ST. CLARE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2026 | 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME TO ALL!

Whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, are returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we're happy to have you here.

St. Clare is a Catholic community guided by the Holy Spirit to proclaim Christ's love in worship, service and life-long learning.

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday | 5:00pm, Vigil
Sunday | 8:30am, 10:45am

For livestream weekend Mass, visit
www.saintclarechurch.org

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday | 8:30am
Wednesday | 8:30am
Thursday | 8:30am, School Mass
Friday | 8:30am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:30am, 12:00 noon, 7:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 4-4:30pm or
by appointment, contact Fr. Don

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monthly on the 1st Saturday from 2-4pm
Benediction at 3:45pm



CONTACT INFORMATION

CHURCH

8535 SW 19th Ave
Portland, OR 97219
(503) 244-1037
office@saintclarechurch.org
www.saintclarechurch.org

SCHOOL

1807 SW Freeman St
Portland, OR 97219
(503) 244-7600
info@stclarepdx.org
www.stclarepdx.org

PRESCHOOL

1812 SW Spring Garden St
Portland, OR 97219
(503) 244-5458
www.stclarepreschool.org

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEEKLY INSPIRATION



The Christian life is a life of waiting, for the Bridegroom is long delayed. We can grow too comfortable in the waiting that we forget what it's all for. So let us look to our lamps and always remember — the waiting will not last forever.@LPi

PARISH STAFF

Pastor
Fr. Don Gutmann
(503) 244-1037 x101
frdon@saintclarechurch.org

Deacon
Dcn. Bill McNamara
(503) 244-1037 x108
dcnbill@saintclarechurch.org

Pastoral Associate
Kim Zea
(503) 244-1037 x104
kim@saintclarechurch.org

Children's Faith Formation
Debbie Henkelman
(503) 244-1037 x103
debbie@saintclarechurch.org

Business Manager
Crystal Gwyn
(503) 244-1037 x102
Crystal@saintclarechurch.org

Faith Formation Assistant
Jodie Tatafu
(503) 244-1037 x105
jodie@saintclarechurch.org

Administrative Assistant
Maria Clemente
(503) 244-1037 x100
Maria@saintclarechurch.org

School Principal
Chris Harris
(503) 244-7600
charris@stclarepdx.org

School Office Manager
Donna Parker MacNeur
(503) 244-7600
dmacneur@stclarepdx.org

Preschool Director
Nancy Melzer
(503) 244-5458
nancy@stclarepreschool.org

Preschool Office Manager
Jeanne Raffety
(503) 244-5458
jeanne@stclarepreschool.org

FR. DON'S MUSINGS

This week we honor our veterans on Wednesday. My dad is a World War II vet, many of you are veterans of Korea, Vietnam and other wars. I pray that one day there will be no more wars. War is hell, many of you know that far more than I do. I did not serve in the military but some of you have had to face the atrocity of war.

Last week I read a book entitled I was Chaplain on the USS Franklin by O'Callahan. It recounts a Catholic priest's experience of WWII as a chaplain on a carrier near Japan. The carrier suffered major damage from two bomb strikes. It recounts Fr. O'Callahan's heroic service as he cared for the wounded and dying aboard a crippled and burning ship with the constant threat of more attacks. 'Makes life in a parish church in SW Portland look very bucolic. The chaplain received the Medal of Honor for his amazing work.

The book details not only the actions of the priest/chaplain but the heroic actions of the sailors as well, many of them just teenagers or early 20s. When the need was great, "ordinary guys" became great men. It is an inspiring story.

This Veterans Day we honor our veterans. We pray for those who have died in service to our nation, we pray for those who have been emotionally, mentally or physically injured, and we pray for safety for those still serving. Ultimately we pray for an end to war, we pray that all people may live in peace with one another.

Let's keep praying for one another.

-Fr. Don



STAY UPDATED

Whether you are a current parishioner and need to update your information or newly arrived in the parish and not yet registered, please complete the form below and place in the offertory basket.

Name: Phone:

Email:

Address:

☐ New Parishioner
☐ New Address
☐ New Phone Number
☐ Moving (please remove from parish directory)
☐ Returning Catholic
☐ Please send Sunday Offertory envelopes

Week-at-a-Glance

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7		
9:00 am	Brothers in Spirit	Parish Office
9:00 am	Sisters in Spirit	Parish Office
9:30 am	K-5 Children's Choir Rehearsal	Church
11:00 am	Fr. Jim Toiletry Drive	Parish Office
2:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
4:00 pm	Confession (until 4:30)	Church
5:00 pm	Mass *+Patrick Bailey*	Church
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 | K of C Pancake Breakfast		
8:00 am	Fr. Jim Toiletry Drive	Parish Office
8:30 am	Family Mass	Church
10:45 am	Mass *+Michael J. Carney*	Church
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9		
8:30 am	Daily Mass *+ Kevin Gilroy*	Church
6:30 pm	Men's Spiritual Support	Parish Office
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10		
6:00 pm	Women of Faith Study	Parish Office
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11 | Veterans Day | Parish Office Closed		
8:30 am	Daily Mass *+ Jerry Mahon*	Church
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12		
8:30 am	Daily Mass *+ David J. Prissel*	Church
6:00 pm	Dinner Talk #1	Parish Hall
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13		
8:30 am	Daily Mass	Church
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14		
9:00 am	Brothers in Spirit	Parish Office
4:00 pm	Confession (until 4:30)	Church
4:00 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
5:00 pm	Youth Mass *+Susan Winskunas*	Church
6:00 pm	Youth Gathering	Parish Hall
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15		
8:30 am	Mass For the People	Church
10:45 am	Mass *+Cathy Martin*	Church

SACRAMENTS

More information available at
saintclarechurch.org/sacraments

BAPTISM

Please contact **Deacon Bill McNamara** for more information.

FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For Adults please contact **Kim Zea**.
For Teens and Children please contact **Debbie Henkelman**.

MARRIAGE

Please contact **Fr. Don** to learn more about the six-month preparation required for getting married at St. Clare Church.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

1st Reading

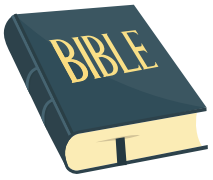
According to our Jewish sage, wisdom is a virtue that desires to be known by those who seek her. How does anyone know they have found wisdom?

2nd Reading

Paul offers hope in the bodily resurrection of the dead for the Thessalonians who are grieving the death of a loved one. How does your faith in Jesus sustain you in times of grief and distress?

Gospel Reading

In the Parable of the Ten Virgins, Jesus teaches his disciples the importance of planning ahead for the unknown. Do you consider yourself a pre-planner?



NEXT WEEK SCRIPTURE

NOV. 15, 2026 | 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- First Reading: Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31
- Psalms: Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5
- Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6
- Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30 or 25: 14-15, 19-21

*For daily readings, please visit **www.usccb.org**.*

ST. CLARE SCHOOL

Celebrating St. Clare School's Accreditation Success!

We are delighted to share that **St. Clare Catholic School fully meets and /or exceeds all 16 national standards** following its recent accreditation review by the Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA)

The visiting committee praised the school's strong Catholic identity, academic excellence, dedicated staff, and welcoming, faith-filled community.

Congratulations to our principal, teachers, staff, students, and families!

May God continue to bless our wonderful school community!

ADMINISTRATION

Catholic Charities Appeal

This Weekend - Nov. 7- 8

Support Catholic Charities and help provide hope and essential assistance to those in need in our community.

Please give generously!

OFFERTORY REPORT

MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTE!

	Actual Offertory	Average Offertory Goal	Amount Over (Under) Goal
W/E 11/01/26	$11,916	$13,458	($1,542)
Total November	$7,036		
Fisal Year 26/27*	$199,266	$242,242	**($42,976)**

**FY 25/26 Offertory Goal: $13,458 per week to fund the current programs, personnel and facilities of the church.*

Donating online is easy! Scan the QR code and follow the link.
Thank you for your support!

OUTREACH

ST. CLARE CONFERENCE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Food Pantry Needs

- Hot Cereal & Oatmeal
- Tomato Sauce & Pasta
- Hearty & Chunky Soup
- Paper Towels



Please check dates to ensure foods have not expired.

Fr. Jim's Holiday Art Show

Find a special gift and support a worthy cause!

Discover candles, angels, cards, calendars, scarves, painting, and more!

- **Friday, Nov. 13: 4 - 7 p.m.**
- **Saturday, Nov.14: 1 - 4 p.m.**
- **Sunday, Nov.15: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

1314 NV Irving Street, Apt. 512, 97209
Enter the code 0052 to access the building

Proceeds benefit the Homeless Project.

Help Fill Thanksgiving Food Boxes

Help Local Needy Families!
Food Donations can be dropped off
Nov. 1-20 nonperishable
Nov. 21-22 perishable



Nonperishable Food School can provide

- Fruit Cocktail
- Canned Corn
- Canned Green beans
- Cranberry Sauce
- Mashed Potato Packets
- Gravy Packets

School families bring to classroom
Preschool families bring to Office

Perishable Items Parish can provide

- Turkey Breasts
- Onions
- Baby Carrots
- Pumpkin Pie
- Dinner Rolls

Parishioners drop off at Parish Garage
Nov 21st 4:30pm, Nov 22nd 8:00am & 10:00am

If Your Family Would Like to Help Deliver Food Boxes Nov. 24 between 10:00 - 11:30am, email LeAnn to sign up. leannjohnspencer@gmail.com

SPIRITUALITY & FAITH FORMATION

For questions about Adult Spirituality or Faith Formation contact Kim Zea at kim@saintclarechurch.org

For questions about Youth Faith Formation contact Debbie Henkleman at debbie@saintclarechurch.org

Dinner Talk



Nov 12 - Lift your Heart

David Villegas, Guest Speaker

6:00 -7:30 p.m.

Parish Hall

This is the first in our series that combines theological substance, personal witness, humor, insight, and step-by-step sequences to help you grow in your relationship with Jesus.

Register here:

https://www.osvhub.com/saintclarechurch/forms/dinner-talks-nov2026

Share Your Time And Talents

ADVENT FESTIVAL - Sun. 12/6

Seeking helpers for set-up and to assist as we make Advent wreaths and do family crafts together.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - Dec. 12 & 13

We need help with set-up, serving, and clean-up

YOUTH GROUP - We Need You!

Do you want to help teens grow in faith and community? We need people to help plan, prepare, and lead our Youth Group gatherings.

We're officially on Instagram!
Follow us:
@stclarecatholicchurch

Sacrament of Confirmation

7th - 12th Grade

Parents and students are invited to an informational meeting

December 6
12 PM - 1 PM
in the Church

Classes will meet the 1st and 3rd Sundays, January - April

To register:

OR

Visit the Sacraments page on our website.

Not sure yet? That's okay! Come learn more and take your time to decide.

"Go therefore and make disciples"

A PASTORAL LETTER ON MISSION RENEWAL

of the Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
the Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample
to the Priests, Deacons and Faithful of the Archdiocese

PART I: GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES

Mission Renewal in the Heart

On the Solemnity of Corpus Christi 2026, with well over 1,000 members of the faithful present at the Mass, including priests, deacons and religious, I solemnly consecrated the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We did this in anticipation of the consecration of our nation to the Sacred Heart by all the bishops of the United States. I see this powerful moment in our local Church as an official and intentional beginning of what I have described as Mission Renewal in our Archdiocese.

From the Heart of Jesus flow mercy, love and compassion for the whole world, and in a special way for the people of Western Oregon. We find ourselves, I believe, in a unique and pivotal time in the history of our Church. One might call it a "watershed moment" for us all. The world and our local community in Western Oregon are at a turning point. Will society and culture continue on a path away from God and faith, or will there be a reawakening to the things that truly matter and endure? I believe it is the latter.

We are already seeing strong signs of people returning to spiritual things, to faith and to the Church founded by Jesus Christ. In the last few years, we have seen ever-increasing numbers of people coming into the Church. These numbers are actually quite stunning, especially given the fact that Oregon is considered a very secular and "unchurched" state, where we are barely 11% of the total population. This is a phenomenon that is being seen across the country but is happening on a comparatively large scale here in our own Archdiocese. What I find particularly encouraging is the number of young people coming to the Church.

Read the full letter here

Learn more on the Archbishop's podcast

This and That from Deacon Bill

THE BASILICAS OF ROME: A HERITAGE OF FAITH

This week I would like to explore the word "church," and mention some churches significant in terms of the overarching reach of Catholicism. The Catholic religion has twenty-four distinct autonomous houses of worship--called basilicas- that are in direct communion with the pope.

First, some overall statistics: The Latin Church, which we are part of, represents about 98% of all Catholics. There are also twenty-three Eastern Catholic Churches (Ukrainian, Byzantine, and Maronite). In total, there are 223,834 parishes, 122,777 mission stations, and thousands of pastoral and religious centers attached to the Catholic faith. The Catholic denomination's population has been estimated at 1.405 billion baptized members worldwide.

If we include all the additional Christian religions, we have about 2.3 billon Christians on the planet, about 31% of the world's population. By contrast, Islam has about 2 billion followers and Hinduism about 1.25 billion followers.

The aforementioned special churches I'm focusing on today are Major Catholic Basilicas. A house of worship is dedicated as a basilica after receiving a special title and privileges directly from the pope. The key characteristics of these basilicas are that each has a high altar where only the pope (or a designate that he explicitly approves) may celebrate Mass. Each also contains a holy door that remains sealed except during an official Jubilee year.

Basilicas are honored for their history, art, or importance as a center of worship. In addition to these specially-noted basilicas, there are 1,948 minor basilicas in the world. Most are in Europe. The United States is home to ninety-four, though none are in Washington or Oregon. Further statistical research reveals that there are approximately 19,405 Catholic parish churches and regular mission sites in the US which include around 17,483 parishes.

Turning our focus to four Major Catholic Basilica celebrations submitted for your reflection today: On 11/9 we celebrate the dedication of the Lateran Basilica. On 11/18 we celebrate the dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul. (Two distinct churches, as Saint Peter's is within Vatican City's walls while Saint Paul's is without.)



St. John Lateran Basilica



St. Mary Major Basilica



St. Peter's Basilica



St. Paul's Basilica

And one more special dedication that pertains to a basilica included on the Roman Calendar: The Basilica of St. Mary Major, celebrated on August 8th. All four basilicas are located in Rome.

Dedication of St. John Lateran: The anniversary of the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, erected by Emperor Constantine (272-337), has been celebrated on 11/19 since the 12th century. This feast was first observed only in Rome but later in the honor of the renown basilica--referred to as the mother church of Christendom--the celebration was extended to the entire Latin Church.

Dedication of the Churches of Peter and Paul (11/18) – Anniversaries of the dedication to the two apostles were combined and celebrated in the Vatican Basilica of St. Peter and the Basilica of St. Paul as early as the 12th century. The two basilicas were completed under Pope Sylvester and Siricius in the 4th century. More recently this commemoration was extended to the entire Latin Rite.

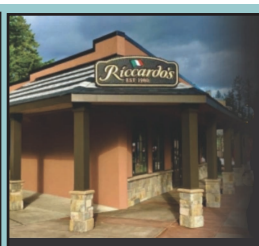
Dedication of St. Mary Major: After the council of Ephesus (431), in which the mother of Jesus was acclaimed as the Mother of God, Pope Sixtus III erected on the Esquiline Hill a basilica dedicated to honor the Virgin Mary. It was later called St. Mary Minor, and is the oldest church in the west dedicated to honor the Blessed Mother. Celebrated on 8/5

As Catholics, we are fortunate to have many different categories of churches in the world, and in our country. A basilica is special, a very special place to worship our loving and merciful God.

--Deacon Bill

Pacific car care
www.pacificcarcare.com
"Complete Automotive Service"
"Let Our Family Take Care of Your Family"
FamilyOwned
503-293-7200
8350 SW Barbur Blvd
Portland, OR 97219

ABORTION COUNSELING
Are you or someone you know considering or impacted by abortion?
For compassionate counseling contact:
Catholic Charities
800-249-8074


Riccardo's RISTORANTE
Discover the essence of Italy, Lake Oswego's premier dining destination for 44 years!
www.RiccardosLO.com
16035 SW Boones Ferry Road, Lake Oswego, OR 97035 | (503) 636-4104

HOESLY LAW
Our Mother-Daughter team specializes in
Wills • Trusts • Probate
FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE
Debbie Hoesly and Katie Hoesly
Attorneys at Law
503-722-4300

Never miss our bulletin!
Get this bulletin delivered straight to your inbox every week.
Scan to subscribe on parishesonline.com

TENDERLY HOSPICE
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
A small amount of time can mean the world
Our team strives to be humble in our service, passionate in caring and present for your comfort needs.
The Tenderly Difference
SUPPLIES & SERVICES
• MEDICATIONS
• INCONTINENCE SUPPLIES
• 24/7 NURSING CARE SUPPORT
• BEREAVEMENT & GRIEF SUPPORT
• ASSISTANCE WITH FUNERAL & ESTATE PLANNING
Interested in VOLUNTEER work?
Call us at +1 503-482-4600 or send us an email at office@tenderlyhospice.com
WWW.TENDERLYHOSPICE.COM
YOUR HOMEGROWN HOSPICE PROGRAM
We pride ourselves as a local, nurse-owned, and values-based hospice organization

catholicmatch® Oregon
CatholicMatch.com/OR

Providence Medicare Advantage Plans
Need help with Medicare?
I'm your local Providence Medicare Advantage expert.
Contact me to set up a personalized appointment.
Emmett Dooney
503-206-4080
medicare@ddibenefits.com
H9047_2023SLS15_C

MIDAS TIGARD
Brakes • Maintenance • Tires | And EVERYTHING else!
Tigard's one-stop shop for all your auto repair service needs!
Open 8-5 Mon-Sat
503-684-1318 • 13055 SW Pacific Hwy
Catholic Owned & Operated

GRAPEVINE VISION
For the eyes that read the bulletin, the missal, and all the fine print in between.
Thoughtful eye care, right here in the neighborhood.
Now accepting new patients
(503) 343-1603 | Barbur & Terwilliger

Advertise Here!
Contact Angela Owen
aowen@4LPi.com
(800) 950-9952 x4541


Shawn Downey
Financial Advisor
Bridgetown Legacy Advisors
A financial advisory practice of Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC.
503.300.1881
shawn.downey@ampf.com
amerpriseadvisors.com/shawn.downey
St. Clare Parishioner
Head Track & Field Coach
Head Cross Country Coach
Ameriprise Financial
Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC. Member FINRA and SIPC.

WarrenAllen LLP
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
Full Service Law Firm
Personal Injury & Accidents
Wills • Trusts • Estates
Business • Real Estate
Landlords' Rights
(503) 255-8795
contact@warrenallen.com
John J. O'Hara - Retired

BANNING'S
RESTAURANT & PIE HOUSE
Parishioners
Pre-Order your holiday Pies!
11477 SW Pacific HWY Tigard



METRO Car Care TIRE PROS
10040 SW Capitol Hwy.
Portland OR 97219
503-244-6404
MENTION this AD to get up to 10% OFF
up to $30.00 off any service or tires

COLDWELL BANKER | BAIN
MARIA BOULTON
Parishioner
REAL ESTATE BROKER
646.939.7522
maria.boulton@cbrealty.com
MariaBoulton.Sites.CBMoxi.com



When Grandma's PC is down
Patient, affordable, charitable
Tech Support and Troubleshooting
Let Ted Seeber Help You!
https://informationr.us
503-318-1508
Information R-Us
We find the secrets your data is hiding

RIVERVIEW ABBEY
Funeral Home • Mausoleum
Crematorium
Family Owned and Operated since 1916
24-hour service 503-244-7577
www.riverviewabbey.com
"Let our family help your family"
Affordable Services Include
Funeral, Cremation, and Interment Services all on one site
Multiple burial options
Serving outside cemeteries
On-site mausoleum • Crypts/Niches/Urns
Pre-arranged Funeral Plans
319 S. Taylors Ferry Rd • Portland

Support Our Advertisers!