



St. Clare Parish

February 05, 2012 • Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith-Academics-Service

By Madeline Rader, Principal



Faith - Academics - Service is the theme for Catholic Schools Week 2012.

St. Clare School began the celebration of Catholic Schools Week with a Mass and a pancake breakfast last Sunday, January 29. After breakfast, students, parents, and prospective families joined us at our Open House from 9:30-1:00 p.m. Our faculty, staff, students, and parent volunteers were available to

answer questions about the school's curriculum and the parish community.

Last Monday and Wednesday, new parents met with members of the administrative team and student representatives. Later, visitors observed our students and teachers in action. Our next two observation classes are scheduled for February 7th and February 9th. Once again, the informational gatherings will begin each day at 8:30 a.m. in the rectory library with classroom visits following.

For more information, please stop by the school between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to pick up an application packet or go to our website at www.stclareschool.org. All applications are due by Thursday, February 16, 2012.

The Diocese of San Jose celebrated Catholic Schools Week with a Mass last Monday, January 30. High school and elementary student council and class representatives, principals, vice-principals, and ministers gathered together in prayer at St. Joseph Cathedral with Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Daly, Monsignor Fran Cilia, Fr. Tad Terembula, and Superintendent of Schools, Kathy Almazol.

A quilt constructed from 35 uniform swatches, representing the schools in our Diocese, was displayed during the Liturgy. Along with the quilt, four banners exhibited the Four Pillars of education - Faith, Knowledge, Leadership, and Community.

Thank you to our student class representatives for representing the community of St. Clare School!

It is amazing what you can accomplish if you don't care who gets the credit.

~Harry Truman

This Week @ St. Clare

- Mon Feb 06** **Festival Meeting**
6:30 pm • School Workroom
- Tue/Thu Feb 07 & Feb 09** **Parent Observation Days**
8:30-11 am
- Tue Feb 07** **RCIA**
7 pm • Rectory
- Sat Feb 11** **Anointing of the Sick**
During the 5 pm Mass
- Casino Royale**
6-11 pm • Parish Hall
- Sat/Sun Feb 11/12** **Second Collection**
St. Clare School
- Feb 12** **Donate to Treasure Cove**
9-5 pm • Parking Garages

The ONE Thing I Can Do..

Chocolates and Coffee... see the Fair Trade tables after masses.



Lenten Activities

We are collecting last year's palms in baskets—look for the baskets in the vestibules.

The "Little Black Books" for Lent are out for the "little" donation of \$1. Find them in the main vestibule.

**Ash Wednesday: Masses—8 am English; 6 pm Spanish; 7:30 pm Chinese
4:30 pm English Prayer Service with Ashes**

Parish Happenings



Second Collection Next Weekend:

St. Clare School

Twice each year, we have a second collection for our school; for extra items that the tight budget cannot anticipate; for unexpected repairs; for curriculum supplements. We are proud of our school and every penny collected goes directly to the school.



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anointing of the sick

February 11: World Day of the Sick

During the Saturday 5 pm mass, we will have "Anointing of the Sick." Please invite or bring any friends who might benefit from this Sacrament.

The Best Fundraiser: Raise Money for St Clare at No Cost to You



Bring in your old cell phones, digital cameras, PC laptops and PDA's

that you are no longer using. We are unable to accept desktop PCs. Place them in the Gold wrapped cardboard box located in the Church foyer.

Any questions, call Gia at 408.972.2134 or email: gjav@hotmail.com



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Parish Fundraiser: Spaghetti Dinner

Coming February 23!

Tickets sales start February 8th and will be available after all masses starting February 11th. Call Tina Souza-Dutra at 408.998.3226 for more information.



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Fair Trade Coffee and Chocolates

This Sunday

Just in time for Valentine's Day, the Social Justice Ministry will be selling fair trade chocolates and coffee after the masses on February 5th.

St. Clare Community Festival Meeting

Car Show...Wine...Rummage Sale...TriTip

What did you enjoy best about last year or would like to see at this year's festival?



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Come join us in planning for the Community Festival this Monday, February 6th in the School Workroom at 6:30 pm. Contact Nancy at Nunzia@gmail.com or cell/text 550.3669 if you have any questions.

Donate to Treasure Cove

Time to look in every shelf, closet, room of your home including the garage, attic and backyard for items you no longer need or want.

Your donated items will be sold at the Treasure Cove during the St. Clare Festival.

We're accepting household items such as knickknacks, kitchenware, artwork, purses, backpacks/bags, books, toys music/movies, sports equipment, tools and gardenware.

Last year the Beanie Babies and Bikes sold out and jewelry items such as necklaces bracelets, and earrings remained a big hit.

We are unable to accept the following items: clothing, shoes, tvs, computers, furniture, carpet/rugs, lamps.

Your next opportunity to place your donation in front of the parking shed at the back of the parking lot is Sun, February 12th, from 9 am to 5 pm.

To schedule an alternate time, call Gia at 972.2134 or gjav@hotmail.com

St. Clare School Annual Benefit "Casino Royale 2012"

Next Saturday: February 11



Casino Royale 2012 promises to leave you "shaken, not stirred". This year, the theme involves a little intrigue and plenty of style, so

bring out your inner secret agent or villain. Be prepared to celebrate Valentine's Day weekend, James Bond style, have fun and support St. Clare School.

Where: St. Clare Parish Hall

What: Heavy Appetizers, Dancing, Gambling, Bar, Silent and Live Auction, Opportunity Drawing and more

Attire: Secret Agent Attire optional, but desired! Prizes will be awarded for best individual male, female and couple costumes!

For more information, visit www.stclareschool.org/

Limo Service

Because Bond always travels in style, the school is offering round trip limousine service. At \$40/person, a limo driver will escort you to the soiree with chilled champagne.

Sign up on-line at www.stclareschool.org.

First come, first serve. Some distance limitations apply. Slots are limited and will go quickly. So, don't hesitate, sign up now!



SCHOOL NEWS

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Our School Choir

After four months of choir, the students have the routine down pretty well: weekly rehearsals every Tuesday after school, prayer services every other week, monthly school liturgies, and the Family Mass every second Sunday of the month. We are a group of sixteen third graders and thirteen fourth graders and we enjoy singing and leading songs.

We focus mainly on songs of peace, hope, light and faith and we are currently reviewing patriotic songs. We began learning a new song this week and plan to have the first verse memorized by our next prayer service. We appreciate the times that sixth grader Ford W. can come to our Tuesday rehearsals to accompany us on the keyboard. He helps us with refrains or with notes that need correcting and plays the harmony of songs we sing in parts. He will be very helpful to us as we prepare for VIP Day on March 7, and the Choral Festival on March 27.

The School Choir has a wonderful opportunity every second Sunday of the month to sing at the 9 am Family Mass. About a dozen choir students have been coming with their families and we have sung at five liturgies this school year! Our Next Mass is at 9 am on Sunday, February 12, and we would love to have more singers.

The School Choir works hard to be successful leaders in song and at every Wednesday assembly. We who sing pray twice!

~Maria Dempsey, Music Teacher

Observation Days

8:30 - 11:00 am

Tues., February 07
Thu., February 09

Applications for 2012/2013 School Year

Due by Friday, February 24.



A Message From The Pastor

My dear Parish Family,

We start the Annual Diocesan Appeal this weekend. The theme may have a familiar ring to it because it is the same as last year: **OUR PARISH, OUR DIOCESE: TOGETHER IN CHRIST.** Last year our Parish celebrated its 85th Anniversary, while the Diocese celebrated 30 years in Santa Clara Valley. Now the work of the local and the diocesan church continues, as we work together towards the same goal.

Your gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal helps to reflect Christ's love to many people whose lives are touched by the ministries and services of this Diocese. We are all called to share our resources and ourselves. We are called to join together to make a difference. The Annual Diocesan Appeal helps to provide services and resources to people in our community, staff and people throughout the County of Santa Clara.

Last year we made our parish goal of \$86,190 in less than the 10 weeks of the appeal. This year the goal is the same and I hope we can reach it in record time.

We need your help in this year's appeal. Let us also remember that anything we make over the goal amount comes back to the parish to support our own ministries and needs.

In gratitude for your support and response,

Sincerely yours,
Fr George Aranha, Pastor



Stewardship Report 11-12

Yearly Goal	\$364,000
Goal For January	\$35,000
January 29	\$5,780
Total to date	\$230,077
Second Coll.	\$4,548

Thank you for your generosity

Presider's Schedule

Sat. & Sun. Feb 11/12

Sat	5:00 pm	Fr. Segovia
Sun	7:45 am	Fr. Segovia
	9:00 am	Fr. Noel
	10:30 am	Fr. Segovia
	12:00 pm	Fr. Andy
	1:30 pm	Fr. Siu
	3:00 pm	Fr. Olivera
	5:30 pm	Fr. Engel

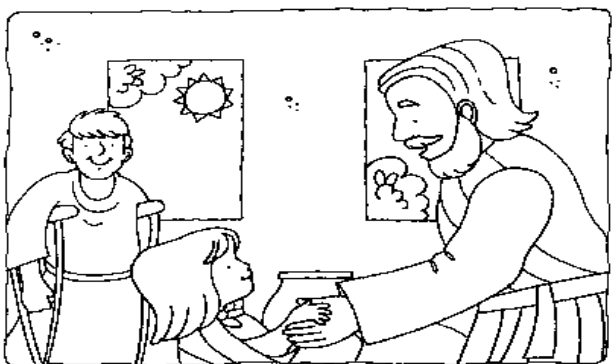
Children's Activity Page

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children Ages 5-7

Jesus healed many people!

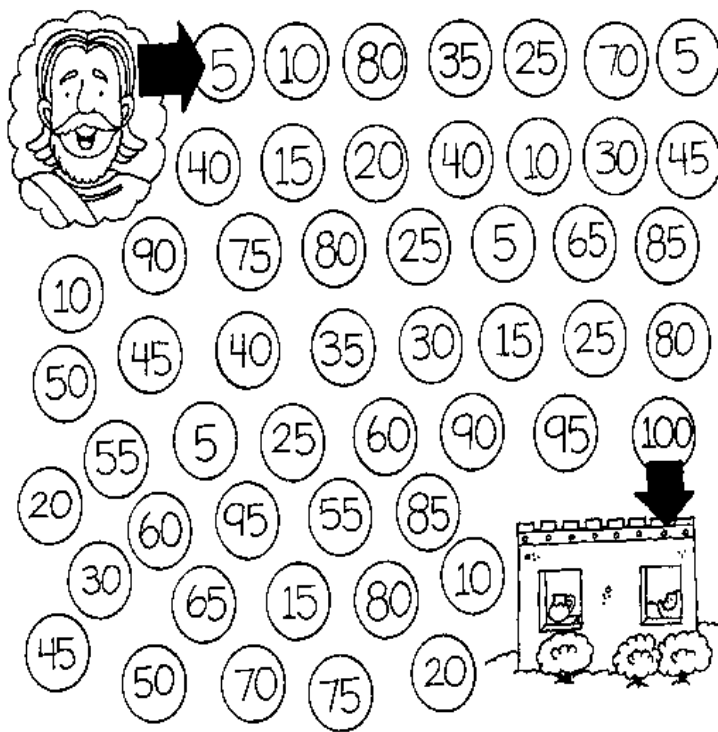
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Children Ages 7-10

Count by fives to lead Jesus to the house.

Once there, he can find and heal Simon's mother-in-law from a fever!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7 Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10 Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13 Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32 Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32 Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-45

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	World Day for Consecrated Life Boy Scout Day
Monday:	St. Paul Miki & Companions
Wednesday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita
Friday:	St. Scholastica
Saturday:	Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Feb 05: Antonio & Epegenia Rodrigues+, Victor J. Rodrigues & Victor J. Rodrigues II+, Willie J. Rodrigues+, Jose & Lourdes Delgado+, Joe Silva Rosa+, Manuel Sardinha+, Sonia Filippin+, Luiz F. Madruga+, Patricia Ardizzone+, Bill Nichols+, Joao Nunes+, Joao, Adelina & Tony Nunes+, Eduardo Fernandes+, August Dominguez+, Mary Lujan+, Jose & Emilia Oliveira+, Lenny Sardinha+, Poor Souls+

Mon, Feb 06: Nicanor Remolar+

Wed, Feb 08: Jose Mendonca+, Josephine Mello+

Thu, Feb 09: Louis Nimigeau+, Maria Amarante+ (B), Crishtian Cruz+

Sat, Feb 11: Bobby Pelayo+, Ruel Francisco

Beyond Our Parish

Catholic Professionals

Breakfast Meeting

Thu., February 9, Mass-6:45 am; Program & Breakfast-7:15-8:45am, San Jose Airport Garden Hotel, 1740 N. First St., San Jose, Mediterranean Room

Speaker: Diana Doner, Director of Women's & Children's Services, O'Connor Hospital. Topic: "The Male and Female Heart". In recognition of Heart Disease Awareness Month (Feb), Diana will cover risk factors for men and women, plus heart health. Reservations needed: \$25/members; \$30/non-members. RSVP at sjcatholicprofessionals.org or Jessica King at 491.9229.

YWCA Silicon Valley

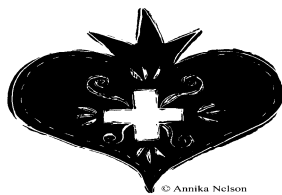
Volunteer Opportunity: Sexual Assault Advocate

The YWCA Rape Crisis Center is currently recruiting volunteers for their upcoming training. This is a wonderful opportunity to volunteer as an advocate and crisis counselor for victims of sexual assault.

Those interested should email the Y at rccvolunteer@yxca-sv.org or call Kaitlin, 408.295.4011, x229. You will then receive an application to fill out. Training begins in late February.

The Good News: Gospel Reflection - Mark 1:29-39

By Cici Martinez



This passage of Mark's Gospel shows how Jesus gave tirelessly of himself to

those in need of healing. When He cured Simon's mother-in-law of her fever, word spread rapidly; the entire town showed up at the door!

Jesus helped as many as He could, then retired for the night, more than likely feeling exhausted after His day's work.

The passage goes on to say how Jesus rose early the next morning to spend time alone in prayer. This time of solitude was short-lived, as Simon and his followers found him.

Diocese of San Jose

Annual Diocesan Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick (World Day of the Sick)

Sat., February 11, Santa Teresa Church, 11 am

Bishop McGrath will celebrate this annual mass.

For more information, contact Fr. Chris Bennett at revbennett@sbcglobal.net or call 408.344.0150

American Legion Auxiliary

Sweetheart Dinner Dance

Sat., February 11, Santa Clara Unit 419, 958 Homestead Road, 4:30—10 pm

Come enjoy a very romantic evening, take a *Sweetheart Picture under the Love Arch, drink a Love Potion and Dance Cheek to Cheek until it's time to go home. Prime Rib Dinner is served 5:30-6:30 pm. \$20/person in advance RSVP by February 8th; \$25/person at door (limited number of tickets).

Please RSVP to Frances Borg, 408.243.5832 or email eventsALA419@yahoo.com

You and I would probably have responded with, "Really? I can't even get ten minutes to myself!" Jesus, however, tells them it is time to go preach in the nearby villages. "For this purpose I have come." In spending time in prayer with His father, Jesus feels recharged, ready to forge on with the ministry He was called to do.

What a powerful message for us today in the midst of all the responsibilities, schedules and "noise" that surrounds us. Jesus has modeled for us what we need to do as a community that gathers in His name; to spend time in prayer so that we too can listen and respond to the Father's call for us; that we can draw strength from our relationship with God to go out and be a living presence of His love to those around us.

Boletim Paroquial Português

Reflexão por: João Pereira Arruda

A fé na doutrina de Jesus é, para nós, encorajamento, esperança, paz e salvação. No luto, na dor, nos becos sem saída, Jesus está lá, como garantia de libertação, de superação das fragilidades e das quedas. Tendo Jesus como prioridade das nossas vidas passa-se a não ter interesse por coisas antes de todos imprescindíveis. Uma vez mais no Evangelho Jesus mostramos a importância da oração. Vai para um lugar ermo para orar. A este exemplo assim também devemos criar espaços nas nossas vidas para orar a Deus. Temos que criar condições favoráveis para que a nossa oração seja eficaz na nossa comunicação com o Pai. Temos que estar seguros que dessa comunicação estreitamos o nosso relacionamento com o Pai e que crescemos na vida pelas orientações que advêm desse relacionamento obtido pelos meios salvíficos da nossa oração as nossas vidas mudam significativamente porque estamos a fazer as escolhas certas de que Deus faz parte delas. Ser curado por Jesus é o mesmo que ser convertido por Ele. Conversão significa mudança e nessa

mudança devem estar escolhas correctas de comportamentos e atitudes de vida pelo qual Jesus é o centro delas. "Luovai o Senhor, que salva os corações atribulados" (salmo). A intranquilidade, insegurança, a solidão, são inexistentes quando nas nossas atitudes incluiu louvar a Deus dono e Senhor das nossas vidas.

Retiro Espiritual "Vinde e Vede"

Vindo do Brasil, estará na Area da Baía o padre Ailton da Fundação Terra. Este Sacerdote durante a sua permanência fará um trabalho espiritual de retiros, missas, confissões e também fará o lançamento do seu último livro "A Casa aonde Moro". Nos dias 15-16 de Fevereiro e das 5-8 hrs da noite estará nas Cinco Chagas e no seu programa inclui reza do terço da misericórdia, Confissões, Missa e após esta haverá um jantar beneficente tipo pot luck. Em Santa Clara estará entre nós no Sábado dia 18, das 8 hrs de manhã as 5 da tarde. Apresentará o tema Vinde e Vede como tema do retiro. Haverá um almoço tipo pot-luck beneficente. Como parte desse retiro de Sábado também haverá Missa e confissões. No Domingo estará em San Francisco com um

programa semelhante ao de Santa Clara. Nas três cidades será feito o lançamento e assinaturas do Livro "A Casa aonde moro". Para Mais informações contacte com a sra. Fátima Vera (408-246-3617

Participação no Ofertório

No gesto de trazer as ofertas do pão e do vinho para o altar está o simbolismo de ser os frutos do nosso trabalho comunitário levados para o altar que se converterão no Corpo e Sangue do Senhor. Nessa ideia o CPP quer que sempre que haja; aniversários de casamento, ou outras datas importantes na vida das nossas famílias que essas notificassem o Manuel Ferreira ou o Eduardo Correia antecipadamente para serem escolhidos para levarem as ofertas.

Retiros para Casais

Nos dois primeiros fins de semana de Março próximo haverá um retiro espiritual; O primeiro em San Juan Bautista e o segundo em Turlock. Para mais informações podem contactar com o João e Filomena Bettencourt, Manuel e Diane Madruga ou ainda João e Maria Arruda.

Boletín Parroquial Español

Regístrese en la Parroquia

Si asiste regularmente a nuestra parroquia, lo invitamos a registrarse como feligrés de Santa Clara. Para ser considerado "oficialmente" un feligrés debe llenar y entrega el formulario de registro en la oficina. El no estar registrado es un problema cuando viene a solicitar cartas de recomendación, de estatus o cualquier otro servicio que usted pueda necesitar ya que no esta en nuestra base de datos. Sin registro nos es imposible tener prueba de su asistencia a misa o de su participación en la Iglesia. Por favor llene un formulario de registro, están en la entrada de la iglesia.

Presentación del Señor

La Fiesta de la Candelaria es conocida también como la Presentación del Señor o la Purificación de María, se celebra el 2 de febrero y se cierra así el ciclo de la Navidad. El significado más importante de esta celebración es que el Niño Jesús, la *Luz del Mundo*, es presentado al templo por su Madre, y por lo tanto, su luz nos

alumbrará a todos. Antes, cuando la única forma de iluminación en las casas eran las velas se celebraba con gran solemnidad, ya que se bendecían todas las velas que se utilizarían durante todo el año, de esta manera aseguraban que tanto la luz física, como la luz de Dios siempre estuvieran presentes en los hogares.

Invitación Especial

Estamos invitando a toda nuestra comunidad a que participe en alguno de los Ministerios que tenemos en la parroquia, como parte de sus propósitos de año nuevo. Tenemos especial necesidad en los coros. Más información con Paty Rascón.

Grupo de Oración

Este miércoles 8 de febrero estará con nosotros el Sr. Joe Álvarez quien compartirá Les invita a que vengan y se llenen del Espíritu Santo con las oraciones y alabanzas al Señor. Todos están invitados a las 7:30 pm, en la Iglesia de Abajo.

Reconciliaciones

Sábados de 4:00 a 4:30 PM en la iglesia o puede hacer cita con el sacerdote.

Bautismo

Las clases de preparación en español son el 1er. lunes de cada mes, el bautizo se celebra el 3er. sábado del mes y la presentación del niño(a) es el domingo anterior al bautizo. Para mayor información llamar a la oficina.

Bendiciones Especiales

Si desea tener una bendición porque celebra un aniversario, cumpleaños, quinceañera o quiere presentar un niño(a), por favor llame a la oficina con dos semanas de anticipación.

Horario de Atención en Español

Martes de 3-5 pm.

Miércoles y jueves de 9-12 por la mañana

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Closed for lunch 12-1pm

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

Mass Schedule

Daily	MWFSa (Chapel)	8:00 am
	TTH	5:30 pm
	Holidays	9:00 am

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

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 Every Saturday
4:00 - 4:30pm

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

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

Rite of Welcome:

The Sunday before the Baptism

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