



St. Clare Parish

June 27, 2010 • Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAREWELL

It is always sad to come to the end of a chapter and we reach that chapter this weekend as Fr. Paolo says his last mass and bids us farewell. We thank him for his commitment to St. Clare, for his undertaking of the past year and for the many benefits he has brought to the parish community.

As Fr. Paolo takes up his new position at St. Patrick's, we wish him joy and fulfillment.



Pastoral Council - Patrick Schneider, Chair

Thanks For Fr. Paolo

The Gospels present a Jesus who captured the hearts and imagination of the people in his time; not all the people, of course, but the poor and the humble. We see and we treasure the stories of Jesus' mercy, the crowds flocking to hear his captivating parables and challenging teachings, and the love he showed people of all ages and nationalities. We find comfort in stories like the Prodigal Son, the multiplication of the loaves, and washing of the feet.

The Gospels also present a Jesus who lacked sentimentality. We ignore or avoid stories of Jesus' indignation, crowds turned off by talk of the Cross, and the disdain or indifference Jesus showed those deciding his earthly fate. We stand confused in the face of stories like cursed fig trees, near-

revolt at the Temple, and the harshness of Jesus' responses to would-be followers seen in today's Gospel. "Let the dead bury their own dead...no farewell to your family at home...no one who sets a hand to the plow can look back."

The question emerges, then, is the real Savior the inspiring Jesus or the insistent One? I believe the answer is "Yes." The inspiring Jesus insists that we forgive others, feed the hungry, and use any power we have to serve others. The insistent Jesus inspires us to seek new life. The inspiring, insistent Jesus invites us to the life of joy experienced in relationship with God and in service to the Kingdom of God.

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"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

- Galatians 5:15

This Week @ St. Clare

Sat 06/26-
Sun 06/27

Second Collection
Peter's Pence/Holy Father

Sun 06/27

Farewell for Fr. Paolo with light refreshment
6:30 pm • Rectory Garden

Fri 07/02

Welcome Fr. George
Coffee & cake
8:15 am • Grotto area

The ONE Thing I Can Do..

Find a local church to visit while on holiday. Different locations have interesting variations on the liturgy but everywhere you'll find the same mass that you experience at St. Clare: the same liturgy with a local twist.

Parish Happenings



Farewell For Fr. Paolo

Please come and bid farewell and God Speed to Fr. Paolo as

he leaves St. Clare parish and takes up a new position at St. Patrick's. Light refreshments will be served after the 5:30 pm Sunday mass in the rectory garden area.

Ministry to Traveling Catholics

www.masstimes.org

If you plan to travel this summer, whether it's nationally or internationally, you can find a church and its mass times with a few strokes.

The above website allows you to enter the country name and local zip code and the site will give you a list of the nearest churches and their mass times.

Thanks For Fr. Paolo

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In so many ways, Fr. Paolo has demonstrated a profound commitment to the call of Christ.

Fr. Paolo has shown tender mercy as the community reeled and healed from the changes and loss of last June.

He has actively supported the work of Saint Vincent de Paul as they tried to respond to the huge demand for assistance.

Fr. Paolo has been a great comfort to those who lost loved ones, presiding at funerals with incredible compassion and sensitivity.

Showing long-term vision, Fr. Paolo pushed for the replacement of the parish hall roof so all who use the hall can do so safely.

And he invited the Pastoral Council to re-imagine its constitution. Fr. Paolo was truly and constantly present: attentive, thoughtful, and caring.



Chicken & Pasta BAR-B-Q

Sunday, July 11
12 noon - 4 pm
St. Clare Church
BBQ area

ICF's famous annual chicken/pasta lunch is coming to town. Everyone is welcome. Cost is \$10/adults; \$5/child.

Humor from the Internet Children In Church

Two little boys, ages 8 and 10, were excessively mischievous. They were always getting into trouble and their parents knew all about it.

If any mischief occurred in the town, the two boys were probably involved.

The boys' mother heard that a preacher in town had been successful in disciplining children, so she asked if he would speak with her boys.



The preacher agreed, but he asked to see them individually. So the mother sent the 8-year-old first, in the morning, with the older boy to see the preacher in the afternoon.

The preacher, a huge man with a booming voice, sat the younger boy down and asked him sternly, "Do you know where God is, son?"

The boy's mouth dropped open, but he made no response, sitting there wide-eyes with his mouth hanging open.

So the preacher repeated the question in an even sterner tone, "Where is God?"

Again the boy made no attempt to answer. The preacher raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face and bellowed, "Where is God?"

The boy screamed and bolted from the room, ran directly home and dove into his closet, slamming the door behind him.

When his older brother found him in the closet, he asked, "What happened?"

The younger brother, gasping for breath, replied, "We are in BIG trouble this time. GOD is missing, and they think we did it!"



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Cool Kids Zone Camp!

June 14th - August 6th. 7:30 am - 6 pm.
Monday through Friday. \$195/week.
Your fee includes weekly trips!

Are your children looking for something to do this summer? Cool Kids Zone Camp is ideal for the child who wants variety during the summer.

This program offers basic day camping activities with a weekly highlighted trip. Campers will discover the wonders of nature through hikes and explore different parks in the area. In total there are eight weeks of fun, that are jam-packed with art, crafts, songs, games, hiking, skits, ecology, sports, bike days, water days and swimming.

This program also includes Academics for 1st - 5th grade as well as a Kindergarten Readiness program that will get your child ready for Kindergarten.

For more information and registration, see the web site:
www.stclareschool.org



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School Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open from 8:30am until 1:00pm from June 14 until July 1. Beginning Tuesday, July 6, the office will be available by appointment only. You may email the office at office@stclareschool.org or call (408) 246-6797 and Miss Cherell will contact you as soon as possible.

2010-2011 School Year Applications & Enrollment

We are still accepting applications for grades: 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7. If you know anyone who is moving into the area or is considering a transfer, please let them know about our wonderful school! They can contact Miss Cherell at 246-6797 or office@stclareschool.org.



From the Pastor - Fr. Paolo Gobbo

Grateful For This Year At St. Clare

Approaching the end of this pastoral year and preparing for the next assignment at St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral in San Jose, I am grateful to God, to our bishop, to the parish and school staff, to the Pastoral and the Finance Councils, to the Facilities Task Force, to the various organizations and groups operating in our parish and to all of you dear parishioners for the opportunity of ministering as pastor of this great Catholic community of faith of St. Clare.

Even though this has been a challenging year in the midst of many changes (a new pastor, a new parochial vicar, a new principal, a few new teachers and staff members just to name some) and in the loss of some members dear to our community, I am glad to have been with you and have no regrets about having ministered to you and accompanied you in this journey. If I could turn back time and were to do this all over again I would do the same for the sake of seeking to serve the people of St. Clare.

This year has represented a unique occasion for me to grow in leadership in ministry while aware of my limitations, through your assistance and

through the help of my mentors, Msgr. Walsh and Msgr. Browne, to both of whom I am deeply grateful.

It has also provided a milieu to help our community become aware of and deal with change and with the challenges and chances this circumstance presents, gathered always as a starting point in the Eucharistic celebration to remember all that Jesus Christ did for us in His life and ministry and especially in the paschal mystery and finding in this sacrament the strength for the journey of faith.

I am confident that this parish is going to continue to grow in wisdom and in numbers with the help of God, the intercession of St. Clare of Assisi, the pastoral guidance of our bishop and the ministry of leadership of the new pastor, Fr. George Aranha, to whom I am also grateful for his acceptance to minister as pastor in this truly blessed Catholic parish.

I will miss you and you are going to have always a special place in my heart.

Gratefully,
In Christ Jesus Our Savior,
Fr. Paolo

Tested By Fire

Since gold and silver, which are only corruptible metals, are purified and tested by fire, it is but reasonable that our faith, which surpasses all the riches of the world, should be tried.

~St. Peter Claver

At A Loss

When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost, something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost.

~German proverb

Parish Stewardship FY 09-10

Goal	\$408,300
Contributions to Date	\$320,955
% of goal	78.61%
Week of 6/20	\$3,830



Thank you for your generosity!

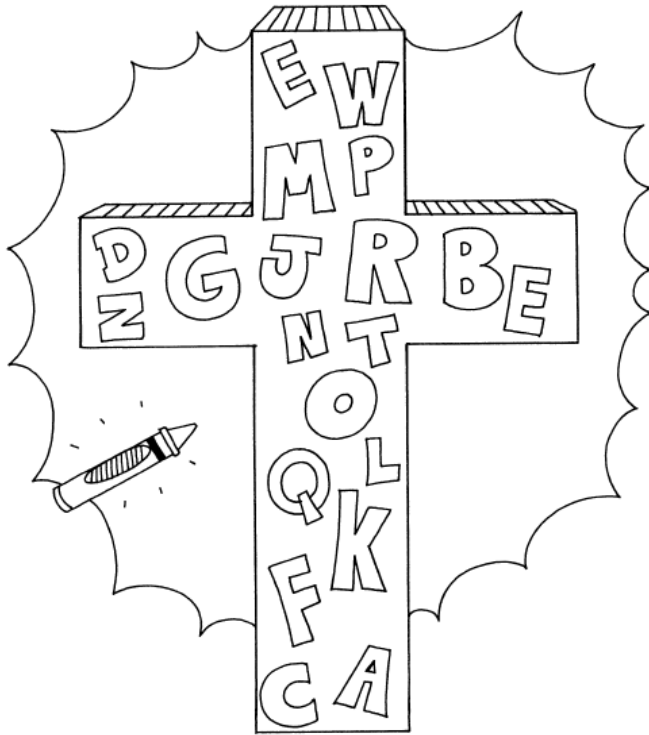
Second Collection This Week

Peter's Pence/Holy Father: this collection is a vital support for pastoral and humanitarian programs and for those in need of emergency assistance.

Children's Activity Page

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children Ages 5-7



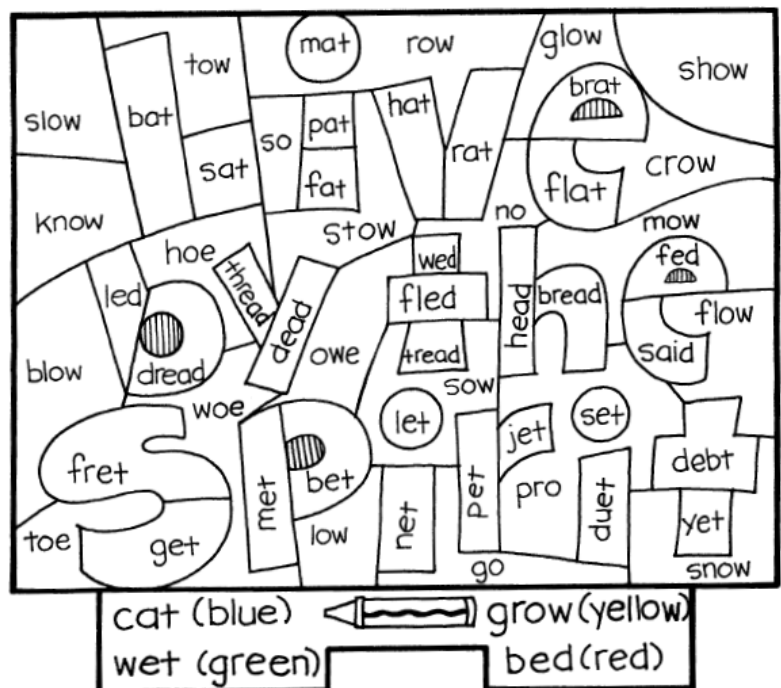
When Jesus died on the cross and rose again he set us free from sin!

Look below and color all the letters that are needed to spell FREEDOM.

Children Ages 7-10

Paul wanted the Galatian people to live according to God's Spirit and not their own desires.

Read the word in each shape. Find the word it rhymes with below. Use the color beside it to fill in the area. When you're finished, you'll have a reminder of this teaching.



The Week In Scripture

Sun. 06/27	1 Kgs 19:16,19-21 Ps 16 Gal 5:1,13-18 Lk 9:51-62
Mon. 06/28	Am 2:6-10,13-16 Ps 50 Mt 8:18-22
Tues. 06/29	Acts 12:1-11 2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18 Ps 34 Mt 16:13-19
Wed. 06/30	Am 5:14-15,21-24 Ps 50 Mt 8:28-34
Thurs. 07/01	Am 7:10-17 Ps 19 Mt 9:1-8
Fri. 07/02	Am 8:4-6,9-12 Ps 119 Mt 9:9-13
Sat. 07/03	Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117 Jn 20:24-29
Vigil/07/03	Is 66:10-14 Ps 66 Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12,17-20

Mass Intentions

Sun., Jun 27: Luiz F. Madruga+, Jose & Lourdes Delgado+, Joao, Adelina & Tony Nunes+, Jose Silveira Machado & Arminda Gomes Reis+, Laurinda Camacho+, Jessie, Mary, Dennis Robinson+, Rosa Cipriano+, Natalia Rosa+, Nelson Tenorio, Manuel Sardinha+, Laura Macedo+

Mon., Jun 28: Tony Santos+

Tues., Jun 29: Laurinda Camacho+

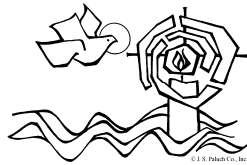
Wed., Jun 30: Josephine Mello+, Luiz F. Madruga+, Lino Amarante, Hilda Silva+

Thur., Jul 01: Victor J. Rodrigues & Victor J. Rodrigues Jr.+, Antonio & Ephigenia Rodrigues, Manuel Joaquin+

Fri., Jul 02: Mario Lourenco+

Sat., Jul 03: Oliver C. Latoza (B)

Beyond Our Parish



Catholic Charities

Continued Appeal

Thank you for helping write a new chapter in a life story ...

You are helping us serve nearly 37,000 of our neighbors living in poverty. Thank you! But, we are still having to turn people away ... and it breaks our hearts.

There is time to give if you haven't done so already. Our appeal ends June 30. With your continued help, more of our neighbors in need will be able to write new chapters in their life stories.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Upcoming dates: Sept 24-26th

How would you rate your marriage? You are eligible for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend not because you need it, but because you and your marriage deserve it! It's a beautiful weekend experience designed for couples of all ages and backgrounds to enrich their marriage. Make this season special by devoting one weekend to your marriage.

For more information or to register, please visit their website at:

www.rekindleyourmarriage.org or contact Paul & Stephanie Francois, 408-287-3996 or Email: PaulandSteph@pacbell.net.

Next Week is July 4: Independence Day

By Jim Balquist, St. Lawrence Parish Social Justice Committee

In the past few years, Ann and I have visited Boston and walked the Freedom Trail, visited Lexington and Concord (the shot heard around the world), and visited Philadelphia including Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell.

I think we lose something in California, both being part of a state that was not involved in the start of the country, and in not being able to see first hand, and often, how "real" it all was. It's not just an "interesting story" in a book.

In today's terminology, it was a conflict between a first world superpower – a colonial "steward" - and an oppressed and exploited third world population. In sports, (almost) everybody loves an underdog. In sports analogies, we were the New York Jets in the 1969 Super Bowl (Jets 16 – Colts 7) and the New York Mets in the 1969 World Series, defeating the Baltimore Orioles in seven games. Both teams were very young and heavily favored to lose. Because of their youth, it might be said that they were too young or too stupid to know they were supposed to lose ... maybe both!

Our forefathers risked everything including their life. In Boston, one can visit the Town Hall where the Boston Tea Party was planned, visit the site of the Boston Massacre, and visit cemeteries and see the graves of John Hancock, John Adams, Paul Revere and Crispus Attucks (a black man who was the first person killed in the Boston Massacre), and end the walk at Bunker Hill. It is so easy to lose yourself in history.

In a larger picture, we can see a group of colonies who shared a common bond of oppression and exploitation, and formed extended political communities focused on a clear mission which was the start of the United States as we know it today. ... history records that the underdog won! Reflection: Our forefathers made a huge commitment to justice as they understood it. Think back in your life: what is the biggest commitment to justice that you have made, and why?

Boletim Paroquial Português

Reflexão por: João P. Arruda

Jesus faz-nos o convite de O seguir. Nos nossos tempos a linguagem usada por Jesus seria considerada politicamente incorrecta. Os convites de Jesus são feitos *sem paninhos de água morna*. “Se quereis ser meus discípulos tomai a vossa cruz” ou ainda; “Sereis doravante pescadores de homens”. Quantas vezes aderimos servir num dos ministérios que a Igreja nos oferece e em vez de servirmos nessa capacidade queremos ser servidos? Ou ainda; Quantas vezes aderimos fazer algo a que não somos vocacionados para fazer? O Jesus dos nossos dias provavelmente diria; não quero que me façam “fretes” ou favores! Quando se compromete no servir a comunidade em nome de Jesus, que esta seja servida, com o Amor e a generosidade exigido pelo ministério. Quando Leitor; que a preparação da leitura seja feita, para que, a assembleia, a receba nitidamente e a compreenda. Quando Min-

istro da Eucaristia seja na Igreja ou nas casas dos nossos enfermos e velinhos que a distribuição do Corpo e Sangue de Cristo sejam feitas com a reverência, dignidade, e o respeito que é exigido numa refeição no qual a presença de Deus está connosco. Quando cantor que se prepare adentro do dom da voz para que a letra e música alegre e dignifique as celebrações litúrgicas. Quando sacristão que tudo que é usado no altar e no serviço litúrgico esteja nos seus lugares segundo as instruções do sacerdote. Quando usher que esteja atento não só a fazer a colecta mas também ao comportamento da assembleia dentro da Igreja. Se tudo isso é feito por Jesus e em Seu nome, então como leigos, ao Seu serviço e da comunidade não estamos mais do que cumprindo o nosso ministério. Seguir Jesus não é *viver num mar de rosas*; servir no laicado implica ser marcado em muitos casos desfavoravelmente pela própria comunidade que se

serve. Porém, quando acarretamos com a cruz, temos o eterno Cireneo ao nosso lado. Mas ter-Lo ao nosso lado na caminhada da vida também implica a que nos entreguemos a Ele por inteiro. Ele nos aceita quentes ou gelados, mas mornos ou tépidos é que não. De novo o convite é feito, mas a decisão é tua.

Oração pelas Vocações Sacerdotais e Religiosas

Senhor Jesus, nós vos louvamos pela Vossa presença na Eucaristia, que alegremente celebramos. Que possamos ser na totalidade o Corpo de Cristo. Que possamos ser um povo eucarístico que celebra o Vosso Amore m adoração e serviço. Mandai-nos ministros do altar e testemunhas d’Ele, para valorosamente serem vossas testemunhas no mundo. Amém

Um Santo e Alegre Domingo para Todos!!

Boletín Parroquial Español

Reflexión

Cuando Elías llamó a Eliseo para que lo siguiera, éste vuelve momentáneamente para finalizar algunos asuntos en casa. Pero observa que no deja trabajo atrás para que los de su casa lo hagan, tampoco planea retornar y terminarlo él mismo. Reconoce en el llamado de Elías que debe seguirlo fielmente sin mirar hacia atrás.

El Salmo 16 celebra la bondadosa protección de Dios sobre quienes dependen del amor y la misericordia de Dios. Dios es nuestra heredad y nuestra copa, en un verso que muchos cristianos ven como una referencia poética a la Eucaristía, y Dios no nos abandonará en la muerte y corrupción, sino que nos llamará a su santa Presencia para siempre. Esto pudo verse como la resurrección, algo que no era creencia universal en los tiempos antes de Jesús. Nos asegura que si avanzamos con confianza siguiendo el llamado que Dios nos hace a diario, no seremos avergonzados o abandonados, sino que encontraremos la vida que buscamos.

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Despedida al Padre Paolo

Hoy domingo después de la misa de las 5:30pm en el jardín de la rectoría. Acompañenos para darle las gracias al Padre Paolo y desearle buena suerte en su nueva posición en la Parroquia de San Patricio.

Bienvenida al Padre George Aranha

El viernes, 2 de julio a las 8:15am afuera de la iglesia. Acompañenos a darle la bienvenida a nuestro nuevo párroco.

Pollo Asado y Pasta

El domingo 11 de julio de 12pm-4pm en la área de BBQ en el estacionamiento de la parroquia la confederación italiana de nuestra parroquia los invita a su evento anual de pollo asado y pasta. \$10 por adultos y \$5 por niños.

Bautismos

Normalmente las clases de bautismo son el primer lunes de cada mes y los bautismos se celebran el tercer sábado del mes a las 10 am, con ciertas excepciones. Es necesario venir a la

oficina y llenar una forma de bautismo para anotarse en el mes que le gustaría bautizar. Para bautizar en nuestra parroquia es necesario ser miembros de la parroquia. Para mas información favor de llamar a la oficina.

Reunión Para Ministros

Invitamos a todos los ministros y todas otras personas interesadas a que nos acompañen el cuarto lunes de cada mes en el cuarto de conferencias en la rectoría a las 7pm, a compartir y reflexionar sobre la palabra de Dios.

“En Camino”

Programa Formación de Fe para niños en la escuela publica de K-1 y 3-8 grado.

Pueden encontrar formas de registración en las entradas de la iglesia o en la oficina

Para mas información póngase en contacto con Nancy Royal en la oficina o por correo electrónico nroyal@dsj.org.

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Closed for lunch 12-1 pm

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Office Hours M-F: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Mass Schedule

Daily	MWFSa	7:45 am
	TTH	5:30 pm
	Holidays	9:00 am

Saturday Vigil		5:00 pm
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Sunday	English	7:45 am
	English - Family	9:00 am
	Portuguese	10:30 am
	Spanish	12:00 pm
	Cantonese	1:30 pm
	Mandarin	3:00 pm
	Chinese Youth (Lower Church)	3:00 pm
	English	5:30 pm

Reconciliation	2nd & 4th Saturday
	3:30 pm - 4:30pm

Prayers for Vocations/ Benediction	4th Tues, 5:15 pm
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Baptism

Spanish

Prep Class	1st Mon., 7 pm
Baptisms	3rd Sat., 10 am

English

Prep Class	2nd Mon., 7 pm
Baptisms	4th Sat., 10 am

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