



March 16, 2025

The 2nd Sunday of Lent

***“They saw
his glory.”***



Picture a split screen of two images of Jesus. On the left is Jesus on Mount Tabor as the three disciples saw him, shining in all his glory (Luke 9:32). On the right is Jesus hanging on the cross in agony, his face and body covered in blood.

Such a contrast can be jarring. How could the Holy One of God, transfigured and radiating his divinity, be the same One who was nailed to a cross, at the mercy of his persecutors, and completely stripped of any semblance of heavenly glory?

We know the answer: Jesus willingly accepted “death, even death on a cross” to save us (Philippians 2:8). He willingly let go of any outward show of his divinity and power out of love for each of us.

Today’s Gospel describing the Transfiguration is a revelation of who Jesus truly is. As Luke describes it, “His face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white” (9:29) It’s another-worldly glimpse of Jesus, one that was

hidden while he walked on earth, but a sign of how he may appear to us one day in heaven.

When we think of Jesus as he was transfigured, it can make us even more grateful for what he was willing to endure for our sake. As the divine Son of God, he could have called on his angels in heaven at any moment and liberated himself from the agony of the cross. At any moment, he could have rained down fire on all those who were trying to kill him. But he didn’t. He loved us so much that he let himself be tortured and crucified. He did it even for the people that had accused and sentenced him!

Today, imagine yourself on Mount Tabor with Peter, John, and James. What does Jesus’ face look like? How bright is his clothing? Think about what you might say to him. Above all, be sure to thank him from the bottom of your heart for being willing to die so that you might live!

~ 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.

The rosary will be prayed 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass.

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Deacon:

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Our Mission:

To live a Gospel way of life

***Simply**

***With Humility**

***Out of Love of God and Neighbor**

Let us pray.

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| Monday, March 17 | 8:30 am | Fr. Charles Arthur (SP) |
| Tuesday, March 18 | 8:30 am | Robert Francis Songy + |
| Wednesday, March 19 | 8:30 am Time change | Esmalee Smith (SP) |
| Thursday, March 20 | 8:30 am | Mary Anne Stanaitis + |
| Friday March 21 | 8:30 am | Marcia Marich Tardy + |
| Saturday, March 22 | 4:00 p.m. | Brandon Butera + |
| Sunday, March 23 | 8:30 a.m. | Des Bourgeois + |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Richard J Fayard, Sr. + |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Parishioners of St. Clare |



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| March 16 | Father Robert Higginbotham (Retired) |
| March 17 | Fathers Rofinus Jas S.V.D. & Ignacio Jimenez-Morales |
| March 18 | Father Jeyanthan Jordan |
| March 19 | Fathers Fintan Kilmurray & Bartosz Kunat |
| March 20 | Father Clyde Mahler (Retired) |
| March 21 | Father Michael Marascalco |
| March 22 | Father Chinnappa R. Mark, HGN |

**For the week of
March 17, 2025—March 23, 2025**

Monday 3/17/2025

- "No Greater Love" Lenten Video Series 9:30—11 AM
- Grief Support at 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday 3/18/2025

- St. Joseph Altar setup following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday 3/19/2025

- Mass time changed to 8:30 a.m. **There will not be a 6:00 p.m. Mass today.**
- St. Joseph Altar open from 9:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday 3/20/2025

- Cleaning day - Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to help following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.
- "No Greater Love" Lenten Video Series 6—7:30 PM

Friday 3/21/2025

- Stations of the Cross at 5:00 p.m.
- Lenten Dinners from 5—7 PM / Drive-thru only

Saturday 3/22/2025

- St. Clare Lenten Retreat begins at 10:00 a.m.
- Confessions prior to 4:00 p.m. Mass—3-3:45 p.m.

Sunday 3/23/2025

- CCD classes begin at 9:45 AM

Mass Attendance - Adults Children

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| Saturday, 3/8/2025 at 4:00 p.m.— | 89 | 4 |
| Sunday, 3/9/2025 at 8:30 a.m.— | 80 | 9 |
| 3/9/2025 at 11:00 a.m.— | 167 | 9 |
| 3/9/2025 at 5:30 p.m.— | 37 | 0 |
| Total— | 373 | + 22 = 395 |

*In the spirit of giving,
we thank you for
your generosity!*

Last week's collection was:

Regular Offertory:

\$4,336.00

Ash Wednesday

\$663.00

Black & Indian Mission

\$743.00

Upcoming second collection:

St. Clare Building Fund—March 15& 16

5th Sunday St. Vincent de Paul—March 29 & 30

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: (stclaresvdp1@gmail.com. Utilities help and limited food pantry. In-person interviews Wednesday (only) 10 am-1 pm.

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.



Altar Flowers will return after the Lenten Season has ended. They are a great way to remember and celebrate your loved ones.

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

**Pamela Brown,
Amanda Eppes,
James Butcher,
Rose Marie Ginn,
Ann Ladner,
Kendra Sholar, Christine Sory,
Kenneth Conrad, Rylen Hunt,
Roger Estopinal, Dawn Sackett**



Did you know
St. Clare is ...?

Parish News!!

What time is that
meeting?



*Congratulations to our
Confirmation Class of 2025!!*

**AJ Chapman
Kate Garcia
Lauren Felder
Southern DeCamp**

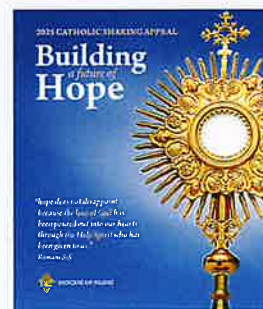
Thank you to the many individuals who worked together to prepare our students for this day. Those who prepared for Bishop Kihneman's visit to St. Clare, those serving at Mass, those who prepared the food for the reception that followed the Confirmation Mass and to Bishop Kihneman and his team for making time to come to St. Clare for this very special occasion, we thank you!!



St. Joseph is the patron saint of the faithful departed.

This year all parishioners are invited to bring pictures of departed loved ones to be placed on the St. Joseph Altar. Pictures must be framed and be brought to the Church before March 18.

The St. Joseph Altar is a beautiful tradition and always very well attended. It is also the work of many individuals. If you are able to help on Tuesday, March 18th with set up, plating of baked goods, working during the day Wednesday, March 19 or helping to break down the Altar, please contact Suzan Cox or the Parish Office.



The Catholic Sharing Appeal

*"Build a future where the
Church's mission can
radiate in our communities."*

Thank you to all who have responded to the call to share their gift. May your generosity may be rewarded with the growth, love and joy that giving generously brings. We pray that the gifts to this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal will enable our Church to continue Christ's work of discipleship in our communities.



Sign up sheet available on the round table

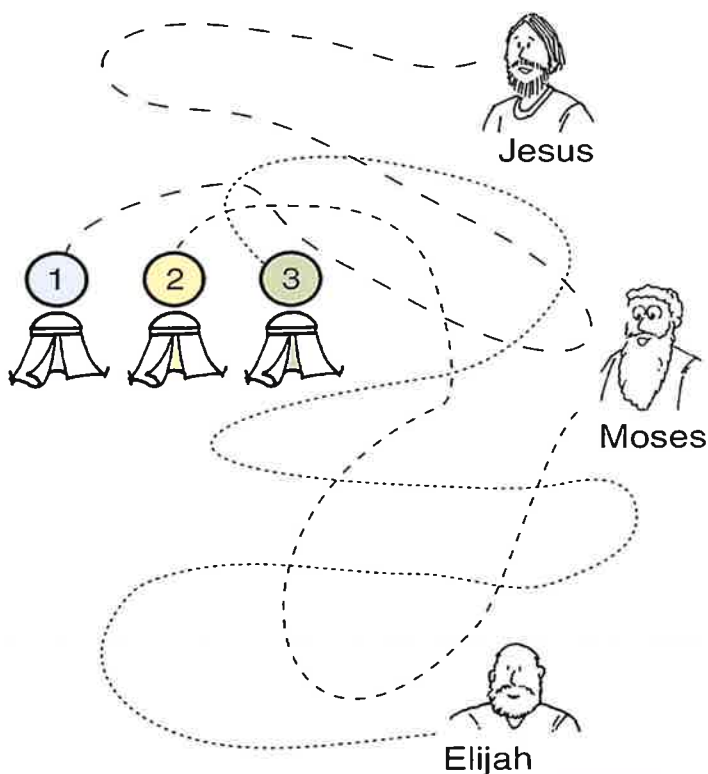
Fr. Charles will lead us in a day of prayerful meditation, reflection, and time spent with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. There will also be time for confession during the four-hour retreat.

A light lunch will be provided at the mid-point of the day.

Please invite your friends and family for this Lenten journey opportunity.

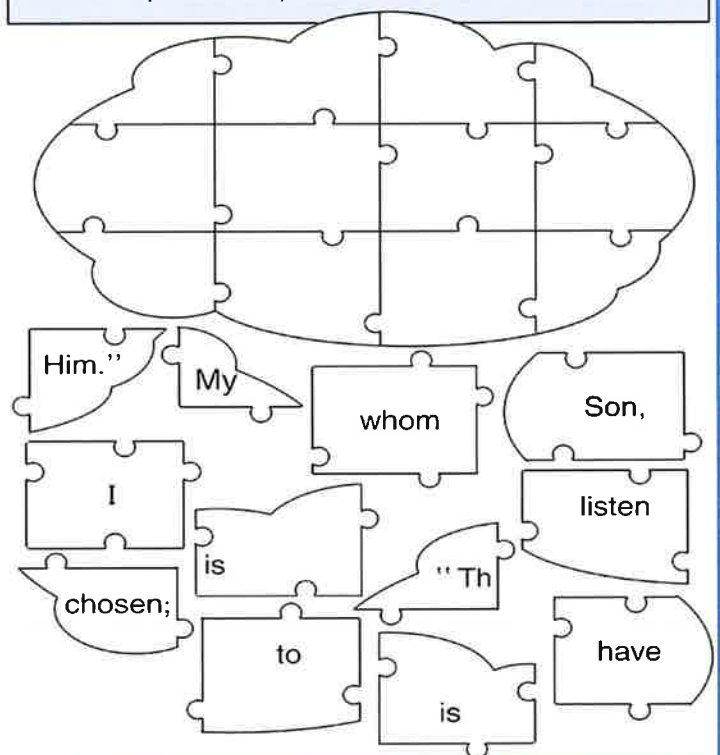
Peter said to Him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up 3 shelters – 1 for You, 1 for Moses and 1 for Elijah."

Trace the paths from the 3 shelters.



While He was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them ...
A voice came from the cloud.

Fit the pieces in the puzzle to find out what the voice said.





LENT DINNER MENU-DRIVE THRU ONLY

St Clare Church-236 S Beach Blvd. -Waveland, MS

March 21, 2025-- 5 until 7:00pm

Plates- \$13- includes 1 Entrée, 2 Sides, Hushpuppies and Dessert

Drinks Available for Purchase

Entrees- Choose 1

Fried Catfish
Fried Shrimp
Shrimp Spaghetti (Red Sauce)
Seafood Gumbo

Sides- Choose 2

French Fries
Cole Slaw
Potato Salad
Cabbage Casserole

Seafood Gumbo \$7 * Hot Baked or Frozen Shrimp Stuffed Potato \$7

St. Clare Church Grief Support Group

March 17th

This is the final meeting for the winter/spring session.

Meeting place:

St. Clare Catholic Church
236 S. Beach Boulevard
Waveland, MS 39576

Please contact Sherry Ponder at 228-332-0256 for more information or to learn about other Grief Support Group dates in the local area.



Food Pantry
Wishlist

**Bean, Rice
and Crackers**

St. Vincent de Paul meets with neighbors seeking assistance with utility bills and food on Wednesdays from 10 am to 1 pm. There is always room for additional volunteers. Please contact Jim Barrett at 228-342-0552 if you are interested in learning more about this ministry.

**OVER
50⁺
GROUP**

Monthly Activities!

This month only!!

BUNCO will be held on the Fourth Tuesday—(March 25th) in the Parish Center.

- Meet at 1:00 p.m. for light snacks. Feel free to bring something to share, then the fun will begin.

First Sunday—(April 6th)

Game day—Left, Right, Center in the Parish Center.

- Meet at 1:00 p.m. and please bring \$5.00 in quarters for this fun game!



**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
SACRED HEART RESIDENCE**

Sr. Cecilia will visit St. Clare at all Masses on March 22 & 23. She will share with us about the Sacred Heart Residence in Mobile, AL and how the Little Sisters of the Poor serve the senior residents in their care.

Sr. Cecilia is also very involved in the Diocese of Biloxi.

Saint

Of the Week

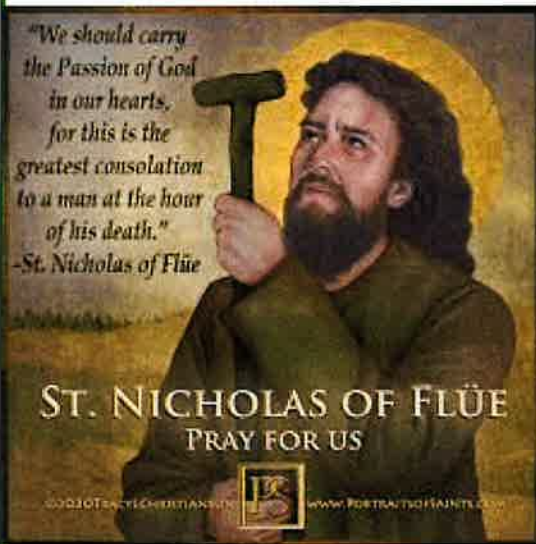
St. Nicholas of Flüe

Feast Day: March 21

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Nicholas was born near Saschseln in 1417. He was the oldest son of a respected farmer, who also held a civil position in the community. But it was Nicholas's devout mother who introduced him to a spiritual life. They joined the friends of God, a group that emphasized prayer and meditation in daily life.

At age 30, Nicholas was married and the couple went on to have 10 children. For the next 13 years, he lived a seemingly routine existence, alternating between farming and fighting in the periodic wars that afflicted Switzerland. During one of those wars, though, a group of Austrian



invaders were defeated, and they retreated into a convent. According to Swiss conduct of war, the Austrians should have been safe inside.

Voice of Reason

Nicholas immediately prayed for everyone's safety and then argued with his fellow soldiers about the illegality of their actions. Through his efforts, a ceasefire was declared, saving the lives of all inside, soldiers and nuns alike.

Solitary, Contemplative Life

Nicholas's daily life of prayer and fasting made him stand out quietly in his community, and he became respected for his strict adherence to principles of truth and justice. At age 50, he left his family and became a hermit, praying and meditating in the woods. Initially, eating was painful for Nicholas and then it became impossible. So for the last 20 years of his life, it is said that he was sustained solely by the Blessed Sacrament.

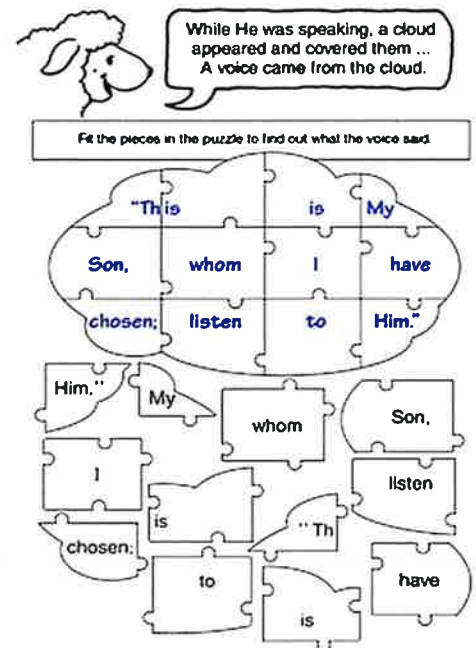
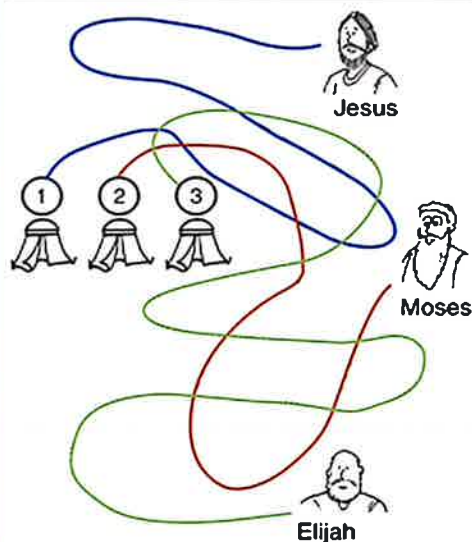
Vacation Bible School Leader Needed

We are looking for a leader to head-up this year's VBS. We need a leader before we can go forward with planning. Contact Suzan Cox at Suzan@stclare-catholic.com or call the office at 228-467-9275 if you would like to volunteer or have any questions.



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life, when they enter your
Heavenly Home. We ask this
through Christ our Lord, Amen

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