



St. Clare Church  
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**ST. CLARE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**137-35 Brookville Boulevard**  
**Rosedale NY 11422**  
**718-341-1018**

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**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**

**Administrator:** Rev. Daniel O. Kingsley

**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Dominic Peprah

**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:** Mrs. Mary Basile

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**Rectory Hours**

Weekdays:-10:00am -12:00pm & 1:00pm—5:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am—2:00pm

Sunday: Closed

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

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**HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 28**

5:30pm In Loving Memory of Mary Vladich  
requested by Family

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29**

8:00am The People of the Parish  
10:30am Birthday Blessings to Sally Leclerc  
requested by Kettly Joseph  
1:00pm In Thanksgiving requested by the DeSouza  
Family

**MONDAY NOVEMBER 30**

8:30am In Loving Memory of Richard W. Bowman  
requested by the Bowman family

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 1**

8:30am Birthday Blessings for Ronald Preddie  
requested by Lorraine Preddie

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2**

8:30am In Memory of the 5th Anniversary in Heaven  
for Anthony Preddie requested by Lorraine Preddie

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 3**

8:30am In Loving Memory of August P Fortunato  
Requested by Lillian Fortunato

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 4**

8:30am In Loving Memory of Marie G Jean  
requested by Roselin Jean

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 5**

8:30am In Loving memory of Dorothy Harriott  
requested by Charlotte Veronique  
5:30pm Repose of the Soul of Guylourdes Christina  
Bouchereau requested by Mom & Dad

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 6**

8:00am The People of the Parish  
10:30am Birthday Blessings for Chantal Phillpotts  
1:00pm In Loving Memory of Norma Jennings  
requested by Parish Clergy & Staff

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**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Sun. Is 63:16b-17, Mk 13:33-37 (2)  
Mon Rom 10:9-18, Mt 4:18-22 (684)  
Tue. Is 11:1-10, Lk 10:21-24 (176)  
Wed. Is 25:6-10a, Mt 15:29-37 (177)  
Thur. Is 26:1-6, Mt 7:21, 24-27 (178)  
Fri. Is 29:17-24, Mt9:27-31 (179)  
Sat. Is 30:19-21, Mt 9:35-10:1 (180)  
Sun. Is 40:1-5, 9-11, Mk 1:1-8 (5)

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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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**THIS WEEK**

Wednesday December 2

7:30pm—Bible Study—Zoom

Thursday December 3

7:30pm—Prayer Group Call In—425-436-6350  
ID—717998#

Friday December 4

**FIRST FRIDAY**

Sunday December 6th

Second Sunday of Advent

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**PICTURES OF YOUR LOVED ONES**



During the month of November we ask you to bring a picture  
of a deceased family member or friend, place them in the  
sanctuary by the Statues of the Blessed Virgin Mary or St. Jo-  
seph, before Mass starts.

On the last Sunday of November we will invite you to bring  
your pictures back home after it has been bathed in the light of  
all the month's masses.

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Dear Parishioners,

This Monday, at Holy Mass, we read the lesson of the widow's mite (Lk 21: 1-4). Yours truly could have spoken about the need of increased tithing. Rather, I spoke to the congregation, and now you, on gratitude and generosity. Though, St. Clare's doors were closed early on in the pandemic, many of you were kind to drop your offerings at the rectory or use our online platform, GiveCentral. I thank you. Moreover, on behalf of our youth ministry, I thank the individuals and businesses who contributed to our Thanksgiving food distribution. Many a family in Rosedale, Laurelton, Springfield Gardens, and beyond will be fed this holiday season. Your generosity is a testament to the kind of people we are and strive to be.

The widow's mite speaks to us of sacrifice. The poor widow shames her wealthy betters by putting more in the temple treasury. As Our Lord noted, they gave "from their surplus wealth, but [the widow] from her poverty, has offered her whole livelihood." Sacrifice, when we dissect the word from Latin roots, loosely means to *"do, make, or offer to the sacred"* What the widow did was an act of great faith. We know little else about her, but we can make a few assumptions. Chiefly, her husband is dead, she has no children to care for her, and likely lives off the charity of others. If the Scripture were written today, she would have been, no joke intended, "a bag lady." In short, her life was by no means easy. Yet, why is she so generous and grateful? The poor are often aware of their material and spiritual deficiencies. From their need, they intimately know the One Whose providence saves them. There were probably days when the widow fell on her knees asking where her next dime or meal would come from. And God, through the generosity of others, answered her prayers. What more can the widow do except give thanks and praise? Lord, I am not dead. Lord, I am not hungry. Lord, I am not penniless. The widow could not do less than give all she had. Her wealthy neighbors probably viewed their money as a given, if not a fact of life. Recall Job 1: 21, "what the Lord giveth, the Lord taketh away." Worldly attachments tends to separate us from one truth of the human condition, nothing is guaranteed.

Sacrifice runs deep through the Christian life. We bend the knee and bow the head for the sacrifice to end all sacrifices, the Cross. There once and for all Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, vanquishes death and hell. Man dies no more to sin for he now rises to the new life in God. We, as Catholic Christians, render hearty thanks and praise for this supreme sacrifice in the mystery of the Holy Eucharist, "this is My Body, this My Blood, given up for you, do this in memory of me for the forgiveness of sins." The sacrifice of humble bread and wine is something us poor sinners should be most grateful for. To conclude, on behalf of the parish clergy and staff, allow me to wish you and your loved ones a happy and safe Thanksgiving Day.

In Christ,  
Fr. Daniel O. Kingsley,  
Administrator



*St. Clare Women's Ministry*  
*Christmas Shoebox*  
*Appeal 2020*

**YOUR GIFT BRINGS hope**



Giving a shoebox gift this Christmas is one way that we are able to help put a smile on someone's face and let them know we care. This year we are asking that you join with us to assist the families of the

*Saratoga Family Residence, in Queens N.Y*

This local shelter houses entire families as well as young single mothers. Let's recognize the blessings that God has given us and do whatever we can to help these families.



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**Shoebox Gift Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 13th, 2020**

[For more information on pickup or drop off of Shoebox Gifts Pls contact](#)

**Beverly Carr 646-255-7968    Bernadette Bertrand 917-741-0460    Cheryl Ann Lee 718-755-4497**  
 or contact us at [stclarewm@gmail.com](mailto:stclarewm@gmail.com)

Diapers  
 Pull-ups  
 Formula  
 Blankets  
 Walker  
 Breast Feeding Pillow

Wipes  
 Bottles and Nipples  
 Clothes  
 Swaddles  
 High Chair  
 Baby Detergent

Booties  
 Bottle Warmer  
 Bibs  
 Car Seat  
 Baby Utensils  
 Baby Floor Mat

Underpants  
 Pacifiers  
 Shoes  
 Stroller  
 Baby Lotion  
 Baby Soap

School Supplies  
 Cabbage Patch Dolls  
 Children's Books

Art Supplies  
 Coats, Scarves  
 Action Figures

Stationary kits  
 Gloves, Hats  
 Toiletries

Board Games  
 Socks  
 Nail Polish

**Women & Men**

Coats, Scarves,  
 Socks

Gloves, Hats  
 Nail Polish

Business Wear  
 Dress Shoes, Boots

Sweaters  
 Toiletries

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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 the home and light the candles each evening. Today, Sunday November 29th is the **First Sunday of Advent**,

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

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**ST CLARE CONNECTION**

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
Administration	Dianne Sealy-Soon
Alcoholics Anonymous	Rectory
Altar Servers	Deacon Chris
Baptism Registration	Rectory Office
Consolation Ministry	Deacon Rich
Eucharistic Ministers	Charmaine Chung
Evangelization	Fr. Kingsley
Faith Formation	Lorena DeFilippis
Family Life Committee	Deborah Wright
Finance Committee	Fr. Kingsley
Flower Ministry	Marjorie Spence
Girl Scouts	Gillian Murray
Holy Name Society	Jules Bruitcher
Homebound Ministry	Hilary Michael
Knights of Columbus	Theodore Nwogu
Lectors	Bob Harper
Liturgy Committee	Rectory
Marriage Registration	Rectory
Music Director	Michael Zephyrine
Narcotics Anonymous	Rectory
Parish Council President	Fr. Kingsley
Prayer Group	Theresa Vincent
R.C.I.A	Lorena DeFilippis
Rosary Society	Joyce Barber
St. Clare Academy	Mary Basile
Spiritual Revival	Dedzy Labatte
Ushers	Rectory
Youth Minister	Peter Damour

**THE FEAST OF  
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

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



**THANK YOU TO THE YOUTH MINISTRY**

The Youth Ministry did such a wonderful job distributing Turkeys last weekend for parishioners and the whole community that indeed we can say "Job Well Done."

Thank you to everyone who made this a successful venture, it was greatly appreciated.

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**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

The parish seeks to reach out to the infirmed and hospitalized parishioners. If you or any of your family members, ill or infirmed, wish to have Communion or Anointing of the Sick in your home or at a local hospital please contact the Rectory Office at 718-341-1018, or Hilary Michael at 347-668-2076.



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# SAVE THE DATE

## CHRISTMAS GRAB & GO

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 19TH 12pm—2pm**

**ST. CLARE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
137-35 BROOKVILLE BLVD. ROSEDALE NY 11422  
(Rear of the Church on 241st Street, Between 137th & 138th Avenues)**

**CDC AND DIOCESAN GUIDELINES WILL BE ENFORCED  
EVERYONE MUST WEAR A MASK  
(PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR BAG OR TROLLEY WITH YOU)**

**FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE  
RECTORY AT 718-341-1018 OR PAT 516-398-5674**

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### **YOU ARE ALWAYS IN OUR PRAYERS**

- Veronica Richards
- Milan Williams
- Georgia Sarlis
- Alice Hall
- Olga Daniel
- Iris McMillan
- Lillian Fortunado
- Alisia Thompson Reid
- Nancy Joseph
- Bernadette Ezissi
- Beverly Barnett
- Lyndon Brown
- Sadie Murrel

### **HAPPY HEART 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 the 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.

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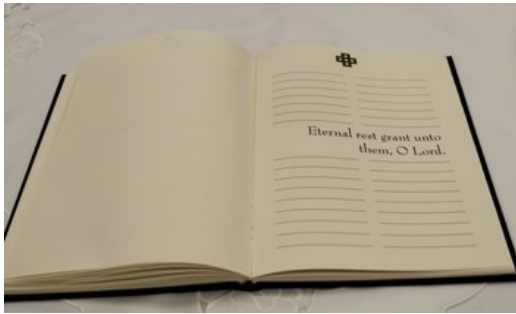
### **ST CLARE TREE OF LIFE**

The Tree of Life located in the vestibule at the main entrance of the church offers a unique opportunity to memorialize a loved one or event in your lives.

Details are outlined in the brochure located in the the Rectory

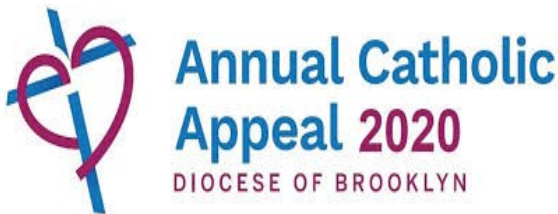
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**BOOK OF NAMES OF THE DEAD**



All parishioners are invited to write the names of their deceased loved ones in our book of remembrance located in the back of church. They will be prayed for at all the Masses celebrated here at St. Clare throughout the month of November, the month of All Souls, as we reflect on the certainty of death and the hope of the Resurrection.

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**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

We would like to thank all those generous individuals who have made a pledge to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal in our parish.

We are asking each family to consider making a tax deductible gift today if you have not already done so. It is our hope for this appeal to receive a prayerful gift no matter the amount from every family so that we can reach our goal.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 29th—First Sunday of Advent

December 4th—First Friday

December 8th— Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

December 19th—Infant Baptism

December 24th—Christmas Eve

December 25th—Christmas Day

December 31st—New Years Eve

January 1st 2021—HAPPY NEW YEAR



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**VIRTUAL FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS**

All children and youth who attend public, private or Catholic school are invited to join our Virtual Faith Formation sessions on Sundays after the 10:30am Mass.

Those seeking sacraments are **required** to participate, in order to fulfill requirements of readiness for First Communion and Confirmation.

Please call Ms. Lorena at 718 527 6153 to sign up.



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THE MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. CLARE PARISH

**COME AND ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST WITH US**