

#### CHILDREN CELEBRATING THEIR FIRST COMMUNION IN MAY AND JUNE 2016

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Iriana Garcia

# Mass Intentions for the Week of May 9 - May 15, 2016

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Danny O'Brien, Dolores E. Kuchta
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Vieceli
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Angelo Cumbo
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Priests Past and Present
Friday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Jozef & James Slowik
Saturday	Fr. Baker Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Delphine Marciszewski, William Seratella Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Paulene Miller, Julie Kerrigan, Albert Dybicz, Georgia Popp, Special Intention - Fr. Michael Adams 57 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination
Sunday	Fr. Clark Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	George Duda, Marco and Emilia Rattin, John Lattner, Delmus Lech, William Frey Nancy Liddell, Lois Geraghty St. Cletus Parishioners Jorge Villasenor, Sergio Ramirez, Pat Butala Kolar Damaso Almendárez, Ma. Guadalupe C. de Almendárez, Helen & Harold Janecek



#### **COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

This weekend a second collection will be taken for the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal. Catholic Charities thanks you for giving to help those who are hungry, homeless, or hurting.



Donations can also be made online at www.catholiccharities.net/donate or mailed to 721 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60654.

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

#### Genevieve Quagliani

Mother of Diane Heban

#### John Levand

Husband of Joy Levand

#### **Ann Supplitt**

Mother of Peter, Bill and John

We apologize for the misspelling of the name of one of our of our deceased parishioners.

#### Johlene Peters

Wife of James Peters

May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...

#### Elise Rose Wicklander

Daughter of Kathryn Lane & William James Wicklander

#### **Andrew Maxwell**

Son of Amanda Remkus & Andrew Maxwell



to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.

# PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Otto Stuckman, Dan Plecki, Patricia Pilleggi, Isaac Musser, Jean Takes, Robert William, Helen Borsilli, Gene Wallace, John Eterno, Vivian Swibel, Jennifer Streit, Julianne Hausknecht, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Patricia Niwa, Allie DeRivera, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Peter D. Rivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Denise Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

# Notes from Fr. Bob...

#### **ASCENSION SUNDAY 2016**

A brave and heroic soldier returned home from Afghanistan after being badly injured and had most of his leg removed. After returning home, he like many others began the slow process of recovery. Anyone who has sustained major injuries will tell you there are moments when you are prone to depression. Healing often depends on the attitude you adopt in a given situation. This soldier found that he was able to battle his way back to health, and with the aid of a state of the art prosthetic leg even took up long distance running. In speaking of his ordeal he said that he could have become very angry and bitter. He went on to say, 'but who wants to live with someone like that'. He had discovered an important truth, that beyond our human frailties, our sufferings and our future, we can find hope.

Today we are presented with two Lucan versions of the ascension story. In the gospel Luke explains that suffering is not the last word for any of us. Christ comes to his followers and offers them his blessing. Through his death, resurrection and ascension he restores to them a sense of hope and peace. This experience of faith remains with them in the Spirit promised by the Father. A great sense of joy and enthusiasm comes through in these accounts. Sadness gives way to worship and praise. This is also clear in the later story of Acts. The writer tells of the presence of Christ in the early Churches, reminding us that trusting in the Lord, we can never be alone. Yet he cannot help but recount the events of the Passion and the rising from death. Both stories show us that the mission of the disciples is to share this good news with others so that Christ's message of hope may be spread throughout the world. Only accepting the Spirit can do this.

The ascension experience is recounted in many ways but in essence it tells us that Christ has conquered all, and is now the ruler of all, past and present; ruler too of our joys, fears and regrets. He has now conquered everything and is with us to the end of time. He leaves behind the Advocate that we might be people of the Spirit; people with a new dignity, who are reconciled with one another. His return to the Father in glory gives us new cause to celebrate our humanity. By remaining in prayer we are offered the wonderful gift of awareness: to be able to "see what hope his call holds for us".

Quite often we are not open to the new possibilities in Christ. We can lead our lives worrying about future plans, or regretting something that happened on our



stories are a reminder to us that Christ has overcome everything and has left us a Consoler who brings peace. As we gather around his table let us each ask the question: what is it that stops me celebrating my human dignity? One thing that often holds us back is our fear: fear of failure, fear of being alone, fear of being misunderstood, and fear of death. The simple truth is: there is nothing in our lives that has not already been conquered by Christ who shared the same body as us. He asks us to trust in him and let our fears go, entering into a prayer of praise in the Spirit that we might ascend to a new level of hope.

Christ asks that the primary message to be preached is one of forgiveness and change. That means offering reconciliation to those who have hurt us, but also forgiving ourselves for being weak. We are called to be people of hope. As people who believe in the redemption won by Christ's resurrection and ascension, we are compelled to look in trust beyond present realities, knowing that change is a possibility for all, even for ourselves.

Hope in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Bob, Pastor

# Parish School



#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Shop with Scrip Cash and Carry ...... May 14 & 15 D4D at Nothing Bundt Cakes ...... May 23-28 St. Cletus Cardinal Open Golf Outing ...... June 24

#### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Jolene Hillgoth, President (708) 215-5426 jhillgoth@stcletusparish.com

Lauren Lewandowski, Principal (708) 352-4820

llewandowski@stcletusparish.com











#### Lion King Jr.

Last Wednesday and Thursday Morrissey Hall looked more like the jungles of Africa setting the stage for this year's school musical, Lion King Jr. Our 6th, 7th and 8th graders under the guidance of Mr. Nemec and Mr. Kittlaus did an amazing job telling and singing the story of Simba, the lion king, that rises up to save Pride Rock. Thank you to all the volunteers and students who worked together to put on such an impressive show.



#### **DARE Graduation**

Congratulations to our 5th graders on their graduation from the DARE program. The DARE program's focus is on drug and alcohol resistance, but the overarching goal of the program is teaching children about good decision making techniques. Each student received a certificate of completion at the ceremony.

# **Dissecting Owl Pellets**

Our fifth graders dissected owl pellets in our science lab. The barn owl swallows his prey whole, digests the nutrients and then expels the bone and fur in a regurgitated pellet. The students carefully examined the pellet finding skulls and bones from the owl's past meal then tried to assemble the skeleton.

# **Religious Education**

#### IN THE MARY, MARY MONTH OF MAY



May has traditionally been dedicated to honoring our Blessed Mother. Devotion to Mary stems from the earliest days of the Church. It gained momentum in Europe in the 17th century and has since blossomed throughout the world, including the recognition of the 4 authenticated apparitions of the Blessed Mother: St. Catherine Laboure in France and the Miraculous Medal; the children in LaSalette, France in 1846; St. Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes.

France in 1858 and the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception; and the children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. There are several Mary feasts observed in May and it is also the month signifying new life as creation begins to Spring forth anew.

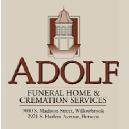
Our school will be celebrating the May Crowning ritual on Tuesday, May 10th. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Crowning of Mary. All are invited to attend this acknowledgement of Mary the perfect follower of Jesus.



#### THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL: LUKE 24:46-53

On this Sunday, most parishes will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension. For the rest, the feast is celebrated on Thursday, May 5. The Gospel and the feast recalls Jesus leaving this earth and ascending to his Father in heaven. The second reading from the Acts of the Apostles also contains the promise that Jesus will come again. This Sunday is also Mother's Day. Be sure to show Mom how special and loved she is.

# St. Cletus Parish Preferred Partners



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# **Social Concerns Ministry**

#### **Food Pantry**

Most needed at this time:

- Laundry detergent
- Cleaning supplies
- Dish Soap
- Gluten free items
- Canned or dry milk

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.



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

#### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

We're looking for extra helpers to assist us with the Post Office 'Stamp Out Hunger' Food Drive! Please see opportunities and details below...

#### Saturday, May 14th 3:30-6:30

- Pick up food from LaGrange Post Office and unload it at St. Cletus
- 3-4 Vehicles with drivers needed
- 8-10 able body volunteers needed
- Great opportunity for families

#### Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00-12:00

- Volunteers needed to check dates on food, sort, and organize donations
- 5-7 people needed
- Open to all ages, parents required to be with students ages 13 and under

Please contact Kendall (Kendall@stcletusparish.com) or 708.215.5418 to sign up!

On Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, mail carriers across the country will be collecting donations to help fill local food banks. You can show your support by setting a bag of food by your mailbox. Thank you!



#### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**Domestic Violence Support Group** Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

Monthly DV Support Group meets the third Tuesday of each month from 7 - 8 p.m. **If you or someone close to you is experiencing domestic violence** the 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.

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 box to the left.

You are not alone.

#### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

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

Please join us on Tuesday, May 10 from 7-9 pm at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange. For our final Boot Camp session, a panel of HR professionals will coach you on the "art of interviewing" and provide tips on successful phone and in-person interview strategies and techniques, including how to recover from interviewing blunders. Join us at 150 South Ashland Avenue and gain new skills that will help you land a new position. Please enter church on Catherine Ave. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

#### Use Reference USA in Your Job Search

ICN invites you to join us on Thursday, May 19 from 7-9 pm. As head of Reference at Westchester Public Library our speaker, Ann Weaver, understands the usefulness of Reference USA for job hunters, whether looking for potential employers or learning more about a company before an interview. Reference USA enables the user to research companies by any number of characteristics, including line of business, SIC/NAIC categories\*, geographic location and company size. Company profiles include contact information, links to their website, financial data and more. In 2013, Reference USA partnered with Indeed.com to provide users with convenient access to Indeed's job postings. Join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center. 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs and learn how to identify new companies that you want to include in your job search.

\*Standard Industry Code/North American Industry Classification System

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

#### AGING CARE CONNECTIONS





#### SENIOR WEEK EVENTS BEGIN MAY 16

Aging Care Connections presents Seniors Week May 16-20 at a variety of locations. A guide to events and list of resources is available at www.agingcareconnections.org and in the Aging Care office located at 11 West Harris Avenue, La Grange, IL or call 708-354-1323, ext. 242.

#### EMERGENCY APPEAL: EARTHQUAKE IN ECUADOR

#### **Providing Relief to Families Facing Devastation**

On Saturday, April 16, a 7.8 magnitude Earthquake occurred along the coast of Ecuador. Catholic Relief Services teams are on the ground evaluating needs in the most affected areas for providing emergency relief and support. Please consider donating to support the families suffering loss and devastation.

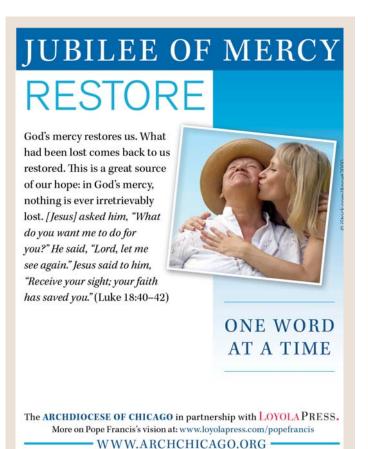
www.ChicagoPeaceAndJustice.org/EmergencyAppeal

#### JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As the liturgical year—and this *Jubilee*Year of Mercy—unfold, we reflect on what Jesus' ascension meant for the first disciples and means now for us. Stay in Jerusalem, Jesus had instructed, awaiting "the promise of the Father. In a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem,

throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:4-5, 8). Despite Jesus' absence, they wait "with great joy . . . continually in the temple praising God" (Luke 24:52–53). But as we join them, waiting and worshiping, the enduring challenge—theirs and ours—is delivered by "two men in white" (Acts 1:10). In every age, disciples must stop looking at the sky, head down the mountain, and go back into the world, "commissioned," says Pope Francis, "to announce the mercy of God, the beating heart of the Gospel," inviting everyone to find "in our parishes, communities, associations and movements... wherever there are Christians... oasis mercy" (Misericordiae Vultus, 12).

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# Cardinal Open Golf Outing Friday, June 24th



# Dear St. Cletus Supporter,

The 15th annual St. Cletus Cardinal Open golf outing will take place on Friday June 24, 2016 at Gleneagles Country Club in Lemont. We are asking for your assistance recruiting foursomes to golf at this fun event and securing sponsorships and donations. 112 golfers attended last year's outing and we hope to grow to as many as 144 participants. We hope you will join us and thank you for your support!

Below is a form for golf foursomes and sponsorship opportunities. A golf outing sponsorship is a great way to promote your business and show your support of St. Cletus School. We are also asking for donations for goodie bags, raffle prizes, or door prizes for participants. Your donations are tax deductible and your generosity will be acknowledged in the golf outing program, in the parish bulletin, and on the golf outing website. Your contribution is greatly appreciated. Forms and checks can be submitted directly to the St. Cletus School Office Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., 700 W. 55th St. La Grange, IL 60525.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

-Chuck Luna, Golf Outing Chair

Golf Outing Venue: Glen Eagles Country Club

13070 McCarthy Road • Lemont, II 60439

\$115 per Golfer Includes green fees, cart, lunch, beverages on the

course and a buffet dinner with open bar.

Checks Payable to: St. Cletus School

Name:

700 W. 55th St. • La Grange, IL 60525

For More Information: golfouting@stcletusparish.com

http://golfouting.stcletusschool.com/

# Friday, June 24th

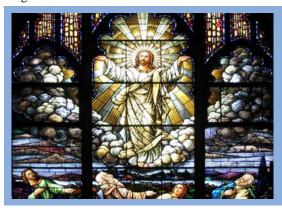
12:00 p.m. Check-In Begins

1:30 p.m. Tee Off

Scramble Format
4 golfers per team
On course challenges
for additional charge(s)

# Please return the information below to the School Office:

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# The Ascension of the Rord

#### **CONTINUALLY PRAISING GOD**

In both the first reading and the Gospel we are told about Christ's glorious ascension into heaven. Paul's letter to the Ephesians reminds us that Christ has been seated at God's right hand in heaven, above every choir of angels. There might be a temptation to stay at an awed distance from Jesus Christ. However, the tone of today's readings is far from that temptation. The tone is exultant and the message is urgent. We are to be his witnesses, and the Gospel describes the first witnesses this way: "[W]ith great joy . . . they were continually in the temple praising God" (Luke 24:53).

How can we continually praise God? The answer can be found in the second reading, in which Paul prays that God will give us a "Spirit of wisdom and revelation" in order to know Christ clearly (Ephesians 1:17). We cannot stand at a distance. We are to be enlightened and empowered.

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

**Psalm** — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

**Second Reading** — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) *or Hebrews* 9:24-28; 10:19-23.

**Gospel** — As Jesus blessed his disciples he parted from them and was taken up to heaven (Luke 24:46-53).

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#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; Mother's Day;

World Communications Day

Tuesday: St. Damien de Veuster

Thursday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras

Friday: Our Lady of Fatima

Saturday: St. Matthias

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17 Sunday: <u>Vigil</u>: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14

> or JI 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day</u>: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23

or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Second Vatican Council decreed that the devotional life of the Church should be examined and reformed with towards expressing Easter faith. encouragement for creativity has deep roots in our tradition, and some attempts at reform show great promise. One of the great treasures in our devotional repertoire is a familiar feature of Lent: the Way of the Cross. The faithful walk a path recalling the events of Christ's passion, a contemplative experience increasingly enriched these days by scripture and song. There are fourteen stations in the usual configuration, although in recent years, a fifteenth station of the Empty Tomb has been added. Why stop there? Why not develop a similar journey structured on the theme of the appearances of the Risen Lord?

Over the last decade, a Via Lucis, or "Way of Light," has developed as a companion to the Via Crucis. It has been celebrated at the Vatican and is catching on elsewhere. There are fourteen stations, beginning with the Women Carrying Spices to the Tomb, continuing with the familiar appearances of the Lord at Emmaus, the Upper Room, the shore of Tiberias. The journey ends with stations recalling the apostles' wait with Mary for the advent of the Spirit, and with Pentecost. This is fertile ground indeed for the genius of artists, musicians, preachers, and liturgists. This is a living example of how many of our traditions are born to fill a great spiritual need, and spread to every corner of the Church. It may even come soon to church near you. Maybe next Eastertime! —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

# **Other Ministry Notes**

#### AN INVITATION FROM FR. LORENZO

Come and join us to pray for the sick at La Grange Adventist Hospital every Wednesday during Mass. The Mass is celebrated at 11:30 a.m. in the Hospital Chapel. Also, if you would like to volunteer as a lector or cantor please come and let the pastoral care office know or let us know before the Mass begins. Blessings.

Thanks and blessings,

Fr. Lorenzo

#### **NOW HIRING**

**Maintenance** - The parish is looking for part-time maintenance help—20-25 hours a week—evenings and weekends. Please contact Debbie Lestarczyk for additional information at dlestarczyk@stcletusparish.com or 708 215-5405.

Maintenance Summer Help - This summer the parish will be hiring additional help with maintenance. Position will be June through August working days, evenings and weekends. Please contact Debbie Lestarczyk for additional information at dlestarczyk@stcletusparish.com or 708 215-5405.

**Rectory Housekeeper** - 15-20 hours a week, flexible schedule. Please contact Debbie Lestarczyk for additional information at dlestarczyk@stcletusparish.com or 708 215-5405.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS GATHERING

Sunday, May 15 at 1pm all liturgical ministers (Eucharistic ministers, lectors, sacristans, ushers, wedding ministers) are invited at the Hagen house, 1040 Woodview Road in Burr Ridge. Please RSVP to cahmd@aol.com if you can but don't hesitate to come at the last minute. If you are bringing something (not required but always welcome) please let me know so that I can arrange the table.

#### JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY

The St Cletus Music Ministry is looking for more instruments and young people to get involved in the liturgy. All ages are welcome to



join, from school children to teens to young adults to adults. Bring a friend and join... we will put together a few groups for the summer and next fall.

Contact Larry LaLonde at llalonde@stcletusparish.com if interested.

#### SAVE THE DATE MAY D4D



Nothing Bundt Cakes in downtown La Grange will donate 30% of all purchases to St. Cletus School during our May Dining for Dollars (D4D) event which runs from 5/23 through 5/28. A flyer is required which will be published in the 5/22 bulletin.

#### ST. CLETUS COMEDY NIGHT

When: Friday, May 13 at 8 p.m.

Doors Open at 7:30 p.m.

Where: Morrissey Hall Cost: \$40 per person

Bring a friend and a beverage of your choice to laugh along with Kevin Bozeman, 2010 semifinalist on NBC's "Last Comic Standing," 2000 winner of the Midwest region of the HBO "Comedy Competition," and second place finisher in the Boston Comedy Competition in 2005.

Tickets can be purchased via cash or check at the door.





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.

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

#### **BABY SHOWER AND CARNATION SALE**



Mother's Day Baby Shower & Carnation Sale The Saint Cletus Parish Committee for Respect Life Activities is hosting its 25th Annual Mother's Day Baby Shower and Carnation

Sale after all Masses this weekend.

Place your baby gifts in the Baskets in the church Narthex. Donations will be distributed to needy mothers in our own Parish community area and the Women's Care Center of La Grange.

Marianne & Wayne Hamilton, Coordinators St. Cletus Parish Committee for Respect Life Activities (708) 579-0118

#### ST. CLETUS WEDDING MINISTRY

The St. Cletus Wedding Ministry cordially invites all parishioners, male and female, to join this ministry. We work in teams assisting the parish staff with wedding rehearsals and wedding day facilitation.



WEDDING MINISTRY

Wedding ministers help to organize and run the wedding rehearsals, usually held the day before. On the wedding day, ministers are responsible for setting up the Sacristy, organizing the Bridal party and making sure that all things are running smoothly and on time. The ministers pick the wedding dates to fit their schedules. For more information, please contact Bobbie Kallal at (708) 352-6209.

#### CONGRATULATIONS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR ORDINATION TO ALL OF OUR PRIESTS AND DEACONS

Fr. Robert Clark - May 22, 1999

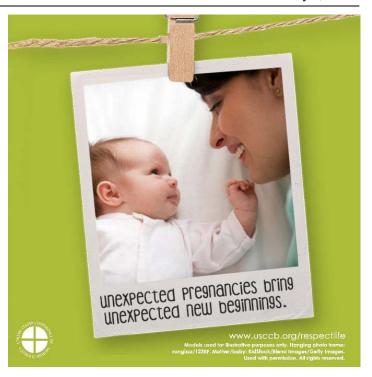
Fr. Lorenzo Gamboa - May 21, 2011

Fr. Kenneth Baker – May 19, 1984

Fr. Ronald Anglim - April 29, 1965

Deacon Jesús Casas – February 4, 2007 Deacon Stuart Heyes - May 25, 2012

We are blessed to have you and pray that God will continue to strengthen and guide you as you serve the people of God.



#### **MISSION LADIES**

#### Thank You

Mission ladies are proud to have made and give 1270 different items to 10 different local charities recently.

Also, we are happy to make 189 Helmet Liners for our service men to wear under their helmets. These liners help to absorb the moisture under the helmets.

Thank you all who donated and help make all items.

#### **Request for Help**

St. Cletus Mission Ladies are in need and looking for Clear Plastic Plain Bags (12" x 20"). They are used for the dolls we make and give to the little children at XMas time.

We did have a distributor but they are no longer in business.

If anyone has any ideas as to where we might purchase these bags, please email me. Thank you.

St. Cletus Mission Ladies, Dolores Scaletta deequiler@aol.com

#### NOTICE REGARDING BULLETIN ARTICLES

Please note that all canticle articles are to be emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com. Please send as text with pictures separate. All articles are due no later than 5 p.m. Friday the week before Sunday's publication.

# **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. 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

#### **VOCATIONS OFFICE - CHICAGOPRIEST.COM**

"You will be My witnesses to the ends of the earth."

If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life call Father Francis Bitterman (312) 534-8298, or email: fbitterman@archchicago.org.



#### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jesus "raised his hands and blessed them". Jesus prayed for his disciples and us to know and believe the good news of the Gospel! Open your heart and allow God's love to transform all areas of your life including your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are June 10-12, 2016 or August 12-14, 2016 or October 7-9, 2016, 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.

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

"An unexpected pregnancy can bring joy, excitement, awe, gratitude, and deeper love than I knew was possible."



"10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting"
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
goo.gl/MkBfb9

#### **BLUESTEM EARTH FESTIVAL 2016**



Saturday, May 21st

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
University of St. Francis,
Joliet, IL
FREE Admission

The Joliet Franciscan Sisters and Associates are presenting their third annual Bluestem Earth Festival. The goal of this free event is to educate and empower individuals and families to live healthier, more sustainable and more socially responsible lifestyles. Visit BluestemEarthFestival.com for more information!

#### JOYFUL AGAIN FOR WIDOWED MEN & WOMEN

There will be a retreat/workshop on July 9 & 10, 2016 at St. Julie's Parish, Tinley Pk. II. and on July 23 & 24, 2016, at Holy Family Parish, 2515 Palatine Rd. Inverness, IL. Being widowed is a special loss, and this program is designed especially to help the widowed find hope & joy again. Space limited – register early. Phone: 708-354-7211 email: Joyfulagain7211@gmail.com

#### PENTECOST CELEBRATION AT ST. BARBARA'S

Pentecost is fifty days after Easter and marks the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. Tongues of fire came to rest on each of the apostles. This filled them with the Holy Spirit allowing them to go out and minister to people everywhere.

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together."

Acts 2:1

You are invited to join together with the people of St. Barbara's in Brookfield at an overnight Pentecost Vigil to celebrate this awesome event in our history. The outdoor fire will be lit at the 5pm Mass on Saturday, May 14th and the vigil will continue through the night until a morning prayer service at 7 am Sunday, May 15th.

Join us indoors for Eucharistic adoration and quiet, personal prayer. Praise and worship music, a sung Eucharistic adoration, is from 8-9 pm. Reconciliation will be available from 9-10 pm. Outdoors you can gather around our fire pit for reflection and fellowship. Come for a few minutes or stay for a few hours.

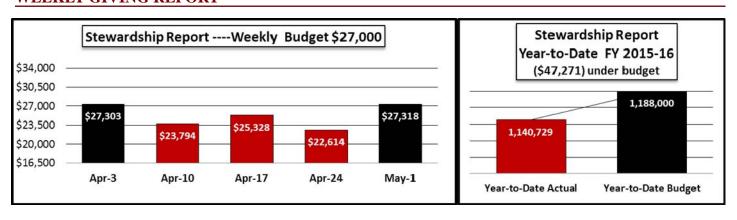
St. Barbara's is located in Brookfield at 4008 S. Prairie Avenue. Contact Dorothy Ball 708-485-6184 or nddlball@att.net with any questions.

# Week at a Glance

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DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, May 8	After Masses	Narthex	Respect Life Baby Shower and Carnation Sale
Monday, May 9			
Tuesday, May 10	9:00am	Church	School Mass, May Crowning
	8:00pm	S Rm 202	Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group
	9:00pm	MH	Girls Church League Basketball
Wednesday, May 11	9:00am	RB	Mission Ladies
	7:30pm	S Rm 200	Baptism Preparation Class
Thursday, May 12	7:00pm	S Rm 201	Youth Mission Trip Meeting
	7:00pm	MH	St. Cletus School Sports Awards
	7:30pm	S Music Room	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, May 13	7:00pm	MH	St. Cletus Comedy Night
Saturday, May 14	9:00am	S Rm 200	Pre-Cana
	5:00pm	Narthex	Living Rosary Table
	5:00pm	Narthex	Shop with Scrip Cash and Carry
Sunday, May 15	After Masses	Narthex	Living Rosary Table
	After Masses	Narthex	Shop with Scrip Cash and Carry

# Stewardship Report

#### **WEEKLY GIVING REPORT**



#### ST. CLETUS ONLINE GIVING... DONATIONS MADE EASY



We encourage you to make online donations by logging onto our website, **www.stcletusparish.com** and click on the Donate button and register using your checking account, debit card or credit card. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at the rectory, (708) 352-6209.

# St. Cletus Parish Information

#### **CONTACT US**

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www.stcletusparish.com	fstcle	etuschurch

#### **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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