

St. Clare Catholic Church

A Faith-Filled Community as Disciples of Christ

Our Mission:

We, the parishioners of St. Clare Catholic Church, are a joyful and welcoming Eucharistic Community, united by our faith in Jesus Christ. We are a people of many backgrounds who pray together and work together as disciples of Christ. We use our time, talent, and treasure in service to one another and all.

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December 22, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses:

Saturdays: Vigil 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 5:00pm

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday, 8:30am

First Wednesday: Mother of Perpetual Help, 6:30pm

First Sunday: Spanish Mass, 1:30pm

Confessions:

Tuesdays: 4:00pm

Saturdays: 9:15am

(or by appointment)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Fridays: 12:00pm-5:30pm

First Friday: 12:00pm-6:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

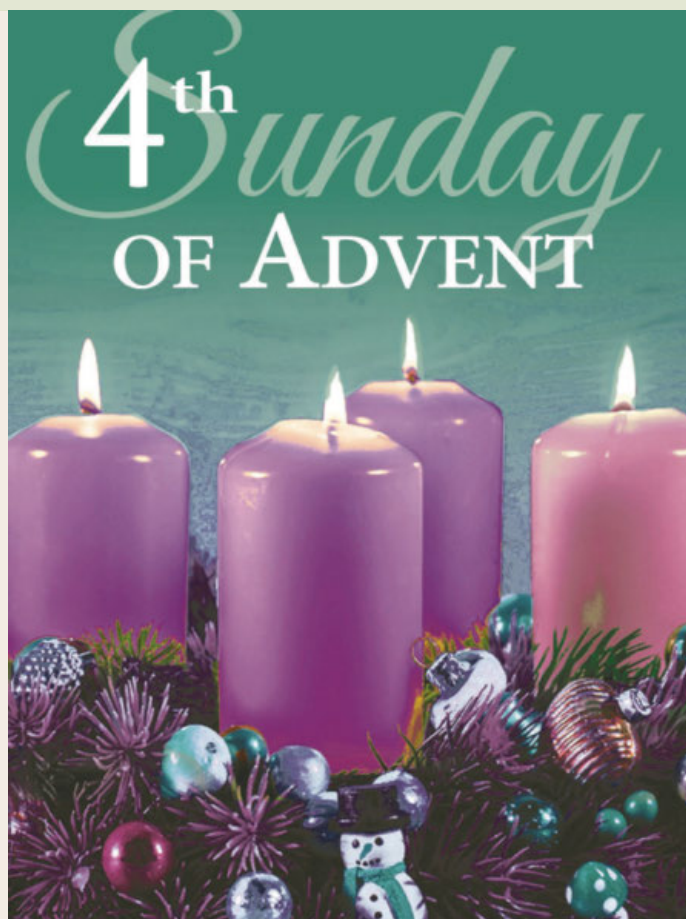
Monday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Tuesday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Wednesday: Closed

Thursday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Friday: 9:00am-4:00pm



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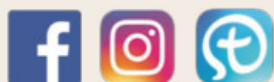
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

| | |
|------------|---|
| Monday: | Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66 |
| Tuesday: | <i>Morning:</i> 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/ Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79 |
| Wednesday: | <i>Vigil:</i> Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/ Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 <i>Night:</i> Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 <i>Dawn:</i> Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/ Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 <i>Day:</i> Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 |
| Thursday: | Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22 |
| Friday: | 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8 |
| Saturday: | 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/ Mt 2:13-18 |
| Sunday: | 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 (see 5a)/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52 |

Fourth Sunday of Advent

The fourth candle of Advent represents Love, the ultimate Love of God when He sent His only Son for us. Called the "Angel's Candle," the fourth candle of Advent is lit the Sunday before Christmas, and it is the color purple, leading us to eagerly await the new Kingdom of God on earth.



Divine Mercy Ministry The Hour of Mercy



Please join the Divine Mercy Ministry every Friday at 3:00pm, the Hour of Mercy, as we meditate on the Passion of Jesus Christ and pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy during Adoration. We will also pray the "Litany for Life."



Saturday, December 21

8:30am Uli & Reni Zoeller + Matea Lopez +
Thelma Bumatay +
5:00pm Rich Kelly +
Special Intention: Vince Marie Cuison,
Burns Family

Sunday, December 22

7:30am Jane Daffon +
Special Intention: Wilmarie Calignawan
9:30am Julieta Cuison + Edna Hazel Tidik +
Alfonso "Boy" Cruz, Jr. + Benicio Genelsa, Jr. +
11:30am Marie Qui Pham +
Angel Sanchez, Sr. & Arnold Gil +
Special Intention: Jim & Bernice Otsuka
5:00pm **Special Intention:** Emma Ruth Panlilio,
Bolton Family, Pinky Pelaez

Monday, December 23

8:30am **Special Intention:** Joshua Wheeler,
Vicente & Rosemarie Cuison,
Antonio, Sophia, & Eliana Yambot

Tuesday, December 24

ALL MASSES: PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Wednesday, December 25

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Thursday, December 26

8:30am Federico Maquiling + Nancy Ann Schrag +
Special Intention: Salinda Family,
Paul & Dianna Mendoza

Friday, December 27

8:30am Valentino Damiata + *1st Death Anniversary*
Chuck & Christopher Leming + Tim Riehl +

Saturday, December 28

8:30am Benjamin Coloma, Jr. + Brandon Szerlag +
Special Intention: Andrew & Jessica Davis &
Family

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

| Date | Meeting/Event Title | Start Time | Location |
|-------------|----------------------|------------|--|
| December 22 | MFC Chapter Assembly | 8:30 AM | Morris Center, St. Matthew Rm, and St. Mark Rm |

Advent-Christmas 2024 Schedule

Last Two Days of Simbáng Gabi (Christmas Novena Masses), December 22 and December 23

- 6:00 am – Church

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Masses

- 4:00 pm – Church and Morris Center
- 6:00 pm – Church
- 8:00 pm – Church
- 12:00 am (Midnight) - Church

Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day Masses

- 7:30 am – Church
- 9:30 am – Church
- 11:30 am – Church and Morris Center

Saturday, December 28 – Confessions

- 9:15 am - Church

Tuesday, December 31 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Vigil (Holy Day of Obligation)

- 5:00 pm - Church

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

- 8:30 am - Church
- 6:30 pm – Church

Weekend of January 4-5, 2025 - The Epiphany of the Lord

- All Regular Mass Times

Becoming Catholic
CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you ready to become Catholic? For those who are visiting, have been attending Mass for some time, and have wondered “How do I become Catholic?,” or “What is being Catholic all about?,” or you just have questions about our faith, please join us on any Wednesday evening in the St. Matthew Room at 7:30pm, except for December 25 and January 1, 2025. No RSVP is necessary - just come! We would love to assist you on your journey home to the Catholic Faith. For more information, call Deacon Ken Crawford at (916) 772-4763 or Rita Schillin at (916) 223-4073.

Prayer of Blessing for a Christmas Tree

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we illumine this tree.

May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts.

May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Church Open Hours

St. Clare Church is open for silent, individual prayer every day of the week at the following times (excluding Mass times):

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|------------------------|--|
| Monday-Thursday | 8:00am-5:00pm |
| Friday | 8:00am-5:30pm 12:00pm-5:30pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Saturday | 8:00am-6:00pm |
| Sunday | 7:00am-6:00pm |

Weekday Prayer

All are invited to join us in prayer in the church from Monday to Saturday:

- Liturgy of the Hours at 8:00am
- Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9:15am

Did you know...

The use of the Christmas tree is relatively modern. Its origins are found in the medieval mystery plays that depicted the tree of paradise and the Christmas light or candle that symbolized Christ, the Light of the world. According to custom, the Christmas tree is set up just before Christmas and may remain in place until the Solemnity of Epiphany. The lights of the tree are illuminated after the prayer of blessing.

MERRY Christmas

From your St. Clare Clergy and Staff!

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SACRAMENTS, CATECHESIS, & OTHER

Faith Formation Program K-5th Grade Children & Families

For any questions, please contact Laura Rios, Coordinator of K-5th grade at childrensministry@stclareroseville.org or (916) 772-4717 x113.



Elizabeth and Mary rejoiced together at the wonderful things God was doing in their lives. We too are blessed when we have people who help us recognize God's action in our lives. Let's pray that our families can be this for one another.

- **January Family Catechesis Session:** Come join us for our monthly Faith Formation session on January 5 at 3:00pm or 6:15pm OR January 6 at 6:00pm. Students in their second year of preparation (SPY2) are expected to attend the Family Catechesis gatherings with their parents as well. As a reminder, please add the number of family members attending the session. The January Signup Genius QR code is to the right.
- **OCIA (formally RCIA) Adapted for Children Year 2:** Thursday, January 9 and January 23 at 6:00pm in the St. Matthew classroom. This is for children who are seven years and older, who have not been baptized.



Please keep the Children's Ministry
in your daily prayers!



How
silently,
how silently
this
wonderous
gift is given.

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Saint Clare Youth Ministry

LOVE GOD, SERVE GOD



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Middle School Session 6:** Sunday, January 12, from 3:00-4:30pm in the Morris Center or Tuesday, January 14, from 6:30-8:00pm in the Morris Center
- **High School Session 6:** Sunday, January 12 or Thursday, January 16, from 6:30-8:00pm in the Morris Center

Sacraments at St. Clare

Baptisms: Information and registration forms for baptisms can be found on the parish website at <https://stclareroseville.org/baptism>. Preparation for baptism may begin before the birth of the child.

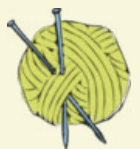
Weddings: Fill out the request form on our website located on our "Forms" page, or use this direct link: <https://forms.gle/3NMXnWTUw59e2HddA>. A coordinator will contact you. *Six months notice is required for weddings.*

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office at (916) 772-4717 to arrange anointing. Use the emergency prompts after office hours if death is imminent.

Receive the Blessed Sacrament (at home or hospital): Please call the parish office to arrange for a Homebound Minister.

Knitting Ministry

Join us on **Wednesday mornings at 9:30am** in the La Salle Rm! Note: there will be no meeting on December 25. Beginners are welcome — we will teach you how to knit while we all share fellowship and faith.



A day hemmed in prayer seldom unravels!



*His greatness shall reach to the ends
of the earth; he shall be peace.*



MINISTRY



Social Concerns

Thank you so much to everyone who bought a gift or gift card, moved presents, wrapped presents, or helped other families at our Christmas Distribution!!!

It takes a village to put together something for over 225 families and we can't do it without a **total parish effort**, and you have done it throughout the year! Our Social Concerns Ministry wants to wish everyone a **very blessed and joyous Christmas!**

Parish and Finance Council

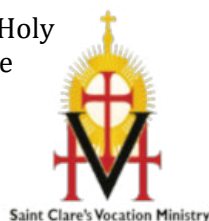
The Parish Council is made up of St. Clare Parishioners appointed by our Pastor and meets throughout the year advising our Pastor on items brought forth from our Parish, Diocese initiatives and events, and any special events. The current chair of the Parish Council is Colin Cooper. Contact the Parish Council at: parishcouncil@stclareroseville.org.

The Finance Council is made up of St. Clare Parishioners appointed by the Pastor and assists the Pastor and Parish Director with any of its fiscal needs (i.e., budget, monthly income and expenses, debt reduction, etc.). The current chair of the Finance Council is Ed Lennig. Contact the Finance Council at: financecouncil@stclareroseville.org.

Vocation Ministry General Intercessions

For a deeper trust and openness to the Holy Spirit in people discerning a call to serve Christ as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.

Contact the Vocations Office at
(916) 733-0258



Lord, make us turn to you,
let us see your face and we shall be saved.
- Responsorial Psalm



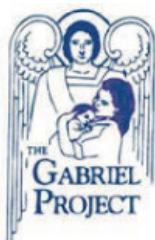
Grief, Consolation, and Hope Ministry

If you feel alone and struggle with grief, depression, sadness, or loss, we are here to accompany you on your journey of healing and wholeness. For questions, please call the parish office at (916) 772-4717 and leave a message for Carmela Kube with your name and contact number, or email Carmela at: carmkube@surewest.net. You can meet individually or you can attend group meetings on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at 9:30am in the St. Mark room. There will be no meeting on December 26. The next meetings will be January 9, and January 23.

RESPECT LIFE

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

respectlife.org



The waiting and preparing is almost over for Christmas Day. A mother will tell you how ready she is to welcome her newborn, but is anyone really completely ready?

The Gabriel Project works to help mothers be ready. We welcomed two new babies this year. With the help of the Knights, Social Concerns, and generous parishioner donations, not only were we able to provide a car seat, clothes, diapers, wipes, a crib, and a stroller for each newborn, but we also provided help for their siblings.

"Walking with Women", is a national program promoted by the USCCB. The Gabriel Project is a perfect way to match moms with "Angels" from our ministry to assist them in their need. If you know of a mom who might need such assistance at St. Clare or in the general community, contact Lisa Galli at (916) 759-4557, or call 1 (800) 910-0191 to be connected with a Gabriel Project Parish Angel.

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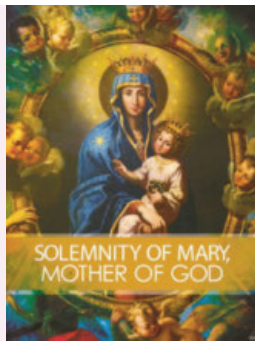
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**Solemnity of Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
January 1, 2025**

January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass at 5:00pm on December 31, and two Masses on January 1 at 8:30am and 6:30pm. This Solemnity is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus and is a reminder of the role she has played in the salvation of humankind. Come and start your new year by rededicating yourself to our Blessed Mother and her son, Jesus Christ.



Advent/Christmas Confession Schedule

- Saturday, December 28 at 9:15am
- Tuesday, December 31 at 4:00pm



MERRY CHRISTMAS



On this happy Christmas season, we want to say thank you God for all the love and joy in our hearts. Although we're excited about the presents, the best gift of all is Your Son, Jesus.

Dear Lord, help us to be kind and share with others, just like Jesus taught us. Bless our family and friends as we celebrate together. May our day be filled with laughter and happiness.

Merry Christmas! In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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New Year's Eve Gala

New Year's Eve Gala tickets are on sale after Masses this weekend. We will ring in the (East Coast) new year with a live band and choices of three entrees: beef, chicken, or salmon-- all for only \$50! The Gala is on December 31, with a 6:00pm social hour, 7:00pm dinner, and includes dancing to a live band!



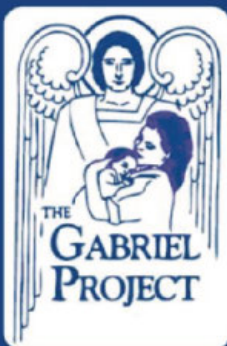
To submit an article or information about an event for the bulletin, please use email only and send to:

bulletin@stclareroseville.org

at least 11 days before the publication date.

Because of the holidays, though, the January 5 bulletin articles were due December 20.

All submissions are subject to approval and editing by the Parish Director.



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Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

- Communion Antiphon