


ST. CLARE CATHOLIC CHURCH
137-35 Brookville Boulevard
Rosedale NY 11422
718-341-1018
Website: www.stclare-queens.org

Sacrament of Baptism

Monthly (except during lent), on Saturdays at 12:30pm, we are pleased to baptize infants and children up to 7 years of age where at least one parent is Catholic. You must participate in two sessions of spiritual formation. Please call the Rectory. Children and Youth from 8yrs to 17yrs of age, who are in need of Baptism, and / or Confirmation or First Holy Communion, call the Faith Formation office at 718-527-6153.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults, 18yrs of age or older who are seeking to belong to the Catholic Community of Faith through Baptism or who have never completed their initiation and desire Confirmation and / or Holy Communion, call the Faith Formation Office.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage arrangements need to be made at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Devotions

First Friday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass concluding with Holy Hour at 7:30pm.

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after 8:30am Mass

St. Clare Novena: Saturday after 8:30am Mass

MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8: 00am. 10:30am & 1:00pm

Monday—Saturday: 8:30am

Holy Days: To Be Announced

Faith Formation Office: 718-527-6153

St. Clare Catholic Academy:

Pre K thru 8th grade

Tel:718-528-7174

Fax: 718-528-4389

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Struzzieri, D. Min.

Administrator: Rev. Daniel Kingsley

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Louismary Ocha

Deacon Christopher Barber

Deacon Richard Hurst

Faith Formation: Ms. Lorena Defilippis

Secretary / Administration: Ms. Dianne Sealy-Soon

Music Director: Mr. Michael Zephyrine

Youth Minister: Mr. Peter Damour

School Principal: Ms. Mary Basile

Rectory Hours

Weekdays: 10:00am -12:00pm: 1:00pm –4:00pm

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed

Please call in advance to make an appointment with a Priest or Deacon.

Saturdays and Sundays: By Appointment only

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.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY AUGUST 15

8:30am For the Repose of the Soul of Maureen Washington requested by Mona
5:30pm Birthday Blessings for Merle Coutlee

SUNDAY AUGUST 16

8:00am In Loving Memory of Jannina Cajou requested by Jean & Micheline Pierre
10:30am In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Fatima for protection req. by the Eliscar & Richards Families
1:00pm The People of the Parish

MONDAY AUGUST 17

8:30am Repose of the Soul of Philoria Jean-Pierre & Francois Saintvil Jr. requested by Family

TUESDAY AUGUST 18

8:30am In Loving Memory of Mary Moran requested by the Bowman family

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19

8:30am Birthday Blessings for Logan Gomes requested by his Grandmother Karen Douglas

THURSDAY AUGUST 20

8:30am Health and Healing for Bro. Pius Gagne CFR requested by Fr. Kingsley

FRIDAY AUGUST 21

8:30am In Honor of Saint Pius X, Pope

SATURDAY AUGUST 22

8:30am In Honor of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:30pm In Honor of Saint Clare and Saint Francis

SUNDAY AUGUST 23

8:00am The People of the Parish
10:30am In Loving Memory of Jean Bowman requested by Bob and Joan Dombrowski
1:00pm For the Blessings of our Pastor, Fr. Andy



GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
2019 2020

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun. Is 56:1, 6-7, Mt 15:21-28 (118)
Mon Ez 24:15-24, Mt 19:16-22 (419)
Tue. Ez 28:1-10, Mt 19:23-30 (420)
Wed. Ez 34:1-11, Mt 20:1-16 (421)
Thur. Ez 36:23-28, Mt 22:1-14 (422)
Fri. Ez 37:1-14, Mt 22:34-40 (423)
Sat. Ez 43:1-7ab, Mt 23:1-12 (424)
Sun. Is 22:19-23, Mt 16:13-20 (121)

**EVERY THURSDAY ON THE CHURCH GROUNDS
THERE WILL BE FOOD DISTRIBUTION
12PM—2PM (GRAB & GO). IT IS COMPRISED
OF FRESH PRODUCE, MILK, MEATS, A WEEK'S
SUPPLY OF COOKED MEALS AND MORE**

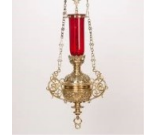
ST. CLARE GARDENS (241ST STREET)



GOD HAS A REASON

*For allowing things to happen
We may never understand
His wisdom
But we simply have to
TRUST HIS WILL*

THE SANCTUARY LAMP AND ALTAR CANDLES



Burning throughout the week of August 19th, 2020

is being offered up for

The Anniversary Blessings for Irnel and Ghislaine Stephen

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. Dispose of the used tissue immediately.

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

To meet the growing needs of the faithful in our Brooklyn and Queens neighborhoods, support of the Annual Catholic Appeal is more important this year than ever before! Gifts made to the Annual Catholic Appeal will provide support to tens of thousands of people in Brooklyn and Queens through key programs, ministries, and services administered by the Diocese of Brooklyn, including during the current COVID-19 pandemic. Join us and answer the call by making a gift to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** to show that WE ARE THE CHURCH, TOGETHER.



Parish Goal:	\$55,088.00
Pledged:	\$34,895.00
Paid To Date:	\$29,369.00

St. Clare Parish has always counted on the broad-based support of its parishioners to accomplish its fundraising objectives, particularly for the weekly offertory.

This appeal also needs that broad-based support. All households are asked to consider a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal (over and above their continued annual support of the parish in the weekly collection). The Lord calls us to care for one another and the church. It is up to us to answer that call in the ways we know how.

THE MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. CLARE PARISH

COME AND ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST WITH US

FOOD DISTRIBUTION GRAB & GO

EVERY THURSDAY (12PM—2PM)
ST. CLARE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
137-35 BROOKVILLE BLVD. ROSEDALE NY 11422

CDC AND DIOCESAN GUIDELINES WILL BE ENFORCED
EVERYONE MUST WEAR A MASK
(PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR BAGS)

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY AT 718-341-1018,
PAT 516-398-5674 or PETER 646-828-8919

The Altar Bread and Wine



which will be used in



The Celebration Of The Eucharist

Throughout the Week of **August 16th, 2020** is

For Anniversary Blessings for Irnel & Ghislaine Stephen



SAINT CLARE OUR PATRON SAINT

EVANGELIZATION SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED

Financial Aid is Available

Financial aid is available for eligible students in grades K-8, who in September 2020 would be entering a Catholic school in Brooklyn or Queens from public school. Please encourage families to apply.

Although the July 24th deadline passed, we continue to accept applications from families through the fall. Awards will begin with those applications completed

PRAYER DURING A PANDEMIC

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake. May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable. May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent. May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips remember those that have no place to go. May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no margin at all. May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors. Amen



OUR MINISTRIES

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY, YOUTH MINISTRY, ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY, WORSHIP 4 LIFE, MUSIC MINISTRY, HOLY NAME SOCIETY BIBLE STUDY GROUP, CONSOLATION MINISTRY, FLOWER MINISTRY, WOMEN'S MINISTRY

After this crisis is over, we the Ministries of St. Clare, welcome all parishioners interested in becoming members of any Ministry. Our ministries extend the work of the Catholic Church in one way or another. Whether enhancing weekly mass with music or visiting with those in need of our thoughts and prayers, ministry makes God's kingdom alive in our community today.

TAX SCAMS DURING TIMES OF A PANDEMIC CRISIS

In IR-2020-160, the Internal Revenue Service announced its annual "Dirty Dozen" list of tax scams. Each year, the Service warns taxpayers about criminals who target individuals. The IRS encourages taxpayers to be on the lookout for these schemes.

IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig stated, "Tax scams tend to rise during tax season or during times of a pandemic crisis, and scam artists are using the pandemic to try stealing money and information from honest taxpayers. The IRS provides the Dirty Dozen list to help raise awareness about common scams that fraudsters use to target people. We urge people to watch out for these scams."

The scammers may attempt to contact individuals online or by phone. Taxpayers should understand the basic scam strategies so they can protect themselves and their family. The top four scams are phishing, creating fake charities, making threatening phone calls and using social media to install malware.

1. Phishing

Individuals should be on the lookout for fake emails. The IRS has a policy that it will not contact you through email about your tax bill, refund or Economic Impact Payment. If you receive a suspicious email claiming to be from the IRS, be careful and do not click on links. The latest scam emails often include the words "Coronavirus," "COVID-19" or "Stimulus." A scammer will send emails to a large number of individuals, with the hope of obtaining financial information, account numbers and passwords. The most successful scams this year use the fear of the virus and the desire to receive a stimulus payment.

2. Fake Charities

When there is a natural disaster or other crisis, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, criminals will set up fake charities. There are many individuals with good intentions who are vulnerable to these fake charity scams. The criminal creates a fake charity and then contacts individuals through phone calls, text messages, social media, email or even in-person. The bogus charity often has a name similar to a legitimate charity. You should only give to charities that you recognize. There is a helpful search tool for qualified charities on *IRS.gov*.

3. Threatening IRS Impersonator Phone Calls

A common strategy for scammers is to call a taxpayer on the phone. The scammer claims to be an IRS representative and threatens the victim. The IRS emphasizes that it will never threaten a taxpayer or "surprise him or her with a demand for immediate payment" by telephone. The scammer may threaten to arrest or deport the victim or revoke his or her driver's license. The IRS emphasizes it does not demand immediate payment, threaten or ask for financial information over the phone. If you are contacted and suspect a problem, hang up and use one of the IRS numbers to contact the Service.

4. Social Media Scams

The latest social media scam is to use COVID-19 as part of a social media strategy to trick people. The scammer may use social media to learn about a potential victim's family members. From this knowledge, the scammer will then impersonate a relative of the victim. Alternatively, the scammer may attempt to convince the victim that he or she is working with a friend or relative. With this relationship established, the fraudster then emails the victim. When the victim clicks on a linked file, malware is loaded on the victim's computer. This malware enables the scammer to acquire passwords and financial information.



The Sunday offertory is critical to the vitality of our parish. Not just to pay the bills that continue to accrue, but to sustain the life-giving works carried out each day by our dedicated personnel, devoted clergy, faithful lay leaders and also important to the financial health of our parish. We are pleased to announce that we offer electronic giving through a simple tool that provides you with the opportunity to support the parish in a way that is convenient and secure, while remaining in the safety of your home. Our online giving partner is GiveCentral, and we want you to know that 100% of the donations you make through GiveCentral come to the parish. Donations can be made using a bank account or credit card, scheduled in advance to occur on a recurring basis, or as individual one-time gifts. With your first donation you can create a confidential username and password, allowing you to edit your donation schedule at any time. GiveCentral makes it easy for you to give.

Please consider choosing one of the following options to set up your gift to St. Clare Parish today as we all work together to minimize the spread of coronavirus COVID-19.

From your computer or tablet: Visit our parish giving page at givecentral.org/stclare-queenns. Your contributions make a tremendous difference in our ability to fulfill our mission and serve our community—thank you!

 **It's really nice to wake up in the morning and realize God has given you another day to live.**

LIVE STREAMING IN OUR PARISH CHURCH

Live streaming refers to online [streaming media](#) simultaneously recorded and [broadcast](#) in real time. It is often referred to simply as **streaming**.

We have installed Live Streaming where parishioners can partake in Masses, Monday to Saturday at 9:30am and on Sunday at 10:30am. All Mass intentions shall be prayed

Every private Mass that is celebrated, will be broadcasted online through our Website: <https://www.stclare-queens.org>. or through our Facebook page.

There is also a **Donate** button where you CAN make your weekly contribution on the website

THE PARISH DEPENDS ON YOUR DONATIONS



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| Father Andy | Natasha Brunson |
| Veronica Richards | Gabrielle Arthurton |
| Barbara Roberts | Alex Maxwell |
| Margaret Cummings | Lisa Maxwell |
| June Tanghow | Eugene Mitchell |
| Colin Croft | Annie Andrews |
| Milan Williams | Georgia Sarlis |
| Alice Hall | Olga Daniel |
| Irania Caruso | Iris McMillan |
| Lillian Fortunado | Heather Smith |
| Alisia Thompson Reid | Nancy Joseph |
| Bernadette Ezissi | Richard Sealy |
| Phillip Wright | Barbara Andrews |

YOU ARE ALWAYS IN OUR PRAYERS

STAY SAFE, STAY INDOORS