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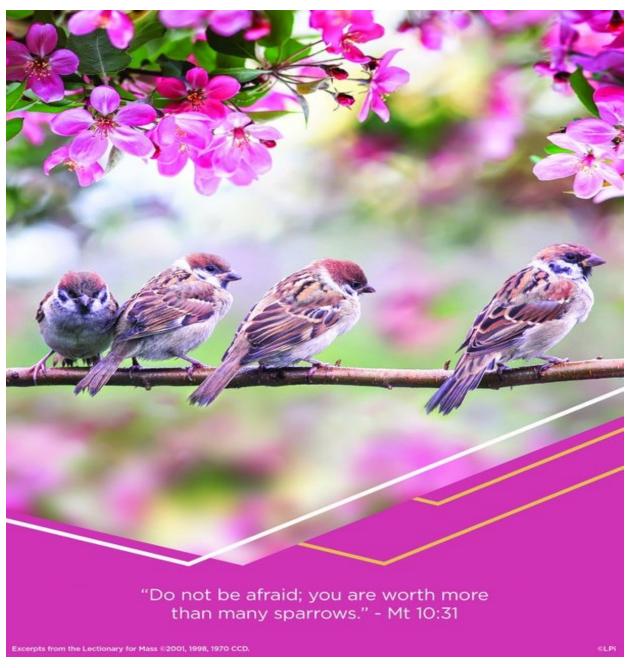
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PARISH COMMUNITY

Parish Mission Statement

Founded in 1777, Saint Clare Parish is an ethnically diverse Catholic community of faith, united in worship, discipleship and service. *In welcoming* immigrants, newcomers and strangers, we strive to live the virtues of justice and love, so as to be the face of Christ in the world. becoming in Him a sign of unity and an instrument of God's peace.

From Monsignor Fran Cilia

"Do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows."

Using imagery of God's love and care for all creation ("Yet not one [sparrow] falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge."), Jesus urges his listeners to have faith in the God whose love has no limits.

It is difficult for us to live without fear. In fact, fear is an important component in steering us away from dangerous or reckless behavior. Fear of failure encourages preparation and study; we try to avoid accidents by following the rules of safe driving or walking.

But Jesus' instruction to His followers, "Fear no one," is an encouragement of irrational fear, the fear that is not founded in reality or logic. This the paralyzing fear that makes our normal functioning impossible. It is the kind of fear we encounter when we awake in the middle of the night, the kind that, thankfully, evaporates with the light of day.

So many times in the gospels, Jesus announces that "Fear is useless; what is needed is trust." These words should not be wasted on us. To paraphrase Václav Havel, former President of the Czech Republic, our faith is not the conviction that everything will turn out right, but that however things turn out, it will be alright. His words are a call to all to trust in God, the only One Who makes all things right.

Perhaps these words will aid us as we journey through Summer 2023.

Second Collection for "Peter's Pence"

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit: www.obolodisanpietro.va/ en.html.

Father Eddie Ngo Mass of Thanksgiving

All are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday, July 29, at 5:00 pm, to be followed by a reception. Here is an electronic invitation that allows for online sign-ups for those who plan to attend. https://forms.office.com/r/kxGz4fD9iD

See Fr. Eddie's reflection on how he cannot imagine his religious vocation apart from being in relationship to others, in "The Expansiveness of Love - A Jesuit Vocation Story". What can we learn about his Jesuit vocation through the lens of those who have accompanied him along the way? See video at https://youtu.be/ ijPJeyXpxYQ



Creation Care Tips

"Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father." —Matthew 10:29

God doesn't lose sight of any of his winged creations. How often do you really notice and appreciate birds? This week explore the website https://www.birds.cornell.edu to learn how you can support bird life in your area. Then spend some time looking for and enjoying the birds in your neighborhood.

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Weekly Justice Challenge

There is much in our neighborhoods and communities that needs attention: parks and streets, homes and businesses. Our bishops challenge us as Catholics to care for God's creation and to be good stewards of all we have been given. Make a list of things in your community that you are thankful for. Take time to volunteer with something on the list or to thank those who make it possible for you to enjoy the place you call home. Be a good steward to ensure that those who come after you have the same things to enjoy!

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PARISH COMMUNITY

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil (Livestreamed) 5:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday

7:30 a.m. (English) 9:00 a.m. (Portuguesa) 10:30 a.m. (English) 12:00 p.m. (Español) Livestreamed

Liturgy of the Word for Children

During 10:30 a.m. Mass (English)

Liturgia de la Palabra para Niños

Durante Misa de 12:00pm (Español)

Weekday Masses Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 p.m.— 3:30 p.m. (*In the church*)

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SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT











Who's ready for our Movie Night?!

The next featured movie is "Despicable Me" on Friday, June 30. Bring your own lawn chair, a blanket, and don't forget a friend! This is a completely FREE movie for all ages but please bring some cash to support our World Youth Day Pilgrims who will be embarking on their pilgrimage to Portugal this August by purchasing baked goods. Show time is at 8:00pm in the rectory garden. Make a donation to our pilgrims by scanning the QR code.

Look on Instagram @stclare.ymc to see pictures from the DYR at Lake Tahoe.



Saint Clare School

SUMMER CAMP FROM JUNE 12-JULY 28

We have welcomed Summer Campers who are housed in the Middle School Building, parking lot, Tent, and Rectory Garden from June 12-July 28 while we ready the Elementary School Building for our HVAC upgrade! It's an exciting time for us and we appreciate your patience. Thank you for sharing the parish spaces with our school and summer campers. We are grateful for your caution when driving in the parking lot, as there will be delineators to keep our campers safe. Camp operates from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday to Friday, except on June 19 and July 4 in observance of Juneteenth and the Fourth of July, respectively.

NOW ENROLLING TK-8TH GRADE FOR 2023-2024

Saint Clare School prepares students to become ethical and moral servant leaders. Visit https://www.stclare.school/admissions-2 to learn more. Support our robust tuition assistance program by making a donation: https://www.stclare.school/supportus

Call Cherell Rizzo, Recruitment, Retention, and Marketing Manager: 408-246-6797 or email cherell.rizzo@dsj.org | ENROLLING TK-8TH GRADE: Schedule a tour: https://www.stclare.school/schedule-a-tour



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL PROGRAMS

We are grateful to those who support our Annual Giving so that we may continue to provide a robust tuition assistance program and upkeep our beautiful historical building. After all, Saint Clare School has been a part of this neighborhood and community since 1856, established by Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur and the Jesuits. Find out the many ways to support us: https://www.stclare.school/supportus

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PARISH COMMUNITY



Daily Readings

Monday: Genesis 12:1-9 Psalms 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 & 22 Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday: Genesisn13:2, 5-18 Psalms 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Psalms 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Matthew 7:15-20

Thursday: Acts 12:1-11 1 Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19

Friday: Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Matthew 8:1-4

Saturday: Genesis 18:1-15 Luke 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 & 53, 54-55 Matthew 8:5-17

Sunday: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a Psalms 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 l Matthew 10:37-42

Mass Intentions June 24– July 1, 2023

Saturday

5:00 pm Marie Dunn

Sunday

7:30 am Saint Clare Parishioners

9:00 am Ernesto Gonsalves †
Manuel & Cristina
Jeronimo †
Dora de Oliveira†
Peter Reiland †
Jose Manuel Correia †
Antonieta Moules †
Norberto Monteiro †
Manuel & Aldine Simas †
Maria & Felipe Madruga †
Souls in Purgatory

Monday 8:00am

Leonar Villacorta Cisneros ₽

Tuesday 8:00am

John Louis Albanese P

Wednesday 8:00am

Hawkes Family - Special Intention

Thursday 8:00am

Marie Dunn

Friday 8:00am

Pilar Delfino 🕆

Saturday 8:00am Frank Achondoa 🕏

10:30 am Souls in Purgatory

12:00 pm Arnie Willett T Nivarda Rosas T Alicia Suárez - Health Ida Lopez - Health



Boletim Paroquial Português

25 de Junho de 2023; Domingo XII do Tempo Comum – A Reflexão pelo Padre Francisco Rodrigues SJ Mat. 10, 26-33

As palavras de Jesus são profundamente inspiradoras, motivadoras e encorajadoras: não temais. O saudoso Papa S. Papa João Paulo II não se cansava de repetir: não tenhais medo. Sim, nós sabemos que o mundo não se encontra bem. O perigo espreita-nos por tantos os lados. O pecado cerca-nos. Os perigos existem. Os filhos deste mundo mundano são muitas vezes mais espertos do que os filhos da luz. Ainda assim, o convite de Jesus permanece: não temais! Jesus alertou-nos para isso mesmo, convidando-nos a sermos prudentes como as serpentes e simples como as pombas (cf. Mt. 10, 16-23). Neste sentido, deveremos não temer mas sermos vigilantes, ativos e protagonistas de um mundo novo. Isto é, o convite a não temermos não significa cruzarmos os braços. Tão pouco quer dizer que não nos vai acontecer nada de doloroso. Jesus é claro nas palavras: não temer significa agir com coragem, confiança, verdade e honestidade. Não termos vida dupla. A vida dupla consiste em não termos identidade cristã. Na missa e na Igreja somos uma coisa e na vida do dia-adia outra totalmente diferente. Jesus adverte-nos que as vidas duplas serão desmascaradas. Jesus é frontal quando nos recorda: ai de nós se O negarmos na nossa vida. Hoje não é fácil afirmarmo-nos cristãos no trabalho, na vida social, fora da Igreja. Não temos nada a impor. Mas também não aceitamos que outros imponham sobre nós atitudes de silêncio. Temos um tesouro que é Jesus e vivemo-lo no nosso dia-a-dia, sem nada impor, mas tudo a propor, sem nada a afirmar mas tudo a revelar. Jesus também nos adverte de que o mundo mundano nos pode fazer a vida difícil. Assim foi com Ele. Assim foi (e continua a ser) também com muitos mártires que deram a vida por Cristo. São inspiradoras as suas palavras: podem-vos matar o corpo mas não vos podem matar a alma. Temei, diz Jesus, aqueles que vos podem privar da felicidade eterna. Que as palavras de Jesus que são alimento e vida nos possam nutrir a vida espiritual ao ponto de nada temermos porque desejamos estar alicerçados nele e viver com verdade, empenho e identificados com Jesus, todos os dias e o dia todo!

<u>Conselho Paroquial Português:</u> O CPP, encoraja a todos a aproveitar a crescer na fé, celebrar e agradecer ao Rev. Padre Francisco Rodrigues SJ por toda a dedicação com que tem trabalhado para o bem comum de todos nestes meses que tem estado entre nós.

<u>Festejar o Décimo-nono ano de vida sacerdotal do padre Francisco. SJ:</u> Domingo dia 9 de Julho próximo começa ás 9 hrs. com a Santa Missa, após esta segue-se um café convívio no salão anexo a nossa igreja.

<u>Agradecimento:</u> Sábado 15 mde Julho próximo, 5 hrs da tarde no salão paroquial. Agradecer ao padre Francisco Rodrigues SJ pela sua dedicação e excelente trabalhodurante a sua estadia em Santa Clara e desejar-lhe uma boa viagem de regresso a Portugal na esperança que ele regresse de novo em breve. Jantar pot-luck e o padre Francisco contribuirá com uma sopa deliciosa.

Um Santo e Alegre Domingo para todos!!



De Monseñor Fran Cilia

"No tengan miedo, porque valen mucho más que todo los pajarillos".

Usando imágenes del amor y el cuidado de Dios por toda la creación ("Ni uno [pajarito] cae a tierra sin el conocimiento de su Padre"), Jesús insta a sus oyentes a tener fe en el Dios cuyo amor no tiene límites.

Es difícil para nosotros vivir sin miedo. De hecho, el miedo es un componente importante para alejarnos de comportamientos peligrosos o imprudentes. El miedo al fracaso fomenta la preparación y el estudio; tratamos de evitar accidentes siguiendo las normas de seguridad al conducir o caminar.

Pero la instrucción de Jesús a sus seguidores, "No temáis a nadie", es un estímulo para el miedo irracional, el miedo que no se basa en la realidad o la lógica. Este es el miedo paralizante que hace imposible nuestro funcionamiento normal. Es el tipo de miedo que encontramos cuando nos despertamos en medio de la noche, el tipo que, afortunadamente, se evapora con la luz del día.

Tantas veces en los evangelios, Jesús anuncia que "el temor es inútil; lo que se necesita es confianza". Estas palabras no deben desperdiciarse en nosotros. Parafraseando a Václav Havel, expresidente de la República Checa, nuestra fe no es la convicción de que todo saldrá bien, sino que, como sea que salgan las cosas, todo saldrá bien. Sus palabras son un llamado a todos a confiar en Dios, el único que hace todas las cosas bien.

Quizás estas palabras nos ayuden en nuestro viaje por el verano de 2023.

Segunda Coleta par "Peter's Pence"

Quizás estas palabras nos ayuden en nuestro viaje por el verano de 2023. Hoy es la Colecta "Peter's Pence," una colecta a nivel mundial que apoya la labor de la Iglesia universal, incluyendo la labor de la Santa Sede y las obras de caridad del papa Francisco. Tomen esta oportunidad para unirse al papa Francisco y sean un signo de misericordia para nuestros hermanos y hermanas que sufren. Por favor, sean generosos hoy. Para más información, visiten www.obolodisanpietro.va/es.html.

Misa de Acción de Gracias para el Padre Eddie Ngo

Todos están invitados a una Misa de Acción de Gracias el sábado 29 de julio a las 5:00 pm, seguida de una recepción. Aquí esta la invitación electrónica que permitirá registrarse en línea para aquellos que planeen asistir. https://forms.office.com/r/kxGz4fD9iD

Vean el reflexión de p. Eddie Ngô, SJ sobre cómo no puede imaginar su vocación religiosa aparte de estar en relación con los demás en "La expansión del amor: una historia de vocación jesuita". ¿Qué podemos aprender sobre su vocación jesuita a través del lente de quienes lo han acompañado en el camino? Vean el video en https://youtu.be/ijPJeyXpxYQ





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Be a sign of

mercy.

hen Russia invaded Ukraine in February 2022, a humanitarian crisis began for Ukrainians, whose lives were shattered by the violence of war. Many left their homes in eastern cities in Ukraine for cities in the west, such as Lviv, farther from the most intense fighting. From the beginning of the war, the Holy Father pleaded for an end to the violence and expressed his love and concern for the Ukrainian people who were its victims. In solidarity with the victims of war, the papal almoner, Cardinal Konrad Krajewski, made two visits to Ukraine in March 2022. He first visited the cities of Rivne and Zhovka and other regions directly affected by the early conflict. He returned to Ukraine to celebrate Mass in the cathedral in Lviv and to deliver an ambulance donated by the Holy Father to the Center for Mother and Child Health to assist children displaced by the war.

The Holy Father's charitable outreach to victims of war, migrants and refugees, and the poor affected by illness and natural disasters is supported by contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection. When you participate in the collection, you join Catholics across the globe in supporting the pope's mission of mercy as well as the activities of the Holy See's dicasteries that assist his ministry.

Support for such papal efforts is rooted in the scriptural message to take care of the poor and expresses unity with

the Holy Father in two ways: through the ongoing activities of the Holy See and through the charitable works of the Holy Father on behalf of those most in need.

How You Can Help

PRAY

Pray for the Holy Father, for those he reaches out to serve in compassion, and for the ongoing activities of the Holy See, all of which benefit from the Peter's Pence Collection.

SHARE

Share this bulletin insert with anyone who might be interested.

GIVE

Give generously to this collection as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and in support of the ongoing work of the Holy See. By doing so, you help build up the Church so that it will continue to minister to all for generations to come.

For more information on Peter's Pence, please visit the Vatican's Peter's Pence website: https://www.obolodisan-pietro.va/en/cos-e-l-obolo.html (English) or https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/es/cos-e-l-obolo.html (español).



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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13 | Rom 5:12-15 | Mt 10:26-33

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

When I was in middle school, I came upon a group of students who had singled out another student, accusing her of some pretty rotten things. The Lord must have helped me to be brave that day because I decided to step in and defend her. Thankfully, calling them out on their cruelty was enough to fend them off. Thank God for his presence and aid in that moment! In the first reading today, Jeremiah tells of his experience of being betrayed and accused: "All those who were my friends are on the watch for any misstep of mine. 'Perhaps he will be trapped [they say]; then we can prevail, and take our vengeance on him." But Jeremiah does not lose heart, saying also, "the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion." And Jesus' words in the Gospel echo the resolve of Jeremiah when he says: "Fear no one ... What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light ... And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul." It seems pretty clear, then, that our job is to bring the Good News of Jesus into the world whenever we can and let his light shine forth by our words and actions. We are commissioned to be warriors for Christ who should not fear injury but rather call upon him in our need and trust in his goodness and mercy to render aid.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Stepping into a conflict or situation can be difficult. But we are not meant to do it alone. Yes, we are called to proclaim the Word of God at every opportunity – to let "zeal" for our Father's house consume us, as we heard in the psalm. And the task at hand may seem a daunting one – until we focus on the second part of the Gospel and soak in the depth of the love Jesus has for each of his children. Matthew writes: "Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted." We are not alone as we do the work of the Father; rather, we are known and loved by him and strengthened by the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. We can feel emboldened by this as we pursue the everlasting gift of heaven.

ENGAGE This world often tells us to do what makes us happy. Let's challenge ourselves to, instead, do what makes us *holy*, as we keep our eyes fixed on the path to eternity.



Stewardship Report

Sunday Collection: June 17th – 18th

Goal: \$8,400.00 Actual: \$11,387.60

Thank You!



Saint of the week

Venerable Pierre Toussaint was born into slavery but became an elite hairstylist in New York City and a free man. He used the money he earned to transform the lives of impoverished New Yorkers, former slaves, and immigrants alongside his wife, Servant of God Juliette.

Prayer

Lord God, source of love and compassion, we praise and honor You for the virtuous and charitable life of our brother in Christ, Venerable Pierre Toussaint.

Inspired by the example of our Lord Jesus, Pierre worshipped You with love and served Your people with generosity. He attended Mass daily and responded to the practical and spiritual needs of friends and strangers, of the rich and the poor, the sick and the homeless of the 19th century, New York.

If it is your will, let the name of Venerable Pierre Toussaint be officially raised to the rank of Saint, so that the world may know this Haitian New Yorker who refused to hate or be selfish, but instead lived to the full commandments of heaven and the divine law of love — love for God and for neighbor.

By following his example and asking for his prayer, may we, too, be counted among the blessed in heaven.

We ask for this through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Prayer Source: https://nolacatholic.org/news/black-catholic-history-month-pierretoussaint#:-text=Prayer,served%20Your%20people%20 with%20generosity)



PRAYER + BROTHERHOOD + ADVENTURE!

July 7-9, 2023

at St. Lawrence the Martyr

Boys (Ages 13-17) Discernment Retreat

Quo Vadis is a camp for young Catholic men to deepen their faith and see God's call in their lives. The Quo Vadis retreat is a camp led by priests, seminarians and college men.

- Mass & Prayer
- Sports & Games
- Small Group Discussion
- (408) 983-0155
- vocations@dsj.org
- wwwdsj.org/vocations





Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Christ promises to acknowledge us before his Father if we will acknowledge him. In what ways are we called to acknowledge Christ today? In what ways are we tempted to deny him, to distance ourselves from him?



Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been renewing marriages for 50 years!

Any married couple that desires a fuller life together deserves a WWME experience. It is designed to deepen and enrich the joys a couple shares together, whether they have been married for a short time or for many years.

Take an opportunity this year to invest time for your marriage. Experiences in the Bay Area for the

remainder of 2023 are on July 7 - 9, September 29 - October 1 and November 17 - 19.

> Please register at wwme.org/apply or for more information call: Ken and Claranne at 408-782-1413.



Welcome!

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

| Name | : | | |
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| City: _ | | Zip | |
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¡Bienvenido!

Nuestra más cordial bienvenida a todos los que están celebrando con nosotros, ya sea que han estado por largo tiempo o estén recién llegados a la parroquia. Damos gracias a Dios por ustedes. Si aún no está registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y póngalo en la canasta de la coleta o mándelo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

| Nombre(s): | |
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| Dirección: | |
| Ciudad: | Código postal: |
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