

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY MARCH 14

5:00pm Repose of the Soul of Joseph Edmond Presmy requested by the Mompremier Family

SUNDAY MARCH 15

8:00am The People Of The Parish
10:30am Condolences to the Family of Harry Thornton requested by Lorena Defilippis
1:00pm Repose of the Soul of Elizabeth Igbayo requested by Martin & Gloria Gbeneku

MONDAY MARCH 16

8:30am Birthday Blessings for Yolene Lousissaint

TUESDAY MARCH 17

8:30am Birthday Blessings to Shannon Low requested by the Soon Family

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18

8:30am In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph requested by Odile Jean Baptiste

THURSDAY MARCH 19

8:30am In Loving Memory of Willy Widmaier & Fany Lacroix requested by their Godmother

FRIDAY MARCH 20

8:30am In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph requested by Martha Edmond

SATURDAY MARCH 21

8:30am Birthday Blessings for Jose Patrick Michel requested by Elsie Michel
5:00pm In Loving Memory of Marie Therese Bacard requested by her daughter Martha

SUNDAY MARCH 22

8:00am In Loving Memory of Gerard Dalencourt requested by Chantale Dalencourt
10:30am In Loving Memory of Harry Thornton requested by Mr. & Mrs. Howard Vincent
1:00pm The People of the parish



Table with 2 columns: Year (2019, 2020) and Amount (\$4,348.02, \$6,331.00) under the heading 'GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING'.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Table with 2 columns: Day (Sun. to Sun.) and Scripture Reference (e.g., Rom 5:1-2, 5-8, Jn 4:5-42).



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.

THIS WEEK

Sunday March 15
2:15pm—Youth Choir—Rectory Meeting Room

Monday March 16
7:30PM—Greeters Meeting—Rectory Meeting Room

Tuesday March 17
ST. PATRICK'S DAY
6:30pm—Cancer Support Group—Green Room
7:30pm—Knights of Columbus—Annex

Wednesday March 18
7:30pm—Lenten Bible Study #3—Fr. Louismary —Annex

Thursday March 19
7:30—Worship4Life— Rectory Meeting Room

Friday March 20
7:30pm—Youth Ministry—Church
7:30pm—Stations of The Cross—Church

Saturday March 21
1:00pm—Rehearsal-Easter Vigil #1—Altar Servers— Church
1:00pm— Domestic Violence Presentation—Annex
6:30pm—Praise Dancers (Church)
7:00pm—Narcotics Anonymous—Annex

Sunday March 22
2:15pm—Youth Choir—Rectory Meeting Room
12:00pm—Women's Ministry—Rectory Meeting Room
2:15pm—Youth Choir—Rectory Meeting Room

CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the Diocese wants us to take some precautions because of the Coronavirus. We ask that the following procedures take place.

- A. At the Our Father, do not hold hands, instead, hold your hands out with your palms facing upward, in a prayerful position.
- B. During the Sign of Peace, instead of shaking hands and hugging one another, bow or wave to each other.
- C. At communion time, Bishop DiMarzio recommends that everyone receive it in their hands instead of the host being placed in the mouth by the priest
- A. At the end of Mass, we priests will be at the door to greet you but will refrain from shaking hands, maybe we can elbow bump.

We will continue with these practices until the threat of the Coronavirus is ended.

As the saying goes, "an ounce of prevention is worth more than a pound of cure."

Sincerely,
Fr. Andy and Fr. Louis

BASIC PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST THE NEW CORONAVIRUS

Wash your hands frequently

Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.

Why? Washing your hands with soap & water or using alcohol-based gel rub kills viruses that may be on your hands

Maintain social distancing

Maintain at least (3 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.

Why? When someone coughs or sneezes they spray small liquid droplets from their nose or mouth which may contain virus. If you are too close, you can breathe in the droplets, including the COVID-19 virus if the person coughing has the disease.

Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth

Why? Hands touch many surfaces and can pick up viruses. Once contaminated, hands can transfer the virus to your eyes, nose or mouth. From there, the virus can enter your body and can make you sick.

Practice respiratory hygiene

Make sure you, and the people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene. This means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue immediately.

Why? Droplets spread virus. By following good respiratory hygiene you protect the people around you from viruses such as cold, flu and COVID-19.

If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early

Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough, difficulty breathing (as this may be due to a respiratory infection) even with mild symptoms such as a headache and slight runny nose, until you recover, seek medical attention promptly and call in advance. Follow the directions of your local health authority.

Why? National and local authorities will have the most up to date information on the situation in your area. Calling in advance will allow your health care provider to quickly direct you to the right health facility. **Avoiding contact with others, visits to medical facilities will allow these facilities to operate more effectively and help protect you and others from possible COVID-19 and other viruses. This will also protect you and help prevent spread of viruses and other infections.**

Dear Parishioners,

You will hear this memo read or in similar words just before the Readings at the Saturday night and Sunday Masses for the next three weeks. This is meant to assist you in your full and active participation at Holy Mass.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Andy

SILENCE AND STILLNESS AT MASS.

“Be still and know that I am God” -- Psalm 46:11

An element of the full and active participation of the congregation at Mass is the entering into a few moments of Silence and Stillness at key moments during the celebration. This can assist all of us present at Mass to internalize the Word of God we are celebrating and to dialogue with the Spirit of God who carries the Word to us. It is a form of communion

We started this at the Saturday night and Sunday Masses on the weekend of March 1.

It is very simple and can be very profound.

1. After the first Reading, we have a few moments of stillness and silence before the Responsorial Psalm.
 - A. Remember a word or two that was just read to you, this makes the Silence real and alive. It might take a while for us to get used to actively participate in these moments of Silence and Stillness.
2. After the Responsorial Psalm, before the Second Reading, we will do the same
 - A. You just need to be still and silent and let your mind wander back to what we just were singing.
3. After the Second Reading, again we will participate in a few moments of stillness and silence before the Gospel Acclamation.
 - A. The Altar Servers will not get up and get their torches until the music begins for the Gospel Acclamation.
 - B. Don't be afraid of the Silence. Use it to help you have dialogue, communion with God. The whole Mass is a communion with God that leads up to the highlight of the actual reception of Holy Communion, the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus.
4. Notice that for a number of years we have had The Silence and Stillness after the Homily and after Communion to assist us to be in communion with the Eternal Word of God made flesh. On occasion it gets very quiet and still in here, at times you can hear the Spirit at work.

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.



THE NEW MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. CLARE PARISH

COME AND ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST WITH US

UNRAVELING THE TRUE COLORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

JOIN ST. CLARE WOMEN’S MINISTRY & NYC Mayor’s Office To End Domestic and Gender Based Violence

DATE: Next Saturday 21st March, 2020
WHERE: St. Clare School Annex (Corner 137th Avenue & 241st Street)
TIME: 1:00 — 3:30pm

“ Intimate partner violence is common and universal. It happens within every community, it impacts all cultures, all socioeconomic statuses, all ages.”

Domestic Violence impacts



Please Register

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell#: _____

Please complete this form and drop in the Women’s Ministry mailbox at the rear of the church or contact the Rectory @ 718-341-1018 or email stclarewm@gmail.com to reserve seating.

Refreshments will be served

Prepare For Life

Faith Formation Begins at Mass

Since we have encountered Jesus in the liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, our sessions will be based on our transforming experiences of the Sunday Mass. Therefore, attendance at the 10:30 Mass is required with Sessions to follow.

St. Clare Parish children who attend Catholic and Public Schools starting in first grade will be expected to participate in our Sunday Faith Formation sessions, in order to enable them to be integrated into parish life.

The sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, initiate us into the community of faith: they are the beginning of our life as Roman Catholic Christians. Sacraments are celebrated within the formation process as follows:

First—Eucharist and First Penance, starting in the first year of school, then two consecutive years of formation. **Confirmation prep** begins at the end of Elementary School.

A process of discernment will follow.

Sunday Faith Formation Sessions.
Ends May 2020. 10:30am Mass—1:30pm
Session Place: St. Clare’s Academy

March 15, 22, 29

April 05, 19, 26

May 03, 17, 31 June 14 Corpus Christ Procession

Office: 718-527-6153

SYMPTOMS OF THE CORONAVIRUS

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is characterized by mild symptoms including a runny nose, sore throat, cough, and fever. Illness can be more severe for some people and can lead to pneumonia or breathing difficulties

More rarely, the disease can be fatal. Older people, and people with other medical conditions (such as asthma, diabetes, or heart disease), may be more vulnerable to becoming severely ill.

People may experience:

A Runny Nose Sore Throat

A Persistent Cough Fever

And Difficulty in Breathing

PLEASE SEE A DOCTOR IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS.

COME ONE COME ALL TO OUR SEDER

“I have eagerly Desired to Eat this Passover with you before I Suffer”
(Luke 22:15)

LET US PARTAKE IN THE LAST SUPPER THAT JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES GATHERED TOGETHER FOR

SATURDAY MARCH 28TH, 2020



**WHERE: St. Clare School Auditorium—Entrance on 241st Street
137-35 Brookville Boulevard Rosedale NY**

**TIME: 7:00PM
COST: \$15.00 PER PERSON**

FULL MEAL SERVED AFTER SEDER SERVICE
(LAMB, CHICKEN, RICE, VEGETABLES, DESSERTS & DRINKS)

PLEASE PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE RECTORY OFFICE BY MARCH 14TH, 2020 (NO REFUNDS)
LIMITED TICKETS (NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR)



ST. CLARE CHURCH LENTEN FOOD DRIVE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

HELPING TO STOP HUNGER IN OUR COMMUNITY

ENDS—MARCH 29, 2020

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS, CANNED & DRY FOODS
(Please check expiration dates on Cans, Containers & Bags)
(Bring all Food Donations to the Church)

PRAYER LIST

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| Father Andy | Natasha Brunson |
| Veronica Richards | Rene Fletcher |
| Kenneth & Barbara Roberts | Alex Maxwell |
| Margaret Cummings | Lisa Maxwell |
| June Tanghow | Eugene Mitchell |
| Colin Croft | Patsy Marchan |
| MilanWilliams | Georgia Sarlis |
| Alice Hall | Olga Daniel |
| Irania Caruso | Iris McMillan |
| Lillian Fortunado | Heather Smith |
| Alisia Thompson Reid | Nancy Joseph |
| Bernadette Ezissi | Jayson Barret |
| Gabrielle Arthurton | Annie Andrews |

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Homebound Ministry to bring communion to the elderly, the infirmed or anyone who cannot make it to church, please call the Rectory at 718-341-1018 or give Ms. Hilary Michael a call at 347-668-2076.

We need you to assist us in this spiritual endeavor as there are a lot of our elderly who unfortunately do not receive communion and would very much like too. Join us and be a part of this Ministry



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
PRIESTS APPRECIATION
LUNCHEON

HONORING OUR PASTOR

Rev. Andrew L Struzzieri &

Parochial Vicar Rev. Louismary Ocha

Date: Saturday April 25th, 2020

Time: 1:00pm—4:00pm

King Umberto Italian Restaurant
1343 Hempstead Turnpike
Elmont NY 11003

Donation—\$60.00

Tickets Available at the Rectory



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Will be prayed every Friday of Lent in the church at 7:30PM. Join in walking with the Lord on His Way of the Cross throughout this Holy Lenten Season.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 21st—Domestic Violence Presentation

March 28th—SEDER

April 5th—Palm Sunday

April 10th— Good Friday

April 12th—Easter Sunday

April 18th—Infant Baptism

April 19th — Divine Mercy Sunday / Fish Fry

April 25th—Priests Appreciation Luncheon

May 2nd—Mass of the Neophytes

May 10th—Mother's Day / Bake Sale (Youth)

May 14th—School Spring Show

May 16th—Infant Baptism

May 16th—Community Health Fair

May 25th—Memorial Day

May 31st—Flea Market

June 13th— Infant Baptism

June 14th—Corpus Christi

June 21st—Father's Day

July 11th—Sight & Sound (Queen Esther)

July 18th—Infant Baptism

August 4th—6th —Revival Triduum

August 7th—Talent Show (Youth Ministry)

August 9th— Procession of St. Clare Statue

August 11th—Feast Day of St. Clare

SOME DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
