



The Church of St. Clare A Roman Catholic Community at Colonie

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: Church of Saint Clare is a Catholic community united in Jesus Christ, who is alive in our midst. We are a people on a Journey of faith, who pray and worship together. By the way we live, we inspire and motivate all people, to be what we say we believe.

CONTACT INFORMATION		Eucharistic Celebrations	
Parish Office	1947 Central Ave, Albany, NY 12205 518-456-3112	Saturday Vigil: 4PM; Sunday: 9:30AM; Wednesday: 8AM	
Office Hours	Monday-Friday 8:30-4PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15-3:45PM	
Faith Formation	518-456-3113	Baptism: The grace that flows from the Sacrament of Baptism gives us new life in Christ and initiates us into God's Church. Parents who are contemplating their child's baptism should contact the parish office. We look forward to journeying with you!	
Office Email	StClarePO@rcda.org	Marriage: If you are contemplating entering into the Sacrament of Marriage, please make arrangements through Deacon Dick <u>at least six months in advance</u> . We ask that you <i>do not make commitments for the reception</i> until you have met with Deacon Dick.	
Website	www.StClaresColonie.com	Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office to make arrangements. If you are hospitalized, please contact the hospital's Pastoral Care Office to receive this Sacrament.	
STAFF		Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic? Then RCIA process is just right for you! Please call the parish office to find out more!	
Deacon Richard Thiesen	Parish Life Director		
Father James Kane	Sacramental Minister		
Ann McCauley	Pastoral Associate for Administration		
Paula Rohl	Pastoral Associate for Parish Services		
Mary Nicholson	Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Coordinator		
Maria Ritz	Administrative Assistant, Faith Formation & Youth Ministry		
Dawn Morrison	Specialty Clerk		
Anthony Leva	Director for Music Ministry		

From Deacon Dick:

All the Apostles Except Thomas (except us?)

Adapted from A. T. Robertson

If Jesus was indeed risen from the dead, then all was not lost: in truth, all was won. There would still be a future, a glorious future, for Christianity. It was important that the apostles not disband. They must meet at once with those disciples that could be reached and confer on the next step. They could not stay behind locked doors out of fear, but taking a chance was risky.

As they talked of Jesus, all at once he stood in their midst. He had risen from the dead! But were they now convinced? A strange reaction set in, for they were now terrified and supposed they saw a ghost. The entire appearance as recorded by Luke and John opposes the idea that it was only the spirit of Jesus that they saw. He showed them his hands and side and expressly alleged that he was not mere spirit, but that he even had "*flesh and bones*." (Lk 24:39) They are to announce to others the "Peace/Shalom" that Jesus had offered to them!

Can they prove that Jesus is alive, that Christianity is alive also and destined to conquer the world? They (and we) have at least one qualification for doing so; they believe it themselves.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." (Lk 20:31)

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 23, 2022 4PM

John Helldorfer, Req. the Ralbovsky Family

James Booth, Req. Carolyn Hoffman

George & Betty Quickenton, Req. Julia Quickenton & Family

Sunday, April 24, 2022 9:30AM

William Rowland (22nd Anv.), Req. Matt Spain

Helen Mirabile, Req. Julie & Lou Miller

Robert S. Flood (31st Anv.) Req. His Loving Family

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 8AM

Pro Populo

Saturday, April 30, 2022 4PM

Rose & Ted Kowski, Req. The Corlew Family

Virgina Wood (34th Anv.), Req. the Family

Joseph & Mary Brown, Req. the Bruno Family

Sunday, May 1, 2022 9:30AM

Mary Ellen Rowland (Bday), Req. Matt Spain

Dolores Allen, Req. Her Sister, Carolyn

Robert Coffey, Req. The Church of Saint Clare Staff

**The 2022 Mass Intentions book has many Masses available.
Please call the office at 518-456-3112 or
stop in to have a Mass offered for your family & loved ones.**

Altar Linen Ministry
April 25—Judy Eads
May 2—Sherrill Redmond



PASTORAL CARE

If you know of someone who is homebound, in the hospital, or in a nursing home, please contact the Parish Office at 518-456-3112. We will arrange to have a pastoral care minister visit and bring them Holy Communion. Or if you have an extra hour in the week and would like to volunteer as a pastoral care minister, please let us know. We are always looking for volunteers to help spread the love of Christ in our community. Thank you!



Saint Clare's is lucky to have an active **Prayer Chain Ministry** with many members who pray for specific intentions for our parishioners. If you have a request, please call the Parish Office 518-456-3112 or email stclarepo@rcda.org and our prayer warriors will get to work! If you'd like to be a Prayer Chain Minister, please contact the Parish Office!

The Offertory Collection

	April 9 & 10, 2022	Easter 4/16 & 4/17/22
(151) Envelopes	\$ 6,389.00	(143) Env. \$ 6,855.19
(17) On-Line Bill Pay	\$ 1,235.00	(1) On-Line\$ 20.00
Loose Cash/Checks	\$ 625.55	Loose \$ 1,352.00
Total Collection	\$ 8,249.55	\$ 8,227.19

~ \$2,012.22 for Rice Bowl Collection 2022 ~

Adult , Family, Youth Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Question of the Week

- + How has my faith in Jesus helped me when I don't understand and doubt what I can't see?
- + What are some of the ways I feel the peace that Christ gives in my Life?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—RCIA



Have you or someone you know ever thought about becoming Catholic? If so please contact Mary at 456-3113 ext. 117 or stclareffym@nycap.rr.com to learn more about the RCIA process and how it can change your life!!

Adult Confirmation—If you are an Adult who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and would like to receive this Grace filled Sacrament, please contact Mary at 518-456-3113 ext. 117 or stclareffym@nycap.rr.com to learn more about preparing to receive the Sacrament in the Fall.



Our formal Faith Formation sessions have ended for the season. We never stop learning and growing in our faith and relationship with Jesus. Continue to share your thoughts on our Sunday readings as a family each week. We look forward to seeing you at Mass.



It takes the Whole community to pass on our Faith to our young people! We are looking for folks to become involved with **Children's Liturgy of the Word**. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry please contact Mary at 518-456-3113 ext. 117 or email at stclareffym@nycap.rr.com

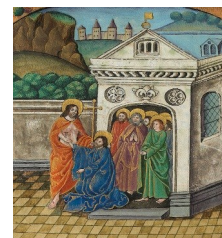


Looking for wholesome, faith based, interactive videos for your children to watch? Check out Children's Liturgy of the Word with Heidi Wittle. To watch the Children's Liturgy of the Word

1. Go to YouTube
2. Search Heidi Wittle – Children's Liturgy of the Word
3. This weekend you would click on - 4/24/2022 Children's Liturgy of the Word / 2nd Sunday of Easter

Take the time this week to reflect on the Gospel of John 20: 19-31

1. Read the Scripture slowly. What phrase or word sticks out to you?
2. Meditate on the Scripture. How does this speak to your life?
3. Pray with this Scripture. What do I want to say to God about the scripture?
4. Contemplate the Scripture. Be silent in God's presence and feel God's peace.
5. Live this scripture. How are you being called to live this scripture's message?



Second Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy Sunday

Readings for the week of, April 24, 2022

Sunday—Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Monday—Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday

Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday—Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter

Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday—Memorial of Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr

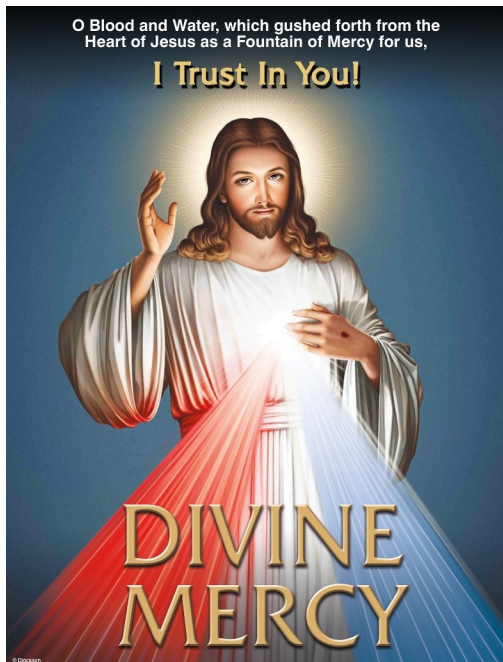
Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday—Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday—Memorial of Saint Pius V, Pope, Religious

Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21



Whether you are interested in joining this parish, becoming a Catholic, or a visitor we WELCOME YOU and invite you to contact the parish office at 518-456-3112 to register so we may begin to know you. All active parishioners are urged to update their information with the parish office and stay connected with “MyParishApp” ... It’s FREE...



myParish



New!! Ministry Scheduler Pro



We are pleased to announce we’ll be using a new online scheduling system that allows ministers (parish volunteers) to specify the times that do and do not work well for you to

serve, check your schedule from anywhere and easily find a substitute when you can't make it. The system will also provide reminders of when ministers are scheduled to serve!

We'll be providing more information about how to use this new system.

- Those ministers with email address will receive an email with instructions on how to access the system to: request substitutes, add availability, update contact info, etc.
- Those ministers without email can call the Parish Office & request substitutes &/or provide availability

New programs/systems can be puzzling —please reach out to Paula, in the Parish Office, with questions!



3-4 Gardeners are needed to tend the St. Clare Garden, the Bell Tower Garden and other areas around the Church. If you have a green thumb and are interested, please call the Parish Office!

Vacation Bible School

VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL IS COMING
TO
CHRIST OUR
LIGHT!!

SAVE THE DATE!

July 25 - July 29

Look for more
information in future
bulletins!



Children's Worship Bulletin

Available in the back of the Church.
Two editions: Preschool (3+) and Elementary (7+)



Synod Listening Session

~ NEW DATE ~
Monday, May 2, 2022
6:30 PM—8:30 PM