

SAINT OF THE DAY FOR AUGUST 11

Saint Clare of Assisi

(July 16, 1194 - August 11, 1253)

Saint Clare of Assisi's Story

At the beginning of her religious life St. Clare refused to marry at 15, she was moved by the dynamic preaching of Francis. He became her lifelong friend and spiritual guide.

At 18, Clare escaped from her father's home one night, was met on the road by friars carrying torches, and in the poor little chapel called the Portiuncula received a rough woolen habit, exchanged her jeweled belt for a common rope with knots in it, and sacrificed her long tresses to Francis' scissors. He placed her in a Benedictine convent, which her father and uncles immediately stormed in rage. Clare clung to the altar of the church, threw aside her veil to show her cropped hair, and remained adamant.

Sixteen days later her sister Agnes joined her. Others came. They lived a simple life of great poverty, and complete seclusion from the world, according to a Rule which Francis gave them as a Second Order. At age 21, Francis obliged Clare under obedience to accept the office of abbess, one she exercised until her death.

The Poor Ladies went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat, and observed almost complete silence. Later Clare, like Francis, persuaded her sisters to moderate this rigor: "Our bodies are not made of brass." The greatest emphasis, of course, was on gospel poverty. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. When even the pope tried to persuade Clare to mitigate this practice, she showed her characteristic firmness: "I need to be absolved from my sins, but I do not wish to be absolved from the obligation of following Jesus Christ."

Contemporary accounts glow with admiration of Clare's life in the convent of San Damiano in Assisi. She served the sick and washed the feet of the begging nuns. She came from prayer, it was said, with her face so shining it dazzled those about her. She suffered serious illness for the last 27 years of her life. Her influence was such that popes, cardinals, and bishops often came to consult her—Clare herself never left the walls of San Damiano. Francis always remained her great friend and inspiration. Clare was always obedient to his will and to the great ideal of gospel life which he was making real. She is the patron saint of eye disorders and television.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism—Parents who wish to have their child baptized please contact the Parish Office for information and appointment.

Matrimony—A six month preparation process is required. Please contact the Parish priest for information regarding scheduling and preparation.

Anointing of the Sick—Please contact the Parish Office to inform them of anyone in the hospital or homebound in need of communion or anointing.

Holy Orders—Contact the office of Vocations in the Chancery, 785-827-8746.

Any allegation of the abuse of a minor, may be reported to the **Kansas Protection Report Center (1-800-922-5330)**, the **KBI Crime Hotline (1-800-KSCRIME)** or **Clergy-Abuse@kbi.ks.gov**. The Diocese of Salina fully participates in all criminal investigations related to abuse perpetrated by a member of the clergy or other church official. For the safety of children and the healing of those who have suffered abuse, the Diocese of Salina provides an **Abuse Response Hotline(1-785-825-0865)**; an **Abuse Response Email** (reportabuse@salinadiocese.org); and an **Abuse Response Online Submission Form** (www.salinadiocese.org/safety-security). Reports will be responded to promptly by the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator. All reports are confidential with the exception of those involving the abuse of minors, which will be immediately reported by the Diocese to the proper authorities, as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Aug. 12: Deuteronomy 10:12-22, Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20, Matthew 17:22-27

Aug. 13: Deuteronomy 31:1-8, Deuteronomy 32:3-4, 7-9, 12, Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Aug. 14: Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 66:1-3, 5, 8, 16-17, Matthew 18:15-20

Aug. 15: Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10, Psalm 45:10-12, 16, 1 Corinthians 15:20-27, Luke 1:39-56

Aug. 16: Joshua 24:1-13, Psalm 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24, Matthew 19:3-12

Aug. 17: Joshua 24:14-29, Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11, Matthew 19:13-15

Aug. 18: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10, Psalm 40:2-4, 18, Hebrews 12:1-4, Luke 12:49-53

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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 11, 2019

Parish Mission: "To recognize that we are ALL one Body in Christ and to help one another get to heaven by serving God in ALL we do."

Parish Council: Amy Jackson, Chairperson Members: Cheryl Madden & Kim Reynolds
 Finance Council: Members: Joan Fraser, Tammy Mansfield, Joe Reedy, & Ron Wondra
 Knights of Columbus: Mike Blochlinger, Grand Knight K of C Field Agent: Adam B. Bruna-adam.bruna@kofc.org
 Altar Society: Sue Peltier, President

Parish Staff:

Fr. David Metz pastor@olphconcordia.org
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 Rex Harper-Maintenance

Office Hours:

Mon.– Fri. 8:30am-4:30pm
 Closed 12-1pm for lunch

Mass Times:

OLPH: Weekday Masses: Tuesday— Friday 7:15am
 Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:30pm and Sunday 9:30am
 Aurora: Sunday 8:00am

Confessions:

OLPH: Wednesday and Friday 6:40am-7:00am
 Saturday 4:00-5:00pm
 Aurora: 1st weekend 7:30-7:45am

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 7:45am-Tuesday 7:00am

RCIA:

Tuesday evening

Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday 3:00pm

If you are new, have returned or moved from the parish, or changed your address please let us know at the parish office.

MASSSES:

Monday Aug. 12-NO MASS 7:45am: ADORATION
 Tuesday Aug. 13-7:15am:+Leonard Monty
 Mass at Mt. Joseph: 11:00am:+Caroline Gocke
 Wednesday Aug. 14-7:15am:+Irene Barton
 Assumption Mass Aurora-7:00pm:+Cliff Brunell & Aldea Labarge
 Thursday Aug. 15-7:15am:+Ken Vignery
 7:00pm:+Mary Jane Tiekling
 Friday Aug. 16-7:15am:+Jerome Letourneau
 Saturday Aug. 17-5:30pm:+Frowin G. Hageman
 Sunday Aug. 18-Aurora: 8:00am:+Jerome & Patricia Letourneau
 OLPH: 9:30am:For Our Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug. 11-Catholic Charities Annual Appeal
 Aug. 12-Council Cookout/5:30pm
 Aug. 13-16-RE Enrollment
 Aug. 14-RE Enrollment Aurora after Mass
 Aug. 15-Parish Office Closed
 Aug. 18-Rural Life Days/Hoxie

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Thursday, Aug. 15, Assumption

Saturday, Aug. 17, 5:30pm

Sunday, Aug. 18, 9:30am

Servers: 7:15am: Dalton & Ivon Owen
 7:00pm: Anna & Christian Widen

ADULTS

Bailey & Hali Buckley

Reader: 7:15am: Laura Jo Meyer
 7:00pm: Kim Reynolds

Wonda Phillips

Madison Strecker

Cantor: 7:15am: Amy DeGraff
 7:00pm: Jamie Durler

Sr. Betty Suther

Denae T., Glenda S.

Musician: 7:15am: Judy Reedy
 7:00pm: Vicki Demars

John Paul Breault

Vicki Demars

EMHC: 7:15am: Joan & Gary Fraser
 7:00pm: Kathy & Jerry B., Norlene L.

Ivan W., Steve & Faith N.

Jana S., Joan & Gary F.

Greeters: 7:15am: ANYONE
 7:00pm: ANYONE

Jeanette D., Rita Collette

Ashley C., Connie T.

Ushers: 7:15am: ANYONE
 7:00pm: ANYONE

Don Deneault, Duane Michaud

Joe Strecker

Please pray for: James Anderson, Mike Benjamin, Meritt Brown, Russ Budreau, Ernest & Evelyn Charbonneau, Laura Collette, Jesse Copple, Mary Dibbell, Lydia Feldhauser, Louise Forman, Alice Faye Hanson, Alice Jaster, Joe Jaster, Dr. Paul Jaster, Kolbie Kalivoda, JoAnn Kempton, Richard Loeffler, Barbara Longnecker, Aubrey Kay Lott, Judy Miles, Joe Pellant, Virginia Schmitt, Debra Rupert Sjolander, Debbie Thoman, Nancy (Mahon) Zrubek, all who are ill, lonely, disabled, in homes and hospitals; and **service personnel serving overseas:** Cliff Caron.

Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 months and then will be removed unless the parish office is notified that they need to remain on the list.

Call to Share: Here is an update on the campaign. We have reached 105% of our targeted goal of \$35,000.00. We have had 108 individuals or families pledge \$36,843.00. At some point in your life, one of these ministries will serve you, or someone you love, so please consider making a gift or pledge.

Cemetery tractor: The tractor we have purchased will have a pull behind mower and bucket for varied uses. The total cost of the tractor is \$23,860. If you would like to make a donation please contact the parish office.

Sacristans: We are in need of a couple of volunteers to be Sacristans for the 9:30am Mass. If you are interested please call the parish office at 243-1099.

Mass Intentions: Until we can get all the Mass intentions rescheduled from losing a Mass every weekend we will only be able to take 5 Masses per person per year. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

Candidates Needed: Pastoral Council: 3 openings for 3-year term. The Pastoral Council, consisting of 7 members, is a consulting body formed to coordinate all the aspects of parish life. Please prayerfully consider becoming a member of the Pastoral Council of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. Contact Lori in the Parish Office (785-243-1099 or olph@olphconcordia.org) if you would like to be a member or know of someone who might be interested in serving.

Altar Society Dues: Altar Society Dues of \$2.00 is now due.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats: *You are called by name. If you are struggling with your abortion decision come and see what Jesus has prepared for you. Give yourself His "gift" of a retreat weekend.* **Rachel's Vineyard Retreats: Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. Next retreat: October 4-6, 2019. 1-877-1-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383). rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org Confidential.**

RE ENROLLMENT: Enrollment for Religious Education Classes will take place on the dates of Aug. 13-16. Fr. David will be enrolling at the times below.

Aug. 13th-1:00-4:30pm Last names beginning with the letters A-E & 7:00-9:00pm the letters F-J
 Aug. 14th-9:30am-Noon Last names beginning with the letters K-O & 2:00-4:30pm the letters P-T
 Aug. 15th-2:00-4:30pm Last names beginning with the letters U-Z
 Aug. 16th-Open enrollment for anyone who hasn't enrolled from 9:30am-Noon & 2:00-4:30pm.

Aurora RE students will be enrolling after the 7pm Mass on August 14th.

There will be a Religious Education Teachers meeting at 7pm on August 21st.

RE CLASSES will start on September 4.

THE 2019 RURAL LIFE DAY will be held in the West Deanery this year. It will be on Sunday afternoon, August 18, 2019. We will meet at St. Frances Cabrini parish in Hoxie, KS. Rural Life Day features the presenting of the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm Awards for families owning or farming their farm for more than 100 years. Application forms and instructions are found on the Diocesan Web Site (www.salinadiocese.org) under "Offices" and then under "Rural Life".

ALL HANDS (and open pocketbooks) ON DECK! We owe approximately \$28,000 for parish insurance and this is how we pay for it. The Church bazaar is **Sunday, October 13**. Solicitation will begin soon for 12 high-end items for the oral auction so if you are approached, please respond generously. We are also accepting quality, new items or monetary donations for the silent auction. These new items or cash can be dropped off at the parish office, the committee will take it from there. The success of the Bazaar depends on YOU doing your part. PLEASE keep in mind, this is how we pay for insurance on the parish buildings. Whatever you give will always come back on you two-fold! Thank you for your generous support!

OLPH Bazaar Committee

This weekend is the 2019 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Pledge cards and remittance envelopes are available here at Mass. Please complete a pledge card and use the remittance envelope to place your donation in the parish offering today or mail directly to Catholic Charities. By making a contribution, you are partnering with Catholic Charities to provide a safety net for struggling individuals and families. Your support offers hope to people in desperate situations, so thank you for prayerfully considering a gift. *All support is greatly appreciated!* For questions, please contact Development Director, Eric Frank, at 785-825-0208 or efrank@ccnks.org.

Climate Action for Peace: Join us for the annual celebration of the International Day of Peace on Sunday, September 22, 2019 from 2-4:30pm. This year's theme is "Climate Action for Peace". Enjoy non-denominational fellowship and prayer, international refreshments, good conversations, and thought-provoking discussions with members of the community. Free and open to the public. Hosted by the Sister's of St. Joseph.

Join us for a retreat on September 28, 2019 at Sacred Heart Parish, Atwood, KS (9-4:30pm) where you will recognize Christ in your experiences, and use the tools you receive to announce the faith of the church, and assist those whom you are catechizing to recognize the presence and **work** of God in their lives.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass: A cordial invitation is extended to couples celebrating first anniversaries and those ending in 0 or 5 this calendar year to join us for the Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass and reception, with the Most Reverend Gerald Vincke, Bishop of Salina. **Masses will be Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 3pm at St. Joseph Parish in Hays, KS or Sunday, October 13, 2019 at 3pm at St. Mary Queen of the Universe Parish in Salina, KS.** DEADLINE for reservations is September 23, 2019. You can register online at salinadiocese.org/family-life or call 785-827-8746 ext. 24.

The internet is the 21st century auction block to buy and sell men, women, and children. Learn about internet exploitation in the trafficking business. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking—sistersagainsttrafficking.org**

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Barbara Johnston.