



# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

[The Lord] tells the number of  
the stars and calls each by name.

— Psalm 147:4



## The following individuals received the Sacrament of Confirmation on February 3, 2018:

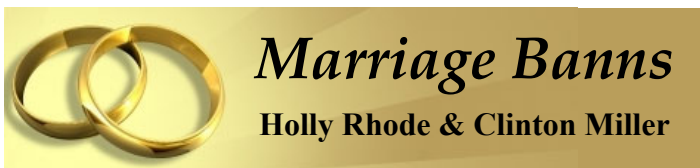
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 Gianna **Catherine** Annella  
 Nicole **Catherine** Annella  
 Joseph **Edward** Antonietti  
 Ryan **Patrick** Beauregard  
 Annabella **Clare** Beccara  
 Faith **Therese** Benson  
 Brigid **Elizabeth** Bergquist  
 Matthew **Vito** Bertuglia  
 Elizabeth **Cecilia** Bourjaily  
 Jack **Thomas** Brennan  
 Chloe **Louise** Brooks  
 Beau **Dymphna** Brown  
 Vytas **John** Buntinas  
 Patrick **Patrick** Burke  
 Emma **Elizabeth** Cassidy  
 Nikolas **Nicholas** Choate  
 Tristan **Sebastian** Cranny  
 Matthew **Michael** Dahl  
 Isabella **Eugene** Davila  
 Talia **Veronica** DeGroot  
 Vincent **Vincent** DiGuilio  
 Julia **Francis** Donahue  
 Liliana **Christina** Drobny  
 Celeste **Rose** Elguezabal  
 Brianna **Francis** Episcopo  
 John **Peter** Fabris  
 Kyle **John** Findley  
 Gustavo **Sebastian** Fragoso  
 Lillian **Bernadette** Fransen  
 Melanie **Teresa** Gamboa  
 Natalie **Audrey** Garbe  
 Everardo **Joseph** Garcia  
 Jonathan **Joseph** Garcia  
 Adrian **Vincent** Gonzalez  
 Fredy **Juan Diego** Gonzalez  
 Paola **Francis** Gonzalez

Emily **Therese** Grab  
 Colin **Patrick** Grace  
 Noah **Anthony** Grzegorek  
 Kamil **Maximilian** Grzybicki  
 Nickolus **Michael** Gusentine  
 Caroline **Grace** Hart  
 Casey **Francis** Hart  
 Karla **Cecilia** Hernandez  
 Caden **Peter** Hogan  
 Ian **Thomas** Hunt  
 Jasmine **Cecilia** Jauregui  
 Maureen **Vincent** Kane  
 Emma **Jude** Karczewski  
 Peter **Joseph** Ketchum  
 David **John** Kostrzewa  
 Alexander **Gregory** Leon  
 Diego **Daniel** Lopez  
 Elias **Elijah** Lopez  
 Salvador **Salvatore** Lopez  
 Alyssa **Barbara** Lord  
 Kevin **George** Markus  
 Jose **Joseph** Martinez  
 Lizet **Rita** Martinez  
 Nora **Elizabeth** McCabe  
 Trinitee **Kateri** McCoy  
 Zachary **Albert** McLean  
 Jack **Vincent** McNamara  
 Alejandro **Sebastian** Medina  
 Leslie **Therese** Mendoza  
 Isabella **Roch** Mitchell  
 Sean **Peregrine** Morfoot  
 Lizbeth **Vitus** Murillo  
 Antonia **Juliana** Naumovski  
 Michael **Michael** Nawas  
 Carley **Anne** Nicoletti  
 Mae **Mary** Nix  
 Christopher **Sebastian** Noga

Isabella **Mary** Nunez  
 Joel **Mateo** Nunez-Rodriguez  
 Matthew **Patrick** O'Connell  
 Francisco **Francis** Ojeda  
 Vakaris **Sebastian** Oparinas  
 Gabriela **Mary** Pantaleon  
 Araceli **Mary** Pasillas  
 Jessica **Mary** Perez  
 Nicholas **Michael** Pociask  
 Abigail **Hope** Quinn  
 Catherine **Melangell** Ramicone  
 Jimmy **Francisco** Ramirez  
 Ava **Rose** Rivera  
 Emily **Alena** Rodriguez  
 Miguel **Mark** Rodriguez  
 Zoe **Catherine** Rossmiller  
 Elliot **Sebastian** Russell  
 Luke **Joseph** Sadowski  
 Giovanni **Sebastian** Salazar  
 Katelyn **Sebastian** Schuler  
 Abigail **Joan** Shanley  
 Emily **Anne** Siegert  
 Sadie **Teresa** Sifuentes  
 Olivia **Brigid** Spriggs  
 Ryan **Justin** Stojetz  
 Megan **Rose** Szkirpan  
 John **Sebastian** Townsend  
 Lauren **Catherine** Turf  
 Ryan **Damien** Turf  
 Monika **Maria** Urban  
 Adrianna **Gianna** Valdez  
 Rosalinda **Elizabeth** Villagomez  
 Lorena **Anne** Villasenor  
 Julia **Dyphna** Vincent  
 Renna **Margaret** Violante  
 Aidan **Mark** Wirtz  
 Tyler **Genesius** Ziemba

## Mass Intentions for the Week of February 5 - February 11, 2018

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Anton Mataitis, George Lathrop, Leanette Martoccio
Tuesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Vieceli
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Richard A. Provost
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik
Saturday	Fr. Baker Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Lester Bruno Buczek Elizabeth Hauptmann, Dennis Gabriel, Daniel E. Moore, George Neff, Ken Kakareka, George Duda, Georgia Popp
Sunday	Fr. Clark	7:00 a.m.	John & Frances Kennedy, George Duda, Patrick Mahoney, Andrew Mikulcich, Stacy Baker, Josephine and Anton Kuchta
	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners
	Fr. Baker	9:30 a.m.	Ernest Blecic, Carolyn Simone, Leanette Martoccio, Peter John, Marco & Emilia Rattin, Bill DePasquale
	Fr. Clark	11:00 a.m.	Lois Miller, Betty Niwa
	Fr. Fisher	12:30 p.m.	Armando Yopez



### Marriage Banns

Holly Rhode & Clinton Miller

### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available this weekend after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses.

Please stop by the back of church, say hello, and become members of St. Cletus Parish.

### SECOND COLLECTION



#### Annual Catholic Appeal 2018

This weekend, our parish will be conducting the Annual Catholic Appeal in-pew Commitment Weekend.

Each pledge makes a difference because all Parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

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

**Mary Vesconte**

May she 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.*

**January** - Denis Campbell, Susan Gundrum, John Kwak, Patrick Machroli, Marcelino Oliveros Jr, Jerry Plucienik

**December** - Kyle Marsden, Frank Colonna

**November** - Chuck Harwood, Denise Hradecky, Eileen R. Peters, Kay Petalick, Larry Schmitz, Chris Tosheff, Jean Weekley, Jenna Zimmerman, Evelyn Ulfig, Joy Wettstein, Nathaniel Scheyerer, Gerda E. Dorso, Connie Monzel, Maria Elena Serrano, Ginny Skibbe, Carol Wittowksi, Jenna Zimmerman, Emily Devine, Patricia Rodey, Baby William Eric Anderson, Otto Stuckman, Laura Terrazino, Maryann Scalise, Kris Kahn, Frank Niwa

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

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is it sheer misery and loneliness that drives the leper in today's Gospel towards our Lord? No doubt he's heard rumors of Jesus' kindly way with the sick and his extraordinary ability to cure them. Well, now that ability will really be put to the test.

The leper sinks down on his knees; he's desperate. "If you want to," he murmurs, "you can cure me." Jesus, we're told, is deeply moved. He's filled with pity or, as some scholars translate, with anger – not of course at the man, but at his disease and its dreadful consequences. In any event, he does what is unthinkable: he stretches out his hand and touches the leper, thereby incurring ritual defilement himself. But how precious that touch is to the leper! It constitutes a breakthrough, a new beginning; he's no longer isolated; at last there's someone who cares for him enough to risk catching his loathsome disease. And then the incredible words which are the passport back to a normal life: "Of course I want to. Be cured." And in that instant the leprosy leaves him.

The healing of leprosy was said to be as difficult as raising the dead. But Jesus accomplishes this apparently impossible task effortlessly. He now asks the cured leper to go at once to report his cure to the priests, and say nothing to anyone in the meantime. That really is asking the impossible. Jesus doesn't want people to seek him simply as a wonder-worker, yet there is surely an understanding smile on his face when he hears that the man is sharing his story with anyone who will listen.

Jesus' touch was important for the leper but it's also important for us. It's one of those actions that speak louder than words, an action which shows that the Lord is inclusive, not exclusive; he draws people towards him, doesn't send them away; he's not unduly concerned about political correctness.

If, as Paul urges in today's second reading, we are to take Jesus as our model, we need to ask ourselves how we treat today's lepers, those who are marginalized. How, for example, do we react to ex-prisoners or even to the innocent families of those in prison? Do we pass by those referred to as "unfortunates" as though they didn't exist? How do we as a community behave towards the divorced and remarried; do we make them feel unwanted? Are we racist, even in our thoughts? Can we find it in our hearts to pray, or experience a shred of sympathy, for the real outsider, such as the pedophile? It's not a question of saying that anything goes but rather of ensuring that we

exclude no one from our loving concern.

Some years ago a woman noticed that one of her colleagues, an alcoholic who had got drunk and made an exhibition of herself at an office party, was now being shunned by everyone. She determined to speak to her. All she could say was: "You're not invisible to me, anyway." But for the woman who'd been treated like a leper, it was – well, a kind of little miracle. And we too have it in our power, the power that comes to us through our contact with Jesus at Mass, to work similar little miracles for the outcasts of our world. .

*God's Blessings Always,*

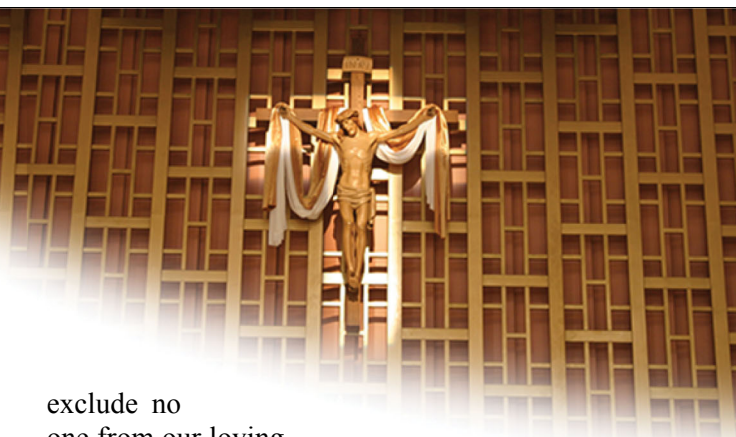


**Fr. Bob**  
**Pastor**

### PLEASE TURN IN YOUR PLEDGE CARDS

 Living Our Faith, Building Our Future  
**The Final Phase**

St. Cletus is a blessed community, filled with parishioners who have answered the call to action to support The Final Phase. Thanks to the generosity of this faith community, we have made significant progress toward our goal of \$1,500,000. If you still have not made your commitment, we would appreciate if you could turn in your pledge this weekend.



# Parish School



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Auction ..... March 3

## FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

**Tom Chinske, Principal**  
(708) 352-4820  
tchinske@stcletusparish.com

**Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**  
(708) 352-4820  
cschaefer@stcletusparish.com



## Thank you for a Successful Open House

A big thank you to all the teachers, administration, students, and parent volunteers that helped during the Catholic Schools Week Open House last weekend. The number of families visiting to learn more about our early education and grade school programs exceeded our expectations!

If you missed the open house and would like to setup a tour please call the school office at 708.352-4820.

## Basketball Champions

Congratulations to our seventh-grade Boys Basketball A team on their SPL playoff championship victory last weekend. After putting together an impressive record of 24-1, the crowning achievement was a 35-26 win over Notre Dame. Way to go Cardinals!



## Inspired by Nature

Fifth-grade students were given a challenge to design a product that mimicked something in nature. The results ranged from functional to whimsical and showed that St. Cletus School students can really think outside the box.

## Design & Building Treehouses

Our third-graders put on their engineering hats to dream up and design treehouses in our Science Lab. As they constructed their designs they learned that creativity is needed often to make modifications when plans don't work out.

# St. Cletus Lenten Journey Experiences

## JOIN US DURING LENT

### Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14)

Masses - 6:30, 8:00, 9:30 am, 6:30pm  
 Prayer Service and Distribution of Ashes - 3:30pm

### Daily Mass

8:00am

### Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:15pm (except Mar. 31st)

### Holy Hour

Tuesdays 6:00-7:00pm  
 Feb. 20, 27 Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27

### Taizé Prayer

Friday Feb. 16 - 7:00-8:00pm

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays 7:00-8:00pm  
 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23

### Living Stations of the Cross

Thursday Mar. 22 - 7:00-8:00pm

### Parish Reconciliation Service

Monday Mar. 12 - 7:00pm

## SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

### Mass of the Lord's Supper Holy Thursday

Mar. 29 - 7:30pm  
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

### Celebration of the Lord's Passion Good Friday

Mar. 30 - 3:00pm

### The Easter Vigil

Mar. 31 - 7:30pm

### Easter Sunday

Apr. 1 - 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am

## HISPANIC MINISTRY EVENTS

Ash Wednesday	7:00pm
Distribution of Ashes	Parish Center Gym
February 16, 2018	7:00pm
Lenten Reflections	Parish Center
Saturday Feb. 17, 2018	9:00am
Lenten Mass (Spanish)	Church
Saturday Feb. 17, 2018	10:30am to 4:00pm
Lenten Retreat	Morrissey Hall
Tuesday Feb. 20, 2018	7:00pm
Holy Hour	Church
Friday Feb. 23	7:00pm
Lenten Reflections	Parish Center
Tuesday Feb. 27, 2018	7:00pm
Holy Hour	Church
Friday March 2, 2018	7:00pm
Lenten Reflections	Morrissey Hall.
Tuesday March 6, 2018	7:00pm
Holy Hour	Church
Friday March 9, 2018	7:00pm
Lenten Reflections	Parish Center
Tuesday Mar. 13, 2018	7:00pm
Holy Hour. + Spanish Confessions	Church
Friday Mar. 16, 2018	7:00pm
Lenten Reflections	Parish Center
Tuesday Mar. 20, 2018	7:00pm
Holy Hour	Church
Friday Mar. 23, 2018	7:00pm
Lenten Reflections	Parish Center
Tuesday Mar. 27, 2018	7:00pm
Holy Hour	Church
Friday Mar. 30, 2018	6:30pm
Way of the Cross	Pastoral Center Gym

## ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>

Masses – 6:30am, 8:00am, 9:30am (school), 6:30pm  
 Prayer Service and Distribution of Ashes – 3:30pm  
 Spanish Mass and Distribution of Ashes – 7:00pm Parish Center



# Youth Ministry

## **KAIROS 28 APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED!**



Kairos is a 4-day retreat for high school Juniors and Seniors. These retreats are led by Seniors in High School and are hosted by and open to teens of St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross parishes. We offer four Kairos retreats each year – one in Spring, two in Summer, and one in the Fall. Our next Kairos retreat, K28, will take place March 15-18. Registration is now open, and you can find a link to register at the St. Cletus Parish website. Please consider joining us for this life-changing retreat!

## **SPEND SOME TIME MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A SENIOR!**



On Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, join us for Happy Hour at Eve Assisting Living in Hinsdale. If you have a musical talent, or just the gift of gab, please join us to bring happiness and joy to the residents of this retirement center! We are looking for High School students who are interested in playing instruments or singing, and those who would like to play games and hang out with amazing seniors. Please email Barb Campbell at [bcampbell@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bcampbell@stcletusparish.com) to volunteer!

## **MISSION TRIP REGISTRATION IS OPEN**

**Mission Trip July 8-14, 2018**



Are you being called to “bring good news to the poor”? Our Mission Trip this summer is organized by Young Neighbors in Action and will take place July 8-14th. We will again serve the community of South Bend, IN, but we will work in a different area so even those who joined us last year will still have a new experience.

Registration details are available on the website. If you are interested, please submit your application ASAP with your \$200 deposit. Fundraising opportunities are available and may be able to cover the balance of the mission trip. Applications are due by February 11, but space is limited and does fill up quickly! This is wonderful opportunity open to high school students who will have completed 9th grade and above.

We are also looking for adult chaperones who are willing to join us. Without you, this opportunity cannot be offered. Please Contact Barb Campbell at [bcampbell@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bcampbell@stcletusparish.com) for details and to see if this is something meant for you!



## **Preferred Providers**

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 708-489-6333

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*Thank you to all of our 2017 Fall Fest Sponsors! Those at the \$2,500 and above will be featured in the Canticle as Preferred Providers.*

# Support the Youth Ministry Mission Trip Through our Fannie May Easter Candy Fundraiser



Qty	Price	Item
_____	\$3.99	95400 3oz Milk Chocolate Bunny
_____	\$3.99	95401 3oz White Confection Bunny
_____	\$3.99	95402 3oz Dark Chocolate Bunny
_____	\$6.99	95403 6oz Milk Chocolate Bunny
_____	\$6.99	95404 6oz White Confection Bunny
_____	\$6.99	95405 6oz Dark Chocolate Bunny
_____	\$12.99	95406 12oz Milk Chocolate Bunny
_____	\$24.99	95421 8pc Cream Eggs Gift Box
_____	\$12.99	95419 4pc Cream Eggs Gift Box
_____	\$29.99	95441 Easter Basket 6oz Jelly Bird Eggs 3oz Milk Chocolate Bunny Two 1oz foil wrapped chocolate bunnies Two 1oz milk chocolate bunnies 1.5oz Pixie single serve 1.5oz Mint Meltaways single serve One Cherry lollipop
_____	\$5.99	95410 5oz Foil Eggs
_____	\$5.99	95411 5oz Foil Bunnies
_____	\$15.99	95473 2.25oz 4pk Foil Bunnies
_____	\$9.99	95409 12oz Jelly Bird Eggs
_____	\$9.99	95423 7.5oz Gourmet Pretzels
_____	\$9.99	95418 7oz Caramel Pecan Fudge Egg
_____	\$12.99	95422 8oz Dark Marshmallow, Green Striped Box
_____	\$12.99	95420 8oz Milk Marshmallow, Blue Striped Box
_____	\$9.99	95356 5oz Seasonal Assorted Chocolates
_____	\$24.99	95458 1lb Pixies®, Yellow Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	89258 1lb No Sugar Added Pixies®
_____	\$12.99	95456 8oz Pixies®, Yellow Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	95460 1lb Mint Meltaways®, Blue Striped Wrap
_____	\$12.99	95457 8oz Mint Meltaways®, Blue Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	95425 1lb Spring Mint Meltaways®
_____	\$12.99	89256 8oz No Sugar Added Mint Meltaways®
_____	\$24.99	95459 1lb Colonial Assortment, Yellow Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	95436 1lb Trinidads®, Blue Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	95435 1lb Assorted Creams, Yellow Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	95434 1lb Assorted Chocolates, Blue Striped Wrap
_____	\$24.99	89251 1lb No Sugar Added Assorted Chocolates
_____	\$6.99	91027 6oz Milk Chocolate Gimme S'more Snack Mix
_____	\$24.99	91029 10.75oz Mint Meltaway® Wrigley™ Tin
_____	\$7.99	91023 7oz Wrigley Field™ Assorted Mix
_____	\$5.99	91026 5oz Foil Milk Chocolate Baseballs
_____	\$12.99	91030 9pk Cubbies™ Milk Chocolate Bars
_____	\$4.99	91028 2.25oz Cubs™ Milk Chocolate Caramels Baseball

**ORDER DETAILS:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Please credit my order to:

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(name of youth participating in the 2018 youth ministry mission trip)

Please turn in your order and check payable to St. Cletus by 2/24 to the St. Cletus Parish Office, in the new Parish Center, or to a teen participating in the 2018 St. Cletus youth ministry mission trip.

Full catalog and order form can be found at [youth.stcletusparish.com](http://youth.stcletusparish.com).

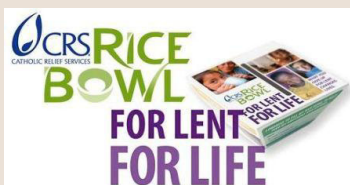
## Social Concerns Ministry

### FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- \$10 Walmart or Jewel cards (distributed at our Easter food pantry)
- Baby wipes
- Baby food
- Pasta sauce
- Tuna
- Cleaning products
- Dry pinto beans (2-3 lbs)
- Canned meals
- Laundry detergent

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



### Lenten Service Opportunity

As we prepare for Easter, we partner with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) to reach out and serve others through the Rice Bowl program. Please help distribute Rice Bowls after Masses February 17-18. All ages are welcome.

To sign up visit <http://stcletusparish.com/ministries/social-concerns/> and look for the Lenten Outreach Volunteer Opportunities.

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

### THANK YOU

We enjoyed having the St. Cletus Father's Club join us this weekend to help unpack and prepare over 3,000 toothbrushes and dental hygiene donations for food pantries in the area! Special thanks to St. Cletus School for their Catholic Schools Week food donations and St. John of the Cross for sharing their Souper Bowl collection with our food pantry!



### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

**Relationship Goals: Values, respect, problem-solving** - The Domestic Violence Ministry and Youth Ministry of Our Lady of the Wayside parish invite you a special teen presentation: **Sunday, February 11 from 7:15 - 9:00 p.m.** Open to the whole family. No rsvp required. All are invited to the 6:00 pm Mass before the presentation. **Our Lady of the Wayside** (434 W Park St. Arlington Heights) in the Fr. Mackin Center (Middle School Gym). Questions contact Sean at 847.350.8008 or [youthmin@olwparish.org](mailto:youthmin@olwparish.org)

**The Empowerment Project** - Sacred Heart Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry and our Pastor, Father Jacek Wrona, invite you to a screening of The Empowerment Project on **Sunday, February 11 at 2:00 pm** at Sacred Heart Church Ministry Center (8245 W. 111<sup>th</sup> St. Palos Hills). RSVP or any questions, please contact Elizabeth Droel at 708-974-3336 X250 or [droel@sacredheartpalos.org](mailto:droel@sacredheartpalos.org)

**Prayer Service - St. Christina** Domestic Violence Outreach Committee will have a Prayer Service for Domestic Violence Victims and their Families on **Monday, February 12th, starting at 7:00 PM**, in the Church, located at 111th Street between Christiana Avenue and Homan Avenue (Chicago). There will be a speaker from The Crisis Center for South Suburbia as well as a Domestic Violence Victim who will share her experience. Associate Pastor, Father Michael Olson will preside. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

**Support Your Local DV Outreach** - Please help support women in need. 100% of the proceeds from the sales of these wine glasses will be donated to the Joint Domestic Violence Ministry of St. Francis Xavier, St. Cletus & St. John of the Cross. These gorgeous, stainless steel wineglasses (that say "Find Joy in the Journey") can be purchased online at: [sfxcwcluncheon2018.com](http://sfxcwcluncheon2018.com)

Please consider purchasing a single glass or set of six to support the local women's shelters and the Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach.

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



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
— ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO —  
AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION  
[www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org](http://www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org)



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UNHEALTHY  
RELATIONSHIP  
OR ARE YOU  
AFRAID IN YOUR  
OWN HOME?

CALL THE  
24-HOUR PHONE  
FOR HELP:  
**708.485.5254**



## **INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK**

### **Career Transition Boot Camp - Week 3**

ICN invites you to join us on Tuesday, February 6, 7-9 pm for the third of a 5-week workshop that will help you learn new skills and gain confidence. Being able to articulate and tell your story is one of the most critical elements of a job search. This week, Dennis Hamilton will help you craft that all important "elevator speech". Time will be allowed to practice your personal elevator speech with fellow attendees. There is no cost to attend and you are encouraged to attend every session (if possible) to make the most of this experience. Hope to see you at The First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. Please enter the church on Catherine Avenue. For additional information, please contact Susan Sedler at [sqsedler@aol.com](mailto:sqedler@aol.com).

### **LinkedIn for Beginners – New Ideas for Everyone**

Your LinkedIn profile is the second most important job hunting tool, next to your resume. On Thursday, February 15, 7-9 pm, our speaker, Denis Curtin, will focus on different ways to use this free tool to improve your job search. Denis will present methods you can apply to

attract internal and external recruiters to your LinkedIn profile. His program will be geared toward beginners new to LinkedIn, but everyone will learn some new ideas. Specific Do's and Don'ts will be discussed so you can quickly set up and improve your LinkedIn profile. Techniques to hold the recruiter's attention on your profile will also be discussed. Denis is a LinkedIn trainer and coach who for more than 15 years has helped job seekers. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend. Please join us in the new St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 W. 55th Street, La Grange.

ICN offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please contact our website at [www.interfaithcareednetwork.org](http://www.interfaithcareednetwork.org).

## **WORD OF LIFE**

If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn what to do and say in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": [www.bit.ly/friend-had-abortion](http://www.bit.ly/friend-had-abortion).



USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

# **Religious Education**

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION?**

- Feb. 11 & 12** Religious Education classes are in session.  
Fourth Grade students bring in a guest to celebrate Love Day during class.
- Feb. 18 & 19** No Classes
- Feb. 24 & 25** RE Classes resume

Many of our classes are busy with final preparations for Sacraments. Our Eighth Grade students in the parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, February 3rd. Our Second Graders of the parish are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time in May. Students in Fifth Grade will begin their preparations to lead us in prayer in March with Living Stations of the Cross, and organizing our annual Good Neighbor Food Drive for Lent.

Next weekend our Fourth Grade Students are preparing for Love Day, where they honor someone in their lives who demonstrates love in a special way.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS RETURNING TO ST. CLETUS THIS SUMMER!**

### **Make a Splash this summer at our Shipwrecked VBS!**



Venture into an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive! Spark imagination with faith-building fun! Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms!

Join us June 18-22, 2018  
9 a.m. – 12 noon in the Parish School  
Children Kindergarten-4th Grade welcome!

The fee is \$50 for one child, \$90 for two children. Go to [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) to register.

We also need Junior High students, High School students and Adults to help! Please join our fun crew!

For More Information:  
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(708) 352-2383

## The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### TIRELESS DISCIPLESHP

The stories we've been hearing these weeks come from the very first chapter of Mark, and they show us the public ministry of Jesus in its infancy. Today's account shows some of the strain or adjustment of his new life of preaching the reign of God, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Notice that after sunset, when darkness ended the workday, people brought the sick and possessed to Jesus. The following day he rose before dawn to get away by himself to pray, but to no avail. Simon Peter and the others don't just look for him, they pursue him, filled with the fervor that his ministry has incited. With the self-sacrificing example he gave until the end of his earthly life, he tells his followers that this is his whole purpose. Through Mark, he is also telling the early church, and he is telling us, that this is our purpose, our vocation: to be tireless in our pursuit of proclaiming the Good News, and in bringing the healing, reconciling touch of Christ to the world.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Job experienced months of misery and troubled nights (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

**Second Reading** — I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

**Gospel** — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;  
 Mk 7:1-13  
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;  
 Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40;  
 Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19;  
 Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37  
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;  
 Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10  
 Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11;  
 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
 World Day for Consecrated Life;  
 Boy Scouting Sunday  
 Monday: St. Agatha  
 Tuesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions

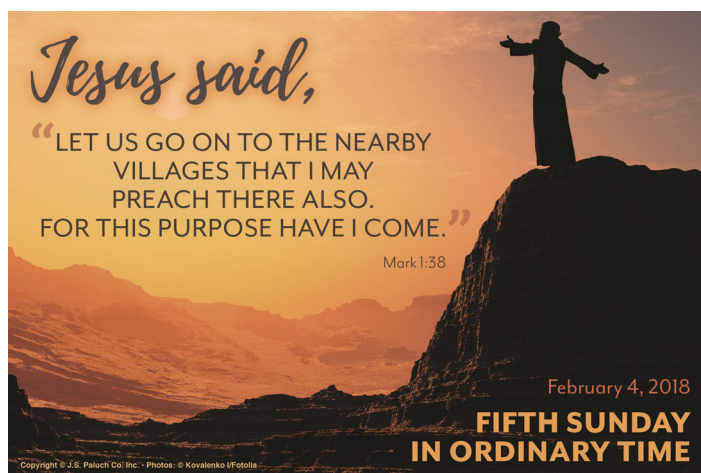
Thursday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita;  
 International Day of Prayer and Awareness  
 against Human Trafficking  
 Saturday: St. Scholastica

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We're reading St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians these days. What was Corinth like? It had a beautiful setting on an isthmus, about fifty miles from Athens. The location makes for very easy exchange by sea routes between Greece and Italy, a factor in its economic success even today. In Paul's day it was a cosmopolitan and wealthy city with inhabitants drawn from all over the world, including a sizeable Jewish community. When Paul arrived about the year 50, the city was only about a century old, but already five times the size of Athens. Paul lived in Corinth for a year and a half, and a few years later came back for three months. The community of Christians there struggled against the influence of a very secular and self-indulgent society that was blind to the plight of the poor. Pagan attitudes afflicted the community, which had a way of breaking Paul's heart; he wrote to them sometimes "with many tears" (2 Corinthians 2:4).

Today, Corinth is a small industrial city. Its historic core has been destroyed by a series of earthquakes over the centuries, and what little remained was totally obliterated in a war with Turkey in the 1820s. There's a core city with glamorous shops to catch the tourists, but it is mainly a cargo port, with piles of marble, tiles, and minerals everywhere, a huge oil refinery nearby, a busy canal, a modern fast rail line to Athens, and a meeting point of major highways. Today, the remains of the Temple of Apollo and the marketplace are more ruined than most such sites. The glory of the city Paul knew well has faded, but the relevance of his words shines through the centuries.

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# Other Ministry News

## THANK YOU FROM MARLENE

Dear Friends at St. Cletus,

First of all I want to thank everyone who prayed for me, sent me e-mails, called (I usually didn't answer or return the calls because I just wasn't able) during my recent illness and hospital stay (over Christmas no less). Stuart and I are truly blessed to be a part of this community.

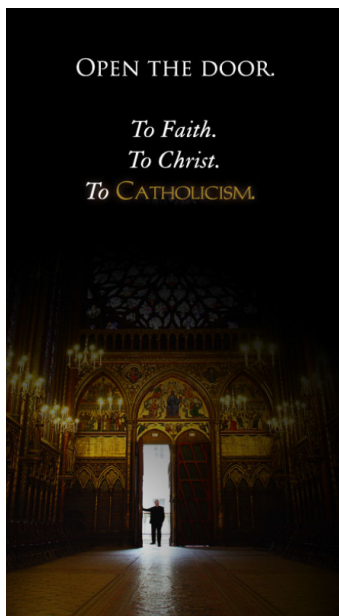
I am also indebted to my Doctors, nurses and staff at LaGrange Hospital, great drugs and of course Stuart for nursing me back to health.

Secondly, a big thank you for the gift of stamps for the Kolbe House Jail ministry - you are most generous, we collected \$740 worth of stamps. I hope to return to my ministry there when the weather warms up some!

Warmest Wishes - Marlene

## CREDO

**Bishop Barron Video will be shown on February 7th.**



By request, CREDO will show the Bishop Barron video "A Body Both Suffering And Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and The Church" at 7pm on February 7<sup>th</sup>. Please join us in the kindergarten room of the school and enter at the doors next to the west side of the church.

Clearly answering the question, "What is the Church?" Bishop Barron presents the reality of the Church as "one, holy, catholic and apostolic." This is a great video and we hope

you can join us to learn more about YOUR church.

## ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

*Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically?*

It is **SO EASY!** Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) and click the "DONATE" BUTTON. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, call Mary Zwolinski at 708.352.6209.

## ADULT CONFIRMATION



St. Francis Xavier Church will be hosting a Confirmation program for any Adult Catholics who have received Holy Communion, but for whatever reason, did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Sessions will be held on Monday nights, Feb. 26, March 5, March 12, March 19, April 9, in Unity Hall. Sessions will go from 7:30 – 9:00 pm, with the exception of March 19, when we will gather at 6:45 pm, attend the Parish Reconciliation Service, and continue until 9 pm. Please also plan to be with us Fri, April 20, 7-8:30 pm in Church with your sponsor for rehearsal. The celebration of Confirmation will take place in St. Francis Xavier Church on Sat., April 21, beginning at 10 am.

Registration is necessary. Details and the registration form can be found at [www.sfxlg.org](http://www.sfxlg.org) (click Parish, then Sacramental Preparation, then Confirmation), or contact Kate DeVries at [kdevries@sfxlg.org](mailto:kdevries@sfxlg.org) or 708-352-0168.

## ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES AT ST. CLETUS

RSVP today at [www.edwardfas.com](http://www.edwardfas.com)! Your \$40 admission includes beer, wine, snacks, and entertainment.



TONY KIDONAKIS      SHANA PETRONE      JEFF SNYDER

# FRIDAY, FEB. 9

MUSIC BEGINS AT 8PM, DOORS OPEN AT 7:30PM



## Community Bulletin Board

### JOYFUL AGAIN



#### Retreat/ workshop for widowed men/women

Have you reached a crossroads? Are you at a turning point? Do you want to move forward with your life, while still treasuring your memories?

The Joyful Again! program brings understanding and hope to help you on your new life's journey.

**March 3 & 4, 2018 OLA Retreat House, Lemont**  
(Overnight incl. - no commuters.)

**April 21 & 22, 2018 Presence/Holy Family Med Ctr.**  
(No overnight available here.)

For more info contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry.  
Phone: 708-354-7211, email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com,  
website: www.joyfulagain.org (Short video on website.)  
IMPORTANT: register early, space is limited.

### THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



**Journey to Easter** - Monday, Feb. 12 7-8:30 PM. Facilitated by Marianne Race, CSJ. \$15.

**Ash Wednesday Prayer** - "Remember You Are Stardust!" Wednesday, Feb. 14 7-8 PM. Prayer, distribution of ashes and a reflection from Carol Crepeau, CSJ. Cost: Free will offering.

1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL. www.csjthewell.org

### REFLECT RETREAT



Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Looking to start 2018 off with a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Then register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Cardinal Stritch

Retreat House, Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), on March 2-4, 2018. Take a chance and get involved... this is one New Year's resolution you won't regret! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Contact us at 630.222-8303, reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or www.ReflectRetreat.com.

### LEGACY GUILD FUNDRAISER



The Legacy Guild, a local nonprofit that provides college scholarships for area students who have lost a parent, hosts its biggest fundraiser of the year on Sat., Feb. 24, at Fitzgerald's in Berwyn. The Big Spring Event 2018 is a rockin' evening featuring Mike & Joe, the Midwest's most renowned cover band. Ticket price includes dinner, drinks and dancing along with roundtrip bus ride from La Grange.

The Legacy Guild has provided \$478,500 in college scholarships since its inception in 2012. Tickets and sponsorships can be purchased at www.TheLegacyGuild.com. Contact Tom Cushing (312.972.8583) with any questions.

### ROBERT E. COULTER, JR., POST 1941

#### SPAGHETTI DINNER

Coulter Post American Legion  
51st & LaGrange Rd  
Friday, Feb 9 from 4-8 pm  
Adults \$9, Children 5-10 \$4  
Under 5 Yrs - FREE



### PORTIUNCULA CENTER PROGRAMS

The Portiuncula Center for Prayer is offering many February and March programs. Please visit their website for program details at [www.portforprayer.org](http://www.portforprayer.org). Portiuncula Center for Prayer 9263 W St. Francis Road Frankfort, IL 60423.

### ILLINOIS TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS



#### APPLY.

Apply for a state tax credit with the Illinois Department of Revenue.



#### DESIGNATE.

Designate your donation to St. Cletus School.



#### EDUCATE.

Educate students in need at their school of choice.

**What are tax credit scholarships?** The Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program, "Invest in Kids," provides a 75 percent Illinois state income tax credit to individuals and corporations that contribute money to a non-profit Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). The SGOs award scholarships to eligible students from low-income families. Donors will use money already owed to the state (taxes) and donate it to a needs-based scholarships instead, all while receiving a 75% state tax credit. Visit [www.archchicago.org/tcs](http://www.archchicago.org/tcs) to learn more, or contact [tcs@archchicago.org](mailto:tcs@archchicago.org) and 312.534.2617.

### BUDDY'S PLACE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Buddy's Place is Pillars Community Health's grief and bereavement and grief support program for children ages 4-18 and their families. Volunteers can participate in training to help grieving families who have experienced the death of a loved one. Buddy's Place offers children and their caregiver(s) a safe and supportive group where they can express their grief and learn coping skills with others who have experienced similar losses.

If you are interested, please contact Michelle Halm at 708.995.3750 or email [buddysplace@pchcares.org](mailto:buddysplace@pchcares.org).

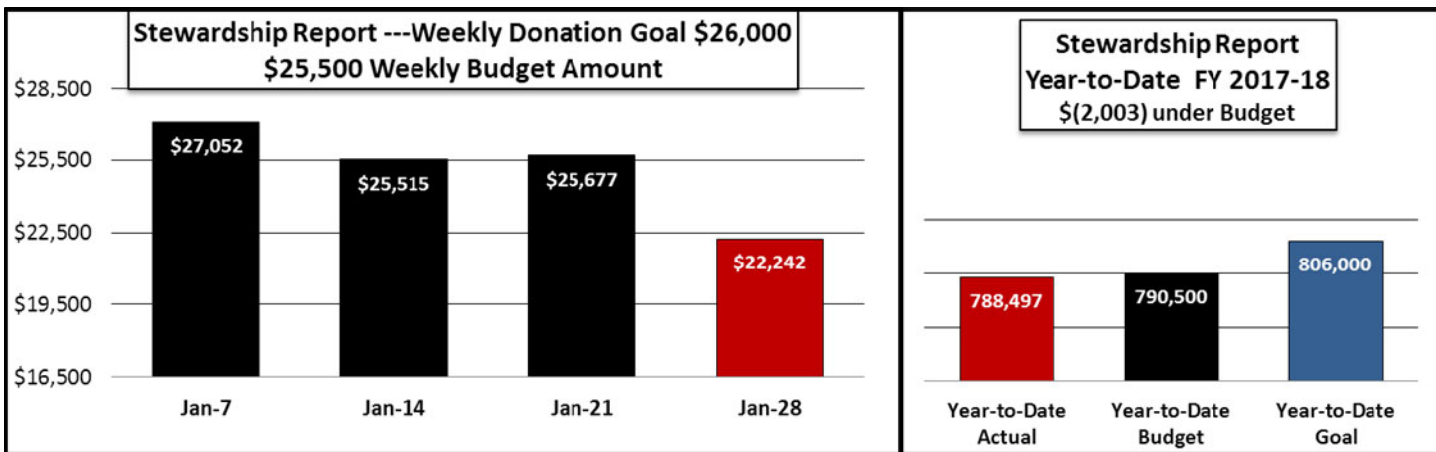
### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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

# Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 4	7:00am	Narthex	Welcome Committee
Monday, February 5	4:00pm 8:30pm 9:00pm	School Music Rm PC Gym Morrissey Hall	Junior Choir Men's Basketball Boy's Church League Basketball
Tuesday, February 6	6:30pm 6:30pm 9:00pm	Rectory Rectory Basement PC Mtg Room PC Gym	RCIA School Board Social Concerns Commission Boys' Church League Basketball
Wednesday, February 7	9:00am 7:00pm 9:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Rm School Rm 98 PC Gym	Mission Ladies CREDO Robert Barron Video Boy's Church League Basketball
Thursday, February 8	5:00pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	School Music Rm School Rm 213 PC Gym	Children's Choir FSA Board Meeting Boy's Church League Basketball
Friday, February 9	8:00pm	Parish Center	Cabaret - Ed Ward Fine Arts Series Fundraiser
Saturday, February 10			
Sunday, February 11	11:00am	Church	Family Mass

# Stewardship Report



## YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2017 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](mailto: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

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## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish offices have moved to our new location in the parish center. All deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

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

## 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

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