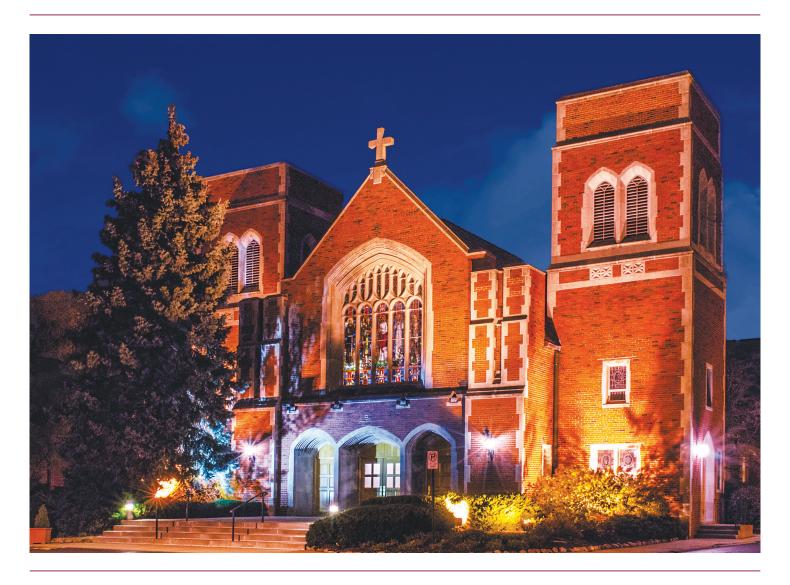
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 Noon Tuesday and Wednesday Only: 8:30 a.m. Holy Day Vigil: 4:30 p.m. Holy Day: 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Wednesday Noon-1:00 p.m. during Adoration, or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE and CHAPEL HOURS

Monday and Tuesday: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome! Please register in person or online at https://saintclare.net/parish-registration.

SAINT CLARE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Clare Parish is a Roman Catholic community that cherishes its faith tradition, celebrates the sacraments, and cultivates lives of Gospel service and stewardship



			Charles and Charles
Monday December 8 Gn 3:9-15, 20/ Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/ Lk 1:26-38	8:30	СК	ACULATE CONCEPTION People of the Parish For The Living and Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Cleveland
Tuesday December 9 Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14	8:30	CK	John & Madeline Kovacina
Wednesday December 10 Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30	8:30	KE	Academy Mass Ed & Mary Shaller and Alice Brandt
Thursday December 11 Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15			
Friday December 12 Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-38			
Saturday December 13 Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/ Mt 17:9a, 10-13	4:30	KE	Coffey & Kasunic Family
Sunday December 14	Third	Sund	day of Advent
Is 35:1-6a, 10 Jas 5:7-10/ Mt 11:2-11	8:00	SN	Ettore & Lucia laniro and Family
WIC 11.4-11	10:00	KE	Thomas J. O'Neill Bill & Kitty Elicker 60 th Wedding Anniversary
	12:00	KE	People of the Parish
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Baptism:

Sundays at 1:00 p.m. Parents are required to attend a preparation class if this is their first child being baptized. Please call the Business Office.

Communion for the Sick and Shut-Ins:

We are concerned that all who cannot get to Church be able to continue to receive the Eucharist. Contact the Business Office to schedule a Eucharistic Minister.

Anointing of the Sick:

A priest will gladly come to your home by request to Anoint the ill or aged. Anointing for hospital patients is provided by the hospital chaplain.

Sponsor Requirements: Direct requests for sponsor certificates to a priest. Individuals must

- Be registered and practicing members of Have received the Sacraments of the parish
- Be at least 16 years of age

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- Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation
- If married, be in a marriage accepted by the Catholic Church

Marriage:

Fax:

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Initial contact is to be made directly with a priest of Saint Clare.

Church of Saint Clare Telephone Directory: 440-449-4242

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Saint Clare Calendar week of December 7

Monday December 8 Immaculate Conception Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (CH)

Tuesday December 9

Cenacle 9:00 a.m. (CH)

Wednesday December 10

Adoration 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CH) SHJ Faith Sharing 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. (HR) Confessions 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CH) SHJ Faith Sharing 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (HR)

Thursday December 11 6:30 p.m. OCIA

Pray for Our Sick

Frank Casarona, Joseph Casarona, Theresa Coffey, Denise and Frank DeFlorio, Roger De Penti, Darlene Dula, Peter Faerber, Elizabeth Ferenczi, Bill Gilbert, Lillian Khas, Tony LaVerde, Lisa Lynch, Carmella Mastandrea, Terrence Meins, Diane Minor, Justin Montello, Bob Moravick, John Nicholl, Karyn Nowak, Rosemarie Paluckas, Alyssa Parino, Jodi Piscitello, Lauri Powaski, Lena Salvatore, Bob Sheridan, Dorothy Skiba, Regina Szabo, Gianna Valley



Pray for our bishops, priests and seminarians!

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PASTOR'S COLUMN

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." During Advent, we prepare for the Lord's arrival in a number of ways. We decorate our homes and churches, purchase gifts, bake cookies, etc. But most importantly, we are to prepare spiritually by decorating our lives with Advent prayers and liturgies and Advent virtues, like those symbolized by the Advent Wreath (hope, charity, joy, and peace).

On this second Sunday of Advent, we are presented with the most virtuous figure of St. John the Baptist. The Baptist exemplifies a number of Advent virtues with which we should seek to adorn our souls.

The Virtue of Self-Denial: St. John lived far from the luxuries of the world in the solitude of the desert, wearing one single, coarse, rough garment, eating locusts and honey. We do well to cultivate self-denial during Advent by fasting and practicing some form of mortification.

The Virtue of Obedience: St. John had the difficult task of preaching penance to the sensual and worldly-minded, but John promptly undertook the task because God commanded it. We do well to cultivate obedience by listening and following the promptings of the Holy Spirit in performing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

The Virtue of Courage: St. John did not hesitate to speak the truth boldly to Herod, the Pharisees and Sadducees, although he knew that they would hate him for it. Christian courage is the willingness to say and do the right thing regardless of the earthly cost. It takes courage to prepare room for Christ, to give more room to Christ than we have given in the past. A daily examination and a courageous Advent Confession can help us grow in this vital virtue.

The Virtue of Humility: "He must increase; I must decrease." John's mission was to point others to Christ and to get out of the way; he wanted nothing else but to glorify Christ and to labor for God. Consider how you are called to decrease in order to point others to Jesus.

"All of us can attain to Christian virtue and holiness, no matter in what condition of life we live and no matter what our life work may be (St Francis de Sales)." Let us prepare to welcome the Lord this Christmas with more virtuous hearts by imitating the saints in the concrete details of our lives, for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

Fr. Kevin Estabrook

Parish Support Capital Improvement Contributions

Fiscal Year Beginning 07/01/2025
Year-to-Date through 10/31/2025 \$14,273.33
Goal for the Year \$90,000.00

Parish Support

FOR THE WEEK OF November 23,2025
WEEKLY OFFERTORY GOAL \$16,000.00
WEEKLY AVERAGE (21 Weeks) \$13,002.43

Weekly Envelope Offering \$ 7,568.00
Online Weekly Offering \$ 4,997.00
Fee Offset Donation - Weekly \$ 64.75
Children's Offering \$ 6.50
Loose Checks \$ 2,095.00
Loose Cash \$ 926.00
Total Weekly Offering \$ 15,657.25
Capital Improvement \$ 2,600.00
Online Capital Improvement \$ 200.00
Saint Clare Community Outreach \$ 567.42

Thank you for your consistent giving!

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Saint Clare Calendar Lottery

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Νον	30 B	ob Rondini	\$	50
Dec	1 C	eleste Kane	\$	25
Dec	2 N	Nargaret Traczyk	\$	25
Dec	3 C	Colene Rus	\$	25
Dec	4 P	aul & Suzie Gifford	\$	25
Dec	5 B	arb Goetz	\$	25
	Congr	ratulations to all of our Winne	rs!	



Hello, Parishioners!

This past month, we published the annual financial statements in the bulletin. In addition, members of our Finance Council spoke at Mass about Saint Clare's financial status.

It was noted that fundraising is an important and necessary activity to help Saint Clare meet its budget and volunteers are very much appreciated and needed to achieve success.

The three major fundraising events that make up the majority of Saint Clare's total fund-raising efforts for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 are as follows:

Calendar Lottery \$ 5,000Fish Fry** \$23,841

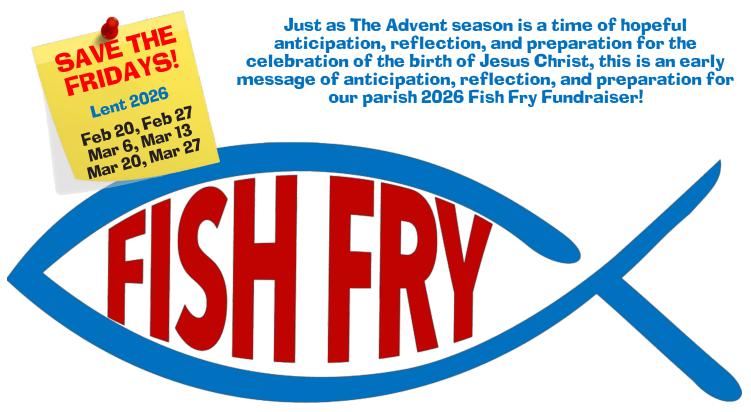
• Casino & Nights Out \$15,500

** revised to account for reserve balance not originally included.

We are fast approaching the 2026 Fish Fry Event and encourage you to consider volunteering. Without your help, it is very challenging. WITH YOUR HELP, we can make our second fry a resounding success!

Thank you for your past efforts and we hope and pray for your continued support!

God Bless you and those you love!



Easter comes early in 2026 so the Fish Fry Team is already working to make 2026's Fish Fry Better, Faster and to reduce volunteer workloads.

Whether you volunteered last year or not, please consider helping out in 2026 as a volunteer or as a team leader. Stay tuned for more information!



Once again Saint Clare will dedicate our Feast of The Epiphany, January 4, 2026 10am Mass to our generous Donors and Sponsors. The parish will be mailing our donors and sponsors with our Thanks for their help and requesting they attend this special Mass in their honor. When you see or talk to a donor or sponsor, please acknowledge their kindness because your personal touch goes a long way in keeping Saint Clare in their hearts!



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- Claim the scholarship tax credit on your 2024 Ohio income tax return

 A tax receipt will be provided that documents your Angel Scholarship Fund contribution. This receipt is then submitted with the Ohio 1040 tax form.



DONATE BY APRIL 15, 2025 TO CLAIM A 2024 STATE TAX CREDIT

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The 40th Annual Calendar CASH Raffle is Here!

By now, most parishioners have received a postcard about our new *DIGITAL Calendar Raffle!*

Buy your calendar raffle tickets online or pick up tickets in the business office or church.

Saint Clare Calendar Raffle

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