



July 12, 2026

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

***“My word shall not
return to me void,
but shall do my will,
achieving the end for
which I sent it.”***



When it rains in Germany, many parents tell their children, “You’re not made of sugar!” It is a humorous way of encouraging them go outside in spite of the bad weather. In other countries, people say, “At least the crops are happy!” As today’s first reading suggests, rain and snow help to make soil “fertile and fruitful,” and everything that grows from the earth benefits as well (Isaiah 55:10). In that passage, God compares the effect that the rain and snow have on the soil with the work that his word has on our lives: it “shall do my will” and [achieve] the end for which I sent it” (55:11).

The Israelites who first heard this prophecy would have heard God’s reassurance that they would truly be brought back from exile and restored to their homeland. As we hear this word today, we can also receive God’s assurance that his word in Scripture can have a good effect on our lives and lead us to our true home.

As water touches soil, it softens the ground

and enables seeds to sprout and roots to deepen. So, too, God’s word softens our hearts. Where we might harbor prideful or bitter thoughts, his word opens our eyes to the depth of his love and enables us to let go of those attitudes that hold us back.

Similarly, snow adds to the soil a layer of protection from the extreme cold. And as it melts, it provides a gentle, deep watering for the earth. Likewise, God’s word protects us, even in the most impossible or difficult circumstances, and it establishes us in the truth that he is faithful and trustworthy. Most of all, as it penetrates the deepest places of our heart, his word accomplishes what it set out to do. So ponder God’s word today and every day. Welcome it as the earth welcomes the rain and the snow!

~~~~~ **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.**

**Parochial Administrator: Fr. Braxton Necaise**

**Deacon: Charles Walden**

**Director of Religious Education: Dcn. Charles Walden**

**Secretary: Michelle Fleming**

**Office Hours: Monday–Friday 10 am–3 pm**

**Parish Office: 228-467-9275**

**Spiritual Emergency: 228-234-8220**

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**\*With Humility**

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

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### Mass Attendance -

|                                  | Adults       | Children  |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Saturday, 7/4/2026 at 4:00 p.m.— | 121          | 11        |
| Sunday, 7/5/2026 at 8:30 a.m.—   | 189          | 33        |
| 7/5/2026 at 11:00 a.m.—          | 242          | 38        |
| 7/5/2026 at 5:30 p.m.—           | 81           | 10        |
| <b>Total— 725 =</b>              | <b>633 +</b> | <b>92</b> |

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

**Last week's collection was:**

**Regular Offertory:**

**\$6,002.75**

**St. Clare Property Insurance \$1,496.00**

### Upcoming Second Collections:

**Diocesan Support—July 11 & 12**

**St. Clare Building Fund—July 18 & 19**

**St. Clare St. Vincent de Paul—July 25 & 26**



Altar flowers are a beautiful way to honor and remember loved ones. The recommended donation for a flower arrangement for a week is \$45.00. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the Church or in the Gift Shop. If you have questions, you may contact the Parish Office.

### Mass INTENTIONS

Mass intentions can be for a special intention, such as a birthday or anniversary. They are also for remembering those who have passed away.

The recommended donation per Mass is \$10.00. A card can be sent when requested. Contact Michelle in the Parish Office to arrange Masses or for questions.

**PLEASE  
DO NOT  
BLOCK  
DRIVEWAY.**

As a friendly reminder, please do not leave vehicles parked in the driveway area. Many of our parishioners use this driveway as a means to drop off individuals to use the elevator. Blocking the driveway also poses a hazard in the event emergency vehicles are required. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this request.



|                       |          |                                                    |
|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Monday,<br>July 13    | 8:30 am  | Michelle Fleming (SP)                              |
| Tuesday,<br>July 14   | 8:30 am  | Bill Kane +                                        |
| Wednesday,<br>July 15 | 6:00 pm  | Bambi Simpson +                                    |
| Thursday,<br>July 16  | 8:30 am  | Fr. Charles Arthur (SP)                            |
| Friday<br>July 17     | 8:30 am  | Ramey Simpson +                                    |
| Saturday,<br>July 18  | 4:00 pm  | Emilie Scianna +                                   |
| Sunday,<br>July 19    | 8:30 am  | Erwin Laviolette, Sr. +                            |
|                       | 11:00 am | Nicholas Frontz +                                  |
|                       | 5:30 pm  | Parishioners of St. Clare & the people of Waveland |



|         |                                                 |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------|
| July 12 | Fathers Sergio Balderas & Greg Barras (Retired) |
| July 13 | Father Hyginus Boboh, SSJ                       |
| July 14 | Father Tommy Conway                             |
| July 15 | Fathers Ruben Covos & Joe Dilettuso (Retired)   |
| July 16 | Father Adam Frey                                |
| July 17 | Monsignor Dominick Fullam                       |
| July 18 | Fathers Martin Gillespie & Tomaz Golab          |



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## PARISH MINISTRIES

**ALTAR SOCIETY:** Open to men and women; envelopes are available to pay \$10.00 membership. Meet the 1st Tuesday of each even month.

**BAPTISM:** To schedule an appointment to setup a Baptism date, please call the parish office at (228) 467-9275. 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. **ON SUMMER BREAK FROM MAY UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2026.**

**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 Deacon 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:** For more information, and to ensure you receive news and updates, please contact: Linda Walden, OFS at (228) 304-2305 or lwalden855@gmail.com.

Did you know ?

# Parish News!!

What time is that meeting?

## A message from the desk of Fr. Braxton Necaie:

Thank you, St. Clare family, for the very warm welcome last weekend! I am very happy to be here with you all and look forward to the days, months and years to come. Together we will work to grow the best Catholic Church in Waveland, MS! If you would like to meet with me, please contact Michelle in the Parish Office. She will help you. Office hours are Monday thru Friday 10 am to 3 pm.



## Faith Formation

Registration for the 2026-2027 CCD & OCIA is now open. You may register on paper or online.

Early registration is highly encouraged so that we may have enough supplies for all.

Our youth programs range from grades P-K through 12th grade.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. The first part of the program is designed to answer questions about our faith. The second part of the program is the preparation to be received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

Deacon Charles is the Director of Religious Education and point of contact.

**Please note there is now a \$10 fee to offset the cost of training materials. This may be paid via cash, check, Venmo or through the Church QR code or website at [stclarewaveland.com](https://stclarewaveland.com). Use the dropdown box Donations—Choose one time donation and then arrow the drop down box down to CCD registration.**



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## St. Clare Rummage Sale will be held Friday, July 31 and Saturday, August 1.

- ◆ We will begin accepting donations Monday, July 13 from 11—2 pm.
- ◆ **PLEASE NOTE We will NOT accept any donations on Thursday, July 16. We have a large event that day. Access to the building and elevator will be minimal.**
- ◆ Donation do's and do nots—
  - >>We do not accept clothing.
  - >>We are not able to provide a pick-up Service.
  - >>Drop off days and times are, Monday—Friday 11 am until 2:00 p.m.
  - >>Items that are not sale worthy will be thrown away.
- ◆ We welcome the help of volunteers. The time spent volunteering can be counted as service hours. Volunteers may help with accepting donations, sorting, pricing, setting up items, sale days and clean-up.
- ◆ Contact the Parish Office for more information at 228-467-9275. Thank you!

## Over 50's Monthly Activities!

**July 21 (Third Tuesday) BUNCO** at St. Clare Parish Hall at 1:00 p.m. Bring a snack to share, your drink and plan to have a great time with the group! The cost is \$2.00 to play.

**July 26 (Last Sunday) Sunset on the Beach** at the Waveland Lighthouse. We meet around 5:30 p.m. for a relaxing afternoon. Bring a snack, your drinks, chairs and enjoy the company of others.

# This is the Hour of Love

## THE 2026 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

Grace and peace to you in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ. Each year, the Catholic Sharing appeal invites us to renew our commitment to the mission of the Church. This year, that invitation comes with renewed urgency and hope: this is the Hour for Love—a moment that gently invites us to begin again.

Love is not merely a feeling; it is a decision. It is the choice to say “yes” to God and to one another, even when seasons of life change. The Church remains grateful; for the support you have offered in the past, support that helped sustain ministries and touch lives throughout the Diocese of Biloxi.

Currently, *only 25% of diocesan families participate in the Catholic Sharing Appeal*. Yet through the generosity of that faithful minority, the Church continues to serve—forming priests, nurturing young people, strengthening families, and caring for those most in need. Imagine what could be possible if every household participated.

The Catholic Sharing Appeal is not simply about funding programs; it is about discipleship and belonging. Participation itself is an act of love and unity. When we participate together, we proclaim our faith in Christ, our belief in the Church’s mission, and our willingness to play a part in that mission.

### Where does the CSA funding go?

- ◇ Do you know a permanent deacon who serves in this parish or another? *Deacon Charles Walden is a beneficiary of the funding that comes from CSA.*
- ◇ Have your children or grandchildren attended a youth conference? *Yes, in the spring of 2025 and 2026 we have had youth involved in the Diocese of Biloxi Youth Convention and Middle School Youth Rally. They are looking forward to attending in 2027.*
- ◇ Have you attended RCIA/OCIA in this parish or another within the diocese? *Each year we work with individuals and families throughout the year to join the Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil.*

These are just a few examples of how the support of the Catholic Sharing Appeal benefits our parish and diocese.





# Save the Date

## ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

October 4, 2026, 2:00 pm

*Celebration of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

We invite all married couples  
celebrating special  
anniversaries to register and  
join us for Mass and receive  
a blessing from Bishop  
Kihneman, with a reception  
to follow.

## THE HEALING FACE OF JESUS



## HEALING MINISTRY OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI

*A night of Healing with Adoration,  
Prayers of Deliverance, Sacrament of Reconciliation,  
Anointing of the Sick and  
One-on-One Pastoral Counseling.*

**Wednesday, July 22nd**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Holy Family Parish  
22342 Evangeline Road  
Pass Christian, MS 39571**



## Road to Emmaus Men's Retreat

Men, put aside the "hustle and bustle" of daily life and be part of the upcoming men's "Road to Emmaus" retreat the weekend of July 24-26, 2026. The retreat is held on the Gulf Coast at W. J. Kelly Retreat Center in Bay Saint Louis, MS. The retreat is based on the scripture passage which includes Jesus' appearance on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24: 13-35) and is an uplifting spiritual experience that has a profound effect on men's lives. The retreat begins at 4pm Friday and ends after the 5:30 pm Mass on Sunday. Round trip transportation is provided from St. Dominic Church, New Orleans. Please don't ignore this opportunity, but pray on it instead. Something special awaits you on the Road to Emmaus. Website registration can be done here: <https://stdominicparish.com/emmaus>. Please contact the following men for additional information: Norm Madere 504-481-0411 or Steve Schulken 504-401-6990.

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

# ABIDE

A WOMEN'S RETREAT  
INSPIRED BY SAINT THÉRÈSE  
OF LISIEUX

AUGUST 21-23

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DIDEAUX

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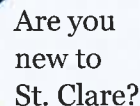
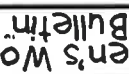
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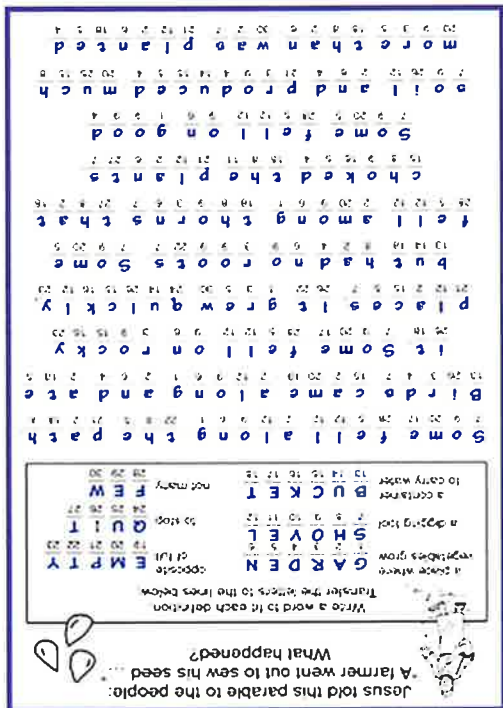
In 1257, the Order faced crisis. It was growing so quickly that it was becoming disorganized. It was also split between monks who called for a life of poverty, as Francis had, and others who believed the Franciscans could be part of the material world and still stay true to their founder's ideals.

**B**onaventure was a respected theologian and mystic. He wanted Christians to purify their souls through prayer and right behavior, and he believed the prayer could bring an ecstatic bond between mankind and God.

In 1265, Bonaventure turned down the archbishopric of York Eight years later, he accepted the position of Cardinal-Bishop of Albano. When messengers from Pope Gregory X brought Bonaventure the news of his appointment, he actually had them wait until he finished washing his friary's dishes. In 1274, he served at the Council of Lyons, which was organized to reunite the Roman and Greek churches. Bonaventure died at Lyons on July 15, again trying to reconcile differing spiritual views.



St. Clare welcomes all new families and visitors. Parish registration forms are available on the round table in the hallway. The form may be dropped off in the collection basket, at the office, or sent via email or regular mail. Addresses provided on the registration form.





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