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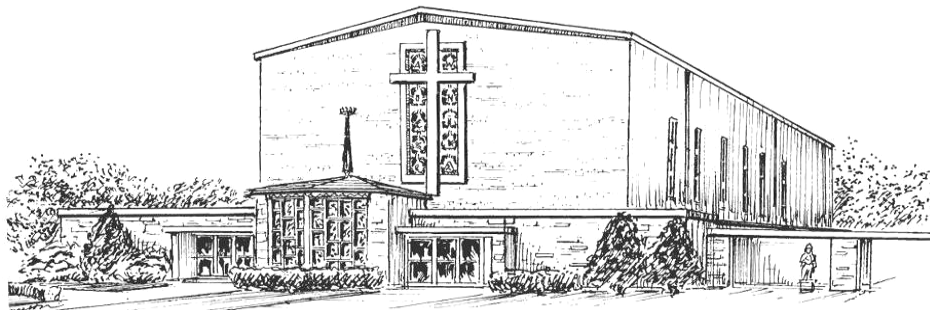
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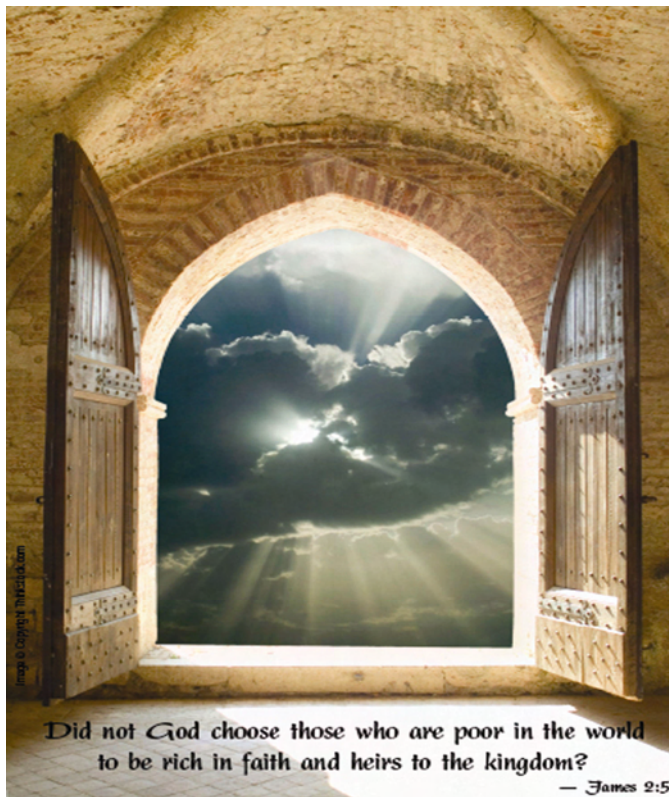
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September 9, 2012

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Did not God choose those who are poor in the world
to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5



All are welcome.

Handicapped parking is located in front of church.

Personal hearing devices are available from the ushers/greeters.

Children's Chapel available for the young and the restless
in the rear of the church.

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 10 - September 16, 2012

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Robert Kunkel, Beth Salvitti
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	John Hopp, Theresa Ripoli
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Tecla Kwak, Jozef & James Slowik, Julie Nykiel
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Linda Bagel, Thomas Kigin
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Walsh, Miller, King, Spielman, Wicyk Families, John McTigue, Frank Wojcik
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Purgatorial Society Joseph Kmet, Georgia Popp, Anita Madl, Maria Wiazak, Bernice Persin, Arthur T. Dalton
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Alex Kunsarvich, Special Intention for George Duda Joseph Hepp, Sam & Maria Scopelliti, Sr. Marie Michael Sibal, O.P., Florence Straka Joseph Saban, Joseph Riccione & Family Robert Kunkel, Frank & Lottie Mendrala, Bob & Agnes Findor Souls in Purgatory

Please pray for those who have died and their families...



Mary Carnevale,
mother of Leonard Carnevale

Kathleen Mlabenik,
mother of Scott Mlabenik

**May the Lord grant them eternal rest.
Amen.**



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Catherine Mlot, Jim Ivetic, Jennifer Buchta, Ruth Ann Derbas, Julius Kohl, Peter Ference, Joan Trauth, Mary Bartucci, Jennie Boerste, Rene Quinones, Philip Hodak, Eddie Wisner, Frank Nash, Stacy Kwak, Harry Fisher, James McSweeney, John Karch, Gertrude Koenig-Stoiber, Gerdi Dorso, Loretta Pavlik, Bob Zimmerman, Breann Moddes, Betty Niwa, Joan Workman, Betty Zapf, Donald Cuttill, Idolina Montano, Sue Kremer, Kathryn Super-Wilson, Lydia Ciaglia, Maeva Bishop, Katie Meyer, Howard Pohlman, Evelyn Kilker, Jessica Gundling, Jean Weekley, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass. Please know we pray daily for the sick and the dying.



**St. Cletus Parish
Welcomes...**

JoLi Xin Klancir,
daughter of Janet Klancir

Meghan Rachel Koziol,
daughter of Peter & Maria (Guzman) Koziol

Vanessa Cecilia Villaseñor,
daughter of Jorge & Cynthia (Saldaña) Villaseñor

**to the Catholic Faith through the
Sacrament of Baptism.**



**A Warm Welcome to
Our New Parishioners...**

Please welcome to our parish family: Arriola-Johnson Family, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Moravec and Family, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Farnsworth.

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

Notes from Deacon Stuart...

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Summer has ended, Labor Day has passed, children are back at school and college, the St. Cletus choirs are back, and stores are selling Halloween decorations. So it must be fall, or as it's known in the USA, every four years Presidential Election season, and here we go with the world's greatest display of negative advertising.

As for me, I'll be listening to the rhetoric to hear about who (1) supports the right to life (2) proclaims a faith and clearly lives it (3) accepts that the inequity in our society, the economic and social injustices, beget much of the violence – I don't expect them to offer overnight solutions though! (4) support an individual's right to religious freedom and respect the right of Catholics and other religious institutions to operate freely and in accord with our beliefs.

Sad to say, but to be electable today means having lots of campaign cash and so candidates are apt to favor those with the "gold rings and fine clothes" (1st reading – Letter of St James) rather than the poor who can only vote for them or not!! Well, there's a thought to ponder.

Jesus spent his ministerial life focusing on the poor, for example: "he made the deaf hear and the mute speak" (today's Gospel according to Mark) while challenging the wealthy, especially the Jewish elders, and their way of life – "hypocrites" he called them. Jesus would not have been electable, but that wasn't his mission here on earth; rather, he came to show us how to live and died for us all: rich, poor, politicians, hypocrites, each and every one consummated and born into this world.

In the first reading today from Israel's greatest prophet "Isaiah," we hear we are to be strong and not fearful. No doubt many of us bring our fears and concerns, our imperfections, and our troubles to Mass – God's house is designed for that purpose.

Using the analogy of a car dealership, as ornate and pleasant as are our churches (and Cathedrals or Basilicas) —they are not showrooms!! No they are the Church's service departments where we come to get:

- (a) an oil change and tire rotation – Scripture, Gospel and Homily provide confidence in our faith and beliefs. (Time Est. - 30 minutes)
- (b) a regular tune-up - the Eucharist to keep our faith lives running smoothly. (Time Est. - 30 minutes)
- (c) a complete overhaul – Sacrament of Reconciliation! (Time Est. - need not be long – just do it!!)
- (d) a valeting – spending time with Jesus to freshen up our faith lives (Time Est. - as long as you like)

Enjoy what's left of this beautiful weather and visit God's service department(s) on a regular basis – we will beat any of our competitors offers – no coupons required!!

Finally - please pray a "Hail Mary" for Cardinal George as he undergoes his chemotherapy treatments and for all those stricken with or who have died from cancer in its many forms.

Yours in Christ

Deacon Stuart

OF PHARISEES, POTS, BRONZE KETTLES, LITURGICAL RUBRICS, CUPS, AND CATS

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser

Several years ago, I was at church meeting where we were discussing liturgical rubrics. There was heated discussion over a number of issues: Should the congregation be standing or kneeling during the Eucharistic prayer? What is the most reverent way to receive communion? Should laypersons be allowed to cleanse the chalice and cups after communion?

At one point, a woman made a rather pious interjection, inviting us to ask ourselves: "What would Jesus do?" The man chairing the meeting, already drained of patience by the disagreements in the room, responded in irritation: "Jesus has nothing to do with this! We're talking about liturgical norms!" The words were barely out his mouth when, to his credit, he realized that somehow that didn't sound right. We all realized it too, and have reminded this good man many times of his faux pas; but, in honesty, his remark voiced the feeling of 95% of the room.

Allow me a second story, to illustrate the same point: I am part of a theological faculty that is helping over one hundred young men prepare for ordination and is helping several hundred lay persons deepen their spiritual lives and prepare to serve in various forms of ministry. Who could ask for a higher task? But the sacredness of the task is not always front and center. A couple of years ago, we came to an Executive meeting and the two salient items on the agenda were "cups and cats": Our school, not with complete unanimity, was phasing out all disposable cups. As well, we were debating as to whether to open up our campus as a certain sanctuary for feral cats. As he introduced the agenda, our Dean of Theology asked the question: "How did we get to this? We're a theological institute preparing people for ministry - and the big-ticket items on our agenda are "cups and cats"?"

What these two stories have to teach us is that we struggle, still, with the same issues that beset the Scribes and Pharisees in Jesus' time. And I say this sympathetically. We're human and invariably we lose perspective, just as the Scribes and Pharisees did. Jesus regularly chided them for, as he put it, "abandoning the commandment of God and holding to human traditions" and consequently getting overly- focused on rituals to do with "the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles". We generally stand under this same indictment. We too tend to lose the center for the periphery.

What is the center? The great commandment of God, that Jesus chides the Scribes and Pharisees for losing sight of, is the invitation to love God above all else and to love your neighbor as yourself. That is the one, great, central law. But in order to live that out practically, we need many ancillary laws, about everything from liturgical rubrics to cups and cats. And these laws are good, providing that they never stand alone, autonomous, not bending to the one great commandment to love God and neighbor.

In both society and in our churches, we have made many laws: civil laws, criminal laws, church laws, canon laws, liturgical laws, and all kinds of laws and guidelines inside our families and within the venues where we work. It is naïve to believe, idealistically, that we can live without laws. St. Augustine once proposed that we could live without laws: "Love and do as you wish!" But, love, as he defined it in this context, meant the highest level of altruistic love. In other words, if you are already a saint you don't need laws. Sadly, our world, our churches, and we ourselves, don't measure up to that criterion. We still need laws.

But our laws, all of them, and at every level, are not meant to stand alone, to have their own autonomy. They must bend towards and give acquiescence to a center, and that center is the one great law that relativizes all others: Love God above all else and love your neighbor as yourself.

There is a principle central in all moral theology that in part encapsulates this, the principle of Epikeia (from the Greek, epieikes, meaning reasonable). Laws are meant to be reasonable and are meant to be obeyed in a way that doesn't violate rationality and common sense. Epikeia is what St. Paul had in mind when he taught that the letter of the law kills while the spirit of the law brings life. In essence, what Epikeia asks of us is that, as we apply a given law in any circumstance of our lives, we ask ourselves the question: "If the law-maker were here, given the intent of this law, what would he or she want me to do in this situation?" That would bend the law to its center, to its sacred intent, to its spirit, and ensure that all our disagreements about pots, bronze kettles, liturgical rubrics, cups, and cats would remain loyal to the question: "What would Jesus do?"



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.

CATHOLICISM SERIES TO BE SHOWN THIS FALL

The CREDO Committee is pleased to present the acclaimed Catholicism series by Fr. Robert Barron on Monday nights in the Fall, beginning on September 10, 2012. The series will run for ten sessions every Monday night except for Columbus Day when the school will be closed. We have a new start time: 7:30 p.m. We hope this will allow Monday night Religious Education teachers to join us. There is no homework for the series - and each episode stands alone, rather than building on the previous one. Feel free to attend just a few sessions - or join us for them all! Each episode lasts about 50 minutes. After each episode we will have small group discussions for those who wish to stay, but the discussion is optional.

Here is a list of the episodes:

1. Amazed and Afraid: The Revelation of God Become Man
2. Happy Are We: The Teachings of Jesus
3. The Ineffable Mystery of God: That Than Which Nothing Greater Can Be Thought
4. Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast: Mary the Mother of God
5. The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure
6. A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church
7. Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven. The Mystery of the Church's Sacraments and Worship
8. A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints
9. The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit
10. World Without End: The Last Things

Fr. Barron's website, **The Word on Fire** <http://www.wordonfire.org/>, says "Recently, Pope Benedict XVI declared a "Year of Faith" which will begin in October 2012. This year, he hopes, will provide a new impetus to the mission of the whole Church to lead men out of the desert in which they often find themselves, to the place of life, of friendship with Christ." Watching the Catholicism series will be a way to gain knowledge of the Church and deepen your relationship with Christ." There is a study book for the class: It can be found at <http://store.wordonfire.org/product-p/wf-69.htm>. You do not need to buy the book to attend the class, but you may find it helpful in your personal study. If you want the book, please do go ahead and order it yourself.

There is no charge to attend the class, nor will there be a formal registration. The CREDO Committee thanks the Holy Name Society for generously donating the DVD's for the class. We hope you can join us for this outstanding presentation on Catholicism. We will meet in the Kindergarten Room of the Education Building. Please enter at the flagpole entrance.

TRIP TO HOLY HILL



DON'T miss a trip to The Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Help of Christians. The trip includes morning Mass at the Basilica, a Shrine Presentation, lunch, a visit to the outdoor Way of the Cross with 14 groups of life-sized sculptures representing the Passion of Jesus and an opportunity to shop at the gift store. A tour of the Cedar Creek Winery to enjoy wine and cheese tasting in the nearby, historic town of Cedar Burg, Wisconsin will follow. Reserve your place for this enjoyable event taking place on Saturday, October 27.

The deluxe bus will depart from the St. Cletus parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and return by 8:00 p.m.. The cost is \$60 per person. Checks and registration forms are due by Saturday, October 13. Forms are available in the Ministry Room in church or at the rectory.

Any questions should be directed to either Cathy Caplice, (708) 352-0982, cathycaplice@yahoo.com, or Mary Jane Walsh, (708) 579-5586, or marjane@rozwoj.com.

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Did you know that September 2012 is the fifth annual Hunger Action Month? Visit the Greater Chicago Food Depository website, www.chicagosfoodbank.org, to see the events and activities they suggest to get you involved in the fight against hunger. Whether it's giving money, time, food or lending your voice to the issue of hunger, there's something everyone can do to help. What is your way?

We already know that the parishioners of St. Cletus are most generous in helping us maintain our community Food Pantry. We appreciate your ongoing support! After this Thursday's monthly food distribution, our shelves will be very bare and most in need of the following:

- Staples, including peanut butter, jelly, cereal, canned fruit, spaghetti & assorted noodles, cooking oil, and paper products.
- Extras, including dish washing soap, toiletries, detergent, juice, and coffee.
- Of course, all in date non-perishables are greatly appreciated. Why not take advantage of many store's "Buy One Get One Free" promotions, every time you grocery shop? One for you...and one to donate to our Pantry!

Please drop off your donations in the food bins in the Church vestibule when you come to Mass over the weekend or daily from 7:45 AM – 4:00 PM. Thank you!

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU!

Interfaith Community Partners, a network of trained volunteers from local churches, helps older adults in our community maintain their independence and remain connected to their communities through

- Home Visits
- Transportation to Medical Appointments
- Grocery Shopping
- Phone Calls to Provide Reassurance

Please call Interfaith Community Partners at (708) 579-8929 if you or a friend could benefit from these services, or if you wish to put your faith in action by becoming a volunteer. The next scheduled volunteer training session is on Sunday, September 23. Call the number listed above for details. Thank you!

Mary Beth Ford
Director of Social Concerns

JOB SUPPORT GROUP SIX-WEEK WORKSHOP BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange for a six-week job support skills workshop beginning Tuesday evening, September 18, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Whether you are unemployed, under-employed, looking for a career change or a recent grad looking for your first professional position, this workshop is for you.

First Presbyterian Church of La Grange is located at 150 South Ashland Avenue. Meetings will be held in Westminster Hall. Please enter church on Catherine Avenue. Everyone is welcome and there is no fee for attending. We hope you will join us!

For further information, please call FPCLG's church office at (708) 354.0771.

Interfaith Career Network offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

Youth Ministry Update

2012-2013 TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our first large group session will be this Sunday, September 9, from 6–8:00 p.m. in Morrissey Hall. We will have pizza and make blankets for the RML Specialty Hospital. Our first small group sessions will take place in the homes of our catechists on Sunday, September 23 at assigned times. I'm looking forward to starting a great year!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN!

Registration materials are still available online and are due as soon as possible. Forms can be dropped off at the school or rectory. Contact (708) 215-5419 or kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com with any questions.

DROP-IN

Our first drop-in of the new school year is **this Tuesday, September 11, from 5:30–8:00 p.m. in Room, 208 in the Education Building**. All high school teens are welcome to “drop-in” during those hours for games, music, and hanging out! Hope to see you there! Bring a friend!

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Any high school teen is invited and encouraged to participate in this year's advisory commissions board. Your input will help us plan socials, service projects, prayer opportunities, and our mission trip for next summer. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 18, at 6:30 p.m. in Room, 208 in the Education Building.

Stay Up-To-Date on Our Activities and Events

“Like” St. Cletus Youth Ministry on Facebook! You can do this at www.facebook.com/stcletusyouth.

Kristen Maxwell

Youth Ministry

ST. CLETUS PARISH RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA: COME AND SEE

**BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012
AT 7:00 PM IN ROOM 200 – EDUCATION BUILDING (SCHOOL)**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's adult faith formation program which invites adults who have never been baptized, who have been baptized Catholic but not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) or who have been baptized in another faith and wish to become Catholic, to explore their journey of faith in the life of the Catholic Church.

The RCIA gives people on a faith journey an opportunity to “*come and see*” not only what the Catholic Church and a life of faith in it is all about, but also an opportunity to explore how the Lord may be calling them into his life in a more complete way.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION
CONTACT FR. KEN AT (708) 352 6209.**



ST. CLETUS MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

As the summer begins to wind down and school goes back in session, so do our various musical ministries. As you know volunteers are essential to the life of any parish and we are always in need of more help. There are numerous ways to be involved musically here at St. Cletus based on what your schedule and talents allow you to do. Please consider this an invitation to share the gifts you have been given and help the music ministry continue to grow. And a special thank you to all our current music ministers who help by sharing their time and talents year-round. Without you we would not have a thriving ministry!

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. CLETUS

The *Chancel Choir* is comprised of approximately 40 members and sings a variety of genres from Classical repertoire to Spirituals to the songs we sing today. The Chancel Choir sings at the 9:30 a.m. Mass September through May and rehearses weekly on Thursday evenings from 7:30- 9:30 p.m. in the Education Building Music Room. A desire to sing is the only pre-requisite to join!

The *Contemporary Ensemble* is comprised of approximately 20 members and incorporates vocals, guitars, piano, and flute focusing on more contemporary musical styles of the church. The ensemble sings and plays at selected 5:00 p.m. and 11 a.m. Masses from September to May and rehearses twice a month on Thursdays from 6:30-7:15 p.m. Some music reading is helpful, but not required.

The *Children's Choir* under the direction of Mrs. Karen Ziemba, is open to all parish children in grades 3-8 and meets weekly on Thursday afternoons from 5-6:00 p.m. during the school year. The Children's Choir sings once a month at the 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

The *Hispanic Ensemble* under the direction of Mr. Arturo Flores, rehearses Friday evenings from 6-7:00 p.m. in the Education Building Music Room and sings at the 12:30 p.m. Hispanic Mass on Sundays.

The *Good Shepherd Choir* under the direction of Ms. Eugenia Callison, sings for all Parish Funerals during the week and on Saturday. The choir meets to rehearse briefly before each funeral.

The *Cantor Ministry* is open to experienced singers who are comfortable leading the assembly in song and prayer. Training and a monthly rehearsal will be provided. Time commitment is flexible based on your availability.

Instrumentalists are welcome to enhance our music making. If you play an instrument please consider sharing your time and talent at mass. A knowledge of your instrument is required as well as the ability to read music. Time commitment is flexible based on your availability.

If you have any additional questions regarding the Music Ministry or would like to join any of our ensembles please contact Laura Langseth Brasky, Music Director, at (708) 352-4547 or lbrasky@stcletusparish.com.

All are welcome!

Laura Langseth Brasky

Director of Music

For more information:
www.stcletusparish.com
708.215.5433

THE ST. CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES PRESENTS A


RAGTIME CONCERT

TO BENEFIT THE GULU, UGANDA MATERNITY CLINIC

FEATURING BOB MILNE



ST. CLETUS CHURCH
600 W. 55TH ST. • LA GRANGE, IL
SUNDAY, SEPT. 30TH
4:00 P.M.



SAVE THE DATE!


Flu and Pneumonia shots will be given at St. Cletus Church in Morrissey Hall on October 7, 2012 from 7:30 a.m. `til 12:30 p.m. This year everyone is advised to take this precaution. Those with Medicare, there is no cost (be sure to bring your card), for others there will be a small charge.

Clare Slowik
Parish Nurse



ST. CLETUS WOMEN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON...


The *St. Cletus Women's Club Christmas Luncheon* is Saturday, December 8, 2012 at the La Grange Country Club. Tickets will include a delicious lunch and shopping at our vendor boutique. Committees will be forming in September to start planning this fun event - please consider helping out! Look for upcoming announcements in the Canticle or contact Sheila Benson at (708) 579-1299 if you have any questions about the luncheon or would like to volunteer your time. See you soon!



For close to a year now, Women's Care Center of La Grange has been serving young women facing unplanned pregnancies. Our free services include pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, crisis counseling, material assistance (such as clothing, diapers and car seats) and referrals to good medical care, housing, etc. Since we are a not-for-profit charity, we depend upon volunteers to help with various tasks such as reception, computer work (data entry, web searches), resource development, fundraising activities, making appointments, organizing the office, sorting donated clothing, intake with clients, and client consultations (training provided).

We will be conducting an orientation and initial volunteer training on Tuesday, September 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon to introduce you to our mission and the various volunteer opportunities that are available. If you would like to use your God-given talents to help young women facing difficult or unplanned pregnancies, directly or indirectly, please call Laura or Roberta at (708) 352-5000 to register for this event or for more information. We look forward to hearing from you!

ST. CLETUS



The next book is:

THE DEVIL'S STAR
by Jo Nesbo

We will meet to discuss it on:
Tuesday, September 11, at 7:00 p.m.
in Room 102 of the Education Building.

Questions? Email: loriashe@aol.com



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 9, 2012

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5

SOCIAL CONCERNS: HELP FOR THE LONG TERM UNEMPLOYED

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, September 20, at 7:00 p.m. for our first speaker program of the season. Our presenter, James Fitzgerald, was one of the founders of the Chicago Career Transition Center at Old St. Pat's and has published more than 150 articles on career management, leadership and the job search process. Jim's refreshingly direct and candid presentation will help inspire you to: 1) develop a positive, upbeat resume loaded with accomplishments, 2) prepare a "HERE'S WHO I AM" presentation sprinkled liberally with significant achievements, 3) target the job and circumstances that really appeal to you, 4) get your mind set in gear, stop being complacent, 5) use goals as a motivator. Jim's insights on each of these points promise to be of tremendous value to both the long-term unemployed and those just beginning their job search. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend. We look forward to welcoming you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs.

**SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP (SCSG)
MULTI PARISH MINISTRY
FOR SINGLES IN THEIR 40'S AND 50'S
SEPTEMBER EVENTS**

Friday, September 14

Pizza & Karaoke - 7:00 p.m. JC's Pub, 8650 Joliet Rd., McCook

Saturday, September 29Mass/Oktoberfest - St. Louise de Marillac, 30th & Raymond, La Grange Park
Mass is at 5:00 p.m. followed by the festivities.**Above events are subject to change.**You can contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook or MeetUp



LET US CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN THE MILITARY ESPECIALLY...

Nick Radziwon	US Navy	
1st Lt. Thomas G. Dybicz	USA Ranger	Kapolei, Hawaii
Lt. Cdr. Amy Sloan Bloyd	US Coast Guard	Alexandria, Virginia
Michael Carr	USA	
Captain Anthony Cech	USA Chaplin	Ft. Bragg, NC
Sgt. Franklyn Cuchana	USA	
2nd Lt., Thomas G. Dybicz	USA Ranger	Ft. Benning, GA
Sgt. Michael Fittanto	USA	Kabul, Afghanistan
M/Sgt. Patrick Hegeman	USMC	Camp LaJeune, NC
Sgt. Joseph Kaminski	USA	Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya
Kevin Lewis	USA	Kabul, Afghanistan
Pfc. Zackus McLeod	USA	
Capt. Robert Mele	USAF	Afghanistan
Capt. Steven Muscolino	USAF	Wichita, KS
Spf. Kyle Nicholson	USA	Ft. Bragg, NC
Pvt. James Reisel	USA	Ft. Bliss, TX
Pfc. Eugene Sapinski	USA	Afghanistan
S/Sgt. Daniel Hattie	USAF	Fairbanks, AK
Pfc. Matthew Sparks	USMC	San Diego, CA
Capt. Charlie Drucker	USA	Afghanistan
Major Christopher Strahlman	USA	Qatar
M/Sgt. Anthony Zito	USA	Fort Campbell, KY

Please let us know of others serving in the military...also when friends and loved ones return from deployment overseas. Questions? Call Eugenia Callison at (708) 482-4974.

Sunday Collection – September 2, 2012

Total Active Registered Families 2,753

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used this week 657
 % of registered families 24%

Amount Collected

\$ 22,400 Envelopes Users
 3,215 Loose Check/Cash
 1,644 Electronic Giving
\$ 27,259 Total Collected

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000
Over (Under) Budget: \$259

This fiscal Year @ 9/02/12
 Actual Sunday Collections: \$ 264,999
 Budgeted Sunday Collections 270,000
YTD Over (Under) budget: \$ (5,001)

We thank you for your continued and generous financial support. Along with the volunteering of your time and talents you contribute to the Kingdom of God here on earth. God bless.

Fr. Edgar, Administrator

“Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?”

What is more important - being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society teaches us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith we know that material things really do not matter and we are more willing to share what we have.

WEEK AT A GLANCE			
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
Sunday, September 9	7:00 a.m. See Schedule 6:00 p.m.	Front Lawn S-107-123 MH	8th gr. Mums Sale Religious Education Classes Begin Teen Large Group Meeting
Monday, September 10	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	S-200 S-98	Athletic Association Meeting CREDO
Tuesday, September 11	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C S-208 S-213 S-201 S-200	School Mass Teen Drop-In Pastoral Care Commission 8th Gr. Parent Meeting Pre-Cana Classes
Wednesday, September 12	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	RB MH S-201 S-200	Mission Ladies Market Day Kairos Meeting Baptism Prep Class
Thursday, September 13	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	S-Music S-Music CVS S-Music	Children’s Choir Contemporary Ensemble Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir
Friday, September 14	2:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	MH-Lobby S-Music S-207	MANNA Cash & Carry Spanish Choir Spanish Ministry Bible Class
Saturday, September 15			
Sunday, September 16			
C...Church CV...Church Vestibule (East & West) MH...Morrissey Hall			S...School (Education Building) RB...Rectory Basement

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Cletus Catholic Parish of the Archdiocese of Chicago is a Christian community of believers and followers of Christ Jesus. We call and welcome all to join our family of faith as we seek to live the Gospel values in our daily lives, community and world. We are committed to providing spiritual nourishment through the worship of God, celebration of the sacraments, Christian education, and use of our time, talent and treasure in serving others with compassion and love.

MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am,
11:00am, 12:30pm (Spanish)

Weekdays: Mon. thru Sat. 8:00am

Evening before Holy Day: 7:00pm

Holy Day: 6:30am, 8:00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30am. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office (708-352-6209).

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 (708-215-5407).

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Adoration begins following the 8:00am Mass and continues during the day until 6:15pm the first Tuesday of the month.

The *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed at 6:15pm followed by Benediction.

Hispanic Adoration continues from 7:00pm until 8:00pm.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday of the month: 4:15-4:45pm.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am-1:00pm

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