

# St. Clare Chapel

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*All Are Welcome!*

Sunday Liturgy—10:00 am  
Celebrant—Fr. Frank Jasper & Guest Celebrants

The weekday Liturgy schedule may change during the month.  
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## A Prayer for Laborers



### LABOR DAY

*Loving God, today we honor laborers in our country,  
and we admit, many times we take them for granted.  
So thank you for reminding us that every worker we see  
and even those who work behind the scenes, bear your image.*

*They are valuable and worthy of respect.*

*So today, Lord, we ask that you bless the workers.*

*Help them to see their value both for what they do and for who they are.*

*We pray for those who put their lives at risk to maintain infrastructures,  
climb tall electrical towers, service machinery that is dangerous.*

*Protect them, Lord. Let them come home to their families each night.*

*We pray for the emergency medical personnel, firefighters, police and others  
who rush into danger to save and protect others.*

*We pray for caregivers, housekeepers, dishwashers, servers, hospitality workers,  
sales clerks, delivery & postal workers and all the countless other workers  
who make life better and effortless for each of us.*

*And Lord, we pray for the employers and CEOs  
and all those who make decisions about salaries and work conditions.*

*We pray that you would help them to make wise decisions,  
not based on greed or worldly values, but on godly values.*

*We know not everyone operates from that perspective,  
but we pray that you would begin to open their hearts.*

*Help them to see that everything they enjoy  
comes from the hands of the workers.*

*Thank you, Lord, for honoring workers throughout all time.*

*Help us to celebrate them not only in our words,  
but in how we treat them every day, not just on Labor Day.*

*With respect and gratitude we lift up this prayer for laborers today.  
In the name of Jesus. Amen.*

## Saint Clare Campus

### Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, September 6  
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
St. Clare Chapel

### Coffee & Conversation

Sunday, September 8  
11:00 AM  
Peace Center—Lobby

### Wisdom Wednesday

September 11  
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM  
Centennial Barn

### Fall Taizé Prayer

Friday, September 20  
6:00 PM  
St. Clare Chapel

### Centering Prayer

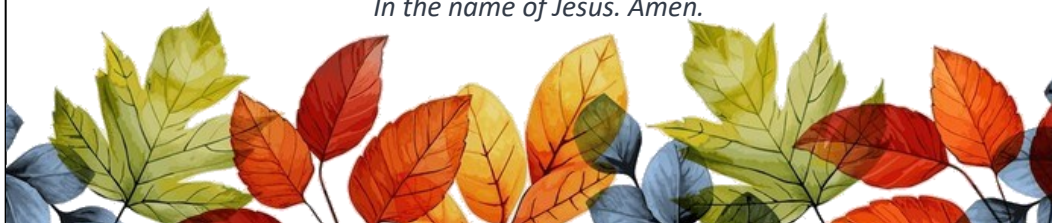
Every Tuesday  
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM  
Peace Center—Garden Room

### Weekday Liturgy

Celebrant - Fr. Norm Langenbrunner  
Tuesdays and Thursdays  
10:00 AM  
St. Clare Chapel

### Communion Service or Daily TV Mass

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays  
10:00 AM—St. Clare Chapel  
St. Clare Chapel



# Work is Love Made Visible

The quote from Kahlil Gibran, "Work is Love Made Visible" beautifully reflects the true meaning of work; that what we do, whether intentionally or otherwise, is an expression of love. This is both the inspirational and aspirational essence of work. It suggests that when we work with love, our work becomes something more than just a task, job or a line item to be checked off our "To-Do" list. Instead, it becomes a way of expressing our sacred selves, our creativity, our passion, and our commitment to benefit others, thus making the world a better place for all.

This maxim deftly expresses the idea that the love you have for your work will be readily recognizable in what you do. Something made with love will be somehow more beautiful, valuable and cherished. It is not that work is love. It is that the amount of love you have for your work will be plainly seen in what you do.

Unfortunately, some work and jobs are simply a necessary means to an end offering one the ability to survive and pay for the essentials in life. These jobs can be highly stressful, mundane and repetitive, offering little opportunity for personal engagement, expression or growth. Finding the love in what you do in these work situations is most challenging, let alone sharing it.

However, some have work that is fulfilling, life giving, offers value and is deeply meaningful to their own lives and others; where they are able to enter into a flow state of joy, enthusiasm, and creativity. Work becomes a ministry, vocation and calling. It is indeed labor-less love at its very best. In these circumstances, service is offered on a level that far exceeds what is required or even expected. Love flows effortlessly through the process and the work.

Brother Lawrence, a 16<sup>th</sup> century Carmelite monk in Paris, whose primary work was as a dishwasher and short order cook for his fellow monks, took the greatest delight and felt deeply the presence of God while engaged in the steamy hot rigorous work of crafting petit souffles in the monastery kitchen. Love was baked into all that he did. "Nothin' says lovin' like something in the oven!" would certainly apply to Brother Lawrence's culinary call..

As we go about our laboring, whether that is in the workplace or at home as we care for and take care of those we love, let us be continually mindful that what we do and how we do it is important and impactful no matter how small or big the task. So much so, that all our work, all our efforting, all our laboring is a visible sign to all of our "Love Made Visible."



## Wisdom Wednesday

A Monthly Dose of Inspiration  
Every second Wednesday of the Month

Join us & Invite a Friend to explore

**Spiritual Direction**  
What, Why, When, How

Presenter: Sean Reynolds

**September 11, 2024**

**6:30—8:00 pm**

If a year was tucked inside a clock,  
then autumn would be  
the magic hour.

Happy  
Autumn  
Sept. 22nd

## St. Clare Chapel



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