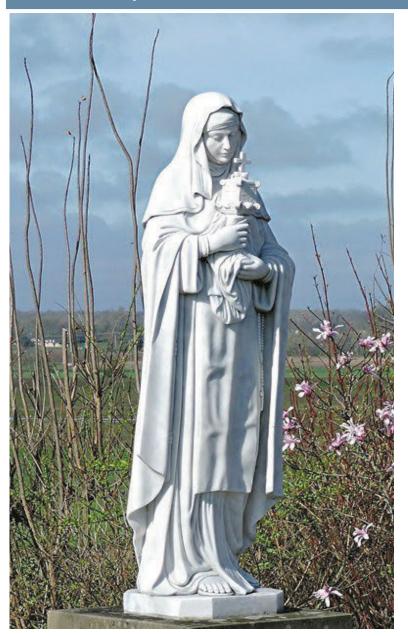
Fifth Sunday of Lent



St. Clare of Assisi, Pray for us!

March 26, 2023

Reverend Michael G. McGovern Bishop of Belleville St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church 1411 Cross Street. O'Fallon, IL 62269 618-632-3562 stclarechurch.org

Fr. Jim Deiters, Pastor

Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

We, the people of St. Clare of Assisi Parish, Diocese of Belleville, are called by God in baptism to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Centered in the Eucharist, and strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we strive to live the Gospel and further the reign of God. We do this by creating a vibrant faith community, by actively promoting justice and evangelization, and by using our gifts in the service of God's people, to give glory to God and reverence to all of Creation.

BAPTISM—Preparation classes for parents are offered every other month for infant baptism. Call the Parish Office to sign up. Adults wishing to be baptized should also call the Office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 or by appointment. Community celebrations are also offered every Advent and Lent.

MATRIMONY Contact Pastor a year prior.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK—Communal celebrations twice a year, or by appointment.

Fr. Jim Deiters Dennis Vander Ven John Gomez Marcia Fix Jamae Shubirg Toni Stanton Eric Schmitt Stephen Eros Jane Dotson Matt Flynn Pastor Deacon Deacon Parish Secretary Administrative Asst Business Manager Facilities Manager Music and Liturgy Dir. Family Faith Formation Adult Faith and Mission

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MT. CALVARY CEMETERY 632-3562 Paulo D'Amico

PARISH TRUSTEES Michael Crupe and Carl Lurk

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From Our Pastor, Fr. Jim

Three Important Items to Share with You:

- 1. **Great News** Bishop McGovern has announced that, starting Holy Thursday, we will return to offering the option of drinking the Precious Blood of Jesus at Mass to everyone. Of course, it is optional to drink from the chalice, so if you have any fear of this, know you are receiving the 'fullness' of Jesus' Body and Blood in the consecrated Host.
- 2. Guatemala Mission Trip We had a Spirit-filled week of visiting with our Sister Parish and learning a great deal about the various projects we are supporting there. The Mission group will plan an evening in mid to late April to share with you our insights, inspiring photographs and faith stories.
- 3. Good Friday Collection I want to remind you of the importance of the collection on Good Friday that supports the Catholics in the Holy Land. With so few Christians living in these holy places of the Bible stories, they depend on our financial support to maintain these important pilgrimage places where Jesus lived. Our bishop has asked each parish to remember this important collection.

Thank you for all the ways you live your faith and support our Catholic Church.

Fr. Jim Deiters

Join us for our final Lenten Soup and Speaker Series on Monday night, March 27. Mass at 6 p.m., Soup (6:30) and Speaker Series (7:15) *"Big Questions about Faith"*. Fr. Jim will present "Images of God and Prayer".



Recent Death: Rosemarie Jones Mother of Janet (James) Tormasi, Michael (Jean Ann), Gregory (Alma) and Steve (DeeAnne) Jones. Grandchildren Jeremiah, Rebekah, Daniel, Kevin (Caroline), Jane (Sam and Matthew. May she rest in the peace of Christ. Funeral Mass will be held Saturday,

March 25 at St. Clare.



March 25 Rita Mojzis Rita Saulino Alex Schillinger Steve Smith Erica Reed Robbie Greene Hadley Schulte

March 26 Esther Becherer Jean Bauder Craig Lampe Marc Sabatino Faith Rackers Quin Rackers Trevor Geis Anniston Roberts

March 27 Lora Wasko-Alexander Dale Staley Meg Hardtner Jamae Shubirg Kyle Stigler Rachel Pursley Samuel Reichenbach Henry Balaban

March 28 Valorie Wright Jessie Tavares Debra Talbott Ryan Asselin Andrew Ramsby Stephen Land Ella Hubler-Marti Isabella Timpson Hayden Wurth Ameilia Ponciroli Harper Barnhart March 29 Robert Spellman Ralph Morano Patricia Sims Marlene Davis Stephanie Collings Kaleb Dabbs Max Gramelspacher

Courtney Cross

March 30 Chu Knopps Regina Missey Chris Turner Mark Hofelich Bernadette Dwyer Madeline Yost Wilson Timko Grady Rasmussen

March 31

Barbara Calandro Greg Bak Josh Baird Sean Spain Olivia Ponciroli Madeline Snyder

April 1

Joscelyn Russell Melvin Heisserer Jeanne Smith Whitney Wisnasky Jeff Guenther Jill Juenger Aubrie Hohm Clare Naegele

April 2 Matty Ueda Linda Putz James Boeving Matt Chambers Chris Kramer Alexavier Jansen Claire Feger



Please pray for the sick, their loved ones and caregivers. *May they never lose sight of the love of God:* Margarita Abilez, Pam Billhartz, Elsa Boysha, Dianne Clarke, Sister Mary Louise Degenhart, Sarah Flores, Tom Grimmig, Stephen & Janet Hellmann, Lorene Hollenkamp, Liz Klingler, Pat Mamino, Mary Anne Orr, Shelley Perkins, Dennis Sandheinrich, Joseph Saulino, Mark Scribner, Mary Ann Seipp, Judy Shearn, Rose Sieling, Nancy Smith, Larry Sussman, Donald Swann, Jim Wright, Rosemarie Zimmermann

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

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>	Next Weekend April 1/2
Saturday, March 25	Rosary Leader
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	5:00 Margarita Crupe
10:00 a.m. Funeral Rosemarie Jones	8:30 Nick Leonelli
5:00 p.m. Ely Gillespie	10:30 Tony Wagner
	Sacristan/Junior Sacristan
Sunday, March 26	Saturday 5:00 Jackie Burke, Colin Fleming Sunday 8:30 Andrea Picchietti, Andrew Moffett, Luke Monroe
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	10:30 Lea Bautz, Luke Bautz, Evan Fleming
8:30 a.m. Belinda Vargas	
10:30 a.m. Rita Duncan	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion 5:00 Nancy Karrigan, Kristine Rivers, Lucy King
Carl and Doris Larsen	Merilee Spengler
George and Donna Bender	8:30 Bob Crain, Andrea Harris, Aimee Nieroda
Monday, March 27	Jim & Pennie Pavlisin
Lenten Weekday	10:30 Lindy Grandame, Tanja Ramsby, Suzanne Blacharcz
6:00 p.m. Frank Kuca	Patty Klingelhoefer, Christopher & Tara Sill
6:30 p.m. Lenten Speaker Series	Servers 5:00 Tony Barragan & Owen Frazier
	8:30 Andy & Marshall Harris
Tuesday, March 28	10:30 Kinsley Holzum & Lydia Kinsella
Lenten Weekday	Greeters 5:00 Jacki Gross, Jeanne Haukapp
7:30 a.m. Special Intention (mb)	8:30 Jeff Harris, Henry Mojzis, Kim Pierson
8:30 a.m. School Mass in Chapel	10:30 Brock Grandame, Karen Raybourn, Donna Swanso
6:00 p.m. Quiet on Cross Street	Ushers 5:00 Jill Jones, Casper, Gus & Jeff King
Eucharistic Adoration and Confession until 7 p.m.	Bruce Rackers, John Winkelmann
	8:30 Craig Herzog, Su Holmes, Mike Mojzis
Wednesday, March 29 - No Mass	Bob Picchietti, Vonda Walker, Steve Wehrell
Lenten Weekday	10:30 Frank Blacharczyk, Don Gravlin, Jason Holzum
Thursday, March 20 March in the School Change	Carlos Mariles, Roy Rogge, MiSon Serrano
Thursday, March 30—Mass in the School Chapel Lenten Weekday	Readers 5:00 Kim Sabella & Kaitlyn Canda
8:30 a.m. John Vetter	8:30 Margaret Andrasko & Delaney Nieroda
	10:30 Ellen Gravlin & Jamie Eros
Friday, March 31	<u>Gift Bearers</u> Saturday 5:00 Larry & Shirley Seipp
Lenten Weekday	Sunday 8:30 Ken & Jeanne Smith
7:30 a.m. Mary Ann Winans	10:30 Matt & Stephanie Chambers Family
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross	Children's Word 8:30 Alicia Luechtefeld & Matthew Marshall
Catandara Aradi 1	10:30
Saturday, April 1	Nursery 5:00 Maria Hasenstab & Jackie Carlson
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 5:00 p.m. Jim Linnemann	8:30 Kim & Teagan Huber
Gerry Munie	10:30 Alexis Cotto & Will Theismann
Gerry Monie	Cantor 5:00 Stephen Eros
Sunday, April 2	8:30 John Gomez
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	10:30 Karen Jalbert / Livestream: Patrick Kinsella
8:30 a.m. Francisco Domingo	
10:30 a.m. Paul Manion	Altar Angels April 1 Marcia Blankenship, Margaret Eros
Dorothy Peterson	Rebecca Cordes, Jeannie Haukapp, Babe Papproth, Merilee Hopkins
George and Norma Axmacher	
<u>OUR GIVING March 18/19, 2023</u>	Weekly Readings: March 27-April 2
	Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
Weekly Envelopes \$12,007.00	Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Direct Deposit	Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
WeShare \$ 6,823.00	Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Total \$18,830.00	Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9: Jn 8:51-59
	Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
	Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Pledge/Mortgage \$ 7,518.00	Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23 24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]





Mar 26 Youth Group 6—8 p.m. in Youth Room "What is Joy? (Joy vs. Happiness)"

April 2 Youth Group 6—8 p.m. Youth Room "Not a Campfire Story"

Eighth-graders: you can come to youth group now!! Youth Room is in lower level of St. Clare School. Enter through middle doors. Text 618-610-9149 to be let in if you arrive late. All youth grades 8-12 are welcome anytime! Coming to youth group every week? Please register at stclarechurch.org.



Bring your friends from anywhere! Bring a snack to share, canned soda OR something to donate to a home-bound or nursing home resident (candy, lotion, socks, word search, note cards, etc.)

Games, prizes, food and fun!

Friday, March 31 from 6:30-8 p.m. **Right after Stations of the Cross** St. Clare Fellowship Hall

College Care Packages

If you would like your college student to receive a care package from the parish for finals, send all info to janedotson@stclarechurch.org by April 10.

NOW HIRING! for 2023-2024 school year

Preschool Teacher (3-5 year olds) **Preschool Teacher Aide Extended Care Program**



Job descriptions at: www.saintclareschool.org Interested candidates should submit cover letter. resume and references to Sherri at



St. Clare School, 214 W. 3rd St. O'Fallon

Mar 26	Class 10:30-11:40
April 2	Class 10:30-11:40
April 9	NO PSR (Easter)
April 16	NO PSR (1st Communion)
April 23	Class 10:30-11:40
April 20	Last PSR Class

Confirmation Reminders!

Due now: Letters to the bishop

Due April 1: sponsor-candidate faith sharing sheets

- April 6-8: attend Triduum liturgies, Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m./Saturday at 8 p.m.
- April 23: 20 hour Service log due to parish office email to janedotson@stclarechurch.org

April 23: 11:40 a.m. Rehearsal for students/sponsors

April 24: Confirmation at St. Clare Church 7:00 p.m.

Thanks to our parishioners for thank their wonderful support of our Youth group bake sale. We raised \$1.686 for our Steubenville Youth Conference this summer!!

Att ention Gradua ting Seniors

Are you headed off to college and want to meet new friends? Join your Catholic faith community on campus today.

Use the QR code to sign up for Newman Ministries on



CONNECT HERE

Wow!!!

your campus or send your

name, email, and college and college location to janedotson@stclarechurch.org



Save the Date! Monday—Thursday, June 12-15 9 a.m. to Noon Ades 4—10



St. Clare Parish Penance Service <u>Thursday, March 30 at 7:00 p.m.</u> Other Services:

Monday, March 27 Tuesday, March 28 Wednesday, March 29 Corpus Christi, Shiloh Holy Childhood, Mascoutah St. Nicholas, O'Fallon



Tuesday of Holy Week, April 4, Bishop McGovern will celebrate the **Mass of Chrism** at St. Peter Cathedral in Belleville. at **11:30.** The Priests and the Christian Faithful of the Diocese gather as the Bishop consecrates the Sacred Chrism and blesses the Oil of the Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick. *All are welcome!!*

THE TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration/Night Prayer 9:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 7

Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross at 3:00 p.m. Passion of the Lord at 7:00 p.m.

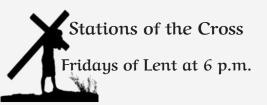
Holy Saturday, April 8 Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m. Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m. (Reception following)

> **Easter Sunday, April 9** Mass at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt after Sunday morning Masses

Quiet on Cross Street Every Tuesday Night 6–7

> *Please join us for* Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions





24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Palm Sunday, April 2 After 10:30 a.m. Mass Until Monday, April 3 at 11:45 am

Monday Mass during Lent 6:00 pm

Begin your Holy Week by spending time with Jesus, meditating on His merciful gift of Eternal Life through the Institution of the Eucharist, His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

For those who come during the nighttime hours, 7 pm– 7 am, please contact the parish office for the keypad code to enter through the Mary Shrine. Sign Up Sheets are on the table in the Gathering Space for those who can commit to an hour or for 30 minutes through the Sign Up Genius link on our parish website **stclarechurch.org.**

Hope for the Journey Wednesday, April 19



2:00 p.m. In Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 3 *For anyone that has lost a loved one, recent or not. For more information*

Contact Ken & Barbara at 618-726-7587

Pentecost Festival Food Booths!

If you would like to share ethnic foods from your country or unique region of the U.S., we have information available at the parish office. Get a group together to share your heritage with your parish family at our **Pentecost Festival on May 28!**



Young Adults Lenten Fish Fry

March 31 at 6:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross then meet by the big, wooden cross in the gathering space before heading over to the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry (or meet us there around 6:45 p.m.)

Text "YAS" to 84576 to get text message updates on upcoming opportunities for young adults

Upcoming Concerts

*Holy Trinity Church, Fairview Heights The Belleville Philharmonic "The Great Romantics" Saturday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m.

> *SWIC Choir Concert - St. Clare Sunday, March 26 at 7 p.m.

*Masterworks "A Schubert Spring" - St. Clare Sunday, April 30 at 3:00 p.m.

*McKendree University Concert - St. Clare May 5 at 7:00 p.m.

KC SCHOLARSHIPS:

Four \$500 scholarships will be awarded for high school seniors. Application forms and information is available through OTHS or email kthouvenot@att.net. Completed applications must be submitted no later than April 1 at 7 p.m.

AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Read any Good Catholic Books Lately?



Make this Lent and Easter a journey to remember...Stop by our Lighthouse Kiosk in the Gathering Space to find some inspirational books to help you or your loved ones grow in faith. Also great for anyone you know who has fallen away from the faith or is discerning the Catholic faith. **Here are some of the book titles:**

The Interior Castle by St. Teresa of Avila The Silent Knight: A History of St. Joseph as Depicted in Art By Elizabeth Lev Why All People Suffer: How a Loving God Uses Suffering to Perfectma:30 Us by Dr. Paul Chaloux Whet's Wrong With The World by C.K. Chasterton

What's Wrong With The World by G.K. Chesterton The Golden Arrow: The Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus The Revelations of St. Mary of St. Peter



For Children and Families: <u>Marian Consecration for Children</u> <u>Bringing Mary to Life in Young Hearts and</u> <u>Minds</u> by Carrie Gress <u>The Tiny Seed: A Parable</u> by Katie Warner <u>Books/\$5 CDs/\$4 (3 for \$10) Pamphlets Free</u>

Join Kim & Jim Sabella as they host their annual Blood Drive at Wolfersberger Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 12 from 2–6



Hot dogs & hamburgers will be served by your hosts! Scan here to schedule.



O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Hours During Lent: Serving Fridays 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 and 4:00—8:00 p.m. Orders can be placed by calling 618-632-6229



Sales March 25/26 after Mass

Bridge Bread of St. Louis provides opportunities for the homeless by training their workers and helps establish a positive work history to use as a bridge to more traditional employment. Thanks for supporting fair trade partnership!

March Mulch! (Part 2) Saturday, March 25 8—12:00 Noon

Due to the inclement weather, we have rescheduled to Saturday, March 25. Tools provided! Or you are welcome to bring your own pitchforks!





Upcoming Events

End Rally & Potluck Tuesday, March 28

40 days for Life Closing Celebration and Potluck. The meat and drinks will be provided. There is a sign-up for side dishes and other desserts.

Location:

St. Clare of Assisi Church 1411 Cross St. O'Fallon IL

> Time: 5:30-6:00 bring sides or dessert

> > 6:00-7:00 Dinner

7:00-8:00/8:30 Program with guest speaker **Bishop Michael McGovern**

Bring a side or dessert! Sign up and RSVP to FVH40Days@yahoo.com or 618-335-9563

Join us at the Fence! Thursday, March 30

You are invited to the fence March 30 at 4:00 p.m. to be a part of something AMAZING!

As we prepare to end the campaign, we are asking as many people to join as able to line the fence at the site. For 1 hour, we will stand to-

gether as a large group to pray! Can you imagine what a **BOLD** witness this will be?

Both events will include a collection for Mosaic Health

- **Diapers**
- **Diaper bags** •
- **Dr. Brown Baby Bottles**
- **Boys & girls sleepers** (prefer size 6—9 months)

Covenant Network **Catholic Radio**

FM 92.7 **AM 1080**



or listen on OurCatholicRadio.org

Spring Radiothon begins March 27!

Our own Len Ratajczyk will be on air Thursday, March 30 from 5—6 p.m.

Len, along with Deacon classmates, Doug Lugge and Dave Miskell will be on the radio for an hour talking about Deacon formation and supporting the radio fundraiser. Pre-pledge forms can be obtained through St. Clare Parish office or our website: stclarechurch.org

Please keep Covenant Network in your prayers.

Covenant Network Catholic Radio Sustained by the Eucharist, Strengthened by the Rosary.

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