



Saint Clare of Assisi Parish

LOVE GOD, SERVE GOD: EVERYTHING IS IN THAT.



June 23, 2024

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"
The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them,
"Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40



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Saint Clare Prayer List

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Upon Fr. Lou's retirement in July, St. Clare & St. Francis will be welcoming Fr. Alan Morris as a Parochial Vicar. Please read Fr. Al's message below!

WELCOME FR. ALAN MORRIS



Hello to all of you of St. Clare and St. Francis parishes! My name is Fr. Al and I am 32 years ordained as a priest. I have served the diocese as a parochial vicar in Plum Boro, Whitehall, Penn Hills and in Robinson Twp., Kennedy Twp, McKees Rocks and Stowe Twp with Archangel Gabriel Parish. I have served as Administrator in Bethel Park and at AGP and as pastor in Greene County and in Harwick. I grew up in New Sewickley Twp. in Beaver County as the second of four boys. No sisters, they wouldn't have survived. I love my sports and I love to read. I tend to be introverted, so please be patient with me getting to know you. I am also not great with names, so please be just as patient. I will get there. I am more old school in communications, though I am slowly adjusting. I am looking forward to seeing you and to support Fr. Matt in his vision for our parishes. Thanks for welcoming me!



Praying for those in need . . .



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Jane Schafer
Maryann Fennell
Jean Geibel
Paul Flick
Shawn Phillips
Pud Craig
John Williams
Pearl Green
Gloria Andrews
Karol Halin
Kathy Steighner
Lexi Macurak
Stephanie Sellers
Cheryl Brown
Steve Birckbichler
Christine Cessna
Jessie Black
Carol Hall
Randy Freehling

Chris Young
Wayne Pennington
Dick Preston
Sue Ellen Carr
Joseph McCloskey
Jayden Albright
Rosemarie Gall Zarnick
Fr. Rick Thompson
Larry Karenbauer
Steven Shultz
Mason Martin
Lena Jane Steiner
Bill Smith
Sharon Golobish
Madalyn Rose Geibel
Jim Bergbigler
Virginia Briski
Fred Green
Carter T. Williams
Ada Skelly
Dean Morrow
Madeline McCloskey
Pearl Kocher



WEEKLY READINGS

FOR THE WEEK OF
JUNE 23, 2024

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-24,
25-26, 28-29, 30-31 (1b)/2 Cor 5:14-17/
Mk 4:35-41

Monday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-
14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66,
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Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-
35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt
7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps
119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2,
3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-
5, 6/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3,
4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 **Day:** Acts
12:1-11/34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-
8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps
30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 (2a)/2 Cor 8:7, 9,
13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



*Warm wishes and blessings to those recently
baptized in our parish.*

Henry August Levine

son of Max & Kaitlyn Levine

Welcome to our faith community!

Attention ALL current Eucharistic Ministers (Parish or Nursing Home). Please plan to attend one of the upcoming **Diocesan required Eucharistic Minister Training sessions**. All sessions (approximately 2 hours) will be held at **Marian Hall at St. Mary in Herman**. No need to RSVP, just attend. If you are unable to attend one of the scheduled dates, or have any questions, please contact Sue Fraley at 724-445-3713.

- Tuesday, July 9th, 6 pm
- Saturday, July 13th, 9 am



If you attended the June 6th Eucharistic Training session, the new training guide is available for you to pick up in the sacristy. Thank you.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE Saturdays

11:00am-11:30am Mater Dolorosa
11:00am-11:30am St. Wendelin
11:45am-12:15pm St. Joseph, N.O.
Appointments available upon request.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Location	Intention	Requested By
Saturday, June 22 St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Wendelin	Larry Montgomery	John & Dawn Sanders
	5:30 PM Vigil	Mater Dolorosa	William Long Sr.	Nancy
Sunday, June 23 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Ethelreda Welter	Larry & Janice Hilderbrand
	8:15 AM	Mater Dolorosa	Deceased of the Goosetown Gang	The Goosetown Gang
	9:30 AM	St. Joseph	Tracy Weiland	Mom
	10:30 AM	St. Wendelin	Gino Pascazi	Sheri, Maria, and Gino
Monday, June 24 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist	12:00 PM	Mater Dolorosa	Richard Lipnichan	Wife
Tuesday, June 25	8:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Jimmie Graham	Alice Blatt, Suzanne, and Family
Wednesday, June 26	6:00 PM	Mater Dolorosa	Tom Callihan	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Potchak
Thursday, June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	8:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Vince Ritzert	Ron Amity
Friday, June 28 Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr	12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Gerry Osche	John Leech
Saturday, June 29 Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Wendelin	Deborah Kepple	Carol Tomasovic and the Neff Family
	5:30 PM Vigil	Mater Dolorosa	Robert Zanella	His Wife
Sunday, June 30 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Henry & Stella Jodzis	Gary & Kathy Jodzis
	8:15 AM	Mater Dolorosa	For the Parishioners of Saint Clare of Assisi	
	9:30 AM	St. Joseph	Debbie Kepple	Kim & Becky
	10:30 AM	St. Wendelin	John F. Neff	Brothers & Sisters

Parish Giving

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS –JUNE 9, 2024

Offertory - Mass	\$6,826.00
Offertory - Online	\$1,265.00
Total Offertory	\$8,091.00

PARISH APPEAL

Weekly Parish Appeal.....	\$810.00
2024 Parish Appeal to Date...	\$33,174.40
2024 Parish Appeal Goal	\$64,547.00
2023 Parish Appeal Total.....	\$48,622.50
2023 Parish Appeal Goal.....	\$64,547.00

MINISTRY COLLECTIONS

Maintenance Fund.....	\$114.00
School Support	\$195.00
Peter's Pence.....	\$55.00
Feast of the Ascension	\$10.00
Catholic Relief	\$10.00

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS –JUNE 16, 2024

Offertory - Mass	\$6,239.00
Offertory - Online	\$1,173.00
Total Offertory	\$7,412.00

PARISH APPEAL

Weekly Parish Appeal.....	\$150.00
2024 Parish Appeal to Date...	\$33,324.40
2024 Parish Appeal Goal	\$64,547.00
2023 Parish Appeal Total.....	\$48,622.50
2023 Parish Appeal Goal.....	\$64,547.00

MINISTRY COLLECTIONS

Maintenance Fund.....	\$85.00
School Support	\$75.00

Thank you for your continued support of Ministries at Saint Clare of Assisi Parish!

Please Note: Due to the Independence Day Holiday, information for the July 7th bulletin is due to Jenn by 5pm on Friday, June 28th.

Please Note: There are NO Confessions at Mater Dolorosa on Saturday, June 29th.



Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to Heaven. There are others: innocence, but that is for little children; penance, but we are afraid of it; generous endurance of trials of life, but when they come we weep and ask to be. The surest, easiest, shortest way is the Eucharist.

(Pope Pius X)

Donate Raffle



Baskets Now!

The Annual St. Clare Parish Picnic is Sunday, August 18, 2024! We are asking for donations for our always amazing basket raffle. New items, gift cards, cash, lottery tickets, etc. can be dropped off at the parish office. Contact Nicole at the office with any questions.



The 2025 Lottery Calendars are being prepared! We need advertisers!

If you or your business would like to be an advertiser or sponsor for the upcoming St. Clare Lotto Calendar, please contact Nicole at the office.

All are invited to join us for a donut social **today, June 23rd at St. Joseph North Oakland, following the 9:30 am Mass.** Suzanne Ekas from the St. Francis Prayer Blanket Ministry will be joining us with a variety of blankets that the group has to offer and information about what the prayer blanket ministry does. The ministry has distributed 1200 blankets over the last nine years. The 15 members of the group gather weekly and pray for those recipients. Anyone is welcome to request a blanket for someone and the recipient doesn't have to be a parishioner or be Catholic, anyone in need of prayer may receive this gift. The blankets are beautifully wrapped, blessed, and have a pocket that includes a rosary. Stop in to request a blanket, or check them out and know that you may request one any time!



Spring is here and summer is fast approaching! Volunteers are desperately needed to help beautify the grounds at St. Wendelin. Anyone interested in caring for a plot of flowers at St. Wendelin, please contact the office.



Thank You!!!

As this school year comes to an end, we want to thank all the students, parents, families, parishioners, alumni, and Saint Wendelin's staff. Your support, help, and donations made for a successful and fun year.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to next school year.

Have A Great Summer!!!

Saint Wendelin's School PTG Staff



29th ANNUAL ST. WENDELIN GOLF TOURNAMENT-4 Person Scramble Hiland Golf Course-August 10, 2024

Registration 7-7:45am, 8am Shotgun Start

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Includes: 18 holes of golf with riding cart, hot dog at turn and meal.

Team Prizes (Based on full field)

1st \$500/Team

2nd \$400/Team

3rd \$300/Team

Registration Forms available in the church entrance or on the parish website!

*Mulligans are available @ \$5.00 each- A maximum of 2 per player, with only the purchaser using the mulligans.

*Skins \$20.00 per team.

* 50/50 & Chinese Auction

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

August 7, 2024



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St. Francis of Assisi & St. Clare of Assisi Parishes in partnership with Nature of Fire present ...

OUTDOOR CONCERT



Music Performances by

Isabel Tarcson & Friends

June

Thursday

27

2024

6:30pm - Dinner

7:15pm - Concert Begins

*bring a lawn chair

Saint John

668 Clearfield Road

Fenelon, 16034

Catholic Identity Program Family Link

This Week's Virtue: PRUDENCE

Prudence is the virtue that helps us to make sound judgments and directs our actions towards the good.



ST. CLARE PARISH PICNIC

Annual St. Clare Parish Picnic at St. Wendelin - Sunday, August 18, 2024!

Picnic letters with **raffle tickets** have now been sent out to every registered parishioner/family. Sorry there was a delay due to a bulk mailing change. Sold raffle tickets can be returned to the office, put in the offertory basket at any Mass, or brought to the picnic. More tickets are available at the office if you would like more. Stay tuned for more details and volunteer sign ups!

Pick up a copy of the *Kids' Bulletin* for your children to enjoy!

Registration Forms:

-saintclareparish.com
-Back of church
-dre@saintclareparish.com



Registration Due:

Sunday, June 30, 2024

To: Parish Office or
dre@saintclareparish.com

**St. Clare of Assisi Parish
Vacation Bible School**

At St. Wendelin Church

**July 8-11, 2024
9AM-Noon**



Send your kids on an out-of-this-world adventure!

At Stellar VBS, kids shine Jesus' light! Stellar is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings®. Get ready to hear that phrase a lot! St. Clare Parish Office: 864 Chicora Rd., Chicora, PA 16025 (Attn: CFF)

**HELP WANTED
PLEASE!**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE
JULY 26-27 8 AM-4 PM**

**ST. JOHN'S CCD BUILDING
668 S. CLEARFIELD RD, FENELTON**

**DONATIONS OF CLEAN, SALEABLE, NEW/
GENTLY USED HOUSEHOLD & KITCHEN
ITEMS, TOYS, JEWELRY, TOOLS, LINENS,
CLOTHING, DVDs, CDs, ACCESSORIES, COL-
LECTIBLES, ETC. ARE APPRECIATED.**

NO BOOKS, FURNITURE, OR ELECTRONICS

**CONTACT DIXIE MENNOR {CALL OFFICE FOR
HER NUMBER} FOR A DROP OFF APPOINTMENT.**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ORGANIZE
& PRICE DONATIONS STARTING
JUNE 25TH - JULY 3RD & JULY 8TH -
26TH - MON - FRI, 10AM- 3 PM ANY
TIME YOU CAN GIVE IS APPRECIAT-
ED! WANT TO HELP? CALL DIXIE.**

THANKS!

**PROCEEDS SUPPORT ST. FRANCIS MARIAN GUILD
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

DID YOU KNOW?

**"We are Called
to be Radical?"**

Being a Christian is pretty radical. "Wait, *radical*?" you might ask. "We're called to be *radical*?" As Christians, we're called to reject the things of this earth, which is quite radical in today's world. But being radical is a challenging task. After all, the world is against us. Thankfully, a spiritual giant—St. Ignatius of Loyola—left us with some guidance and a few powerful tools. One of these tools is the Suscipe Prayer, also known as the Radical Prayer:



***Take, O Lord, and receive all my liberty,
my memory, my understanding, and my
entire will. Whatever I have or hold, You
have given me; I restore it all to You and
surrender it wholly to be governed by
Your will. Give me only Your love and Your
grace, and I am rich enough and ask for
nothing more.***

This prayer is not just a petition but a total offering of oneself to the divine will, an unconditional surrender of ourselves, our powers, and our plans to God. It cultivates humility and detachment by acknowledging that all gifts come from God and are to be used according to His purpose. Let's be *radical Christians* by making ourselves closer imitators of Christ, and thus be more ready to recognize him when we stand face to face before him.



Mary Queen of Franciscans Fraternity OFS

invites you to join us for our Men's and Women's retreat weekends this Fall
at St. John the Baptist Retreat Center, hosted by Fr. Mark Pattock OFM Cap.
101 Findley Street, New Baltimore, PA 15553

Featuring Fr Joseph Tuscan OFM Cap. as retreat director.



Retreat Schedule

(times are approximate)

Friday PM

3:00 Register and
settle in
6:00 Dinner
8:00 Mass
Social

Saturday

7:00 Breakfast
(informal)
9:00 Conference 1
10:00 Break
10:30 Conference 2
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Confessions
& free time to
reflect & roam
4:30 Mass
5:30 Dinner
7:30 Holy Hour
8:30 Social

Sunday AM

9:00 Mass
10:30 Brunch
12:00 Wrap-up

For more information,
contact St. Francis of
Assisi Parish
724-352-2149

Fr. Joseph ministered at both Saint Mary and Saint Joseph Churches in his year of Deaconate service. After ordination, he spent 4 years in the Capuchin Missions in Papua, New Guinea. State-side, he has served in various pastoral and chaplaincy positions.

Currently he serves as the National Director of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers, as well as providing days of recollection and retreats for clergy, religious and laity alike. Recently he conducted a retreat for the Franciscan Missionaries of the Eternal Word, the priests at EWTN.



About the Retreat Center

Our retreat center has been a house of prayer since 1890. The restored Retreat Center has 27 bedrooms and 8 private bathrooms. A dining room, with handmade oak tables and chairs, a small private chapel, and the Parish Church is on the premises.

The food is prepared by women of the parish and will surpass your expectations. Special diets can be accommodated if known in advance.

Spectacular scenery, walking paths, contemplative places and some of God's highest mountains in Pennsylvania, will offer a retreat for your soul that you will remember forever.

Fr. Mark

Cost of the Retreat is \$200.00

Make check payable to Mary Queen of Franciscans and send to: MQF c/o St. Mary Church, 821 Herman Rd. Butler Pa 16002

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Women's Weekend Retreat

September 20 -- 22, 2024

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Men's Weekend Retreat

September 27 -- 29, 2024

Cost of retreat is due upon registration and no later than September 1st.
Cancellations after August 1st are subject to a \$50 cancellation fee.





AT THE ARK AND THE DOVE
JUNE 28, 2024

Festival of Praise

10745 BABCOCK BLVD. GIBSONIA, PA 15044



MARYSARAH MENKHAUS



NATURE OF FIRE



FR. WILL WUENSCHEL

All are Welcome!

5:00 - 7:00 PM

Dinner

7:00 - 9:00
Praise & Adoration

Parking On-Site

Confessions



HOPE AND HEALING ARE POSSIBLE! For those struggling with addiction or substance abuse, for their families and for those who have lost loved ones to the disease of addiction and overdose. We come together in prayer! PLEASE JOIN US FOR ROSARY AND SPECIAL INTERCESSIONS on **Tuesday, June 25th from 7 to 8pm -at ABBA'S HOUSE, 320 W. MAIN ST, SAXONBURG.** For info, email: patomaszewski@zoominternet.net

St. Patrick Parish is looking for a part-time maintenance person to oversee the facilities and grounds for an average of 2 to 10 hours a week. Some of the duties include:

- Do a walk through of the facilities at least once a week.
- Handle general repairs.
- Coordinate seasonal outside maintenance.
- Coordinate equipment maintenance with contractors.
- Handle calls from the office regarding situations that may arise.
- Communicate with the pastor to ensure he is up-to-date on the status of the facilities.
- Complete clearance and trainings, as required by the Diocese of Greensburg.

Interested parties are asked to contact the office at 724-526-5079. If you receive the voicemail system, please leave a message.

Saint Joseph High School is hiring a part-time English Literature teacher, part-time Spanish teacher, and Assistant Head Coach for Boys Basketball for the 2024-2025 school year. More details pertaining to the positions and how to apply can be found on the "Jobs at SJHS" page of SaintJosephHS.com.

A Mass will be held at the **St. Patrick Log Church on July 4th at 9 am.** The Log Church is located on St. Patrick Road/State Route 4007, Worthington near Sugar creek Rest Home. For additional information, please contact St. Patrick Parish at 724-526-5079.



St. Patrick Parish is looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant to work five hours, two days a week. Some of the duties include:

- Answer telephone, respond to emails, and greet visitors during office hours.
- Prepare money bags and counting sheets.
- Schedule Mass and Sanctuary candle requests.
- Create monthly/bimonthly serving schedules for lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.
- Assist with the needs of the Faith Formation Department.
- Prepare weekly bulletins and intercessions.
- A working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Publisher is preferred.
- Complete clearance and trainings, as required by the Diocese of Greensburg.

Interested parties are asked to submit a resume to stpatrick@dioceseofgreensburg.org or mail to 915 Route 68, East Brady, PA 16028.

Widowed, Divorced, Separated? The Beginning Experience© Pittsburgh Lay Apostolate will host a 1-day Saturday seminar, Coping with Life Alone -In the Beginning Program, intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated men and women work through their grief and begin to move forward with hope on their life journey. Join us Saturday, July 13th from 8:45am - 4:00pm at Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Ave., West View, PA 15229. The fee is \$30.00 (lunch included). Register by June 30th at, www.BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com or make a confidential call to Kim at 412-352-2653.

St. Clare continues to collect nonperishable food items for the Petroleum Valley Food Cupboard. Boxes are located in the back of each church for donations. Thank you for your support!



International Exhibition
THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD
Designed and created by the Servant of God *Carlo Acutis*

St. Michael the Archangel Church, 807 Chestnut St., Em-lenton Pa. Saturday, June 29th, 12-4 pm. All are welcome.