

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

IS LIKE A LANDOWNER WHO WENT OUT AT DAWN
TO HIRE LABORERS FOR HIS VINEYARD.

— Matthew 20:1

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WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- SEPT. 24: St. Cletus School Homecoming
- OCT. 14-15: Ken Baker & Friends presents "Heart and Music"
- OCT. 21: St. Cletus School Choose Kindness 5K
St. Cletus Parish Family Potluck



Mass Intentions for the Week of September 25 - October 1, 2017

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Ted Dunbar, Helen Callaghan
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Vieceli
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	John McGrath, Beverly Gutierrez, Maria H. Pavon
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Marilyn Matesevac
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Marilyn Matesevac
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Cletus Priests, Past and Present Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp
Sunday	Fr. Clark Fr. Gamboa Fr. Gamboa Fr. Clark Fr. Ngwila	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners Adam & Marie Pietrzak, Ricciardone & Calandriello Families, Robinson & Hart Families Stacy Baker, Helen Callaghan, Kathleen Schiller Gene Kennedy, Arthur Quinn, Jeanette Brandstedt Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THEIR FAMILIES...

Therese Mulcahy Usher

William P. Pavlecic

Daniel McNeeley

Italo Quagliani

Harry Joseph Bailey

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 3 months.

September

Fernando Cabral, Connie Monzel, Jeanine Rapp,
Maria Elena Serrano, Ginny Skibbe

August

Carol Wittowski

July

Ann Smith-Walls, Frank Colonna, Diane O'Rourke, Jenna Zimmerman, Emily Devine, Catherine Troyner, Frank Colonna, Patricia Rodey, Alice Katzmarek, Baby William Eric Anderson, Otto Stuckman, Laura Terrazino, Gerda E. Dorzo, Maryann Scalise, Kris Kahn, Peter May, Frank Niwa

Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND

Forming Priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago



This weekend there will be a second collection for the Seminarian Education Fund. This fund provides support for the training and education of men studying for the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago. The fund helps to cover the cost to educate each Archdiocesan seminarian as they proceed through the various stages of formation before ordination as a priest.

Please support the men seeking to answer God's call to a life of service as a priest.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

An ancient philosopher wrote that there is an art to being generous. If people have the resources to be generous, they can do so without vulgar showing off, or making those who receive their generosity feel patronized. People who are truly generous are those who do not value money itself, but only in as much as they can spend it usefully on others.

There are also two contrasting sorts of character. One is the prodigal person who spends money foolishly, like the son in the parable. The other is the miser, who hoards money, and even steals the goods of others. The character Harpagon in the play *THE MISER*, by the seventeenth-century French playwright Molière, is such a person. He defrauds his own horses of their oats, and instead of “giving” people a good day, he “lends” them a good day.

There is also an art to receiving. We can receive presents, or help, or a compliment, graciously. Or we can be ungrateful, sullen and resentful. Even worse, we can resent the good things that come to others, and be eaten up with envy. The same ancient philosopher, Aristotle, defined envy as “a kind of distress at apparent success on the part of one’s equals”. It is, then, feeling put out, or even bitter, at the good that happens to other people, especially people close to us, or of the same group. The ancient world had a special term for this: it was called the “evil eye”.

This is exactly the phrase used in the Greek of today’s Gospel reading. At the end of the story, the landowner asks the grumbling worker, “have you got the evil eye because I am generous?” In Mark’s Gospel, Jesus lists the “evil eye” as one of the things that come out of people to make them unclean. There was much superstition attached to this phrase, but in the New Testament it is a vivid image for intense envy and resentment. This was thought to show itself in people’s looks, just as we might say “green with envy”.

So in the Gospel reading we have the contrast of the generosity of the landowner and the envious reaction of the laborers. We might see the landowner as representing God, and the workers as the people of the Old Testament. The Jewish people had labored under the law of Moses for many centuries, and now that Jesus was also bringing in the Gentiles to be saved, some of them felt a certain resentment. Certainly Paul’s letters show us that there were disputes between Jewish Christians and those who were converted from paganism. Such tensions would be natural in the formation of a new society. Perhaps the parable is a warning against being blinded by tensions

such as this.

But the parable has a wider application than the early Church. We may at times react against the injustice that we see in the world, and often we are right to do so. There is a proper sense of indignation when we see a real injustice done. However, as far as our relations with God go, we have no cause for envy. Like the landowner in the parable, God bestows gifts to people according to the divine will, and everyone has been given some gift. The basic gift is, of course, life. Without that, we would have nothing either to moan about or to rejoice in. As St. Paul asks the Corinthians in this regard, “What do you have that was not given to you?”

Envy of other people’s money, good looks, fame, or even spiritual gifts, does nothing except to corrode the character of the person doing the envying. Thinking about the gifts we have been given ourselves, and being grateful for them, is more positive and more gracious. We can also rejoice in the gifts that God gives to others. As members of the Church, we are all part of the same body, and can therefore share in each other’s gifts. So rather than begrudging God’s generosity or moaning about what we don’t have, we can bear in mind the words of Blessed John Newman: “God has created me to do him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which he has not committed to another. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do his work.”

With a Generous Spirit,



**Fr. Bob
Pastor**



Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

St. Cletus HomecomingSeptember 24
 D4D Event at Brookfield Ale House.....September 27
 Choose Kindness 5K.....October 21

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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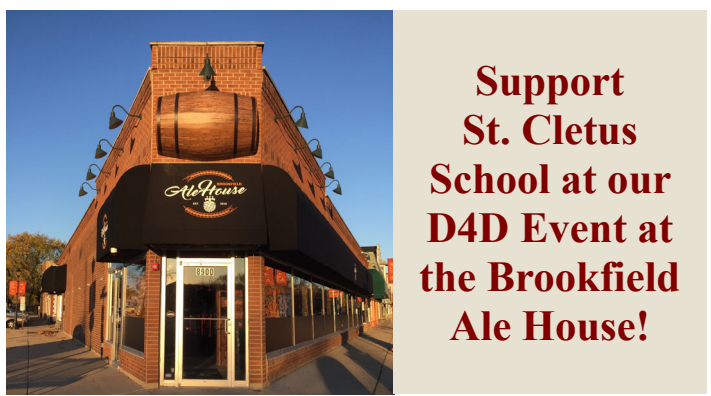


Hurricane Victim Support

With the stories of struggles for those affected by the recent hurricanes in the news, St. Cletus School’s Student Council wanted to added dress down days with all the proceeds going towards Catholic Charities support of victims. Our school students raised over \$2300 to help support the victims. Thinking of others and how to serve our community are some of the many ways St. Cletus students grow in their Catholic Identity.

Coed Cross Country Meet

The St. Cletus School Cross Country team traveled Marmion Academy in Aurora for the annual Co-ed Meet. This cross-country meet is a bit different than others because it groups runners in grades by if they earned a ribbon in past meets. This gives the top boy and girl runners a chance to compete head to head while also allowing runners that have not earned a ribbon in a meet this fun opportunity.



**Support
 St. Cletus
 School at our
 D4D Event at
 the Brookfield
 Ale House!**

Mums Available after Masses!

This weekend, the 8th grade class will be selling mums and decorative cabbages from Hinsdale Nursery following all of the masses. There is a limited supply available for \$10 each. The mum colors are white, gold, orange, maroon and purple. Thank you for supporting our 8th grade class!

D4D on Wednesday 9/27

Join us in our upcoming D4D (Dining for Dollars) fundraiser at Brookfield Ale House located at 8900 Fairview Ave, Brookfield, 60513. St. Cletus School will receive a 20% donation from all purchases made on Wednesday, September 27, from 4-9pm. No flyer is required. Please invite your family and friends. We hope to see everyone there!

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



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September 2017

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate the seminarians of the Archdiocese of Chicago through our second collection. By offering our financial support we provide these young men with the critical education and training they need to shepherd our parishes and administer the sacraments. Last year, more than \$978,000 was collected and I am thankful for your past and present support.

Pope Francis reminds us that, *"The Church and the world need mature and balanced priests, intrepid and generous Pastors, capable of closeness, of listening and mercy."* There are currently 54 seminarians preparing for a life of service as your future parish priests. Our seminarians' motivation and enthusiasm in their pursuit to answer God's call is inspiring. They are the future guides for the spiritual and intellectual formation of our Catholic communities and are well deserving of our prayers and financial support.

Contributions made to this collection alleviate monthly expenses such as tuition and fees (\$1,672), room and board (\$638), and health insurance (\$171) for each seminarian and will be used solely for the formation of new priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago. You may utilize the remittance envelopes provided to your parish or should you find it more convenient, feel free to contribute online through our website at www.archchicago.org/seminarianfund.

For your generous support in the past and for your consideration of support again this year, I thank you. May God continue to bless you abundantly. Please know that I keep you in my daily prayers and intentions, and I ask for yours in return.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Card. Blase J. Cupich".

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Tuna
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Tomatoes
- Dry Pinto Beans
- Canned Meat
- \$10 Jewel Gift Cards

Donations can be dropped off before or after masses or anytime daily between 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex.

Please note that the Saint Cletus Food Pantry can only accept food items. We can not accept clothing or other household items.



ARE YOU IN AN UNHEALTHY RELATIONSHIP OR ARE YOU AFRAID IN YOUR OWN HOME?

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP: 708.485.5254

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Our next monthly food distribution is on October 12 and we are busy making up the 200+ bags needed. Remember, it's as easy as 1-2-3 to make a difference by donating non-perishables to the pantry.

1. When you go to the grocery store this week, just pick up an item or two for the Food Pantry.
2. Pick something from our "most needed at this time" list (on the left side of the bulletin)
3. Drop off your donations in the designated food bins in the Church narthex when you come to Mass over the weekend or daily 7:45 AM – 4:00 PM.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE ST. CLETUS ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CONFERENCE SEPT 30/OCT 1

OUR NEIGHBORS NEED OUR HELP

On the weekend of September 30/ October 1 there will be a second collection to help support our neighbors through the work of the St. Cletus St. Vincent DePaul Conference. Last year, through your generous support, we were able to help over fifty individuals and their families with emergency needs such as housing, electricity, heat and cooling, transportation, food and clothing. According to a recent Tribune article, the number of poor in the suburbs is increasing and they need our help. Please be generous again. Thank you and God Bless.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Archdiocesan Mass for Victims of Domestic Violence

The Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry Invites you to the 2nd Archdiocesan-wide Mass on Domestic Violence

On Saturday, September 30, 2017 Cardinal Cupich will preside and preach at the 5:15 pm Mass to End Domestic Violence at Holy Name Cathedral. Those attending will pray for victims, their children and for perpetrators. We especially invite members of local domestic violence ministries to participate. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall.

This is the second annual Mass to gather archdiocesan ministries in prayer, as we celebrate efforts to eliminate domestic violence in our communities.

Prayers to End Domestic Violence

The Domestic Violence ministries of St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross parishes invite you to join us in an ecumenical prayer service for victims and families who have been impacted by domestic abuse. Prayer and song will be highlighted by a survivor story. The service will be held Tuesday, Oct 3 at 7:00pm in St. Francis Xavier Church.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
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AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION

If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Social Concerns Ministry contact Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

Monthly Domestic Violence Support Group

If you or someone close to you is experiencing domestic violence this group may be very helpful. The objective of the group is to provide all a chance to talk about domestic violence and share questions, concerns and experiences with others who are facing - or who have faced - similar situations in confidence.

Please contact Kendall Grant by emailing kgrant@stcletusparish.com or call 708.215.5418 for more information.

*In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local 24 hour hotline for Pillars, found in the purple box in the to the far left. **You are not alone.***

CROP WALK

**Sunday,
October 15**

Registration 12:30

Walk begins 1:15



Please mark your calendars and gather with friends, family, and neighbors to join in the annual La Grange area CROP Hunger Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) on Sunday, October 15. The walk begins at First Congregational Church (100 6th Ave, La Grange, IL 60525)

If we have walkers, our food pantry benefits directly from this walk, receiving canned goods and a generous check. Please help us make this year's CROP Walk successful! Online registration and donation info will be made available soon. Please contact Kendall with any questions.

MISSION LADIES NEWSLETTER

News of our starting up Missions after a long summer of 4 months hiatus, and moving into our new quarters. It is said we could be in by Wednesday Oct 4, 2017. Many thanks, for the ladies who did Mission work at home during the summer. We are on our way now - hopefully this date is correct. For more info please contact Dolores Scaletta 708-839-9605

WORD OF LIFE

“The Church’s teaching on marital sexuality is an invitation ... to receive the gift of God’s love and care, and to let this gift inform and transform us, so we may share that love with each other and with the world.”

- USCCB, “Married Love and the Gift of Life,” © 2006,
<https://goo.gl/eKhtav>



RESPECT LIFE LIFE CHAIN

LIFE CHAIN

October 1st 2017

Sunday 2:30-3:30

[Ogden at LaGrange Rd]

What really is it?

What is “*Life Chain*”? It is that spectacular event that annually draws the attention of hundreds of thousands of Americans.

The concept is simple, the effect stunning.

People of all ages and faiths stand reverently in silent prayer, for one hour along a major street or highway, holding signs that proclaim the importance of human life.

Always held the first Sunday in October, *The Life Chain* is a visual statement by the Christian community that it supports the sanctity of human life. Uniform signs (no graphic depictions) are provided for participants, so the overall impression is one of solidarity in belief and purpose.

The Sunday of October 1st in Illinois there are dozens of chains. The Saint Cletus Chain begins at LaGrange Road & West On the South Side of Ogden, Saint Barbara chain begins at Prairie and Ogden, The Saint John of the Cross Chain begins at Wolf Road, St. Isaac Jogues at York Road, all along Ogden Avenue

Joining us are parishes in Brookfield, La Grange, Hinsdale, LaGrange Park, Western Springs, Riverside, and many parishes all over metropolitan Chicago and **2000 across the USA.**

For more information check on chain sites at LifeChain.Net. or call Marianne & Wayne Hamilton at 708 525-7458 so please come and join us for one prayerful hour.

All you have to do is show up--- signs provided.

LIFE CHAIN

2:30-3:30

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st 2017

[And there is no Bear’s game Sunday October 1st...
so come & join us]

Youth Ministry

KAIROS 27 REGISTRATION OPEN!



Kairos 27 will take place November 2-5, 2017. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. This experience is open to

high school juniors and seniors.

The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration! Registration requested by Tuesday, September 26th or until full!

BONFIRE KICK-OFF



Our new year of ministry will begin with a bonfire for all high school teens on Sunday, October 1st from 6:30-7:30pm in the St. Cletus courtyard. Come visit with friends, roast some marshmallows, and hear about what youth ministry can offer you throughout the year ahead!

ENCOUNTER REGISTRATION CONTINUES



Now that school has started, it is time to think about how you can fit reflection and rejuvenation into your routine ! As plans take shape for the upcoming school year, consider joining Encounter. In the midst of busy schedules and heavy workloads, it can be even more important to take time to stop and reflect about God’s role in your life and to share these experiences with others. Groups will gather to serve our local communities in various ways throughout the year as a way to live out our faith. Stay tuned for details, and contact Elizabeth to get on the email list for regular updates!

FRETUS IDENTITY RETREAT REGISTRATION COMING SOON

This year, St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross will all combine efforts to offer a retreat to all freshmen and sophomores ! This retreat takes place January 12-14th, 2018 and is sure to be a fun-filled time of games and outdoor winter fun as well as a time of deep reflection and connection with peers to allow teens to become more aware of the way God is working in their lives! Stay tuned for registration details to be shared soon!

CHURCH LEAGUE COACHES NEEDED



Church League basketball allows high school students to play competitive basketball against other area churches. Registration for boys’ teams typically begins in early October. So far, we only have one of eight coaches needed. Each team needs two coaches who establish full compliance with Protecting God’s Children. If you are interested in helping with this fun ministry, contact Elizabeth. Registration for players begins in late September. Registration for teams may not open until coach positions are filled !

HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you love working with kids ? The St. Cletus Religious Education program is looking for volunteers to serve as classroom aides for the RE classes on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings. Contact Barb Campbell, DRE, for more info ! bcampbell@stcletusparish.com

SAVE THE DATE : CROP WALK



The annual CROP walk takes place on Sunday, October 15th at 1 pm to support the food pantries of LaGrange, Western Springs, and Brookfield. All area churches will work together to raise awareness and funds to support the hungry. Bring your friends and join us as we walk to raise awareness about those who who hungry and raise funds to support the hungry both locally and globally. Contact Elizabeth for registration details!

For more information about St. Cletus Youth Ministry Programs: Elizabeth Tomasek, Youth Ministry etomasek@stcletusparish.com (708) 215-5419 www.stcletusparish.com/youth

Sunday Notes

CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Turn to the LORD, who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalm — The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel — The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
 Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
 Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
 Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;
 Lk 9:43b-45
 Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5];
 Mt 21:28-32

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Tuesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
 Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul
 Thursday: St. Wenceslaus;
 St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions
 Friday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,
 Archangels;
 Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement)
 begins at sunset
 Saturday: St. Jerome

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Along with the reform of the Roman Canon and the redrafting of an ancient Roman prayer in Eucharistic Prayer II, two additional prayers were announced in 1969. Eucharistic Prayer III is a fresh composition. Like Eucharistic Prayer II, it has no preface of its own, but the presider chooses from a long menu of possible prefaces to become part of the prayer on a particular occasion. Also, like Eucharistic Prayer II it has a way to insert the name of the deceased in Masses for the dead such as funerals and memorials. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* views Eucharistic Prayer III as the best substitute for Eucharistic Prayer I on Sundays and feasts.

In practice, this prayer is used very often at Sunday Mass, and its texts are familiar to all members of the assembly. In this prayer, notice that the priest extends his hands over the gifts and calls down the Holy Spirit to change them into the Body and Blood of Christ. This call of the Holy Spirit is called the *epiclesis*, and Eastern Christians consider it to be the consecration. Latin Christians have long considered the "institution narrative" to be the consecration. Partly in response to a deep sensitivity to the East, the reformers took care to structure all our new prayers with a strong *epiclesis*. The poetry and images of Eucharistic Prayer III are fruitful sources of meditation. Why not take a sentence or two into your private prayer?

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

EDUCATION

Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army.

—Edward Everett



Turn to the LORD for mercy;
 to our God, who is generous in forgiving.

— Isaiah 55:7b

Other Ministry Notes

A NOTE FROM DEACON STUART

Dear Parish Family,

Every year, the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago come together to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. We do this with a dinner and a fund-raising event. This is our sole fundraiser of the year and it will take place on October 8.

Monies raised at the St. Francis Dinner support the following activities: several charities that serve the poorest and most marginalized (orphans, the mentally ill, the homeless, and the recovering), continuing theological and ministerial education for deacons and wives, a mutual aid fund for deacons in need, and operating funds for the Diaconate Council.

This year, I am asking if you'd be interested in purchasing a raffle ticket, or booklet. The tickets are \$5 each, or 6 for \$25. The first prize is \$1,000. There is also 1 \$500 winner, 2 \$100, and 6 \$50 winners.

If you'd be interested in taking a chance (winner need not be present!) and purchasing a ticket (or book), please let me know. I have raffle tickets and will either get them to you – or you can mail me a check, and I will complete the raffle ticket information for you.

We also host a silent auction and are always looking for donations. Perhaps you have tickets to a sporting event or play you'd be willing to donate. We are a nonprofit organization and, accordingly, donations should qualify as a charitable donation.

Thank you for your support of the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago. We truly are blessed to be part of the St Cletus Community.

Please call me at 630 842 3967 or e-mail me at if you are interested.

Thank you again! God bless you all!
Deacon Stuart & Marlene Heyes

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Ushers – Ministers of Hospitality

Lectors – Proclaimers of the Word

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – Assist with the distribution of the Eucharist

Altar Servers – Assist the priest at Mass

Learn more about serving in any of these roles. Schedules and training are flexible. Call Paulette Bolton – 708 215-5422 or e-mail pbolton@stcletusparish.com.

INVITATION FROM DEACON CASAS

Join us for an Hour of Prayer:

«Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction with the Holy Sacrament»

Every Tuesday of the Month

Come to the “Holy Hour” from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

After the “Holy Hour” you are invited to pray with us during
“La Hora Santa en Español”

“Hora Santa” todos los Martes de 7:00 a 8:00 p.m.

«Meditación, Rosario y Bendición con el Santísimo»

ST. CLETUS CHOOSE KINDNESS 5K RUN

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Saturday, October 21, 2017

100 Yard Dash: 7:45 a.m. Open to children age 7 and under.

1 Mile Run: Immediately following 100 Yard Dash. Open to children age 11 and under.

5K Run/Walk: 8:15 a.m. Race open to all runners and walkers.

Race starts and ends on Waiola Avenue between 53rd and 54th Streets.

For more information and to register please visit www.stcletusschool.com. \$15 entry fee for each race before October 19; \$20 after. Includes a t-shirt to the first 300 registrants.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT TO SUPPORT KITS FOR KIDS

Hello, my name is James Ramicone and I am a St Cletus Alum from the class of 2014. I am currently working on my Eagle Scout project which involves collecting first aid and personal toiletry items for children in developing countries. The initiative is called Kits for Kids, which is run by the charity Project C.U.R.E. I will be placing collection bins in the Narthex for this weekend and next, in hopes of collecting the items need for each kit. Needed items are as follows: Acetaminophen OR Ibuprofen (Jr. or 200 mg. tablets), Box of Adhesive Bandages, Triple Antibiotic Ointment, 1% Hydrocortisone Cream, Toothbrushes (min. 4), Hand sanitizer (travel-sized), Elastic Bandage, Comb, Facial Tissues (travel-sized), Blunt Scissors, Tweezers, Bar Soap, Nail Clippers (no manicure sets please).

Parents of St Cletus students: I will have a contest to see

which class can collect the most items for my project. The winning class will receive a special treat at lunch. Details to be sent home in Wednesday envelope.

MASS AT THE LA GRANGE HOSPITAL



Come and join us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and to pray for the sick every Wednesday at 11:30am in the Chapel of La Grange Memorial Hospital.

Thanks and Blessings, Fr. Lorenzo

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on October 10 in Room 102 of the education building. The book that will be discussed is **1984** by **George Orwell**.

For those who like to plan ahead, here is the book list for the coming few months:

December 12 – *The Good Girl* by Mary Kubica

February 13 – *The Lilac Girls* by Martha Kelly

April 10 – *Colony* by Anne R. Siddons

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK

Saturday, October 21

6:00 p.m.

Parish Center



The St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women (CCW) invites you (singles welcome) and/or your family (children welcome) to bring your favorite dish (to serve 8-10 people) and join us for an evening of good food and friendship in the new Parish Center. We are looking for salads (tossed green, pasta, fruit) "side dishes" (veggies including potatoes), desserts, gluten free dishes, or whatever you think would go well with a main dish, which we will provide.

We'd like to know how many to plan for and also make sure we'll have a well-rounded meal, so we are asking you to contact us with the following information: your name, names of other family members accompanying you, what you have selected to bring, and either your email or telephone number for follow up by our committee. To make your reservation, be sure to take one of the yellow cards available after church and complete all the information. Return the cards to the box provided in the

narthex or bring the completed card to the rectory. You may also make your reservation by using the email or telephone listed below. To volunteer to help with the event, ask questions, including options for those who can't bring a prepared dish, please email stcletuspotluck@gmail.com or call 708-246-5509.

This won't be a success without you! Come join us!

FLU SHOTS OCTOBER 8TH



Flu season is here and Osco Pharmacy will hold a flu clinic in Morrissey Hall on Sunday Oct 8th from 7:30 to 12:30 so feel free to stop in before or after mass to get your flu shot. Medicare part B covers the vaccine at no charge. Pneumonia vaccine will also be available if you are not up to date on this immunization. As an incentive a 10% Jewel grocery coupon will be given to everybody who receives immunization. For more information stop by Osco drug across the street and speak with Presley.

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES

One year ago, we asked you to join us as we introduced the Ed Ward Fine Arts Series. Our evolution toward independence culminated in an incredibly successful year; your consistent support provides confidence for the future of our series. We cannot begin to thank our donors, supporters, audience and performers. Your gifts of time and resources are deeply appreciated.



We are thrilled to invite you to another new beginning! On Saturday, October 14th and Sunday, October 15th we will present the inaugural musical performance in Fr. Clark Hall at the brand new St. Cletus Parish Center! Along with many of you, we have worked to support the completion of this beautiful building for many years and we are thrilled to christen this space with "Ken Baker and Friends presents HEART AND MUSIC."

This concert will be free of charge and will feature our parish musicians, singers and choir members alongside professional guests. Reserve your seats now at <https://tinyurl.com/kenandfriends>.

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5:00p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication. Thank you!

Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN

Joyful Again! Program for Widowed Men and Women



There will be a retreat/workshop

October 28 & 29, 2017 - Batavia

November 11 & 12, 2017- Lemont

Feeling “stuck”? Need something to help you as you try to become whole again after the loss of your spouse? Come and see how to make inroads into your new life. Incls. overnight and meals. Space limited - register early.

Joyful Again Widowed Ministry 708-354-7211
joyfulagain7211@gmail.com www.joyfulagain.org

LEGACY GUILD



Sponsorship opportunities, Bags Tourney and Dinner tickets are available for The Legacy Guild Fall Golf Outing Sept 29th at La Grange CC. Donation of raffle prizes would also be appreciated!

Help provide college scholarships for local students who have lost a parent. More info at <http://www.thelegacyguild.com/>. Contact Tim Sullivan 708-205-0207 or Bob Bock 708-646-9047

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Seasons of Hope Grief Support

Monday Evenings (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)
Oct 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27

‘Seasons of Hope’ is a six-session support ministry designed to help participants navigate the grieving process facilitated by experienced, caring adults who are familiar with the grief process. Registration www.stjohnofthecross.org/grief-ministry (708)246-4404 ext. 137

Divorce and Beyond Support

Thursday Evenings (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)
Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec 7, 14, 21

The Divorce and Beyond process provides emotional and spiritual support to those who have experienced divorce or those in the dissolution process. Register online at www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond. Cost: \$10

Disclaimer: ‘Seasons of Hope’ and ‘Divorce and Beyond’ support groups are not intended to provide or replace professional counseling or individual therapy.

Information is also available in the St. Cletus Narthex.

St. John of the Cross Parish Center - 5005 Wolf Rd. Western Springs



LOYOLA HOSPICE BEREAVEMENT GROUP



JOURNEY TOWARD HEALING

Grief & Bereavement Support Groups

Spouse/Partner Grief Group

Mondays: Sept 11th – Oct 16th 7 - 8:30 PM Location: Gottlieb Professional Building, Lower Level, Rm C, 701 W North, Melrose Park

Day Grief Group

Wednesdays: Sept 13th - Oct 18th 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Location: Divine Infant of Jesus Church Rectory, 1601 Newcastle, Westchester

Evening Grief Group

Mondays: Oct 30th – Dec 4th 7 - 8:30 PM

Parental Loss Grief Group

Mondays: Jan 8th – Feb 12th 7 - 8:30 PM

To register or if you have questions, contact our Bereavement Coordinator Chaplain Dave Melzer at 773-570-6606 damelzer@lumc.edu

CATHOLIC IMPACT GROUP

What does it mean in practice to be a value-based leader, living our faith in the secular world? Please join the Catholic Impact Group for a networking opportunity and presentations by 3 entrepreneurs and how they weave their faith into managing their businesses, their customers, employees and stakeholders. The event will be held on Friday, 9/29/2017 from 7am-9am at the Drake Hotel in Oak Brook. For more information, or to sign up, go to www.catholicimpactgroup.com.

ALVERNIA ALUMNAE FALL GATHERING

On Sunday, November 5, 2017 the Alvernia Alumnae Association will hold its Annual Fall Gathering at Our Lady, Mother of the Church, 8701 West Lawrence Ave, Chicago, IL 60656. Memorial Mass at 3:00 p.m. followed by light refreshments and visiting.

SPIRITO! SINGERS AUDITIONS

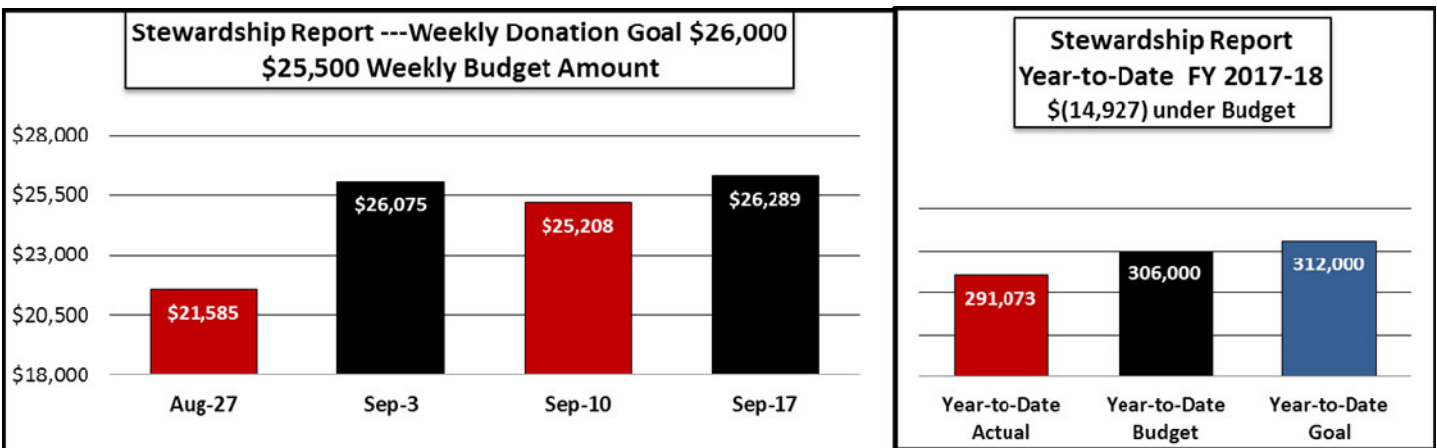
Spirito! announces auditions for the 2017 Winter session for the Men of Spirito! The 2017 Winter Session runs from September through early December. They rehearse on Tuesday nights from 7-9 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Elmhurst. Please call Spirito! at 630-581-5440 or E-mail: spirito@spiritosingers.org or visit www.spiritosingers.org for more information.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, September 24	7:00am 7:00am 8:30am	Parish Grounds Narthex School Rm 200	8th Grade Mums Sale Eagle Scout Project Collection Homecoming Parade
Monday, September 25			
Tuesday, September 26	6:00pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Church Parish Center Rm 1 Parish Center Rm 2 Church	Holy Hour, English RCIA RCIA for Children Hora Santa, Español
Wednesday, September 27	7:00pm	School Rm 117	RE Teen Seekers
Thursday, September 28			
Friday, September 29	1:15pm	Church	Grandparents Day Mass and Reception
Saturday, September 30	5:00pm 5:00pm	Narthex Narthex	St. Vincent De Paul Society Eagle Scout Project Collection Basket
Sunday, October 1	7:00am 7:00am	Narthex Narthex	St. Vincent De Paul Society Eagle Scout Project Collection Basket

Stewardship Report

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MASSES

Saturday Evening 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
 Weekdays Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.
 Evening before Holy Day 7:00 p.m.
 Holy Day 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office (708) 215-5407

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Holy Hour each Tuesday 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Hispanic Adoration continues 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

Mission Statement: St. Cletus is a dynamic Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Good news of Jesus Christ through worship, education, and service.

Vision Statement: We welcome all. We encourage all parishioners to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in their daily lives, by sharing their talents and faith with our parish and community.

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