

**January
21
2024**

St. Clare Church & St. Vincent de Paul



Westerly, Rhode Island

Rev. Peter J. D'Ambrosia
Pastor / Administrator



Bradford, Rhode Island



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."
- Mk 1:17**

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St. Clare

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: 8 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM Sunday Mass: 9 AM
Holy Day Mass: 8 AM

St. Vincent de Paul

MASS SCHEDULE

No weekday Masses
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4 PM Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
Holy Day Mass: 12 PM

STAFF

Rev. Mr. Stephen Cote, Deacon
Rev. Mr. John McGregor, Deacon

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

**Monday to Thursday
from 8 AM to 2 PM**

Phone 401-348-8765
scc1svdp@gmail.com
Website: stclarewesterly.com

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Jennifer O'Connor
Parish Secretary

Ms. Alice Duffy
Campus Manager

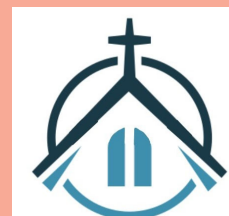
Mr. Anthony Prattico
Parish Accountant

Mr. Bruce Coon
Music Director

Mrs. Ellie Cote
Marriage Coordinator

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
office@stpxri.org

Ms. Christine Magowan
Religious Education Coordinator
at St. Pius X Church



St. Clare Church St. Vincent de Paul Church 2023 Annual Appeal

Dear Friends of Saint Clare and Saint Vincent de Paul,

Words cannot express my deep gratitude to all of you for your kindness and generosity to our 2022 Annual Appeal last year. Due to our Annual Appeal and other substantial donations given to our churches throughout the past year, I am thankful that both parishes are financially in stable condition.

As much as any donation is deeply appreciated, we would ask all families to prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift or pledge to either St. Clare Church or Saint Vincent de Paul Church. I thank you most kindly for your thoughtfulness, prayers, sacrifices, love for Jesus Christ and His Church and all you do. I pray the Lord Bless You always for your most generous support.

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR DONATION

Parish: St. Clare _____ **OR** St. Vincent de Paul _____

\$250.00 _____ \$500.00 _____ \$1,000.00 _____ \$5,000.00 _____ Other \$ _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Please make checks payable to:

St. Clare Church
4 Saint Clare Way
Westerly, RI 02891

OR

St. Vincent de Paul Church
4 Saint Clare Way
Westerly, RI 02891

The Saint Clare
BOOK CLUB



meets in the
Parish Center at noon.

The book up for discussion,

Monday, February 5
The Orphan House
by Anne Bennett

Monday, March 4
A Few Good Angles
by Michael A. Montigny

Bring your lunch and a beverage.

*Some members may not have read the books but
join anyway for the interesting discussions.
Newcomers are always welcome.*

**AA meets
every Thursday night
from 6 to 7 PM
in the St. Clare Parish Center.**



Join the Choir

St. Clare Church is looking for new
members to join the choir.

If you like to sing and would like to join, call the
parish office at 401-348-8765 or just show up for
practice, Thursday nights in the choir loft between
5 & 6 PM.

No experience needed, just the joy of sharing
your voice.

2023 Annual Appeal Updates As of 1/15/24

St. Clare Church
\$50,845.00

St. Vincent de Paul
\$7,975.00

*Thank you so much
for your donations
to our Annual Appeal,
your generosity has
always been above and
beyond. May God Bless
you always.*



Because of early bulletin transmittal,
the totals will be updated in the next issue.



The 10th National Eucharistic Congress is being held this summer on July 17 through 21 in Indianapolis, Indiana. This event is going to be a pivotal moment in both American history and the legacy of the Catholic Church as tens of thousands of pilgrims come together for the revival of the Eucharist.

The Diocese of Providence is sending a group of pilgrims to the event and we are looking for Catholics from every corner of Rhode Island to join us!

If you are interested in joining the Providence Diocese Pilgrimage please reach out to Paige Bertuch (paigebertuch@gmail.com) or (518) 466-9993) as soon as possible!

Ongoing Bible Study Class Schedule



St. Clare & St. Vincent de Paul Gospel of Mark (Ongoing)

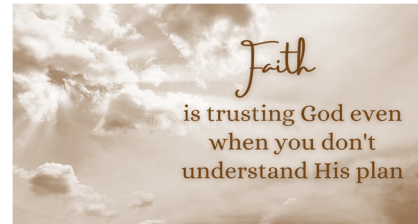
Fr. Peter J. D'Ambrosia
at Saint Clare's Rectory,
Tuesdays, 6 to 7PM

Schedule

February 6, 13, 20 & 27

March 5, 12, and 19

April 2



Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study Is Back!

Starting February 1, 2024

Come as you are.

No Previous Bible Study Experience Required!

In this 10-week Bible study called **"Rooted and Radiant"** we'll learn the book of Colossians verse by verse. We will seek to understand the challenges that faced the Colossians, recognizing that they are remarkably similar to our own challenges today.

In a world increasingly plagued with confusion and chaos, you are invited to encounter the God of clarity and peace.

Let Christ reveal Himself to you as He truly is and transform you into the woman that our world so desperately needs.

**Join Us On Select Thursday Mornings
in February, March & April
at St. Clare's in the Parish Hall
9:00am - 10:30am**



For more information including
dates & details, registration and
required workbook ~

**Contact Kerri Mulligan at
register4wwp@gmail.com**

CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED ~ REGISTER TODAY!

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www.walkingwithpurpose.cc

Respectlife.org

Sign up: Respect Life Prayer and Action

When you sign up for Respect Life Prayer and Action, you will receive:

- prayers
- action alerts to contact Congress and government leaders
- service opportunities for at-risk women

and more to help protect the innocent against attacks on human life.

Join thousands of Catholics as we seek to transform our culture. Together, we are powerful!



The 2024 Catholic Charity Appeal

"A State of Hope" has begun.

Our parish goal is the same as last year,
**\$65,550 for St. Clare and
\$12,350. for St. Vincent de Paul,**
with an overall diocesan goal of \$7 million.

Please prayerfully consider a gift to the appeal as we strive for 100% parish participation.

Visit **Dioceseofprovidence.org/CCA**
to make a difference today.



**National Shrine of
Our Lady of La Salette
Attleboro, MA.**

Emmaus Retreat March 1 through 3

Emmaus is a retreat for men and women (ages 20+) who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, regardless of their present level of faith or practice.

We want to invite you to join us on this Emmaus weekend. You will be welcomed by a loving community, spend time in personal and communal prayer, and celebrate the sacraments. For more information or to apply online, email us at emmausretreats@gmail.com or visit our website: www.emmausretreats.com.

A Prayer for Priestly Vocations

*God our Father, please send us holy priests,
all for the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart
of Jesus, all for the Sorrowful and
Immaculate Heart of Mary in union
with St. Joseph.
Amen.*

Confessions

Confessions will be heard by appointment only.
To book an appointment, please call the parish
office at 401-348-8765.

**CENTERING PRAYER
Group**

**Every Tuesday at 6 PM to 7:30 PM
in the St. Clare Church Hall.**

We practice Centering Prayer, Lectio Divina, and we study the Christian contemplative tradition, in dialogue with contemporary psychology and the wisdom teachings of other religions.

If you have not had any experience with Centering Prayer and are interested, contact Frank Pendola at 401-596-0251- pendolaf@gmail.com for a brief introduction prior to the meeting.

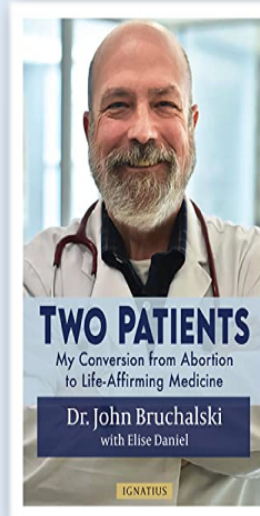
BECOME A CERTIFIED SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

Winter Intensive 1 (of 3): January 28
through February 10, 2024

The Immaculate Conception Center in Putnam CT, in partnership with Franciscan University of Steubenville, is offering a three-year training program for those who feel called to serve as Spiritual Directors.

Classes are taught during a two-week winter training session each year. We invite you to prayerfully consider joining our program to begin accompanying brothers and sisters in Christ on their journey with our Lord.

Application materials can be found at: immaculateconceptioncenter.org. For questions, please email: admin@immaculateconceptioncenter.org or call: 860-928-7955.



GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. John Bruchalski

Sponsored by: St. Pius X Respect Life Group

St. Pius X Church

(upper Church)
45 Elm Street

Westerly, Rhode Island 02891

pa@stpxi.org 401.596.2535 ext. 3

Friday

MARCH 08, 2024

7:00pm

After a terrible misjudgement in the delivery room, Dr. John Bruchalski realized that with every pregnant woman he attends, there are two patients—the mother and her unborn child. In addition to this discovery, two remarkable spiritual experiences deepened his understanding of the kind of man he had become and the one he was called to be.

Two Patients is the story of how a physician who practiced abortion came to question the medical status quo and to pioneer an approach to reproductive medicine that respects female fertility, honors the dignity of unborn children, and offers care to patients regardless of their financial situation. Such health care, writes Dr. John Bruchalski, is merciful medicine, and his memoir gives a glimpse of just how merciful the relationship between a doctor and his two patients-mother and child-can be.

The Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 21, 2024



Lay Minister Daily Mass Schedule for January 22– 25

Masses This Week at St. Clare Church

Saturday, January 20, 5:30 PM

Ann Liguori by her Family

Sunday, January 21, 9 AM

Genevieve Kurdziel by the St. Clare Staff

Monday, January 22, 8 AM

Loretta Murano by the Iacoi Family

Tuesday, January 23, 8 AM

James Pucci by Linda & George

Wednesday, January 24, 8 AM

Private Intention

Thursday, January 25, 8 AM

For the People

Friday, January 26, 8 AM

NO MASS

Saturday, January 27, 5:30 PM

Martha Shea Capaldi by Lucille Sposato

Sunday, January 28, 9 AM

Albert & Carmela Renzi by the Family

St. Vincent de Paul Church

Saturday, January 20, 4 PM

Camella Bliven by her Family

Sunday, January 21, 10:30 AM

Gary Thibeault by the St. Vincent Staff

Saturday, January 27, 4 PM

Daniel & Christopher Monroe by Wife & Step Mother

Sunday, January 28, 10:30 AM

Mary Wilson

Monday 1/22/23

Lector - Serra

EM - Wright

Tuesday - 1/23/23

Lector - Azzinaro

EM - Wright

Wednesday 1/24/23

Lector - Willis

EM - Maloney

Thursday 1/25/23

Lector - Conway

EM - Maloney

Lay Minister Weekend Schedule

St. Clare

Saturday, January 27, 5:30 PM Mass

Lector - Lucille Ouilette

EM - Linda DeSantos

Sunday, January 28, 9 AM Mass

Lector - Pat McKinney

EM - Jim Maloney

St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, January 27, 4 PM Mass

Lector - Peter Nero

EM - Sandy Bliven

Sunday, January 28, 10:30 AM Mass

Lector - Maria DiMaggio

EM - Joan Scheuerman

Outgoing Eucharist Minister Schedule

St. Clare - January 21

A - Lynn Piola

B - Deacon Steve Cote

St. Clare - February 4

A - Lucille Sposato

B - Mary Conway

St. Clare - February 18

A - Lynn Piola

B - Deacon Steve Cote

Upcoming Collections 2024

January 21
Catholic University

January 28
Church in Latin America

February 4
Monthly

St. Clare & St. Vincent de Paul Church Support

<u>SCC</u>	<u>12/30/23</u>	<u>1/7/24</u>	<u>1/14/24</u>
Budget	7,673.44	5,562.00	
Misc.	3,093.01	420.00	

<u>SVDP</u>	<u>12/30/23</u>	<u>1/7/24</u>	<u>1/14/24</u>
Budget	5,384.00	2,151.24	
Misc.	931.00	1,000.00	

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

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