



# St. Clare Parish

May 29, 2022

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to proclaim Christ's love in worship, service and life-long learning*

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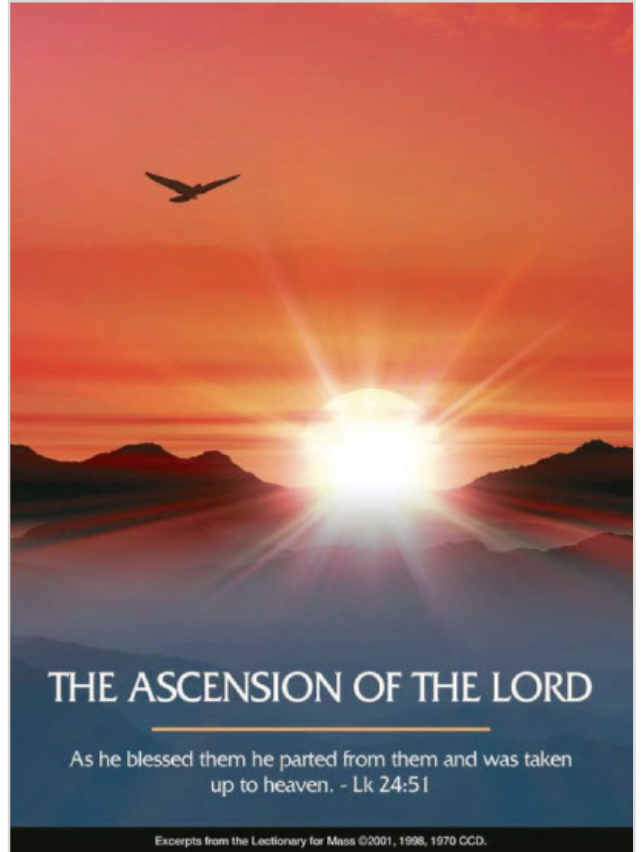
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**Sacraments** - Please visit [www.saintclarechurch.org](http://www.saintclarechurch.org) for more information on sacramental preparation.

### Weekend & Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5pm  
Sunday - 8:30am & 10:45am  
Weekdays except Tuesdays - 8:30am  
Holy Days - 8:30am & 7pm

Visit [www.saintclarechurch.org](http://www.saintclarechurch.org) to view our 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.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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## Weekly Reflection

### **The Ascension of the Lord**

May 29, 2022

We all have our ideas of who God is. We have to remember, however, that our ideas of God often do not capture who God really is. God is a wonderful mystery whose identity is inexhaustible. This makes life an exciting journey in search of belief, love, glory, and unity. Displaying all of the tenderness of a real love story, we hear from Jesus that God wants nothing more than for the world to believe. The same depth of affection given to Jesus, God the Father desires to share with us. Receiving this love gives the believer an even greater understanding of what gives us purpose and meaning. With God's unconditional love as our anchor, we can endure the greatest of hardships knowing that we carry the hope of glory within us. Sharing in the same incredible eternal destiny and glory that God gave His Son, we can all be one just as Jesus and the Father are one. Why is understanding all of this important? Because given the myriad choices of what can possibly define us, we now have the primordial truth of who we are given to us by God. We know, beyond doubt, where to look for true happiness and where our lives will end. ©LPi

## **Fr. Don's Musings . . .**

Happy Memorial Day weekend, everyone. This weekend, we honor all those brave soldiers who have given their lives for our nation. And, we remember all our deceased loved ones, may they rest in peace.

This weekend also marks the unofficial start of summer. I think we are all ready to feel some warm sunshine. I love being outdoors on my day off and I keep waiting for some normal May (and soon June) weather. I planted part of my garden last week and now I just need the warm sunshine to get it to grow.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class only has 2 more weeks of classes before their graduation, and the other students have 3 weeks (until June 17<sup>th</sup>). This school year has been much more normal than last year, but we still have to practice some safety protocols to keep everyone safe from the spread of COVID.

We welcome Fr. Jim Galluzzo to St. Clare Church this weekend. I'm away visiting a priest friend in Boise for a few days. Fr. Jim has been associated with St. Clare Church for a long time and has been a big blessing to our parish. Many of you have taken some of his spirituality classes. Good stuff. I always appreciate his willingness to fill-in for me when I am out of town.

Let's keep praying for one another. ~ Fr. Don



## Week-at-a-Glance

### **Saturday, May 28**

5:00pm Vigil Mass +*Ted Leonard* Church

### **Sunday, May 29**

8:30am Mass +*Ted Leonard* Church

10:45am Mass *For the People* Church

### **Monday, May 30 Memorial Day Holiday/Office Closed**

8:30am Daily Mass +*Ted Leonard* Church

### **Wednesday, June 1**

8:30am Daily Mass +*Antonia & Irving Digregorio* Church

### **Thursday, June 2**

8:30am Daily Mass +*Diane Chase* Church

### **Friday, June 3**

8:30am Daily Mass +*Marie Hong Tran* Church

### **Saturday, June 4**

5:00pm Vigil Mass +*George Johnston* Church

### **Pentecost Sunday, June 5**

8:30am Mass +*Diana Genevieve & Webster Soule* Church

10:45am Mass *For the People* Church

## **Maintenance Worker Needed for St. Clare Parish**

General duties: Maintains the buildings and property of the parish and schools ensuring all facilities are in working order. Cleans the buildings and property of the parish and schools. Handles janitorial tasks and other upkeep as needed. The job is part-time, 15 hrs/wk, non-benefitted. Interested? Please email Shelley, our business manager, at [shelley@saintclarechurch.org](mailto:shelley@saintclarechurch.org).

## Scripture Readings

### **Pentecost Sunday**

June 5, 2022

Reading 1 - Acts 2:1-11

Psalms - PS 104:1,24,29-30, 31, 34

Reading 2 - 1 COR 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel - JN 20:19-23

For daily readings, please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



Next Meeting: Saturday, June 4  
9:30-11am Clare Room  
(downstairs at the parish office)

Sisters in the Spirit is the informal women's ministry of St. Clare Parish. All women of the parish are invited and welcome for prayer, sharing, connection, and of course, coffee and tea! Questions? Please contact Sheila at [petermcullen@comcast.net](mailto:petermcullen@comcast.net).

### Knights of Columbus News



Knights of Columbus John Clare Council 15485 is returning to in-person events! We did a pancake breakfast at St. John Fisher that raised \$200 towards our \$1000 goal of giving to seminarians and

SVDP, and hope to have a repeat performance at St. Clare on **Sunday, June 12!**

All your standard favorites of a Knights of Columbus breakfast will be served - both plain and blueberry pancakes, sausage and eggs, along with a choice of milk, orange juice, chocolate milk, coffee or tea; and even fruit and applesauce.



We also would like to announce the very successful Mother's Day Flower Sale raising \$540. The funds will be donated to the Mother and Child Education Center which helps mothers in crisis pregnancies and their young children. Between the two parishes, the Knights and Ladies supporting the Knights sold 500 carnations at seven Mass times on Mother's Day weekend.

We will see you on June 12 when we will be serving breakfast from 9:30am-1pm in the parish hall.

### *Help Make our Rummage Sale a Success!*



#### **When to Bring Your Donations:**

Saturday, June 18 – 12pm to 6pm  
Sunday, June 19 – 9am to 6pm  
Monday, June 20 – 8am to 8pm  
Tuesday, June 21 – 8am to 12pm

#### **Donations We Can Use:**

- Toys, Games & Puzzles
- Clothes for Children & Adults
- Dishes, Kitchenware & Small Appliances
- Books, DVDs, CDs & Media
- Small Furniture, Lamps & Home Décor
- Electronics, Tools & Hobby Supplies
- Jewelry & Collectibles
- Sporting Goods & Garden Equipment

#### **But We Can't Accept:**

- x- Anything Broken, Stained, Torn, Recalled or Hazardous Waste
- x- Mattresses, Sofas, Loveseats, Recliners or Stuffed Toys
- x- Liquids, Chemicals or Flammables
- x- Armoires or Oversize Furniture
- x- Used Coloring, Sticker or Workbooks
- x- Bicycle Helmets; Baby Equipment

To volunteer, choose ONE of the options below:

- Click <https://stclarepdx.ivolunteer.com/jj2022>
- Visit [www.saintclarechurch.org](http://www.saintclarechurch.org) and click on the Junque & Jewels Sign-up link.
- Email Theresa at [pntduda@gmail.com](mailto:pntduda@gmail.com).

#### **Junque & Jewels Sale Dates:**

**June 24, 25 & 26, 2022**

## GOD'S GAME OF TELEPHONE

You've probably played the game of "pass it on" before, maybe years ago on the playground. It's a simple concept: one person whispers something in another person's ear, and it gets repeated person by person throughout the group, until finally the last one to hear the message has to say it out loud. Whatever ends up being said at the end of the game is usually a far cry from the original statement, and everyone has a good laugh.

As individuals, we don't receive news in the same way. Our personalities, our histories, our weaknesses, and our strengths determine how we interact with information we encounter in the world, both good and bad. One person will interpret a compliment positively; someone else will take offense. One person reacts to news of a job promotion with joy, another is

disappointed that now they will have less time with their family. The same news can mean completely different things to different people.

But what God gives us is the truth in love, and the truth in love is the same in every place and in every time, for every person of every race. When Christ prayed to the Father that "the love with which you loved me may be in them," he was asking that the magnificent gift that had been imparted to him would also be imparted to us.

Our job is to play a game of pass it on with this gift of love. How do we keep it from becoming warped? Through remaining committed to the word of God, to the sacraments, and to one another.

In this game, we don't change the message. The message changes us. And we have to give it away to keep it.

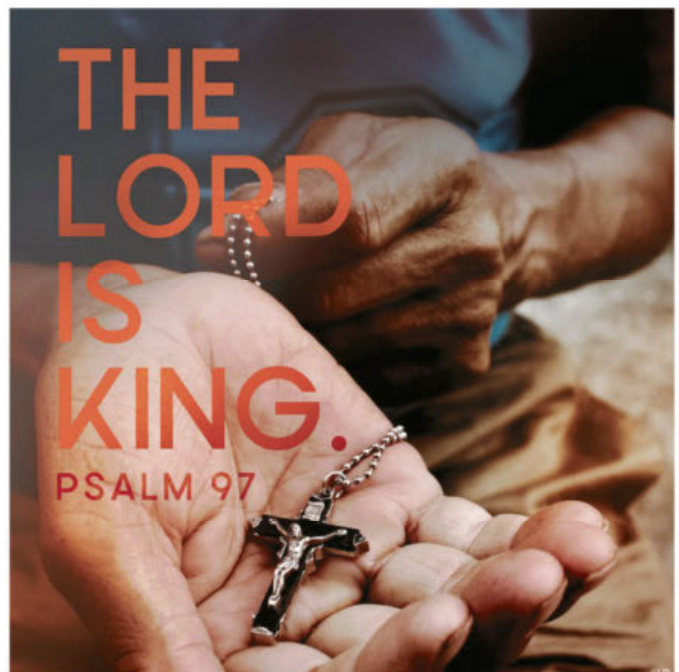
—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## AT A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, OUR PASTOR MENTIONED THE NEED FOR DEACONS. IT IS SOMETHING I AM CONSIDERING. HOW DO I KNOW IF I HAVE A VOCATION? WHAT STEPS SHOULD I TAKE NEXT?

Any and all gifts that the Holy Spirit gives to the church are for the good of the community. As members of the Body of Christ, what one member does affects all. What the body does also affects each member. A vocation or call to ministry is tested and verified by the church. Through prayer, instruction, and service, a vocation is tested, and then acknowledged by the official call to orders or to service.

If you are considering becoming a deacon, the first step would be to talk to your pastor. He will be able to give you more specific information on the program in your diocese, what is expected of you, and how you apply. You might also begin to see a spiritual director,

someone who can help you with your faith journey and vocation discernment. They do so by focusing on prayer, your relationship with God, and spiritual practices. Finally, you'll need to see the diocesan vocation director in charge of deacons to apply. Best wishes!





**Prayer for Memorial Day**

God of power and mercy,  
 you destroy war and put down earthly pride.  
 Banish violence from our midst  
 and wipe away our tears,  
 that we may all deserve to be called  
 your sons and daughters.  
 Keep in your mercy those men and women  
 who have died in the cause of freedom  
 and bring them safely  
 into your kingdom of justice and peace.  
 We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord.  
 Amen

From US Conference of Catholic Bishops website ~  
[www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-memorial-day-last-monday-may](http://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-memorial-day-last-monday-may)



**Are You Missing Your Wedding Ring!**



A wedding ring was found at the beginning of the month around the time of Grandparents & Special

Friends Day. Nancy Melzer, our Preschool Director, is concerned that someone is without their beautiful ring and hasn't thought to contact St. Clare. If you know of anyone who has lost their ring, please ask them to contact Nancy at 503.244.5458 to provide a description.

**Adult Faith Formation**

**Alert: Meeting Day Change**



**Small Group Study: The Holy Spirit**

Beginning June 1, our study group (currently meeting on Thursdays during May) will return to meeting on Wednesday mornings after the 8:30am daily Mass. Please join us in the Fireside Room downstairs at the Parish Office. New group members are always welcome.

Our current study includes a series called, *Wild Goose*, a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. This 14-part series features Fr. Dave Pivonka, a Franciscan priest from the University of Steubenville. The Wild Goose invites viewers to an encounter or renewed encounter with the Holy Spirit.

During the second part of each session, a discussion of the book, *A Church Renewed* by Pope Francis, takes place. Our focus for this series is: *What is it that the Holy Spirit is calling us to do in this current time in the church?*

For more information or questions, please contact [kim@saintclarechurch.org](mailto:kim@saintclarechurch.org).

Many thanks to all who contribute!			
Weekly Offertory Report			
	Actual Offertory	Average Offertory Goal	Amount Over (Under) Goal
W/E 5.22.22	\$6,415	\$8,654	(\$2,239)
May Total	\$34,482	\$34,616	(\$134)
Fiscal Year 21-22	\$423,443	\$406,738	\$16,705
Goal for FY 21-22: \$8,654 needed weekly to fund the current programs, personnel and facilities of the church.			
Reminder: Donations may be mailed to or dropped off at the parish office. Interested in Online Giving? Please visit <a href="http://www.saintclarechurch.org">www.saintclarechurch.org</a> and click the Online Giving link. Thank you!			



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