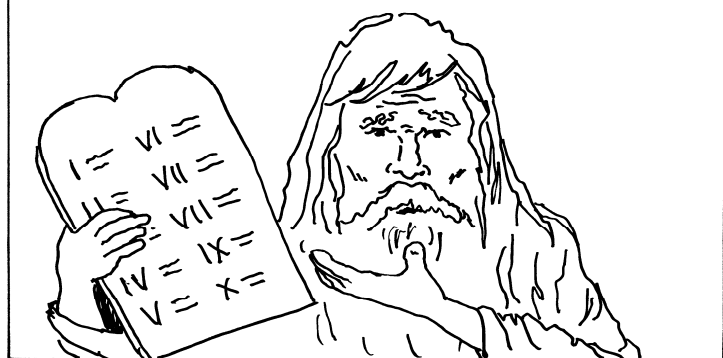


St. Clare Parish



July 11, 2010 • Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*God's command is already in
your mouths and hearts;
you have only to carry it out.*



Feast Days - Peter Scagnelli

Feast of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

(1656-1680) ~July 14

Though the New York State Thruway runs close by the North American Martyrs' Shrine, traffic's roar never pierces the peace enveloping Auriesville—Ossernon to Native Americans—in the lovely Mohawk Valley, where Kateri Tekakwitha was born barely ten years after the martyrdom of Isaac Jogues and his Jesuit and lay companions.

Daughter of a Christian Algonquin mother and non-Christian Mohawk chief, Kateri's parents died in a smallpox epidemic widely blamed on the missionaries. Moreover, many Native Americans had experienced exploitation at the hands of "Christian" traders and trappers, further discrediting the faith Kateri embraced in baptism, then pledged to live even more intensely in vowed virginity. Misunderstanding led to harassment, prompting her move to a Christian village farther north along the Saint Lawrence River.

Despite this, Kateri's faith remained undaunted, her selfless charity undiminished. Both before and after her death at twenty-four, this young "Lily of the Mohawks" drew countless converts to Christ by the fragrance of her goodness. Through us, does "the aroma of Christ" (2 Corinthians 2:15), attract others to the beauty of his gospel?

**"To be a neighbor, show love
by treating others with mercy,
as did the Good Samaritan."**

- Luke 10:25

This Week @ St. Clare

Sun 07/11 **ICF Chicken/Pasta
Barbecue**
12pm - 4pm
St. Clare BBQ area

Sun 07/18 **Food Barrel Weekend**
Next weekend is food
barrel weekend. Let's
get those barrels over-
flowing!

The ONE Thing I Can Do..

The poor are always with us:
Next weekend is Food Barrel Sunday.
If you can buy an extra can or two, a
bar of soap or pack of toilet paper, the
St. Vincent de Paul Society thanks
you in advance on behalf of the
needy.

Parish Happenings



Chicken & Pasta BAR-B-Q

This Sunday
12 noon - 4 pm
St. Clare Church
BBQ area

ICF's famous annual chicken/pasta lunch is taking place this weekend. Come get your chicken lunch and support the ICF. It's a win-win event. All are welcome. Cost is \$10/adults; \$5/child.

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.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are an adult interested in learning more about the Roman Catholic faith, then you are invited to participate in our RCIA program.

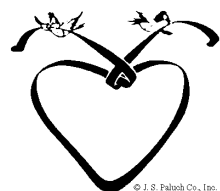
This process is gradual and progresses in steps and stages to prepare you for Full Initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. For further information, please contact Diane Madruga at 243-6766.

From the Pews - A Memoir

I'll Be Seeing You

By Barbara Evans Carney

Of all the young men who came through the doors of San Francisco's USO, Charles was the one who captured my heart.



I first noticed him as he walked by me toward the juke-

box, his back straight as an arrow in his Naval officer's uniform. He stood for a moment making sure his selection was going to play and when the strains of "I'll Be Seeing You" filled the room, he strode directly to the coffee bar.

"How about taking off that apron and coming out from behind there to dance with me?" he invited, holding out both arms. Somehow I knew I could not refuse this clean-shaven ensign with the winning smile.

We danced exceptionally well together and when the song finished, he did not escort me back but stood holding my hand waiting for the next piece to start. He told me his name, where he was born and that he had just graduated from Annapolis.

My apron never did get put back on as we spent the afternoon discovering many things about each other. One

thing for sure, we didn't want this new friendship to end and I promised to see him the following evening.

Charles was waiting in front of my office that night, then again the next night and the next. In fact, neither of us set foot in the USO again the entire two months he was in San Francisco. Instead, we enjoyed each other's company in whatever we did, especially dancing to our favorite song.

Any thought of his leaving, I pushed to the back of my mind until one night at dinner it reared its ugly head. "We'll be leaving soon," he told me, "but I'd like to ask if you'd consider yourself my girl until I come back." I told him I already was.



Charles' letters were as newsy as he could write without revealing any important facts, and his keen sense of humor

was evident in his anecdotes about life at sea. Particularly endearing were his endings, "I'll be seeing you."

My letters, too, were full of trivia and I always reminded him I remained his girl even though I still volunteered at the USO. And his girl I would have

remained had I not received the news that the ship Charles was on had been a successful target of the enemy in the Pacific.

It was difficult continuing to volunteer at the USO, especially when someone would select "I'll Be Seeing You," one of the most popular songs during World War II. Still more difficult was the realization I would not be seeing Charles, not ever again.

Editor's Note: Last weekend we celebrated "Independence Day." One of the quotes you've probably heard is that "freedom isn't free." This story tugs at our heartstrings because of its timeliness; even today, our young men are serving on the front lines on various fronts in the name of freedom.



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 the coming school year. 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.

Manute Bol

By Jim Balquist, St. Lawrence Parish Social Justice Committee

Excerpted in part from the San Francisco Chronicle:

The funeral for former (Golden State Warrior) 7'7" center Manute Bol was held last week. Manute played 10 seasons in the NBA and became a prolific shot blocker and successful, albeit unlikely, 3-point shooter, but it will be for his life that he will be most remembered, for his humanitarian work in his native war-torn Sudan.

Bol died at the age of 47 of kidney failure and complications from the skin condition Stevens-Johnson syndrome. He had made many trips to Sudan in recent years and was given medication that may have resulted in side effects that caused Stevens-Johnson syndrome.

Manute grew up as a Dinka tribesman and once told players in Chicago he wasn't afraid of Michael Jordan because he once killed a lion with a spear.

He donated much of his NBA salary (approx. twelve million dollars) and time to help people in Sudan, which suffered through its second civil war

from approximately 1983 to 2005.

During visits to Sudan, Bol was treated like a hero for the work he did on behalf of his native people. Bol estimated that 250 of his relatives were killed in the southern Sudan by forces from the north.

He became active in raising awareness about atrocities in Darfur. He tried to reconcile warring factions in Sudan. Bol worked with Sudan Sunrise to lead efforts to build schools in Sudan where Christians could study alongside Muslims, even though his people from the south were often the victims of violence by soldiers from the Arab-dominated north.

To me, he is an excellent model and shining example of what it means to appreciate and recognize your good fortune as a gift from God ... and a role model for "giving back"

We end with this quote from Manute: "God guided me to America and gave me a good job, ... but He also gave me a heart so I would look back".

Revelation

In the Old Testament, the New Testament lies concealed; in the New Testament, the Old Testament lies revealed.

-St. Augustine

God Is Everywhere

In everything, be it a thing sensed or a thing known, God is hidden within.

~St. Bonaventure

Parish Stewardship FY 09-10

Goal	\$
Contributions to Date	\$6,066
% of goal	
Week of 7/04	\$6,066



Thank you for your generosity!

No Second Collection Next Week

Last week was the final week of the fiscal year; we begin a new year this weekend.

Children's Activity Page

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children Ages 5-7



A good Samaritan stopped to help a man who had been robbed and beaten. He put bandages on his wounds and took him to an inn to rest.



Look carefully to find 5 things that are in the top picture and not in the bottom one.

Children Ages 7-10

A person who studied the Law asked Jesus to tell him the most important commandment.

Solve each addition problem below and use the number code to complete the sentence and discover Jesus' answer.

4= neighbor 8= love 10= mind
6= being 9= strength 12= heart

"You shall _____ the Lord, your God,
with all your _____, with all your
_____, with all your _____, and
with all your _____, and your
_____ as yourself."

Luke 10:27

The Week In Scripture

Sun. 07/11	Dt 30:10-14 Ps 69 Col 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-27
Mon. 07/12	Is 1:10-17 Ps 50 Mt 10:34-11:1
Tues. 07/13	Is 7:1-9 Ps 48 Mt 11:20-24
Wed. 07/14	Is 10:5-7,13-16 Ps 94 Mt 11:25-27
Thurs. 07/15	Is 26:7-9,16-19 Ps 102 Mt 11:28-30
Fri. 07/16	Is 38:1-6 Is 38 Mt 12:1-8
Sat. 07/17	Mi 2:1-5 Ps 10 Mt 12:14-21
Vigil/07/17	Gen 18:1-10 Ps 15 Col 1:24-28 Mt 10:38-42

Mass Intentions

Sun., Jul 11: Manuel & Julia Silveira+, Encarnacion Pecto Cruda+, Luiz F. Madruga+, Jose & Lourdes Delgado+, Joao, Adelina & Tony Nunes+, Jose Silveira Machado & Arminda Gomes Reis+, Laurinda Camacho+, Rosa Cipriano+, Nelson Tenorio, Manuel Sardinha+, Laura Macedo+, Gabriel DaSilva+, Antonio Rodrigues+, John Francisco+, Antonio Tomas Rodrigues+, Peter Louis Rowland+(B), Poor Souls in Purgatory

Mon., Jul 12: Connie Sardinha

Tues., Jul 13:

Wed., Jul 14: Luiz F. Madruga+

Thur., Jul 15:

Fri., Jul 16:

Sat., Jul 17: Mark, Annette & James Simms+

Beyond Our Parish



Diocese of San Jose
San Jose Justice Awareness Week
Week of July 26-30

This program takes an in-depth look at poverty in our local community. Students will be involved in assisting Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County with various programs including serving meals at homeless shelters and working with low-income children.

Teens will provide direct assistance to the needy, learn why people are poor and learn about Catholic teachings about social justice. Each trip includes time for prayer and reflection about the Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching. The cost is \$150 and the program includes all costs.

For more information or an application, contact Deacon Steve Herrera at 408.832.7666.

Presentation Center
Meditative Writing
July 17 & August 14

Retreat Days in meditative writing: the July retreat focuses on meditating through hard times and the August retreat focuses on living creatively in a broken world. Led by Fr. Francis Dorff and O. Praem.

For information, please call Lindsey at 408.354.2346x203

Humor from the Internet

Irish Humor

Father Murphy walked into a pub in Donegal, and asked the first man he met, "Do you want to go to heaven?" The man said, "I do, Father." The priest said, "Then stand over there against the wall."

Then the priest asked the second man, "Do you want to go to heaven?" "Certainly, Father," the man replied. "Then stand over there against the wall," said the priest.

Then Father Murphy walked up to O'Toole and asked, "Do you want to go to heaven?" O'Toole said, "No I don't Father."

The priest said, "I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?"

O'Toole said, "Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now."

Santa Clara Serra Club

Talk on Exorcism

July 23, 12 noon, Mariani's Restaurant at 2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

Fr. Gary Thomas of Sacred Heart Parish in Saratoga is the designated exorcist for the Diocese of San Jose. His talk on exorcism will be given at the Serra club luncheon. Cost is \$20 payable at the door which includes lunch and talk.

RSVP before July 19 to Jim Striebel, 408.867.4566. Seating is limited.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Sept 24-26th
Mountain View

"We loved each other very much, but it seemed as if the world was slowly pulling us apart. Finances, jobs, kids, and daily pressures were steadily becoming more important than our relationship. Our Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend helped us put things back into perspective. We got back the joy-filled relationship we had as newlyweds,"

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.

Boletim Paroquial Português

Reflexão por: João P. Arruda

O Evangelho de hoje convida-nos a reflectir sobre a “indiferença e o egoísmo”. Ser-se indiferente é tal e qual o levita e o sacerdote que passando pelo maltratado viajante não o ajudam. “Não é o meu problema”. “Os que têm autoridade própria que o venham acudir”. Mesmo que houvesse telephone celeur naquele tempo, nem o levita ou o sacerdote chamariam as autoridades competentes. O indiferente não se dá conta da situação adversa dos outros. Para o indiferente basta cumprir o que pensa ser dever e não vai além do cumprir. Ser-se egoísta é querer só para si. Vai além de roubar aos outros só para que viva cómodamente no seu “eu”. Os salteadores foram egoístas ao ponto de assaltar e maltratar o viajante, tirar o que lhe pertencia e deixar-lo quase morto. Para o egoísta, os outros só contam na medida em que lhes possam ser úteis e deles tirar proveito. Para o indiferente o próximo não existe. Para o egoísta o próximo é um meio imprescindível de sustentar o seu ego. O meu próximo é Jesus Cristo. A mais pequena das coisas que façam ao próximo é a Mim que o fazes. Nos

nossos dias os meios de comunicação enchem-nos os miolos do que mata, rouba, é contractado por milhões, (artistas e atletas) política falsa, resta pouco espaço para falar dos “Samaritanos”. Até parece que nos nossos dias não há samaritanos. Ficamos a ser samaritanos sempre que saímos de nós mesmos e tocamos no próximo. Nem todos podem ser Madres Teresas, mas podemos nos voluntarizar nas ajudas às organizações cuja finalidade é ajudar os mais carentes. Na nossa paróquia temos o S. Vicente de Paulo, Na nossa comunidade temos organizações que no seu empenho para manter a nossa cultura social e religiosa necessitam da ajuda de todos. Voltemo-nos para as actividades que visam ajudar os necessitados e sempre que contribuimos (com trabalho ou dádiva material) estamos a sair da indiferença e a matar o egoísmo. Devemos estar atentos e prontos a intervir com o espírito de Jesus sempre que o momento se nos apresenta.

Rev. Padre George Aranha

O CPP em nome de toda a nossa comunidade paroquial saúda e dá as boas vindas ao Rev. Padre George

Aranha, novo Pastor da paróquia de Saint Clare.

Piquenique da nossa Comunidade

Por favor reservem a data de Domingo dia 29 de Agosto próximo, para activamente participar no piquenique anual promovido pelo Conselho Paroquial Português. Como nos últimos dois anos, este piquenique, terá lugar no Central Park, do lado da Kielly Ave. Dentro em breve os bilhetes estarão á venda. Uma vez mais pedese e agradece-se aos nossos paroquianos ofertas para o bazar e para leiloar. Sendo esta a única promoção de angariamento de fundos levada a cabo pelo CPP é essencial a colaboração e cooperação de toda a nossa comunidade portuguesa.

Festa de Santo António

A Irmandade de Santo António Conselho #1, está a celebrar a festa anual em honra do seu padroeiro, Santo António. O CCC, em nome da nossa comunidade congratula os responsáveis dessa Irmandade pela promoção dessa festa. Bem Hajam!

Um Santo e Alegre Domingo para todos!!

Boletín Parroquial Español

Reflexión

“El deseo de la vida eterna”

El evangelio nos presenta a un hombre que se acerca a Jesús expresando su deseo de obtener la vida eterna. Cada uno de nosotros compartimos el mismo deseo, aunque no siempre compartimos la voluntad de hacerlo real en nuestras vidas. El motivo es la dificultad que tenemos en cumplir los mandamientos. Pero Jesús nos presenta la solución invitándonos a amar a Dios y al prójimo, nada más es necesario. El amor ha sido y sigue siendo la fuerza que mueve al mundo, para nosotros los cristianos es la fuerza que nos hace transitar en este mundo hacia la vida eterna.

Es verdad que es difícil amar a Dios, y a las personas que tenemos a nuestro alrededor, especialmente cuando no hacen lo que nosotros esperamos,

o porque como seres humanos nos movemos siempre en un círculo de reciprocidad, es decir amamos porque nos aman, hacemos el bien porque nos han hecho el bien. Pero Jesús ha venido para romper con ese círculo, para enseñarnos un nuevo modo de vida, en el cual se debe amar antes de ser amado, se debe ayudar antes de recibir ayuda.

Solamente en la práctica del amor, cada uno de nosotros puede encontrar la felicidad en este mundo y el camino a la vida eterna. La gran frase de San Juan de la Cruz nos recuerda esto: *“En el atardecer de nuestras vidas seremos juzgados en el amor”*. El amor que se manifiesta en obras es el único modo de realizar el deseo de la vida eterna. Por eso debemos poner todo nuestro esfuerzo en vivir amando, siguiendo el ejemplo de Nuestro Señor que vivió amando y murió por amor.

Pollo Asado y Pasta

Hoy desde las 12pm-4pm en el 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.

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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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Webmaster

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