

ST. CLETUS CHURCH

Rectory

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352-4834

ART & ENVIRONMENT
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352-8597



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

Every Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 PM

FATHER BOB'S MUTTERINGS

Today we hear, once again, from John's gospel Jesus referring to himself as "I am the bread of life." The Jews did not understand what he truly meant and murmured against him. Jesus was trying to have them and us understand that he had been sent by the Father to bring all of us eternal life. Jesus truly brings us not only strength for this life but everlasting life in His gift of self as the bread of life. Jesus tells us in John's gospel that "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."

We sometimes become so comfortable with the Eucharist that we fail to remember and appreciate the power of the claim Jesus is making in today's gospel. Jesus reminds us that he was not only sent by the Father so we might have eternal life but, also, that he left us his body and blood in the Eucharist as real food to nourish and strengthen us in our daily lives. He has done this that we may have the courage to be true imitators of God in our world and bring the love and peace of Jesus Christ to all.

Let us be renewed and changed by this gift of Christ in the Eucharist as we experience the power of this mystery in our daily lives. Let us pledge to be Christ to one another in all we say and do as we are strengthened by Jesus' presence in the Eucharist.

*This weekend we welcome **The Most Reverend Thomas Paprocki**, our **Vicariate IV Vicar** who is here to install me as your new pastor at the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy. I pray that with God's grace and help I may be worthy to serve our Lord and His people here at St. Cletus Parish as the fifth pastor of this strong faith community. I ask for your prayers and support as we, together, continue the work of the Lord. God has greatly blessed me by calling me forth to Shepherd the wonderful people of this parish. I pray that I may always be faithful to His call.*

We also welcome our new Associate Pastor Father Charles Watkins who begins his full time assignment in our parish this weekend. God has truly blessed us, once again, by sending us Father Charles. Father Charles comes to us with an intensive background in medicine and will be a wonderful asset for our parish community. Please make him feel as welcome to the parish as you have made me feel over this past month. You will find additional information about Father Charles in another section of today's bulletin.

This Tuesday, August 15, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated the evening before on Monday, August 14th at 7:00 pm and on the Holy Day, Tuesday, August 15 at 6:30 am and 8:00 am.

Let us continue to pray for PEACE in our world—especially in the Middle East the land where Jesus walked and taught about TRUE PEACE.

*Love and Prayers Always,
Fr. Bob*



This Tuesday (August 15) we commemorate the Assumption, which holds that the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken directly to heaven after her life on earth had ended. Our Holy Day Masses are as follows: Monday: 7:00pm Vigil and Tuesday: 6:30 & 8:00am.

Religious Education News

Registration: NOW is the time to register for Religious Education Classes. Classes begin on Sunday/Monday, September 10/11. Please stop by the Religious Education Office on Sunday morning or Monday - Thursday from 9:00am to 3:00pm to register your child/ren. Remember to bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. Registration forms are also available off the parish website at www.stcletusparish.com. Remember that our program begins in first grade and continues through 8th grade.

Volunteers: I am looking for anyone over the age of 14 to serve as classroom aides, substitute catechists, or catechists for this year. Please join us for fun, excitement, laughter, and community. Call me and I will find the perfect position for you based on your time schedule. We would love to have YOU and YOU will love working with US.

R.C.I.A.: Do you know someone that has questions about the Catholic Church or might be considering becoming Catholic? Do not be afraid to invite him/her to the start of the R.C.I.A. Program. The program begins on Wednesday, September 27, 7:00pm, in Room 105 of the Education Building. If you have questions about the program, please call the R.E. office at (708) 352-2383. The Welcome Mat is out, join us!

Pat Kahl, Director of Religious Education

School Supplies - Eagle Scout Project

Thank you to the St. Cletus parishioners who generously donated school supplies for my Eagle Scout project to help the students of New Orleans. There will be one more collection, in the back of church next weekend, August 19-20. I will deliver the supplies to New Orleans on Labor Day weekend.

Matt O'Brien

Early Childhood Religious Education

This Sunday School Program is for children ages 3-5 years old. Classes meet during the 9:30am Mass on most Sundays throughout the school year. This fun-filled class provides the children a time to be with others their own age and learn of the gospel in a way that is age appropriate. There is room available in all classes. Please contact me at (708) 352-7693 for more information and a registration form.

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Early Childhood Volunteers Needed

Would you like to share your talents with young children? Our Early Childhood Program teaches Jesus' word to the 3,4, and 5 year-old smiling faces of our parish. Your commitment would be about once a month. Or, if you have a love of music to share with our little ones we have a position for you as well. Please contact me at (708) 352-7693 if you are interested. We would love to have you join us!

Mary Ellen Staelgraeve

Attention! 5th - 8th Grade St. Cletus Students

Cross Country Season is scheduled to begin with practice on Tuesday, August 22 at Spring Rock Park. Please pick up a practice schedule on Book Day. See you at our first practice! Questions? Call Coach Gray at (630) 269-2728 or Coach Micek at (708) 482-8583.

Please Pray for

...our sick in your prayers: Joanne Mate, Adrienne Welenc, Hunter Peters, Mario Aguilar, Cacilia Ziegler, Jackie Dudley, Ruth Calandriello, 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, 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.

August 6



Budgeted revenue:	\$ 30,000
Collection Received:	29,227
Shortfall last week:	- 773
Revenue to budget	
Shortfall for this fiscal year:	- 16,204
# of envelopes mailed:	3,190
# of envelopes returned:	895

Thank you for your continued support.

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.

Wheels of Love

All Medicare recipients should now be aware that they may be eligible to receive a power wheelchair, paid for by Medicare, if they suffer from conditions such as arthritis, respiratory disorders, cardiovascular disease, pain, gait instability, and other conditions that impair a beneficiary's ability to participate in completing activities of daily living. For more information for Medical eligibility call 1-866-631-3022.

The Comboni Missionaries

...will be holding their annual picnic on Saturday, August 26 on the grounds of the Comboni Mission Center, 1615 East 31st Street, La Grange Park (the intersection of Raymond & 31st, approximately 1 mile west of the Brookfield Zoo.) Admission is free and the picnic begins at noon. Mass begins on the patio at 3:00pm. There will be live entertainment, bingo, a cash raffle, children's games, a pig roast, pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers, Italian beef and sausage, bakery and beverages available. If you would like more information or wish to volunteer or donate new bingo prizes, please call the Comboni's at (708) 354-1999.

Are You Widowed?

Do you know someone who is widowed? If you have been recently widowed for some time and need something to get you "over the hump" because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is for you.

What:	Retreat/workshop for widowed men and women
When:	Sept. 9/10, 2006
Where:	Loyola Hospital Maywood, Illinois
Donation:	\$75 - includes meals (adjusted if needed)
Call:	708-354-7211 to register

Cardinal Corner

News from the St. Cletus School Board

Book Day set for August 15

School families, don't forget Book Day for the 2006-2007 school year is set for Tuesday, August 15, from 9:30 to 11:30am and from 6:00 to 8:00pm. This is the time for parents to pick up pre-ordered school supplies and gym uniforms, pay tuition, sign up for milk, turn in forms and sign up to volunteer at school activities. If you cannot make book day, please call the school office at (708) 352-4820 to make other arrangements.

Back to School Picnic set for Saturday, August 26

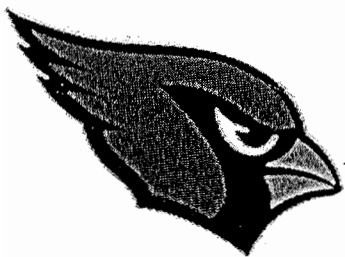
School families are invited to a back to school picnic behind the school on Saturday, August 26, after the 5:00pm Mass. Please join us as we welcome our new pastor, Fr. Bob Clark, and our new associate pastor, Fr. Charles Watkins, to our school family. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served. Volunteers are needed. Please sign up on book day to help out.

Come on out and cheer the Cardinals!

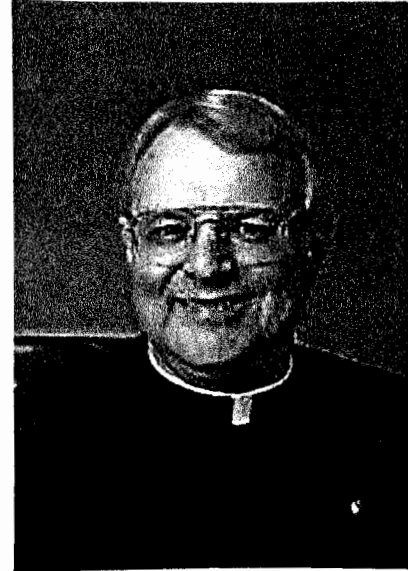
With the new school year heading into full swing, so do all of our sports programs. Visit the school website to check out the sports schedule for our fall programs: cross country, football, volleyball and basketball. Hope to see you at the Homecoming football games on September 17 at the Lyons Township field against St. Francis.

FSA cookbook on the press now

Special thanks to all those who submitted recipes for the St. Cletus Cookbook, sponsored by the Family School Association. We collected 350 recipes. The cookbook will be available for purchase by the holidays!



New Associate at St. Cletus . . .



Fr. Charles Watkins comes to us from Our Lady of the Ridge Parish where he has served as Associate Pastor there for the past three years. Prior to that time he was in Seminary at Mundelein where, in the second year Internship, he was assigned to St. Michael Parish in Orland Park. He was a resident there for six months learning about the life of a large suburban parish under the tutelage of the pastor and Fr. Bob Clark who was an associate there.

Prior to coming into the priesthood, Fr. Charles had a long career in the medical field serving as Clinical Administrator for Cardiac Surgery at the University of Chicago Hospitals, and was in clinical practice as a Physician Assistant to the chief of the department there. He and Dr. Robert Karp had come to Chicago in 1983 from the University of Alabama in Birmingham to revive the struggling Cardiac Surgery Program at U of C. Working in general cardiac surgery and transplantation over the years helped to redirect Fr. Charles' vocation interests toward the priesthood. He was ordained in May 2003.

Fr. Charles grew up in Florence, Alabama, west of Huntsville. He has lived and worked in Birmingham, Alabama; Los Angeles, Marina Del Rey, and in Orange County California. In addition to his various roles and experiences in ministry, he claims a somewhat unusual designation as the Liaison and Archdiocesan Chaplain for Traveling Shows. This primarily embraces his interest in the circus industry of which he has been a part in the past. Fr. Charles ministers to circus people who come through our area as well as surrounding states. His ministry also includes the race car circuit, carnivals, ice shows and the like . . . truly a different kind of ministry!

**Mass Intentions for the Week of
August 14 – August 20**

Day	Time	Intention
Monday	8:00am 7:00pm	Purgatorial Society – Mildred Vendegna, Edward Hefler, Marjorie Burke, Marshall Mlot Vigil of the Assumption
Tuesday	6:30am 8:00am	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Josef Slowik, Frances Ference, Margaret & Bill Kenney, Special Intention
Wednesday	8:00am	Al Cooke, Johnston Family, Arthur “Ed” Burns, Chester Szot
Thursday	8:00am	Angela Clifford, Erik Geyer, Charles Diminsk, Lillian Stumreiter
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Henry “Hank” Maday, Joseph & Clare Idzik, Peter Sakowicz
Saturday	5:00pm	People of St. Cletus
Sunday	7, 8, 9:30, 11am	People of St. Cletus

Altar Servers



August 14/15

7:00pm - M. Micek, C. Manley, K. Meade
6:30am - P. Oboikovitz, K. Kages, N. Lobraco
7:00am - B. Okkema, T. Lopez, M. King

August 19/20

5:00pm - B. Okkema, P. Oboikovitz, B. Franklin
7:00am - H. Heim, C. Madden, J. Ward
8:00am - M. King, N. Magats, K. Tosheff
9:30am - A. Kison, M. Thomas, M. Johnson-Dahl
11:00am - K. Baro, A. Bartucci, C. Usher

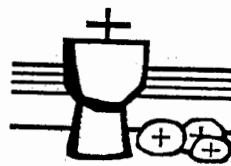
Auxiliary Minister Schedule

Monday, August 14, 2006

7:00 PM	LR Dalsin, Pat-
SM Micek, Judy-	C1 Gebka, Mary Lu
B2 Skupien, Kathy	C2 Pogar, Carol
B3 Kwak, Tecla-	C3 Richards, Marge-
B4 Boyer, Kathy-	C4 Micek, Judy-
B5 Garske, Elizabeth-	C5 Zarembo, Elizabe
B6 Ficaro, Jennie-	C6 Bartucci, Carol-

Tuesday, August 15, 2006

6:30 AM	LR Pfeiffer, Irv-
SM Curnutt, Rose-	C1
B2 Curnutt, Rose	C2
B3 Delaloye, Rose	C3 NO
B4 Mezan, Mary Ann-	C4 WINE
B5 Parlier, Denise	C5
B6 Delaloye, Joe	C6
8:00 AM	LR Chaney, Marlene
SM Karch, John	C1 Horak, Veronica-
B2 Beales, Dave-	C2 Dunkovich, Alice-
B3 Guide, Alfreda-	C3 Borsilli, Helen-
B4 Karch, Terri	C4 Karch, John
B5 Walsh, Mary Jane-	C5 Welch, Jerry-
B6 Swindall, Vic	C6 Swindall, Toni



Wedding Banns



Karoline Drobny and Michael Whittaker

Baptism

This Past Week We Welcomed...Juliet Joy Becker, Alexis Ann Machay, Logan Jeremy Ryan, Abigail Grace Schuler and Giselle Anai' Zavala.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for those who have died and their families:

- ...Othon Delabra
- ...Richard Dohe
- ...Rosalie Bajor
- ...Helen Malecki

Auxiliary Minister Schedule

Saturday, August 19, 2006

5:00 PM	LR Pawlowicz, Rita-
SM Swindall, Vic	C1 Chlapecka, Rick-
B2 Reichl, Mickie-	C2 Hockman, Susan-
B3 Curnutt, Rose-	C3 Ward, Laura-
B4 Swindall, Toni	C4 Swindall, Vic
B5 Ryva, James-	C5 Andrews, Diane-
B6 DalPorto, Karen	C6 Koch, Barbara-

Sunday, August 20, 2006

7:00 AM	LR McDonnell, Michae
SM Zmuda, Ron	
B2 Zmuda, Ron	
B3 Zmuda, Louise	
B4 Hinton, Geri-	
B5 Fahey, Ann-	
B6 Maltby, Terry-	



8:00 AM	LR Okkema, Peter
SM Welch, Jerry-	C1 Sullivan, Patrick-
B2 Okkema, Ann	C2 Borsilli, Helen
B3 Ford, Mary Beth-	C3 Samuelson, Debra
B4 Curatto, Louis-	C4 Welch, Jerry-
B5 Parlier, Jon	C5 Parlier, Denise
B6 Warren, Catherine-	C6 Kunkel, JoAnn-

9:30 AM

LR Rapacki, Sandy	
SM Dunkovich, Alice-	C1 Nolan, Jeannina-
B2 Hagen, Jim	C2 Hagen, Colleen
B3 Meuwissen, Jean-	C3 Tosheff, Christine
B4 Williams, Alice-	C4 Dunkovich, Alice-
B5 Gleich, Sharon-	C5 Stumreiter, Earl-
B6 Gardner, Fred	C6 Gardner, Joan

11:00 AM

LR Haggerty, Frank-	
SM McCalfray, Paul-	C1 Herzog, Terri-
B2 Drago, Irene-	C2 Nash, Sheila-
B3 Provan, Karen	C3 Provan, Jim
B4 Chaney, Marlene-	C4 McCalfray, Paul-
B5 Brannigan, Rita-	C5 Maday, Josephine
B6 Gebka, Mary Lu-	C6 Schump, Cathy-