

Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's
11th August 2024, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
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Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
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Alleluia	John 6:51
Gospel	John 6:41-51

Catholic Sunday Readings for 11th August 2024, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1st Reading - 1 Kings 19:4-8

4 Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers."
 5 He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat.
 6 Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again,
 7 but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!"
 8 He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. (9a) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2 I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth.
 3 Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

4 Glorify the LORD with me, Let us together extol his name.
 5 I sought the LORD, and he answered me And delivered me from all my fears.

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

6 Look to him that you may be radiant with joy. And your faces may not blush with shame.
 7 When the afflicted man called out, the LORD heard, And from all his distress he saved him.

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

8 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.
 9 Taste and see how good the LORD is; blessed the man who takes refuge in him.

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading - Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Brothers and sisters:
 30 Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption.
 31 All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice.
 32 And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.
 1 So be imitators of God, as beloved children,

2 and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

Alleluia - John 6:51


R. Alleluia, alleluia.
 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.
 R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel - John 6:41-51

41 The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven, "
 42 and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven?'"
 43 Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves.
 44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day.
 45 It is written in the prophets: They shall all be taught by God. Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me.
 46 Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father.
 47 Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.
 48 I am the bread of life.
 49 Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died;
 50 this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die.
 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

Saint(s) of the Day

Clare of Assisi was born with the name Chiara Offreduccio. The name is also spelled as Clara, Clair, or Claire. She was the founder of the Order of Saint Clare or the Poor Clares. She was born on July 16 1194 in Assisi, Italy and also died there on August 11 1253. Her feast day is usually celebrated on 11th August every year in the Catholic Church.

Saint Clare of Assisi Biography	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Catholicreadings.org</p> <p>St Clare of Assisi, Virgin</p> <p>Feast Day August 11</p> </div>  </div>	
St Clare of Assisi, Virgin - Feast Day - 11th August 2024	
Date of Birth	July 16 1194
Place of Birth	Assisi, Italy
Profession	Nun and founder of the Order of Saint Clare or the Poor Clares
Place of Work	Assisi, Italy
Date of Death	11 th August 1253 at the age of 59
Place of Death	Assisi, Italy
Feast Day	11 th August
Canonization	By Pope Alexander IV on the 26 th September 1255 in Rome, Italy
Patron Saint of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Television • Santa Clara, California • Santa Clara Pueblo, New Mexico • Remote viewing • Obando, Bulacan, Philippines • Needleworkers • Laundry • Good weather • Goldsmiths • Eye disease • Extrasensory perception • Bicycle messengers

Saint Clare, Virgin Life History

St Clare was born in Assisi with the name Chiara Offreduccio. Her father was called Favorino Sciffi and was very wealthy with a castle on the slope of Mount Subasio and a big palace in Assisi. Her mother was called Ortolana and was a very pious and devout Christian. She was the firstborn daughter and had two other sisters namely Beatrix and Catarina (St Agnes of Assisi). St Clare was very prayerful and one day she met St Francis of Assisi in the church of San Giorgio at Assisi and requested him to help her live as the Gospel teaches. At the age of eighteen years, on 20th March 1212, on the evening of Palm Sunday, Clare secretly left her home in the company of her aunt and another faithful and went to meet St Francis of Assisi at the Porziuncula Chapel. She gave up her expensive gown and wore a veil and a plain robe and her hair was trimmed.

She was accepted by the Benedictine nuns of San Paulo, near Bastia, and began living there. Since her father had different motives for her, he arranged for her marriage and therefore tried to force her to leave the convent and go back home to get married. Clare resisted all those attempts and adamantly declared that Jesus Christ is her only husband. She tightly clung to the altar and removed her veil to expose her trimmed hair which showed her seriousness in her vocation. To spare Clare of the constant disruptions from her father, St Francis of Assisi relocated her to another Benedictine nuns monastery of Sant'Angelo in Panzo. She was joined later by her sister Catarina. After some time, they moved to another small dwelling that was made for them near the San Damiano Church. Other women later joined them including her mother and people christened them the name "Poor Ladies of San Damiano". This is because they live a life of seclusion, poverty and austerity as per the Rule that St Francis had given them. St Clare's order came to be called the "Order of Poor Ladies of San Damiano" and she became the leader. But in 1263, it took the name "Order of Saint Clare" after its leader. In 1228, Clare declined an advisory that had been extended to her, that she should not live in abject poverty and the pope agreed with her that nobody should force them to accept material possessions. Saint Clare's sisters did not go out to preach but remained enclosed in prayer and doing manual labour. They observed great silence, walked barefoot, ate no meat, and slept on the hard ground. Before Clare became the abbess of her abbey, she was just a prioress under the direction of St Francis of Assisi. As abbess, she fought attempts from other people who wanted her order to loosen their strict Franciscan-like vows. During St Francis's last days before death, St Clare took care of him. She embraced Francis as her spiritual father. After St Francis died, Clare steered the growth of her order and maintained the order's vows of poverty and joy just as Jesus Christ lived. On 9th August 1253, two days before her death, Pope Innocent IV approved the Rule that St Clare had written and it became the governing rule for Clare's Order of Poor Ladies. It is believed that through the constant prayers by St Clare to Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament which she had placed in a monstrance, above the gate of the monastery facing the enemy, the attacks by Roman Emperor Frederick II on the town of Assisi and the monastery of San Damiano were subdued on both September 1240 and June 1241.

St Clare of Assisi's Death

St Clare of Assisi's remains were initially interred at the chapel of San Giorgio before the new Basilica of Saint Clare was completed in 1260. The remains were moved here and were buried beneath the high altar. Later in 1872, they were moved to the crypt of the newly constructed shrine still within the Basilica of Saint Clare.

Canonization Pope Innocent IV hastened the canonization process for Clare before he died on December 7, 1254. The examination of her miracles took six days while the whole process took two years. Pope Alexander IV canonized Clare as Saint Clare of Assisi on September 26 1255 in Rome Italy

Saint Clare of Assisi Feast Day

Initially, her feast day was celebrated on August 12 because August 11, the day of her death, was already occupied by the feast of Saints Tiburtius and Susanna.

After the feast of Saints Tiburtius and Susanna was removed from the General Roman Calendar in 1969, St Clare of Assisi's feast day was moved to August 11 as a memorial where it is until today.

Churches, Institutions, Places, and Features named after Saint Clare of Assisi

- ❖ Basilica of Saint Clare in Assisi, Italy (Basilica di Santa Chiara)
- ❖ Real Monasterio de Santa Clara, Metro Manila, Philippines
- ❖ Lake St Clair is located between Ontario, Canada and Michigan, United States
- ❖ Saint Clair River, Michigan, United States
- ❖ Saint Clair Shores, Michigan, United States
- ❖ Saint Clair County, Michigan, United States
- ❖ Mission Santa Clara de Asís, Santa Clara, California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clara University, Santa Clara in Silicon Valley, California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clara City in Santa Clara County, California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clara County, California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clara Valley in California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clara River in Southern California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clarita City in Los Angeles County, California, United States
- ❖ Santa Clara Pueblo in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, United States
- ❖ Convento de Santa Clara de Asis, Havana, Cuba
- ❖ Santa Clara City in Villa Clara province, Cuba
- ❖ The Catedral de Santa Clara de Asís in Santa Clara, Cuba
- ❖ Saint Clare of Assisi is the Patron Saint of Television (In 1958, Pope Pius XII declared Saint Clare of Assisi as the patron saint of television because when she was very ill, she could not attend mass but was able to see and hear it on the wall in her room.)
- ❖ Santa Clara, California
- ❖ Santa Clara Pueblo, New Mexico
- ❖ Remote viewing
- ❖ Obando, Bulacan, Philippines
- ❖ Needleworkers
- ❖ Laundry
- ❖ Good weather

- ❖ Goldsmiths
- ❖ Eye disease
- ❖ Extrasensory perception
- ❖ Bicycle messengers

Sunday Mass Readings Homily - 11th August 2024, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Today's 11th August 2024 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: No One Can Come To Me Unless Drawn By My Father - John 6:44-51

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