

# St. Clare's Parish

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PASTOR:

**Rev. Jomon George, M.Ss.Cc.**

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## OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday  
10:00 am - 12:30 pm; 1:00 – 5:00 pm  
Thursdays – 1:30 – 5:00 pm

## DAILY MASSES:

Monday to Friday – 9:00 am  
(Bilingual: Italian/English)

## SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm in English  
Sunday 10:00 am in Italian  
Sunday 12:00 Noon in English

## CONFESSION:

Monday to Friday 9:45 to 10:15 am  
Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 pm  
or by appointment

## ADORATION:

### Holy Hour & Confessions

Every Friday from 9:30 am – 10:30 am



## UFFICIO:

lunedì, martedì, mercoledì e venerdì  
10:00 am - 12:30 pm; 1:00 – 5:00 pm  
giovedì 1:30 – 5:00 pm

## MESSE QUOTIDIANE:

Da lunedì al venerdì alle 9:00 am  
(Italiano/Inglese)

## MESSE DOMENICALI

sabato 5:00 pm in Inglese  
domenica 10:00 am in Italiano  
domenica 12:00 pm in Inglese

## CONFESSIONI:

lunedì - venerdì 9:45 - 10:15 am  
Sabato 4:00 – 4:45 pm o per  
appuntamento

## ADORAZIONE:

### Ora Santa e Confessioni

Ogni venerdì dalle 9:30 alle 10:30 di mattina

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**BAPTISMS:** Visit our website, fill in the Baptismal Registration form, and forward it to the parish office.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples are required to contact the office at least one year in advance.

## SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK & ELDERLY:

Please notify the parish office. A priest will gladly help you.

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL – Heather Kieran

Please contact the parish.

**NEOCATECHUMENAL WAY:** Please contact the parish office for more information.

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA):** Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic, or in need of completing the Sacraments, please call the office.

**LEGION OF MARY:** Held on Sundays 10:00am in the Meeting Room

## SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI E GLI ANZIANI:

Per cortesia, chiamate l'ufficio. Un sacerdote porterà volentieri i sacramenti e pregheremo per voi.

## OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:

Teresa Elliott

## OFFICE ASSISTANTS:

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## 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

#### **Christmas Eve, SUNDAY, December 24**

10:00 a.m. – Mass in Italian  
12:00 Noon – Mass in English  
10:00 p.m. – Bilingual Mass – Italian/English

#### **Christmas Day, MONDAY, December 25**

9:00 a.m. – NO MASS  
10:00 a.m. – Mass in Italian  
12 Noon – Mass in English

#### **New Year's Eve, SUNDAY, December 31**

10:00 a.m. – Mass in Italian  
12:00 p.m. – Mass in English

#### **New Year's Day, MONDAY, January 1**

9:00 a.m. – NO MASS  
10:00 a.m. – Mass in Italian  
12 Noon – Mass in English

#### **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:**

Monday, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, Dec 26<sup>th</sup>, and  
Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### SUNDAY WEEKLY COLLECTION

Our **regular collection**, for last week's offertory, was **\$ 2,206.35** Thank you and may the LORD repay you for your kindness!

### Advent Day of Confessions

The annual **Advent Day of Confessions** will take place across the diocese from December 10-23. To prepare well for Holy Christmas, below are the dates and times of Confessions in our parish: **Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 p.m.** Let us welcome grace and forgiveness of sins with an open heart, for a happier and joyful Christmas!

### 2023-2024 Missals

The new Sunday Missals are available! If you would like to purchase a copy, please see one of the ushers after Mass. **Cost is \$5.00.**

### Prayer for the Advent Wreath



Lord, our God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, for He is Emmanuel, the Hope of all people. He is the Wisdom that teaches and guides us. He is the Savior of us all. O Lord, let your blessing come upon us as we light the first (purple) candle of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise of salvation. May He come quickly and not delay. We ask this in His holy name.

Amen. *Prayer taken from [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com).*

### 2024 Offering Envelopes



The **2024 Offering Envelopes** will be available for pick up downstairs, in the St. Francis foyer beginning this week. Envelopes will be laid out in numerical order. Please refer to the alphabetical list that will be there for your reference. If you are new to the parish, or just wish to start using offering envelopes this year, please contact the parish office to register and an envelope box will be given to you. Please also consider the following convenient ways to support our parish:

- **Pre-Authorized Giving**, which is a donation given on a monthly basis through your bank account
- **Credit Card** donation by visiting [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org). Click on the DONATE button and then the PARISH OFFERTORY button.

If you need assistance, please call the office.

### 55+ Group

The 55+ group will be getting together on **Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, right after mass, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall** for the annual Christmas Potluck Party. All the young at heart are invited!



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 2

5:00 – For all the living & deceased members of St. Clare

### Sunday, December 3

10:00 – † Domenica Salvaggio, John Moran, Raffaele Maiolo, Pietro Corsaro, Rosa Galluzzo-Agostino, Carmine Raviele, Vincenzo Roti, Nicola Caroleo, Giovanni, Battista, e Tommasi Grella, Seppa Graziosi

12:00 – † Vito & Rosa Galloro

### Monday, December 4

9:00 – † Michele Muia

### Tuesday, December 5

9:00 – (living) Angela Addeo

### Wednesday, December 6

9:00 – † Maria Daconceicao

### Thursday, December 7

9:00 – † Maria & Luigi Corona

### Friday, December 8

9:00 – † Lucia Scinocca-Macri

### Saturday, December 9

5:00 – † Maria Del Core, Deceased members of the Presotto & Taylor families

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### COLLEZIONE SETTIMANALE DOMENICA

La nostra collezione regolare, per l'offertorio della scorsa settimana, è stata di **\$ 2,206.35** dollari. Grazie per il vostro costante supporto e generosità! Ricordati di chiederci informazioni sulla donazione pre-autorizzata (P.A.G.). Possa il Signore ripagarti della tua bontà!

### Gruppo 55 Piu

Il gruppo 55 Piu si riunirà **giovedì 14 dicembre**, subito dopo la messa, alle 9:30 nella sala parrocchiale per l'annuale festa di Natale. Tutti i giovani di spirito sono invitati!

### Preghiera per l'inizio dell'Avvento



O Signore nostro Dio, tu ci chiedi di prepararci ad accogliere la venuta del tuo figlio Gesù Cristo. Da lui ti sei staccato per donarlo a noi come fanciullo nel presepe di Betlemme. La povertà della sua nascita ci ha indicato che lui si è spogliato perché noi fossimo arricchiti di una veste nuova: quella di essere tuoi figli. Ravviva in noi, in questo tempo di attesa, la grazia del nostro battesimo col quale ci hai reso tuoi figli e ci hai donato di vivere nella tua Chiesa. Apri i nostri occhi perché possiamo vedere la presenza di Gesù in ogni nostro fratello, affinché possiamo trattarlo con dolcezza e rispetto; aiutaci a spogliarci di qualcosa per arricchire gli altri e per ottenere in cambio il dono della tua pace. La Madre tua Immacolata ci doni di saper gustare nella preghiera quotidiana la forza del tuo Spirito che desidera essere per noi forza e sostegno. Amen.

### Giornata delle Confessioni

L'annuale Giornata delle Confessioni d'Avvento si svolgerà in tutta la diocesi dal 10 al 23 dicembre. Per prepararci bene al Santo Natale, ecco di seguito la data e gli orari delle Confessioni nella nostra parrocchia: Martedì 19 dicembre dalle 19:00. Accogliamo con cuore aperto la grazia e il perdono dei peccati, per un Natale più lieto e pieno di gioia!

### Buste delle Offerte per l'anno 2024

Siete invitati a scendere giù per raccogliere le vostre buste per l'anno nuovo. Le buste saranno disposte in ordine numerico. Si prega di controllare all'elenco alfabetico che sarà lì per riferimento. Se quest'anno non avete usato le buste, ma le desiderate per l'anno prossimo, si prega di chiamare a l'ufficio parrocchiale per registrarvi e ritirare le buste. Ti preghiamo di considerare anche la comodità della donazione pre-autorizzata che puoi fare contattando l'ufficio parrocchiale per ricevere assistenza. Grazie!

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