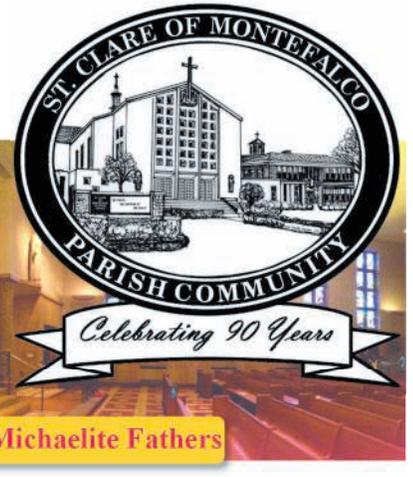


St. Clare of Montefalco

A Catholic Community in Detroit and Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan



November 5, 2017
31st Sunday
In Ordinary Time

*We bring together
and welcome into
our Catholic
Community a
richly diverse
people to pray, to
serve, and to learn
in the name and
presence of Jesus
Christ.*

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From the Desk of our Pastor



Congratulations St. Clare on your 90th Anniversary!

Where has this anniversary year gone? One year ago, we started the celebration to commemorate and give thanks for the 90 years our parish has flourished. We invited and welcomed back some “old” friends, and alumni to reminisce and catch up on years past. We shared memories, we shed some tears, and made each other laugh. Part of our celebration included a few updates around our church building. A mini “face lift” further enhanced the grounds of our campus. Over all - our school and parish need to be proud of the many great celebrations, gatherings, and working together sharing gifts and talents to commemorate St. Clare’s milestone.

Now, let us pause in the spirit of gratitude – to thank God, Our Lady, and our Patron Saint for the graces and blessings received. We thank the committee who met, planned, and executed the events throughout this anniversary year. We remember all the people who came through the doors and walked the halls of the school and church, we commend them to the love and mercy of God. This remembrance calls us to look to the future. What is ahead? Let’s look. After a few years, we will celebrate the ordination to the priesthood of one of our parishioners, we will commemorate the 65th anniversary of the dedication of our current church building, we will continue to grow in and celebrate our faith, study, and learn, and that is just the beginning—so many possibilities!

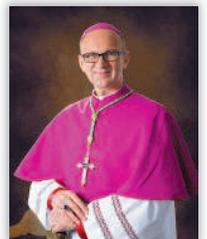
So, we thank every one of you for your dedication, faithfulness, generosity, and support in making our parish and parishioners, school and students joyful missionary disciples of Jesus.

Fr. Andrew Kowalczyk, CSMA
Pastor

Ms. Ann Tonissen
Principal

Welcome

This special weekend we welcome to St. Clare, Bishop Józef Dabrowski, CSMA, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of London. Bishop Joe, as he is affectionately known, has ministered in London since his ordination in April 2015 and he will be with us for the entire weekend. Welcome Bishop Joe!



Thank you

Thank you to Fr. Robert Blondell, for his help while I was in the Holy Land. I hope you enjoyed his presence and ministry and you did not work him too hard. Thank you to all for your prayers and kind words we received via Facebook and text messaging. It was a pilgrimage that was spiritually uplifting and nourishing and brought much joy. Yes, there were some tears and a bit of frustration, but overall it was a wonderful journey. I hope you enjoyed our daily updates and “just a few” photos from our trip. Soon, we will host a gathering in the parish hall to share with you our experiences and more pictures.

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Parish Pastoral Team

Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk, CSMA (647-5000) Pastor
 Ms. Ann Tonissen (atonissen@stclarem.org) Principal



Bulletin Deadline:

- Monday 11am - email: bulletin@stclarem.org
- More info: <https://stclarem.org/bulletin>

Weekly Activities

MONDAY (November 6) 8:00 a.m. Mass
 6:15 AM Youth Group Adoration - Church
 9:00 AM Monday Morning Faith Formation - Whittier Room
 12:00 PM St. Paul Bible Study - Church Social Hall
 4:00 PM Religious Education - School
 6:30 PM Religious Education - School
 6:30 PM PTO Meeting - Principal's Conference Room
 7:00 PM EEV Board Meeting - Church Social Hall
 7:00 PM Intercessory Prayer Group - Rectory Chapel
 7:30 PM Christian Service Meeting - Whittier Room

TUESDAY (November 7) 6:30 p.m. Mass and St. Michael Devotion
 9:30 AM Legion of Mary Meeting- Whittier Room
 4:00 PM Christian Meditation - Rectory Chapel
 7:00 PM *Missio Ad Gentes* - Mr. B. Room
 7:00 PM K of C Assembly Meeting - Rooms 1 & 2
 7:15 PM Al-anon - School Library

WEDNESDAY (November 8) 8:15 a.m. School Mass
 6:00 PM Exposition and Adoration - Church
 6:30 PM RCIA Wednesdays - Religious Ed. Meeting Room
 7:00 PM EEV General Meeting - Church Social Hall
 7:00 PM Legion of Mary Rosary - Church
 7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting - Principal's Conference Room

THURSDAY (November 9) 8:00 a.m. Mass
 6:30 PM Faith Formation - Church Social Hall
 7:00 PM Council Meeting at St. Philomena - St. Philomena

FRIDAY (November 10) 8:00 a.m. Mass
 8:00 AM School Turkey Trot - School/ church yard/ parking lot
 9:00 AM Faith Formation - Whittier Room
 7:00 PM *Missio Ad Gentes* - Mr. B. Room

SATURDAY (November 11)
 9:00 AM K of C Officers Meeting - 2nd Floor Offices
 2:30 PM Saturday Confessions - Church
 4:00 PM Saturday Mass - Church

SUNDAY (November 12) - Name Tag Sunday
 9:00 AM Sunday Mass - Church
 10:15 AM Sunday Family Program - Church Social Hall
 11:00 AM Sunday Mass - Church
 12:30 PM K of C Spelling Bee - Church Social Hall
 5:00 PM Sunday Evening Mass - Church
 6:00 PM Youth Group - Youth Ministry Office
 6:00 PM New Parishioner Welcome - Church Social Hall



From the Desk of our Pastor

Thank you to Susie Frazer, Deacon Rich, and Józefa who took care of all the parish business and kept things running smoothly, while the rest of the pastoral team explored the Holy Land.

A very special thank you to the Bereavement Committee members for the great celebration of All Souls last Sunday. So many positive comments from visitors to our parish. I would like to thank Sue Buckley for her leadership of this ministry over the last four years, for giving it shape and making it a treasured and appreciated ministry in our parish. Michelle Fisher and Gina Serraiocco will lead the Bereavement Ministry now while Sue will take another leadership role to spearhead the Stephen Ministry together with Patty Bodien and Margaret Platz. Next weekend, rollout of this ministry will take place at all Masses. Thank you, ladies, for your dedication and the continued service in and beyond our faith community.

Month of November

As we make our way through the month of November, be sure to take the time to read the names on the Whittier Wall, it is a moving experience to stop and remember. This past week we marked All Saints and All Souls Day, but in a few days on November 11 we rightfully remember the veterans of the past and present who have given their lives in service for our freedom. We remember and we are grateful. We also take time as a Church to remember during this anniversary year, all our departed brothers and sisters, priests and religious sisters who worked here at St. Clare and who have died. We remember the mark they made on our lives and we honor them with our prayers, hoping that one day with them we will be able to worship God through all eternity.

The Book of Life

You are invited to write the names of the deceased that you wish to be remembered at all Masses in the month of November. The Book of Life is located on the stand at the baptismal font. As Catholics, we believe that praying for the dead is a good and honorable thing.

Mass Intentions

The offering of a Mass is a wonderful gift of prayer not only for the deceased but also for the living. These are the signs of love and acts of mercy. If you would like to ask for a Mass to be said for a special intention, please visit our office and speak with our secretary or envelopes are available by the baptismal font for this purpose. Be assured that we appreciate and welcome your continued support through daily and Sunday Mass intentions.

Austin Portico

A few months ago, a letter came from the New Austin High School addressed to me and our Parish Council (see page 4). The letter requested the showcase currently in our Austin Portico be moved to the new Austin High School in Chesterfield Township. The Parish Council approved the request as did the Provincial of the Augustinian Fathers. On Nov 7th at the 6:30 pm Mass a ceremony will take place passing on the showcase to its new location. The vacated space will become home to our Hospitality Committee Information kiosk.

Wedding Bells

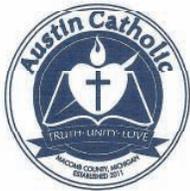
Congratulations to Briana Stanley and Shane Conlan, and Margaret McCormick and Jordan Isaacs. Both couples celebrated their weddings with us this weekend. We wish them many successes and much happiness.

PPC Meetings

This Thursday our Parish Pastoral Council will meet for our monthly gathering and as always, we ask if you have any concerns, ideas, or plans, to make our parish Bold Holy and Catholic please contact one of the members of the council. On Thursday evening, there will be a joint gathering of parish councils of St. Clare and St. Philomena.

Wishing you blessed week,
Fr. Andrew





AUSTIN Catholic High School

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Truth • Unity • Love

September 13, 2017

Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk
St. Clare of Montefalco Parish
1401 Whittier Rd.
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

Dear Rev. Andrew and St. Clare of Montefalco Parish Council,

As we walk down the hallways of our permanent home in Chesterfield, Michigan, Austin Catholic High School is very thankful to you and to St. Clare of Montefalco Parish for allowing us the honor of displaying Austin Catholic Preparatory's graduating class composites. These photos of Austin Prep's Alumni help remind ACHS's current students of the historical significance of Austin Catholic Prep. They also prove our dedication to instilling Augustinian Tradition at ACHS. It is so important that our school slogan is "Providing New Opportunities With Long Standing Tradition."

We have been blessed to have had a number of Austin Catholic Prep Alumni visit Austin Catholic High School and it is a joy to see them reminisce about their High School Memories while viewing their class composites, which we proudly hang in our hallways.

Austin Catholic High School is dedicated to continue the Austin Tradition for our current students, as well as for Austin Prep's Alumni. We have created a Friar Room with a myriad of Austin Prep memorabilia, including yearbooks, photos, varsity jackets, etc. This special room is a wonderful place where the established Alumni Association meets periodically for meetings and/or gatherings.

We would be honored to be able to house the Austin Display, currently located at St. Clare of Montefalco, in our Friar Room. It would be prominently placed in a location where both current students and Austin Prep Alumni will enjoy. The display will help bring back memories for our visiting Alumni, as well as help connect the past with today for current ACHS students. We would love to have the showcase here at Austin by the week of November 13th. This would give us time to have it set up before the Austin Prep Alumni Memorial Mass, which will be held here at the school on Saturday, December 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

At ACHS, we value our commitment to one another as we live our Augustinian values of Truth, Unity, and Love and we appreciate your help in allowing us to proudly display those values through Austin Catholic Prep's Alumni display.

Blessings Always,

Lisa Upton

Lisa Upton
Director of Advancement



A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO THE ST. CLARE 90TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Few undertakings could offer so much opportunity for common effort as the planning of a full year of activities celebrating the 90th Year of St. Clare of Montefalco Parish. With that in mind, I wish to offer thanks to God, from whom all good things come, and to convey my very deep appreciation to the following people who contributed to our year of celebration.

Special thanks to the wonderfully capable ladies who each took a turn serving as secretary to our 90th Committee: Carol Jacklyn and Susan Kuhl. Your service of keeping our Committee on track over three years of meetings are too numerous to mention, but are deeply appreciated.

As the first order of business, our 90th Committee began by identifying and acknowledging the sacrifices of our first parishioners who strived to bring St. Clare Parish into existence. To this end, members of our founding families were contacted, and background material was collected. Committee members then looked to the 500-plus memorial plaques throughout our parish campus. As a tribute to those first parishioners, our Plaque Sub-committee donated countless hours removing, cleaning, and polishing every plaque. A massive spread sheet was created to assure that each plaque found its way back to its original place in our church, social hall, rectory, or school. Many thanks to the following people who worked together to accomplish this monumental task: Chairperson, Mike Barrett, and members, David Mietty, Kurtis Williams, Diane Sullivan, Sue Ternes, and volunteer, Bob Ternes.

Because St. Clare parish and school came together to celebrate our 90th Anniversary on slightly different calendars, the committee decided to schedule our celebration over a one year period beginning and ending with a fall Oktoberfest. These 3-day weekends of events took many days of planning and many hours of volunteer service, and they were events to remember thanks to the leadership of Ann Baxter, along with our 90th Committee and PIC Committee members who stepped in to help. Additionally, we acknowledge the PIC Committee for their contributions to our 90th theme – including the annual Super Bowl Party!

Indispensable to the project in countless ways, large and small, from day one, were the members of our Social Gatherings Sub-committee. These sub-committee members met together over the entire three years to plan, organize, select menu options, decorate, set up, clean up, and attend to every detail of our parish celebrations. Congratulations and thank you for a job well done to: Chairperson, Mary Catherine Rentz, and members, Sue Buckley, Sue Madison, Diane McCloskey, Tracy Schaller, and on-site volunteer, Roger Jacklyn. Special thanks to the members of our St. Clare Knights of Columbus for their willingness to assist with all things social – and for sponsoring a parish picnic at the end of the summer.

A big thank you goes to Dave and Patty Bodien who worked continuously on two committees that greatly enhanced the efforts of

the 90th Committee. Their Garden and Landscaping Committee members worked tirelessly to beautify the parish grounds and gardens, and their Hospitality Committee ensured that people who came to our special Masses and events were warmly welcomed. Thank you to their many committee members who assisted over the entire 3-year period, including Chee Williams, Anne Berschback, and the many St. Clare Grounds and Hospitality Volunteers. Additionally, special thanks to the Bodien family for their efforts toward making the annual Project Hope Walk a memorable part of our 90th year.

Several improvements were made to our church building and parish grounds during our Anniversary year. Among them, was the creation of a new Reliquary to house the relics that until this year were preserved in our parish safe. Thank you to the following people who researched the identity and background of each relic, and who designed and built the reliquary that is now on display in our Holy Family Chapel, especially: Sue Buckley, Marti Benedetti, and Bob Ternes, along with the assistance of our St. Clare Staff members.

A beautiful Guardian Angel statue in memory of the unborn was added to our memorial garden as a constant reminder of the sanctity of life. We are deeply indebted to the Ternes family for this stunning gift to our parish.

Special thanks go to our St. Clare staff members who oversaw the cleaning and repair of the Mack Avenue facade of our Church, including the entrance steps leading to our main doors. Further updates included new sound panels that have greatly enhanced the beauty as well as the acoustics of our worship space, and more recently, the repair and reupholstering of the kneelers. These updates were overseen and accomplished by Mike McDevitt – with assistance from Dennis Hermann. Many thanks to Mike and Dennis who continually made themselves available to assist with all of our 90th events throughout the year, and to Kurtis Williams for his efforts toward deciphering our church blueprints.

Congratulations to Ann Baxter for her creation of the stunningly beautiful stained-glass windows that have been added to our parish sacristy. Much of the glass that was used in the windows was preserved from the Dominican Convent Chapel that once stood between the school and the rectory on Charlevoix. Thanks again to our Staff members who aided in the installation of the new windows!

Our full year of 90th Anniversary events could not have been such a success without good PR and marketing. Hats off to our Public Relations Sub-committee who worked on a special 90th logo, bulletin articles, flyers, keepsakes, and a Memory Book (to be released in November): Chairperson, Lou Dilorio, Marti Benedetti, Ann Baxter, Carol Jacklyn, Sue Madison, and Diane McCloskey. Special thanks is extended to our parish Media Specialist, Colleen Keelan who

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HEART FELT THANK YOU – *continued*

designed the 90th banners displayed in the church, as well as the invitations and much of the printed materials - including our vintage and keepsake bulletins and booklets.

As in all major Parish events, a budget needed to be put in place. Thank you to our parish Business Manager and 90th Committee member, Susie Frazer who kept us on track in that regard, and was always on hand to assist where needed. To everyone who helped us keep our budget down by offering a free-will donation, we appreciate you more than words can express.

Meghan Harris and the St. Clare School PTO hosted several school-related events as our parish/school celebration continued. Our 90th Anniversary theme was interwoven into both new and existing school events and alumni celebrations, and the theme continued as our Athletic Director, Bob Conway, along with his daughter, Claire, orchestrated the annual Golf Tournament. Thank you to St. Clare School staff, PTO, Athletic Commission, and students for their many efforts toward making our 90th Year a success.

Worship services throughout our 90th year were greatly enhanced by the Liturgical music – both played and sung. Heartfelt appreciation is extended to our Director of Music Ministry, David Troiano, along with our St. Clare Choirs. Some of the special pieces were original works, composed by David especially for our 90th celebrations. Many thanks to David and our Choir Members for their gift of music.

Finally, a sincere thank you is extended to our Pastor, Fr. Andrew Kowalczyk, along with Committee member, Karen Perkowski, for planning the beautiful Liturgies that preceded our beginning and ending events. Additionally, a heartfelt thank you is extended to Fr. Andrew, Fr. Tom Wilisowski, Deacon Richard Shubik, and Sister Kathy Avery for planning and participating in the beautiful Christmas and Easter Services and all the exceptional Liturgies that we celebrated throughout our 90th year.

Fr. Andrew's thoughtful ideas and insightful suggestions vastly improved our celebrations on every conceivable level. It was his love, confidence, and continual support that made the whole adventure possible.

To Father Andrew and the 90th Anniversary Committee, everyone who offered their assistance in any way, our many special guests, and to everyone who came to enjoy our 90th Anniversary celebrations, many, many thanks!

May God continue to protect and sustain St. Clare of Montefalco Parish as we begin looking ahead to our 100th year!

With much love and gratitude,
Janet Guensche, Chairperson
St. Clare of Montefalco 90th Committee



AUGUSTINIANS ASSIGNED TO ST. CLARE OF MONTEFALCO PARISH

Rev. James A. McDonald, OSA, Pastor 1926-29
Rev. Joseph Mullins, OSA, 1926-29
Rev. John J. Regnery, OSA, Pastor 1929-31
Rev. Charles J. McCarren, OSA, 1929-32
Rev. John Barthouski, OSA, Pastor 1931-38
Rev. Leo Hart, OSA, 1932-33
Rev. James Ambrose, OSA, 1933-36
Rev. Victor Yannes, OSA, 1934
Rev. John Costigan, OSA, 1935-45
Rev. Bernard T. McConville, OSA, 1937-41
Rev. Philip L. Colgan, OSA, Pastor 1938-67
Rev. Edward J. Sweeney, OSA, 1941-53, 1959-82
Rev. Luke J. Sweeney, OSA, 1941-44
Rev. Mortimer P. Foley, OSA, 1942-48
Rev. Joseph A. Smith, OSA, 1944-47, 1962-68
Rev. James D. Clark, OSA, 1945-59
Rev. Robert Verstynen, OSA, 1948-51 *
Rev. Stephen R. Fogarty, OSA, 1948-49
Rev. Ambrose J. Godsil, OSA, 1949-52
Rev. Francis J. Cavanaugh, OSA, 1949-50
Rev. J. Raymond Collins, OSA, 1951-57
Rev. William F. Doyle, OSA, 1954-56
Rev. Joseph A. Graham, OSA, 1956-57
Rev. Theodore R. Schmidt, OSA, 1957-64
Rev. Edward L. Hamel, OSA, 1957-58
Rev. Norman Van Sile, OSA, 1958?-61? *
Rev. Joseph F. O'Connor, OSA, 1958-62
Rev. Thomas McGowan, OSA, 1961-62, 1989-93
Rev. Edward S. Griffin, OSA, 1962-63
Rev. Jerome M. Heyman, OSA, 1963-65
Rev. William Conroy, OSA, 1964-65 *
Rev. Richard Voigt, OSA, 1965-68 *
Rev. Vincent D. Burnell, OSA, 1965-78
Rev. John E. McLaughlin, OSA, Pastor 1967-73
Rev. William Sullivan, OSA, 1968-70
Rev. James S. Reilly, OSA, 1968-71
Rev. W. Timothy Cuny, OSA, 1970-71, 1988-92, 2002-06
Rev. Arthur O'Connor, OSA, 1970-71 *
Rev. Francis Sullivan, OSA, 1971-72
Rev. Francis R. McDonnell, OSA, 1971-79, 1982-89, 1994-2001, Pastor 1973-79
Rev. Reinhard J. Sternemann, OSA, 1972-75
Rev. John M. Ohner, OSA, 1974-77
Rev. Thomas L. Osborne, OSA, 1975-79, 1994-95
Rev. Joseph E. McCormick, OSA, 1977-82, Pastor 1995-2002
Rev. John R. Mabarak, OSA, 1978
Rev. Robert Paré, OSA, 1978-79 *
Rev. James R. Halstead, OSA, 1978-79
Rev. John J. Burkhart, OSA, 1978-87, Pastor 1979-85
Rev. Walter F. McNicholas, OSA, 1979-83
Rev. Ronald Essman, OSA, 1980-83 *
Rev. John Crepeau, OSA, 1982-83 *

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AUGUSTINIANS ASSIGNED TO ST. CLARE OF MONTEFALCO PARISH

Rev. Donald E. Brennan, OSA, 1983-84
 Rev. Thomas E. Griffin, OSA, 1983-84, 2010-12
 Rev. John J. Molnar, OSA, 1983-88
 Rev. Anthony B. Pizzo, OSA, 1984-87
 Rev. Ronald E. Scheible, OSA, 1984-88
 Rev. John J. Lambert, OSA, Pastor 1985-89
 Rev. Robert F. Gardella, OSA, 1998-2001
 Rev. Frederick H. Taggart, OSA, Pastor 1989-95
 Rev. Wes E. Benak, OSA, 1992-94 *
 Rev. Bernard C. Scianna, OSA, 1993-94
 Rev. John F. Flynn, OSA, 1990-91
 Rev. Thomas R. McCarthy, OSA, 1991-92
 Rev. Joseph F. Hartman, OSA, 1994-2004
 Br. Thomas Taylor, OSA, 1999-2001
 Most Rev. John C. McNabb, OSA, Pastor 2002-06
 Br. Christopher J. McCartney, OSA, 2002
 Rev. Robert F. Dueweke, OSA, 2004-05
 Rev. J. Gerald Ryan, OSA, 2005-06
 Br. Paul L. Koscielniak, OSA, 2006-08
 Rev. James J. Sheridan, OSA, 2006-10, Pastor 2009-10
 Rev. David L. Brecht, OSA, Pastor 2006-09 and 2010-12

* = Left the Augustinian Order at some time after his time at St. Clare of Montefalco Parish.



SVdP News

SVDP THANKSGIVING PROJECT VOLUNTEERS & FOOD NEEDED

This year we hope to help 25 families. Please consider volunteering or donating items **BEFORE THURSDAY November 16th**. Donations can be left in the Austin Portico - Gift cards can put in the collection basket or left at the church office.

- Kroger Gift Cards (\$15-\$20 increments)
- Salad dressing, ketchup, mustard, barbeque sauce, Miracle Whip/Mayonnaise
- Cereal (cold)
- Boxed Instant Potatoes (mashed, other)
- Fresh produce - apples, oranges, potatoes
- Cookies or desserts
- Jelly (plastic jar)
- Peanut Butter
- Spaghetti Sauce - Canned or Plastic Jar
- Bread or Rolls
- Cornbread or biscuit mix

- Canned Fruit, apple sauce, or cranberry Sauce
- Snacks (chips, pretzels, popcorn, etc.)
- Salad (in bags) - call Diane if you are donating
- Canned gravy

If you are interested in volunteering to pack food (10 am - Noon) OR deliver a basket to a family (NOON) on Sunday November 19th - please contact Diane at mccладыdi@sbcglobal.net or (313) 231-1108

Thank you for your support
Diane McCloskey and Kelly Kramer



NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME MASS

Sunday, November 12, 2017, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass, we will gather as a parish community, to welcome the newest members of our parish family.

A reception with pizza and beverages will follow in the social hall. Everyone is invited to come meet and greet the new families. Plan on joining us for faith, fun, and fellowship as we welcome the new faces of St. Clare of Montefalco!



Christian Service and Stewardship



Christian Service Support CCSEM

Be Bold. Be Holy. Be Catholic.

Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan will hold a special collection on November 18-19. Compelled by the love and teachings of Jesus Christ, Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan (CCSEM) helps children, teens, adults and families who find themselves in a variety of challenging circumstances. CCSEM provides works of mercy in all six counties of the Archdiocese of Detroit. These programs help thousands in our area to overcome life challenges through several programs: Adoption and Foster Care; All Saints Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry; Behavioral Health; Christian Service and Health Care Ministries; Family Support Services; Hispanic Outreach; Immigration and Refugee Services and Senior Services. Please consider donating to support these services on November 18-19. An envelope is included in your bi-monthly packet. Extra envelopes are on the tables around the church. CCSEM replaces the former collection called Campaign for Human Development. You may learn more about CCSEM at www.ccsem.org or 855-882-2736.



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The **St. Clare Giving Tree Project** will kick-off the weekend **after** Thanksgiving, Nov. 25-26, 2017. Just in case you want to pick up a gift or gift card over the next couple of weeks to support this worthwhile project. The Giving Trees and their tags will be out for three weeks and then gifts will be collected during all masses on December 16 and 17, 2017. More details will come in the weeks ahead...

Wonderful to be back after our pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Andrew and friends from St. Clare. You were all in our prayers and thoughts each day while we said mass as a group. Thank you for keeping us in your prayers during our travels.

Mike McDevitt - Christian Service Coordinator - 313-647-5025



Stewardship Thoughts

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

A theme of humility links today's Scripture passages. The prophet Malachi warns priests of his day that they have strayed *from the way*, which has caused *many to falter*. Their pride prevents them from humbly *hearing the Lord of hosts*. Jesus proclaims through St. Matthew's Gospel: *The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.* This proclamation is a model of humility and service for faithful stewards. What is the Lord asking you to do with your abundant gifts and talents to build His kingdom? Is pride blocking you from humbly doing His will instead of your own? What is Jesus calling each of us to do for our parish? What vocation is He presently calling you to for His glory? Evaluate your service to your parish and the greater Church, and consider taking a spiritual retreat to renew or further discern God's call.

Collection Report

October 29, 2017 - Sunday Collections

Parishioner Envelopes*:	\$8,811
Loose Collection:	\$4,988
Total Collection:	\$13,799
Budgeted Weekly Collection:	\$10,270
Over for the week by:	\$3,529

*Includes Parish Pay For The Week

Be Bold. Be Holy. Be Catholic.

Thank you for supporting the New Evangelization.

Youth Group

Last week we had a great time on Saturday with the Knights of Columbus during Trunk or Treat and helping during the evening Halloween Party. We also held a family All Souls Day prayer service and potluck event on Sunday night. Thank you to everyone who came to remember our families and share in a warm meal together!!

This week We have our regular meeting on Sunday from 6-8 PM where we will be talking about The Mass and Monday, November 6th will be our monthly Adoration from 6:15 - 7:00 AM with bagels to-go before school. Any high schooler is welcome to join! We meet inside the Church directly following 5 PM Mass.

Please contact me if you are interested in being part of a Parent Team for youth group at scarder@stclarem.org.



Faith Formation and Community News



Children's Faith formation: There is no Sunday family program today due to the Closing of our 90th Anniversary Celebration Activities of our St. Clare Parish. Monday children's faith formation continues as usual.

Adult Faith Formation: The Oremeus (Let us Pray) Program continues Thursday evenings with dinner at 6:30 followed by the program at 7:10. All are welcome even if you have not attended other sessions.

BEATIFICATION TICKETS AND BUS: The date is fast approaching for the Beatification of Fr. Solanus Casey. Over 200 people have requested tickets from us. So, I have a waiting list. If you will not be able to make it to the BIG EVENT at Ford Field, please let Sr. Kathy know as soon as possible so other people can utilize your ticket. If you plan to take the bus, the money should have been in last week. (\$20 per person) We will cancel a bus based on the number of people who have turned in their bus money. Tickets that have been verified are still available. If you have any questions please contact Sr. Kathy. skavery@stclarem.org. 313-647-5110.

You will be able to pick up tickets from Sr. Kathy at the religious education office or after Mass on November 4, November 11, and November 12. You will need to sign them out.

Confirmation Preparation for 7th graders will begin on Sunday, November 18 at the 9:00 Mass with a meeting after the Mass in the Social Hall until 11:30. Every 7th grader and a parent should be in attendance.

Sunday social for grades 7, 6 and 1 is also on November 18. Each family is asked to bring a breakfast treat or fruit. These grade level students are asked to be part of the entrance procession.

Sr. Kathy Avery - skavery@stclarem.org

Solanus Casey Beatification

The Communications Subcommittee for the Solanus Casey Beatification has asked the Archdiocese of Detroit to share the following transportation details to assist parishes and individuals planning their pilgrimages to Ford Field. We will continue to communicate more details as they become available, so please stay tuned to Parish Mail and the event website at <https://beatification.visitdetroit.com>. You may also find useful information at www.aod.org and www.solanuscenter.org.

The Beatification Mass will begin at 4 p.m. Nov. 18. Doors open at 2 p.m. and attendees are advised to arrive early. It promises to be a grace-filled day for our archdiocese and city, and we look forward

to joining together in celebration and prayer.

Bus parking

Bus parking will be available at locations in and around the neighborhood of Ford Field. These locations will serve as drop-off and pick-up points for all Mass attendees on each bus. Buses will not be able to approach Ford Field for any drop-off or pick-up; this includes ADA-accessible drop-offs and pick-ups.

Bus parking locations will range in distance from Ford Field, with most buses dropping attendees less than one mile away. Some buses may be staged up to two miles from the venue.

ADA drop-off/pick-up

Private vehicles will be permitted close to Ford Field for ADA drop-off and pick-up. More details on the drop-off/pick-up location will be communicated when available. Individuals requiring ADA drop-off and pick-up are encouraged to seek private transportation to and from Ford Field.

Private vehicle parking

Attendees arriving in private vehicles may choose from a variety of city and privately-owned surfaces lots, garages, or metered street parking. It is estimated that costs for parking will range from \$10-\$50.

Street/metered parking is enforced by the City of Detroit Municipal Parking Department. The rates and hours vary, so attendees are encouraged to follow all posted signs and notices. Go to <http://www.parkdetroit.us> for more information.

Attendees may wish to park further from Ford Field where parking may be more readily available, such as near Cobo Center or Joe Louis Arena and ride the People Mover to Grand Circus Park. A single fare is 75 cents. Change machines are located within each station.

BEREAVEMENT FELLOWSHIP DINNER

The loss of a loved one is never easy, whether recent or many years ago. The approaching holidays can make this even harder to manage. Come join us for dinner and fellowship on Friday evening November 17th 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Listen to a panel discussion featuring parishioners who have lost a loved one. They will share their stories and how they found strength in faith; how they coped with the loss and how they began to move forward again. All are welcome (bring a friend). R.S.V.P. required by November 14th.

bereavementministry@stclarem.org or call
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St. Clare School and Community News



School News

As we begin the month of November, school is now in full operational mode. Students across the grades are working hard and striving to do their best every day.

This week, Ms. Cooley gives us a snippet of the exciting things happening in her 3rd/4th grade classroom! In Science class, the students have been learning about the solar system with all the planets, sun and moon. The students are learning about how all the planets orbit the Sun and other planets also have moons just like Earth.

In Ms. Cooley's Social Studies class, the students have been learning about Michigan's first people and what life was like for Native Americans living in Michigan.

In Math class, the students have been working on using the distributive property for multi-digit multiplication. We are also working on division problems that have remainders. As part of the students' algebraic skills, they are learning how to use variables in mathematical expressions.

Finally, as part of our preparation for Halloween last week, the students made skeleton decorations out of milk jugs. The students took home this project to hang up for all the trick or treaters to see! We had a wonderful time celebrating Halloween with our school last week.

As a school, all the teachers think about and discuss how to engage students and hold their attention. This is not always an easy task. If a lesson is to be productive, how do we make sure the students absorb the topic? Keeping this question in our minds, we work to continuously upgrade our teaching strategies and tools as well as our academic programs. Living in a technology driven world, we must reach into the minds of our students by incorporating smart boards, chrome books and computers into the teaching-learning process.

As we move forward, our mission continues to be what we have always done; develop St. Clare School and students with strong values and integrity based upon the gospels. We feel this will give our students the best all-around education. We continually strive to develop and grow conscientious, smart and confident young men and women who will make St. Clare proud of who they become.

In conclusion, I am humbled by the friendliness and the support of the parishioners for our school. I know that I speak for the faculty when I say a great big thank you to all the parishioners of St. Clare of Montefalco. Your kindness speaks volumes to us, and we are very grateful to each of you. Please have a blessed week.

With many blessings,
Ann Tonissen, Principal
Samantha Cooley, 3rd/4th Grade Teacher

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LOOKING FOR MUSICAL WAYS TO PRAISE THE LORD?

We encourage you to be a part of our great Music Ministry program here at St. Clare by lending your voice or instrumental ability to one of our ensembles. Each group has a flexible rehearsal schedule, musical focus and participates in larger parish events as needed. Call Dr. David Troiano at the music office for further information or stop by after one of the Masses to talk to us. Rehearsals and Sunday Ministry begins this month.

- Cantor Program
- Resurrection Choir (9 and 11 am or 5 pm)
- Ensembles
- Instrumentalists

From Sr. M. Peter: A huge thank you to the St. Clare Community that provided a very holy pilgrimage to the land of Jesus. It was a "once in a lifetime" experience with the most gracious people on earth. Thank you and bless you.



From Sr. Kathy: Last Sunday's Gospel was on the Great commandment. As I meditated on this I immediately thought about how I had experienced the Great Commandment in action all the while I was on the Holy Land Pilgrimage. First, I am most grateful to all who helped us to participate in this marvelous experience to "walk where Jesus walked" by your financial assistance, prayers and support. On the pilgrimage, I was surrounded by the most loving and compassionate group of tourists. They held me up, pushed me in a wheelchair when my legs gave out, loaned or bought me clothes when no suitcase arrived, prayed and shared with me, helped put on my socks and shoes after our baptismal renewal in the Jordan River and after a dip in the Dead Sea. Yes, I am grateful to all who helped me too.



Liturgy

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 4

4:00 pm Josephine Johns, Irene Jensen and the Jensen Family, Myron and Irene Rust

Sunday, November 5

10:00 am Jessie & John Fenech, Sylvia Sicklesteel (5th Anniv.), Betsy Kovach, Tom Ricard, Patricia McKeever, Robert Charlton, Eddie Tomas, John Lundberg, St. Clare Parish and School

Monday, November 6

8:00 am St. Clare Parishioners

Tuesday, November 7

6:30 pm Thomas Ricard, Patricia Zatina

Wednesday, November 8

8:15 am Frank Couzens

Thursday, November 9

8:00 am Thomas Ricard, C & K Purvis

Friday, November 10

8:00 am Tom Ricard

Saturday, November 11

4:00 pm John Vandenboom, Loraine Blondell

Sunday, November 12

9:00 am Emmanuel Buhagiar, Tom & Sylvia Sicklesteel
 11:00 am Jack Ziegler, Mary Mabarak, Thomas Ricard, Catherine Cox, Betsy Kovach, Tom Ricard, Marge Weber
 5:00 pm John S. Olis, Edmund Boks



November 11 & 12, 2017

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
4:00 PM	Sharon Freitas Becky McCoy Rachel Perkowski Mary Ann McLaughlin	Kathy Fricke	Torrance Campbell Luke Parent Blake Hern
9:00 AM	Art Post Claudia Rowland Sue Buckley Bernadette Cusmano Kathy Vandelinder Chee Chee Williams	Bill Rigg	Michael Hannon Lily Brieden Thomas Brieden
11:00 AM	Denise Cotter Dennis Cotter Jean Irvin-Stanley Corazon Galinato Donna Gormely Louis Di Iorio	Katie Domzalski	Ethan Fox Kennedy Mason Matthew Safadi
5:00 PM	Sub Sub Sub	Don Bershback	Charlotte Harper Reyes Martinez Kennedy Perkins

Mass	Hospitality
4:00 PM	Linda Hazlett, Dorothy Ciesluk, Jim Joyce, Fiona Parker
9:00 AM	Gina & Frank Serraiocco, Diane Sullivan, Jerry & Carla Teagan, Katie Weber
11:00 AM	Mary Fildew, Mark Slate, Rich & Marie Broski
5:00 PM	John & Michelle Van Camp, Margaret Leahy, Teo Nowakowski

Scripture Readings

Readings for the Week of November 5, 2017

Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1-3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde-3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2-8/1 Thes 4:13-18

Please pray for our Priests and Sisters, for our Seminarians, and for all who are discerning vocations in the Catholic Church.

Please Remember in Your Prayers

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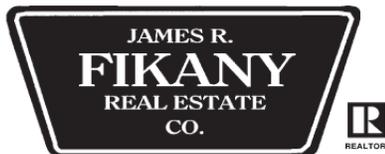
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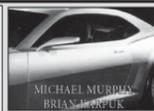
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