

St. Clare Parish

Oct. 12, 2025

A Catholic Community guided by the Holy Spirit to proclaim Christ's love in worship, service and life-long learning

Church

8535 SW 19th Ave Portland, OR 97219 503.244.1037 Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9am - 12:30pm & 2 - 4pm office@saintclarechurch.org www.saintclarechurch.org Follow us on Facebook at St. Clare Catholic Church

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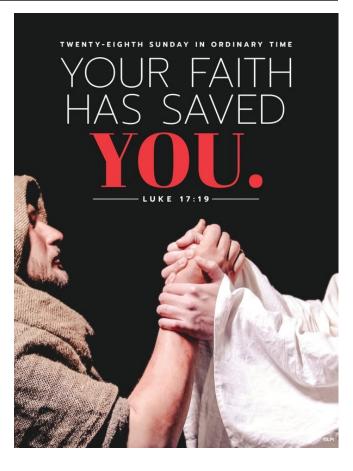
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Sacraments - Please visit <u>www.saintclarechurch.org</u> for more information on sacramental preparation.

Weekend & Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5pm

Sunday - 8:30am & 10:45am

Weekdays except Tuesdays - 8:30am Holy Days - 8:30am, 12pm & 7pm

Visit www.saintclarechurch.org to view

our livestream weekend Masses.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4pm - 4:30pm in the church or by appointment. Contact Fr. Don Gutmann.

Matrimony: Six month preparation required. Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

Baptism for Infants: Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation for Adults & Teens:
Contact Kim Zea: for Teens & Children: Contact Debbie Henkelman.

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Weekly Inspirations 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct. 12, 2025

If we have faith, we call out to God and we beg him for healing. But when our faith is rewarded, what then? Do we take our miracle and run? No, we must return to the source of our healing to say, "You have changed me, Lord. Now help me change others." ©LPi

Week-at-a- Glance

Saturday, Oct. 11

Sunday	Oct. 12	
6:00pm	Youth Group (ends 9:15pm)	Parish Hall
5:00pm	Youth Mass + Eric Zirkel	Church
4:00pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal	School Music Room
4:00pm	Confession (until 4:30pm)	Church
9:00am	K-5 Children's Choir Rehearsal	Church

Sunday, Oct. 12

8:30am	Family Mass	+Denny Codd	Church
10:45am	Mass		Church

Monday, Oct. 13

8:30am Daily Mass Church

Wednesday, Oct. 15

8:30am Daily Mass Church

Thursday, Oct. 16

8:30am Daily Mass + James Shand Church

Friday, Oct. 17

8:30am Daily Mass +Lisa Cook Church

Saturday, Oct. 18

9:30am	Sisters in the Spirit Gathering	Parish Office
4:00pm	Confession (until 4:30pm)	Church
5:00pm	Vigil Mass +Denise Sievers	Church

Sunday, Oct. 19

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8:30am	Mass +Stephen Loomis	Church
9:40am	Charitable Giving Presentation	School Music Room
10:45am	Mass	Church

Scripture Readings 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct. 19, 2025

Reading 1 - Ex 17:8-13
Psalms - PS 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Reading 2 - 2 Tim 3:14-4:2
Gospel - Lk 18:1-8

For daily readings, please visit www.usccb.org

Fr. Don's Musings . . . Fr. Don returned from the pilgrimage after the printing of this bulletin. His Musings will continue in the Sunday, Oct. 19 bulletin.

Charitable Giving Presentation

Sunday, Oct. 19 9:40am (following 8:30am Mass) School Music Room next to the Parish Hall

Grab a donut and join us for a special presentation on charitable giving. If you are planning to attend the 10:45am Mass, join us for this presentation first. Shawn Downey, parishioner, school parent, and financial advisor, will share insights on how to give charitably in tax-effective ways. Learn more about your giving options, available resources, and key strategies to consider in more detail. All are welcome! For questions before the event, contact Mary Schuld at mschuld@stclarepdx.org.



New this Year! Dinner Talks

Where is the Spirit Leading You?

Come to the Feast!

Strengthen your Faith and Build Fellowship.

Join us for a light dinner, listen to our guest speaker, and share your journey with others from our St. Clare Community on five Thursday evenings this year.

Dinner Talk #1 - Thursday, Oct. 23

5:30-7pm Parish Hall Topic: *Prayer - Spiritual Growth* by St. Clare Parishioner, Jerry Roussell, Jr., MDiv, DMin

Let us walk with St. Teresa of Avila,
Doctor of the Church, as she shares the deepening
interior journey throughout her life of prayer with God.
We join St. Teresa along with a few saints and mystics
who enlighten us about the Divine Transformation in
their lives. Let us listen together with these saints and
mystics entering more deeply into our call to
"being in God" - now and forever.

Interested in attending? Please register at https://www.osvhub.com/saintclarechurch/forms/dinner-talks-1

More details? Contact kim@saintclarechurch.org

"This and That" from Deacon Bill... The Rosary and Feast Days of Mary

Pope Leo has asked all Catholics to pray the Rosary during the month of October for peace in Ukraine and Palestine. It is not too late to start.

This past Tuesday, Oct. 7, we celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This was a commemorative feast established by Pope St. Pius V on the anniversary of the naval victory won by the Holy League. They were greatly outnumbered over the Ottoman Empire in the Gulf of Patras at Lepanto. Pope Pius V had asked the Christian faithful to pray the Rosary. It was through the power of the Rosary that the Blessed Mother interceded to God to win this battle to save all of Europe from an invasion.

We honor Mary, our Blessed Mother, with so many special feast days during the year.

January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day)

February 2 Presentation of the Lord

February 11 Lourdes and Bernadette Soubirous

February 20 Our Lady of Tears

March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord

May 12 Our Lady of Fatima

May 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 27 Our Mother of Perpetual Help
July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

August 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Mother

(Holy Day Dogma – 1950 by Pope Pius Xll)

August 22 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary September 15 Our Lady of Seven Sorrows

October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

November 21 The Presentation of Mary

December 8 Immaculate Conception of Mary

(Holy Day Dogma – 1854 by Pope Pius IX)

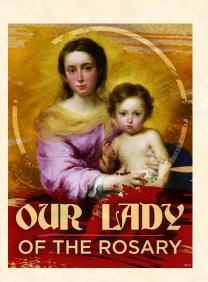
December 10 Our Lady of Loreto
December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

The three additional Holy Days of Obligation each year are Christmas (December 25), The Ascension of Jesus (40 days after Easter), and All Saints Day (November 1).

Please consider praying a Rosary every day for the rest of the month as Pope Leo has requested so that the war in Ukraine will be over and peace will finally reign in the Middle East.

Blessed Mother Mary, we pray for peace. Please hear our prayer.

~ Deacon Bill



World Mission Sunday (WMS)

2nd Collection ~ Oct. 18-19

MISSIONARIES OF HOPE AMONG THE PEOPLES

Next weekend, the Church invites us to rediscover our missionary vocation. Each year, the Pope chooses a theme for World Mission Sunday. For 2025, the theme is: "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples" calling all Catholics to be messengers of hope, just as missionaries bring Christ's love to people around the world.

Your generosity will support the Pope's missions in more than 1,124 territories where the Church is young or struggling. Your offering will provide hope where despair too often dominates - through the building of churches, formation of seminarians and religious sisters, healthcare clinics, and Catholic schools. Please consider responding with faith, love, and generosity.

For more information on World Mission Sunday, visit www.pontificalmissions.org/wms. Donation envelopes may be found at the church doors or give online at www.osvhub.com/saintclarechurch/giving/funds/. Thank you.

Fr. Jim Galluzzo's Toiletry Project

Only 6 weeks until packaging!

Small, personal hygiene items such as soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotions, dental supplies, hand sanitizer and Kleenex are needed. Please bring them to the baskets at church or front porch of the parish office. They will help us to fill hundreds of gift bags in mid-November for our neighbors in need. Your support of this annual outreach project is much appreciated! ~ Fr. Jim

Fundraiser for Diversity as Gift

Sunday, Oct. 19 2pm Calaroga Terrace 1400 NE 2nd Ave.

Come and play Bunco while raising funds for this special non-profit founded by Fr. Jim in 1985. It provides spiritual education, events, retreats, food, toiletries, counseling, school supplies, and books to many adults and children in need. Snacks and desserts will be served. Suggested donation \$25-\$50. RSVP to Fr. Jim at 503.241.1751.

In Remembrance



During November, the St. Clare Community will once again remember our loved ones who have passed away during the past year.

All families are invited to share the names of deceased immediate family members only to be displayed on banners in the church throughout the month.

The people whose funerals were held at St. Clare will also be included.

To participate in this remembrance, please contact laurie@saintclarechurch.org or the parish office, 503.244.1037, x100

NO LATER than Monday, Oct. 20

and provide the names of those who have died since **Oct. 31**, **2024** along with your name and phone number.

May this remembrance bring peace and healing to all.

It's Time for Altar Server Training!

For 4th Grade Students and Older

Parents, would your child like to become an Altar Server? Altar serving is wonderful way for children to advance in a spiritual life that is centered on the Eucharist and to grow in vocational awareness. Servers participate in the Sacred Liturgy with their own work that contributes to the Work of the Faithful and the Prayer of the Church and thus their service helps build up the Body of Christ. All 4th grade students and older who have received their First Communion are ready to train as an Altar Server. To schedule your training time, contact Rita Cobb at ritabatzcobb@gmail.com.

Attention Crafters!

Christmas Bazaar St. Clare Parish Hall

8535 SW 19th Ave.

Saturday, Dec. 6 4pm - 7pm Sunday, Dec 7 9am - 2pm

- Bakers
- Wood Carvers
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- Quilters
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or Scan the OR Code:

Ouestions?

Contact Debbie@saintclarechurch.org



Men of St. Clare, YOU are invited to our first ACTS Retreat!



St. Clare Men's Retreat

Thursday - Sunday, Nov. 13-16

Register NOW at www.saintclarechurch.org/acts-retreats

ACTS stands for **A**doration, **C**ommunity, **T**heology and **S**ervice. Join us to revitalize your faith life, and spend time with our Lord and your brothers in Christ. Come and experience three days of joy, prayer, authenticity, and brotherhood. We are expecting this retreat to fill-up quickly, so don't delay. Sign up TODAY!

When: Thursday evening, November 13 - Sunday, November 16.

Where: Fr. Bernard Center in Mt. Angel, Oregon

Depart: 5:00pm November 13 from St. Clare. Transportation will be provided. **Return**: Sunday, November 16 to St. Clare for 10:45am Mass and Luncheon.

Transportation back to St. Clare provided. Families are invited and encouraged to attend the Mass and Luncheon.

Relationships require commitment. For this reason, ACTS retreatants are required to attend from Thursday evening starting at St. Clare through the Sunday's closing Luncheon. Our team is committed to providing a weekend filled with joy, prayer and community.

Finances should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. If you are unable to pay all or part of the fee, financial arrangements can be made by contacting Kim Zea, Pastoral Associate, at 503-244-1037 ext. 104 or kim@saintclarechurch.org.

Cancellations: In order for us to give you a full refund, we will need a cancellation notice by October 16. If you need to cancel after October 16 and we are able to fill your spot with someone on our waitlist, then you will receive a refund. If your spot is left vacant, we will be unable to refund your payment.

Questions and Cancellation Notices: Contact Kim Zea at kim@saintclarechurch.org.

Non-St. Clare Parishioners

Non-St. Clare Parishioners may register for our ACTS retreats 2 weeks before the event. Please click on the Register for November Men's Retreat button on or after October 30. If there are available slots, we look forward to you joining us.

St. Clare Preschool

Wreath & Garland Sale Coming Soon!

Watch for an online order form in the Oct. 19 Sunday bulletin. Printed order forms will also be available in the school office beginning Thursday, Oct. 16 and at the church doors on Saturday, Oct. 18. Orders will be due to the school or parish office by Tuesday, Nov. 4.

St. Clare Kindergarten **Information Night 2025**

Wednesday, Nov. 12 6:30-8pm Kindergarten Classroom



St. Clare School will be hosting a Kindergarten Information Night for parents. The event will be geared toward new families looking to learn about our school and community, but all are welcome. to attend. If you have a child starting kindergarten in the next few years and are researching elementary school options, this is a wonderful event to attend! The Kindergarten Information Night will include a brief presentation and a panel featuring Chris Harris (Principal), Krystal Huynh (Kindergarten Teacher), and a few current parents. Prospective parents will have the opportunity to ask panelists questions and get a feel for the many academic, social, and spiritual opportunities we have available for our students. After the presentation, parents will be able to tour the building.

Kindergarten Info Night RSVP Link: https://forms.gle/jXaLbBk26CT7kFuo8

St. Clare School, located in the heart of SW Portland is known as the "small school with the BIG heart!" St. Clare School is a K-8, Catholic parish-school community rooted in Gospel values and is dedicated to the spiritual and educational development of the whole child. St. Clare School offers small class sizes, learning support, before/after school care, classes in Art, PE, Spanish, Music, Technology, Drama, Library, and more. Founded in 1914, St. Clare School has proudly served students for 110 years! Financial aid is available. We hope to see you on November 12!

St. Clare Preschool and I would like to thank you for your generous donations made to our Building Brighter Beginnings campaign. The staff and I were touched at the response of giving during our first ever second collection. As of today, your generosity has brought our campaign to a total of \$10,000.

Wow, what a response!

If you missed our plea and wish to make a contribution, please scan the QR code or click https://square.link/u/368BDjLl



Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We feel appreciated!

~ Nancy Melzer, Director, St. Clare Preschool

Prayer Opportunity

New Group Starting for the Seven Sisters Apostolate

Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop. We would like to start a group for Fr. Don and are inviting St. Clare women to commit to praying one hour each week, preferably in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please prayerfully consider joining this worthy cause. For more information, please visit sevensistersapostolate.org or contact Janice Romano at <u>iromanopdx@gmail.com</u> or Jennifer at SevenSistersPortland@gmail.com.

Many thanks to all who contribute!

Actual Offertory	Average Offertory Goal	Amount Over (Under) Goal	
\$12,214	\$12,472	(\$258)	
\$42,843	\$49,887	(\$7,043)	
\$150,254	\$174,603	(\$24,348)	
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*FY 25/26 Offertory Goal: \$12,472 per week to fund the current programs, personnel and facilities of the church.

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