

ST. CLETUS CHURCH

Rectory

600 West 55th Street
LaGrange, Illinois 60525
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Rev. Patrick O'Neill

Associate Pastor

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Pastor Emeritus

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PASTORAL OFFICES:

700 West 55th Street
LaGrange, Illinois 60525
352-6209

PARISH SCHOOL

352-4820

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/RCIA

352-2383

HISPANIC MINISTRY

352-4856

YOUTH MINISTRY/ SOCIAL CONCERNS

352-4641

LITURGY/MINISTRY OF CARE

352-4834

ART & ENVIRONMENT

352-4834

MUSIC DIRECTOR

352-4547

GROUND/TECHNICAL SUPPORT

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

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mark 7: 31-37

Mark's gospel today shows us the significance of Jesus bringing his message to all. He even ventures to different places than his own home territory. We find him interacting with Gentiles and making connections with different peoples and places as he spreads the good news.

We live in a time where many Catholics do not experience the same connection between home and church that existed several generations ago. Perhaps the statistic that shows the weak connection between Catholics and church as a gather place is this: about 35% of Roman Catholics participate in Sunday worship on a regular basis. Clearly, most Catholics do not want connections with a place of worship or with the people that go there. Separating ourselves from the Eucharist only makes this separation grow larger. We have a problem here that needs our attention and prayers. We Catholics must strengthen and deepen our commitment to community, the community of the parish. We are called to be a family of faith, not a string of strangers.

SATURDAY MORNING MASS

I am pleased to announce that beginning the first Saturday in October we once again be offering morning Mass every Saturday at 8:00 am. We are now taking Mass intentions for our Saturday morning masses. If you would like to arrange for a mass intention you may do so through the rectory office.

MONTHLY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We are a Eucharistic People; therefore, I am very pleased to announce that beginning with the first Monday in October St. Cletus Parish will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration will begin each first Monday of the month following the 8:00 am morning Mass and will continue throughout the day. Adoration will conclude with evening prayer and Benediction at 6:45 pm. Of course in the event of funerals or school Masses the Blessed Sacrament will be placed in repose until the conclusion of the service and return for exposition at that time.

I strongly encourage our parish community to take full advantage of this opportunity for grace filled prayer in front of our Lord in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. I would like to have us as a parish dedicate this time with Jesus for spiritual renewal within our faith community and for Peace in our troubled world.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

"Blessed Be Those That Mourn For They Shall Be Comforted." Mt. 5:4

As a Catholic Community we are called to support those members of our parish family who have lost loved ones through death.

For those who would be interested in participating in this very special ministry a meeting will be held on Monday, September 18, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. For further information please contact: Eugenia Callison (708) 482-4974.

God's Continued Blessings on You All,

Father Bob

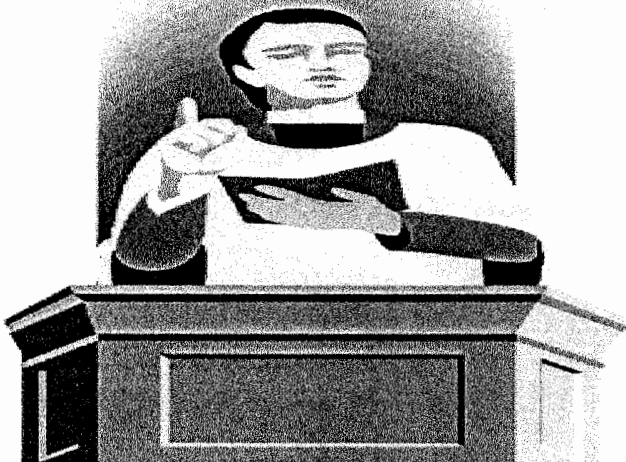
THINKING ABOUT PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE?

*If you feel an inclination to consider the priesthood, then the following is an ideal opportunity for you. College-age and older men are invited to participate in **In Search** to learn about, reflect upon and discuss with seminarians and priests the possibilities of diocesan priesthood in Chicago. Our first **In Search** meeting will be Thursday, October 5, 2006.*

For more information or to register, please contact Father Joe Noonan at (847) 970-4845 or jnoonan@usml.edu. For more details, see our website at www.chicagopriest.org.

VOCATION OFFICE

Jesus' prayer begs for our openness. "Be opened." Pray for the gift of openness for yourself, and for those whom God may be calling to religious life or priesthood. For more information, contact Sr. Peter Mary at the Archdiocesan Vocation Office, (312) 751-5240 or



Memorial Mass on the Five Year Anniversary of 9/11

At
7:00 pm
In the Church
Join us as we gather
together to pray for
PEACE



All are welcome to join in prayer as we remember those who lost their lives at the World Trade Center, Pentagon, Pennsylvania crash site of Flight 93 and those who sacrificed themselves to ensure the safety of others as fire, police and military personnel.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2006

- Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
 Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
 Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Jn 19:25-27
 or Lk 2:33-35
 Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
 Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116; Jas 2:14-18;
 Mk 8:27-35

Encounter God through Reading Scripture!

Welcome! St. Cletus Parishioners

We are pleased to welcome these newly registered parishioners to our parish family: Mr. & Mrs. William Hurley, Kelly Stevens, Mr. & Mrs. Stefan Penhacker, Mr. & Mrs. James R. Pollard, Celine Pontillo, Roman Revring and Carol Witkowski.

If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not yet registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of a parish membership.

Reminder: To the Parents of Year I Confirmation Candidates

There will be a "Parent's Only" meeting this Tuesday, September 12, at 7:00pm in Room 201 of the Education Building. Please use the flagpole entrance. The meeting will be brief, but most important in helping your sons and daughters have a successful year of Confirmation Preparation. At this time you will receive all pertinent information and schedules for the year. Looking forward to seeing you then!

Mary Beth Ford
Youth Director

Food Pantry Fresh Produce Reminder

On this **Thursday, September 14**, we will be accepting fresh produce donations for our regular Food Pantry distribution from **4:45-5:45pm in the church vestibule**. It is important to remember that we can accept donations only on September 14, from 4:45-5:45pm, since we have no way to store/distribute perishable food except at this time. If you have any questions, please call the youth ministry office at (708) 352-4641 or contact me at marybeth.ford@stcletusparish.com. Thank you.

Mary Beth Ford
Social Concerns

Collection for the Church in Latin America Next Weekend...

A second collection will be taken for the Church in Latin America next weekend. Envelopes are available in the pews. Bishop Manz of Chicago would like to express his gratitude for our support of this effort.

Next Sunday is Catechetical Sunday


Next weekend at all of our Masses, an important ceremony will take place in our parish and parishes all over our country. The importance of religious instruction will be emphasized. Special prayers and a special blessing for the beginning of the academic year will be given to all adults who work in the faith formation of our parish. We will give teaching authority to our catechists, and implore God's wisdom upon them and their students, for whom we will also pray.

Pat Kahl
Director of Religious Education

Stewardship

Stewardship reminds us to count our blessings, acknowledge God's gifts to us and express thanks to the Lord by a proportionate giving of our time, talent and treasure.

September 3

Budgeted revenue:		\$32,000
Collection Received:		30,909
Shortfall last week:		- 1,091
Revenue to budget		
Shortfall for this fiscal year:		-23,749
# of envelopes mailed:		3,190
# of envelopes returned:		991

Thank you for your continued support. Please remember to use your offertory envelopes. Supplementary 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.

Virtus Training

Just a reminder that any volunteers working with children in our school or religious education programs are required to attend a Virtus Training Presentation. Training dates at St. Cletus Parish are September 13 and September 28 at 7:00pm or September 24 at 1:00pm. All attending should register online at virtus.org.

Pat Kahl
Director of Religious Education



Cardinal Corner
News from the St. Cletus School Board

Cardinal Corner - New school year, new school website

Check out our new school website at <http://www.stcletusparish.com/school/>.

Special thanks to parent Mark Staelgraeve for your support in making this new site possible. On the new site, you will find:

- Updated look and feel
- Student and parent sections
- Extra-curricular activity sections
- List of volunteer opportunities

Visit often to find planned expanded student and parent sections and expanded extra-curricular activity sections.

Gifts from God

Each month, school principal Jolene Hillgoth will highlight different gifts from God. This month's theme is respect. Our teachers will focus on this gift from God during the month of September as we enter a new school year.

Mother Goose on the Loose at St. Cletus School on October 24

You won't want to miss this fun and entertaining evening! Join us for an early childhood activity night on Thursday, October 24, at 6:30pm at St. Cletus School. This evening of Mother Goose stories is open to all **new and prospective Preschool and Kindergarten families** with children ages 2½ - 5 years. St. Cletus School offers a 3-year Preschool, 4-year Preschool, as well as ½ day Kindergarten and all-day Kindergarten.

View the classrooms, listen to Mother Goose stories, talk one-on-one with teachers, munch on some snacks and experience the difference at St. Cletus School. This informative early childhood night will begin at 6:30pm in the St. Cletus School Library. Please park in the school parking lot and enter through the Morrissey Hall doors. Please call the school office (352-4820) with any questions. St. Cletus School - Experience the Difference.

Save the Date for Parent and Child Activity Time

Bring the little ones and join us for another Parent and Child Activity Time. Mark your calendars now: November 2, November 16 and November 30, in the St. Cletus School Library. Play instruments, sing along with the guitar and listen to stories as you and your child/ren interact with other families. More details will follow in October. This activity is open to infant age children through 3-years old.

Please Pray for

... our sick in your prayers: Anthony Regalado, Marilyn Matesevac, Mary Pogar, Lorraine Waszak, 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 Johnsohn, Robert Frost, Robert Salbego, Bridie Boyce, Stephanie Yakowicz, Louis Cesario, Virginia Wilson, Gail Pankow-Locker, Josie Spoto, Larry Wojnar, Louise Janich, Frank Werner, Virginia Tenerelli, Agnes Olszowka, Judy Hoffstetter, Michael Karpinski, Emil Chlapecka, Augustin Jaso, Marie Krolicki, Mary O'Rourke,

Debbie Broz, Scott May and Jackie Zaccari. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass. If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, please call the rectory office at (708) 352-6209.


Monday Night Basketball

All men of the parish, 30 or older, are invited to participate in an Open Gym for basketball. We play from 8:30-10:00pm. Teams are formed each week. Good sportsmanship and a desire to stay in shape are more important than basketball skills. We start on Monday, October 2. Please call me at (708) 352-1140 for more information. Thanks.

Frank Haggerty

**Mass Intentions for the Week of
September 11 - September 17**

Day	Time	Intention
Monday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society – Michael E. O’Brien, John Hopp, Marjorie Burke, Celeste Klees, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Haraburda, Robert Narsutis
Tuesday	8:00am	Special Intention, Bruno Bransberger, Celeste Klees
Wednesday	8:00am	Johnston Family, Tom Kigin, Catherine Fregeau, Linda Bagel, Findor Family
Thursday	8:00am	Raymond Waszak, Urzula Broniarczyk, Frances Ference, Maria Garcia, Sophie Klein, John McTigue
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Angela Clifford, Thomas Cecil, Joseph Megla, Frances Stefanski, Arthur Dalton
Saturday	5:00pm	Lora Cummings
Sunday	7:00am 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am	Tom Kigin, Christine Fuchs Danny McGinley Samuel Miramontes Fran Cirrincione

Altar Servers 
September 16/17

5:00pm - J. Newman, A. Driscoll, B. Okkema
7:00am - R. Bogolin, T. Christopher, J. Flach
8:00am - T. Callahan, B. Kelley, D. Clarke
9:30am - Q. Collins, J. Cripe, M. Gray
11:00am - N. Gallivan, J. Doyle, A. Smith

Baptism

This Past Week We Welcomed... Melina Rose Knickelbein and Travis John Schultz to Our Parish Family.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for those who have died and their families:

...Rita Johnson, mother of Noreen Murphy

Auxiliary Minister Schedule

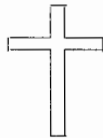
Saturday, September 16, 2006

5:00 PM
LR Spizzirri, Susan
SM Micek, Judy C1 Severino, Laurie-
B3 Thornton, William C2 Thornton, Madeli
B3 Swindall, Vic C3 Swindall, Toni
B4 Micek, Dan C4 Micek, Judy
B5 Beales, Nadine C5 Beales, Dave
B6 Guide, Alfreda- C6 Thuma, Mary-

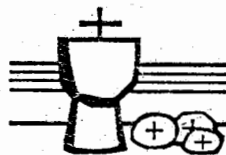
9:30 AM
LR Rapacki, Sandy-
SM Hullinger, Shirley- C1 Mulderink, Ken-
B2 Gardner, Joan C2 Gardner, Fred
B3 Nolan, Jeannine- C3 Horak, Veronica-
B4 Bartucci, Carol- C4 Hullinger, Shirley
B5 Farnsworth, Vicki- C5 Kwak, Tecla-
B6 Kunkel, JoAnn- C6 Nicasia, Christine

Sunday, September 17, 2006

7:00 AM
LR Malby, Terry-
SM Zmuda, Ron
B2 Zmuda, Ron
B3 Zmuda, Louise
B4 Fahey, Ann-
B5 Karch, John
B6 Karch, Terri



11:00 AM
LR Pawlowicz, Rita
SM Hagen, Colleen C1 Nilles, Coralyn
B2 Keating-Gay, Susa C2 Fisher, Warry-
B3 Provan, Jim C3 Provan, Karen
B4 Meuwissen, Jean- C4 Hagen, Colleen
B5 Gleich, Sharon- C5 Wehrmeister, Rho
B6 Dunkavich, Alice- C6 Schump, Cathy-




8:00 AM
LR Kuchta, Ann-
SM McCartney, Sandra- C1 Severino, Shirley
B2 Biesadecki, Carol C2 Biesadecki, Bob
B3 Sullivan, Patrick- C3 Bliss, Georgia-
B4 Borsilli, Helen- C4 McCartney, Sandr
B5 Hague, Kay- C5 Dalsin, Pat-
B6 Curotto, Louis- C6 Saban, Jackie-

**Bereavement Program at St. Cletus
“HARBOR OF HOPE”**

A faith filled bereavement program will be offered at St. Cletus this fall. Spiritual and emotional support will be provided for those who have experienced the loss of a family member or friend. Each week a different aspect of grief will be discussed as well as time for prayer and sharing. The group will meet on Thursday evenings for six consecutive weeks (September 21, 28, and October 5, 12, 19, 26) from 7:00-8:30pm, Room 200 in the Education Building.

A six month period since the death of a loved one or friend is suggested for participation in the group; however, all are welcome. For further information or questions, please contact facilitator, Eugenia Callison at 482-4974.

Wedding Banns 
Cassandra Johnson and Nicholas Rushing