

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**



**Get Ready!
Get Excited!
Get Involved!**

Oktoberfest 2018

**September 29
3—11 PM**

**3rd & Cherry Street
Downtown O'Fallon**

Stop by the Oktoberfest tables in the Gathering Space after Mass today to:

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- ◆ Sign up to work shifts in a stand or to help serve our homemade German dinner
- ◆ Purchase and sell raffle tickets for our fabulous Big Otto and Li'l Otto raffles
- ◆ Sign up to donate prizes, food and drinks. We've got a long "wish list" to choose from!
- ◆ Support the parish and promote your business as an Oktoberfest sponsor
- ◆ Find out what's new this year...Das Zone...games for young people and an escape room!
- ◆ Sign up for the 5K run or kids fun run
- ◆ Get your yard sign to help advertise

Or sign up online at www.stclarechurch.org/ofest

Get your starter supply of tickets for our two raffles. We ask that EVERY parish household participate by **BUYING OR SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS!** Only 250 tickets will be sold for our \$10,000 Big Otto Raffle!

Oktoberfest is St. Clare's biggest annual fundraiser, with proceeds going to help pay down the mortgage on our new church.

We truly count on every parish household to be a part of this important effort!

Your contributions will make our 18th Annual Oktoberfest bigger and better than ever!!!

St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church
1411 Cross Street
O'Fallon, IL 62269
618/ 632-3562
www.stclarechurch.org

ST. CLARE SCHOOL 632-6327
214 West Third Street, O'Fallon, IL
Clarice McKay Principal

Fr. Jim Deiters	Pastor
Dennis Vander Ven	Deacon
John Gomez	Deacon
Marcia Fix	Parish Secretary
Jamae Shubirg	Administrative Assistant
Ed Seipp	Business Manager
Patrick Jurgensmeyer	Facilities Manager
Stephen Eros	Music and Liturgy Director
Jane Dotson	Family Faith Formation
Matt Flynn	Adult Faith and Mission

MT. CALVARY CEMETERY 632-3562
Paulo D'Amico

PARISH TRUSTEES
Michael Crupe
John Dempsey

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL 632-4270
Emergency Assistance

From Our Pastor, Fr. Jim...

You're the key to Oktoberfest success !

With just 21 days remaining until St. Clare's big Oktoberfest fundraiser, it's time for every parish household to join in support of this important effort. Our Oktoberfest leaders have worked behind the scenes for months and have done a great job of getting things organized for the event. Now it's up to all of us to step up and pitch in!

It's easy for you to sign up to volunteer and donate items either after Mass or online. Since we need volunteers to fill about 800 one-hour time slots, we are hoping that most of you will offer to sign up for two hours of help and then stay and enjoy the great celebration. Simply use the online link to sign up that was emailed to you on Friday www.stclarechurch.org/ofest or stop by the tables after Mass this weekend. You'll find information on making donations here as well!

The other main way you can support the Oktoberfest is through our Big Otto raffle. When I am handing out raffle tickets to my family and friends, I remind them that while this is a great 'donation' to the Church, it's also a very good chance to win \$10,000! The odds are just 1 in 250!! Compare that to the odds of winning the lottery -- 1 in 292 million!! Think about making your own \$100 donation to our parish for your chance to 'strike it rich!' Additionally, the \$10 Little Otto tickets give you five chances to win \$100! Be sure to send the online raffle link (also sent to your email) to your family and friends out of town stclarechurch.weshareonline.org/oktoberfest.

Finally, you can help promote Oktoberfest to the wider community by taking extra flyers and tickets to your workplace, and "liking" and sharing our event on our parish Facebook page. Invite your friends to join us on Saturday, September 29 and let them know the fun starts earlier this year – at 3 p.m.!

Oktoberfest is our opportunity for St. Clare Parish to connect in a big, fun and positive way with everyone in our area. Let's shine for all to see! *"May the Lord give success to the work of our hands"* (Psalm 89)

Fr. Jim Deiters



September 8

Lesley Coleman
Rocky Warren
Matthew Shambro
Nicholas Fleming
Anthony Swann
Mark Prozinski
Olivia Harris
Kadin Stewart
Kaylee Northrop
Anthony Northrop

September 9

Paula Sanders
Troy Nastoff
Rob Murphy
Adrienne DeGonia

September 10

Vicki Novack
Greg Ratermann
Chip Dollahon
Ryan Voss
Elizabeth Burton

September 11

Blessing Owens
Kim Wirth
Gaby Protocollo
Tyler Schwarz
Tristen Fornes
Joanis Rosario
Trey Filyaw
Blaise Magparangalan

September 12

Jane Dotson
Sarah Mattingly
Matthew Blomberg
Becky Brown
John Winkeler
Kevin Johnson
Erin Prest
Katherine Ingebretsen
Amaria Rushing
Josephina Rushing

September 13

Jan Pavao
Robert Conrad
Gayle Leveling
Jennifer Cipfl
Maria Prozinski
Gwen Hites
Amy West
Nick Prosser
Elizabeth Reichenbach
Kevin Beauchemin
Lindsey Swann
Hanna Ertel
Katie Short
Madeline Shea
Elijah Jordan
Jorden Bereda

September 14

Walter Wright
Stacie Hoover
Jennifer Compton
Lindsay Goldberg
Victoria Call
Bella Hataway

September 15

Dan Magparangalan
Mary Ann Winans
Ed Bugger
Matilde Cotto
Frank Blacharczyk
Dave Pierson
Pamela Billhartz
Kimberly Dull
Elena McCauley
Roman Meduga
Austin Kortkamp
Maxwell Guebert

September 16

Rose Hatley
Todd Bertulis
LeAnne Kniepkamp
Christopher Konze
Stephen Shomaker
Nellie Dwyer
Elizabeth Pierre

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 8

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Frank and Caroline Kasieta
Vernon Kombrink

Sunday, September 9

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8:30 a.m. Frank and Caroline Furmanek
Lawrence and Helen Bild
10:30 a.m. James Mannix, Sr.
Brennen and Finley Bereda

Monday, September 10

Weekday

12:00 p.m. No Mass—Priest Convocation

Tuesday, September 11

Weekday

7:30 a.m. No Mass—Priest Convocation
8:30 a.m. Prayer Service in School Chapel

Wednesday, September 12

Weekday, *The Most Holy Name of Mary*

Thursday, September 13

Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. Prayer Service in the School Chapel

Friday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:30 a.m. George and Dolores Harvilla

Saturday, September 15

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. For Our Parish

Sunday, September 16

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8:30 a.m. Joseph Rademacher
Patricia Vollmer
10:30 a.m. Joe Burroughs

Readings of the Week September 10-16

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

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Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17;
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-
14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18
Mk 8:27-35

Next Weekend: September 15/16

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday 5:00 Lee & Anne Crowe, Ellen Gravlin, Tom Grimmig, Julie Hicks
Ricardo Cumba, Dennis Holderner, Jessica Kalmer
Nancy Karrigan, Bethany Kazmierczak, Kevin Mulheran
Jeff & Pat Taylor
Sunday 8:30 Mary Fleming, Walt Leninsky, Ken & Jeanne Smith, Ann Hug
Leslie Goldberg, Ann & Gabrielle Millikin, Frank Morski
Aimee Nieroda, Susan Price, Caron Proffer, Simone Wheeler
10:30 Heather Ertel, Tanja Ramsby, Dominic & Rena Sabatino
Mark Arbogast, Lindsay Goldberg, Patty Klingelhoef
Kitty Luehrs, Laura Polillo, Richard Ransom, Anne Shambro
Kathy Sjoquist, Toni Stanton

Readers

Saturday 5:00 Jenny Vogt & Stacey Cutter
Sunday 8:30 Justin Alberico & Winnie Kenney
10:30 Kristine Blair & Joe Motowski

Servers

Saturday 5:00 Josh, Kyle & Ryan Zimmerman
8:30 Colin & Evan Fleming, Christopher Millikin
10:30 Connor & Mariah Chapple, Joseph Kinsella

Ushers

Saturday 5:00 Theresa Bevers, Don Gravlin, Hal Harris
Carl Lurk, Scott Voss, John Winkelmann
Sunday 8:30 Gary Borges, Dennis Collins, Gary Haselhorst
Robert Kirchgessner, George Martychenko, Don Proffer
Sunday 10:30 Gustavo Cotto, Joe Ertel, Tom Knaust
Tyler McDaniel, Debbie Oitker, Ron Polillo

Gift Bearers

Saturday 5:00 Jamie Eros, George & Jon Marble
Sunday 8:30 Jake, Aimee, Delaney, Emerson & Josie Nieroda
10:30 Paulo & Sherry D'Amico

Greeters

Saturday 5:00 Rose Brennan, Jeannie Haukapp, Rosemarie Jones
Allen Raber, Pat Reeser, Kit, Deb & Katie Zimmerman
8:30 Erin, Shawn & Wesley Dunn, Catherine & Jadlyn Gross
10:30 Steve, Amanda, Joshua, Bethany, Anna, Levi, Zeke & Isaac Huber

Sound Board

Saturday 5:00 Jett Cates
Sunday 8:30 Gary Borges
10:30 Gary Goldberg

Bread Bakers Sherry D'Amico, Judy Lemansky, Laura Polillo

Children's Word

5:00 Theresa Voss & Isabella Ponciroli
Sunday 8:30 Megan Blair & Maddie Blair
10:30 Mandi Huelsman & Alex Eichholz

Nursery 8:30 Carolyn Howk & Nikki Thoman
10:30 Kim Burgess & Alexis Cotto

Parish Choir 10:30 Mass

Please pray for the sick, their loved ones and caregivers: Bill Bettorf, Mary Anne Burroughs, Dianne Clark, Joyce Correale, David Dempsey, Tom Dernbach, Jean Green, Lisa Harter, Rita Haukapp, Margaret Heinke, Tom and Mary Herbert, Lorene Hollenkamp, Liz Klingler, Dawn Papproth Kuhn, Abelina Leon, Bill Musser, Grace Regutti, Linda Riedel, Paul Riley, Megan Saldanha, Mary Ann Seipp, Ken Sternberg, Patricia Weiler

Please call the parish office or email marciafix@yahoo.com if you have a family member that is homebound or in the hospital and would like their name included in the bulletin.

Please pray for our military families, especially those deployed and separated from loved ones.



THE CORNERSTONE

Catholic Scripture Study

You're Invited to Join

The Cornerstone Catholic Scripture Study
a Catholic Bible study group that will lead you on
a faith journey that can transform your heart and mind.

Join us as we journey through the exciting

Book of Revelation

where we will see spectacular visions of Heaven and
colorful signs and symbols. Set aside your fears and you
will find compelling reasons to embrace hope through cour-
age and patient endurance and be led to God's
promise to "make all things new."

Meetings are held in **St. Clare Church Fellowship Hall**
beginning on **September 19 at 9:30 a.m.**

All new members must attend the visitor's session on September 19

For more details, please call Kristy at 618-402-0885
www.thecornerstonescripturestudy.org.

HOPE FOR THE JOURNEY

Wednesday, September 19

7:00 p.m.

And

Wednesday, September 26

2:00 p.m.

St. Clare Church Library



Hope for the Journey

is a ministry reaching
out to anyone that
has experienced the
loss of a loved one,
recent or not.

We meet for conversation, suggested reading,
encouragement, prayer and to walk this journey
with you. For information, please call the parish
or Ken and Barb Kenney
at 726-7587 or kj_kenney@sbcglobal.net.

PARISH CHOIRS FOR ALL AGES!

Our Parish Choirs will begin
their season of singing in the next few weeks.

If you have a love for singing and music,
consider enriching our parish liturgies with your gifts!

Choirs and basic time commitments are listed below.
If you have a schedule conflict, I'm happy to discuss
how we can still include you in our music ministry!



Stephen Eros, Director of Liturgy & Music
stephene@stclarechurch.org
618-632-3562

Cherub Choir (Grades 1-4) practices Wednesday afternoons
sings once per month

Treble Choir (Grades 5-8) practices Wednesday afternoons
sings twice per month

Parish Choir (Grade 9—adults) practices Wednesday evenings
sings weekly

*Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in
psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and
playing to the Lord in your hearts. —Ephesians 5:19*



Encounters with Hope

**Struggling with finding hope in our world?*

**Had an encounter with poverty, injustice,
suffering or social sin?*

**Questioning how to make sense of it all?*

Come to Encounters with Hope,
a new discussion group
for people with questions about
and experiences with
poverty, injustice and social sin.
Conversations will be guided by
Deacon John Gomez
and **Matt Flynn**.

First meeting is
Thursday, September 20
6:30—8 p.m. in the Library.



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Oktoberfest has it all -- and more!

German Dinner • Funnel Cakes • Spiral Spuds • Hamburgers • Brats • Hot Dogs
 5K run and kids' fun run • Beer & Wine Gardens • Music • Bingo
 Basket Raffle • Silent Auction • Raffle Tickets • Cake Wheel • Poker • Big Six Wheel • Pull Tabs
 Kids' Games & Inflatables • Horse Rides • Face Painting • Snow Cones • I Dood It
New attractions: Escape Room • Corn Hole • 9 Square in the Air • Giant Jenga

"There can be no promotion of vocations or Christian mission apart from constant contemplative prayer. The Christian life needs to be nourished by attentive listening to God's word and, above all, by the cultivation of a personal relationship with the Lord in Eucharistic adoration, the privileged "place" for our encounter with God...Mary Most Holy, the Mother of our Savior, had the courage to embrace this ideal, placing her youth and enthusiasm in God's hands. Through her intercession, may we be granted that same openness of heart, that same readiness to respond, "Here I am", to the Lord's call, and that same joy in setting out (cf. Lk 1:39), like her, to proclaim Him to the whole world."
Pope Francis, November 26, 2016



Your Giving

September 1/2

Weekly Envelope	\$20,961.50
WeShare	\$ 5,489.33
Total Tithe	\$26,450.83
Church Mortgage	\$ 6,049.00



St. Clare Parish School of Religion

Registration is Open for 2018/19 School Year

www.stclarechurch.org/parish-school-of-religion-psr

Or pick up a form in church or the parish office

Register online or use form found in
Gathering Space or at parish office.

Classes Start next Sunday, September 9

Graduated Start Times (This Day Only!!):

7th & 8th - 10:30 a.m.

1st & 2nd - 10:45 a.m.

3rd & 4th - 11:00 a.m.

5th & 6th - 11:15 a.m.

Kindergarten 11:30 a.m.

Parents stay for 10–15 minutes for important PSR information. Grades 1-8 classes continue without parents until 11:40 a.m. that day.

Cafeteria will be open for parents of children in other grades, but babysitting is not provided.

Normal start time is 10:30 for all, and that begins on September 16!

Contact Jane, director of Family Faith Formation at janeadotson@yahoo.com or 632-3562.



Sept 9 Meeting 6–7:30 p.m. Youth Room/Gym

Sept 16 Bonfire 6–8 p.m. Garden Pavilion
southwest corner of church parking lot

Sept 23 Meeting 6–7:30 p.m. Youth Room

Sept 29 Youth help with snow cones & face
painting at Octoberfest from 3–11
Sign up on line!

High School Youth from any parish or any faith are welcome! It's a great time to meet on Sunday nights in the Youth Room in the lower level (enter through the middle doors) of St. Clare School, 214 E. 3rd Street.

Sacramental Preparation

Children receiving 1st Communion & 1st Reconciliation or Confirmation during the upcoming school year must be attending weekend Masses in our parish and be students in St. Clare School, the Parish School of Religion or an approved home school program. Students typically receive 1st Communion in 2nd grade after having faith formation in 1st & 2nd grade. Confirmation is a 2 year program typically beginning in 7th grade. Contact Jane Dotson at janeadotson@yahoo.com or call the parish office at 632-3562.



Pre-Confirmation Parent Meeting Thursday, September 13 at 7 p.m. Fellowship Hall

This evening is for parents or guardians of 7th grade students and any students in higher grades who are starting their first year of our two-year Confirmation program. Students should be attending St. Clare School or PSR to be in our Confirmation Program.

Confirmation Parent Education Night Monday, September 24 at 7 p.m. Fellowship Hall with Fr. Jim.

This evening is for parents or guardians of 8th grade or 9th grade students in the second year of our two-year program.

HIGH SCHOOL & CRAZY 8'S



For all youth 7th–12th Grades
September 16 from 6–8 p.m.
Garden Area Pavilion (West side of parking lot)

Hot Dogs, S'mores, Games

Bring you friends from anywhere!

Parents needed to chaperone

ALTAR ANGELS SEPT 15 Jan Butler, Arlene Cruz-Peel
Kathy DeVan, Linda Riedel, Sharon Ripplinger

ST. CLARE SENIORS MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come for Pizza and all the trimmings! Our special guest this month will be Barbara Kaye...portraying Dolly Madison! Please join us!

CORPUS CHRISTI LADIES CLUB ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

Will be held **Saturday, September 15 from 8 a.m. to 1** with an early bird sale Friday Sept 14 from 6—8 p.m. Admission to the early bird sale is \$3/person. Donations will be accepted Tuesday Sept 11—Thursday, Sept 13 from 9 to 4 each day. No drop offs will be accepted on Friday unless prior arrangements have been made. Mattresses, bed frames, TVs or computers will not be accepted.

ST. CLARE ALTAR SODALITY KICK OFF All women of the parish are invited to join the new season of Altar Sodality on **Monday, September 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall** for our potluck dinner and meeting. Fried chicken will be provided, board members will provide dessert and members bring a side dish to share. Our entertainment will be bunco, which we are still learning to play. Please bring \$5.00 to be used toward prizes. Come and join us for food, fellowship and fun.

MANAGING CONFLICT IN OUR RELATIONSHIP presented by **Scott & Karen Seaborn** Married couples are invited to join other couples for a night out at **The Pasta House Co. 8213 Delmar Blvd, University City on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 6:00 p.m.** Come for dinner and a dynamic talk by Scott & Karen who have been married 34 years, and have participated in an international conference in Rome hosted by the Vatican on **"Pastoral Challenges for the Family in the Context of Evangelization."** RSVP required by Sept. 14 marriageontap-stl@gmail.com, **Facebook page:** Marriage On Tap STL. *Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter*

PRO LIFE VIDEO CHALLENGE Create a 1 to 5 minute video that relates to the theme **"Life Has Purpose"**. Entries will be judged on content, creativity, relevancy, and videography skills. Videos may be done by individuals or groups, ages 10—21. The winner receives \$100. Submissions due by October 8. Entry Form and Release Form available at stclarechurch.org.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

CREATING A CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER We have children going to school in the morning fearful that when they return home, their parents may no longer be there. Mothers and fathers are staying up at night, not knowing what will happen to their families if or when they are separated from them by the government. **"Learn, Act, Connect, Pray":** Articles including facts and figures regarding immigration are on the Diocesan Hispanic Ministry website (dps.diobelle.org/offices/hispanic-ministry/resources-recursos). *Tomemos esta oportunidad para hacerlos partícipes como miembros de la comunidad y como vecinos—todos los cuales son dignos de nuestra atención y nuestro apoyo.* Let us all take the opportunity to engage migrants as community members and neighbors – all of whom are worthy of our attention and support.

*Help relieve poverty,
one step at a time...*



**Join Us For The Annual
St. Vincent de Paul
"Friends of the Poor Walk"
Saturday, September 15**

**The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Walk
Sponsors, Walkers of All Ages and Pledges
are Urgently Needed Now**

*Hit the pavement for the poor...
100% of funds raised go directly to serve the poor.*
For information or to register by phone, call 394-0126
pat.hogrebe@gmail.com or
joseph.hubbard123@gmail.com

REBOOT
a life-changing event



**Featuring
Internationally
acclaimed
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Author, TV host**

**CHRIS STEFANICK
WED, OCTOBER 24
7—9:30 PM**

**www.reallifecatholic.com
Mascoutah High School theater, Mascoutah IL
Call our parish office for early ticket sales!**