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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 10:30am

DAILY MASS

Tuesday—Saturday: 8:30am

CONFESSION

By appointment only

Call the parish office to schedule

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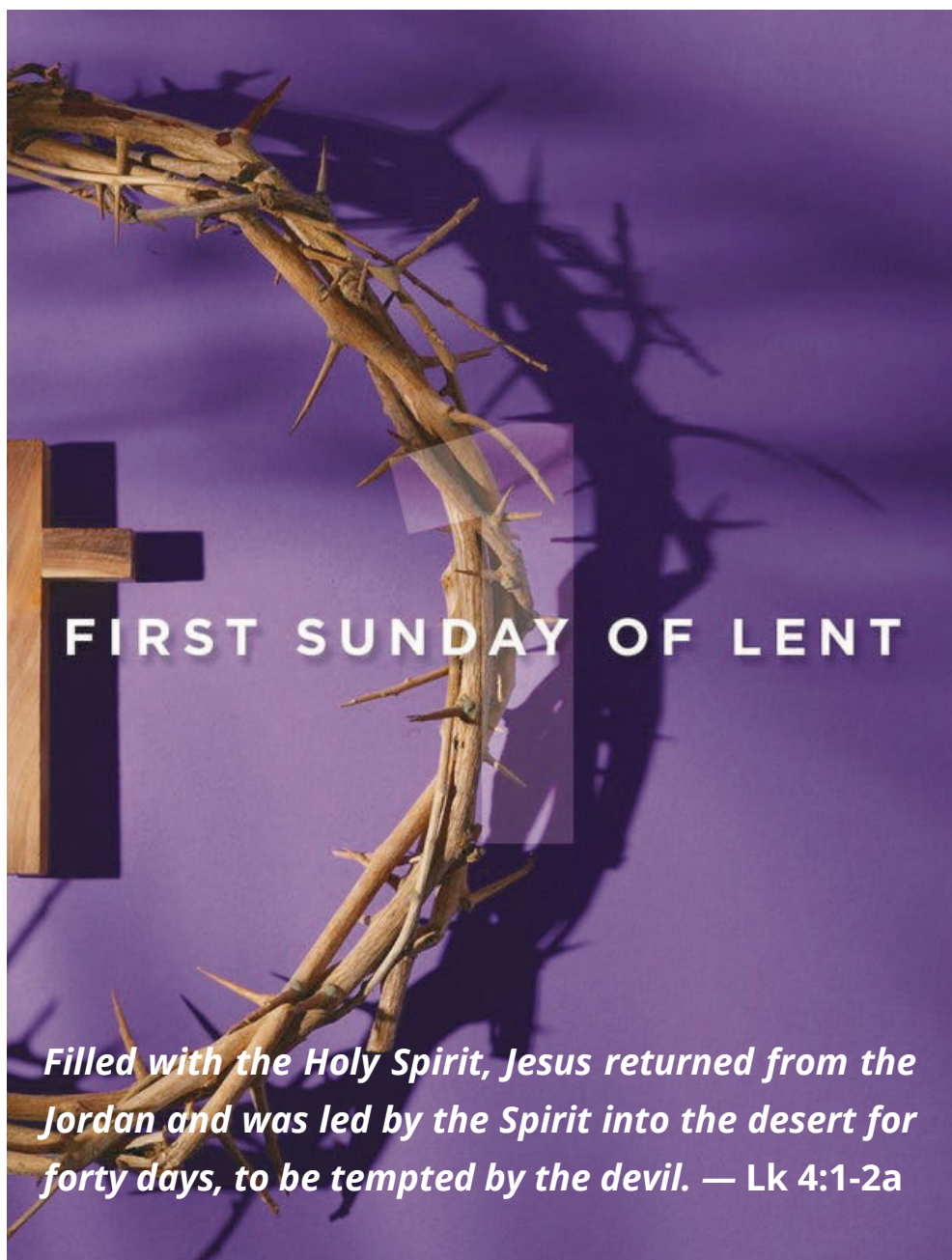
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MARCH 6, 2022



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. — Lk 4:1-2a

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

First time parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation session, preferably during the pregnancy. Please plan to attend one of these reflective and supportive sessions which are offered on the first Thursday of February, April, August, and November at 7:00pm. Contact the parish office to register.

Matrimony

Engaged couples must make an appointment with the pastor at least six months in advance of the wedding date. Please contact the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick

Any parishioner who is seriously ill and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick should contact the parish office.

Holy Eucharist for the Sick & Homebound

Arrange for a visit or receive Holy Communion by contacting the parish office.

MEMBERSHIP & CATECHESIS

Parish Membership

If you would like to join the parish, please see Fr. George. Parishioners leaving or moving are asked to contact the parish office.

Hospitalized Parishioners

If you know of a parishioner in the hospital or have a planned hospitalization, please let the parish office know. HIPPA laws do not allow hospitals to call us.

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

PSR passes on the faith to St. Clare children in elementary school (grades 1-8) who are not attending Catholic schools. PSR meets Sunday mornings September through April. Contact the parish office to register or to learn how you can become part of this ministry.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

A process that provides instruction in the Catholic faith. Meetings are from September through Easter. Contact the parish office for information.

OUTREACH

Prayer Line

Provides prayer for those in need.

Contact the parish office: 513.541.2100 (option 4)

Email: prayer@saintclareparish.org

St. Vincent de Paul

Assists neighbors in need in the parish and neighborhood community.

Contact: 513.205.3046

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

TODAY'S STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of **Jim Toerner**.



MON
7

No Communion Service

Readings: Romans 8:31b-39
Matthew 10:34-39

TUES
8

8:30am **Valeta Z. Reyes**
Readings: 1 John 3:14-18
Matthew 25:31-40

WED
9

8:30am **Doris Ann Hammor**
Readings: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Matthew 22:34-40

THUR
10

8:30am **The Danner Family**
Readings: Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25
Matthew 7:7-12

FRI
11

8:30am **Sylvia Meek**
Readings: Ezekiel 18:21-28
Matthew 5:20-26

SAT
12

8:30am **Tony Mackzum**
Readings: Deuteronomy 26:16-19
Matthew 5:43-48

2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Philippians 3:20—4:1
Luke 9:28b-36

SAT
12

Saturday 5:00pm **Fr. George Ignatius Ang**

SUN
13

Sunday 8:30am **Fr. George Lescano Family**

Sunday 10:30am **Fr. Bob Alonzo "Lennie" Lynch**



Dedicate the Sanctuary Candle



The red Sanctuary Candle at the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.

Contact the parish office if you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention. The suggested donation for the candle would be \$5.00. It will burn for one week and recognition will be published in the bulletin.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

If you are celebrating your 25th, 50th, 60th, 70th or 75th wedding anniversary in 2022, please let us know by contacting the parish office at 513.541.2100 or email office@saintclareparish.org.



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Lou Paulson, husband of Lorraine,
and **Jim Toerner**, father of Nancy Zint.



Time Changes Sunday, March 13

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 13. Be sure to "Spring Forward" and set your clocks ahead one hour.

FIRST WEEK OF LENT

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A Homebase for Your Lenten Spiritual Spring Training

The Living Stewardship matrix highlights six aspects of daily life in which we can find opportunities to strengthen our relationship with God and God's creation. The first category in Living Stewardship (column one) is Home. Home is where our family lives—whether it is a family of one living alone or an extended family of parents, children, grandchildren, grandparents or special guests living together. Whatever its size or make up, family is often referred to as "the Domestic Church." Good stewardship of our family life in the home should make us feel as if we are truly in a House of God. During Lent, we can strengthen our stewardship through increased prayer, raised awareness in our thoughts, and intentional actions to restore and reconcile our Domestic Church.

Living Stewardship offers a few suggestions as a start. In the spirit of Lenten discipline and discipleship, we invite you to add prayers, thoughts and actions tailored to your daily home life, especially in the company of family members. They will become the building blocks of a lifestyle that makes your home a place to honor and serve one another in the name of Jesus, our saving Lord.

THE PILLARS OF LENT



As we begin our Lenten journey, reflect on how your prayers, fasting and almsgiving can guide you. As Pope Francis explains, these are "elements which, when lived sincerely, can transform life and provide a sure foundation for dignity and fraternity." How can practicing the Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

OUR BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS 2022

During the Lenten season Bread for the World invites citizens to contact their elected officials, asking them to support vital social welfare programs and humanitarian aid.

Our St Clare Peace and Justice Commission again encourages all of us to send a hard copy letter (see sample in the back of Church) to our representatives. Or you can go to the BFW website: bread.org, scroll down to "Offering of Letters", then click on "write to congress" to reach a sample letter & have it sent directly to your representatives electronically.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK FOR MARCH 6, 2022

First Reading

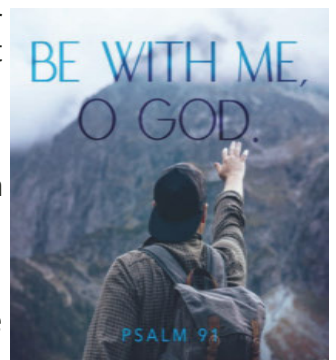
Moses taught the Israelites the importance of remembering and thanking God for how God saved them from Egyptian slavery. What has the Lord done for you that warrants your gratitude and thanksgiving?

Second Reading

Paul speaks of the importance of sincerity of heart and speech in one's belief in Jesus. How well do you uphold this spiritual exercise?

Gospel Reading

Jesus confronts and defeats the devil before he begins his public ministry. As we begin the season of Lent, in what ways do you think the devil is present in your life?



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Way of the Cross

Every Lent, Catholics all over the world recount Jesus' Way of the Cross through the reading of the Passion on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, but by also devoting private prayer time to the 14 stations. Donna and Darin recorded in 2021 The Way of the Cross and have posted the video again this year at the direct link to our parish website located here: <https://www.saintclareparish.org/stations>



The video prayer service uses the beautiful images of Christ in our church, including close up pictures of the 14 stations on the walls of St. Clare. You will also find the texts of the responses, prayers, and music printed within the video so you can pray and sing along.

As we begin our Lenten journey this year, won't you pray and reflect on Jesus' final days as he carried his cross to Calvary and gave up his life for the salvation of the world?

It's time to "Pick'n Egg"



A basket of Easter Eggs will be in the Vestibule of Church throughout Lent. Each egg contains the name and address of one of our St. Clare Parishioners who is no longer able to get to Church.

You're invited to **"Pick'n Egg"** and then follow up with a visit/small treat (candy/plant/ flower) or send a card to one of our special members.

The basket will remain out until all the eggs have been taken. *Please call Marge, 513.541.0699, if you have any questions. Ministry to Sick/Homebound*

Men/Women's Weekend Retreat

Join Fr. Michael Sparough, SJ March 25-27, 2022 at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford, Ohio for an Ignatian weekend retreat: *What's Next? Discerning your Decisions in the Ignatian Tradition*. The Spiritual Exercises help us move toward a deeper interior freedom to better navigate the twists and turns of life. Fr. Michael will prayerfully lead you through St. Ignatius' methodology for decision making and how it can be applied to the big and small decisions we face today. Retreat includes: Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, personal prayer time. For more information or to register call Mary Ellen at 513.248.3500 ext. 10 or visit www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com/retreats/march2022

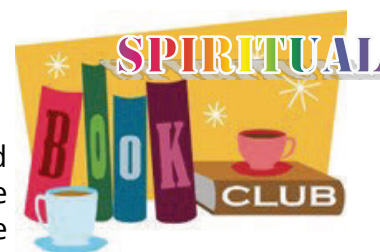
Does what you read feed your mind, heart and spirit?

Join us as we discuss **Women of Hope by Terry Polakovic**

Monday, April 4, 7-8:30pm,

Church Conference Room

Throughout the history of the Catholic Church, in her most troubled and turbulent times, God has raised up great saints as beacons of hope in the midst of darkness. Among these great saints, the four women Doctors of the Church stand out as models of courage, wisdom, and trust. "Trust shows the way," wrote Saint Hildegard of Bingen. These words set the courageous standard by which she, Teresa of Ávila, Catherine of Siena, and Thérèse of Lisieux lived. In *Women of Hope*, Terry Polakovic introduces these amazing women and describes the troubled times in which they lived and persevered. These women remind us that God can work through anyone to bring about his purpose. They prove to us that, as Christians, we can live in confident hope, no matter the circumstances in which we find ourselves. You will need to get a copy and read it before April 4 (and yes, you can still come even if you don't finish it!).



CARE FOR CREATION

"Care for Creation" Corner

Finding where to recycle items that do not go into the recycling bin can be very complicated and time consuming. Luckily here in Cincinnati we have a one-stop drop-off location for hard to recycle items near the center of the city. **The Cincinnati Recycling and Reuse Hub** is a non-profit organization which allows the general public to recycle a large amount of items in one place. The Hub is located at 911 Evans Street (off Gest Street) in Cincinnati (45204). It is open on Thursdays from 12 noon to 6:00pm and Saturdays from 10:00am-2:00pm. Their contact **phone number** is 513.629.9040 and email address is cincinnati recyclingandreusehub@gmail.com. You can also find and "Like" it on Facebook. More importantly is their **website**, <http://cincinnati recyclingandreusehub.org>, where information about all the items the Hub takes can be found. If you are looking to recycle items that are not permitted in traditional recycling bins or offer items for reuse, the Hub is your #1 resource.

March tips - Plastics that do not go in your recycle bin

Basic: Look for the numbers in the triangles on all rigid plastics. Save and take the #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, and no-number plastics to the Cincinnati Recycling and Reuse Hub. (#1 rigid plastics are NOT recyclable in Cincinnati at this time. If you have a resource for these, let us know.)

Intermediate: The Hub also accepts the following unusual plastic items: used gift cards, plastic bread bag closure tabs, plastic pizza "tables", plastic tape dispensers, plastic utensils, unattached plastic lids and plastic bottle caps, plastic hangers, and plastic straws. Save and take them to the Hub when you go.

Advanced: Volunteer at the Cincinnati Recycling and Reuse Hub. A helping hand is always needed. Children under 16 are welcome with adult supervision. It's also a great place for your teen to pick up service hours or a scout troop to visit. Contact the Hub for scheduling.

"Care for Creation" comments or questions may be directed to stclarerecycles@gmail.com.

HAVE YOU MOVED, DONE AWAY WITH YOUR LANDLINE OR CHANGED YOUR EMAIL?

Please help us keep our records updated. If you have moved recently or changed any information (address, phone, email, children have married and/or moved out), please let us know.

Contact the parish office 513.541.2100 or email us at office@saintclareparish.org. Thank you!



E-mail Scam Targeting Parishioners

Please be aware of an email scam that is targeting parishioners using fake email addresses meant to look like they are coming from a priest or pastor. The scam uses priests' full names and individualized fake email addresses in a bogus request for a favor and then gift cards. Priests or pastors will never solicit for favors, money or gift cards in this way. Please let us know if you are approached with this scam.



THE CATHOLIC TELEGRAPH ONLINE

For the latest in Catholic news and events on the local, national, and global levels, be sure to visit <https://www.thecatholictelegraph.com/>.

Pregnancy Center West is excited to announce the long-awaited return of their **Spring Luncheon** on Saturday, **March 12th** - featuring door prizes, raffles, split-the-pot, and more! To register for the event or for more information, please visit pc-west.org, call 513.244.5700, or email richard@pc-west.org. We thank you for your continued support as we work to help local women choose life!

St. Clare Fish Fry is back!

Volunteers Needed
Will you help us this year?



Check out **SignUpGenius** by going to the St. Clare website at www.saintclareparish.org, select Events/Fish Fry, and then click on the **SignUpGenius** button. Or you can call the parish office.

Questions: contact **Callie Hodapp** or **Carrie Clouse** at stclarefishfry@gmail.com.

High School students are encouraged to help and can receive service hours.

The first Fish Fry will continue each Friday until **Friday, April 8.**

There will NOT be a Fish Fry on Good Friday, April 15.

CALENDAR

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| Wednesday, March 9 | 9:00am | St. Vincent de Paul Outreach | Undercroft |
| | 7:00pm | Choir Rehearsal | Church |
| | 7:00pm | Education Commission Meeting | Conference Room |
| Thursday, March 10 | 10:00am | Bible Study — First Corinthians | Café |
| Friday, March 11 | 5:00pm | Fish Fry | Parish Center |
| Saturday, March 12 | 8:00am | Men's Group | St. Mary Room |
| | 9:00am | St. Vincent de Paul Outreach | Undercroft |
| | 9:00am | First Eucharist Preparation | Café |
| Sunday, March 13 | 9:35am | Encountering Jesus in the Gospel of John | Café |

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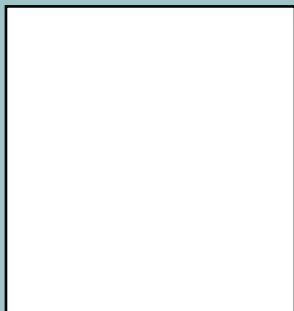
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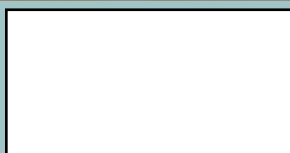
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