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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2015



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 March 16 - March 22, 2015

Day	Presider Subject to change	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Rodriguez	8:00 a.m.	Shauna Laatz
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Mary Clare O'Connell, John McTigue, Joe Lewandowski, William P. Burns, Phyllis DeBartolo, Nancy Barron, Patricia McKillip
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Ron Lesniewski, Special Intention for William Prather
Thursday	Fr. Rodriguez	8:00 a.m.	Jozef & James Slowik, Joseph & Kay Klemak, Charlotte Castaldo
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Erik Geyer, Bill Garske, Theresa Quciaolo, Giuseppi Ricupeuo, Leyla Zavislak Barry
Saturday	Fr. Baker Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Thomas McDonnell Dolores Marcin, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Joe Lewandowski, Georgia Popp, Wayne Kral, Rose Delaloye, Geraldine Rincon, Mary Dybas
Sunday	Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Anglim Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Rodriguez	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, John & Mary Harmon, Jack Lewis, Emma Fontana Leyla Zavislak Barry Anthony Troyner, Grace Copp, Allison Reeves Clarice M. Nelson, Grace Copp, Kathy Ott, Andrea Knifel Souls in Purgatory



Please remember our sick in your prayers:
Karl Rodey, Catherine McCord,
Nancy Gibson, Peter D. Rivera,
Carolyn McDonough, Gerda E. Dorso, Jean Weekly,
Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Stacy Rodey,
Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahan, Roy Jenkinson,
Erin Lively, Pauline Passardi, Bruce Byrne,
Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dzedzic,
Collette Grisko-Dote, Dave McCoy, LaVerne Gill,
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Loretta Johncola, Catherine Mlot, Denise Rowalka,
Marty Weber, Barbara Kotus, Sharon Mylan,
Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine,
John Duda, George Duda, Steven Onusaitis, Lorraine
Walter, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our
parishioners who are in nursing homes or
are homebound unable to attend Mass.



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

Hieronim "Jerome" Sawicki,

father of Krystyna Strauss

&

grandfather of Derek Sawicki

May he rest in peace. Amen.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent;
Second Scrutiny
Tuesday: St. Patrick
Wednesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem
Thursday: St. Joseph
Friday: Abstinence; Spring begins

WORD OF LIFE

"Lord, you are good and forgiving, most merciful to all who call on you. LORD, hear my prayers, listen to my cry for help. On the day of my distress I call to you, for you will answer me."

-Psalm 86:5-7 (NABRE@2010 CCD. (USED WITH PERMSIION

PARISH LENTEN FORGIVENESS SERVICE

St. Cletus's Parish Forgiveness Service will be held on Monday, March 23, at 7:00 p.m. Please use this opportunity to take advantage of God's gift of forgiveness.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT 2015

Stephen Wiltshire became famous when he was just a young child. Born to West Indian parents who had immigrated to England, he had lost his father, could barely read or write, but was discovered to have an extraordinary gift for drawing buildings and townscapes.

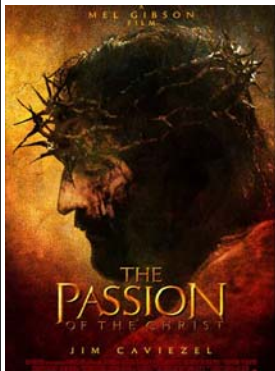
First of all his art teacher, Chris Marris, and then the literary agent, Margaret Hewson, supported and encouraged him in his special talent. He, himself, was passive about his ability; he just drew but at a highly technical level, even when he was but a young child. Margaret took him on drawing trips, first of all around London and then to Venice, Amsterdam, Russia and the United States. Stephen responded immediately to these new sights, and Margaret got him commissions and sponsorships, arranged and financed exhibitions, and helped him to produce his two best sellers "Floating Cities" and "Stephen Wiltshire's American Dream". She also found him a place at art school and established a trust fund to provide for his future. Her own exuberance and energetic personality seemed to inspire Stephen, as though his creativity took life from what Dr. Oliver Sacks, who accompanied them on some of their journeys, called "the exhilarating, whirlwind atmosphere Margaret seemed to create all around her". Without such support it is doubtful that Stephen would have fully developed his gifts or have become known to the wider world.

We live in a limited and conditional world, whereas God inhabits an unlimited and unconditional world. We are asked to accept that we can share this much more wondrous world of God, despite being dead through our sins. Such a leap can only be brought about through faith, the belief that God is so generous with his mercy that the gap can be bridged between the two worlds. The grace that is offered to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus lifts us up out of sin and failure and gives us a place in heaven with him. It also restores us to the possibility living the good life we were always intended to live. The letter to the Ephesians explores how the mystery of salvation is made available to all. There is a profound conviction that Christ is the lord of the whole of creation that Christ is the lord of the whole of creation and that all is taken up into his saving death and resurrection. We become again what we were meant to be at the world's beginning, God's work of art, but also, made in God's image and likeness, artists in our turn. We can neither fully appreciate nor practice our calling without being constantly in touch with the brush of the painter, the poet's pen, namely the presence of God, which we celebrate in word and sacrament. If the Temple was the symbol of God's presence among his people in the Old Testament, we are now the new temple, the house where God lives in the Spirit, with Christ Jesus himself as the main cornerstone.

People sometimes struggle with life problems, we are told, because they suffer from low self-esteem. Coping with life needs a certain resilience, a certain confidence that enables us to ride the ups and downs we encounter. If we don't think we are worth much, we will tend to think others think the same of us. We may even act in a way that gives others that impression and encourages them to ignore us or treat us with disdain. Or we might go to the opposite extreme, becoming bullying or boastful in the attempt to persuade others that we are really worth something. But if we are convinced in our hearts that we are God's work of art, then our perception of life is very different. We are free to use our imagination more. We can explore what is old, what is new and what is different. We can be endlessly curious. The world is not hostile but somewhere we can give ourselves time to stand and stare and wonder. We can delight in others' gifts as well as our own. This is where our real imitation of God begins, when we enable others to see their gifts and use them to the full. It is a sign of God's love for us that we can move beyond our limitations and share in the splendor of creation. Our love is seen in our removing of each other's limitations, allowing our spirits to soar freely in the image and likeness of their creator.

*Lenten Blessings,
Father Bob
Pastor*

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST The Movie, Adoration, and Benediction



On Friday, March 20, from 6:30-9:15 p.m., join the CREDO Committee for a Lenten mini-retreat. We will begin in Room 98 (kindergarten room) of the Education Building with the viewing of the movie *The Passion of the Christ*. After the movie, a brief period of meditation will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction in the Church.

As Monica Miller states in her book *The Theology of The Passion of the Christ*, the movie “is a religious meditation ... and functions as an icon ... intended to stimulate, arouse, and provoke faith .. and a response to the person of Christ and his mission of redemption. *The Passion* has the power to bring the viewer to a deeper awareness of the sacrifice of Christ and His great love for mankind to have endured such suffering.” The movie “has the ability to deepen, even awaken faith.”

Come join us to contemplate the sacrifice Christ made for us and then spend some time in His presence. Due to the graphic nature of the film, this event will be limited to adults only.

If you only wish to attend the second part of the program, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction will begin in the church at about 8:45 p.m.

CREDO Committee

(Continuing Religious **ED**ucation **O**pportunities for adults)

MINISTERS OF CARE MEETING REMINDER SUNDAY MARCH 22 @ 12:30 P.M. RECTORY BASEMENT

Dear St. Cletus MOC's,

An opportunity to renew friendships, meet new ministers and a THANK YOU from St. Cletus for all you do. However, if any of you have something to discuss, comment or criticize (hopefully not) then let me know.

If anyone is interested in learning more about this ministry please join us for this luncheon – new volunteers are always welcome, needed and appreciated.

Please let me know if you are coming so I can ensure we have enough food.

Deacon Stuart Heyes
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Join Us As We Celebrate... *Family Mass*

March 22, 2015

April 26, 2015

Location:

St. Cletus Church

Time:

8:00 AM



Faith, Hope, Love

Refreshments will be served in Room 98 in the Education Building immediately following Mass.

Please bring a canned good to donate to the food pantry.



COMPASSIONATE CARE MINISTRY

The Compassionate Care Ministry is again badly in need of postage stamps for its notes of sympathy and support during the first year following the loss of a loved one. Each bereaved family receives six cards during that year. This means that if there are ten funerals during a period of one month, 60 stamps are needed in that month alone. Your generous donations have meant so much in the past and we are very grateful. If you are able to contribute to this worthwhile ministry in this way, it will be very much appreciated. Simply put them in an envelope marked CCM and drop them off at the parish office—or right into the collection basket on Sunday. Thank you.

Barbara Gleespen

GOD UPHOLDS ME

I take for my sureties: The power of God to guide me, the might of God to uphold me, the wisdom of God to teach me, the eye of God to watch over me, the ear of God to hear me, the word of God to give me speech, the hand of God to protect me, the way of God to go before me, the shield of God to shelter me.

—St. Patrick

CAPTURE THE LENTEN SPIRIT IN PRAYER

During the Lenten season, we will offer a variety of prayer services and worship opportunities to enrich your journey.

- ◆ Each Wednesday, there will be a 6:30 p.m. Mass throughout Lent.
- ◆ School Stations of the Cross: 2:15 p.m.
March 19, March 26-Living Stations
- ◆ Stations of the Cross: March 20 at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ March 23-7:00 p.m. Parish Lenten Forgiveness Service
- ◆ March 27-7:00 p.m. Living Stations presented by Jr. High students

ALL PRAYER SERVICES ARE IN CHURCH.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

7:30 p.m. April 2, Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord’s Supper followed by Silent Adoration until midnight

3:00 p.m. April 3, Good Friday: The Passion of the Lord-Veneration of the Cross - Holy Communion

7:30 p.m. April 4, Saturday Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday Masses - April 5

7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. (in Morrissey Hall) 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for spiritual nourishment during this most Holy Season.

ADDITIONAL PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED

GOOD FRIDAY

April 3

- 9:30 a.m. Living Stations of the Cross. *Via Crucis en Español* in Morrissey Hall
- 11:30 a.m. Last Words/*Las Últimas Siete Palabras de Cristo en Español* in Morrissey Hall
- 1:00 p.m. *Pasión del Señor y Adoración de la Cruz en Español* in Morrissey Hall

HOLY SATURDAY

April 4

- 12:00 Noon Blessing of Food Baskets in Morrissey Hall

GOD’S WORD TODAY

Such rich fare is offered to us this day from the table of God’s word. The first reading chronicles both the punishment and the great mercy shown by God to the people who “added infidelity to infidelity.” Saint Paul calls this God one “who is rich in mercy.” The greatest merciful act shown by our God is beautifully proclaimed in today’s Gospel: “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.” As the word of God is proclaimed today, let us be thankful to God for the gift of the Lord Jesus, who came into this world not to condemn, but to save.

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Bake Sale

Sponsored by the
Capital Campaign Committee



Stop by Morrissey Hall on Palm Sunday, March 29, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. and take home some baked goods for Sunday's dinner and support the ***Living our Faith, Building our Future*** capital campaign. The Bake Sale is being held in conjunction with the Holy Name Society's Walter Klimcke Pancake Breakfast.

If you are interested in baking for the Bake Sale, thank you and you can drop off the baked goods on Saturday, before the 5:00 p.m. Mass or early Sunday morning to Morrissey Hall. Thanks for the donation and please remember to label your baked good (Lemon Cake, Soda Bread, etc.) and include a list of ingredients – we need to be mindful of those with allergies!

Questions? Please call Judy M @ (708) 482-8582. See you on Sunday, March 29!

HOLY NAME PANCAKE BREAKFAST MARCH 29 - TICKET PRE-SALE



Pre-sale of tickets to the Holy Name Society's annual Palm Sunday *Walter Klimcke* Pancake Breakfast will be after all Masses on March 21/22 in the church Vestibule.

Tickets are \$7/adults and \$4/children. Breakfast will be served from 7:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 29, in Morrissey Hall.

ST. CLETUS WEDDING MINISTRY



The St. Cletus Wedding Ministry cordially invites all parishioners, male and female, to join this ministry. We work in teams assisting the parish staff with wedding rehearsals and wedding day facilitation. Wedding ministers help to organize and run the wedding rehearsals, usually held the day before. On the wedding day, ministers are responsible for setting up the Sacristy, organizing the Bridal party and making sure that all things are running smoothly and on time. The ministers pick the wedding dates to fit their schedules. For more information, please contact Bobbie Kallal at (708) 352-6209.

BLOSSOMS AND FRUIT

**Unless a tree has borne blossoms in spring,
you will vainly look for fruit on it in autumn.**

—Walter Scott

FRIENDS AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS,

I want to thank so many of you for making your donations to St. Cletus through our online donation service Give Central. It is through all the different ways you choose to donate, we are able to serve our parish community every day. Today, more and more of you want to make those gifts conveniently online. We are glad that so many of you have chosen this method to express your support.

Please log on to www.stcletusparish.com and click the "donate" to start your automatic donations using your debit, credit or checking account. Contact Mary Zwolinski mzwolinski@stcletuparish.com for more information. We believe that it benefits everyone to offer this flexible online tool.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Fr. Bob Clark
Pastor

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, August 30, at 2:45 p.m. at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago. Couples married in 1965 interested in attending this celebration should contact their parish to register (708-352-6209). For further information, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office at (312) 534-8351 or visit the website: www.marriageandfamilyministries.org.

Youth Ministry Update!

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

The Youth Ministry Advisory Board will meet for the first time on **March 17, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 200** in the Education Building. ALL high school students, parents, and other interested adults are invited to attend to share ideas in the planning of St. Cletus youth ministry. Looking forward to seeing you there!

PRAYER GROUP FORMING FOR PARENTS OF TEENS

Monthly opportunities will be available to parents of teens to gather together for prayer. Our first gathering will be **Tuesday, March 24, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 200** in the Education Building. Contact Elizabeth Tomasek with any questions. Hope to see you then!

MISSION TRIP 2015 UPDATE

Our teens have begun their formation for the summer mission trip! We have a wonderful group of teens who will be serving this July in Indiana. This weekend we thank the St. Cletus Parish family for showing their support through the Special Collection. We will continue our fundraising with the Fannie May Candy Bar sale Palm Sunday Weekend!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Holy Name Society Pancake Breakfast is coming up on Sunday, March 29. Volunteers are needed to help serve. Shifts are scheduled for 7:00-9:00 a.m. and 9:00-11:30 a.m. Please contact Elizabeth at etomasek@stcletusparish.com if you are interested!

Elizabeth Tomasek

Youth Ministry

THE BACK PEW - Jeff LARSON



TEENS.. Live by Grace and so do we.

**The Parent Outreach Team of St. John of the Cross Parish
CROSSROADS TEEN MINISTRY PROGRAM
Invites parents of teens in our community to a Speaker Event
featuring Mr. Mike Patin**

"Creative ways for parents to support and enhance the faith journey of their teens"

**Monday, April 13, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
St. John of the Cross Parish Center**

As the parent of a Catholic teen-ager, do you ever wonder how you can continue to support and enhance the faith journey of your son or daughter? Does your teen think that one's faith journey ends after Confirmation? Come join parents of teens in our parish communities as we explore answers to these and other questions! Hospitality will be provided and there is no charge for this event. Questions? Contact Beth Korenchan at bkorenchan@comcast.net.

Mike Patin uses energy, humor and stories to affirm God's goodness and presence among us while inviting others (and himself) to take the "next step" in our journey with God. He has worked in ministry settings since 1984, first as a high school teacher and coach, and then in diocesan ministry for the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Since 2003, he has worked full time as a speaker and "faith horticulturist." Throughout his ministry, Mike has been privileged to speak to groups ranging from 10 to 23,000 in over 130 dioceses in the U.S. and Canada.

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

- Your support continues to put smiles on the faces and hope in the hearts of our clients. Thank you!
- This week's most needed items include: **boxed side dishes, crackers, spaghetti noodles, pasta sauce, canned chili, condiments, baking mixes and snacks.** Donations can be dropped off in the food bins located in the Church when you come to Mass on the weekend, or daily from 7:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Mary Beth Ford-Director of Social Concerns



SAVE THE DATE: Volunteer Training

St. Cletus Parish will host a training session for new volunteers on Sunday, April 26, 1:15-2:45 p.m., Room 213 in the Education Building

Interfaith Community Partners is a coalition of 14 area churches –including St. Cletus—which helps area adults maintain their independence and remain connected to their communities.

Services include:

- Escorted transportation/Fulfillment of necessary errand
- Friendly visitation
- Telephone reassurance /Well-being checks

If you would like a rewarding volunteer opportunity, we are looking for you!

Call Interfaith Community Partners (708) 579-8929



Everything you've ever wanted to know about Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA's)

You are invited to attend an informational seminar about the functions and processes of basic IRA's: the types of IRA's, contributions, distributions, tax benefits and beneficiaries. Come have your questions answered... IRA rules change every year. This program will refresh your understanding of an important retirement tool.

Thursday, March 26, 10:00 a.m.

Aging Care Connections

111 W. Harris Ave., La Grange

Please respond: (708) 354-1323

Light refreshments will be served

Presented by MB, La Grange Park

“I'VE BEEN AWAY FROM THE WORK PLACE A LONG TIME”, OR, “I've Been Fired - Now What?”

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, March 19. Our speaker, Craig Eberts, will address these issues and how to manage your concerns. Craig will discuss strategies on how to tackle these employment worries head-on. He has had personal experience with both concerns, so his insights will be very helpful. Craig is an Outplacement Consultant who helps clients overcome the apprehension these challenges can add to the job search. Please join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. This program is open to all and there is no charge to attend.



Each of the three readings for today, when read in the context of Lent, speaks to both the human condition of sin and to God’s unlimited mercy. Our journey through Lent challenges us to balance these realities as we seek reconciliation with God, through his Son, Jesus Christ.

- **PRAY** for the grace to seek out and care for those who are most vulnerable and in need, to give voice to those who go unheard. Take advantage of these special Lenten prayer opportunities this week at Church: 6:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross on Friday.
- **FAST** from suspicion; feast on seeing the good.
- **LEARN** about **Lebanon**, a country in Western Asia, bordered by Syria to the north and east and Israel to the south. Population: 4,131,583. Size: 4,015 sq. miles; about ¾ the size of Connecticut. Lebanon has substantial economic strengths but is marked by dramatic inequalities and deep sectarian rivalries that are the source of recurring political instability. Since the unrest in neighboring Syria began in March 2011, about 1,000,000 Syrians have fled their homes and sought refuge in Lebanon. The flow of refugees continues to increase with daily border crossings, adding to Lebanon’s internal political tensions and localized sectarian clashes. Visit crsricebowl.org to watch a video and learn more about CRS work in Lebanon.
- **GIVE**. Use the calendar entries below to guide your Lenten almsgiving.*

WHAT YOU GIVE UP FOR LENT CHANGES LIVES.

<p>SUNDAY, MARCH 15</p> <p>4TH WEEK OF LENT</p> <p>As we travel to Lebanon, join Catholics across the United States in FASTING from all snacks this week. How much will this week’s FAST raise for those in need?</p> <p>READ THIS WEEK’S STORY OF HOPE AND START YOUR JOURNEY TO LEBANON!</p>	<p>MONDAY, MARCH 16</p> <p>CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING</p> <p><i>Option for the Poor</i></p> <p>Jesus tells us to care for those who are most in need in the world. He reminds us of our Christian duty to give a voice to those who go unheard and to help those who are most vulnerable.</p>	<p>TUESDAY, MARCH 17</p> <p>STATION 8:</p> <p>Jesus Comforts the Women</p> <p>More than 1 million Syrian refugees are seeking comfort in Lebanon. Most of these refugees are women and children. GIVE 25¢ to your CRS Rice Bowl for each person who has comforted you this week.</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18</p> <p>THE WORD OF GOD</p> <p>READ Matthew 25:31-46</p> <p><i>“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.”</i></p> <p>Jesus helps all who are in need. GIVE 25¢ to your CRS Rice Bowl for every time you received help today.</p>
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<p>THURSDAY, MARCH 19</p> <p>STATION 9:</p> <p>Jesus Falls the Third Time</p> <p>Refugees have to leave almost everything they own when they flee their homes, bringing only what they can carry. How much can you carry using only your hands? GIVE 25¢ to your CRS Rice Bowl for each thing you can carry.</p>	<p>FRIDAY, MARCH 20</p> <p>A SIMPLE MEAL</p> <p>Chickpeas are a staple ingredient in Mediterranean recipes. SHARE a simple Lebanese meal with your family by trying this week’s recipe for Fattet Laban. PRAY together for those in Lebanon who are hungry. GIVE the money you saved by sharing this meal to your CRS Rice Bowl.</p> <p><i>Use the CRS Rice Bowl app to calculate your meal savings!</i></p>	<p>SATURDAY, MARCH 21</p> <p>THOUGHTS FROM THE POPES</p> <p><i>“The nations of the world are becoming more and more dependent on one another and it will not be possible to preserve a lasting peace so long as glaring economic and social imbalances persist.”</i></p> <p>—St. John XXIII</p>
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*Further enhance your Lenten Journey by using the meatless Lenten recipes and reading the stories of hope found on the complete calendar which came with your rice bowl!

Rice bowls are to be returned on Palm Sunday or during Holy Week.

St. Cletus School News



DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Musical..... March 18, 19, 20
 No School..... March 23
 All-School Mass, Feast of the Annunciation ... March 25

FOR INFORMATION OR SCHEDULE A TOUR

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Celebrating Dr. Seuss Day

We did an author study on Dr. Seuss to celebrate his March 2nd birthday. As we always tell the children, his books are PERFECT for kindergarten children. Be sure to always have a Dr. Seuss book available at home!

Just recently Dr. Seuss' widow found some manuscripts for books that Seuss had not yet published. In July, one of these manuscripts will be published into a book called, "What Pet Should I Get?"

Creative Cardinals

Six fifth grade students from St. Cletus had an entry selected to be included in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Poster, Poetry and Prose Contest. Nicole Annella is a Top Award winner. Special recognition awards went to Beth Bourjaily, Sydney Powell and Talia DeGroot. Honorable Mentions were awarded to Emma Cassidy and Caroline Hart. These students are invited to the awards presentation and opening of Transportation and Air Pollution... What Are the Green Solutions? Exhibit in Springfield next month. Top finalists will be presented with a ribbon and certificate of achievement. Top winners will receive an additional award. We are so proud of these creative, environmentally aware students!



Girl Scouts Collecting Clothing

Our 6th grade Girl Scouts recently completed a service project where they partnered up with the Notre Dame football team. Working together, they were able to collect over 2,000 school items and clothing for school kids in the Dominican Republic.



Exploring Oceans in Preschool

While walking down the halls of early education wing you may have heard some crashing waves and seagulls. No need to worry, it was just our preschoolers enjoying an ocean theme for the week.

SOMEONE YOU SHOULD KNOW



Irish by birth-Bohemian by marriage; Illinois Bell telephone employee and Village clerk-by profession; Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Great-grandmother by vocation; and most importantly, devoted Catholic-by faith. That doesn't begin to describe Alice Fitzgerald Katzmarek, but it gives us a glimpse of someone you do or should know. Alice's origins can be traced to St. Bernard's Hospital, St. Lawrence Parish and Loretta Academy on the Southside of Chicago. These places no longer exist but they left their mark on Alice. She was an only child whose mother died at a young age. Alice attributes her devotion to her faith and her business acumen to her grandmother who taught her "how to make a May altar to Mary, as well as, how to make a nickel go 5 ways, how to pay bills and how to climb trees." Alice met her beloved husband, Abraham (who coincidentally was born on Lincoln's birthday) on a blind date. It obviously worked out as they were married for 33 years, raised 5 children and started a business in Hodgkins. Alice still resides in their family home. In 1982, Abraham suffered a fatal heart-attack. It was then that Father Gallagher stepped into her life and she into the life of St. Cletus Parish. Fr. Gallagher was vigilant with the family, anointing Abraham and comforting the family. Fr. Gallagher invited Alice to become involved in the parish and that was the beginning of Alice's commitment to her "second family"- the parishioners of St. Cletus.

For more than 20 years, Alice has arrived early to open the church doors for the weekday Mass. She has been President of the Leisure Loafers, led the Rosary before Mass, ordered, exchanged and stocked the vigil lights faithfully. Alice takes her ministry seriously, keeping watch that the vigil lights are allowed to burn to the last flicker of a flame. She respects the intentions people have in lighting candles as an offering of their prayers to God. It should be noted that this is a task that takes hours and requires some heavy lifting. Realizing that perhaps it is time to turn some of this service over to others, Alice is retiring from the candle ministry but you will still see her friendly face at daily Mass. This mother of 5, grandmother of 7 and great-grandmother of 4, who has been an election judge for 35 years, continues to share her gifts by being a "Reading Friend" to the 1st graders at Hodgkins Elementary School helping them discover the joy of reading. Alice reflects all that is welcoming about St. Cletus. Her attitude is always positive: "keep your head up and keep going; thank God for the gift of health – something money can't buy; (and a message for all to live by), we are here to help each other". Definitely, Someone You Should Know.



SAINT CLETUS PARISH
Living our Faith, Building our Future.



For those who are a member of the Capital Campaign committee, have been a member of the committee or would like to be part of the committee; there will be a meeting on **Wednesday, March 18, at 7:00 p.m.** in the parish rectory. Please bring a friend along – let's brainstorm together so we can see the new parish center come to life!





MAHALO!

*Thank you to all of
the school, parish, and
community members*

*who helped make the 2015 Lei'd Back
Luau a great success!*

*Your support was so very much
appreciated! "*

*Jim & Nikki Gorman Tim & Jen O'Brien
2015 Auction Co-Chairs*

COMPASSIONATE CARE MINISTRY NEEDS HELP!

- 1) We are looking for 2 additional volunteers to assist bereaved families plan funeral Masses. This requires meeting with them for an hour or so in the rectory or at their home (usually during the day) and going through the liturgy. Training is provided. All you need is a compassionate personality!
- 2) We are looking for 2 additional volunteers to offer prayers at the vigils (usually at 7:00 p.m.), this task lasts around 15 minutes, and again training will be provided.

For all these ministry positions the frequency of being called upon will be about every two/three weeks.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact: Dcn. Stuart Heyes at (630) 842-3967 (Cell) or email: sheyes@stcletusparish.com.

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL PRESENTS... DISNEY 'S ALADDIN

Where: Morrissey Hall

When: March 18 @ 4pm
March 19 @ 7pm
March 20 @ 7pm

Tickets: \$6 per person

If seats are still available, you may purchase tickets and attend the performance that day. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show. Questions? Contact Amy Cranny at (708) 354-1812 or acranny7@yahoo.com.

Thank you to our St. Cletus Parish Preferred Providers



Thank you to the following St. Cletus Parish providers. Your patronage to the vendors would be greatly appreciated.

Adolf Funeral Home & Cremation Services

(630) 325-2300

Adventist Hinsdale Hospital

(630) 856-9000

Adventist La Grange Memorial Hospital

(708) 245-9000

All Around Amusement

(815) 725-2323

Annella Family

Bannerville USA, Inc.

(630) 455-0304

CJ Wilson Mazda of Countryside

(708) 354-2700

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage/Dave Sipek

(708) 352-4840

Friends of the Capital Campaign

Hallowell & James Funeral Home

(708) 352-6500

JH Web Marketing, Inc.

(708) 352-7417

Bill Jacobs Land Rover Hinsdale

(630) 615-5712

Lumes Pancake House/Bona Pit/Klapsis Family

(773) 233-2323

Royal Envelope

(773) 376-1212

R.W.S. Landscaping & Lawncare

(708) 489-6333

Southwest Town Mechanical

(708) 460-7330

Mark & Margaret Bentley

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(630) 660-3558

Lagunitas Brewing Co.

Ledo's Pizza

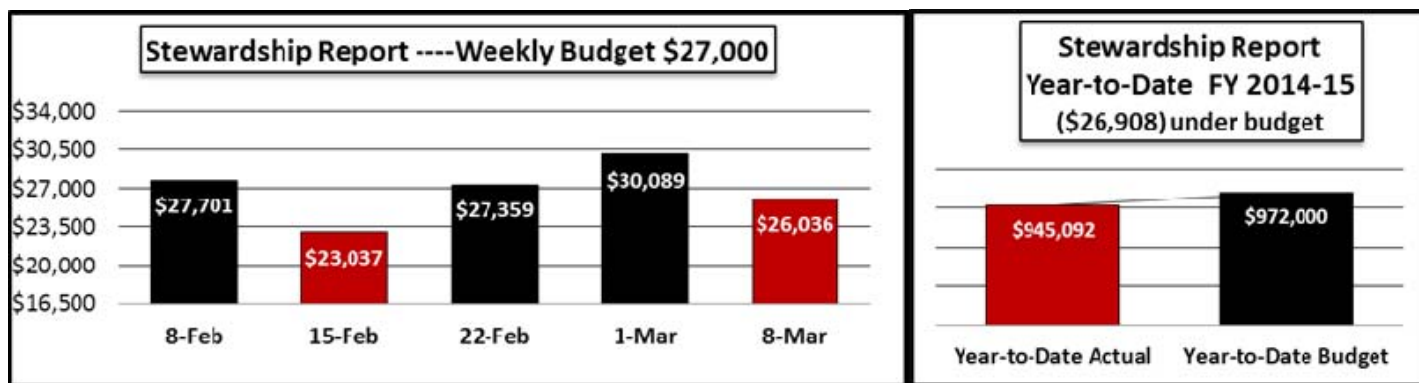
(708) 354-4500

El Patron A Modern Taqueria

(773) 677-0629


Windy City Music

(708) 588-0001



“FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON...” JOHN 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we be generous in making some sacrifices for Him.

WEEK AT A GLANCE			
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
Sunday, March 15			
Monday, March 16	3:45 p.m.	C	Junior Choir Girls Grades 5-8
Tuesday, March 17, 2015	6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	S-200 S-202	YM Teen Advisory Board Hispanic Ministry Men’s Prayer Grou[
Wednesday, March 18	9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	RB MH C S-98 S-213	Mission Ladies Aladdin School Play Lenten Mass CREDO BIBLE Study FSA Meeting
Thursday, March 19	2:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	C S-Music S-213 MH S-Music	School Stations Children’s Choir Girls Grades 3-4 SVDP Meeting Aladdin School Play Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 20 1st Day of Spring 	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:45 p.m.	S-98 S-200 C C	CREDO Passion Movie Meditation on the Stations of the Cross Stations Benediction following Passion Movie
Saturday, March 21	9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	S-201/202/213 C-Narthex/E	Hispanic Lenten Retreat Holy Name Pancake Ticket Pre-Sale
Sunday, March 22	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	C-Narthex/E C S-98 RB	Holy Name Pancake Ticket Pre-Sale Family Mass Hospitality for Family Mass Ministry of Care Meeting
C...Church Narthex...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-12:30 p.m.

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

DEPARTMENT

POSITION

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Chris Bourjaily
Chris McLean

FSA President
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Tech Comm Liaison

BULLETIN ARTICLES

The deadline for Canticle article submission is 5:00 p.m. Friday, one full week prior to Sunday's publication. Articles may be submitted electronically to pdrobny@stcletusparish.com.