

ST. CLETUS CHURCH

Rectory

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352-4834

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MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM
Sundays: 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,
11:00 AM, 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Evening before Holy Day: 7:00 PM
Holy Day: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM
Weekdays: 8:00 AM

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation Class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office (352-6209).

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care office (352-4834).

CONFESSIONS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month: 4:00 PM

Fr. Marshall's Musings Trinity Sunday

The first year that I was ordained a Priest, the first Sunday that I had to preach was on Trinity Sunday. At the time, I had all the theological background of the Blessed Trinity that I had learned in my theological studies but I was confused in terms of how to articulate that in a viable way to the congregation I was preaching to. The mystery of the Holy Trinity is indeed that, a mystery and yet in my years since that first year as a Priest I think I have come to a clear understanding of how it is applicable in our daily lives.

The Holy Trinity as we know involves the relationship between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. At different times in our lives I think we relate differently to the three persons of the Holy Trinity. Usually when we are children we think of God as Father. Later on in mid-age we can relate more easily to Jesus who became human and walked on this earth and experienced the same emotions and challenges that all of us experience. At other times in our lives we relate to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the animator of God. He is the one that is more elusive because we cannot personalize the Spirit but rather the Spirit is more the feeling of God.

In reflecting on the Holy Spirit with our Confirmation students this year, I wrote them a letter that the Spirit of God is important because we often experience a feeling of God and his presence but don't name it or identify it as such and therefore we have difficulty.

As I spoke last Sunday, the Spirit of God is what energizes the Church, what unites us and so it's important for us to recognize the Spirit as we did last Sunday on the Feast of Pentecost.

I think the more important thing about the Holy Trinity is that it serves as paradigm for relationships in our daily lives. Relationships today are often difficult because of dysfunctional or disjointed families. There is often not a mutuality that exists and we need to look to the Holy Trinity to see what a relationship should entail.

As we look at the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, we see three persons in one unit, in one God and these three persons exhibit the qualities of what a good relationship would exhibit. That would include reciprocity, sensitivity, a free flowing and exchange all guided by love. How difficult that is to achieve in our interpersonal relationships even with our spouses or children.

I hope we look to the Holy Trinity as a model for us to live by and that when our relationships become hurtful, we don't allow the hurt to keep us from those that we love. The Holy Trinity is an example of that. At times maybe Jesus did not understand the Father's will but yet he accepted the Father's will even to the point of accepting death on a cross. In our human relationships we often hurt or bruise one another by our lack of attentiveness or our own hurts and pains, but we must move beyond that to forgiveness and to love.

The most important relationships that we have are with members of our immediate family, our spouses, our children, our parents. These often are the ones that are characterized by mistrust, hurts or pains from the past, but we must not allow that to keep us there because of our own pride, selfishness or sinfulness.

So I hope the Holy Trinity is a model and guide for all our relationships and that we see in the God head a sign of how life can be if we live in light of the Holy Trinity which is the perfect relationship between Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Patrick Marshall

(1) Reminder: Confirmation Candidates Year I and Year II and Parents

Don't forget to mail in or drop off your registration for the Confirmation Preparation Program. If you have misplaced your registration packet or have any questions, please contact the Youth Ministry Office, 708-352-4641 or youth@stcletusparish.com. Thank you!

(2) Still Looking...

We still have openings for Advisors for our high school Confirmation Preparation Program. If you are seeking a way to grow in your faith and share it with others in a personal and rewarding way, please consider becoming an Advisor. These Advisors share their home and their faith as they meet six times a year in groups of 10-14 teens, to discuss, support and nurture their spiritual development. The time commitment is not overwhelming and lesson planning/formation sessions take place before each of the six small group meetings to assure you the support and guidance needed to enjoy the many rewards of this ministry. Please call the Youth Ministry Office at (708) 352-4641 for further details. Thanks!

Mary Beth Ford
Youth Director

Calling All Confirmed Teens

... let your voices be heard, your faces be seen, and your presence be felt! We have some great opportunities to offer you to take the next step in being an active St. Cletus Parishioner.

- Become an Auxiliary Minister (distributing Holy Communion.)
- Become a Lector (reader).
- Become an usher (greeter and guide) at weekend Liturgies.
- Joining a Teen Advisory Board, which would plan social, spiritual and service events for St. Cletus teens and their friends.

Please give serious consideration to each of these areas, because **you have a lot to offer!** If you have any questions, contact Mary Beth Ford: (708) 352-4641 or youth@stcletusparish.com or Carol Pogar: (708) 352-4834 or liturgy@stcletusparish.com. Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Religious Education

(1) Religious Education registration for 2006-07 is underway! Registration materials were mailed to all current families. New families may call the R.E. Office at (708) 352-2383 or obtain forms and information online at www.stcletusparish.com and click the Religious Education tab. If you have any questions, please call our office Monday-Thursday between 9:00am and 3:00pm.

(2) Pat Kahl is in need of some primary (grades 1-3) and intermediate (grades 4-6) catechists for Sunday mornings (9:15-10:45am) and Monday evenings (6:30-8:00pm). Please consider volunteering in your parish religious education program. You will meet other dedicated, faith-filled volunteers AND become involved with some wonderful students. Please call the R.E. office at (708) 352-2383 for further information. Don't get discouraged if the phone lines are busy!!

(3) R.C.I.A. begins on Wednesday, September 27! If you are considering becoming Catholic, the R.C.I.A. Program is for YOU! Meet other adults seeking information about the Catholic Church. Explore the answers to questions you might have about the Church. Call me at the Religious Education Office (708-352-2383) to enroll in our Program.

Pat Kahl
Director of Religious Education

Welcome to St. Cletus Parish!

We are pleased to welcome Mr. & Mrs. Michael DeGroot and Family and Lynn Drong to our parish family. If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not yet registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

"Thank You"

Thank you very much to all those who donated to the "Operation Support Our Troops" drive as part of Join Hands Day 2006. We collected 60 boxes and bags of snacks and other items to send to our soldiers plus \$322 to pay for shipping! One of the organization's founders and its treasurer picked up everything and expressed much appreciation. Thank you again! Carol Anders, Nancy Bechtold, and Members of the Catholic Order of Forresters.

Please Pray for

...our sick in your prayers: Adrienne Welenc, Hunter Peters, Mario Aguilar, Cacilia Ziegler, Jackie Dudley, Ruth Calandriello, Jack Carter, Dorothy Salvato, Ann Marie Nabor, Nadine Pankow, Patty Johnson, Connie Kostecki, Jonii Patterson, Catherine Meyers, Luigi Iacopetti, Andy Rasch, Mary Jean Sternquist, Agnes Suennen, Joseph Johnson, Rose Ptak, Robert Frost, Robert Salbego, Bridie Boyce, Stephanie Yakowicz, Louis Cesario, Virginia Wilson, Gail Pankow-Locker, Josie Spoto, Larry Wojnar, Louise Jaunich, Frank Werner, Virginia Tenerelli, Agnes Olszowka, Judy Hofstetter, Michael Karpinski, Emil Chlapecka, Augustin Jaso, Marie Krolicki, Mary O'Rourke, Debbie Broz, Bill Gilmer, Scott May, and Jackie Zaccari. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass.


If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, please call the rectory office at (708) 352-6209. Please advise us when a person no longer needs to be on the prayer list.

Stewardship

"The measure you give will be the measure that you get back." (Lk 6:38)

Take the time to really examine your life and how (or if) you are sharing your blessings. How are you using your time, talents and treasures?

June 4

Budgeted revenue:		\$31,000
Collection Received:		30,002
Shortfall last week:	-	98
Revenue to budget		
Shortfall for this fiscal year:	-	18,701
# of envelopes mailed:		3,187
# of envelopes returned:		989

Thank you for your continued support. Supplementary offering envelopes are available in the pews each week.

Please note: Many parishioners have elected to have their weekly Sunday offering contribution debited out of their checking account once or twice a month. If you would like more information, contact Bobbie at the rectory office, (708) 352-6209.

"WOW" Catholic Women of Worship and Chicago Catholic Renewal

... are inviting both men and women to: **St. John of the Cross, 5005 S. Wolf Rd., Western Springs, on Wednesday, June 18, at the Parish Center** for Night of Renewal: Come, lighten up! Be free of problems, stress and sadness! Smile, laugh and lift your spirits! Consider it Happy Hour with the Lord!

The speaker is **Maria Vadia** a gifted author of three books, *There's Power in Your Tongue*, *Pressing on in the Spirit* and *An Arrow in His Hand*. She travels in the world leading prayer and praise, proclaiming the Word of God. Maria begs God for the release of the Holy Spirit and exhorts God's people to live in His power. The event is free. There is an opportunity to give a free will offering. **Please call Priscilla Santi at (708) 352-0048 or e-mail pjsanti@sbcglobal.net.**

Vocations

Through baptism we become beloved children of God. Pray for the grace to accept this wonderful gift. You are God's beloved. Listen for what that means in your life. Are you being called to consider priesthood or religious life? For information, contact Sr. Peter Mary at the Archdiocesan Vocation Office, 312-751-5240 or voac@archchicago.org.

Identity Theft: Awareness is Your Best Defense

The First National Bank of La Grange will present a 2006 Customer Education Seminary Series "Identity Theft: Awareness is Your Best Defense" on Thursday, evening, June 22, 6:30pm - 8:00pm. Financial and law enforcement experts present tips on how to protect yourself from identity theft. This event will be held at the La Grange Office Lobby, 620 W. Burlington Ave., La Grange.

To attend, contact Maureen Kiley Rhode at (708) 482-7700, x278 or e-mail mrhode@fnblagrangecom.com.

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The Sacredness of Work

When I was in High School, we read an old German classic entitled, *Immensee*. It told the story of a love that never happened, but that should have, except that the tragic hero of our story was never able to express his love to the woman he loved. So he ended up alone, with an aching heart, full of regrets.

The book ends with him reminiscing about the woman's last words to him. When they parted, years back, she'd said to him: "I know you'll never come back!" He hadn't realized then how prophetic those words would be. Now, recalling them, he is overcome with regret and his life feels empty. He's deeply sad, but, after luxuriating in that melancholy for a while, we are told, he went to his desk and, despite nursing a great heartache, he began again "to work with all the vigour of his youth."

Thank God for work, sometimes that's the only thing that sits between us and unbearable melancholy. Work is a wonderful, God-given thing.

We lack a good theology of work. Too often work is seen as something that takes us away from God and prayer, a distraction to the spiritual life. Hard work is admitted to be a good, honest thing, but, even so, never a holy thing in itself, a gift from God so that we can be co-creators with Him.

In fact, in some theologies, work is seen as a punishment for sin, something introduced on the planet after Adam's sin, not willed or intended by God ideally. In this view, except for sin, there would be no work.

Some of this, of course, is true. Work can be a distraction and an escape (both from God and family). It can be a rationalization against entering into the deeper things. As well, we too easily take our self-worth from our work so that we feel good about ourselves only when we are achieving something and are anxious always that, deep down, outside of our work and our achievements, we have little to offer. And so we work to try to prove ourselves and our work often becomes cancerous, something we can't quit doing because our entire sense of self-worth is tied up with it. There are real dangers in work.

But there are dangers in everything. Work can be an excuse to avoid the deeper things, but it is also the deep, natural form of contemplation that God gives to us as humans.

We have to spend most our waking lives working. That should tell us something, namely, that work must be the major avenue through which God

wants us to journey towards the deeper things. Given the way we are built and the way life is shaped, God surely does not expect us to consciously think about Him most of our waking moments. God is not an egoistical tyrant, demanding our conscious attention, even while we are having to work long hours amidst all the heartaches, headaches, restlessness, anxieties, fears, and preoccupations that impale themselves upon us every waking minute. If God wants our conscious attention every waking minute, then there is some fatal flaw in the way we are built and the way life is set up.

But there is no fatal flaw. God is the ground of our being, the ground too, of our work and our relationships. In God "we live and move and have our being." We know God not just in our conscious awareness and in prayer but also in a deep inchoate way, by participating with Him in building this world - by growing things, building things, carving things, creating things, cleaning things, painting things, writing things, raising children, nursing bodies, teaching others, consoling others, humoring others, struggling with others, and loving others. Work, like prayer, is a privileged way to get to know God because, when we work, we are toiling in partnership with Him.


Jesus knew well both the feel of work and tiredness. Here's a little meditation from Caryll Houselander:

"Christ earned his living with the joys, exaltations, fatigues of other men. Had you gone to visit his home in Nazareth you would have found him like other men, but giving a significance to ordinary things that others often fail to do. Imagine such a visit...you have come to supper. He is putting away his tools; unconsciously he smiles at the burnish on them; you see how he loves his tools. On the floor by the bench there are wood shavings, how clean and fine they are, curled like yellow petals. What a beautiful thing work is, seen from this man's angle! He sits down in the doorway, you with him, you notice the signs of the day's fatigue, good fatigue that seeps out of one in the evening. He wipes his face, his eyes are a little tired, they have the intensity of eyes that use the last rays of light. Yes, he works hard. He gives good measure."


Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser, theologian, teacher, and award-winning author, is President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. He can be contacted through his website www.ronrolheiser.com.

**Mass Intentions for the Week of
June 12 – June 18**

Day	Time	Intention
Monday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society – Frances Moore, Elpidio Godinez, Mary C. Alt, Marjorie Burke, Chester & Helen Kruczek
Tuesday	8:00am	Joseph Megla, Robert D’Onofrio, Bob McHugh, Theresa Podlasek, Peter Sakowicz, Tom Kigin
Wednesday	8:00am	Mr. & Mrs Joseph Haraburda, Lucille Tertinger, Charles Puffer, Virginia Kallal
Thursday	8:00am	Angela Clifford, Bruno Bransberger, Erik Geyer, Florence Curtis
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Jozef Slowik, Joseph Megla, Sophia Scaccia, Francis Cirrincione, Special Intention
Saturday	5:00pm	People of St. Cletus - Barb & George Zykan - 50 th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday	7, 8, 9:30, 11 am	People of St. Cletus

Altar Servers 
June 17/18

- 5:00pm - D. Delaurentis, N. Dentamaro, M. Micek
- 7:00am - D. Anfield, J. Zak, E. Pavlik
- 8:00am - Religious Ed
- 9:30am - T. Lopez, C. Manley, A. Cavalieri
- 11:00am - Religious Ed

Wedding Banns 

Stephanie Glasco and Eric Kraus
Jennifer Lube and Richard LeGrand
Sarita Marquez and Jeff Ptak

Rest in Peace

Please pray for those who have died and their families:

- ...Michael Abalos, son of Cecelia and Jèsus
- ...Edward McDermott, husband of Mary
- ...Salvatore Rosa, husband of Margaret
- ...Arthur Burns, husband of Monica
- ...Adrian Verhoven, father of Gary

**Earth has no
sorrow that
heaven
cannot heal.**
-Thomas Moore

Auxiliary Minister Schedule

Saturday, June 17, 2006

- 5:00 PM** LR Schump, Cathy-
SM Micek, Judy- C1 Zaremba, Elizabe
B2 Beales, Dave C2 Beales, Nadine
B3 Delaloye, Rose C3 Delaloye, Joe
B4 Nash, Sheila- C4 Micek, Judy-
B5 Kalata, Marcie- C5 Chlapecka, Rick-
B6 Swindall, Vic C6 Swindall, Toni

Sunday, June 18, 2006

- 7:00 AM** LR Maltby, Terry-
SM McCartney, Sandra-
B2 McCartney, Sandra-
B3 Stamm, Richard
B4 Zmuda, Louise
B5 Zmuda, Ron
B6 Stamm, Barbara



- 8:00 AM** LR Dalsin, Pat-
SM Welch, Jerry- C1 Curotto, Louis-
B2 Karch, Terri C2 Karch, Jahn
B3 Mulderink, Ken- C3 Hullinger, Shirley
B4 Kuchta, Ann- C4 Welch, Jerry-
B5 Nicosia, Christine- C5 Warren, Catherin
B6 Biesadecki, Carol C6 Biesadecki, Bob

9:30 AM

- LR Staelgraeve, Mark
SM Opila, Margo C1 Nolan, Jeannine-
B2 Stumreiter, Earl- C2 Gleich, Sharon-
B3 Williams, Alice- C3 Hagen, Emily-
B4 Opila, Andy C4 Opila, Margo
B5 Farnsworth, Vicki- C5 Severino, Laurie-
B6 Gardner, Joan C6 Gardner, Fred

11:00 AM

- LR Demonte, Linda-
SM Curnutt, Rose- C1 Drago, Irene-
B2 Hoskins, Celine C2 Hoskins, William
B3 Benkert, Jahn- C3 Hagen, Colleen-
B4 Garske, Elizabeth- C4 Curnutt, Rose-
B5 Nilles, Carolyn- C5 Kwak, Tecla-
B6 Ficaro, Jennie- C6 Maday, Josephin

Come Experience Music Therapy!

Music can be a powerful healer, teacher and guide in our lives. The Sisters of St. Joseph Spirituality Center, the Well, is offering a retreat, "Come and Make Music with the Music of Your Life," beginning Monday, July 24 at noon through Friday, July 28 at noon. The fee is \$235. Program and materials included. For more information or to register call the Well at 708-354-9200, ext. 5088 or 5058. A \$50 non-refundable fee is due by June 24.