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Our Mission:

We, the parishioners of St. Clare Catholic Church, are a joyful and welcoming Eucharistic Community, united by our faith in Jesus Christ. We are a people of many backgrounds who pray together and work together as disciples of Christ. We use our time, talent, and treasure in service to one another and all.

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December 31, 2023

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Masses:

Saturdays: Vigil 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 5:00pm

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday, 8:30am

First Wednesday: Mother of Perpetual Help, 6:30pm

First Sunday: Spanish Mass, 1:30pm

Confessions:

Tuesdays: 4:00pm

Saturdays: 9:15am

(or by appointment)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Fridays: 12:00pm-5:30pm

First Friday: 12:00pm-6:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Tuesday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Wednesday: Closed

Thursday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Friday: 9:00am-4:00pm



THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

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LITURGY AND PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/ Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34
Thursday:	1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42
Friday:	1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/ Jn 1:43-51
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. There will be two Masses: 8:30am and 10:00am. This feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus and is a reminder of the role she has played in the salvation of humankind. Come and start your new year by rededicating yourself to our Blessed Mother and her son, Jesus Christ.



Divine Mercy Ministry The Hour of Mercy



Please join the Divine Mercy Ministry every Friday at 3:00pm, the Hour of Mercy, as we meditate on the Passion of Jesus Christ and pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy during Adoration. We will also pray the "Litany for Life."

The Lord remembers his covenant forever.
- Responsorial Psalm



Saturday, December 30

8:30am **Special Intention:** Justine Navascues,
Gary Wayman
5:00pm Teofila Leyba + Orlando Leo Cross +
Mel Hamel +

Sunday, December 31

7:30am Frank Soucy + Rey, Arnold, Eddie, & Billy Soucie +
9:30am Cynthia Stein + 1st Death Anniversary
Roger Perema +
Special Intention: Moore Family
11:30am Abelardo Banzil, Sr. + Lorena Santos +
5:00pm Teresita Cuadra + Mike Yandle +

Monday, January 1

8:30am Anthony Angelo Zanassi III + 1st Death
Anniversary
Special Intention: Paul Diamante Sarabia
10:00am Alexander Fong +

Tuesday, January 2

8:30am Donald Hufgard +
Special Intention: Carlo & Liza Lacambra

Wednesday, January 3

8:30am Jesus Cordero + Roger Chavez, Sr. +
6:30pm Lydia Salinda +
Special Intention: Evelyn Mina

Thursday, January 4

8:30am Zenaida Appe + 1st Death Anniversary
Rosalina De Ocampo Elchico +

Friday, January 5

8:30am Zacarias Songco + Cortes Aragon & Family +

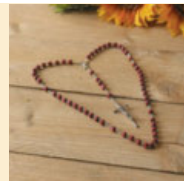
Saturday, January 6

8:30am Bernadette Garland +
Special Intention: Ken & Jackie Coyne

Weekday Prayer

All are invited to join us in prayer in the church from Monday to Saturday:

- Liturgy of the Hours at 8:00am
- Holy Rosary & the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9:15am



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Date	Meeting/Event Title	Start Time	Location
December 31	Knights' New Year's Eve Gala	6:00 PM	Morris Center, La Salle Rm, & St. Francis Rm
January 2	ICF Board Meeting	7:00 PM	La Salle Rm
January 2	Encuentro con Cristo	7:00 PM	St. Matthew Rm
January 3	MOMS' Wednesday Rosary	9:15 AM	St. John Rm
January 3	Daily Rosary	9:15 AM	Church
January 03	Welcome Home Catholics	7:00 PM	St. Francis Rm
January 03	RCIA Inquiry	7:30 PM	St. Matthew Rm
January 04	RCIA Adapted for Children Year 2	5:30 PM	St. Matthew Rm



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO **MATTHEW** PART ONE PART TWO



Providing a strong foundation in Scripture

Come and join our Bible Study Group starting January 10, 2024. This is a very friendly study with great commentaries on the scriptures, sharing of your insights with others in the group.

This study is being facilitated by John and Gayle DeGregori who have been facilitating bible study for over 27 years. Please contact John or Gayle to reserve your two books for this series. The expected cost for these two books is \$22.00. This series is also available in a digital format through the Kindle App for those who prefer this format or have eye problems.

Provide us with your name and phone number as soon as possible. A text of your information to one of the cell phone numbers below would be a great way to reserve these books.

DeGregori home land line: (916) 472-6576

Gayle DeGregori cell: (209) 401-0370

John DeGregori cell: (209) 483-9262

**Our God has appeared on the earth,
and lived among us.**

- Communion Antiphon

THE KNIGHTS' CORNER



Brother Knights, we are starting a new year. You should have received a notice that 2024 membership dues are being requested. Please take a moment and write that check to renew your 2024 membership.

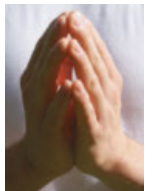
The Knights would like to invite the men of the parish to join a group of Knights attending a retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center on February 16-18. Registration is \$250.

Buses have been arranged to take members of the council and parish to San Francisco on January 20, 2024, for the Walk for Life. If you are interested or have any questions, contact the parish office.

If you are a Catholic gentleman in the parish looking to strengthen your faith and be a more active member of the parish, please approach a knight in a blue or red shirt and we'd be happy to assist. You can also visit our webpage at knightsofcolumbusroseville.com for additional information.

The Knights of Columbus would like to wish you a Happy New Year!!

Prayer for God's Blessing in the New Year



Remember us, O God;
from age to age be our comforter.
You have given us the wonder of time,
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.
Bless your children at the turning of the year
and fill the months ahead with the bright hope
that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever,
Amen.

SACRAMENTS, CATECHESIS, & OTHER



Faith Formation Program K-5th Grade Children & Families



For any questions, please contact Laura Rios, Coordinator of K-5th grade at childrensministry@stclareroseville.org or (916) 772-4717 x113

In today's Gospel, Matthew 1:1-25. Which names do you recognize from Hebrew Scripture? What do you know about these people? From this family history, we learn that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise to raise up a savior from the people of Israel.

Let us pray together thanking God for the gift of our Savior, Jesus, who saves us from our sins.

- **The Growing up Catholic Mass Transit Cards:** These cards will help your family reflect on the readings before you hear them at Mass and will allow you to more actively participate at Mass and receive every blessing our Lord offers. Do not forget to bring your cards at our January session for a chance to win a prize.
- **January Faith Formation Family Session:** Please join us for our monthly faith formation session on January 7 at 3:00pm OR at 6:15pm or January 8 at 6:00pm. Students in their second year of preparation (SPY2) are expected to attend the Family Catechesis gatherings with their parents as well. As a reminder, please add the number of family members attending the session. The **JANUARY** sign-up genius QR code: 
- **January Sacrament Prep Year 2- Parent and Child Meeting:** Our parent and child meeting for Sacrament Prep Year 2 (SPY2) is Monday, January 22 and Tuesday, January 23 at 6:00pm in the Church. Please use the sign-up genius to choose your preference by using the QR code provided below: 
- **Adaptive Faith Formation:**
 - January 7 and 21 at 4:00pm in the St. Mark room
 - Friendly Sensory Mass Sunday, January 28 at 1:30pm
- **RCIA Adapted for Youth and Children Year 2:**
 - Thursday, January 4 and 18 at 6:00PM in the St. Mathew room

Please contact me if you are interested in sharing your gifts and talents in the Childrens Ministry!

Saint Clare Youth Ministry LOVE GOD, SERVE GOD



Upcoming Events:

- **Retreat Team Meeting:** Sunday, January 7 from 6:30 to 8:00pm in the St Matthew room
- **Bible Study:** Tuesday, January 9
- **Lector Training:** Wednesday, January 24 from 6:30 to 7:30pm (scan QR code to signup)
- **6th/7th Grade Retreat:** January 27 from 10:00am to 2:00pm



Welcome Home Again Catholics



Have you been away from the Catholic Church and want to return? Do you know someone who does, but don't know where to begin? Please accept our invitation to come back and experience the joy of a renewed relationship with God.

No matter how long you have been away, St. Clare Catholic Church would like to extend a warm welcome to all adults who have been inactive and have some questions. Everyone is invited to attend this informal six-week program. Please share this information with family, friends, or anyone who may be considering returning to the church.

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 through February 7, 2024

Location: St. Luke Room, Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm

ALL ARE WELCOME!

To enroll, or for questions, please call Irene Perez at (408) 677-6315.



Are you ready to become Catholic? For those who are visiting, have been attending Mass for some time, and have wondered "How do I become Catholic?" or "What is being Catholic all about?"; or you just have questions about our faith, please join us on any Wednesday evening in the St. Matthew Room at 7:30pm. No RSVP is necessary - just come! We would love to assist you on your journey home to the Catholic Faith. For more information, call Deacon Ken Crawford at (916) 772-4763 or Rita Schillin at (916) 223-4073.

MINISTRY



Social Concerns

The Social Concerns Ministry would love to thank EVERYONE in the parish who donated through the Treasure Chest this past year, who continued to support our mission through the monthly donations, who gave time, talent, or treasures to our Backpack Drive this last July (921 filled backpacks), and our Thanksgiving and Christmas Drives! You are the reason that we were able to start giving furniture and clothing to help Ukrainian refugees this past year, the reason we have been providing clothing, blankets, sleeping bags, tents and monthly meal bags to TWO different alternative high schools. We are providing over 1000 meals per month now to the Gathering Inn, the STVDP kitchen, and to the alternative high schools because of your continued support and generosity.

Our collection for January is High Protein Shakes >20g protein, and High Protein bars >10g protein. You may also choose from the items listed on the High School Meal Bag List located in the Treasure Chest. Your generosity makes a difference in our community.

Thank you all again and HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!



Grief, Consolation, and Hope Ministry

Holidays can be difficult at times. If you feel alone and struggle with grief, depression, sadness, or loss, we are here to accompany you on your journey of healing and wholeness. For questions, please call the parish office at (916) 772-4717 and leave a message for Carmela Kube with your name and contact number, or email Carmela at: carmkube@surewest.net. You can meet individually or you can attend meetings on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of every month at 9:30am in the St. Luke room. Our next meetings will be on January 11 and 25, 2024.



Walk for Life on January 20



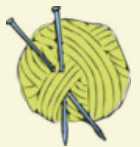
Bus Tickets \$30 (includes snacks)
Purchase in the parish office this week.
Let's fill two buses this year!

For questions or more information, contact
Lisa Galli at (916) 759-4557.

Knitting Ministry

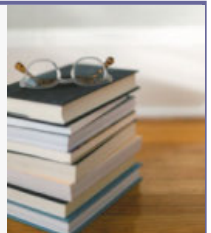
Join us on **Wednesday mornings at 9:30am** in the La Salle Rm! Beginners are welcome — we will teach you how to knit while we all share fellowship and faith.

A day hemmed in prayer seldom unravels!



St. Clare Library Ministry

The St. Clare Parish Library, located in the St. Clare room, provides religious books for our spiritual enrichment, growth in our faith and resources to support our many ministries. The library is available during open church hours. Books and materials are checked out using a self-check out system. The instructions are posted on the library shelf for your convenience. The children's collection has many beautiful titles that tell the wonderful nativity story. Check out the many other titles in our general collection which help us more deeply contemplate the true meaning of this season. Come check out this parish resource.





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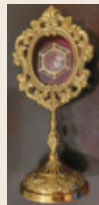
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The Stone of St. Michael the Archangel from the Shrine of St. Michael in Gargano, Italy

High atop a mountainous promontory called Monte Gargano in Southeastern Italy, is the oldest shrine dedicated to St. Michael in western Europe. According to tradition, St. Michael the Archangel appeared to an Italian bishop in 493 and consecrated a nearby cave. This became known as the Sanctuary of Monte Sant'Angelo sul Gargano, more commonly referred to as Monte Gargano.

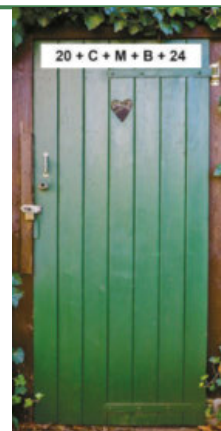


Over a thousand years later, tradition claims St. Michael appeared again at the shrine, where he told the bishop, "I am the Archangel St. Michael. Anyone who uses the stones of this grotto will be liberated." Since then, tiny stones from this grotto have been distributed around the world and are known as "St. Michael Stones." These are popular sacramentals that are used by the faithful to invoke the intercession of this powerful intercessor to protect them and grant them God's graces.

If you are interested in acquiring your own St. Michael Stone reliquary, you can stop by the parish office. The \$60 donation covers the cost of the 24-carat gold-plated reliquary that holds the stone (not the stone itself, which is included), the certificate, and shipping. Proceeds support the Shrine of St Michael in Gargano.

Epiphany Blessing of the Door

The Blessing of the Doors has roots in Polish and German customs. It recalls the visit of the Magi, strangers in a foreign land, and how they were welcomed by Mary and Joseph at the stable in Bethlehem. The blessing reminds us of the welcome that we owe to all who visit us, regarding them as nothing less than Christ himself.



Directions: At home, members of the family gather outside the main door of the house. The head of the household leads the prayer of blessing after which he/she writes the following inscription (in chalk) on the head jamb:

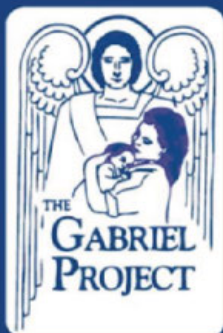
20 + C + M + B + 24

Blessed chalk is available in the narthex, or you may use your blessed chalk from a previous year. The letters C, M, and B are the initials of the Three Magi. They are also attributed to the Latin phrase "Christus mansionem benedicat" which in English means "May Christ bless this dwelling place."

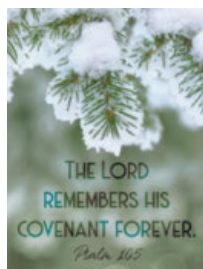
Blessing Prayer

Lord God of heaven and earth,
You revealed Your only-begotten Son to every nation
by the guidance of a star.
Fill us with the light of Christ,
that our concern for others may reflect Your love.
Bless this house, all who inhabit it,
and all who pass through these doors.
May this home and this family
be a light for all who are lost and afraid,
a place of peace and hospitality for those in need,
and a sign that You are indeed God-with-us.
And when our long journey has ended,
lead us all by the star of Your mercy,
that we may come home to You
to the dwelling place You have prepared
for us in heaven.
Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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