

## Thoughts from the Deacon      Memorial of St Clare      August 11, 2020

Today is the Memorial of St. Clare. She was a follower of St. Francis of Assisi, and together they formed the Sisters of Clare, which was essentially the female arm of the Franciscans. One the Eucharistic Miracles is attributed to her. In 1234, Frederick II's armies attacked Assisi. St Clare put the Ciborium with the Eucharist on the wall of the Chapel. After prostrating herself and praying for the Lord's protection, she elevated the Ciborium and the armies scattered. The power of the Eucharist displayed!!

This Saturday, August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption, or as it is called in the Eastern Churches, the Great Dormition. It is a dogma of our Catholic Faith that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven. Her sinless body was not subjected to the degradation in the grave, which is only fitting for the Theotokos, Mother of God, who was born without sin and by Sacred Tradition perpetually a Virgin. It is only fitting that Jesus would have her Sacred body keep from corruption. We will be having a **Mass at St. Ann at 9:00 Saturday August 15, for the Assumption**. It is not a Holy Day Obligation in the US this year, since it falls on Saturday, but it is one of the most celebrated feasts days worldwide. Come and give honor to the Mother of God, by which we honor her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Fr. Blubaugh will graciously be covering our Masses until the end of September, if needed. We are looking for volunteers to help feed the good padre on Saturday after Mass. He is a gracious guest and likes home cooking, but taking him out would be ok too. If you can help please call the office.

Rural King Church week continues until Saturday. Look at it like you are tithing with each purchase, as 10% come back to the Church. Log on to the website [www.ruralking.com/churchweek](http://www.ruralking.com/churchweek), or if you are not internet savvy put in the collection basket or bring it to the office.

We are trying to develop an email list for the parish so we can disseminate information and communicate quickly and efficiently. If Martha does not have your email address please forward to [stann@columbus.rr.com](mailto:stann@columbus.rr.com), or call office 740-754-2221.

Keep Pope Benedict XVI in your prayers, as he has been ill. Pray also for our country, our President and those in law enforcement and the military.

**Pro Christo Rege - For Christ the King!!!!**

