

August 18, 2024 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink."



In 1975, while traveling to Saigon, Vietnamese Bishop Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan was arrested and thrown into prison. His family sent him a bottle labeled "medicine," which was actually wine, as well as some hosts broken into small pieces. With these essentials, he shared the power of Jesus in the Eucharist with his fellow prisoners:

"The six Catholics in my group of fifty prisoners...slept close together in order to be able to pray during the night. At nine-thirty every evening..., I bent over my wooden board and celebrated Mass, by heart of course, and distributed Communion to my neighbors under their mosquito nets. We made tiny bags from cigarette paper to protect the Blessed Sacrament.

"Every week there was an indoctrination session.... My Catholic companions took advantage of the break to pass around the Blessed Sacrament to other groups. Jesus Christ was at work, curing physical mental suffering. Many of the others who had lost their faith came back during those days.

"At night, the prisoners took turns and spent time in Adoration. The Blessed Sacrament helped tremendously. Even Buddhists and other non-Christians were converted. The strength of the love of Jesus is irresistible. The darkness of the prison turned into light, the seed germinated silently in the storm.

"I spent nine years in solitary confinement, and during that time I said Mass every day at three o'clock, the hour of Jesus' death on the cross.... They were the most beautiful Masses of my life." (The Road to Hope)

After thirteen years in prison, Bishop Nguyen Van Thuan was released. Named a cardinal in 2001, he died a year later. All his life, Jesus in the Eucharist was his "true food" and "true drink" (John 6:55). May the Eucharistic Lord always be ours as well!

~ The Word Among Us

St. Clare Catholic Church

236 S. Beach Boulevard ~ Waveland, MS 39576

Mass and Confession times:

Monday & Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

Thursday & Friday: 8:30 a.m. Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Confession: Saturday at 3:00—3:45 p.m.

or by appointment.

Pastor: Rev. Charles Arthur

Deacon: Michael 'Mike' Saxer

Director of Religious Education: Suzan Cox

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10 am—3 pm

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Our Mission:

To live a Gospel way of life
*Simply *With Humility *Out of Love of God and Neighbor

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The Altar Flowers are a great way to honor and remember loved ones.

Gayle Probus is the contact person to have your special arrangement done. 228-342-3025



Monday, August 19	8:30 a.m.	Madonna Boos + Henry & Bea Mestayer + Al Arnold + Violette C Bradford + Charles Ferry, Sr. + Isabelle Hill + Vicki Arnold (SP)	
Tuesday, August 20	8:30 a.m.		
Wednesday, August 21	6:00 p.m.		
Thursday, August 22	8:30 a.m.		
Friday August 23	8:30 a.m.		
Saturday, August 24	4:00 p.m.		
Sunday, August 25	8:30 a.m.		
	11:00 a.m.	Rusty Waldrep, III +	
	5:30 p.m.	Sick of the Parish	

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS				
August 18	Father Emmanuel Subaar			
August 19	Father Anil Thomas, S.V.D.			
August 20	Father Truong Q Trinh			
August 21	Father Joe Uko			
August 22	Father Adam Urbaniak			
August 23	Father Peter Varghese, C.M.I.			
August 24	Father Khoa Phi Vo			

Diocese of Biloxi Catholic Sharing Appeal

St. Clare Participation Goal of families = 100% St. Clare financial goal = \$24,653.00

We are at the midyear point of the CSA 2024 campaign! Currently we are at 10% family participation. Financially, we are \$8,513.00 from our parish goal to include pledges and one-time payments. Thank you to all who have participated to date!!

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As little as a \$1.00 donation will count towards our goals of 100% family participation and our parish goal. Those wishing to participate may do so via https://www.biloxidiocese.org/csa or contact the St. Clare Parish Office.

Thank you, St. Clare family for all you do!!!!!

	Mass Attendance -	Adults	Children
	Saturday, August 3 at 4:00 p.m.—	110	8
ı	Sunday, August 4 at 8:30 a.m.—	113	17
	August 4 at 11:00 a.m.—	91	10
	August 4 at 5:30 a.m.—	43	7
	Total—	357 +	42 = 399

In the spirit of giving, Last week's collection was:

we thank you for Regular Offertory:

your generosity!
\$4,773.00

Upcoming second collection:

Catholic University August 31 & September 1



Tricia Richard, Donna Lyons Vicki Arnold, Beverly Emerick Emma Garcia, Gray Garcia Eric Kapusinski, Joanna Osbourn Hubert Richard

PARISH MINISTRIES

ALTAR SOCIETY: Open to men and women; envelopes are available to pay \$5.00 membership.

BAPTISM: To schedule an appointment to setup a Baptism date, please call Terry Calhoun at (228) 671-8063. Parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism class.

CENACLE OF DIVINE MERCY: Meetings are held on Fridays beginning at 10:00 a.m., but will not meet on First Fridays. : A group meeting to study the Diary of St. Faustina & incorporate with Scripture and the Catechism. Contact Suzan Cox at (601) 209-6811 or suzan713@gmail.com.

GRIEF MINISTRY: Meets to support, encourage and equip those grieving the death of a loved one. For more information, leave a message at the Parish Office or contact Sherry at (228) 332-0256.

HOME BOUND: Volunteers bring Communion to the Home Bound. Volunteers must be trained as extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist. Contact Charles Walden for more information (985) 285-2997.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS/LADIES AUXILIARY: Meet every 2nd Tuesday in the Parish Center—6:30 meeting. The Assembly meet on the 2nd Tuesday after the council meeting. Ladies Auxiliary meet every 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

MARRIAGE PREP: Please contact Leslie and Terry Asher (228) 467-9275 if you are engaged and wish to be married at St. Clare. Marriages must be scheduled 6 months in advance.

OVER 50'S GROUP: All parishioners over 50 are invited to join (no charge). Luncheons 2nd Wednesday & Bunco 3rd Tuesday. Call Janis for details (228) 324-8715.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—ST CLARE CONFERENCE: (228) 342-4117/stclaresvdp1@gmail.com. Utilities help and limited food pantry. In-person interviews Tuesday and Wednesday 10 am-1 pm. until August 28th, then Wednesday only.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED: We invite all parishioners to join St. Clare as we embark on this journey together. For more information, and to ensure you receive news and updates, please contact: Linda Walden, OFS at (228) 304-2305 or lwalden855@gmail.com.

Please be informed that the Mass time on Wednesday, August 21st will be changed to 8:30 a.m. This is a one time change in observance of Msgr. McGough's funeral at Our Lady of Fatima.

Effective Wednesday, September 4, 2024

St. Vincent de Paul days of operation will be just one day of the week!!

They will meet with and assist neighbors on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. This was a difficult decision for the St. Clare SVDP Society to make. However, the volume of need has nearly tripled in the past two months, while donations have not. Due to the extreme heat, the need for assistance with electricity bills continue increase.

Items needed for the food pantry at SVDP include: Canned corn, peas, chili, fruit, meat, saltine crackers, instant potatoes, jelly and pancake mix.

There is always a need for volunteers to assist in the interviewing process of helping neighbors. Please contact Jim Barrett at 228-342-0552 via text or call.



Monday, September 23 at 4:00 p.m. in the Mercy Room at St. Clare

You just said goodbye to your loved one. And yet, you are still here. Still thinking about them, more than ever. You wonder if you will ever feel like yourself again. Grief is a painful journey. A solitary one. Knowing and thinking about what is true will help you in this state of grief. St. Clare Grief Support will begin meeting Monday, September 23 at 4 p.m. in the Mercy Room. For more information contact:

Sherry Ponder at 228- 332-0256 or Suzan Cox at 601-209-6811.

St. Clare Parish Council

Last weekend at all Masses we were introduced to the newly formed *interim* Parish Council who will be assisting Fr. Charles on matters of the Parish. Listed below are the names of the members. If you have something you would like to have addressed for the betterment of St. Clare, please reach out to one of the council members. They will serve 6 months to one year.

Stephen Landry—Chair Mary Ann Pucheu

Bill Kane—Vice-Chair

P.J. Mauffray

Charles Walden

Amy Lynch

Suzan Cox

Deacon Mike Saxer

John Pucheu

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invites couples celebrating
their 25, 30, 25,40, 45, 50, 55, 60+
wedding anniversary
to register to be recognized at the
Annual Mass of Wedding Anniversaries.



Forms are available on the round table in the hall or you may register online at the website https://biloxidiocese.org/annual-mass-of-wedding-anniversaries

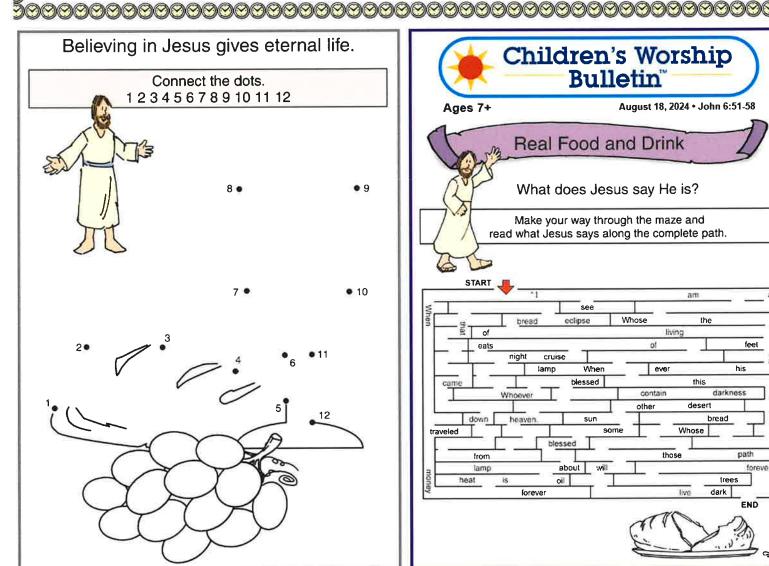
he TIME is NOW to REGISTER for CCD and OCIA!

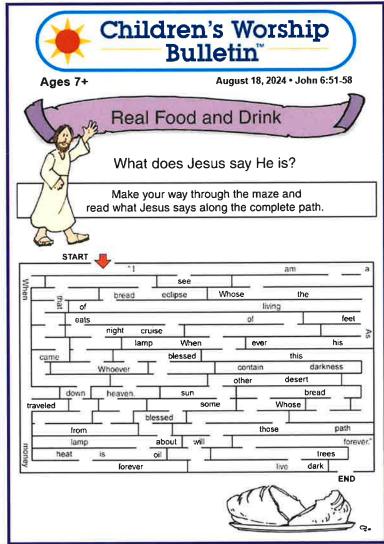




We need your help to assure we are ready when OCIA and CCD classes begin in September!! Registration forms are available online and on the round table in the hallway near the Parish Center. Please complete the form and place it in the box outside of the Church Office on the pew! It is going to be a great year with some exciting new stuff!!

Suzan Cox is the DRE and point of contact, 228-467-9275 or suzan@stclare-catholic.com.







EUCHARISTIC RETREAT

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming West Coast Deanery Eucharist Retreat Day Come be refreshed in the presence of our Lord and be inspired to be a holy witness in your every day life.

EVENT SCHEDULE



9:30 AM Moss

Daily mass celebrated by Fr Mike O'Connor



10:15 AM - 12 PM Break Out

Sessions

- Engage in fruitful Spiritual talks and practices:
- Eucharistic Congress testimony
 Stations of the Eucharist
- Adoration Education



12:15 - 12:45 pm Holy Half

Spend time with Jesus in occomponiment



12:45 PM - 2PM Lunch & Confession

Enjoy a delectable spread of food and refreshments with access to reconcliation if called to it.



Khara Moisbee 228-437-1048



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Surviving Divorce was created to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. It is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore hope, and begin authentic healing. Developed and hosted by Rose Sweet, Surviving

Divorce features experts Dr. Ray Guarendi, Ph.D., Fr. Donald Calloway, M.I.C., Fr. Steve Porter, S.T.L., Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S.J., and Christopher West. It also includes personal testimonies of Catholic men and women who have experienced the breakdown of their families. They courageously share their stories with heart, humor, and wisdom. As they witness to their pain and the healing power of Christ in their lives, participants will laugh, cry, and identify with their journeys from heartache to healing.

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- · Work through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce.
- · Find personal healing and hope.
- · Discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you.
- · Gain wisdom and comfort from experts and others who share your experiences.
- · Navigate new concerns like custody. court hearings, and finances

Dates/Times/Location Wednesdays from 6-8

Begins on September 11

Registration

Email Meleutenus@biloxidiocese.org

https://forms.gle/hMWZopBHtweXJm8W7

For More Information Call Michelle @ 228-219-5995

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OVER GROUP



- On the 3rd Tuesday, August 20, in the Parish Center join us for another fun game, this time BUNCO. We meet up at 2:00 p.m. for snacks and fellowship, please bring a snack, your drink and \$2.00 to play!
- Finally, they meet on the last Sunday of the month, August 25, (April through October) at the Waveland Lighthouse for 'Sunset on the Beach.' For August we will meet at 5:30 p.m. for a relaxing evening of games, fellowship and relaxation. Bring a chair, what you wish to eat and drink and enjoy the evening.



St. Bartholomew

Patron of Armenia, Tanners, and Butchers

Feast Day: August 24

Bartholomew is listed as one of Jesus' twelve Apostles in the Gospels of Matthew, and Luke as well as in Acts of the Apostles. Many scholars believe that Bartholomew is his surname, because it means "son of Tolmai." Since the ninth century, most have agreed that he is the Nathanael who is mentioned in the Gospel of John and that his full name was Nathanael Bartholomew.



As an Apostle, Bartholomew devoted himself to Jesus and His ministry. When Jesus was arrested, though, Bartholomew fed, as did most of the other Apostles.

Later, Bartholomew was among those who Jesus after His Resurrection. Bartholomew was also with he other Apostles when the Holy Spirit descended upon them and filled them with courage to spread the Gospel.

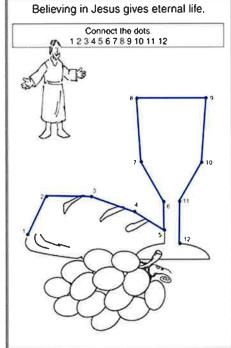
The Early Missionary

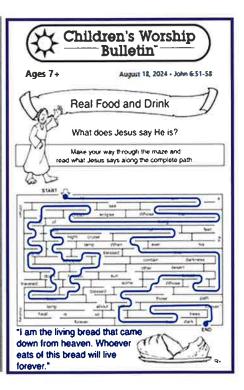
Determined that everyone should hear of Jesus, Bartholomew traveled to many countries to spread His teachings. Bartholomew is believed to have preached in Mesopotamia, Ethiopia, Egypt and Persia before moving on to India. He may have even carried a Hebrew copy of the Gospel of Matthew with him to India, because a missionary reported finding one there, more a century later, that was thought to have belonged to the Apostle.

After leaving India, Bartholomew supposedly traveled to Armenia. And it was there that it is said he was persecuted and cruelly flaved alive and then beheaded. Bartholomew remained true to his faith to the end.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to intercede on our behalf to your Son, Jesus, to protect all who are in danger of hurricanes and other destructive weather. May His calming powers keep us safe and alert through this Hurricane season. Let us pray to the Lord.











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brothers, sisters & deacons who
have labored long in your
Kingdom. Give them Peace in
this life and the Joy of eternal
life, when they enter your
Heavenly Home. We ask this
through Christ our Lord, Amen

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