

Church of Saint Clare

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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: See the bulletin
Holy Day: See the bulletin

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



Pray the Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet
Daily at 7:50 a.m.
Come Join Us!

MASS intentions

Monday August 24

Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday August 25

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/
Mt 23:23-26

8:30 CK Paul Tamburro

Wednesday August 26

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/
Mt 23:27-32

8:30 CK Gail Panzero

Thursday August 27

1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51

Friday August 28

1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday August 29

1 Cor 1:26-31/Mk 6:17-29

4:30 KE William & Pauline
Fioritto

Sunday August 30

Jer 20:7-9/
Rom 12:1-2/
Mt 16:21-27

8:00 SN Doris DeLuca
10:00 CK People of the Parish
12:00 KE Salvador "Sam"
Tamburello

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 the parish
- Be at least 16 years of age
- Have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation
- If married, be in a marriage accepted by the Catholic Church

Marriage:

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

Saint Clare Calendar week of August 23, 2026

Tuesday August 25

Cenacle 9:00 a.m. (CH)

Wednesday August 26

Adoration 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (CH)

Confession 12:00 -1:00 p.m. (CH)

Pray for Our Sick

Frank Casarona, Joseph Casarona,
Joe Cistone, Theresa Coffey,
Denise and Frank DeFlorio, Roger De Penti,
Darlene Dula, Peter Faerber,
Elizabeth Ferenczi, Bill Gilbert, Lillian Khas,
Lisa Lynch, Robert Majer,
Carmella Mastandrea, Elizabeth Meins,
Diane Minor, Justin Montello, Bob Moravick,
John Nicholl, Karyn Nowak,
Rosemarie Paluckas, Josette Paratore,
Alyssa Parino, Tom Pece, Jodi Piscitello,
Lauri Powaski, Lena Salvatore, Bob Sheridan,
Dorothy Skiba, Theresa Vodka

To add or remove a name, call the parish office.

Have you wondered about becoming Catholic?

Have you been baptized but have not received Holy Communion or Confirmation in the Catholic Church?

Are you thinking you should?

If so, please email Fr. Estabrook at
fr.kevin.estabrook@gmail.com or

Lori Mascia at

lmascia.stclare@att.net or

chat with Lori,

440-449-4242 Ext. 119.

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

Rectory

Fr. Kevin Estabrook 105
Fr. Curtis Kondik 107
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Business Office

Lisa Gros, Business Administrator 113
Pam Hasan, Parish Secretary 101
Gayle Jameson, Admin Assistant 115
Mark DeSilvio, Bulletin Editor 100

Fax: 440-646-9648

Office of Faith Formation

Lori Mascia, Pastoral Associate, Director
of Catechetics & Faith Formation 119

Parish Ministries

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Academy

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Regina Mathews, Secretary 118
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PASTOR'S COLUMN

On the Memorial of St. Monica this week on August 27, the church reads the story of the widow of Nain who weeps for her dead son (Luke 7:11-17).

The grief of a parent who loses a child is unlike any other kind of sorrow. There is shock and disbelief, fatigue and even physical ache. Even if the death is expected through illness, the reality of loss is devastating. A parent feels as if their identity is shattered—are they really a parent if their child is gone? Even when the loss is beyond their control, there is a sense of failure.

The Lord drew near to the grief-stricken mother in the Gospel, and as members of the Church, we are to do the same. We have a special obligation to the grief-stricken—those who have lost their children or spouses or family physically. Our bereavement ministry is one type of outreach, but we do well to pray often for the grief-stricken.

The passage from the Gospel of Luke is read on the Memorial of St. Monica, who wept for her son, Augustine, as he engaged in a life of mortal sin.

Augustine was not unlike many modern Catholic young people. After moving out of their Catholic home, they stop going to church, they engage in licentiousness, they adopt behaviors and ideas that are totally inconsistent with the life of Christ. Monica wept for her son, who had a child out of wedlock and became involved in strange cults. I know many parents who are filled with similar grief.

St. Ambrose, who was instrumental in Augustine's conversion, wrote how the whole Church weeps for the fallen away. He wrote, "Let the Mother of the Church weep for you, she who intercedes for all as a widowed mother for only sons, for she suffers with the spiritual grief...when she perceives her children urged on to death by mortal sins".

For that is why Monica wept: she dreaded that her son would die in mortal sin and be separated from the Lord of Life in eternity. But Monica did not just weep or dread. **As a woman of faith, she prayed and entrusted her Son to the Lord day after day.** She brought the intention of Augustine's conversion to the altar as she attended Mass.

Years later, in his spiritual autobiography, Augustine writes about how his mother was instrumental in his conversion: "Lord, while she constantly wept over me in your sight as a over a dead man, it was over one who though dead could still be raised to life again; she offered me to you upon the bier of her medication, begging you to say to this widow's son, 'Young man, arise, I tell you,' that he might live again and begin to speak, so that you could restore him to his mother."

St. Monica trusted that Augustine, though apparently dead, could be raised. St. Monica is a model of patience, persistence, prayer, faith and trust. May she assist all those who grieve, and pray for all those for whom we grieve, for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

Fr. Kevin Estabrook

Read Father Estabrook's Sunday and weekday homilies:
<https://fatherkevinestabrook.blogspot.com>

Also <https://saintclare.net/blog> below his audio link

Parish Support	
Capital Improvement Contributions	
Fiscal Year Beginning 07/01/2026	
Year-to-Date through 7/31/2026	\$ 4,511.73
Goal for the Year	\$ 90,000.00
Parish Support	
FOR THE WEEK OF August 9, 2026	
WEEKLY OFFERTORY GOAL	\$ 16,000.00
WEEKLY AVERAGE (6 Weeks)	\$ 14,055.37
Weekly Envelope Offering	\$ 3,623.00
Online Weekly Offering	\$ 5,835.00
Fee Offset Donation - Weekly	\$ 85.25
Children's Offering	\$ 0.00
Loose Checks	\$ 4,245.00
Loose Cash	\$ 1,333.00
Total Weekly Offering	\$ 15,121.25
Capital Improvement	\$ 1,030.00
Online Capital Improvement	\$ 95.00
Saint Clare Community Outreach	\$ 92.00

Thank you for your consistent giving!

Saint Clare Calendar Raffle

August	15	Patricia Kandrach
August	16	Jim Turcoliveri
August	17	Edward Weber
August	18	Cathy Orange
August	19	Ginny Rondini
August	20	Jan Smerglia
August	21	Mary Ann Sobonya

Congratulations to all of our Winners!



**The January-June 2027
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OCIA

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The Church prepares adults for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist through a process called the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) which involves the study of the basics of the Catholic faith, prayer and fellowship and preparation for the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation.

PERHAPS you have been thinking about becoming a Catholic for some time but never got around to doing anything about it...

PERHAPS you are married to a Catholic, but have not yet made a religious commitment of your own...

PERHAPS you were baptized Catholic, but never received Holy Communion and Confirmation.

PERHAPS you were raised in a non-Catholic Christian community and want to learn more about the Catholic tradition...

OCIA for St. Clare Parish and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish meets weekly on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Our first meeting is on Thursday, September 10, 2026 in the St. Clare Harvest Room (5659 Mayfield Rd. Lyndhurst, OH 44124)

**To sign-up for OCIA or for more information please call
Fr. Estabrook at (440) 449-4242 x105 or email
fr.kevin.estabrook@gmail.com**



NOW is the time to register your child for 2026-2027 Faith Formation

Especially **first graders in public school** who need to start faith formation and religious education.

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Grades 7 & 8 Confirmation Prep

Tuesday evenings, 7:15-8:30pm starting September 22 at St. Clare

Registration and payment online at:

<https://www.osvhub.com/st-clare-church/forms/faithform-registration-26>

or scan the QR code



To volunteer or for more info, contact

Lori Mascia, St. Clare Pastoral Associate / Director of Faith Formation and Catechetics

lmascia.stclare@att.net 440-449-4242, ext. 119

All volunteers are background checked and VIRTUS trained in child abuse prevention.



“The family is the fundamental cell of society, where we learn to live with others despite our differences and to belong to one another; it is also the place where parents pass on the faith to their children.”

***Evangelii Gaudium* (Joy of the Gospel) #66. Pope Francis.**

Faith Formation for Adults with Special Needs—Saint Clare True Believers

The Church of Saint Clare is proud to offer faith formation for adults (18 & older) with disabilities.

Do you know an adult who would like an opportunity to develop their religious faith?

Please encourage them to sign up so that they can begin to participate more fully in our Church community.

We look forward to celebrating the richness of the gifts that persons with disabilities have to offer. Saint Clare Adult Special Education runs Wednesday evenings from 7-8pm.

Contact Barb Heisler at 440-221-7808 or jbheisler@gmail.com or Lori Mascia at lmascia.stclare@att.net



Eucharistic Procession

The Legion of Mary in the Diocese of Cleveland invites you to a traditional Eucharistic Procession on Saturday, September 5, 2026 at 11am at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Cleveland.

The event begins with Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Kyle Rosser, a Eucharistic procession through the streets of downtown Cleveland which will capture the feeling of what it would have been like to follow Jesus as His disciples did during His earthly life while praying a Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and returning to the Cathedral for the recitation of the Rosary, Benediction, and closing prayers.

All are welcome to attend. Worship Aids are provided.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Nov. 7: Show Up or Get Left at the Gate!



Saturday, November 7
Doors Open at 5:00pm
Event Begins at 6:00pm



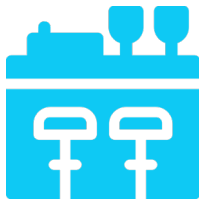
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