

Announced Masses

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>May 20</u>
8:00	People of the Parish
10:30	Benjamin & Mabel Hodges
12:30	Rose Rizzi
<u>Monday</u>	<u>May 21</u>
8:30	Max & Max Jr. Salomon
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>May 22</u>
8:30	In Thanksgiving
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>May 23</u>
8:30	Special Intention
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>May 24</u>
8:30	St. Clare
<u>Friday</u>	<u>May 25</u>
8:30	Nicholas D' Ambrosio
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>May 26</u>
8:30	Joseph Hagan
5P	Robert Foglietta
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>May 27</u>
8:00	Jean Leconte
10:30	People of the Parish
12:30	Didier & Yvelise Pean

THIS WEEK

- Sunday, May 20
- 8:45 A Rel Education
- 9A to 2P Flea Market
- 2P Baptisms
- 4P AA Mtg Ax
- Monday, May 21
- 7:30P Choir
- 7:30P Family Life Com Mtg RB
- 7:45P Adult Confirmation Class RE
- Tuesday, May 22
- 6:30P Finance Mtg GR
- Wednesday, May 23
- 9A Bible Study
- 7:30P Adult Leaders GR
- 8P Prayer Group RB
- Friday, May 25
- 6:30P Parish Youth A
- 7P Girl Scouts Ax
- Saturday, May 26
- 7P NA Mtg Ax

WHITE WELCOME ENVELOPES are available in the church today for those who are new worshippers at Saint Clare's as well as for those who wish to re-acquaint themselves with our faith community. You may drop off your WELCOME envelope in the collection or at the Parish Office.

GODS' PLAN FOR GIVING

2011	2012
\$5163.00	\$6942.00

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Acts 1:15-17, Jn 17:11b-19
Monday	Acts 19:1-8, Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday	Acts 20:17-27, Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38, Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday	Acts 22:30; 23:-6-11, Jn 17:20-26
Friday	Acts 25:13b-21, Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	Gn 11:1-9, Jn 7:37-39
Next Sunday	Acts 2:1-11, Jn 20:19-23



ARMED SERVICES. With respect, admiration and thankfulness we pray for those who are currently serving around the world and those to be deployed in the near future in defense of our nation and world:

Keith McNeish, Jr. Ernest Parlin, Michael Ramos, Daniel Trimboli, Christina M. Vila, Katherine Vila, Will Von Dolln, Matthew McClain, Ricardo A. Wilson,

WEARING OF THE RED. As we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost next Sunday, everyone is encouraged to wear something red to church as a sign of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our hearts and souls.

THANK YOU. Sincere thanks to everyone for last weekend's special door collection to assist the Little Sisters of the Poor and their care for the aged and infirmed at Queen of Peace Residence in Queens Village. The collection totaled \$1868.00. Thank you for your overwhelming generosity. God bless you!

ADULT CONFIRMATION. Congratulations to the men and women who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 12:30PM Mass on Pentecost Sunday next weekend. We ask your prayers for Susanna Rose Durr, Jasmine Blackman, Jenna Marie Booth, Nadia Periana and Annemarie Russo as they complete their initiation into the Catholic Church.

THE ST. CLARE TREE OF LIFE located at the main entrance of the church offers a unique opportunity to memorialize a loved one or event in our lives. More details are outlined in the brochure located in the church vestibule.



Dear Parishioners,

Tis the season for graduation ceremonies and commencement speeches on campus lawns, in football stadiums and school auditoriums. Last weekend Cardinal Timothy Dolan gave the commencement speech at the The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC.

Cardinal Dolan spoke to the graduates about the "Law of the Gift." Using the words of Jesus: "Greater love than this no one has than to give one's life for one's friends" (Jn. 15:13), Cardinal Dolan gave examples of many people who abide by the Law of the Gift.

He spoke of the beautiful chant of Saint Francis: "It is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life." Cardinal Dolan recalled the words of Shabaz Bhattie, a Catholic who served as federal minister for religious minorities in Pakistan: "I know Jesus Christ, who sacrificed His life for others. I understand well the meaning of the Cross. I am ready to give up my life for my people.

Blessed John Paul II described the "Law of the Gift" in these words: "For we are at our best, we are most freely alive and human, when we give away freely and sacrificially our very selves in love for another."

Poignantly Cardinal Dolan told the graduates about Clara Almazo from Staten Island. On Holy Thursday night as she returned home from church with her grandson in tow a car barreled into her as they crossed the street. Clara was instantly killed after she had pushed her little grandson out of the way. Cardinal Dolan celebrated her funeral Mass on Easter Tuesday surrounded by her thirteen children and twenty-three grandchildren and he consoled the family by speaking of Clara's selfless act of heroic love.

Clara Almazo lived by the "Law of the Gift."

Cardinal Dolan concluded his speech in this way: "So, I praise God that I look out at graduates in admiration, affection and appreciation among whom are new Clare Almazos, children of beaming parents, alumni of a university where goodness, truth and beauty reign and where every student majors in the "Law of the Gift."

Certainly a lesson for life for everyone.

God bless you!

Father Mc Brine

PARISH YOUTH. The next Parish Youth (PY) gathering takes place this Friday, May 25th from 6:30PM to 8:30PM in the school auditorium. It will be the last gathering for the year and so teens, ages 13 to 17, are welcomed to come and share some dinner, review the past year and help prepare for this year's Pentecost celebration next Sunday, May 27th! Also, the last Youth Mass for this year will be next Sunday, May 27th at the 12:30PM Mass. Come and pray with the youth of our parish.



FAMILY BINGO EXTRAVAGANZA is a favorite parish activity when children and families enjoy together playing bingo and winning fabulous prizes. The Family Life Committee is happy to announce the 5th annual FAMILY BINGO EXTRAVAGANZA on Friday, June 8th at 7:30PM in the school auditorium. Open to all families and friends it will feature five games of bingo and the chance to win great prizes, beautiful gifts and toys and more toys! There will be a few surprises that will knock your socks off and a "Special Jackpot" where some bingo players will win grand prizes! Tickets are only \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children (16 years and under) and are now available at the Parish Office, School Office and Religious Education Office. Food and drink will be on sale, too. Come and enjoy a night of pure excitement and fun at Saint Clare's with FAMILY BINGO EXTRAVAGANZA on Friday, June 8th.

FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE will meet this Monday, May 21st at 7:30PM in the rectory basement. All members and any other parishioners are welcomed to plan family activities in the parish including FAMILY BINGO EXTRAVAGANZA scheduled for Friday, June 8th.

2012 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL has begun with mailings to every registered parishioner at Saint Clare's and throughout the diocese. Once again we look forward to a successful pledge drive at Saint Clare's hoping to surpass our assigned goal for nine years in a row! This year's goal (\$41,596) remains the same as last year. With participation of every parishioner we are guaranteed success!

ST CLARE NOVENA is prayed every Saturday morning in the church following the 8:30AM Mass. All parishioners of Saint Clare's are invited to pray the Novena each week seeking our patron saint's intercession.

BULLETIN ADVERTISERS. We are grateful to those merchants and businesses that support our weekly bulletin by placing an ad. We ask all parishioners to patronize these merchants and anyone is welcome to take an advertisement by calling the bulletin company at (631) 249-4994.

ST. CLARE APPAREL. St. Clare Golf Shirts and tote bags are available in the Parish Office and make for a surprise Easter gift! The golf shirt is navy blue with durable material easy to wash. The shirt is \$10.00 and comes in S-M-L-XL-XXL-XXXL. The shirts contain the St. Clare emblem, "Firm Foundations From Before. . . Faith-Filled For the Future." Also, St. Clare tote bags are \$3.00 each and are great for travel to the beach, library and so much more. Support the parish by wearing proudly St. Clare's name!

PARISH/SCHOOL WEBSITES. Visit stclareqns.com and see an abundance of information about our parish including its history, a biography of St. Clare, the weekly bulletin, a virtual tour of the church and much more. There are many links featuring the Diocese of Brooklyn and the Vatican. Visit stclarerosedale.com and find out important information about our parish school including school registration, tuition and exciting upcoming school events.

ADULT LEADERS will meet with Father Alonzo in the rectory this Wednesday, May 23rd at 7:30PM to complete a third year of Parish Youth. All members are asked to attend.

ST. CLARE SCHOOL REGISTRATION. Parents who are interested in enrolling their children into Saint Clare's School in September 2012 are welcomed to come to the school this Tuesday morning, May 22nd from 9AM to 11AM and receive an information packet describing the academic, spiritual, social and other programs offered. Saint Clare School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and follows the NYS and diocesan curriculum. The school has a morning and after school program for working parents, drama, orchestra, full time nurse, guidance counselor, physical education, liturgies, prayer and much more! Please feel free to contact the school for more information at (718)528-7174 or check out the school website, stclarerosedale.com which contains many other details about Saint Clare's School.

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER. The Family Life Committee is sponsoring its fourth bus trip to Lancaster, PA and the Sight & Sound's newest production called "Jonah." The story of Jonah and the whale will be captured with fine acting, music and special effects. The trip will be on Saturday, October 13th departing at 7:30AM in front of the church and returning at approximately 9:45PM. Tickets are \$136.00 per adult, \$104.00 (ages 13-18) and \$84.00 (ages 3-12.) Prices include deluxe bus transportation, spectacular show, delicious lunch and much more. Don't miss out on this wonderful experience with family, friends and other parishioners. Please note that seats are limited so don't delay! Fill out the form below and include full or partial payment no later than Monday, June 4th.

NAME	PHONE
Please reserve the following tickets for Sight & Sound's "Jonah" on Saturday, October 13th.	
_____ Adults	@\$136.00
_____ Children (ages 13-18)	@ \$104.00
_____ Children (ages 3-12)	@ \$ 84.00
TOTAL:	\$ _____
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$ _____
BALANCE (if any)	\$ _____

Please return to the Parish Office in an envelope marked "Jonah" no later than Monday, June 4th.

Continue the Journey to the Promised Land where all God's people will be one.

SUNDAY SCHOOL will not be in session next Sunday, May 27th due to the Memorial Day holiday. The last session for this year will be on Sunday, June 3rd.

SHRINES OF FRANCE. Father McBrien has been graciously invited to join St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church on its 12 day pilgrimage to the Shrines of France. Saint Nicholas of Tolentine Church features a 12 day pilgrimage to the Shrines of France including Lourdes, La Salette, Ars, Chartes, Lisieux, Paris and more! Tuesday, August 14th to Saturday, August 25th. Cost: \$2999.00 per person (plus \$585.00 airline tax.) Single Room Supplement: \$699.00. Brochures are available in the church and for more information please call Adrian Teylan at (718)793-7384 or (917) 379-4821. Mention you are a parishioner of Saint Clare's.

AUTO DONATIONS. The St. Vincent DePaul Society will take any car, truck or van, running or not, and donate \$50 to \$100 per vehicle to Saint Clare's! Any old or neglected vehicle sitting in your driveway or family member, friend or neighbor can be disposed of by calling (718) 491-2525. Free towing, any condition, IRS tax deduction.



ETHNIC MASSES take place at Saint Pius each month. A Spanish Mass will be offered today at 5PM in the church. All are welcomed. A Haitian Mass is celebrated on the Second Sunday of each month at 5:00PM

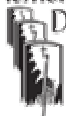
MASS BOOK. The opportunity to pray in a special way for the repose of the souls of a loved one or other prayerful intention is made available each day with announced Mass offerings. You may choose to commemorate a death anniversary, wedding anniversary or birthday remembrance. Masses are presently available in 2012 from July to December. Also, the 2013 Mass Book is available at this time. Each offerings \$15.00. Please come to the Parish Office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones.

ST. CLARE PRAYER GROUP meets every Wednesday night at 8PM in the rectory basement. Consisting of intercessory prayer, the Rosary and praise to God, all are welcomed to avail themselves of the loving presence of the Lord with others.



SUMMER CAMP As parents begin inquiring what to do for the children over the long days of summer we invite them to consider summer camp at Saint Clare's. Sponsored by Positive Direction Basketball League the camp will run from June 25th to August 24th and there is a **SPECIAL SIGN UP** until April 27th of \$125.00 per week, paid in full for total number of weeks attending. Information flyers are in the church today and for registration and other details call (718)640-3128.

Memorial Day ROSEDALE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE takes place next Monday, May 28th and commemorates our war veterans who died in service to our country. The parade will begin at Capital One Bank (243 St. & Mayda Rd.) at 10:15AM and proceed to the Veteran's Square (Sunrise Hwy. & Francis Lewis Blvd.) Show your support for our veterans by viewing the parade and display your American flags at home.



FREE SUMMER VACATION for children ages six to fifteen. Catholic Charities along with the Fresh Air Fund has applications for children to spend a week at sleep away camp or with host families-all for free! For more information and an application please call Jennifer Smith at (347)472-5043.

SAINT PIUS YOUTH GROUP is sponsoring a **RAFFLE** in support of Saint Jude Children's Hospital. First Prize: iPad 3, second prize; a bike and third prize: Kindle Fire. Tickets are \$2.00 each and are available at our Parish Office as well as at Saint Pius Rectory. The drawing will take place on Saturday, June 2nd. Everyone is invited to support this worthy cause.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION registration for children attending Sunday School in September 2012 is taking place at this time. BLUE registration packets containing fees and other details are available in the church today. Please note the "Early Bird" registration fee. After June 30th, fees increase \$10.00. Also, the Religious Education Office will be open solely for Sunday School registration on Sunday, June 10th after all the Sunday Masses. It is the responsibility of all Catholic parents to enroll their children in the religious education program whether it is Saint Clare School or Sunday School. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Lorena DeFilippis,

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*When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled
THEY were ALL in
ONE place TOGETHER.*

Acts 2:1



PENTECOST CULTURAL SUPPER
Sunday, May 27th
12:30PM Mass
Supper to Follow In the School Auditorium

**Please Drop Off Your Ethnic Dishes before the 12:30 Mass
In the School Auditorium**

SPONSORED BY THE ST. CLARE PRAYER GROUP

**The St. Clare Prayer Group Meets Wednesday at 8PM in the Rectory
Basement Conference Room**