

St. Clare

62 Crandall Ave.
Westerly, RI 02891

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: 8 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM
Sunday Mass: 9 AM
Holy Days: DAY 8 AM
VIGIL 6 PM

WATCH HILL CHAPEL

Last weekend of June through
Sunday of Labor Day
Sunday Mass 8:30 AM ONLY

St. Vincent de Paul

5 Church St.
Bradford, RI 02808

MASS SCHEDULE

No weekday Masses
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4 PM
Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
No Holy Day Masses

PARISH OFFICE

All mail for both Parishes
4 Saint Clare Way
Westerly, RI 02891

Monday to Friday
from 8 AM to 2 PM

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NEW Email

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

stclarewesterly.com

PARISH STAFF

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Mrs. Diana Huff
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Mr. Bruce Coon
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Mrs. Cindy Gaccione
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St. Clare Church
Westerly, Rhode Island



St. Vincent de Paul
Bradford, Rhode Island

Rev. Peter J. D'Ambrosia
Pastor / Administrator

Rev. Kenneth J. Suibielski, Pastor Emeritus, St. Clare

Rev. Mr. Stephen Cote, Deacon

Rev. Mr. John McGregor, Deacon

Rev. Mr. Carl LaFleur, Deacon (Retired)

AS THE EARTH BRINGS FORTH ITS PLANTS,
AND A GARDEN MAKES ITS GROWTH SPRING UP,
SO WILL THE LORD GOD MAKE JUSTICE AND PRAISE
SPRING UP BEFORE ALL THE NATIONS.

ISAIAH 61:11

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THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

DECEMBER 13, 2020

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please register with the parish by contacting the
Parish Office at 401-348-8765 or on our website;
stclarewesterly.com.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The schedule for the celebration of Baptism is arranged with
the Pastor. (Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent.)
Please call the Parish Office after the child is born.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Confession is offered by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to marry should contact the Parish Office
at 401-348-8765 at least one year before the wedding.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

The Eucharist will be brought to the home of any person
permanently or temporarily homebound. Please contact the
Parish Office.

PARISH CHOIR

The choir, under the direction of Parish Organist &
Music Director Bruce Coon, meets for rehearsal on
Thursday nights at 5 PM in the choir loft.

Annual Appeal 2020

I would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who responded to the Annual Appeal letter, your donations have been extremely generous.

As of November 23, 2020

St. Clare \$ 43,700.00

St. Vincent de Paul \$ 6,645.00

Again, thank you so much for your generosity to the church, your faith is an inspiration.

Due to early bulletin transmitting, the new totals will be on the following bulletin.

JOHN THE BAPTIST

At a school open house a woman could be overheard introducing her husband to some of the other parents. "Oh, Bill, I'd like you to meet Johnny's father. And over here, this is Marie's mom; you know, the little girl from our Ellen's soccer team."

With satisfied resignation Bill introduced himself not by name: "I'm Ellen's Dad."

It's good to know who you are. Be it someone's father or mother, son or daughter, husband or wife, it's important to embrace the full meaning of our various roles.

John the Baptist knows who he is. And who he is not. He is not the Christ. Nor Elijah. Nor like any other prophet God's people had ever seen.

John the Baptist knows his mission is divine. He's more than satisfied to be the one to announce the coming of God's reign. The Christ is near. Make straight your paths.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

With people out of work due to Covid 19, the St. Vincent de Paul Society needs your help more now than ever.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society's members reach out to the most vulnerable in our community by providing person to person services to those in need.

This often includes making direct payments to landlords, utility and bio-fuel companies; providing other miscellaneous necessities; and by supplying food through our food pantry. The Society is continually in need of donations to continue its services.

If you would like to make a donation, checks can be mailed to:

St. Vincent de Paul Society
P.O. Box 1014, Westerly, RI 02891

ANGELS OF PEACE

Let us not be justices of the peace, but angels of peace.
—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul

The Sanctuary candle is
burning this week for

Bomina & Natale Aiello



The St. Clare lost & found
bin is getting full.

We currently have
1 pair of reading glasses
2 hats
3 pair of sunglasses

These items have been here since the summer. If you
believe them to be yours, please stop by the office to
retrieve them, they miss you.

Religious Education

Cindy Gaccione - Director of Religious Education
Stclarere1@gmail.com

Important Dates

Classes are held Monday night from 6 PM to 7:15 PM
in the Parish Center.

Class Schedule 2020/2021

December 14, 21
January 4, 11, 25
February 1, 8, 22
March 1, 8, 13, 22, 29
April 5, 12, 26-last class

What About Christmas Mass? St. Clare & St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Eve

St. Vincent, 4 PM—*Mass is full*
St. Clare, 5:30 PM—*Mass is full*

Christmas Day St. Clare, 10 AM

In preparation for Christmas you will
notice the reservation numbers on the
pews again.

Reservations will control over-crowding and
ensure your safety this Christmas
season.

Reservations are once again on a first
call, first served basis and you will receive a
ticket for your reserved seats. Tickets can be
picked up in the parish office Monday
through Wednesday.

As you may know, Christmas is always
a full house and this year, due to Covid,
space will be limited. Seating for one will
take an entire pew, if you know others that
will be sitting alone and you feel
comfortable sharing a pew, please let
the office know when making your
reservation.

ATTENTION

*Once Mass has begun, the doors will be
secured and entry will not be permitted, you
are also requested to remain in church until
Mass has ended.*

Thank you for your patience
and cooperation.

No Little Books



*Due to Covid 19, Little Books can
be ordered directly from the website
at littlebooks.org.*

*They are available in paper and ebook
formats. You can also get all the seasonal
books on the Little Books app available for iOS
and Android devices. To learn more about the
app, go to littlebooks.org/app.*

Envelope Box Sets Through April 2021

**Many envelope sets are still in the parish
office. If you have not picked yours up,
please call to set up a time.**

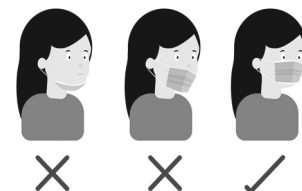
***Please call 401-348-8765 Ext. 3,
to schedule your pick up time.***

***Registered families that have envelopes box
sets still in the office will automatically be
removed from our database as of 1/1/21.***

***Please call the office to pick
up your envelopes.***

COVID 19 REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Wear a mask and keep the six foot distance at all times.
- 2) Sanitize your hands at the door.
- 3) Be at Mass on time and stay till the end using only the doors you entered by.
- 4) If you are sick—even with the mildest of symptoms—you must stay home.
- 5) At Holy Communion:
 - A) Keep the six foot distance between you and others.
 - B) One way traffic only and circle the church back to your seat.
 - C) Use seats in the front if you have difficulty walking.
The priest or minister will come to those in need in the front.
 - D) You are to remain masked as you receive Communion.
 - E) Please receive Holy Communion in the hand.
 - F) Step to the side you are going, lift your mask, receive Communion facing the altar.
 - G) For Holy Communion on the tongue, you must wait until all others have received.
- 6) When leaving the church at the end of Mass it is most important to avoid bunching up at the door .
- 7) Congregating outside the door is not allowed. The six foot rule applies outside on church property.



According to Bishop Tobin, there have been no problems in the churches of the Diocese of Providence since we have been open, however, the Health Department and the Governor are keeping a sharp eye on all churches in the state, being very concerned about gatherings of this size and people following the proper protocols.

It is our Christian and moral responsibility to be vigilant in our duty to provide a safe environment for ourselves and others if we are to remain open.

Please note, as stated in the bulletin, that all those wishing to attend Christmas Masses, will be reservation only. Tickets will be issued to reserve your pew section and the number you indicate.

Eternal Rest

Jacquelyn A. Laudone

was buried from St. Vincent de Paul Church
on Wednesday, December 2, 2020.

Gerard Nardone

was buried from St. Clare Church
on Wednesday, December 9, 2020.

June Hartford-Alley

was buried from St. Clare Church
on Thursday, December 10, 2020.

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.



Keep the Heat On: Help or Be Helped

Bishop Tobin recently kicked off this year's Keep the Heat On heating assistance campaign, a program that helps struggling families with heating assistance who have exhausted all other public and private means to keep their families warm during the Rhode Island winter. Since 2005, your generous support has provided more than \$3.25 million in assistance to more than 14,681 Rhode Island households in need.

If you would like to help local families this winter, please send tax-deductible donations to: Keep the Heat On, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903 or visit www.heatRI.com to make a secure credit card donation. You may also support Keep the Heat On using Text-To-Give --- text **keepheat** to **401-496-9889**.

If you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance, please visit the web site, www.heatRI.com, or call 401/421-7833 for additional information.

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The Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 13, 2020

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, December 14

St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

8 AM +James Heaney by his sister Pat

Tuesday, December 15

Advent Weekday

8 AM +Julia DeSousa by Helen & Art Nitowski

Wednesday, December 16

Advent Weekday

8 AM +Winifred Madden Riley by her husband Dennis

Thursday, December 17

Late Advent Weekday

8 AM NO MASS

Friday, December 18

Advent Weekday

8 AM NO MASS

Saturday, December 19

Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Advent

4 PM **SVDP** +For the People

5:30 PM + Ann Cherenzia & Alphonse Murano by the Cherenzia Girls

Sunday, December 20

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

9 AM +Sorrida & Angelo Antolini & Michael Renzi by Eileen Renzi

10:30 AM **SVDP** +Peter & Genevieve D'Ambrosia

St. Clare & St. Vincent de Paul Church Support

<u>SCC</u>	<u>11/22/20</u>	<u>11/29/20</u>	<u>12/6/20</u>
Budget	5,660.00	3,853.00	7,439.00
Misc.	391.00	70.00	2,952.67
<u>SVDP</u>	<u>11/22/20</u>	<u>11/29/20</u>	<u>12/6/20</u>
Budget	1,403.00	921.00	1,311.25
Misc.	327.00	15.00	1,347.62

Budget includes: E-Giving, Mass stipends, monthly, Religious Education, energy, holy days, building fund.

Misc. includes: Poor box, diocesan collections, donations, rental of facilities, funerals & weddings.

St. Clare Lay Minister Schedule

Saturday December 19 5:30 PM Mass

Lector - Lucille Ouilette

EM - Betsy Serra

Sunday December 20 9 AM Mass

Lector - Marianne McAllister

EM - Roseann Sisco

Lay Minister Daily Mass Schedule for December 14-17

Monday 12/14/20

Lector - Azzinaro

EM - DeSantos

Tuesday - 12/15/20

Lector - Davidson

EM - DeSantos

Wednesday 12/16/20

Lector - Nolan

EM - Azzinaro

Thursday 12/17/20

Lector - Serra

EM - Azzinaro

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a;
Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Friday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Saturday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

COVID Update

In order to keep the heat on, the doors and windows of the church will remain closed.