Marie Mompoint, requested by Rosemarie Tatiana Kevin

10:30am For You, the People of the Parish

12:30pm Birthday Blessings for Marie Fernande

requested by Perri Pierre

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

FEBRUARY 2024

FOR THE TERMINALL ILL

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

2023

2024

\$4,879.00

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02/12/2023

02/11/2024

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun Gn 9:8-15, Mk 1:12-15 (23) Mon Lv 19:1-2, Mt 25:31-46 (224) Is 55:10-11, Mt 6:7-15 (225) Tue. Wed. Jon 3:1-10, Lk 11:29-32 (226) 1 Pt 5:1-4, Mt 16:13-19 (535) Thur. Fri. Ez 18:21-28, Mt 5:20-26 (228) Dt 26:16-19, Mt 5:43-48 (229) Sat. Gn 22:1-2, 9a, Mk 9:2-10 (26) Sun

THIS WEEK

Sunday February 18

8:00am Mass, 10:30am, 12:30pm Mass

Monday, February 19

PRESIDENTS DAY (OFFICE CLOSED)

8:30am—Morning Mass

Tuesday February 20

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Knights of Columbus



Wednesday, February 21

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Lenten Vespers & Benediction

Thursday, February 22

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm—Worship4Life

Friday, February 23

8:30am—Morning Mass

7:30pm— Ecumenical Stations of the Cross

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Saturday, February 24

8:30am—Morning Mass

3:30pm—Confessions

5:00pm—Vigil Mass

Greetings and Prayerful Salutations to All My Family of The Saint Clare Parish!

I cannot express how much I miss you all. These past three months have been a trial for both Lory and myself, with the severe medical issues we've had to deal with. Beyond all this, it is missing the fellowship of my brothers and sisters of St. Clare that preys on my mind, heart and spirit. (You see, no one else is as kind and nurturing as you folks, as you patiently wait for me to finish my verbal meandering and *finally* answer the 'Yes-or-No' question you asked! Yes, I'm laughing at myself. I'm allowed.)

In brief, Lory and I have been dealing with severe difficulties with breathing, continuous coughing, and the Covid virus. Both of us tested positive sometime in the last three months, and are currently dealing with the resulting issues of "Long-Term Covid". The doctors informed me that I did not have COPD, but there was some evidence of emphysema. After treating the Covid virus, they told Lory and I to stay home, continue the medicines and treatments, and wait for the Long-Term Covid issues to subside on their own. I can tell you, with great thanks to Our Lord and Savior, that my breathing has improved a great deal, so much so that I can climb my stairs without gasping for air (yes, it was that bad). The coughing, however, is still heavy and continuous, so I must remain patient, follow the treatments, and allow the healing process to continue.

Throughout this tribulation, I've experienced a wide range of emotions. Fear, as I fought like blazes for a full, unrestricted breath. Anger, at myself, for letting my physical condition deteriorate and ignoring the internal warning signs. I could go on, there were so many other emotions, good and bad, but I wanted to share with you that throughout all the wheezing, coughing, (and liberal use of colorful language as I worked through the latest coughing fit), I never felt alone, or without Hope. Even when I was awake at 3 in the morning, struggling for air, I knew I wasn't relying on my strength alone to get through the struggle. Throughout this whole time of trial, I knew, in the deepest part of my heart, that there were two truths I could lean on for strength and encouragement. First, I knew that Jesus was with me, as he promised to be with us in the good times and the bad, the trials and the triumphs. And second, I knew then, just as I know now, that Lory and I were being lifted up in prayer by my Sisters and Brothers in St. Clare.

Believe me when I tell you, Beloved, that we felt your prayers falling down on us, and were reminded, once again, that with the Three-In-One God, and our St. Clare Family, Despair would never get a chance to settle in. The power of prayer cannot be denied, and I knew that THE SPIRITUALLY POWERFUL PEOPLE OF SAINT CLARE WERE PRAYING FOR ME AND MINE! Thank you, and God Bless You!

A number of times, I've wanted to come to church to let you all know how much I appreciate your prayers, and will do so soon. Please know that I love you, am praying for you and, with God's Grace, we will soon share in another victory over the forces of darkness, and with one voice shout out:

GOD IS GOOD! ALL THE TIME! AND ALL THE TIME, GOD IS GOOD!

Be Blessed,		
Deacon Richard	"Rich"	Hurst

LEDT 2024

at St. Clare Roman Catholic Church 137-35 Brookville Blvd., Rosedale, New York 11422



Vespers & Benediction

Theme: He broke the bonds of death to make manifest the Resurrection!

Wednesday, February 21, 7: 30 PM Guest Preacher: Fr. Carlos Velasquez

Wednesday, February 28, 7: 30 PM Guest Preacher: Fr. Jobin Thomas

Wednesday, March 6, 7: 30 PM Guest Preacher: Fr. Daniel Opoku-Mensah

Wednesday, March 13, 7: 30 PM Guest Preacher: Sr. Karen Lademann, OP

Wednesday, March 20, 7: 30 PM Guest Preacher: Fr. Patrick Keating

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday, 7: 30 PM, at Saint Clare, except February 23rd

Friday, February 23, 7: 30 PM
Ecumenical Stations of the Cross
St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 137-28 244th St., Rosedale, NY 11422

Friday, March 22, 7: 30 PM Solemn Stations of the Cross Guest Preacher: Fr. Joseph Catafago

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Confession)

Every Saturday from 3:30 PM-4: 30 PM before the 5 PM Vigil Mass

Reconciliation Monday, March 25
After the 8: 30 AM Morning Mass, from 2 PM-4 PM in the Rectory Office and from 6 PM-8 PM during Eucharistic Adoration in the Church





SAVE THE DATE OF MARCH 3RD FOR A WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

The Women's Ministry invites you to their Women's Day Celebration on March 3rd, 2024, starting with a Mass at 11am

The Honorees -From St. Clare Church are Joyce Barber, Theresa Vincent and Mercy Nwogu

Longtime Parishioners

Sonia Fletcher, Mary Graham, Rafaella Mirra and Theodora Pyle

Honorees- From the Community

Dr. Marie Claude Dupiton -Camkids Pediatrics Gina Vasquez – Social Worker, Founder of "Flowers of Hope" Melnia Cordis - Attorney at Law

This will be followed by a Brunch and a one Woman play, **Embossed and Unbowed** featuring Shirley Chisholm, written by Ingrid Griffith

Guest Speaker

Our Guest Speaker is Assemblywoman Alicia Hyndman from District 29

COME AND BE AMAZED

PRESIDENTS DAY



In observance of Presidents Day the Rectory Office will be closed tomorrow Monday February 19th, 2024

We will open for regular business hours on **Tuesday February 20th, 2024**



Dear Lord, as I make my Lenten journey with You, send me Your Spirit, help me to give of myself, help me to turn away from sin, and help me to fast and pray, so that I may know You and serve You better.

SAVE THE DATE— AUGUST 3RD, 2024

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

\$175.00 (4 Part Payment Plan Available)

A Yellow Limo Will take You To and From Venue for a small fee

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

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW



DAILY INSPIRATION

Lord, Teach me to be patient with life, with people, and with myself. I sometimes try to hurry too much, and I push for answers before time is right.

Teach me to trust Your sense of timing rather than my own, and to surrender my will to Your greater and wiser plan. AMEN





Black History & Literature Book Giveaway

Saturday, February 17, 2024 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Location: King Manor Museum in Rufus King Park
150-03 Jamaica Ave, Jamaica, NY 11432

Cost: Free Registration: EventBrite Link

DOCUMENTARIES TO SEE

Stamped From The Beginning
Jean Michel Basquiat—The Radiant Child
Miles Davis—Birth of Cool Hitsville—The making of
Motown
Toni Morrison—The Pieces I Am

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
Veronica Foster Phillip Wright
Hugh Myton Myles Ayoung
Nancy Joseph Huguette Leroy
Ann English Evelyn Farquharson

Dcn. Rich. Hurst Lory Hurst

Matthew Zinser III Veronica Richards
Nicholas Marshall Rafaella Mirra

Owen Halliburton



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 19th—Presidents' Day (Office Closed)

February 21—Lenten Vespers & Benediction

February 23rd— Ecumenical Stations of the Cross St. Peter's Episcopal Church

February 25th—Diocesan Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving

February 28—Lenten Vespers & Benediction

March 3rd— Women's Day Mass with **Honorees**Followed by A One-Woman Play—**Auditorium Guest Speaker**—Assemblywoman Alicia Hyndman

March 6—A Day of Prayer

March 9th—First Penance

March 10th—Spring Forward with your Clocks

March 13th—Lenten Vespers & Benediction

March 17th—St. Patrick's Day

March 19th - Solemnity of Saint Joseph

March 24—Palm Sunday

March 25th— Lenten Reconciliation Monday

March 28—Holy Thursday— Mass of The Lord's Supper

March 29— Good Friday—Liturgy of the Lord Passion

March 30th—Holy Saturday—Preparatory Rite

March 31st—Easter Sunday

April 7th — Divine Mercy Sunday

April 20th—Infant Baptisms

May 9th—Ascension Thursday

May 11th—First Holy Communion

May 12th—Mother's Day

May 18th—1000 Hail Mary's

SOME DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE