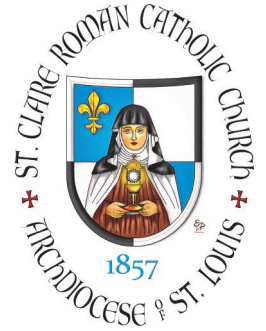


Saint Clare CATHOLIC CHURCH

“Love God, serve God, everything is in that”



June 23, 2019 — Corpus Christi



PARISH INFORMATION

Fr. Eric Kunz, Pastor
Deacon TJ Wild

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM
10:30 AM
Monday — Friday 8:00 AM

LATIN MASS

First Friday of each month at 8:00 AM

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM

Eucharistic Exposition

Thursday 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Prayer Chain Contacts

Joyce Willis 629-2573 or
Sherry Reed 629-7535

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all who have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we are honored by your presence. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call the rectory. Our Parish serves the needs of this community in many ways. We offer preparation for Sacraments, education for children and adults, social activities, assistance to those in difficulty, comfort to the sick and those who mourn a loss.

*If we can be of service, please let us know. We hope you will come again soon.
For your convenience, we have blue “Let Us Know” cards in back of church.*

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This weekend is one of my favorite feasts of the whole year, The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ or *Corpus Christi*. Every Sunday is a celebration of the Holy Eucharist and every day priests offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, offering to God the Father, the saving sacrifice of Christ on the cross, by the power of the Holy Spirit. But today especially we celebrate with great festivity the magnificent gift that Our Blessed Savior gave to His Church; His very real and true presence in the Blessed Sacrament. There is a connection to Holy Thursday as that was the day Our Lord chose to institute the Holy Eucharist, but in the context of Holy Week a somber feeling dominates that day. This weekend we are fresh out of the Easter Season and the joy of the Resurrection and Ascension are forefront in our minds and so the Eucharist is rightly celebrated as Christ's enduring presence among us. We recall Our Lord's promise to His Church, "Behold, I am with you all days, even unto the consummation of the world." (Matt. 28:20)

Let us revere this gift of Christ to His Church. He is our food for our pilgrimage, He is our guide in the way of truth, He is our hope for eternal life. May we never be lax in our gratitude for what He has given us. Let us be resolved to receive the Holy Eucharist often and well by avoiding grave sin and relying on the grace that comes to us in the Eucharist. During this Month of the Sacred Heart, we see in the Eucharist Our Dear Lord's heart broken open and laid bare before us. It is the treasury of all love and goodness. May our hearts and all hearts of the world come to adore and love the Heart of Jesus living and being offered for us in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

God is so good to us! Have a blessed week,

Fr. Kunz



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"They all ate and were satisfied." Why read the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves this Sunday? Here we see the mystery of our physical and spiritual realities intermingling. Too often, they can feel separate. When we go to Mass, how often we appear more ordinarily human rather than stretching toward the divine.

Perhaps our experience of the Eucharist is fairly mundane. We notice when a new sacramental wine has been selected. We feel the varying textures of the host and wonder if they'll ever bring back the one that tasted distinctly like wheat. As we shuffle up to the front and stride back to our pew, we notice the looks on people's faces and the clothes on their backs. We get distracted by the crying child, the man blowing his nose, and the mechanical sound of the air conditioner kicking in. How human we are, how earth-bound, how material!

And how good God is for entering into these self same realities. How good God is for proclaiming "the kingdom of God," for "heal[ing] those who needed to be cured," for having mercy on a tired and hungry crowd. How many of the crowd noticed what had been done for them? Did they realize their dinner was a miracle? How often do we miss the deeper reality of the Eucharist? Even if in the moment of receiving Communion we don't experience radical ecstasy and don't feel any different, there is a tangible reality to cling to. Our God loves us enough to become bread for us, not only to feed us but to be fed upon by us.

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A **BIG THANKS** to all the volunteers that work each month for Bingo!



It is truly a fun time for both workers and Bingo players! And it is not all work and no play. Our Chairperson, Teri Price, is hosting a "thank you" party for all the workers. We also thank our leader for all her hard work and great "fixins."

We can always use more volunteers! If interested, please contact the parish office at 629-0315.



If you haven't attended a bingo yet, please plan to join us for our **July Bingo on Tuesday, July 9th**. Whether you are new to bingo or an experienced bingo player, there is fun to be had with none of the pressure. Bring a friend! Doors open at 5:00 pm and bingo starts at 7:00 pm. Food and refreshments are available throughout the evening.

Thank you to the **Knights of Columbus** for the use of their facilities and the **Daughters of Isabella** for their donations of desserts. The support that you provide the parish is appreciated.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL Donation Report

Report Detail (as of June 19th)



2019 Published Goal	\$17,930
New Donor Goal	13
Total To Date	\$ 11,845
Total Parishioners Base	235
Returned to Date	101
# New Donors	19
#Increased Contributions	37
Net Increase	\$ 2,040
#Maintained Contributions	38
#Decreased Contributions	12
Net Decrease	\$ 450
Signed Refusal Cards Returned	14
Pledges Percent	37%
Prior Year Pledges Percent	39%
Cards Returned Percent	43%
Matching Gifts Cards Returned	0
Matching Gift Total	0

Parish Work Day/Donut Sunday Sunday, July 7th After 10:30 am Mass



It really isn't a full "Work Day" but we do need help bringing some tables and cabinets from the school building to the church basement.

If you can help, please plan to stay after Mass.

There are about 12 tables to move, 2 file cabinets, and 4 book cases to move.

And, since it's the first of the month, we are pairing this with **Donut Sunday**. Everyone is invited to come over to the School Cafeteria after the 10:30 am Mass to enjoy a donut and some coffee with fellow parishioners.

Donuts will also be served after the 8:00 am Mass.

The monthly Deanery Pro-Life Holy Hour will be held on **Monday, June 24, 2019** at 7 pm at **Our Lady of Lourdes Adoration Chapel, Washington, MO** with prayers and Benediction for Respect for Life, offering reparation for 70 million babies killed by abortion, and that America will once again protect the lives of the unborn. Come join us as we pray for God's forgiveness for the evil that lurks throughout our society

Our Basket Stand Needs Donations!



Gift items that can be put into baskets are needed for our Picnic Basket Stand. Right now our baskets are empty!

The themed baskets can be anything from a wine basket to a men's sports basket. It just depends on the items that are donated.

Need ideas for donations? How about children books or toys, outdoor items, sporting good items, music items, kitchen items, spa luxury items, stationary items, tools, fishing accessories, office supplies, and even gift cards. Almost anything that you can donate can be assembled into a themed basket. Just leave items in back of church label "**basket stand.**"

Help Us Fill Our Baskets!
(PS. We can use baskets as well.)

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Roar into the fun at VBS!
July 22 - 25
 6 - 8 pm | SFB Jesuit Hall

Children 3 (toilet trained) thru 4th grade welcome!

Totally Catholic



Register Today!

registration forms are available
 at Parish Office or at
www.borgiaparish.org/vbs2019

Job Opportunities

The cafeteria at **St. Francis Borgia Regional High School** is seeking a part time Fry Cook. Hours would be daily from 9:30-1:30. If your child attends SFBRHS, some tuition benefits would apply. If interested, please contact Lori Johnson at 636-239-7871 ext 121 or email lori.johnson@borgia.com.

Part time Preschool Aide

Immaculate Conception is seeking a part time preschool aide on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. We are looking for a caring and nurturing person to work with the Lead Teacher helping with small groups, art projects and classroom activities. This position has the possibility of transitioning to a part time preschool teacher. Preferred candidate would have childcare experience and a practicing Catholic. Ten month position would start August 2019. Completion of the Protecting God's Children workshop is required prior to employment. Please send resume: Mrs. Becky Tucker, Principal, 6 West State Street, Union, MO 636-583-2641
tuckerb@icschoolunion.org



Last Year's Picnic Chairs — We need your call!

So far this year, we have heard from the following chairs:

- Bingo — John & Jackie Daugherty
- Snow Cones — Bud & Helen Frick
- Kitchen Prep — Karen Jones
- Dining Room AM — Lori & Mark Mayer
- Pull Tabs — Donna Robart & Amy Kindel
- Attendance Prizes — Teri Price
- Barrel Rides — Corey Myers
- Beer Garden — Dave & Kathy Wilson
- Coleslaw Dressing Calls — Karen Myers
- Chuck A Luck — Matt Horst
- Basket Stand — Diane Obermark & Rita Davis

We don't want to assume that past chairs are helping again this year, so please let us know if you are chairing your activities!

If you have never volunteered before but would like to get involved, please contact the parish office at 629-0315. A big thank you to those that volunteer every year and help make the picnic a success!



Picnic — Saturday, August 17th

**Next Meeting: Wednesday,
 July 17th at 6:30 pm**

Other Parish Activities

Picnic — Saturday, June 22nd, St. Gerald, Gerald, MO.

Includes beer garden, outside food court, raffles, rides, ice cream, silent auction, dancing, vendors, petting zoo, water slide and a great family-style dinner. Serving Fried Chicken & Kettle Beef. Picnic hours are 3:00 pm — 10:00 pm with dinner served from 3:00 pm — 7:00 pm.

Breakfast — Sunday, June 30th, St. John's Gildehaus Parish Center, Villa Ridge, MO. Serving from

7:30 am — 11:00 am. Bone-in-ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, fried potatoes, fresh baked cinnamon rolls, orange juice, coffee and milk. Adults: \$9.00, children 6 – 12 \$3. and under 6 free. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #8073. Proceeds benefit St. John's School. Everyone is welcome.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon	06/24	8:00 am	Mass
Tues	06/25	8:00 am	Mass
Wed	06/26	8:00 am	Mass
Thurs	06/27	8:00 am	Mass
Fri	06/28	8:00 am	Mass
Sat	06/29	3:30 pm 4:30 pm	Confessions Mass
Sun	06/30	8:00 am 10:30 am	Mass Mass

Readings For The Week

Monday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14-15 [14]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 [1b]/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7

Saturday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19



June 22nd – June 30th

WEEKEND, JUNE 22ND & JUNE 23RD

SAT. 4:30 PM † ANN HANNEKEN

SUN. 8:00 AM † JAMES SCAMMELL

10:30 AM † PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY, JUNE 24TH

8:00 AM † REV. JOSEPH B. WOLF

TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH

8:00 AM † MICHAEL LEE PRATT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26TH

8:00 AM † MSGR. EDWARD W. REILLY

THURSDAY, JUNE 27TH

8:00 AM † PAT STEINBACH

FRIDAY, JUNE 28TH

8:00 AM † LEGION OF MARY PRAYER LIST

WEEKEND, JUNE 29TH & JUNE 30TH

SAT. 4:30 PM † DAVE HECK, SR.

SUN. 8:00 AM † PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30 AM † ERLENE ELLERT — HEALTH

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - JUNE 29TH & 30TH

DATE	SERVERS	GIFT BEARERS	LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC
06/29 4:30 pm	Gary Papin CeCe Demaris	John Percival Family	Ruth Cordia	Art & Ruth Cordia
06/30 8:00 am	Messenger Brothers Cole Horton Wyatt Horton	Volunteers	Sheria Yancey	Sheria Yancey Celeste Bruns
06/30 10:30 am	Wild Family Children	TJ Wild Family	Joyce Willis	Joyce Willis Michele Geatley

06/30 Collection Counters: Betty Hinson, Joyce Willis, Nicole Hinson



WE PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES
May God Provide Health and Comfort to:

June

David Watson, Erlene Ellert, Jennifer (Jones) McClure, Helen Frick, Roberta Charboneau, Marilyn Decker, Richard Ottomeier, Jim Charboneau, Marvin Nevills, Joe Reed, and John Evans.

May

Leona Fish, Don Jackson, Issac Costello, Angie Hagedorn, Michelle Richards, Maggie Hopkins, Joann Haynes, Alberta Kindel, Gordon Monk, Claude Friend, Sharon Schuermann, and Sharon Havin.

April

Joan Osterkamp, Shelly Hinson, Nichole Hinson, Elena Vance, Gordon Friend, Charlotte Hagedorn, Tiffany Shults, Debbie Clark, Jackie Windler, Tim Davis, Dillion Shadrack, Wendy Peters, John Vogelgesang, Lori Mayer and Sandy Stecher.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

When I was a child, I can remember stopping by my parish or another local Catholic church to just spend some time in prayer before the Holy Eucharist. We didn't have exposition and adoration much in those days, but we were keenly aware of the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle. I would sometimes stare at the lighted candle near it and know that Jesus was alive.

I had never heard someone speak about a stewardship way of life back then. If I am honest, the primary message I heard in those days was along the lines of "We need to be as good as we are able." Sacrifice was only at Lent, disciples were people in the Bible, and generosity mostly had to do with the collection basket and the poor box at the church entrance. I even went to Catholic schools!

Maybe the message of stewardship was there somewhere packaged differently, and I just missed it. It wasn't until I was an adult, and after acquiring two theology degrees, that I understood both with my head and my heart what a stewardship way of life really meant. But I look back at those days, and I realize that the groundwork was laid for me to understand these things. It was those times before the Holy Eucharist that I began to understand true sacrifice. It was at those times that I began to understand how actions and realities that seem so simple to the human eye can be so profound. And it was at those times that I began to see true love knows no bounds.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS

Please remember in your prayers the following military personnel:

SGT Drew Alsop — US Army, Erin Arent — US Navy, Jeff Arent — U.S. Marines, SGT Jamie Bucher—USAF, Jason Burton — US Navy, Scott Daugherty, Coty DeClue — USAF, SGT Cameron Earley — US Army, SGT Tyler Earley — US Army, Clay Fisher — US Marines, James Taylor Gragg — USAF, SPC Tyler Grogan — US Army, Matthew Martin — US Navy, Logan Moore — USAF, Monty Perkins, And Andrew Snodgrass — US Navy.



Week of June 16th

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 3,095.00
Loose Collection	190.00

Total Money For Operating Capital \$ 3,285.00

Restricted Funds

Parish Improvement	65.00
Catholic Services of St. Clair	378.00
Cardinal Glennon Hospital	10.00
Building Fund	1.00

Total \$ 454.00

Monthly Offertory Total To Date: \$ 10,621.25
 June Collection Goal: \$ 17,500.00

Thanks be to God for the generosity of our Parishioners!

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets."

— Luke 9:17

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when we share what we have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! God blesses all the gifts we offer and makes them wondrous.

Adoration at St. Clare is each Thursday after the 8:00 am Mass and continues till 3:00 pm. You are invited to come spend an hour or fifteen minutes with the Lord. No reservations needed!

ST. CLARE PARISH SCRIP ORDER

Name: _____ Phone: _____ CK# _____ Amt: _____

Vendor Name	Profit	Scrip\$	QTY	Total \$
Restaurants/Food Items				
APPLEBEE'S	8%	\$25		
BOB EVANS	10%	\$10		
BURGER KING	4%	\$10		
CHEESECAKE FACTORY	5%	\$25		
CRACKER BARREL	8%	\$25		
DOMINO'S PIZZA	8%	\$25		
JACK IN THE BOX	4%	\$10		
PANERA - St Louis Bread Co.	8%	\$25		
PIZZA HUT	8%	\$10		
RED LOBSTER/OLIVE GARDEN/LONGHORN	8%	\$25		
SHOP N SAVE	4%	\$25		
STARBUCKS	7%	\$25		
STEAK & SHAKE	8%	\$10		
TACO BELL	5%	\$10		
Automotive				
EXXON/MOBIL	1.50%	\$250		
SHELL	2%	\$50		
BP	1.50%	\$100		
Shopping				
ACE HARDWARE	4%	\$25		
AMAZON	2.50%	\$25		
BEST BUY	4%	\$25		
DICK'S SPORTING GOOD	8%	\$25		
JC PENNEYS	5%	\$25		
JOANNS FABRIC & CRAFT	6%	\$25		
KOHL'S	4%	\$25		
MARSHALL'S	7%	\$25		
MICHAEL'S	5%	\$25		
PAYLESS SHOES	13%	\$20		
PETSMART	5%	\$25		
ROSS DRESS FOR LESS	8%	\$25		
SEARS	4%	\$25		
SHOE CARNIVAL	5%	\$25		
T.J. MAXX/MARSHALLS/ HOMEGOODS	7%	\$25		
TARGET	2.50%	\$25		
TOYS R US	3%	\$20		
ULTA	4%	\$25		

We have in stock: Bass Pro \$25, Cabelas \$25, BP Gas \$50, Lowe's \$25, Mobil \$50, Shell \$25, Sam's Club \$25 and Walmart \$25, \$50

if you would like to order scrip not listed above, please write your order below:

SCRIP NAME SCRIP \$ QTY TOTAL \$



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