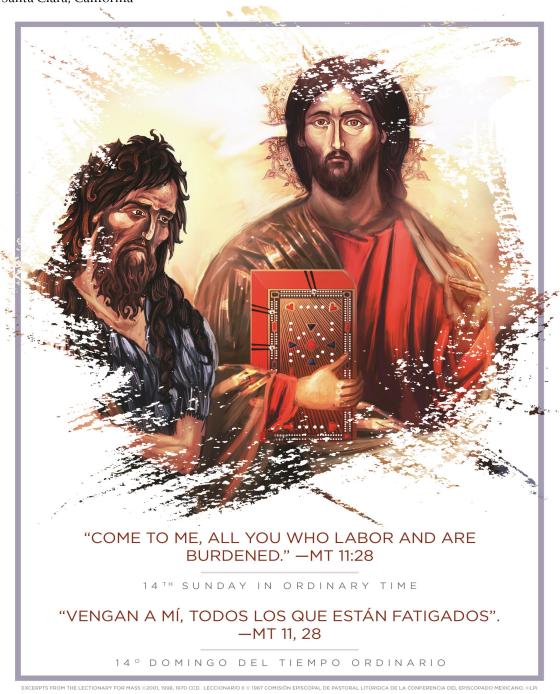


Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9, 2023

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From Monsignor Fran Cilia

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Some might think that being "meek and humble of heart" is the same as being weak. Jesus did not. Meekness and humility are demonstrations of love and gentleness, of the care God has for us through Jesus. The easy yoke and light burden refer to the rigid demands of the former law, which, in Jesus, gave way to the law that is characterized primarily by love.

Meekness/gentleness and humility of heart do make us prone to vulnerability, but that is one of the marks of Christians who are willing to follow a crucified Savior. Should we not emulate the Lord in the ways we relate to one another?

Welcome, Father George!

We welcome Father George Aranha (pastor here from 2010 until 2014) as he shares his latest book, *Called by Name*, with our parish. Father George will be happy to sign copies after the Sunday Masses. A \$15 donation is suggested for each copy, but free copies will also be available.

Quarterly Collection for our Parish School - Next Weekend

Next weekend, we will take up our quarterly collection to benefit Saint Clare School. Your support of our school makes it possible for some families to send their children to Saint Clare for an academically rigorous and Catholic education. As always, your generosity is most appreciated.

New Office Hours

Our regular office hours are now from 9 am until 5 pm, Monday through Friday. The office closes between 12:00 and 1:00 for lunch. We hope that these increased hours will be more convenient for you.

Youth Ministry

Please join us for the last movie of the Summer Movie Night Series. You can meet us in the rectory garden, we will be showing *The Lion King* at **8:30pm.** This is an event open to **all families** and helps in raising money for our WYD pilgrimage. Please consider contributing by giving donations at our concession.



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.

Creation Care Tips

Keep an empty, clean coffee mug in your car or your bike pannier so that you can get your coffee in a re-usable cup rather than a disposable one. Bring a mug from home when you're headed to a cafe to meet a friend. Compostable coffee cups are a second-best option, but they don't often make it to a composting facility and are sent to the landfill anyway.

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Weekly Justice Challenge

July 14th is the feast day of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, the patron of the environment and ecology. She was from an Algonquin tribe that had been hit with a small pox epidemic which took the lives of her family. As a teenager, she was introduced to Scripture by missionaries and she was baptized. She led a very prayerful life devoted to the Eucharist and to serving others. Some in her tribe ridiculed her and she endured great suffering for her faith. Yet she never wavered in her beliefs. Your justice challenge this week is to take a step out in faith like Kateri, talk with a friend or someone in your family about your faith. Share what is important to you about it and then encourage those you talk with to do the same. You may be laughed at or ridiculed, or even surprised by a warm reception. Whatever the response, thank God in prayer for the opportunities you have to bring the good news to others and continue to be a living witness of your faith.



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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. Holidays - 9:00 am

Confessions

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

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Saint Clare School

SUMMER CAMP FROM JUNE 12-JULY 28

We have welcomed Summer Campers who are housed in the Middle School Building, 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 care 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 July 4 in observance of the Fourth of July.

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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Mass Intentions July 8 – July 15, 2023

Saturday 5:00 pm Saint Clare Parishioners

Sunday 7:30 am Antonio Ramirez Ibarrola ♥

9:00 am Ernesto Gonsalves **†**

Manuel & Cristina

Jeronimo 🕆

Dora de Oliveira 🕆

Jose Manuel Correia &

Maria & Felipe Madruga 🕆

Manuel & Aldine Simas ♥

Maria Mello ♥
Antonia Sousa ♥

Diodato & Irene Pacheco &

10:30 am Billy Kelly ♥

12:00 pm The Bautista Family

Sophia Carpio - Birthday

Alicia Suárez - Health Ida Lopez - Health

Monday 8:00 am The Peters Family

Tuesday 8:00 am Marie Dunn

Wednesday 8:00 am The Brady Family

Thursday 8:00 am The Hawkes Family

Friday 8:00 am Deejay Tolentino ♥

Saturday 8:00 am Sheila Pilar Quilantang ♥





PARISH COMMUNITY



Daily Readings

Monday:

Genesis 28:10-22a

Psalms 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab

Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday:

Genesis 32:23-33

Palms 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b & 15

Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday:

Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a

Psalms 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19

Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday:

Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5

Psalms 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 1

Matthew 10:7-15

Friday:

Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30

Psalms 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40

Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday:

Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a

Psalms 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7

Matthew 10:24-33

Sunday:

Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalms 65:10,11,12-13,14 (Luke 8:8)

Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23

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Boletim Paroquial Português 9 de Julho de 2023; Domingo XIV do Tempo Comum Reflexão pelo Padre Francisco Rodrigues SJ Mat. 11, 25-30

Vinde a mim todos vós que andais cansados e oprimidos, Eu vos aliviarei!

O evangelho deste 14º domingo do tempo comum, recorda-nos essencialmente duas dimensões da nossa vida cristã: o valor da humildade e a leveza do amor de Jesus.

Jesus, em ambiente orante com o Pai, elogia e agradece a sabedoria dos simples, dos pobres e dos humildes. Será que Deus esconde a sabedoria aos sábios, instruídos e inteligentes? Claro que não. Também a quem é sábio, instruído e inteligente Deus se pode revelar, mas tem que ser humilde, simples e acolhedor. O que mais nos pode afastar da sabedoria de Deus nas nossas vidas é o nosso próprio ego. O ego pessoal gera egocentrismo, faz-nos viver inchados de orgulho, convencidos, arrogantes e orgulhosos. O ego gerador de egocentrismo é o pior inimigo da alma e habita dentro de cada um de nós. Por esta razão, o egocentrismo não deixa espaço a que Deus se revele. O egocentrismo convence-nos que somos superiores aos outros e rejeita Deus porque vê Deus como um rival, uma ameaça ao seu egocentrismo. Curiosamente, o egocentrismo acaba por fazer muito mal aos outros e ao próprio. É uma questão de tempo, mas o egocentrismo desumaniza, faz muito mal à saúde do corpo e da alma. A única resposta vem de Cristo: vinde a mim todos vós que andais carregados de vos mesmos, do vosso egoísmo, das vossas manias, da vossa autorreferencialidade, eu vos curarei, diz Jesus. A cura de Jesus pode ser tão importante que o seu fardo se torna leve. Sim, o pecado é como grilhões que nos prendem, fecham, fazem sofrer. Com Jesus e no seu amor, até o fardo se torna leveza. O amor permite um entendimento da vida completamente novo, fresco e suave. Mesmo nas dificuldades, encontramos sentido e leveza. Que o amor de Jesus purifique a nossa tendência para o egocentrismo e o seu amor nos alimente ao ponto de vermos os nossos próprios fardos cheios da leveza de Cristo.

Agradecimento: Sábado 15 de Julho próximo, 5 hrs da tarde no salão paroquial. Agradecer ao padre Francisco Rodrigues SJ pela sua dedicação e excelente trabalho durante 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!!



"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

- Mt II:28-30

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De Monseñor Fran Cilia

"Vengan a mí, todos los que están fatigados y agobiados por la carga, y yo los aliviaré. Tomen mi yugo sobre ustedes y aprendan de mí, que soy manso y humilde de corazón, y encontrarán descanso, porque mi yugo es suave, y mi carga ligera".

Algunos podrían pensar que ser "manso y humilde de corazón" es lo mismo que ser débil. Jesús no lo hizo. La mansedumbre y la humildad son demostraciones de amor y mansedumbre, del cuidado que Dios tiene para con nosotros a través de Jesús. El yugo fácil y la carga ligera se refieren a las rígidas exigencias de la ley anterior, que en Jesús dio paso a la ley que se caracteriza principalmente por el amor.

La mansedumbre/amabilidad y la humildad de corazón nos hacen propensos a la vulnerabilidad, pero esa es una de las marcas de los cristianos que están dispuestos a seguir a un Salvador crucificado. ¿No deberíamos emular al Señor en la forma en que nos relacionamos unos con otros?

¡Bienvenido, padre George!

Damos la bienvenida al Padre George Aranha (párroco aquí desde 2010 hasta 2014) mientras comparte su último libro, *Called by Name*, con nuestra parroquia. El padre George estará feliz de firmar copias después de las misas dominicales. Se sugiere una donación de \$15 por cada copia, pero también habrá copias gratuitas disponibles.

Nuevo Horario de Oficina

Nuestro horario regular de oficina es ahora de 9 am a 5 pm, de lunes a viernes. La oficina cierra entre las 12:00 y la 1:00 para el almuerzo. Esperamos que este aumento de horas sea más conveniente para usted.

Colecta Trimestral para nuestra Escuela Parroquial – Próximo Fin de Semana

El próximo fin de semana, realizaremos nuestra colecta trimestral a beneficio de la escuela Saint Clare. Su apoyo a nuestra escuela hace posible que algunas familias envíen a sus hijos a Saint Clare para una educación católica y académicamente rigurosa. Como siempre, su generosidad es muy apreciada.

Informe de Colección Semanal

La parroquia inicia un nuevo año presupuestario y nos enfrentamos a mayores gastos, al igual que usted. Para nosotros, el mayor gasto son los salarios y beneficios de nuestros empleados, incluidos los sacerdotes. La parroquia hace todo lo posible para pagar un salario justo y digno a todos los que trabajan aquí. Hacemos esto en tu nombre, siguiendo la enseñanza de Jesús de que "los trabajadores merecen su pago".

Para que podamos cubrir los gastos, la meta semanal para nuestras colectas dominicales ahora es de \$9000. Si bien esto parece un salto considerable con respecto a la meta semanal de \$8400 del año pasado, está muy cerca de lo que realmente recolectamos en los últimos doce meses.

Estamos extremadamente agradecidos con aquellos que pueden aumentar sus donaciones semanales y mensuales a la parroquia.





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Zec 9:9-10 | Rom 8:9, 11-13 | Mt 11:25-30

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

What does a restful day look like to you? Maybe it's a lazy day poolside with a good book and a cold drink, or perhaps a dark room, cozy blanket, and a good movie. Lazy days like these are hard to come by; truly restful days in our busy world are even fewer and farther between. Although "taking a break" every once in a while from the cares of the world is certainly good for everyone, in today's Gospel Jesus is referring to true rest that only he can provide. Jesus asks us to take up his yoke and learn from him "and [we] will find rest for ourselves." Our burdens will be lighter because he shares them with us. Jesus says: "I am meek and humble of heart." Imagine the strength to be found in that meekness, that humility! We will know true rest when we surrender ourselves to Jesus and live in the freedom only he can provide.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In order to find rest in the Lord, we must remember that "[we] are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in [us]," as Saint Paul writes to the Romans. Therefore, Jesus is inviting us into union with him, as well as with the Father and the Holy Spirit. How do we yoke ourselves to Christ? By living out our baptismal promises, celebrating the sacraments, and through our lives of faith, we allow Jesus to work through us and lead the way. Let us make an effort this week to hand over our worries and anxieties to Jesus. And let us never forget that the Holy Spirit dwells within us.

PRAISE Share your worries and anxieties with Christ through prayer. Offer a prayer of thanksgiving and praise using today's psalm:

The Lord is faithful in all his words

and holy in all his works.

The Lord lifts up all who are falling

and raises up all who are bowed down.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.



Worship & Meditation



Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest.

— Father John Muir



Saint of the week

Venerable John Augustus (Gus) Tolton was born into slavery and escaped with his mother early in his life. He went to seminary in Rome and returned to the U.S. to form a black national church in Chicago. He is considered to be the first priest in the USA who was publicly known to be black.

Prayer

Venerable Father Tolton, when confronted with the hatred of a brother and the taunts of a few, you imitated the Lamb of God and did not open your mouth against them.

Help us, Father Gus, to follow your example of long-suffering compassion and silent perseverance, to love our enemies and to pray for our persecutors.

Teach us to be noble servants of Christ until he calls us into the presence of his majesty, there to look upon the Master's loving face.

Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

(Prayer Source: https://tolton.dio.org/prayer. html#:~:text=A%20Prayer%20to%20the%20 Venerable%20Augustine%20Tolton&text=Teach%20 us%20to%20be%20noble,Amen.)

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Christian life does not require wisdom, charisma, or strength — no, quite the opposite. To be Christian, we must embrace our faults, our littleness, our shortcomings — gather them up, and lay them all at the feet of Jesus. There, they will be transformed.

Meet the Pastoral Council at Saint Clare Parish 2023



Cathleen Lencioni



Mary Reiland



Nick Nichols



Elyse Raby

Christina Nolan



Leandro Vieira



Cecilia Altamirano



Cyndi Banaag



Ursula Szeles



Lucy Silva



Scot Stennis



Kay Tierney

Weekly Collection Report

As the parish enters a new budget year we are faced with increased expenses, just as you are. For us, the largest expense is salaries and benefits for our employees, including the priests. The parish does its best to pay a fair and living wage to all who work here. We do this in your name, following Jesus' teaching that "the workers deserve their payment."

In order for us to cover expenses, the weekly goal for our Sunday collections is now \$9000. While this seems a considerable jump from the past year's \$8400 weekly goal, it is very close to what we actually collected in the last twelve months.

We are extremely grateful to those who are able to increase your weekly and monthly gifts to the parish.

Stewardship Report

Sunday Collection: July 1st &2nd

Goal: \$9,000.00 Actual: \$8,215.50



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 will allow for online signups for those who plan to attend.

https://forms.office.com/r/kxGz4fD9iD



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. Hay una invitación electrónica que permitirá registrarse en línea para aquellos que planeen asistir. https://forms.office.com/r/kxGz4fD9iD

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:	
Address:	
City:	Zip
Phone:	
Email:	
W	ould you like to receive envelopes?

FIAT 2023: PRAYER + DISCERN + ADVENTURE!

The Fiat Retreat is a camp for high school women in 9 - 12 grade. Led by sisters, college women and priests, it will include prayer, Mass, sports tournaments, great food, discussions, hiking, and talks. Retreat is free. If you are interested, please contact our pastor or go to dsj.org/fiat.

If you know a young woman who might enjoy the retreat, invite her to take a look!



¡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):	
Dirección:	
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Numero teléfono:	
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¿Desea recibir s	obres de contribución? No