



August 9, 2026

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

***“The Lord
will be
passing by.”***



Today's readings seem to have a lot in common: great displays of God's power, natural disturbances, reasons to fear. But the most important thing that happens in them is the fact that God makes his presence known. Whether it's in Jesus' walking on the water or in the tiny whisper that Elijah heard, the Lord comes to his children.

Fleeing a threat to his life, the prophet Elijah was so frustrated that he didn't want to continue his mission. So he sat under a tree and asked to die. But the angel of the Lord fed him and guided him to a mountain where "the Lord [would] be passing by" (1 Kings 19:11). God was not in the strong wind, in the earthquake, or in the fire, however. He was in "a tiny whispering sound" (19:12). In today's Gospel, the disciples were in a boat that was being tossed by the wind and the waves when they saw Jesus coming "toward them walking on the sea" (Matthew 14:25). Of course they

were terrified!

You can probably relate. There are moments in life when it can feel as if you are being tossed by the "wind" or shaken by an "earthquake": a serious illness, the loss of a job, a loved one who walks away from the Lord. When unexpected situations happen, you might want to look for "shelter" in "a cave" (Matthew 14:31). Because it might feel as if the Lord is absent, as if he doesn't care, or as if you're beyond his help.

But God wants to reassure you. He is passing by! He's inviting you to the "mountain" - a quiet place where you can pray and pour out your heart—to spend time with him. He wants you to remember that he comes to you, he stretches out his hand, and he holds you and keeps you steady. Then he says: "Take courage...; do not be afraid" (Matthew 14:27).

~~~~~ **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 Necaize**

Deacon: Charles Walden

Director of Religious Education: Dcn. Charles Walden

Secretary: Michelle Fleming

**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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### Mass Attendance -

|                                  | Adults       | Children        |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Saturday, 8/1/2026 at 4:00 p.m.— | 130          | 10              |
| Sunday, 8/2/2026 at 8:30 a.m.—   | 146          | 45              |
| 8/2/2026 at 11:00 a.m.—          | 100          | 16              |
| 8/2/2026 at 5:30 p.m.—           | 70           | 14              |
| <b>Total—</b>                    | <b>531 =</b> | <b>446 + 85</b> |

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

**Last week's collection was:**

**Regular Offertory:**

**\$5,672.00**

**Catholic Extension Society**

**\$746.00**

### Upcoming Second Collections:

Church Property Insurance—August 8 & 9

St. Clare Building Fund—August 15 & 16

Diocesan Support—August 22 & 23



This weekend's flowers are memory of

**Emilie Scianna**

May she rest in the Eternal Peace of Christ.

*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.





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|-------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday,<br>August 10    | 8:30 am  | Ricky Manieri, Sr. (SP)                              |
| Tuesday,<br>August 11   | 8:30 am  | Nancy Cornelius (SP)                                 |
| Wednesday,<br>August 12 | 6:00 pm  | Edward Flynn +                                       |
| Thursday,<br>August 13  | 8:30 am  | JT & Valiree Fleming +                               |
| Friday<br>August 14     | 8:30 am  | Dimple Maddox +                                      |
| Saturday,<br>August 15  | 4:00 pm  | Isabelle Hill +                                      |
| Sunday,<br>August 16    | 8:30 am  | Erwin Laviolette, Sr. +                              |
|                         | 11:00 am | Geralyn Ybos (SP)                                    |
|                         | 5:30 pm  | St. Clare Parishioners & the<br>Citizens of Waveland |



|           |                                                      |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|
| August 9  | Fathers Cuddy O'Connell & Michael O'Connor           |
| August 10 | Fathers Bernard Papania &<br>Daniel Martinez Patino  |
| August 11 | Fathers Dominic Vu Xuan Pham &<br>Thang John Pham    |
| August 12 | Father Tomasz Powroźnik                              |
| August 13 | Fathers Donbosco Puthiyakunnel &<br>J. Maxwell Quaye |
| August 14 | Father Ken Ramon-Landry                              |
| August 15 | Father Mark Ropel                                    |



**Peggy Parker, Deborah Whittle  
Shelby Necaie, Linda Walden  
Emma Farve, Anne Petruccelli  
Mary Beth Dorn  
Pat Morris, Nathan Augilar**

## 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?



The annual rummage sale was a great success. All funds earned will be used for general and building maintenance expenses. It would be impossible to host this fundraiser without the hands of many people. Thank you to those who made themselves available to receive donations, those who sorted, priced, worked, packed and helped with all of the things! We are also thankful to those who donated and shopped!

The items that did not sell were picked up by Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Pass Christian. Their annual sale happens in September. In coming weeks look for their flyer to be in our weekly bulletin.



## Faith Formation

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



A big ole' backpack success!! Thank you to everyone who participated in the blessing of the backpacks last weekend!! We have only heard great things from children, parents and parishioners about how wonderful the backpack blessing was for all in attendance. One parent sent this message to the parish office. *"Camille is still telling everyone about getting her book bag blessed. She really loved that."*



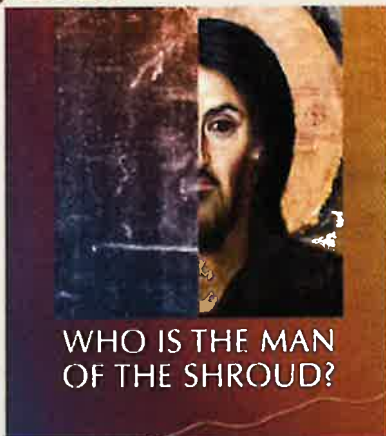
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the  
Date*

**AUGUST  
15-16, 2026**

EXPERIENCE  
**THE  
SHROUD  
OF TURIN**  
Exhibit

**COMING TO**  
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

The exhibit is a self-guided tour with video, information stations, and physical exhibits. A content expert will be on hand to answer questions to all attendees, as well as providing a presentation to any group(s) interested in pre-scheduling a specific time slot.



The exhibit is privately owned through Othonia, which was represented at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress held in Indianapolis in 2024.

Please visit the Othonia website for more information:  
<https://othonia.org>

The Shroud of Turin has been venerated for centuries as the actual burial cloth of Jesus and is widely considered to be the most studied object in the world. You are invited to explore faith, science, scripture, and hope in this exhibit by Othonia, a part of the Institute of Science and Faith at the Regina Apostolorum Pontifical University located in Rome, Italy.

## Over 50's Monthly Activities!

**August 12 (Second Wednesday) Lunch at Yun Long Buffet** Join us for a Dutch treat luncheon at 11:30 a.m. It is a great time to fellowship and enjoy a meal together.

**August 18 (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.

**August 30 (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.



At the St. Clare Gift Shop!  
Deb Bourgeois is the point of contact.  
Weekends 15 minutes before and after Mass



Bishop Kihneman has authorized the implementation of a new Diaconate Formation Class (Class of 2032).

It will be open to both English and Hispanic applicants. Recruitment is soon to begin! Information sessions will last from 8:30 a.m. until noon on these dates:

**August 22—St. Thomas, Hattiesburg**  
**September 12—St. Mary, Gautier**  
**September 26—St. Thomas, Long Beach**

Questions? Please reach out to Deacon Mike Harris at 228-342-1536

*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.



Draw down tickets have been mailed out. They may be returned in the collection basket, to the Parish Office or you may drop in the mailbox 'under' the church. Thank you!



# *St Clare*

CATHOLIC CHURCH

## **\$10,000** DRAWDOWN

**Saturday, September 26, 2026**  
**7:00 PM**



Maximum number  
of tickets sold: **300**



The last ticket  
drawn wins  
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include 2 dinner tickets  
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## **\$10,000!**

All proceeds of the drawdown will support  
our school subsidy and needed church improvements.

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**YOUR ST CLARE PARISH!**





# St. Clare of Assisi

Feast Day: August 11

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St Clare of Assisi

Clare was born about 1193 to a wealthy patrician family in Assisi, Italy. Even as a child, Clare seemed devoted to prayer and desirous of a more spiritual life. Inspired at age 18 by St. Francis when he came to preach in a local church, Clare begged him privately to help her live a humble religious life. Late on Palm Sunday in 1212, she ran off to St. Francis's chapel, had her hair cut off, donned penitential clothing and vowed herself to the service of Jesus.

Francis placed Clare with the Benedictine nuns at a convent near Bastia. When her family and friends tried to take her home, she successfully resisted their efforts. Ultimately, Francis moved her and other female followers, including her sister Agnes, to a poor house near the church of San Damiano, just outside Assisi.

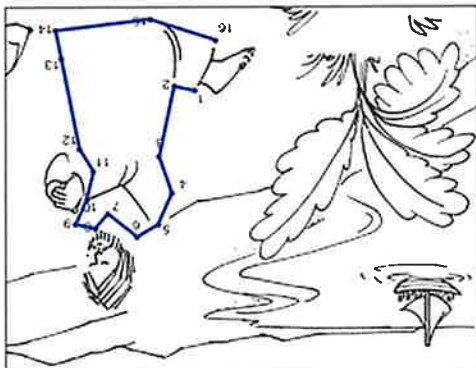
## A Simple and Holy Life

Francis appointed Clare the superior of what would become the first community of Poor Clares. Under Clare's leadership, the community lived austere: fasting frequently, wearing nothing on their feet, sleeping on the ground and speaking only when necessary. The community also refused to

own any property, honoring the Franciscan principles of absolute poverty and simplicity. When Pope Gregory IX and later Innocent IV offered to help the Poor Ladies of San Damiano financially, Clare resisted. She believed that money would bring conflict, power and control. In 1215, Francis made Clare abbess, a position she held until her death almost 40 years later.

## A Simple and Holy Life

During her lifetime, Clare saw her sister Beatrix, her mother and her aunt join the Order. She also witnessed the foundation of convents of Clares throughout Europe.



Connect the dots.  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

Jesus sent His disciples ahead  
while He went to pray alone.

Jesus and the Disciples

August 9, 2026 • Matthew 14:22-33



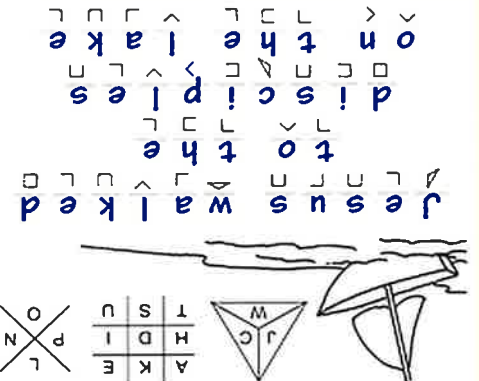
Children's Worship  
Bulletin



New Parishioner

Are you  
new to  
St. Clare?

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.



Use the code to learn what happened next

Jesus sent the disciples ahead in a boat  
and went up a mountain side by Himself to pray.  
Later, while the boat was far from land, a storm blew up.

Jesus and the Disciples

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