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Or by appointment

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Baptism: Baptismal preparation is required of all parents prior to the celebration of baptism. Please call parish office for an appointment.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Any time by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: Please inform the parish office when someone needs a visit from a priest.

Marriage Preparation: Make arrangements with the parish office at least six months before the intended wedding.

Visitation of Sick and Homebound: If you or a member of your family is in the hospital, privacy acts prohibit ministers from obtaining names through the hospital; therefore, you must contact the parish if you would like a visit. Also, please contact the parish to request homebound visits if you become ill.

September 27, 2020: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

* * * COLLECTIONS & SECOND COLLECTIONS * * *

Baskets are located beside the church entry doors for you to place your offerings. Our collections continue to suffer as the pandemic shows no signs of abating, so any extra you can offer is greatly appreciated.

Please don't forget second collections! **The second collection next weekend (Oct. 4) is for the Holy Father.** The Peter's Pence Collection unites us and Catholics around the world more closely with the Holy Father in two ways: it supports the structures of the Holy See through which the Pope governs the Church, as well as his charitable efforts to assist victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others most in need. Please be generous. For more information, visit <http://www.peterspence.va/en.html>.

Water Leak: Due to an outside water leak, there is currently no water in the Church (thus, the bathrooms are out of order). The two main alternatives for fixing the problem are: (a) to run a new line from the meter to the Church main, or (b) to close the meter and connect the Church to the water meter in Friendship Hall. We are still exploring options, but whatever solution is decided upon, the cost will be in the \$9,000-\$10,000 range. If you can help, please mail a check to the Church office or put it in the basket by the Church door when you come to Mass. **MANY THANKS to those who have generously donated already.**

* * * ANNOUNCEMENTS * * *

MASS INTENTIONS

May we offer the holy sacrifice of the Mass for your intentions? Since we have no Catholic Extension Donor intentions at present, the Mass schedule has many openings for Masses to be said for you or your loved ones. Please contact the office if you would like to request a Mass intention.

RCIA-ENQUIRERS

St. Clare, St. Paul, Our Lady of Mt. Vernon, and Berea College will be resuming our RCIA/Enquirers sessions soon. If you know of anyone interested in the Catholic faith, this is for them. If you are already Catholic but want to learn more, please join in. We will be on Zoom, so social distancing is not a problem! Anyone interested should contact the Parish office or Father Simpson.

PARISH CENSUS

In the next few weeks, St. Clare will be conducting a Parish census. As the pandemic shows no signs of abating, we need updated contact information so that we can all hang together through these difficult times. When you receive the Parish census mailing, please edit, update, and return as soon as possible. Thank you for your help on this.

Holy Mass Schedule/Intentions

Sat. Sept. 26- 6:00 p.m. (OLMV) Pro Populo
Sun. Sept. 27- 9:00 a.m. (St. Clare) +Therese Reilly
 11:45 a.m. (St. Paul) +Therese Reilly
 4:00 p.m. (St. Clare) *Misa en español.*
Wed. Sept. 30- 5:00 p.m. (OLMV)
Thur. Oct. 1- 8:00 a.m. (St. Clare)
Sat. Oct. 3- 6:00 p.m. (OLMV) Special Intention
Sun. Oct. 4- 9:00 a.m. (St. Clare) Pro Populo
 11:45 a.m. (St. Paul)
 4:00 p.m. (St. Clare) Special Intention *Misa en español.*

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sept. 27: Bob Rucker Oct. 4: Mike Berheide Oct.11: Pat Calie
Oct. 18: Lynn Feltner Oct. 25: Bruce Fraley Nov. 1: Bob Rucker

PRAYER NEEDS

Parishioners: Rita Ballinger, Beatriz Del Rosario, Alice Duprey, Pat Eutsler, Marci Griffin, Bonnie Kehoe, Lois Lear, Mary Ann Marr, Carol Norman, Mari Rucker, Gary Scarlett, Gene Startzman

Family and Friends: Marlene Arcuri; Jami Curtis (sister of Fr. John Curtis); Fr. John Curtis; Dustin Davidson; Henry Estrada; Wauneth Forester (mother of Ed Forester); Daniel Kessler (brother of Kris Hammons); Guy Patrick; Nancy Scarlett. Names remain on the prayer list for the month in which they are inscribed, unless you would like the prayer request to remain longer—please enter your request into the Book of Prayer in the narthex or contact the office.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory collected YTD:	\$ 23,767.00	Offertory collected 9/20/20:	\$ 1,052.00
Offertory needed weekly:	\$ 2,692.31	(Under)	\$ (1,640.31)
Second collection (9/20/20)	\$ 90.00	Building & Maintenance	\$ 5,057.12

The Diocesan Pandemic Response may be viewed here:
<https://www.cdlex.org/diocese-of-Lexington-epidemic-response>

St. Clare Office

As we continue to suffer under Covid19, the safest route is to keep the office closed most of the time. We are working from home and will do our best to respond to voice messages, emails and texts as soon as we can. Thank you for bearing with us through all this.
