



St. Clare Catholic Church

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**PALM SUNDAY
 MARCH 29TH, 2026**

Rectory Hours

Monday—Friday: 9am—12pm, 1pm—4pm
Saturdays: 10am—5pm
Sundays: Closed

Please call in advance to make an appointment to see either a priest or a deacon.

Parishioners at St. Clare worship regularly at Mass, participate in the community life of the Church and make use of the weekly envelopes in support of the parish.

Parish Clergy and Staff

Rev. John Nimako, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Jean F. Tanisma, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Mr. Christopher Barber, Permanent Deacon
 Rev. Mr. Richard Hurst, Permanent Deacon
 Ms. Dianne Sealy-Soon, Office Manager
 Ms. Lisa Sampson, Director of Religious Education
 StClareFF137@gmail.com (718) 527-6153
 Ms. Joan M. Delahunt, Music Director
 Ms. Sachara Valmé, Youth Minister
 Mr. Leonel Aviles, Custodian
 Mr. Robert Smith, Trustee
 Ms. Jennifer Chung, Trustee

St. Clare Catholic Academy

137-25 Brookville Boulevard, Rosedale, NY 11422
 Pre-K-Grade 8 (718) 528-7174
 Mrs. Deanna Maynard, Principal
 Mrs. JoAnn Pinnock, Dean
 Mrs. Lucy Diaz, Administrative Assistant
website: www.stclarecatholicacademy.org

Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am **Saturday Vigil:** 5pm
Sundays: 8am & 11:00am Masses
Holy Days: To Be Announced

Devotions

Miraculous Medal is said on Monday mornings after Mass. St. Clare Novena is said on Saturday mornings after Mass. The Rosary is said daily after weekday Mass. Sacred Heart Novena is said on every First Friday after Mass, 20 Decades of the Rosary is said on every First Saturday after Mass. First Friday Holy Hour: 7:30pm

Sacraments

Baptism: Monthly (except during Lent and the summer months), on Saturdays at 12:30pm. We are pleased to baptize infants and children up to 7 years of age with at least one parent who is Roman Catholic. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

First Holy Communion/Confirmation:

For Children and Youth from ages 7 to 17, please call Ms. Lisa Sampson at 718-527-6153

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Adults, 18 yrs. and older, who wish to become Catholic, or if Catholic and wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation, e.g., Confirmation & Communion. Call Ms. Lisa Sampson.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the Rectory.

Confessions:

Offered every Saturday from 3:30pm—4:30pm or by appointment.

Matrimony: Couples are asked, first, to make arrangements with parish clergy at least six months in advance prior to the wedding date.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

5:00pm— In Thanksgiving, requested by Florcy Chery Adrien

SUNDAY, MARCH 29—PALM SUNDAY

8:00am— For You, the People of the Parish
11:00am— Birthday Blessings for Natasha DeSouza, requested by Eddie DeSouza

MONDAY, MARCH 30

8:30am- For You, the People of the Parish

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

8:30am— For God’s Grace of Healing the Sick Parishioners of St. Clare Church

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

8:30am- In Loving Memory of Moise Alce, requested by Myrtha Antoine and the Alce Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 2— HOLY THURSDAY

9:00am— Morning Prayer
7:30pm— For You, the People of the Parish

FRIDAY, APRIL 3—GOOD FRIDAY

9:00am— Morning Prayer
3:00pm— Solemn Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion

SATURDAY, APRIL 4— HOLY SATURDAY

8:30am— Morning Prayer
8:00pm— For You the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 5—EASTER SUNDAY

8:00am— For You, the People of the Parish
11:00am— Birthday Blessings for Dianne & Ingrid Sealy, requested by the Sealy & Soon Families



**The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV
Prayer Intentions for**

MARCH 2026

For Disarmament and Peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

03/23/2025
\$4,463.00

03/22/2026
5pm— \$ 790.00
8am— \$1,359.00
11:00am— \$2,364.00
On-Line Giving — \$2,182.00

\$4,463.00

\$6,695.00

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun Mt 21:1-11, Mt 26:14-27 (38)
Mon Is 42:1-7, Jn 12:1-11 (257)
Tue. Is 49:1-6, Jn 13:21-33 (258)
Wed. Is 50:4-9a, Mt 26:14-25 (259)
Thur. Ex12:1-8, 1 Cor 11:23-26 (39)
Fri. Is 52:13-52, Jn 18:1-19:42 (40)
Sat. 1:1-2:2, Ex 14:15-15:1 Is (41)
Sun Acts 10::34a, 37-43Jn 20:1-9 (42)

THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 29

PALM SUNDAY

8:00am Mass, 11:00am Mass
12:30pm—Faith Formation

Monday, March 30

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

8:30am—Morning Mass
2:00pm—Confessions
6:00pm—Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
With Confessions

Tuesday, March 31

8:30am—Morning Mass

Wednesday, April 1

8:30am— Morning Mass

Thursday, April 2

HOLY THURSDAY

9:00am—Morning Prayer
7:30pm—Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Friday, April 3

GOOD FRIDAY

9:00am—Morning Prayer
12:00noon—Stations of the Cross
1:30pm—Confessions
3:00pm— Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion
Confessions heard after the Liturgy if the need arises

Saturday, April 4

HOLY SATURDAY

9:00am—Morning Prayer
8:00pm—Great Vigil Mass of Easter

My dear Parishioners,

The liturgical year makes us, Roman Catholics, creatures of ritual and habit. Its ebb and flow make us aware that Christ’s earthly ministry occurred in real time, in real life. Advent points to the celebration of Jesus’ birth, whereas Lent commemorates His death. Of course, Ordinary Time rests in between and around those two great seasons recalling the everyday of the human condition. Two weeks ago, the clergy wore the rose vestments appropriate for Laetare Sunday, signifying how much nearer all of us are to the joy of the Empty Tomb. Now we turn our faces to the solemn observances of Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter.

Now allow me to address our upcoming ceremonies. At the heart of both Palm Sunday and Good Friday is the Passion Narrative. It’s reenactment year after year reminds us of the central tenet of our Catholic Christian faith: the eternal Son once suffered upon the Cross for sinners’ sake. The Savior of the world was nailed to its beams. He endured ridicule, scorn, pain, the price of our redemption. From Jesus’ side gushed forth blood and water, the absolute outpouring of divine love and mercy. As Catholic Christians, the one sacrifice of Calvary not only informs our daily living, but also our worship. What occurs at each and every Holy Mass is best conveyed by the Cross’ horizontal and vertical beams. The former, plunged into the rock of Calvary, is the encounter with the divine, the meeting of heaven and earth; whereas the latter, on which Christ’s arms were outstretched, is the encounter of humanity. Christ’s body, on that same Cross, is the meeting of those two realities. At Mass, whether here at St. Clare or any other parish, the faithful gather to offer up praise and worship to Almighty God. And they---we---do so, by participating in the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ. The Lord’s sacrifice is not offered again, as there’s one sacrifice (Heb. 10: 12), but rather it is brought forward in time. Whenever a priest utters “this is My Body,” and “this is My Blood” he is not only changing the elements of bread and wine, but he also calls us back to the mysteries of our salvation. While, the intervening centuries separate us from the Last Supper and the Crucifixion, they are made present to us once again in the Mass; it is for this reason that a crucifix is situated on the main altar of our church.

Though Holy Mass ends with the recessional hymn, worship flows into our daily lives, perfect union with Christ the Lord is the ultimate goal, how do we make Him manifest in the world? The Cross, whether in the Church or in the world, teaches us about sacrifice. Do we, like Our Lord, will the good of others? And in doing so, would we go as far as to lay down our own goods, may they be comfort, success, well-being, and, dare I suggest, life? (Jn 15: 13) For anything less is not love in its fullest, Christian sense. As it is the Cross, my brothers and sisters, that gives way to the greatest sign of love, the Resurrection.

Yours In Christ,
Fr. Daniel O. Kingsley,
Pastor



THE MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. CLARE PARISH
COME AND ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST WITH US



PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is a Christian [moveable feast](#) that falls on the Sunday before [Easter](#). The feast commemorates Christ's [triumphant entry into Jerusalem](#), an event mentioned in each of the four [canonical Gospels](#). Palm Sunday marks the first day of [Holy Week](#). In liturgical churches, Palm Sunday is celebrated by the blessing and distribution of [palm branches](#), representing the palm branches which the crowd scattered in front of Christ as he rode into [Jerusalem](#); these palms are sometimes woven into [crosses](#).

OPERATION RICE BOWL

“When Giving up Becomes Giving To.” In our anticipation of our **rice bowl** arrival let our “giving up” become giving to our brothers and sisters in need. Our sacrifice comes to the aid of the needy, our fasting unites us in their hunger.

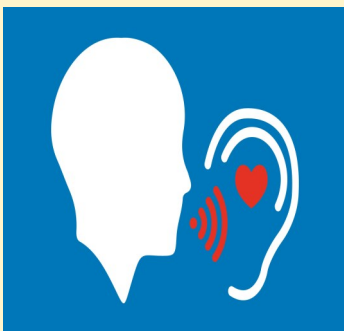
Whatever the monetary value of your fast is, put the cash aside for **Operation Rice Bowl**. For example: **Soda, Snacks, Latte, Fast Food, Video Game Apps** etc.



Rice Bowls Are Due Back on Holy Thursday



In Observance of Easter, the **Rectory Office** will be closed **Easter Monday, April 6th, 2026**. This is a day of celebration and rest for many Christians, often marked by religious services, outdoor activities, and cultural traditions like egg hunts and parades. We will resume with regular business hours on **Tuesday, April 7th, 2026** at 9am.



SPEECH AND HEARING CENTER

The St. John’s University Speech and Hearing Center will be offering **FREE** speech and hearing screenings from now through April 2026.

Please call the center at 718-990-6480 to schedule an appointment. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing NY.

Take Up Their Offer Of Free Screenings





ALTAR

THE SANCTUARY LAMP & ALTAR CANDLES

Burning through the week of
March 29th, 2026 is

In Memory of Ines Guilme

Requested by Marie Charles



ST. CLARE'S ANNUAL Easter Fellowship Day

sponsored by

YOUTH & FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

Sunday, April 5th 1 to 3pm



**Easter Hat
contest**

Easter Egg Hunt

Goodie Bags

Raffle prizes

Light Refreshments

**St. Clare R.C. Church
137-35 Brookville Blvd.
Rosedale, NY 11422**



**Pictures with
the Easter Bunny**

SAVE THE DATE!

ST. CLARE CHURCH BUS TRIP

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER, LANCASTER, PA.
"JOSHUA"

DATE: **SATURDAY, JUNE 13th, 2026**

PICKUP TIME: 7:30AM

WHERE: **137-35 BROOKVILLE BLVD,
ST. CLARE CHURCH**

DEPARTURE FROM THEATRE: 5:45PM

COST: **ADULTS - \$240.00,
CHILDREN -\$180.00**

Due to rising prices at Sight n Sound
Payment plan is available

2ND PAYMENT— 04/02/2026

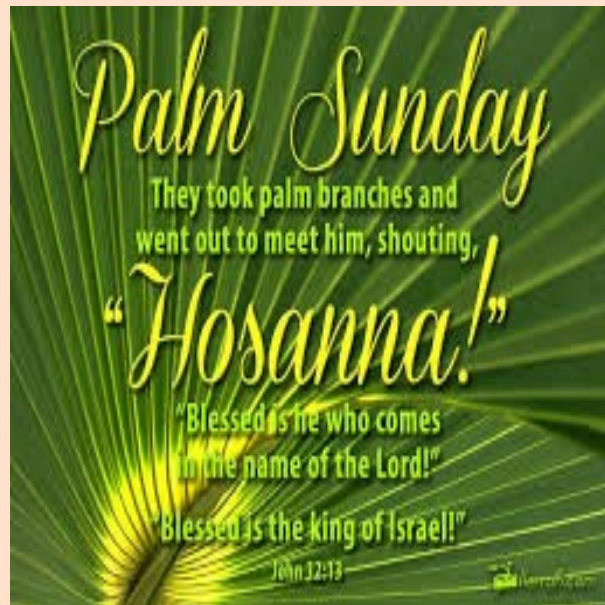
FINAL PAYMENT—05/02/2026 (No Refunds)

ALL PAYMENTS ARE TO BE MADE AT THE
RECTORY OFFICE

REVIEW BUS SEATING PLAN WITH
FINAL PAYMENT

ITINERARY: Shop at Tanger Outlets,
Lunch at the Golden Corral

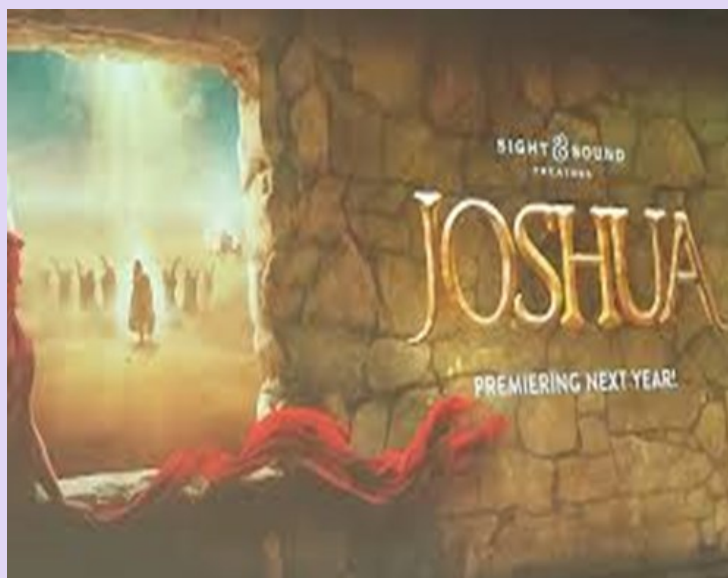
Sight and Sound Theater



**IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY
for the Sick, Homebound**

*Send in the names of your loved ones who
are ill, so that we may pray for them daily.*

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| Matthew Zinser III | Phillip Wright |
| Patricia Kleene | Mark Bonilla |
| Nicholas Marshall | Jereta Johnson |
| Pastor Robert Rainis | Jeff Zero |
| Veronica Richardson | Nancy Bryce |
| Theodore Nwogu | |



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

which will be used in the

Celebration Of The Eucharist
throughout the week of
March 29th, 2026, is

In Loving Memory of Andre Jean,
requested by **Marie Charles**



THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL— 2026

Each year St. Clare Church and the Diocese of Brooklyn engage in the **Annual Catholic Appeal** which supports Catholic programs throughout Brooklyn and Queens and affects the lives of countless individuals and families living in our neighborhoods in addition to benefiting our parish

How Does Our Parish Benefit?

In order for our parish to function, we need well-trained priests and deacons who can celebrate the sacraments and administer the parish. Without the \$2.5 Million from the **Appeal** allocated to vocations, we would not have the clergy that our parish needs.

Our Children are the future of our parish, and we are called to support them as they grow in faith. The **Appeal** provides funding that supports every parish religious education program as well as tuition assistance to those seeking Catholic Education at Catholic Academies and Schools. Over \$1.8 million from the **Appeal** is invested in the faith of our children in addition to also providing adult faith formation. Instruction programs for lay people, including those in our own parish, provide training in ministries such as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors or prepare others for sacraments.

The **Appeal** also provides funding for the Youth Ministers working in parishes throughout Brooklyn and Queens. \$150,000 each year from our donations sustains the Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative, which has been supported by Generations of Faith, ensuring that young people encounter Christ through the Church, forming life-long bonds of faith which will sustain our parish for years to come.

WHAT IS NEXT FOR THE Annual Catholic Appeal AND HOW CAN WE HELP?

Please join us to respond as the Church of Christ United in Communion, United in Charity in Brooklyn and Queens through a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** today at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org.

Thank you and God Bless.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 28th—Vigil of Palm Sunday
- March 29th—**Palm Sunday**
- March 30th—Reconciliation Monday
- April 2nd—**Holy Thursday**
- April 3rd—**Good Friday**
- April 4th— **Holy Saturday**
- April 5th—**Easter Sunday**
- April 6th—Easter Monday**
- April 12th— Divine Mercy Sunday
Vespers and Benediction
- April 15th—Tax Day
- April 18th—Infant Baptism
- April 26th—Evening Prayer for Christian Unity
- May 2nd—Mass of First Communion
- May 10th—Mother’s Day
- May 14th—Ascension Day
- May 16th—Infant Baptism
- May 24th—Pentecost Sunday
- May 25th—Memorial Day—Office Closed
- June 1st—First Friday
- June 7th—Corpus Christi
- June 13th—Sight & Sound (Joshua)
- June 21st—Father’s Day
- June 27th—Infant Baptism

(Some Dates May Be Subject To Change)