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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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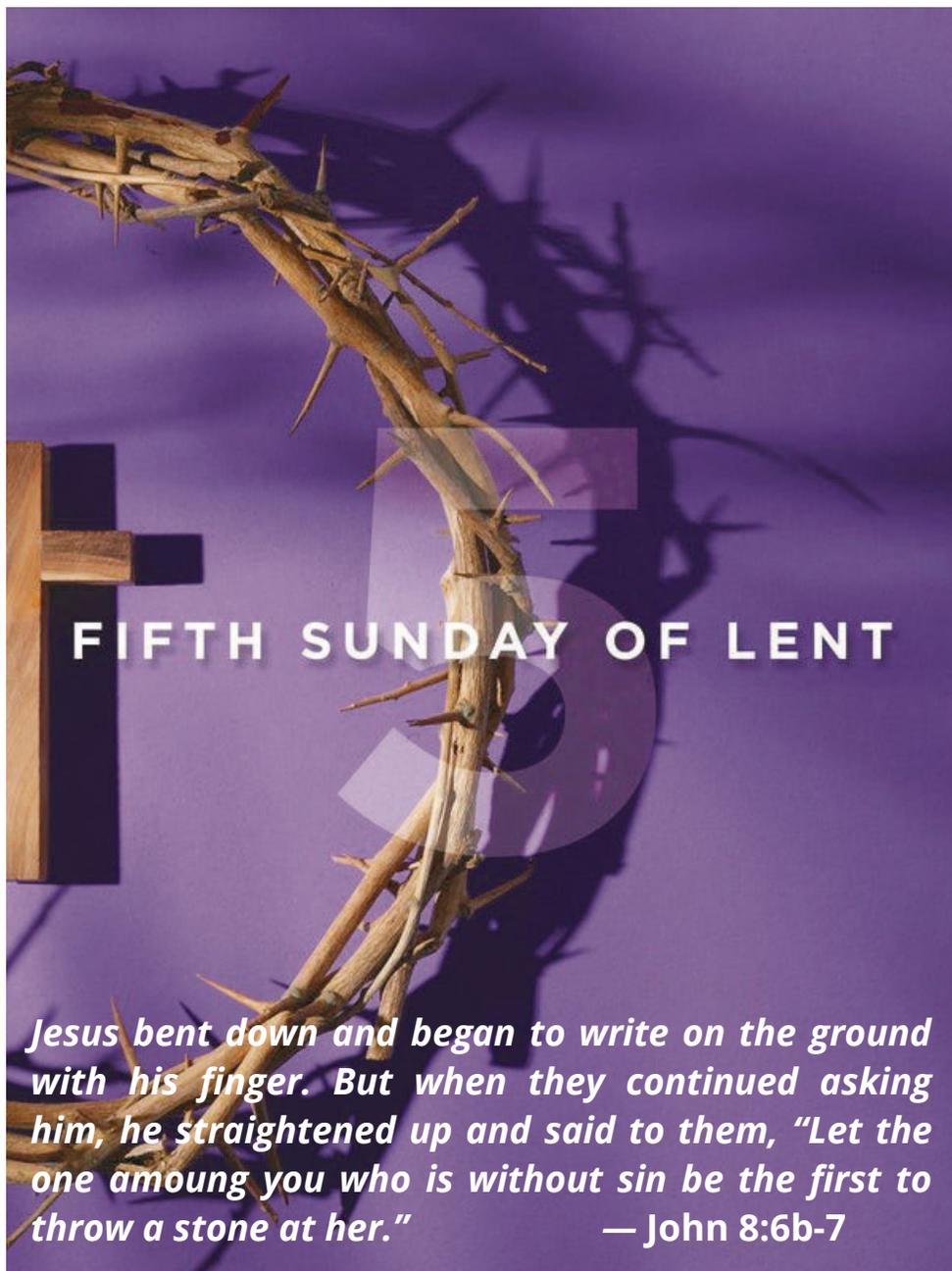
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."
— John 8:6b-7

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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

In today's second reading, St. Paul says, "For His sake I have forfeited everything; I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth."
Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?



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



**MON
4**

No Communion Service
Readings: 2 Corinthians 4:1-2, 5-7
Luke 6:43-45

**TUES
5**

8:30am **Gina Donovan**
Readings: 2 Timothy 4:1-5
Luke 12:35-40

**WED
6**

8:30am **Eileen Divietro**
Readings: Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
John 8:31-42

**THUR
7**

8:30am **Jeanne Groom**
Readings: 2 Timothy 1:13-14; 2:1-3
Matthew 18:1-5

**FRI
8**

8:30am **Volk Family**
Readings: Jeremiah 20:10-13
John 10:31-42

**SAT
9**

8:30am **Mary Paul**
Readings: Ezekiel 37:21-28
John 11:45-56

**SAT
9**

Palm Sunday
Luke 19:28-40
Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Luke 22:14--23:56

Saturday 5:00pm **Fr. George
George McMahon,
1st Anniversary**

**SUN
10**

Sunday 8:30am **Fr. Bob
Mary Ann Mason**
Sunday 10:30am **Fr. George
Virginia Winkler**



Parish Council at St. Clare

The Purpose of the Council is to represent the people of the parish community in the process of making evaluations and recommendations that will help the pastor and the pastoral staff to make decisions and take action to improve the quality of parish services and parish life. The Council shares with the pastor the responsibility for the quality of parish life. As Beacons of Light unfolds, we will fill two positions on council with volunteers. If you are interested in being considered a candidate for Parish Council, please contact Fr. George or Kevin Redmond. Also, Fran Meyer will be stepping down as recording secretary after 17 years of service. If you might be interested in this position, contact Fr. George or Kevin Redmond.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Michael R. Gibboney.**



Join the Easter Egg Dyeing Fun!



Everyone, young and young-at-heart, is welcome! Palm Sunday, April 10, we will be dyeing Easter Eggs in the undercroft of the church after the 10:30 Mass. Just bring 2 or more dozen hard-boiled eggs and your creativity. Donate one dozen to Little Brothers, Friends of the Elderly and take the rest home. We will provide the supplies, including coffee, juice and sweet treats. Have all the fun with none of the mess to clean up at home.

Early Bulletin Deadline!

Due to Holy Week & Easter, please submit articles to the parish office for the **April 17 Easter** bulletin no later than **Thursday, April 7.**



FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

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Love Is What Brings Us Together

Jesus gives us two great commandments of love: "Love God with your whole heart, your whole soul, and your whole mind" and "Love your neighbor as yourself (Mark 12: 30-31)." The fifth category (column five) in our *Living Stewardship* matrix focuses on **Community**, the people who are neighbors that is, those living next door, in our part of the city and state, across the country and throughout the world. Do we love them as ourselves? Neighbors who work together as a loving, caring team are a powerful force that can transform our communities, whether local, national or global. Good stewards are intentional about being good neighbors!

What prayers, thoughts and actions will you do to build up this team of neighbors both near and far? Special consideration for almsgiving as a Lenten practice applies here. The Catholic Relief Services, for example, help people around the world; one action could be to use the Rice Bowl for your Lenten gifts. Use *Living Stewardship* to keep track of your Lenten resolutions and as a daily reminder of loving your neighbor.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE



Hunger impacts millions of women, men, and children around the world. Throughout Lent we have encountered communities in Guatemala, Bangladesh, and Rwanda that are overcoming this problem so their members can have brighter futures. How is your community working to address hunger or other injustices locally and globally?

Rice Bowls will be collected in a special basket during the Holy Thursday liturgy, or you may drop your offering in any collection after that. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

OUR BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS 2022

Recent studies by the Census Bureau have shown that expanded unemployment benefits, stimulus checks, increases in SNAP benefits and the expansion of the Child Tax Credit have all been used by families to purchase more food and more nutritious food. We must work to persuade our leaders to extend this assistance and, in some cases, make it permanently available - so that all Americans have the opportunity to receive help when they need it. Please pick up letters (in the back of Church), sign and return them on Holy Thursday or go to bread.org, then "Offering of Letters", then "write to congress" to send one electronically.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK FOR APRIL 3, 2022

First Reading

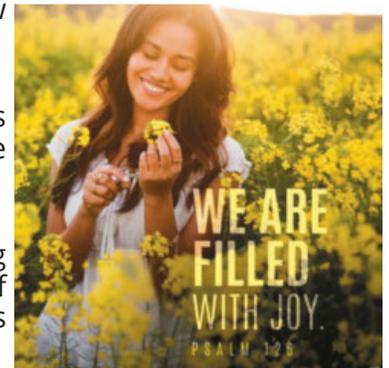
Active during Israel's captivity in Babylon around 550BC, the prophet Isaiah reminds the Israelites of God's saving acts in their history and offers hope for a new future beyond exile. How does your faith in the Lord offer you hope in times of distress?

Second Reading

Paul speaks to the Philippians of his firm belief that what matters most in his life is his intimate connection to Christ Jesus. How do you think anyone develops this depth of passion for Jesus?

Gospel Reading

The scribes and the Pharisees tested Jesus' fidelity to the Mosaic Law by using a woman caught in the act of adultery. In reply, Jesus exposed the hypocrisy of the religious leaders and showed mercy on the sinful woman. When has someone shown you mercy over judgment?



ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Clare Spiritual Book Club

Will meet on

Monday, April 4

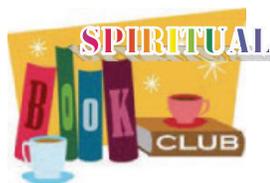
7:00-8:30pm

Church Conference Room

All are welcome to join the discussion of

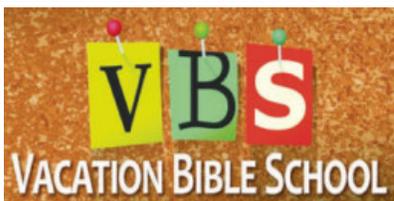
Women of Hope by Terry Polakovic

(even if you didn't finish it or if you have never attended a Spiritual Book Club discussion). Please use the Salvia Street entrance to the undercroft.



shelterhouse

Parishioners from St. Bart's and St. Vivian parishes usually go to the Shelterhouse on the second Wednesday of each month, however they will be going a week earlier this month on Wednesday, April 6, due to Holy Week & Easter. If you would like to join them, they meet in the St. Bart's parking lot by 7:30pm and return by 9:20pm. Call Barb Perry (513.931.2792) with questions. Thanks!



Will Vacation Bible School (VBS) return to St. Clare this summer?

It's up to YOU! VBS has been a fun, informative, and inspiring way to bring the Good News to our young children. We've not held VBS for a few years due to the pandemic, yes, but also due to our need for one or two caring adults to step into coordinating it upon the retirement of leadership in 2019. Traditionally, we have used Concordia VBS Starter Kits to provide the materials needed to organize the activities and volunteers. They have a few choices for themes and content of VBS. The kits help coordinators make a quick start in a new ministry.

Please contact Donna in the office (513.541.2100, dbooker@saintclareparish.org) to find out how YOU can make a difference to get VBS rolling again!



Women's Bible Study: It's Up to You!

Jump into spring/summer and refresh your spiritual life through bible study and discussion! Interested in being part of a small-group study with other women? The suggested structure would be five or six sessions over May/June/July for about an hour each session. Specific dates and time will be determined based on interest. Potential scripture studies to use are: *A Call to Justice with Amos/Hosea/Micah* (Joe Paprocki, Six Weeks with the Bible Series) **or** *Questions Jesus Asks* (Stephen Binz, Threshold Bible Study Series). If you want to participate, contact Donna in the parish office (513.541.2100 or dbooker@saintclareparish.org) with your name, email, and the day(s) of the week and time(s) you are willing and able to meet. Also let her know your preference between the two books or other suggestions you have. Those who respond will be contacted to finalize plans and dates. Please respond by April 15!

Blessings from Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio and Su Casa Hispanic Center serve vulnerable populations on behalf of and with the support of the Catholic community. We invite you to read our quarterly Blessings newsletter, which is available in the vestibule of church. The newsletter describes the ways in which the agency is serving, enlightening and empowering our clients, volunteers, and the entire community.

If you would like to receive the free newsletter at home, call Spring, 513.672.3736 or sign up at <https://www.ccswoh.org/category/our-impact/newsletters/>.

JPII NEWS



John Paul II Catholic School Honors & Awards (2nd trimester 2021-2022)

First Honors

Grace DeNiro
Denny Haley
Eleanor Heitz
Ella Herzog
Abigail Hodapp
Emily Hodapp
Luke Hoelzle
Sydney Hunley
Madelyn Macey
Camden Stephens

Second Honors

Phillip Barker
Luke Miller
Abigail Weigand

Totus Tuus Award

Julia Birdsong
Claire Boguszewski
Cason Jasper
Joseph Mack
Mason Staudt
Camden Stephens
Kellen Walsh

Effort Award

William Hipp
Leah Schmidt
Elliot Ungerbuehler
Sloan Walsh

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Thank you to the **155** households earning **\$535.11** for St. Clare from **11/01/21 to 1/31/22** through the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Remember that by registering and using your Kroger Plus card, you too can help raise money for St. Clare.

FISH FRY



Don't miss the Last Fish Fry!

Join us on
Friday, April 8
5:00pm — 7:30pm
Parish Center

To volunteer 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.

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

Welcome our New Members!

Dave Donovan chose St. Clare because several folks said it was a good place to worship. He has lived in the area since March 2021. Dave most frequently worships at St. Clare and typically one or two times during the week attends morning Mass. He was widowed in July 2021.

Kyle and Elizabeth Barrow chose St. Clare because they enrolled at JPII for the upcoming school year and wanted to join. Kyle and Betsy both grew up in the community and want their children, **Caroline** (1st grade), **Bodhi**, and **Boone**, to follow in the same path.

Patricia Lucas chose St. Clare because it is a very friendly church.

CARE FOR CREATION

"Care for Creation" Corner

"Care for Creation" can encompass so many things - from feeding the birds to writing companies asking for change. Incorporating it into your daily life can sometimes seem overwhelming. Where do you begin? In reflecting how we might help parishioners, St. Clare's Peace and Justice Committee decided to focus our tips on something simple and practical - recycling. Recycling promotes sustainable use of our natural resources. It also reduces the need for more landfills and incinerators. So...let's all recycle!



April tips - Recycling Cups

Basic: Rumpke is now able to accept disposable paper, plastic and aluminum cups in curbside recycling. Examples of acceptable cups include paper and plastic beverage cups from fast-food restaurants, plastic souvenir cups, and Ball brand aluminum cups. Plastic lids should be reattached to plastic cups. Plastic lids from paper cups should be removed. Cups should be clean, empty and loose.

Intermediate: Solo cups, plastic straws, and plastic lids from paper cups should NOT be put in the recycle bin. You may however save and take them to The Cincinnati Recycling and Reuse Hub, 911 Evans Street, on Thursdays from 12pm to 6pm and Saturdays 10am to 2pm for recycling.

Advanced: Stay away from styrofoam cups. Use reusable cups or coffee mugs whenever possible (especially when entertaining). Some restaurants are reinstating their reusable cup policies (ex: Starbucks). Check out your favorites to see their policies.

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

CALENDAR

Monday, April 4	7:00pm	Spiritual Book Club	Conference Room
Tuesday, April 5	7:00pm	Worship Commission Meeting	Conference Room
Wednesday, April 6	9:00am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach	Undercroft
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal	Church
Friday, April 8	5:00pm	Fish Fry	Parish Center
Saturday, April 9	8:00am	Men's Group	St. Mary Room
	9:00am	Art & Environment—decorate for Palm Sunday	Church
	9:00am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach	Undercroft
	9:00am	First Eucharist Preparation	Café
	10:30am	Stewardship Committee Meeting	St. Mary Room
Sunday, April 10	11:30am	Easter Egg Dyeing	Café

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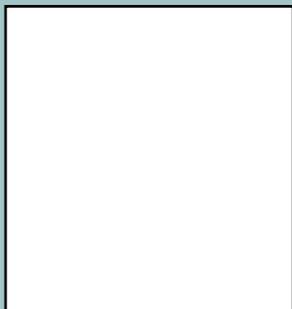
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