St. Clare Parish
Feb. 23, 2020
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, 8am - 12:30pm & 2 - 4pm
Fax 503.246.2665 www.saintclarechurch.org
office@saintclarechurch.org
Pastor Fr. Don Gutmann 101
Business Manager Shelley Worrell 102
Pastoral Associate Pia de Leon 103
Faith Formation Coordinator Dcn. Bill McNamara 104
ECHO Apprentice Andie Bodary 105
Administrative Assistant Laurie Zupsic 100

School
1807 SW Freeman St  Portland, OR  97219                  503.244.7600
Fax 503.293.2076 www.stclarepdx.org
Interim School Principal Jeananne Bloudek
Administrative Assistant Donna Parker MacNeur

Preschool
1812 SW Spring Garden St  Portland, OR  97219     503.244.5458
Fax 503.244.5507 www.stclarepreschool.org
Director Nancy Melzer
Administrative Assistant Jeanne Raffety

Sacraments - Please visit www.saintclarechurch.org for more information on sacramental preparation.

Liturgical of the Eucharist
Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm
Sunday - 8:30am & 10:45am
Weekdays - 8:30am Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri
Holy Days - 8:30am & 7pm

Reconciliation Saturdays at 4pm or by appointment. Contact Fr. Don Gutmann.

Matrimony Six month’s preparation required. Contact Fr. Don Gutmann.

Adult Confirmation & How Can I Become a Catholic? Contact Pia de Leon.

Baptism, 1st Eucharist, 1st Reconciliation & Confirmation?
(Children & Teens) Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US
Whether you are a long-time parishioner and need to update your information or newly arrived in the parish and not yet registered, please complete the information below and place in the offertory basket or mail to the parish office.

Name: ____________________________________________  Phone: (     )  ________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________  City: __________________________  Zip: _______________

[I] New Phone Number  [I] New Address  [I] Please send Sunday Offertory envelopes
Weekly Reflection
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Feb. 23, 2019

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From Deacon Bill . . . A Lenten Opportunity

Dear Parishioners,

As you are aware, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, scheduled this year on February 26th. Our goal is to provide our entire community with more opportunities to have a fruitful and spiritual experience in order to embrace and connect with our loving and merciful God. As a result, the church will be open two days a week for one hour on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:30-3:30pm enabling parishioners to spend some quiet time with Jesus who is present in our midst in the Tabernacle. Spiritual books, bibles and rosaries will be available to help us focus on the season of Lent preparing us for the great feast of Easter, or you can just avail yourselves of some sacred space for peace. And, if you cannot commit to an hour, please stop by for the time that you have.

Your help is needed!

For security reasons, the church cannot be left ‘unattended, so I am asking for at least 3 people to commit to staying the full hour on each of the 8 available days, March 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, April 1 and 2 (March 25 and 26 are not included due to the school Spring break.) In total, 24 time slots need to be filled. Volunteers are welcome to serve for more than one day. If you are able to help, please sign up at the east church door or email me at dcnbill@saintclarechurch.org with available dates. School parents may earn in-parish tuition hours for volunteering. St. Clare is such a great community, I am certain all the time slots will be filled! Thank you! ~ Deacon Bill

Week-at-a-Glance

Saturday, Feb. 22
4:00pm Confession                Church
5:00pm Youth Mass  Andie Bodary   Church
6:00pm Youth Night               Parish Office

Sunday, Feb. 23
8:30am  Mass +Linda Roholt       Church
9:35am Faith Formation, K-5     School Library
9:35am 1st Communion Class      Parish Library
9:35am Confirmation Class       Parish Office
10:45am Mass  For the People    Church
6:30pm Youth Group Meeting      Parish Office
8:00pm Men’s Basketball         Gym

Monday, Feb. 24
8:30am Daily Mass Wilma & Dave Sawyer Church

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26
8:30am Mass                    Church
12:00pm Mass                   Church
7:00pm Mass                    Church

Thursday, Feb. 27
8:30am Daily Mass Meredith & Kathyrn Spencer Church

Friday, Feb. 28
8:30am Daily Mass Jeff & Jayden Zwick Church

Saturday, Feb. 29
4:00pm Confession              Church
5:00pm Mass +Patricia P. Diaz Church

Sunday, Mar. 1 1st Sunday in Lent
Lenten Faith Fair/Knights’ Pancake Breakfast after Mass in the Parish Hall
8:30am Family Mass +Linda Roholt Church
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Wednesday, Feb. 26
Mass Schedule
8:30am with the School Students
12pm and 7pm

Scripture Readings
Reading 1 - JL 2:12-18
Psalms - 51:3-4, 5-6AB, 12-13, 14, 17
Reading w - 2 COR 5:20-6:2
Gospel - MT 6:1-6, 16-18

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**Liturgy**

**Scripture Readings**
1st Sunday of Lent
Mar. 1, 2020

- Reading 1 – GN 2:7-9; 3:1-7
- Psalms – PS 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17
- Reading 2 – ROM 5:12-19
- Gospel – MT 4:1-11

For daily readings, please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

**Community Life**

**Pancake Breakfast**
Hosted by Knights of Columbus
John Clare Council 15485
Sunday, Mar. 1
9:30am - 12:30pm Parish Hall

All are invited to come and enjoy
Plain or Blueberry Pancakes,
Sausage, Eggs, Fruit, Coffee or Juice!

Freewill donations accepted.
All proceeds will benefit
the Knights’ State Vocation Fund.

Questions? Contact Ted Seeber at
seebert42@gmail.com.

**St. Clare Women’s Ministry**
Sisters in the Spirit
Saturday, Mar. 7
9am -12pm Parish Hall

In lieu of our monthly meeting, please plan to attend
our Parish Lenten Recollection with Fr. Jim Galluzzo.
Watch for more details in the Mar. 1 bulletin.

Questions? Contact Sheila Cullen at
503.244.5789 or petermcullen@comcast.net.

**Outreach**

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**
Thursday, Mar. 5
1:45 - 6:45pm Parish Hall

To donate, please contact Maria DaSilva,
at 503.260.3633 or mariad8984@gmail.com.

Previous donors may sign-up online
at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)
sponsor code: st.clareportland

**St. Clare Conference**
Society of St. Vincent de Paul

**Food Pantry Needs**
- Tuna & Chicken Helper
- White & Brown Rice
- Hearty Soups
- Spaghetti Noodles
- Dry Cereals
- Canned Veggies
- Paper Towerls
- Cooking Oils (vegetable, corn, canola, etc.)

Donations may be placed in the food basket
at the main church door or brought to the parish office.
* Please check dates to ensure foods have not expired.*

**Faith Formation**

**Vacation Bible Camp 2020 – Register Now!**
Monday, July 6 - Friday, July 10
9am-12pm St. Clare BASC Room $100 camp fee

Open to children entering PreK - 5th Grade in the fall of 2020
with activities for both boys and girls!

Limited number of spaces. Scholarships available.

Registration forms may be found at the church doors or
[www.saintclarechurch.org](http://www.saintclarechurch.org) on the homepage under Quick Links.

Questions? Please contact Eve McCarthy, Camp Director
at emccarthy@stclarepdx.org

**Junque & Jewels**
Saint Clare Parish Rummage Sale
Sale Days: June 19-21
Donations Accepted Starting June 13
Many thanks to Kent Wooldridge, longtime parish member, who has dedicated much of his time the past few months to archiving the St. Clare Church historical documents, photographs and blueprints stored at the parish office for decades. He is also planning a film on the history of the parish and is currently hunting for old black and white photos of the original school from 1913-1950. If you have photos to share with Kent, please contact the parish office.

### Volunteer Schedule for Feb. 29 - Mar. 1

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- **Questions or to volunteer, please contact Pia de Leon at x103 or pia@saintclarechurch.org. Thank you!**

### Weekly Offertory Report

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Goal for FY 19-20: $8,481 needed weekly to fund the current programs, personnel and facilities of the church.

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### St. Clare School Auction

**All Invited on Saturday, Mar. 7!**

*The Loft at 8th Avenue*

2010 SE 8th Avenue  Portland  97214

Doors Open & Silent Auction  5pm
Dinner & Live Auction   7pm

For more details and to register, go to [https://saintclare.ejoinme.org/raffle](https://saintclare.ejoinme.org/raffle)

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Many thanks to all who contribute!
# Lenten Calendar 2020

**Lenten Theme 2020 : At the Foot of the Cross, Here I am, Lord**

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As we were about to take a flight to Taiwan for a short trip while already in the Philippines, we were informed that our flight was cancelled because of the ash fall that had reached the airport about 90 kilometers away from the erupting volcano, Taal. Going back to our place in Manila from the airport, we had not realized how the streets, cars, houses and people could be affected as much and from afar. It was only the next day, did we realize how much damage this eruption has had on so many people and places. Evacuation centers were open to people fleeing their hometowns, and charitable agencies and businesses started raising money and collecting food, clothes and toiletries for the victims. The local governments were in a frenzy dealing with the possibility of a bigger eruption. Thousands of people were lost in the chaos this surprise eruption had brought. The whole Philippines learned about it. The world was made aware of it.

There are numerous occurrences like these here in the US and the rest of the world – natural disasters, violence, wars, homelessness, hunger, separation of families among recent immigrants. We can look at them as a call to show care – through Charity. It is so easy to let our hearts drive our effort. We feel sad and sorry for the victims (of whatever situation) and it feels good to raise money, collect clothes and food; a very human reaction and a necessary one, too. We see through media if not in person, how people suffer and so it moves us to help. People would even say, that is now the cross they bear, and my cross is how to help them.

Christ’s Cross is more than that wood on which he was nailed. His Cross is the symbol of hope and love that we must now, as believers of Christ, continue to share with those whose crosses in life seem unbearable. As a disciple, I believe, “I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life, I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” (Galatians 2:20).

It is for this reason that each time we are faced with people’s suffering, we ought to remember that we are enlightened, strengthened and empowered to share that very love he gave us through His Cross. We become Christ to others. Whether it is through charity or justice or both, we need to act.

At the foot of the Cross, as we stand before our Savior, who in that sacrificial act is saving us through Love, we also stand in front of the people whose lives are being spent and sacrificed and needing to find hope in their dire situation. As we say with our human help to those who are in need, “here I am, you are not alone,” we also say to the Lord, “At the foot of your Cross, here I am Lord.”

I was glad that Filipino Catholics from Oregon were able to raise some money and we were able to purchase 100 60-lb sacks of rice and donate another $900 to the cause. It felt good. Three days before I left Manila, I happened to talk to one of the massage therapists helping me. She apologized that she could not work on me for the last time as she had to go back to the province where her hometown has been devastated by the eruption. She said that her family has been in evacuation centers for a couple of weeks already but has to face the reality that they may never be able to go back to their home. Her heart is wondering how they can begin a new life. At that moment, I was again at the foot of the Cross, between Christ and this woman and all I can say to God is, “here I am Lord. And to the woman, I could only give her a very tight hug.