

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain and began to teach them.
-Matthew 5:1



**FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven."**

Matthew 5:3

**JANUARY
29
2023**

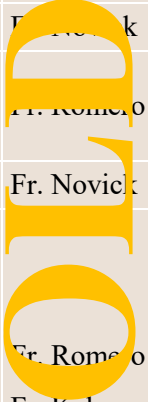
WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for January 30 - February 5, 2023

Day	Time	Presider	Intentions
January 30	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Joan McCarthy
January 31	8:00am	Fr. Novick	St. Cletus Parishioners
February 1	8:00am	Fr. Romero	BC and Rip Collins
February 2	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Leonard Lundstrom 40th Anniversary of death, Joseph Viececi
February 3	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Jim and Grace Copp, Nan and Bob Rettig
February 4	5:00pm	Fr. Novick	Rose Marie Hrzenjak
February 5	7:15am	Fr. Romero	John Duda, Stanley Wager, Stephanie Sabo
	8:45am	Fr. Kalas	Gerald Dudek, Frank Niwa, Harold Church, Mak Harrison
	10:30am	Fr. Novick	John Jacobs, Patricia Joyce
	12:30pm	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners



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

Mary Ann Vaitkus
 Doris Kunkel
 Mother of Bill Kunkel
May she rest in peace....

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 - Daniel Lacey, Janusz Szczepanski, James Wallace, Bill Gozdecki, Peter Feleice, Matthew O'Connell, Donna Kurcz, Bill Deleeshe, Wei Han

December - Marlene Heyes, Patricia Rodey

November -

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

Hospitality This Weekend!

Join us for hospitality after 5pm,
 7:15am, & 8:45am mass.
 After 10:30am and 12:30pm mass come
 join us at our school Open House!
 10:30am-2:30pm!

Pastor's Note

"My Child be at peace,"

Deacon Keith Strohm

Dear Parishioners,

Our loving and gracious God continues to share His kindness and life with us. He is close to us. He is attentive to our needs. He knows our deepest desires. He offers us His love. He wants us to stay close to Him. He invites us to turn to him and allow him to love us.

With awe and gratitude, I share with you some moments where I experienced the closeness and action of God last week at our parish.

First, we hosted a Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, January 21st, 2023, at the Parish Center for those who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on February 11th, 2023. Around 100 children attended the retreat. Some of them attend St. Cletus School and others are part of our Faith Formation program. Our children were blessed to have qualified and faith-filled speakers. They were Elizabeth White, Director of the Office for Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship, Rick Moreno, Parish Vitality Coordinator, Vicariate IV, Fr. Michael Novick, Associate Pastor, Karen Ziembra, Former Director of Music Ministries, and Christina Martinez (parishioner). Each of them shared with our children the richness of their faith and the fruits of the relationship that they have with the Lord. Each of them encouraged our children to stay close to God and receive his love daily. As I enjoyed the retreat with them, I was moved and encouraged by what was being shared and received. It was truly a moment of grace.

Second, I would like to take this opportunity to affirm and thank the ministry and leadership of Larry Manetti, Director of Faith Formation, and Hector Obregon, Associate Dean of Faith Formation. Both of them prayed and worked together along with our teachers and catechists to offer to our children a spiritually enriching Confirmation Retreat. Please keep them in prayer.

Third, I am happy to share with you that the Lord touched and healed our hearts through the gentle and joy-filled presence and ministry of Deacon Keith Strohm. He uplifted the spirit of those who attended both of his talks (January 22-23) which were held in the Gallagher Room. Approximately 60 parishioners attended each day. Fr. Michael Novick attended both days. I attended on Monday, January 23rd. My relationship with the Lord was strengthened through the words and witness of Deacon Keith. God can certainly transform the way we think of others and of ourselves. After healing our wounds, He chooses to trust us with the mission of his Son. We have an awesome God. I would like to offer my gratitude to the members of CREDO for organizing and hosting such wonderful talks. I also would like to thank our priests and Parish Staff for assisting and promoting this event from the pulpit, parish bulletin, and so forth. Their collaboration is greatly appreciated.

Fourth, I would like to wholeheartedly thank you for your continued generous financial support to your parish. In a particular way, I would like to acknowledge and thank you for your recent generous Christmas collection. I pray that our loving God continues to bless you with good health and his friendship. As I share my vocation with you, I continue to learn that having God as part of our lives is a good thing. For more info about the collection, please go to page ... to find a brief message and the graphic prepared by Jim Dion, Business Manager. Once again, thank you.

Fifth, I would like to let you know that Fr. Michael Novick, Associate Pastor, is scheduled to have a surgery (hernia) on Monday, January 30th, 2023. He received the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at the 8:00 AM Mass. All who attended Mass and especially our children from our school prayed and offered their best wishes to Fr. Michael. We will keep you informed. I kindly ask you to keep him in prayer.

Finally, today and all the days the Lord wishes to give us, may we be able to hear Him saying to us, "My child be at peace."

Fr. Elmer Romero

Note From Father Mike

What should be taught in Catholic Schools?

Religion – more specifically, the Roman Catholic faith. When I was a child, if someone was attending a Catholic school, 98% of those students were in fact baptized Catholics, and almost all of those students went on to receive the other sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation). That cannot be assumed any longer. As a matter of fact, there are many students attending Catholic schools that are either baptized in a different Christian faith or some who are not even baptized at all. Still just because there are non-Catholic children in Catholic schools, and how math and science are important to a child's future doesn't mean we just sacrifice teaching the faith and morals of the Catholic Church.

My eighth grade teacher was a great man (God rest his soul). He taught the faith not simply from his teacher's manual, but he was also very adept at helping to help us to be solid in understanding our faith for the level we were at. The religion teachers at Marist did things very similar to 8th grade thru senior year. All of that education was molded together so that once we were off to college, we had a foundation to allow us to have conversations with other priests, faculty members, and other adults about what things meant or how to understand something. It made my faith a bit more accessible and important for me to follow as I grew into adulthood myself.

I honestly think our children are being forced to grow up way too early, and that tends to come across in terms of parents allowing their children to make "crucial" decisions when they don't even understand how to think – what are the pros and cons of making a tough decision? They've been told by our society to do whatever feels right at the time, but if they are not being taught what is right and what is wrong, then how do they know what it feels like to be wrong?

Now I know that there are many very good teachers of the faith for children. Yet, like we've said before, many of the teachers at the early stages of their career do not have the

grounding they need because it was not a priority when they were growing up either. Some of the teachers are not Catholic themselves. As St. Augustine once wrote "One cannot give what he himself does not have." That should make plenty of sense to most people. If you are trying to teach something without being knowledgeable and/or believing in it, then why should someone else bother learning or believing either? Yet, I know a teacher of second graders who didn't finish her sacraments of initiation. She is working her way through RCIA this year so that when her students receive their first communion in May, she will be able to receive right along with them. I believe in her thirst for the Eucharist, she can help the children to get a little more excited about their big day.

Brothers and sisters, we all know that our world is becoming increasingly more secular by the day. More people, when being asked what religion they claim to be a part of, are answering "none" more than ever before. I know of some of the young people from the parishes where I've served have turned away from practicing their faith, some claiming they don't even believe in God either. What happened? Who was steering them away from what they grew up with? I remember attending Mass on special occasions at Marist, and if we were not participating, all it took was one glare from one of the faculty members so that either you did the right thing or sit in detention for our disobedience. Now, I still believe many of those young people will return to the Church one day. Whether rules change in the Church or not, God keeps His eyes fixed upon us all and stands ready for us with open arms. As hard as that is to believe for some people, it's true.

Fr. Mike

"It came to my attention that my article in last week's bulletin came across as offensive and demeaning, especially to women, on the issue of abortion. My apologies. It's never my intention. I know I could have said a few things better a few times. Again, my apologies."

Super Bowl Party!

COME ONE COME ALL to St. Cletus' First Super Bowl Party brought to you by your Parish Pastoral Council!

If you haven't had a chance to stop by the Super Bowl table in the Narthex and reserve your table, purchase your tickets or buy your lucky square, make sure to stop by this weekend and get your tickets and squares! Tickets are \$5 per person or purchase a table of 6 for \$20. Squares are \$10 with 4 payouts (1st quarter \$100, 2nd quarter \$200, 3rd quarter \$100, final score \$200)

You **DO NOT** want to miss

this party!

We will have a jumbotron stadium tv wall of 240"!!! Pizza and wings will be provided. Beverages will be available for purchase and include beer, wine, soda, water and lemonade. Feel free to bring any additional snacks or dessert for your table.

Doors open at 3pm. Plenty of fun, and raffles with a piñata at half-time after the show. Chill zone for families to watch movies with popcorn.

Get your tickets now and join us Super Bowl Sunday-February 12th! See you there!



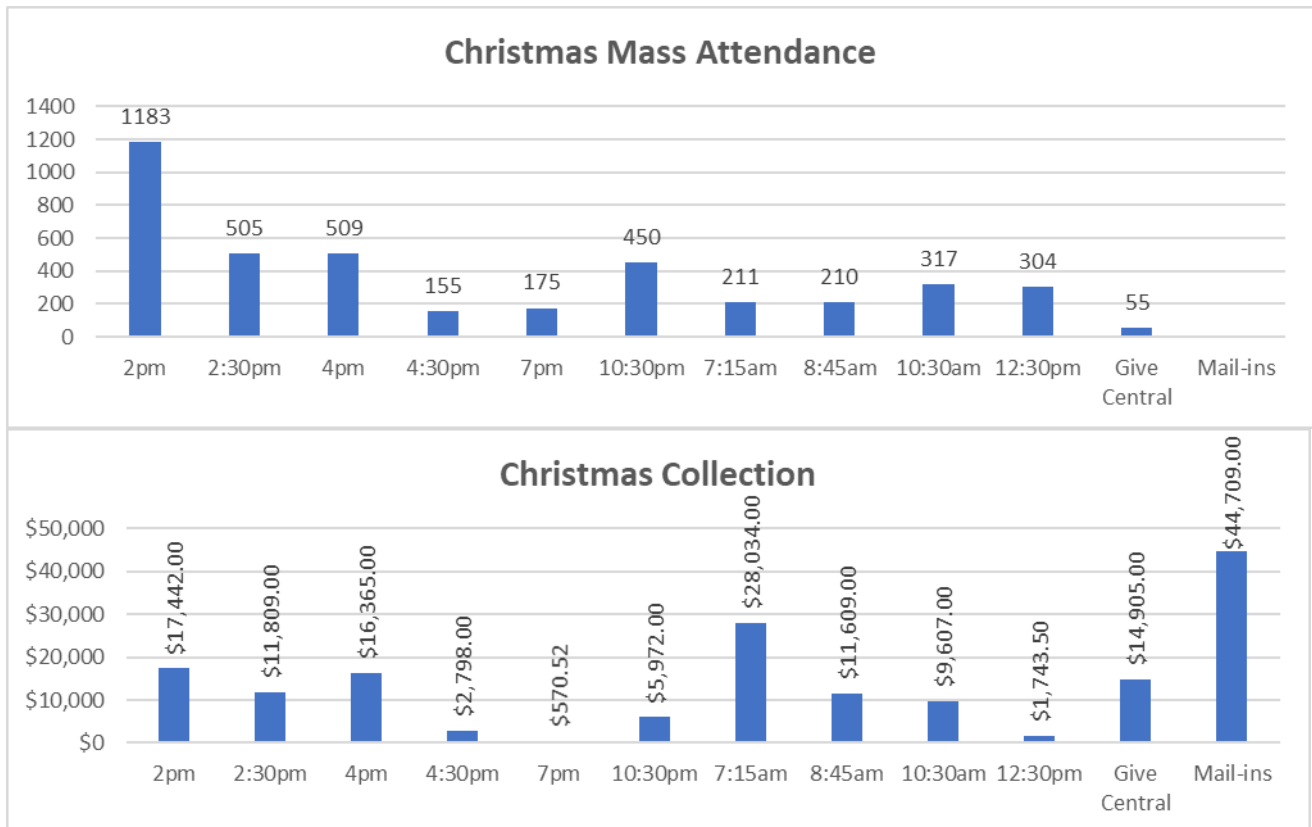
Sunday, February 12, 2023

St. Cletus Parish Center - Doors open at 3:00 p.m.

Sponsored by the St. Cletus Parish Pastoral Council and assisted by the St. Cletus Fathers' Club

Christmas Collection

The Christmas collection, as of 1/24/23, was \$165,564.02. Your generous Christmas donations to the parish play a vital role in supporting the ongoing operations, mission and growth of St. Cletus Parish. It is through your continuous generosity that St. Cletus has become the parish that it is. **Thank you so much!**



Faith Formation

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

On Saturday, January 21, our Eighth Grade Confirmation Class were involved in their Confirmation Retreat. The theme of the day was *Reflecting on the Call to Becoming Disciples*.

The day began with lunch at 12:00 noon with our program beginning around 12:30 p.m.

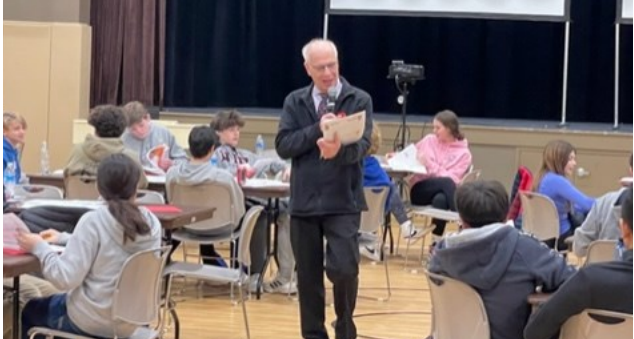
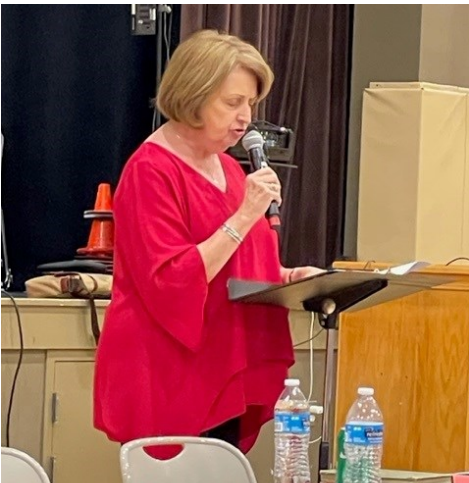
Our Keynote Speakers for the day were: Ms. Elizabeth White, the Director of Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Chicago and Mr. Rick Moreno, the Director of Parish Vitality for Vicariate IV and a former youth minister.

There were several activities our students were involved in as well as hearing “Witness Talks,” by Mrs. Ziemba, Christina Martinez, and Viviana Tellez who spoke about their Faith Journey.

The day ended with our students and their families attending the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Our Confirmation celebration is on February 11 at 1:00 p.m. Bishop Casey will be the celebrant. Please pray for our Comfermandi, that they hear and are open to the call of the Holy Spirit.

God Bless



School News



Please join us for the
St. Cletus School
OPEN HOUSE
SUNDAY
JANUARY 29TH, 2023
10:30AM-2:30PM

- Meet our teachers
- Talk with students & parents
- Explore our classrooms
- Learn about our programs



TAX CREDIT REMINDER!



There's still time to donate to St. Cletus School through the Tax Credit Scholarship Incentive Program.. For additional donation information please call Empower Illinois for guidance at 1-800-616-7606 or call the St. Cletus School Office at 708-352-4820. Share this information with your relatives and friends. Thanks for supporting St. Cletus School.

Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
31 de enero, 2023	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	Iglesia Church
29 de enero 2023	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español Spanish Mass	Iglesia Church
Segundo Sábado de cada mes Second Saturday of each month	8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.	Adoración Nocturna Night Adoration	Iglesia Church
Sábados	8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Confesiones	Iglesia

ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

Cada segundo sábado del mes el Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Adoración Nocturna, comenzando con una Misa a las 8:00 p.m. seguido de la Adoración al Santísimo hasta las 5:00 a.m. Todos están invitados a participar.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Every second Saturday of the month the Hispanic Ministry conducts Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with a Mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 am. Everyone is invited to participate.

DEVOCIÓN GUADALUPANA

El Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Devoción Guadalupeana rezando el rosario todos los días 12 de cada mes a las 7:00 pm en la iglesia. Todos están invitados a participar.

GUADALUPE DEVOTION

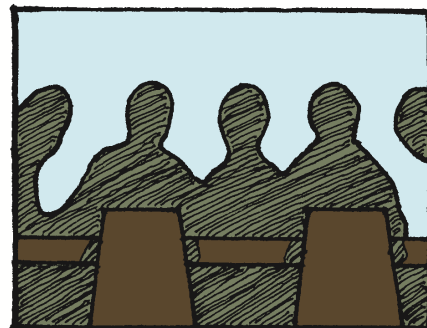
The Hispanic Ministry holds the Guadalupe Devotion by praying the rosary every 12th day of each month at 7:00 pm in the church. Everyone is invited to participate.

JUNTA DE LECTORES

habrá una junta para todos los lectores en el Ministerio Hispano el viernes 10 de febrero, 2023 a las 7:00pm en el salón Gallagher. Compartiremos nuestras experiencias como lectores y reflexionaremos sobre la palabra de Dios. Nos estaremos reuniendo una vez cada tres meses. Las fechas las determinaremos en esta junta. Favor de anotararlo en su calendario.

LECTOR'S MEETING

There will be a meeting for all lectors in the Hispanic Ministry on Friday, February 10, 2023, at 7:00pm in the Gallagher Room. We will share our experiences as readers and reflect on the word of God. We will be meeting once every three months. The dates will be determined at this meeting. Please mark it on your calendar.



REUNIONES

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Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

THURSDAYS
6-8PM

Wish List:

- Beverages (tea, coffee, juice, hot chocolate mix)
- Toothpaste
- Baby wipes
- Diapers size 4, 5, 6
- Household cleaners
- Laundry Detergent
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Shave cream
- Razors

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FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Last week Alivio Medical Center was able to join us during pantry distribution. Throughout the year we collaborate with community partners to help share information and connect customers to helpful resources from experts in our neighborhood. Alivio provides quality, cost-effective healthcare to minority communities, the uninsured and underinsured. They provide a wide range of adult and pediatric medical services, as well as behavioral and mental health and dentistry.



FOOD RESCUE



This is just a very small sampling of our recent food rescue donations from the LaGrange Park Jewel. Each week we receive new and different donations based on what is available from the retailer. We have gotten freshly baked desserts and breads, ready-to-eat meals, holiday decorations and treats, canned and dry goods, beverages, fresh meat, dairy and produce. Almost everything you can think of! This is a great win-win partnership. Special thanks to our food rescue volunteers: Rob & Laura Brown, Ted & Linda Guhr, Larry & Judy Micek, Joe & Linda Demonte.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

As we prepare for Lent, 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 25-26**. All ages are welcome. Visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094cacac2ea2fc1-rice#/> to view slots and sign up.



AREA RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion clinics. This campaign runs from February 22 - April 2. If you are interested in signing up and participating locally, you can do so here:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/downersgrove>



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

If you are experiencing problems, especially abuse, in your relationship, talk to a professional counselor. Find professional assistance by calling the National Domestic Violence Hotline, 800-799-7233. Chat with a service provider and find the domestic violence services nearest you. If you are in immediate danger, call 911.



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

Sunday Notes

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — The Lord blesses the humble and gives them the heavenly kingdom (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
- Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

- Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends
- Thursday: Ss. Timothy and Titus
- Friday: St. Angela Merici
- Saturday: St. Thomas Aquinas
- Saturday: St. Agnes

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
- Tuesday: St. John Bosco
- Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life; Groundhog Day
- Friday: St. Blase; St. Ansgar; First Friday; Blessing of throats
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

Ed Ward Fine Art Series

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Ministry News

MINISTER OF CARE MEETING

The Minister of Care(MOC) ministry is one which communion is brought to people in the hospital to people confined to their home or to those in a nursing home. It is a wonderful and rewarding ministry that can be done a couple of hours a day, one day a month **or more, if you wish.** It can be done in the morning, afternoon, or evening. It's up to you!

We are looking for mature men or women to come to this meeting. If you are a MOC or would like to find out more about MOC we are meeting in the Parish Center at 7pm on February 1st. For more information or questions, call Jo Ann Martinez at 708-955-2812

Arts and Environment Committee

KAIROS

Registration for Kairos 40 is now open! Spots are limited, so be sure to sign up right away! shorturl.at/pEY15



Registration closes February 1st.

DISCUSSION

For the next book discussion we are reading **Laine Change** by Mary Ann Doornbos We will meet on February 14 at 10 AM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.



For those who like to look ahead...

April 11 **In the Woods** by Tana French

June 13 **The Dream Daughter** by Diane Chamberlain

As always, all are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

VISIO DIVINA

Join us for Visio Divina during this Lent, when we will be reflecting on the readings of each Sunday in Lent, using art that reflects those readings. We will be using the Arts and Faith series from Loyola Press. We will read and pray with the relevant reading and the art, and end with an Ignatian reflection. These sessions will be held on Thursdays at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. (please sign up for one of these) in the Gallagher Room. There is no charge. If this is interesting to you, please sign up by contacting our pastoral associate, Tina Norton



ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Fellow St. Cletus Parishioners,

The Art and Environment Committee would like to express our gratitude to the entire community. Your generosity made our Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas displays in the sanctuary possible and one of a kind. A very special thank you to Camille Koch who helped bring our vision to life. As we continue to build our committee we ask for volunteers that have a natural green thumb and are available to regularly maintain and water the plants to step up. Email or call Silvia in the parish center with your contact info. Moving forward we have already started to plan for our Easter Triduum and ask for your prayers and continued generosity to enhance the beauty of the altar during this holy season.

Thank you all.

"The Holy Eucharist is the perfect expression of the love of Jesus Christ ."

Bringing up the gifts is a wonderful way to become actively involved in mass each weekend! If you would like to sign up, please follow the link below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4BA4A923ABF>

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Community News

VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

We beg you good and holy priests. In every age you call men to follow you as servants and shepherds of your people. Open their hearts to your call and give them the courage to follow you. Be their rock of refuge and their lights as they discern.

Help us to support them on their journey, and to love them as your disciples.

We thank you for all that you are and all that you do. In your name we pray.

Amen.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Vocation Office
750 North Wabash
Ave. Chicago, IL

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

1515 Ogden Ave, LaGrange Park to register/find out more: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048

"The Letter": Film Screening and Discussion

Monday, Feb 6 • 1 - 3pm

repeated Wednesday, Feb 8 • 6:30 - 8:30pm (CT)

Facilitator: Pat Bergen, CSJ

This film follows an indigenous leader from the Amazon rainforest, a young climate activist from India, a climate refugee from Senegal, and two marine biologists who live in Hawaii as they travel from their corners of the world to meet with Pope Francis. Dialogue is central to the Pope's vision for humanity's peace with all creation. Let's watch the film together and engage in conversation on how we can solve our broken systems and more deeply understand that a better future is in our hands.

Webb Space Telescope: Illuminating the Cosmos

Tuesday, Feb 7 • 6:30 - 8pm (CT)

Facilitator: Geza Gyuk

The James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), NASA's newest space telescope, a technological triumph, is poised to shake up Astronomy. Geza Gyuk, Director of Astronomy at the Adler Planetarium, will discuss

some of the science that JWST is aimed at addressing, from the largest cosmological scales to the planets in our own Solar System.

PERPETUAL NOVENA TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

Searching for ways to spread Christ's Love this Valentine's Day?

Desire to connect with the greater Catholic community of Chicago?

Join us for the monthly Perpetual Novena to St. Rita of Cascia on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 7:00p.m. Father Tom McCarthy, O.S.A. will be celebrating Mass.

All are invited to the next monthly St. Rita of Cascia Novena Mass to be held Thursday, February 2, 2023 at the St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel, 7740 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL. Confession is available at 6:00 p.m. Mass and novena prayers will begin at 7:00p.m. Stay after mass to enjoy a slice of the famous Racine Danish Kringle and socialize with new friends. Secure and ample parking is available. Visit our website at stritashrinechicago.com for more information.

HITZEMAN FUNERAL HOME IS LOOKING TO EXPAND THEIR TEAM.

We are seeking a caring and professional individual to fulfill our Funeral Care Manager position. He/she will be working directly with our families before, during and after services. This consultative position does not require a Funeral Director License. We are looking for an individual with their insurance license or interested in obtaining their licensure. Benefits and compensation negotiable. Flexible hours available, from part time to a (preferred) full time position.

Please send your contact information and your resume to: info@hitzemanfuneral.com.

If you have any questions please call 708-485-2000.

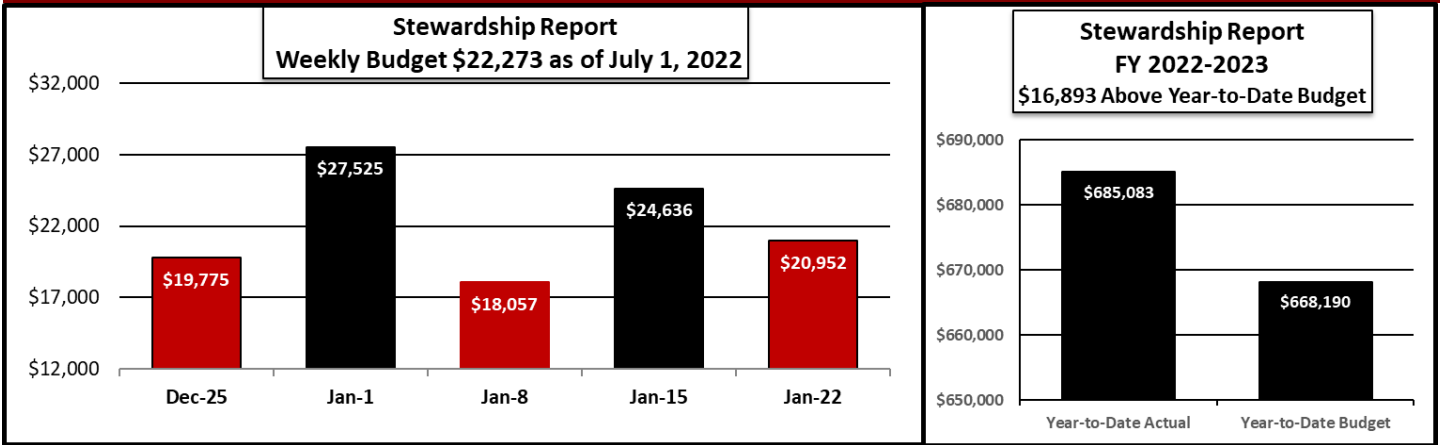
MID-LIFE SINGLES (MID-30S TO 50S)

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph and Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), on March 3-5, 2023. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$285 for meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

Week At A Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, January 29	7am-10am 10:30am-2:30pm	Gallagher Room Parish School	Hospitality Open House
Monday, January 30			
Tuesday, January 31	8:15-9:45pm	Parish Center	Church League Basketball Practice Grades 10 & 11
Wednesday, February 1	9am-12pm	Gallagher Room	Mission Ladies
Thursday, February 2	6-8pm 8:15-9:45pm	Food Pantry Parish Center	Food Pantry Distribution Church League Basketball Practice Grades 10 & 11
Friday, February 3			
Saturday, February 4	8:30-9:15am	Church	Confessions
Sunday, February 5			

Stewardship Report



GIVING

Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY!

Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON (pictured to the right). Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, contact Jim Dion at jdion@stcletusparish.com or 708.352.6209.



BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to 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

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

Parish Center.....(708) 352-6209
School(708) 352-4820
www.stcletusparish.com.....  stcletuschurch

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office.

Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday and SundayClosed

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
Sunday7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
..... 12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
Weekdays..... Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

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Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date.

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Mission Statement

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

Vision Statement

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

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