



St. Clare Parish

Apr. 17, 2022

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Weekend & Daily Mass:

Saturday - 5pm

Sunday - 8:30am & 10:45am

Weekdays except Tuesdays - 8:30am

As of Mar. 12, 2022, masks are optional in the church and social distancing is no longer available.

Visit www.saintclarechurch.org to view pre-recorded Sunday Mass.

Reconciliation Saturdays from 4pm - 4:30pm in the church or by appointment. Contact Fr. Don Gutmann.

Matrimony Six month preparation required. Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

Baptism for Infants Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation for Adults, Teens & Children Contact Kim Zea.

A Warm Welcome To All Who Worship with Us

Whether you are a long-time parishioner and need to update your information or newly arrived in the parish and not yet registered, please complete the information below and place in the offertory basket or mail to the parish office.

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Weekly Reflection

Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

Apr. 17, 2022



Alleluia, Christ is risen! What a glorious and holy day. The resurrection of Christ speaks of freedom, new life, restored faith and enduring, unconditional love. The huge stone, separating death and life, has been moved, allowing God's radiant power to usher in eternal life. When we see the truth of Christ's resurrection through the eyes of love, we see the fullness of timeless beauty, truth, and wonder revealed. The emptiness of the tomb is filled with the eternity of love. We have many stones and boulders blocking the path to freedom, love, and joy. They are often too big for us to move, and they cripple us. We can take a leap of faith today and believe with all our heart, mind, and soul that there is much more than can be seen by the naked eye. There is something very holy, sacred, and eternal stirring within us. We want to live forever! Christ's resurrection brings us joy and allows us to see ourselves as we are meant to be seen, as God's children destined for glory! ©LPi

Fr. Don's Musings . . .

Happy Easter everyone!

We have a lot to celebrate. Jesus' resurrection is our promise of resurrection and new life. As we come out of two years of semi-lockdown from the pandemic, we are feeling new life all around us as we get back to doing more of our pre-pandemic normal activities. The new life Jesus offers isn't as visibly obvious as the new life we feel as the pandemic becomes less of a threat, but Jesus' new life is much more significant.

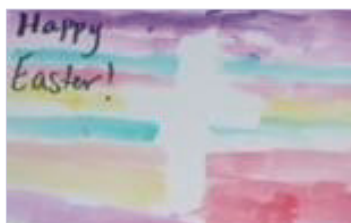
The new life of resurrection that Jesus offers us allows us to rise above our old selves, our old ways of living that are not always life-giving. Jesus wants to raise us above our short-sightedness in regard to short-term happiness, our sometimes self-centered attitudes, and our petty resentments. Jesus wants to resurrect us to be more loving, fulfilled, and joy-filled than we've ever been. And when this life is over, Jesus wants to raise us up to Heaven for all eternity.

Jesus' resurrection is our promise of resurrection. Here at St. Clare Church, we gather every Sunday to celebrate Jesus' resurrection and to continue to nurture our own resurrection to new life in Christ.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our Holy Week and Easter celebrations. Lots of our parish family stepped up to help and I appreciate all your efforts.

Thank you also for all the birthday wishes last week. On my birthday, I was writing in my prayer journal about the blessings I've received in the past year, and high on the list is the privilege of serving here at St. Clare Church. I love being part of the St. Clare family. Thanks for being such a great church family!

Let's keep praying for one another, and Happy Easter!
~ Fr. Don



Many Thanks to our St. Clare 2nd Graders, who created beautiful greeting cards and sent Easter wishes to our homebound seniors, and thanks to their teacher, Mrs. Montgomery, who always encourages kindness to others.

Week-at-a-Glance

Saturday, Apr. 16

8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass Church

Easter Sunday, Apr. 17

8:30am Mass *For the People* Church

9:30am Easter Egg Hunt Playground

10:45am Mass +Linda Siebold Church

Easter Monday, Apr. 18 Parish Office Closed

8:30am Daily Mass +Bruce Doane Church

Wednesday, Apr. 20

8:30am Daily Mass Church

Thursday, Apr. 21

8:30am Daily Mass Church

Friday, Apr. 22

8:30am Daily Mass Church

Saturday, Apr. 23

5:00pm Vigil Mass Church

Sunday, Apr. 24

8:30am Mass +Lorraine Digregorio Church

10:45am Confirmation Mass *For the People* Church

Community Life



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



STILL NEEDED: Coffee & Donuts Volunteers, pre-pandemic and newly interested, to set-up, make coffee, serve donuts and clean-up once a month on Sunday mornings.

Available to lend a hand?

Please contact Kim Zea at kim@saintclarechurch.org.



Rebuilding Together.
Portland

The St. Clare Rebuilding Together Team needs volunteers for Saturday, April 30.

We'll be doing some painting, landscaping, yard debris clean-up

and a number of handyman jobs.

We have a full day's work and welcome all who can join us for all or even part of the day.

Email us at stclarepdx.rebuilding@gmail.com.

Outreach

It's time to prepare for the return of:

Junque & Jewels

Saint Clare Parish Rummage Sale



Sale Dates: June 24, 25 & 26, 2022!

Here's how you can be a part of our parish Rummage Sale, "Junque & Jewels":

- ◆ Start gathering your usable items to donate.
- ◆ Bring those "jewels" to the Gym from Saturday, June 18th to Tuesday, June 21st
- ◆ Volunteer to work as a Sorter, Pricer, Cashier, Bagger, Hauler, Table Chair, etc.
(Watch for online sign up information coming soon!)

Donations we can especially use:

- * Clothes in all sizes, Shoes; Towels & Linens, Jewelry; Sewing & Craft Supplies
- * Books, Puzzles & Games; Media & Stationery; Toys & Electronics
- * Dishes & Kitchenware; Small Appliances; Bric a Brac & Collectibles

BUT Junque & Jewels cannot accept anything that is broken, stained, torn, recalled, or hazardous.

Outreach

Catholic Home Missions

2nd Collection ~ Apr. 23-24



Next week, we will take up the collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Donation envelopes may be found at the church doors and the parish office. To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.



The St. Clare Conference Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Food Pantry Needs

- Lentils • Basmati Rice • Olive Oil
- Pancake Mix • Canned Chicken

Donations may be placed in the food baskets at the church or on the front porch of the parish office.

Please check dates to ensure foods have not expired.

Fr. Jim's Toiletry Project

Many thanks to all who have been collecting small, personal hygiene items for our neighbors in need. Please continue to bring your donations to the baskets in the church or to the front porch of the parish office from now through packaging time in November. Your generosity and support are much appreciated!

Catholic Youth Organization

Enjoy Summer Fun at Camp Howard!

Spring is here and it's time to turn our attention to making summer plans. A week at Camp Howard provides campers an opportunity to create new friendships and experience fun outdoor activities in a faith-centered environment. Registration for Summer 2022 has already begun and sessions are selling out fast. Make your plans now for a fun summer ahead!



Online registration at www.cyocamphoward.org.

Many thanks to all who contribute!

Weekly Offertory Report

	Actual Offertory	Average Offertory Goal	Amount Over (Under) Goal
W/E 4.3.22	\$9,248	\$8,654	\$594
Apr. 1-3 Only	\$8,084		
March Totals	\$37,582	\$34,616	\$2,966
Fiscal Year 21-22	\$357,001	\$346,160	\$10,841

Goal for FY 21-22: \$8,654 needed weekly to fund the current programs, personnel and facilities of the church.

The collection totals for Apr. 10 & 17 will be included in the Apr. 24 bulletin.

Reminder: Donations may be mailed to or dropped off at the parish office. Interested in Online Giving? Please visit www.saintclarechurch.org and click the Online Giving link. Thank you!

Scripture Readings - 2nd Sunday of Easter - Apr. 24, 2022

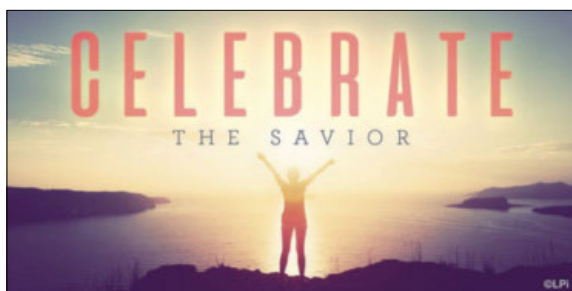
Reading 1-Acts 5:12-16 Psalms-PS 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 Reading 2-REV 1:19-11a, 12-13, 17-19 Gospel-JN 20:19-31

Hearing Assistance at Mass

“Can you hear the words in church, but not understand them?”

The new Wi-Fi Sound Server for phone-controlled Bluetooth hearing aids is now in place! For those without Bluetooth hearing aids, the existing listening devices have been moved from the sacristy to the door near the organ for easy access. Information about both systems can be found there as well. Either of these systems will help you hear every word!

George, our Sunday pianist, will be available to answer questions and help with first-time setup *after* all Sunday Masses and 10 minutes *before and after* the Apr. 23-24 weekend Masses. Many thanks to George!



Confirmation
APR. 24 10:45AM 

Confirmation of our 16 high school students will be celebrated on Sunday, Apr. 24 at the 10:45 am Mass with Bishop Peter Smith presiding. All are invited to attend, but plan ahead for a larger crowd than usual. Please keep our students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

“He who sings prays twice” - St. Augustine



The St. Clare Children's Choir is returning to Mass this spring! The Children's Choir will sing on Sundays, May 1 and June 12, at the 8:30am Masses, with rehearsals on Saturdays, Apr. 30 and June 11 from 9-10am in the school music room. If you have a child in grades K-5 who is interested in singing in the Children's Choir, please contact Jessica Leahy at childrenschoir@saintclarechurch.org.

Synod Update from Deacon Bill . . .

So where are we now on our Synod Journey?

A 5-page report has been compiled from all of your responses via email, google mail, zoom, general meetings, and handwritten notes.

Thanks to all of you who have responded!

We received 182 responses from approximately 75 people. You can find the report sent from St. Clare Parish to the Archdiocese by visiting www.saintclarechurch.org and click on *Report on Synod Questions* under QuickLinks on the homepage. Please note some of your responses were quoted directly to highlight a theme.

What's next?

Father Don and two representatives from the parish will attend a Vicariate meeting at St. Anthony Parish on May 4th. Our Vicariate has 6 parishes and 1 mission. At that gathering, approximately 50 representatives will participate in generating the Vicariate Document which will include many of the themes that we have touched upon. It will reinforce the themes and ideas expressed by all of you. That report will also be forwarded to the Archdiocese. After the Archdiocese receives all the Vicariate reports, it will work on the final report which will be sent to the (USCCB United States Conference of Catholic Bishops). Their final document will be delivered to Rome.

Let's keep praying that everyone keeps listening.



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