

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

St. Cletus Parish The Sacred Triduum

PLEASE NOTE: CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD DURING HOLY WEEK OR ON HOLY SATURDAY

- March 24 Holy Thursday**
7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Silent Adoration until Midnight
- March 25 Good Friday**
3:00 p.m. The Passion of the Lord-Veneration of the Holy Cross-Holy Communion
- March 26 Holy Saturday***
7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil
* There will be *no* confessions *or* 5:00 p.m. Evening Mass
- March 27 Easter Sunday**
7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00, and 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)

Please see the page 9 for additional prayer opportunities.

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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- MAR. 27: Easter Sunday
- APRIL 17: Ken Baker & Friends "Fiddler on the Roof in Concert"



Notes from Fr. Bob...

PALM SUNDAY 2016

Along the wall of a cathedral in Europe there is a strange kind of sculpture. It shows different people at their daily work – a baker preparing his bread, a tailor sewing cloth, a housewife cooking. They all have one thing in common – their mouths are wide open. Over the years onlookers came up with different explanations for this. Eventually the truth became clear. The people were singing. They were praising God as they set about their daily tasks.

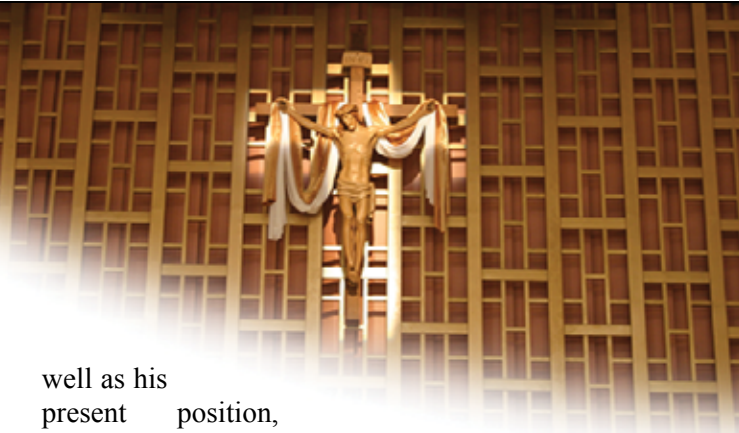
When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday, people were also singing and praising God. It must have been a wonderful sight: a crowd joyfully waving palms in the sunshine and crying out “Hosanna”; others strewing their garments on the path to welcome a kingly Messiah.

At that time the Jewish idea of the Messiah was that of a conquering hero who would free their nation from foreign rule. Jesus’ idea was far from that of a military champion. He knew the prophecies of Isaiah concerning the mysterious figure known as the “Suffering Servant” who would free people from their sins. Jesus was to fulfill that prophecy. He therefore chose to enter Jerusalem not on a warrior’s horse but on a donkey, a symbol of peace.

There is a dramatic change between Jesus’ popularity on Palm Sunday and his stark loneliness on the cross; and a change too between the declared loyalty of his disciples and their cowardly desertion of him. Perhaps the greatest change is in the people. The cries of “Hosanna” have gone and they now clamor for his death.

The Calvary scene is more than a distant event. It is a mirror that reflects human nature as it is today. The people involved then were not especially wicked. They were a mixture of good and bad qualities, the same as we can notice around us and in us. The crowd, for instance, were everyday people influenced by slogans, propaganda and the mood of the moment. They were whipped up to a frenzy of excitement in which they lost their sense of individual responsibility. They were like a crowd anywhere.

Pilate’s failing was that of moral cowardice. He knew Jesus was innocent and tried to release him. It was when the protests against Jesus grew louder that he sought to satisfy the crowd by having Jesus scourged and then freed. But the cries of “Crucify him!” grew louder. Pilate was faced with a riot, and knew that his future career, as



well as his present position, was under threat. He struggled with his conscience but could not summon up enough courage to do what he knew was right. His name goes down in history as the man who handed Jesus over to the executioners.

Jesus’ last prayer on the cross was an echo from his childhood. It was a prayer from the psalms taught by Jewish mothers to their children before they went to sleep. Jesus prefaced it with the word “Father”: “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.” Until the last moment his life was centered on God, his Father.

Calvary is not just the story of a good man dying on a cross. It is the mystery of God’s involvement in human life and God’s victory over sin. St. Paul wrote: “God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself”, not holding our faults against us. The blood Jesus shed was a symbol and proof of divine love willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for others. It is faith in the self-giving love of Jesus for us that makes the power of the cross effective in our lives.

One of the good effects of such a faith is that it can lead us to have a Christian view of ourselves and others. Many people today are unhappy. Despite leading outwardly good lives they have no spiritual view of life itself, and often lack a sense of self-worth and personal meaning. Part of St. Paul’s joy, and that of any Christian believer, comes from the sense of being loved and redeemed by Christ. Paul proclaims his belief in “the Son of God who loved me and sacrificed himself for my sake”. In faith we can accept that as a joyous truth.

Jesus’ love gave him strength. In all his adversities he never failed in his love for God and his trust in God’s love for him. That trust and love is the enduring lesson of Holy Week for all his followers.

Blessings of Palm Sunday,

*Fr. Bob
Pastor*

Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

Shop with Scrip Cash and Carry March 19-20
 St. Cletus Choose Kindness 5K April 9
 St. Cletus Cardinal Open Golf Outing June 24

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Jolene Hillgoth, President **Lauren Lewandowski, Principal**
 (708) 215-5426 (708) 352-4820
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Preparing for Living Stations of The Cross

It has become a tradition in our parish that the graduating 8th Grade class acts out the Living Stations of the Cross during the Lenten season. The students worked hard both in class and after school preparing for this beautiful service.



Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

Our Kindergarteners had a blast celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday. The young Cardinals talked about their favorite Seuss book, and then used that information to learn about graphs.



The Lion King is coming to St. Cletus

Mark your calendars. Lion King performances will be:
 Wednesday, April 27th at 4:00 p.m.
 Thursday, April 28th at 7:00 p.m.

SHOP WITH SCRIP Gift Cards for Education

Shop With Scrip, formerly known as MANNA, buys gift cards from vendors who sell them to us at a percent discount. We then sell them at face value.

Half of the proceeds helps our school, the rest you can apply to tuition at St. Cletus School or St. Cletus Religious Ed.

Cash & Carry 3/19-20

For more Information or to order online visit <http://shopscrip.stcletusschool.com>

Parish Transformation Committee

GETTING TO KNOW YOU PROJECT WE BELONG

Our parish registration database is old and has not been updated for several years. It is time that we reaffirm our parishioner base as we go forth with planning for the future role of St. Cletus in our community. It is not only important that we identify you, but also set up ways that we can connect with you as well. In today's world, the exchange of information is truly facilitated with modern technology. Throughout our parish family, sharing thoughts and ideas are necessary for the vibrant culture that we wish to attain here at St. Cletus. We have a lot to share at St. Cletus! The ministries, the school, the events, the people!

DATA COLLECTION PROCESS

- We will begin with the easy contacts. Beginning this weekend, we will ask all of our active parishioners to fill out a simple identification notecard that will furnish us with basis contact information. This notecard will be available in the church and can be completed in pencil. Then the notecard can be placed in a collection box located in the narthex. Parishioners who take advantage of this method will **complete** their part of the Re-registration process.

- After a couple months of collecting the notecards from the parish masses, we will compare the info from the newly submitted notecards to the parish's existing "old" records. To the extent that a parishioner has not prepared



with a newly submitted notecards, we will proceed mail the notecards to those remaining parishioners at the address we have on file. This will determine if they are still in the community or assess whether they are still seeking to be registered with the parish. Hopefully this second step should furnish us with identifying the bulk of our remaining parish community.

- If there are still some parishioners that are non-responsive we will actively seek to contact them by phone (again using phone# that we have on file) or other personal means. This final step would complete the process of identifying all the members of our St. Cletus Community.

Note: If you are not a current parishioner and would like to find out more about the parish, please fill out the notecard and return it to us or visit the rectory to join our parish.

Online Option - If you prefer, you can prepare this form online at <http://stcletusparish.com/we-belong/>

The Body of Christ is truly an amazing group of people. This process will lay the foundation for our parish as we journey into the future. Please provide us with your information and take an extra notecard to fellow parishioners that do not regularly attend our liturgies. Thanks for your responsiveness to this process.

Larry Lewandowski,
Parish Transformation Chairman

St. Cletus Parish Preferred Partners

The Purvin Foundation

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Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- \$10 Jewel/Walmart Gift Cards
- Cereal
- Sugar
- Dry/canned milk
- Dry pinto beans (2-3 lb. bags)
- Cleaning supplies
- Diapers-size 5 & 6

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

Thank you Girl Scouts for your generous food pantry collection at the Girl Scout Mass last Sunday!



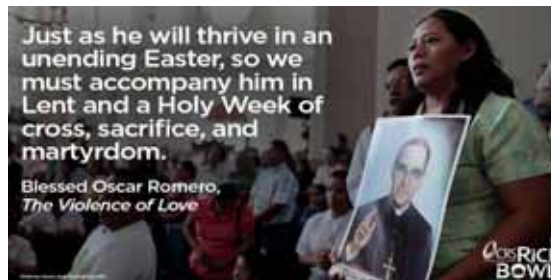
ARE YOU IN AN UNHEALTHY RELATIONSHIP OR ARE YOU AFRAID IN YOUR OWN HOME?

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP: 708.485.5254

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

LENTEN ALMSGIVING PROJECT

We are collecting CRS Rice Bowls this weekend! You can convert your donation to a check or return your rice bowl to the bins in the Narthex, place it in the weekly collection basket, or bring them to the rectory. What you give up for Lent changes lives. Thank you for your generosity.



HUNGERING TO BUILD COMMUNITY

We follow Jesus this week on our Lenten journey as he enters Jerusalem, a community he knew well. CRS Rice Bowl asks us to prayerfully enter into our own communities, to find those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we encounter in our daily lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

WEEK 6: MARCH 20 (PALM SUNDAY)

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

Global Solidarity

Jesus tells us to love our neighbors, even though they may be different from us. That means those neighbors who live next door and those who live on the other side of the planet. Jesus reminds us that we are all part of God's great family.

- Isaiah reminds us that God gives us a "well-trained tongue ... to answer the weary a word that will waken them." **Do we listen to God's Spirit within us? How does the Spirit motivate us and guide our words as we work for a more just world?**
- Jesus "emptied himself, taking the form of a slave." **How are we called, especially in these last days of Lent, to empty ourselves for the good of others?**
- This week, CRS Rice Bowl reminds us of the needs faced by communities in our own country. **How have our Lenten reflections on global solidarity affected how we view those in need in our own communities?**

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION



On Holy Thursday, the offertory collection will benefit Taller de José to aid their ministry of accompaniment.

Taller de José is a community resource center, located in Chicago's Little Village, which offers accompaniment to people in need, connecting people to services and services to people. Sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Taller de José exists to fulfill the mission of Jesus, "that all may be one."

Accompaniment is a unique service in a city abounding in governmental agencies and resources. The staff of Taller de José offers companionship and personal attention to underserved people to help them to navigate the social service system and connect to the resources they need. When accompanying a client, the staff is a supportive presence, at times offering information, direction, emotional support, and advocacy for the clients. Staff members accompany, go with, the clients to appointments and services via public transportation.

You can also make a direct contribution to Taller de José, 1515 W. Ogden, La Grange Park, IL 60526 or donate on line www.tallerdejose.org. Thank you for your generous support.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK FOR JUSTICE

Join us for the 36th Annual Good Friday Walk for Justice Friday March 25, 2016 at Congress and Michigan at 12pm.

Be Not Afraid, the theme of the 36th annual Good Friday Walk for Justice, is more than a salve for the soul. These words are an active call to meet oppression with solidarity, and despair with hope. Every Good Friday, 8th Day Center for Justice gathers friends and partners for our Annual Good Friday Walk for Justice. The Walk is a modern-day Way-of-the-Cross. Starting at the corner of Congress and Michigan, we walk, pray, and sing our way through 10 Stations in downtown Chicago. We explore the justice issues of the day that remind us to "be not afraid."



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

An estimated 1 in 3 teens experiences abuse in their romantic relationships. If you feel threatened, hurt, afraid, abused, or controlled, REACH OUT FOR HELP.

Pillars' Constance Morris House offers a 24-hour crisis line so you can talk to someone about what you're going through. Call 708.485.5254 or visit us online for more information.

Signs of Abusive Behavior in a Romantic Relationship

- Extreme **jealousy**
- Limiting your time with friends and family
- **Demanding** affection from you
- Telling you what to do
- Going out of his/her way to put you down
- Physically **hurting** you in any way or threatening physical violence
- Following you or **harassing** you with repeated calls, texts, or emails

Call for help: 708.485.5254

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 to the far left.

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Help ICN Help Others

Interfaith Career Net has many tools to assist job seekers, but we need your assistance to provide the most important element of a job search which is open positions. If you are a hiring manager or aware of open positions in your company, please send this information to jobs@interfaithcareernetwork.org. Any and all postings are welcome. ICN job seekers are at all stages of their career, in every industry, with a broad spectrum of education and experience. All job postings will be communicated to our 400+ ICN Yahoo group. Ideally it will be a WIN/WIN for your company and a qualified job seeker in our community. If you have any questions or for additional information you can also contact Judy Kennedy at jkennedy1333@ameritech.net or Tom Rohan at tom_rohan@yahoo.com. Lastly, to learn more about ICN, visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

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

TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

AARP-trained tax volunteers will be available by appointment only for those aged 60+ who would like assistance preparing their income tax returns at:



Aging Care Connections
111 W. Harris Ave. La Grange

Appointments will be scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings through April 6th.

To schedule an appointment, please call 708-354-1323

CONGREGATE MEAL EASTER CELEBRATION

Join us March 24, 2016 for an Easter Celebration.

- 10:00 a.m. Easter egg hunt with coffee & treats
- 11:00 a.m. Raffle: Ham, Fruit Basket, Lamb Cake, Salerno's Gift Certificate, Aging Care Connections Senior Meal Ticket, Electric Toothbrush.
- 11:15 a.m. Door Prizes!!!
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch: Chicken Parmesan, mostaccioli, salad w/tomatoes, pickled beets, fruit, garlic bread, milk, and coffee.
- 12:45 p.m. Easter Bingo with a treat!

Make your reservation by March 23.

Call Aging Care Connections 708-354-1323 today.

See you at Salerno's Pizzeria & Sports Bar, 9301 W. 63rd, Hodgkins!



Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord

PASSION

The word “passion” connotes deep, focused engagement. It also relates to passivity, interestingly. The deeply passionate person in the Gospel narrative from Luke is Jesus. He appears passive, but he is not. He is wholly self-possessed and wholly present for the one day that begins on Thursday evening at his last meal with his apostles and ends with his burial before sunset the next day. Then follows the long Sabbath silence.

The narrative of the Passion is read whole and without pause on the Palm Sunday of the Passion. This story, found in each of the Gospels, is unchanging. We are the ones who change. Each year, we bring ourselves with another year’s history to hear and heed the story we so badly need. Life has its way with us, and we look again to the Passion narratives to learn to follow.

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TODAY’S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem (Luke 19:28-40).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ’s passion according to Luke (Luke 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Monday: Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week; Purim begins
Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins
Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord
(Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence
Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: **Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9;
Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord’s Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,
12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION


What day is today? Ask most folks strolling home from church today and they will reply “Palm Sunday.” Not too long ago, today was known as the “Second Sunday of the Passion,” and in 1970 it was renamed “Passion Sunday.” This made some sense, since the procession recalling Christ’s entry into Jerusalem is usually only celebrated once in a parish on this day, but the Passion is proclaimed solemnly at every liturgy. In its most recent incarnation, the name for this day includes both aspects of the celebration: “Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord.” In the United States today, most worshipers are provided with palm branches, although in northern Europe pussy willows are favored, and in Italy olive branches are the norm.

When our calendar was reformed, the entire structure of the week to come was revised even as the traditional name, “Holy Week,” was retained. The major benefit of the restructuring of our calendar is to help us see that the Triduum, the great three days beginning at sunset this Thursday and extending until sunset on Easter Sunday, is at the heart of the Christian life.

Today, as you ponder the Lord’s Passion, you may consider your response to so great a gift. Centuries ago, good Christians vowed to go on pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Today, at least once in your lifetime, promise to participate faithfully in the liturgies. Now begins the Church’s annual baptismal retreat: don’t be left out!

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Holy Week Prayer Opportunities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MARCH 20 Palm Sunday	MARCH 21	MARCH 22	MARCH 23 No 6:30pm Mass	MARCH 24 Holy Thursday No 8am Mass 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Silent Adoration until Midnight Visit of the Seven Churches (see details below)	MARCH 25 Good Friday No 8am Mass 9:30am Via Crucis en Español in MH 11:30am Las Últimas Siete Palabras de Christo en Español in MH 1:00pm Pasión del Señor y Adoration del la Cruz en Español in MH 3:00pm The Passion of the Lord	MARCH 26 Holy Saturday No 8am Mass No Confessions No 5:00pm Mass 12:00 Noon Blessing of Food Baskets in Morrissey Hall 7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass
<p><i>PLEASE NOTE: CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD DURING HOLY WEEK OR ON HOLY SATURDAY</i></p>						
<p>MARCH 27</p> <p>EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES: 7:00 am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, and 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)</p> 						

ST. CLETUS PARISH



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN



OUR LADY OF SORROWS BAILICA



NOTRE DAME OF CHICAGO



ST. JOHN CANTIUS PARISH



The Visit of the Seven Churches

March 24, 2016

On March 24th, right after Holy Thursday Mass, we will be visiting churches following the ancient tradition of "The Visit of the Seven Churches."

This tradition originated in Rome. It was the custom for the faithful of the Early Church to visit the seven major basilicas as penance.

The tradition today calls us to accompany Jesus in his agony by visiting seven Catholic churches and, for an indulgence, to pray for the intentions of the Pope.

St. Cletus Parish will take part with our own parish and then visit 4 additional churches. The remaining churches are for you to visit on your own if you wish to do so.

A bus(es) will be waiting outside St. Cletus after Holy Thursday Mass. **If you plan to join us, please contact the rectory by Monday, March 21st at (708) 352-6209 to ensure we have adequate transportation.** Thank you.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

MARCH 20, 2016

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD’S PASSION

Misericordiae Vultus: The Face of Mercy is Pope Francis’ official decree announcing this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*. But Francis had already declared that Jesus “has shown the face of God’s mercy” back in 2013 on his first Palm Sunday as pope. Francis described Luke’s account of Jesus’ entrance into Jerusalem: “Crowds, celebrating, praise, blessing, peace: joy fills the air. Jesus has awakened great hopes, especially in the hearts of the simple, the humble, the poor, the forgotten, those who do not matter in the eyes of the world. He understands human sufferings . . . has bent down to heal body and soul.” Entering Jerusalem, Jesus looks at all of us with love, Francis continued, at our sicknesses and sins. “A beautiful scene, full of light—the light of the love of Jesus” (Pope Francis, Palm Sunday homily, March 24, 2013). May this Jubilee Year’s Holy Week and Triduum make us Jesus’ own light-bearers and love-givers to all who long to see the Face of Mercy.

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Other Ministry Notes

YOUTH MINISTRY CANDY BAR SALE



Fannie May candy bars will be sold after each mass this weekend and at the Pancake Breakfast. Stop by the table to select your favorite chocolate bar variety and support the Youth Ministry Mission Trip to

Detroit, MI, where teens will spend a week in July serving the local communities!

YOUTH MINISTRY BEDS PLUS LUNCHES

Join on us on March 30th at 7pm to prepare and pack sack lunches that will be distributed to clients at BEDS Plus. We will gather in room 200. RSVP to Elizabeth Tomasek.



Contact Elizabeth Tomasek at etomasek@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419 www.stcletusparish.com/youth

NOTICE REGARDING BULLETIN ARTICLES

Please note that all canticle articles are to be sent to canticle@stcletusparish.com. Please send as text with pictures separate. The 3/27 Easter Canticle has already gone to print. Due to Easter Break, articles for the 4/2 Canticle are due 3/22 by 1pm. Thank you!

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Other Ministry Notes (continued)

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY MEETING - APRIL 3RD



Please note we will have a meeting for all ministers involved in the Ministry of Care AND Compassionate Care Ministry after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 3rd in room 201 in the School Building.

I would like everyone involved in these ministries to make every effort to attend.

Please bring along any friends who may have an interest in joining either ministry now or in the future to hear about what we do to help the sick, dying and bereaved of our community.

Lunch will be provided - so please confirm your intention to come by email me at: sheyes@stcletusparish.com or call me and leave a message at 708.215.5407.

Happy Easter to all in this great community of St Cletus - we are all very blessed!!

Deacon Stuart

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE Classes Resume April 3rd and 4th

Religious Education Classes will not be in session on March 20/21 & Mar. 27 & 28 due to the Pancake Breakfast and Spring Breaks. Classes will resume on April 3rd and 4th. We wish all families will participate in the most holy days of the Church Year: Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday), The Passion of the Lord (Good Friday), the Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday) and the Resurrection of the Lord -Easter Sunday.

BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be Tuesday evening, April 19th, in the school. We will meet at 7:00 p.m. The book to be discussed is "Walk Me Home" by Catherine Ryan Hyde. We welcome all interested participants.

WORD OF LIFE



Let us treat others with the same passion and compassion with which we want to be treated. ... if we want life, let us give life... The Golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development.

Pope Francis, Visit to the Joint Session of the United States Congress (9/24/16) © 2015 Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

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Holy Name Society Walter Klimcke Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 20th

Please join the Holy Name Society on Sunday, March 20th for the Walter Klimcke Pancake Breakfast. Breakfast will be served from 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Morrissey Hall. The prices of tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10.



ST. CLETUS GOLF OUTING

The 15th Annual Cardinal Open Golf Outing will be held on Friday, June 24th at Gleneagles Country Club. Email golfouting@stcletusparish.com for info and sponsorship opportunities.



ST. CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES

Tickets are now on sale for Ken Baker and Friends in Fiddler on the Roof: in Concert. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door and may be purchased on our website finearts.stcletusparish.com or in the Rectory. The concert will be held in the newly remodeled LTHS Reber Center, proceeds benefit the Capital Campaign.


THE ST. CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES PRESENTS
Ken Baker & FRIENDS
in
Fiddler on the Roof
in concert

**Sunday
April
17th
4:00 p.m.**

**LTHS
Reber Center
100 S Brainerd Ave.
La Grange, IL**

Community Bulletin Board

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

 The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2016, at 2:45 PM, at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois. Couples married in 1966 interested in attending this celebration should call the St. Cletus Rectory at 708-352-6209 to register.

For further information, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office at 312.534.8351 or visit the website: www.marriageandfamilyministries.org

JOYFUL AGAIN RETREAT

Program for widows & widowers who want to find joy in living again. Sponsored by Rainbow Hospice, Presented by Joyful Again Widowed Ministry will be held April 9 & 10, 2016 at Presence/ Resurrection Health Care- Holy Family Medical Center 100 N. River Rd. (at Golf Rd.) Des Plaines, IL 60016.



Call: 708-354-7211 to register, or e-mail: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com more info at: www.joyfulagain.org

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT FOR MARINE BIOLOGY IN THE BAHAMAS!

May 21 – 28th, 2016 at the Cape Eleuthera Institute (CEI) Marine Research Center in The Bahamas. 3 Credit Hour College of DuPage Field Course (BIOL0-1800-FS070). Credits are transferrable to 4-year schools and Universities. In-district tuition rate, \$137 per credit hour. Trip fee of \$2,977 For more info contact Prof. Ludden at ludden@cod.edu, (630) 942-4073, or visit the our website: <http://www.cod.edu/academics/field/>

SINFONIETTA BEL CANTO CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND OPERA PRESENTS

Sibelius – Pelléas et Mélisande Suite, op. 46 (1905), Mozart – Die Gärtnerin aus Liebe, K 196 (1780) – One act abridged version of Mozart’s opera in German with projected English surtitles. Set in 1915. Live opera with chamber orchestra.

Cast includes local singers Celeste Martino and Carolyn Stopka. Performances of 2016 on Saturday, March 12, at 8 PM, and Sunday matinee, March 13, at 3 PM, at our home concert venue, Immanuel Lutheran Church, 5211 Carpenter Street, Downers Grove or Saturday, April 2, at 7 PM, performance of Mozart’s Die Gärtnerin aus Liebe (Opera only) at Salem United Methodist Church, 115 W. Lincoln Ave, Barrington, IL. Purchase tickets \$5-\$20 at www.SinfoniettaBelCanto.org or call 630-384-5007.

LIVING LAUDATO SI MISSION TRIP 2016- PERUVIAN AMAZON

Please respond to Pope Francis' call for "unified global action" by serving communities in the Peruvian Amazon from June 28-July13th 2016. They have requested our help to build libraries for their youth, deliver food,



clothing, medicine and assist with other essential projects. We are also looking to fully sponsor a doctor preferably with medical mission experience. For more information visit <https://goo.gl/GgOwk4> or email yamlakecounty@gmail.com. Registration Deadline: March 25, 2016

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Are we also like Peter and deny Christ over and over? Christ calls us to be all we can in our Marriage Sacrament. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are April 8-10, 2016 or June 10-12, 2016 or August 12-14, 2015, all at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwme-chicagoland.org>.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Help the Vulnerable: Urge Elected Leaders to Pass a State Budget

Every 30 seconds someone counts on Catholic Charities for help. We are now asking for your help. Please lend your voice to advocate for the State of Illinois to end its budget stalemate. Catholic Charities is currently owed more than \$25 million by the State of Illinois a number that grows by at least \$2 million per month. Please take time today to call your state elected officials with this simple message, I am a voter in your district. I am contacting you on behalf of the poor and vulnerable people who depend on our state’s safety net of human services, especially the more than 1 million people served by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago. If you do not know who your state representative and senator are, please call the State Board of Elections at (217) 782-4141 or visit www.elections.il.gov and click on New District/ Official Search. You can find more information and a template advocacy letter at www.CatholicCharities.net on the homepage.



Week At A Glance

C...Church S...School (Education Building) Narthex...Church Vestibule RB...Rectory Basement MH...Morrissey Hall

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, March 20	7:00am All Masses All Masses	MH Narthex Narthex	Pancake Breakfast 7:00am-12:30pm Operation Rice Bowl Collection Youth Ministry Candy Sales & Shop with Scrip Cash and Carry
Monday, March 21	4:00pm 7:00pm 8:30pm	S Music Room Church MH	Youth Choir Rehearsal Parish Reconciliation Service Men's Church League Basketball
Tuesday, March 22	7:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	S Rm 201 S Rm 207 S Rm 202	Teen Advisory Board Meeting Domestic Violence Support Group Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group
Wednesday, March 23			
Thursday, March 24	9:00am 7:30pm	Church Church	School Prayer Service Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, March 25	3:00pm	Church	Passion of the Lord
Saturday, March 26	12:00pm 7:30pm	MH Church	Blessing of the Easter Baskets Easter Vigil Mass
Sunday, March 27			

Stewardship Report

STEWARDSHIP REPORT DELAY

Due to the early printing of the Palm Sunday Canticle, March 13th figures will be reported in next week's Canticle.

ONLINE GIVING NOTE OF THANKS

Friends and Fellow Parishioners,

I want to thank so many of you for making your donations to St. Cletus using our online donation service Give Central, found on our website. 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 many of you have chosen this method to express your support.

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

Thank you again for your generosity.

Fr. Bob, Pastor

ST. CLETUS PARISH YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY


As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2015 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the rectory @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email bkallal@stcletusparish.com and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ Envelope # _____

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

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 Español(708) 215-5440
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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 11:30 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.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

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

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

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

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.

STAFF

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Clark, *Pastor*
Rev. Kenneth Baker, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Ron Anglim, *Weekend Associate*
Rev. Mr. Jesús & Silvia Casas, *Deacon Couple*
Rev. Mr. Stuart & Marlene Heyes, *Deacon Couple*

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