

June 26, 2022

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Parish Office	1947 Central Ave, Albany, NY 12205 518-456-3112
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STAFF

Deacon Richard Thiesen	Parish Life Director
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Mary Nicholson	Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Coordinator
Maria Ritz	Administrative Assistant, Faith Formation & Youth Ministry
Dawn Morrison	Specialty Clerk
Anthony Leva	Director for Music Ministry

Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday Vigil: 4PM; Sunday: 9:30AM; Wednesday: 8AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: *Saturday 3:15-3:45PM*

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!

Marriage: If you are contemplating entering into the Sacrament of Marriage, please make arrangements through Deacon Dick at least six months in advance. We ask that you *do not make commitments for the reception* until you have met with Deacon Dick.

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.

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!

From Ann McCauley:

Jesus, the Gospel reminds us, was "taken up," and He gave us His Spirit to live by, to guide us in our journey in His kingdom. As this week's Second Reading tells us, the call of Jesus shatters the yoke of every servitude and calls us to serve one another through love. *"For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself."* His call sets our hands to a new plow, a new task—to be His messengers, sent ahead to prepare all peoples to meet Him and enter into His Kingdom.

Elijah called down fire to consume those who wouldn't accept God. But we have a different Spirit with us. To live by Jesus' Spirit is to face opposition and rejection, as the Apostles do in this week's Gospel. It is to feel like an exile, with no lasting city, no place in this world to lay our head or call home.

The umbrella truth above this whole topic of discipleship is that being a Christian and a disciple of Jesus gives us a whole new identity. We are no longer simply a biological unit on this earth, but a child of the God of the whole universe. We now live knowing that "our citizenship is in heaven."

Philip Scharper, editor of Orbis Books, describes the Christian life as pilgrims, but even more accurately as nomads: "A popular church metaphor is that of the people of God on pilgrimage. But a more apt metaphor should be that of the people of God as nomads. Pilgrims know where their journey is headed ... Nomads are called to go by uncertain paths to a place that shall be made holy at some indefinite time by something God shall say or do. And there is no guide, no guide except a pillar of fire by night and a wind-driven cloud by day — sounds and symbols of the Holy Spirit."

Little did the disciples know that day that they would soon become nomads on this earth, travelling all over, with no fixed home, living in often frightening and hostile circumstances, as followers of their Lord. But they — and we — are also pilgrims, because pilgrims do have a final destination, namely in eternity with God.

Whether we think of ourselves as strangers, nomads, or pilgrims on this earth, it is because we follow Jesus, and that often takes us into new ways of living!

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 25, 2022 4PM

Joseph C. Schillaci & Philip M. Varanese, Req. by
Ann Schillaci & Family
Ethel Beninati, Req. by Jim Beninati
Thomas Hobbs, Req. by the Family
Charles A. Francis, Req. by Peter & Leona Beigel

Sunday, June 26, 2022 9:30AM

Peter Frisoni, Sr., Req. by the Ritz Family
Eileen Littrell, Req. by Arthur & Patricia Ritz
Mary Mennillo, Req. by Anthony Leva
Fr. Michael Schmitt, Req. by Tom & Adele Hutton

Wednesday, June 29 8AM

Trudy VanDen Heuvel, Req. by O'Callaghan Family

Saturday, July 2, 2022 4PM

Earl, Germaine & Karen Hotaling, Req. by the Corlew Family
Angelo Tangora, Req. by Helen Hayes

Sunday, July 3, 2022 9:30AM

Thomas Mauceri, Req. by the Church of Saint Clare Staff

Request Mass intentions by stopping into the Parish Office or calling 518-456-3112.

Altar Linen Ministry
June 27—Julie Miller
July 5—Judy Eads

Funeral Ministry of the Church of Saint Clare

The Church of Saint Clare Funeral Ministry is looking for Ministers to assist with this beautiful and pastoral ministry. It is a privilege that families choose our parish for this special celebration of life for their loved one.



We particularly need ministers to meet with the families for funeral planning, greeters, altar servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist, and sacristans. Once trained, ministers are contacted to see if they are available for a funeral at a particular date and time.

If you are interested in becoming a Funeral Minister, please contact Paula Rohl in the office at 518-456-3112 or by email at stclarepo@rcda.org.

We look forward to your assistance with this ministry. Thank you!

The Offertory Collection



The June 18-19 collection will be posted in the July 2-3 bulletin.

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

- + What is one thing that makes it hard for me to follow Jesus? How do I deal with it?
- + What have I left behind to be a disciple of Jesus?



We are still looking for people to help us 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



Registration for Faith Formation

If you have a young person going into Kindergarten or First Grade in the Fall, who have never attended Faith Formation at St. Clare's or you are new to the parish and have children you would like to enroll in our program, Please call the Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Office at 518-456- 3113 or email stclareffym@nycap.rr.com to receive a registration form.



It takes the Whole community to pass on our faith traditions! We ask you to consider if God is calling you to use your gifts as a Catechist! For more information please contact Mary at 456-3113 ext117 or email 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 - 6/26/2022 Children's Liturgy of the Word / 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Take the time this week to reflect on the Gospel of Luke 9:51-62

- 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?**



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults— RCIA

Would you like to learn about the RCIA process and what is needed to accompany those on the journey to become a Catholic? If you are interested in learning more about becoming part of an RCIA Team please contact Mary at: 518-456-3113 ext. 117



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings For the Week of June 26, 2022

Sunday Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;
Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

Monday Memorial of Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr

Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday Memorial of the First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 9:1-8

Friday Memorial of Saint Junipero Serra, Priest

Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday

Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18;
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or Lk 10:1-9

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...



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Please check out the newly revised and updated Church of Saint Clare website at:
<https://www.stclarescolonie.com/>

If you have suggestions or comments please send an email to Ann McCauley at ann.mccauley@rcda.org. We value your input!

Diocesan Appeal: As of June 21, 2022

Assessment:	\$ 95,271.00
Gifts/Pledges to Date:	\$ 53,357.00 (Donors to Date ~ 166)
Yet to Raise:	\$ 41,914.00 (Achieved ~ 56%)

Thank you for your generosity. Your gifts are greatly appreciated!!
To give to the Diocesan Appeal go to: <https://thediocesanappeal.org/donate/>



Media Ministry Help Needed!

Regularly we hear from parishioners who appreciate being able to view St. Clare's 4pm Mass from home via YouTube.

We are seeking 4-5 volunteers to join the "Media Ministry" to record & upload the Mass to YouTube. These volunteers do not need to be media experts! We will provide the equipment (iPad & laptop) & training. All age groups welcome!

Please prayerfully consider this unique way to share the Gospel and contact the Parish Office at 518-456-3112 or by email at stclarepo@rcda.org. Thank you!



Farewell to Anthony Leva!

Please join us after both Masses this weekend for a light reception for Anthony Leva, Director of Music!

May God continue to richly bless Anthony as his journey continues!

Good luck Anthony!

Vacation Bible School

Saint Clare's &
Christ Our Light are
hosting VBS at
Christ Our Light

July 25 - 29th,
from 9am-Noon

For children entering
K-6th grade in the Fall

Registration is open!

Please join us!



Bottle Redemption Fundraiser

Hosting a Fathers' Day Celebration? Consider donating your redemption to **Colonie Beverage** which holds an account for the Parish. To donate your bottles & cans, please drop them in the back of Colonie Beverage store at 1823 Central Ave and ask for the funds to be applied to St. Clare's account. Your support is appreciated!