

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.
— PSALM 126:3



The blind man said, “Master, I want to see.”
Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.”

MARK 10:51-52



Attr. Master of the Antiphony of San Giovanni Fuorcivitas,
Initial A: Christ Wiping the Tears from the Eyes of the Saved, Florence or Pisa, Italy, c. 1330-1340

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 24, 2021**

WELCOME

- 2 Mass Intentions
Important Notes
- 3 Sharing our Blessings
- 4 Sunday Readings
- 6 Parish School
- 7 Religious Education
- 8 Social Concerns
- 10 Youth Ministry
- 11 SCCCW Retreat
- 12 Ministry News
- 12 Community News
- 13 Stewardship Report
Week at a Glance
- 14 Parish Information

Mass Intentions for October 25 - 31, 2021

Day	Time	Presider (subject to change)	Intentions
October 25	8:00am	Fr. Baker	Frank Baggio
October 26	8:00am	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners
October 27	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Thomas Connelly, Samuel Colonna, Dorothy Dybas,, BC Collins
October 28	8:00am	Fr. Baker	Sue Baker
October 29	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Ann Dunbar, John Battistoni, Phyllis Prevanas
October 30	5:00pm	Fr. Costello	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Daniel Buonamici
October 31	7:15am	Fr. Costello	Stacy Baker, Elaine Rys, Richard Gomez, Dorothy Dybas, Francisco Parra
	8:45am	Fr. Baker	St. Cletus Parishioners
	10:30am	Fr. Baker	Jean Kratville
	12:30pm	Fr. Costello	St. Cletus Parishioners

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.

October - Steve Hubona, Gerda E. Dorso

September - Joseph Busta, John Duda, Sandra Eckrich, Howard Eggert, Marlene Heyes, Joan Klemak, Marian Mozdzen, Patricia Rodey, Jean Tomazin

August - Catherine Cosgrove, Mary Depasquale, Laurie Stewart, Laura Terrazino, Ed Kuchta, Frank Niwa, Joanna Polanski, Gladys Vaci, Tom Valenti, Patrick Wingert

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

MASKS ARE REQUIRED

Masks are required indoors for all clergy, staff, volunteers and parishioners inside archdiocesan facilities in Suburban Cook County and in the City of Chicago, including Masses, liturgies and all activities/events within our parishes.

**MASKS ARE
REQUIRED FOR
ENTRY TO
THIS FACILITY**



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY OCT. 23/24

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord’s mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope’s missions.

Envelopes will be available in the pews and will be accepted with the first collection.

Thank you for your generosity.

WORLD 20 MISSION MONTH 21	DOMINGO MUNDIAL 20 DE LAS MISIONES 21	OCTOBER 24 2021 OCTOBER 24 2021	
			
"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" [ACTS 4:20]		"No podemos dejar de hablar de lo que hemos visto y oído" [1UCH 4,20]	

Sharing our Blessings

Our parishioners enjoyed a perfect fall night after the “Sharing Our Blessings” liturgy inside the church on Monday, Oct. 18th. During the church service, both Henry Morlock and Barb Campbell shared their personal blessings and journey of faith from the ambo. The music performed by Karen Ziemba and Elizabeth Goellner was uplifting and most appropriate for the event.

After the service the congregation exited to enjoy outdoor refreshments and bonfires. A couple of fires helped light the campus northeast of the church, along with a full moon rising on a memorable fall night.

Pastor Elmer Romero noted the two fires blazing reminded him of the Old Testament tale of Moses and the burning bush. The same moon now and in ancient times inspired people to appreciate that “God’s in his heaven, and all’s right with the world.” Fr. Ron Kalas added a special blessing for the fire before it was ignited.

Numerous youngsters enjoyed the night air, as well as hot chocolate and plenty of cookies served from a long table near the church.

The fire area was prepared over several days with lighting and sound systems in place. The committee who did a lot of the work, inside and outside, deserves our deepest gratitude: Bill Wettstein, Deborah Blecic, Paulette Bolton, Barb Campbell, Debbie Lestarczyk and Karen Ziemba.

Bill Wettstein’s crew at the site of the fires included parishioners and Holy Name members, Chuck Plaia, Ron Ziemba, Bernie Stefanski, Jim Matthews, and Jim McLamore.

- Jim Matthews, Parishioner



Sunday Readings

READING I

Jer 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD:

Shout with joy for Jacob,
exult at the head of the nations;
proclaim your praise and say:

The LORD has delivered his people,
the remnant of Israel.

Behold, I will bring them back
from the land of the north;

I will gather them from the ends of the world,
with the blind and the lame in their midst,
the mothers and those with child;
they shall return as an immense throng.

They departed in tears,
but I will console them and guide them;

I will lead them to brooks of water,
on a level road, so that none shall stumble.

For I am a father to Israel,
Ephraim is my first-born.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion,
we were like men dreaming.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with rejoicing.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Then they said among the nations,

"The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD,

like the torrents in the southern desert.

Those that sow in tears
shall reap rejoicing.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Although they go forth weeping,

carrying the seed to be sown,

They shall come back rejoicing,
carrying their sheaves.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

READING II

Heb 5:1-6

Brothers and sisters:

Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

He is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness and so, for this reason, must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people.

No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him:

You are my son:

this day I have begotten you;

just as he says in another place:

You are a priest forever

according to the order of Melchizedek.

ALLELUIA

Mk 10:45

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Son of Man came to serve
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mk 10:46-52

As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd,

Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging.

On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say,

"Jesus, son of David, have pity on me."

And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent.

But he kept calling out all the more,

"Son of David, have pity on me."

Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

So they called the blind man, saying to him,

"Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you."

He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus.

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?"

The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see."

Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you."

Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

XXX Domingo Ordinario

PRIMERA LECTURA

Jer 31, 7-9

Esto dice el Señor:
 “Griten de alegría por Jacob,
 regocíjense por el mejor de los pueblos;
 proclamen, alaben y digan:
 ‘El Señor ha salvado a su pueblo,
 al grupo de los sobrevivientes de Israel’.

He aquí que yo los hago volver del país del norte
 y los congrego desde los confines de la tierra.
 Entre ellos vienen el ciego y el cojo,
 la mujer encinta y la que acaba de dar a luz.

Retorna una gran multitud;
 vienen llorando, pero yo los consolaré y los guiaré;
 los llevaré a torrentes de agua
 por un camino llano en el que no tropezarán.
 Porque yo soy para Israel un padre
 y Efraín es mi primogénito”.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL

Salmo 125, 1-2ab. 2cd-3. 4-5, 6

R. Grandes cosas has hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Cuando el Señor nos hizo volver del cautiverio,
 creíamos soñar;
 entonces no cesaba de reír nuestra boca
 ni se cansaba entonces la lengua de cantar.

R. Grandes cosas has hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Aun los mismos paganos con asombro decían:
 “¡Grandes cosas ha hecho por ellos el Señor!”
 Y estábamos alegres,
 pues ha hecho grandes cosas por su pueblo el Señor.

R. Grandes cosas has hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Como cambian los ríos la suerte del desierto,
 cambia también ahora nuestra suerte, Señor,
 y entre gritos de júbilo
 cosecharán aquellos que siembran con dolor.

R. Grandes cosas has hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Al ir, iba llorando, cargando la semilla;
 al regresar, cantando vendrán con sus gavillas.

R. Grandes cosas has hecho por nosotros, Señor.

SEGUNDA LECTURA

Heb 5, 1-6

Hermanos: Todo sumo sacerdote es un hombre escogido
 entre los hombres y está constituido para intervenir en
 favor de ellos ante Dios, para ofrecer dones y sacrificios
 por los pecados. Él puede comprender a los ignorantes y
 extraviados, ya que él mismo está envuelto en
 debilidades. Por eso, así como debe ofrecer sacrificios por
 los pecados del pueblo, debe ofrecerlos también por los
 suyos propios.

Nadie puede apropiarse ese honor, sino sólo aquel que es
 llamado por Dios, como lo fue Aarón. De igual manera,
 Cristo no se confirió a sí mismo la dignidad de sumo
 sacerdote; se la otorgó quien le había dicho: Tú eres mi
 Hijo, yo te he engendrado hoy. O como dice otro pasaje
 de la Escritura: Tú eres sacerdote eterno, como
 Melquisedec.

ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO

Mc 10, 45

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Jesucristo, nuestro salvador, ha vencido la muerte
 y ha hecho resplandecer la vida por medio del Evangelio.

R. Aleluya.

EVANGELIO

Mc 10, 46-52

En aquel tiempo, al salir Jesús de Jericó en compañía de
 sus discípulos y de mucha gente, un ciego, llamado
 Bartimeo, se hallaba sentado al borde del camino pidiendo
 limosna. Al oír que el que pasaba era Jesús Nazareno,
 comenzó a gritar: “¡Jesús, hijo de David, ten compasión
 de mí!” Muchos lo reprendían para que se callara, pero él
 seguía gritando todavía más fuerte: “¡Hijo de David, ten
 compasión de mí!”

Jesús se detuvo entonces y dijo: “Llámenlo”. Y llamaron
 al ciego, diciéndole: “¡Ánimo! Levántate, porque él te
 llama”. El ciego tiró su manto; de un salto se puso en pie
 y se acercó a Jesús. Entonces le dijo Jesús: “¿Qué quieres
 que haga por ti?” El ciego le contestó: “Maestro, que
 pueda ver”. Jesús le dijo: “Vete; tu fe te ha salvado”. Al
 momento recobró la vista y comenzó a seguirlo por el
 camino.

St. Cletus School

Greg Porod, Principal
708) 352-4820 | gporod@stcletusparish.com

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

ST. CLETUS SIP N' SHOP

Join us to Shop, Sip and Support our school!

Entry is \$5, includes a glass of wine and a raffle ticket!

Come shop for holiday gifts or for yourself!

Vendors Include: Color Street, Lillia Rose Accessories Tastefully Simple, Pampered Chef, Pink Zebra, Norwex, homemade cards, Ornaments, Nativity sets, Jewelry, Baked goods & More!



Friday, November 12th
6:00pm – 9:00pm
St. Cletus Parish Center
600 W. 55th St.
La Grange, IL 60525

Sponsored by: St. Cletus FSA

JOB OPENINGS

AFTERCARE WORKER

5 days a week from 3pm until 6pm or until the last student leaves. Pay is \$15 an hour.

Looking for a reliable, caring individual. College and High School Jr's and Sr's welcome to apply.

Must be VIRTUS Trained.

Please contact the school office if interested at 708-352-4820



DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

Students have been hard at work, colorfully decorating skulls for the Dia de los Muertos altar



D4D (DINING FOR DOLLARS)

Join us Monday, October 25 5-9pm at the Countryside Chipotle to support St. Cletus School. Show the flier below or use online code N34XLMM.

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE

COMMUNITY STARTS HERE... TASTE OF MAD... GENEROUS... HELPING... CHANGE... THING DAY... BETTER... FUTURE... FOOD... VUL... OIL-W... GOODN... PIN... CAN... HER EVER... MAD... TASTE... 55%... 33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR ST. CLETUS SCHOOL

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25TH | 5-9PM
5801 S LA GRANGE RD, COUNTRYSIDE, IL, 60525

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **N34XLMM**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

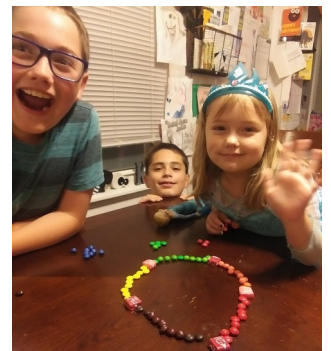
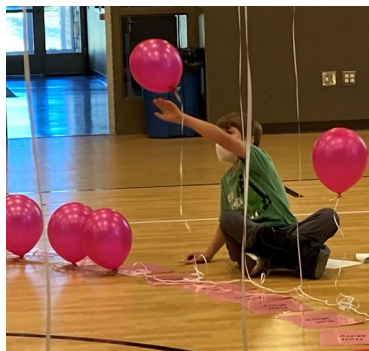
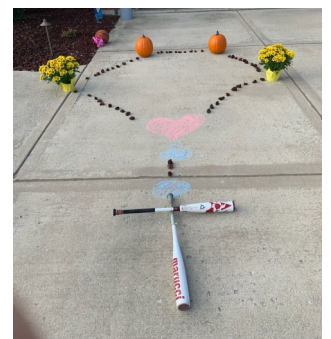
Religious Education

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). Our Religious Education Families were working on a family-home lesson to learn more about our Blessed Mother, and the devotion of the Rosary. They were encouraged to build their own rosary from things around their home, from things in nature, or from traditional beads. The creativity of our children is overwhelming! We received photos of rosaries made from:

- rocks, flowers and pumpkins
- sporting equipment
- children's toys
- breakfast cereal like Froot Loops and Cheerios
- baked goods like cupcakes and brownies
- candy
- traditional beads

Please enjoy some of our photos of our family rosaries! Our fourth grade students and families also came together to participate in our Living Rosary. We have a home-made rosary made of helium balloons (in place of beads) to help us pray this wonderful prayer. Our fourth grade children did a phenomenal job in leading us in prayer last Sunday!



Social Concerns Ministry



**ST. CLETUS
FOOD PANTRY
THURSDAYS 6-8PM
CHURCH PARKING LOT**

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- 2-3 lb Rice
- Boxed Potatoes
- Canned Chili

Please look for the FOOD PANTRY DONATION bin near the Rectory door, it will be checked daily.



Follow us on Facebook:
[@StCletusFoodPantry](#)
Now on Instagram:
[@St.CletusFoodPantry](#)

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

FOOD PANTRY UPDATES

Turkey Bucks

This month when you do your grocery shopping at the Jewel store across the street from St. Cletus, **please remember to tell your cashier** that you would like to help St. Cletus Food Pantry by purchasing \$1, \$5, or \$10 in Jewel Turkey Bucks. Your thoughtful donation will help bring a traditional Thanksgiving dinner to a family in our community that otherwise may have gone without. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunity

Volunteers are needed to stand at the Jewel Osco doors and invite customers to donate to the “Turkey Bucks” program to provide a Thanksgiving Meal to a family in need. Various daily opportunities are available thru November 21.

****Please note...this is an unsupervised volunteer opportunity and an adult is recommended to be present**** This calendar simply coordinates dates. Volunteers must check in with Donna (Jewel Manager) or another supervisor when they start their shift. Parents, use your discretion based on your child's age and maturity to decide if they should be dropped off or need a parent present during the volunteer shift. All ages are welcome (with a parent).

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094cacac2ea2fc1-turkey>

GIVING TREE UPDATE

Registration is now available! If you are interested in signing up as a participant of Giving Tree you can do so at any Thursday night food pantry distribution in October or by calling Kendall at 708.215.5418.

Giving Tree Volunteer Opportunity:

We need volunteers to help make the Giving Tree tags. That means:

- Folding
- hole punching
- cutting yarn
- tying knots

If you are able to come pick up supplies Thursday afternoon, October 28 please email Kendall: Kgrant@stcletusparish.com. Items would need to be completed and returned on Monday, November 1.



AREA RESPECT LIFE

Baby Bottle envelopes are due back at the end of October. Envelopes can be dropped in the collection basket or at the Parish Center. All proceeds go to Women’s Care Center here in La Grange. If you didn’t get an envelope last week there are extra’s in the Respect Life flier rack on either side of the Narthex. Thank you!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.



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

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP: 708.485.5254

Ministerio de Justicia Social

ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

Dólares para pavo

Este mes cuando usted vaya a hacer sus compras a la tienda Jewel, al cruzar la calle de la Iglesia San Cleto, por favor recuerde decirle a la cajera que le gustaría ayudar a la Iglesia San Cleto comprando \$1, \$5, o \$10 en dólares para pavo de Jewels. Su generosa donación ayudara a traer una cena tradicional de acción de gracias a familias en nuestra comunidad, que de lo contrario no la tendrían. Muchas Gracias!

Oportunidad Para Voluntarios

Se necesitan voluntarios que se paren en la puerta del Jewel Osco, inviten a los clientes que donen al programa " Dólares para Pavo" y así proveer una cena de Acción de Gracias para familias necesitadas, varias oportunidades están disponibles hasta Noviembre 21

** Tenga en cuenta..que esta es una oportunidad de voluntarios sin supervisión, se recomienda un adulto este presente** Este calendario simplemente coordina fechas. Voluntarios tienen que reportarse con Donna (gerente de Jewel's) o a otro supervisor cuando empiezan su turno. Padres, usen su discreción de acuerdo a la edad del niño o la madurez , para decidir si ellos pueden estar solos o necesitan de uno de sus padres este presente durante su turno de voluntarios. Todas las edades son bienvenidas (con uno de los padres)

Regístrese aquí: <https://www.signupgenius.com/30e094caca2ea2fcl-turkey>

ACTUALIZACIÓN DEL ARBOL NAVIDEÑO

Inscripciones esta abiertas! si están interesados en registrarse como voluntarios participantes del Árbol Navideño, lo pueden hacer cualquier Jueves en la noche durante la distribución de la despensa el mes de Octubre, o llamando a Kendall 708.215.5418.

ÁRBOL NAVIDEÑO

Registros Octubre 1-31

Disponible en la distribución de la despensa o por teléfono 708.215.5418

Oportunidades del Árbol Navideño

- . doblando
- . haciendo hoyos
- . cortando estambre
- . haciendo nudos

Si está disponible para recoger las provisiones, las puede recoger los jueves en la tarde de Octubre 28, por favor mande un correo electrónico a Kendall kgrant@stcletusparish.com

Todos los artículos tienen que ser terminados y regresados el Lunes Noviembre 1

ÁREA DE MINISTROS RESPETA LA VIDA

Los sobres en forma de biberones deben ser regresados para fines de Octubre. Los sobres pueden ser puestos en la canasta de la colecta, o en el Centro Parroquial. Todo lo recaudado va al centro de Cuidado de Mujeres aquí en LaGrange. Si usted no recibió un sobre, hay extras a la entrada de la iglesia o en el estante de Respeto a la Vida. Gracias.



DEPÓSITO DE COMIDA DE LA PARROQUIA DE SAN CLETO JUEVES 6-8PM

Lista de deseos para la Despensa de Aliment:

- Salsa para pasta
- 2-3 libras de arroz
- Papas en caja
- Chili de lata

Para los que gustan donar alimentos, pueden dejar sus donaciones en el contenedor que se encuentra enfrente de la puerta de la recotoria.

Siganos en Facebook:
[@StCletusFoodPantry](https://www.facebook.com/StCletusFoodPantry)

Siganos en Instagram:
[@St.CletusFoodPantry](https://www.instagram.com/StCletusFoodPantry)

Si tiene preguntas o quiere ser voluntario en nuestro ministerio de Justicia Social contacte a Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

Youth Ministry

MISSION TRIP



THE TEEN MISSION SERVICE TRIP IS BACK!

Love. Serve. Connect.

We are excited to announce that for the first time, the teens of St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross are uniting to attend a Mission Service Trip in the summer of 2022. It's been two years since our last trip and all current 9th – 12th graders in high school are invited to attend.

The teens will depart on Sunday, June 19th, volunteer for four days and have one free day and then return mid-day on Saturday, June 25th. They will roll up their sleeves to restore, paint, rehab homes, and to help social agencies, while working side-by-side with their fellow teens and people in the area around Montague, Michigan.

Join us for a life changing week of serving communities, reflecting, transforming lives, celebrating the Catholic faith, building friendships, having fun and bringing hope to the world. Registration forms and more information will be available starting October 31, 2022. Spaces are limited! Register Early!

Be on the lookout for our Kringle coffee cake fundraiser which will arrive in time for Thanksgiving!

CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL



Boys Church League Basketball is BACK! Registrations for St. Cletus teams will began on October 11th. Spaces are limited, so please sign up asap! You can

find the registration form online at our parish website under the NEWS section of the home page (www.stcletusparish.com).

We also need coaches to enable our teams to play, so please consider volunteering your time for this fun teen activity!

All information is found on the website. **All registrations must be received by November 1, 2021 in order to be eligible to play.** Practices will begin in early November, and games will be played from December – February. Please register asap as we expect many to come out this year, and we may need to form a waiting list.

HOPES AND DREAMS SHARING EVENT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

We are truly happy to be able to meet with our teens once again (in-person!). We also want to extend an invitation to all Teens and Young Adults of the parish, ages 14-25 to join us for a Hopes and Dreams sharing event on Wednesday, October 27th at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center Gallagher Rooms.

Come and share what your hopes for our Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministries could look like. Our goal is to create a ministry which truly meets your needs, and we need to hear your voice! Please join us!

Barb Campbell, Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry
bcampbell@stcletusparish.com | (708) 352-2383

St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women

LADIES OF THE PARISH, THE ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN INVITES YOU TO OUR ADVENT RETREAT

"WALKING TO BETHLEHEM WITH THANKSGIVING AND WONDER"

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, 2021

TIME: 11:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

DONATION: \$10 PER PERSON (INCLUDES LUNCH)

Details: Join with the women of our parish and take some time for prayer, lunch, discussion, and community service. Our project is making gift bags of full-sized toiletries for the local BEDS shelter. Participants are requested to bring shampoo, conditioner, comb, brush, body wash, bath soap, bath puff, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, deodorant, and shaving cream. The BEDS residents include women, men, and children. Please consider this in your selections. Please bring a few items or consider purchasing an entire set of toiletries if you are able. On the day of the retreat, we will assemble the gift bags. Bags and tissue paper will be provided.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

- 11:00A Registration
- 11:30A Meditation
- 11:45A Fr. Elmer's Presentation
- 12:30P Discussion and Lunch
- 1:15P Brief Idea Sharing from discussion
- 1:45P Bag Assembly for BEDS
- 2:15P Closing Prayer



RESERVATIONS: Please return the slip below with your donation to the church office in the parish center or Karen Ziemba at church by Sunday, November 7th.

"WALKING TO BETHLEHEM WITH THANKSGIVING AND WONDER" REGISTRATION

NAME _____

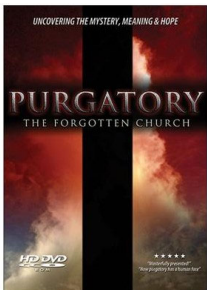
PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Donation may be with cash or check payable to St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women or SCCCW. For questions or help with your reservation contact: Ann at amkuchta@uic.edu | Pat at 708-205-9678

Ministry News

CREDO FILM NIGHT NOV. 4



- Is Purgatory real?
- Could the afterlife require suffering?
- Can the living help alleviate the anguish of the dead?

Join us for a showing of **"Purgatory, The Forgotten Church."** A groundbreaking documentary that investigates these compelling life-after-death questions through spiritual, scientific, and cultural perspectives. Don't miss it!

Mark your calendars and join us on **Thursday, November 4th at 7:00pm** in the St. Cletus Parish Center, Gallagher Room, 600 W. 55th Street, La Grange.

WORD OF LIFE



"I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. ...But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. ...The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."

Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, no. 99. © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved

PARISH EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS



The parish is aware of scammers creating fake email accounts in the likeness of employees. St. Cletus staff will only correspond using their official @stcletusparish.com email address. Staff will NEVER ask for gift card numbers over email or text.

THE WELL

Register/find out about more about programs at The Well Spirituality Center: www.csjthewell.org or 708-482-5048.

FINDING THE MOTHER TREE - Tuesdays, Nov. 2 and 16, 1:30 – 3 PM. Facilitator: Shelby Boblick | A two-session introduction and invitation to the concepts and message of Suzanne Simard's recently published book, *Finding the Mother Tree*. The book has been called "a root-and-branch study of the network that sustains our forests [showing] how all life is interconnected." \$30 for the series of two sessions. No need to read the book.

THE OUR FATHER: ENTERING INTO THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF JESUS - Mondays, Nov 1-15, 7-8PM. Facilitator: Jack Shea | The Lord's Prayer/Our Father is easy to take for granted. But it may contain more than we suspect. It is a detailed set of evocative images that align us with the mind of Jesus. \$75 for the series of three sessions.

EAGLE SCOUT SERVICE PROJECT

My name is Peter Geneser and I am a Life Scout with Boy Scout Troop 117 in Western Springs. I am a Junior at Nazareth Academy High School and I am working on my Eagle Scout Service Project to provide religious items and personal care items to U.S. Veterans. I am asking for your help to collect travel-size toiletries and gently used or new religious items to be distributed to U.S. Veterans hospitalized in local VA Healthcare Centers. All donated religious items will be blessed by a member of the clergy before distribution. My hope is to distribute these items on Veterans Day, November 11, 2021. A collection box is in the parish Narthex for your donations.

Travel-size toiletries needed: Deodorant, Toothpaste/Toothbrushes, Shaving cream/Disposal razors, Shampoo, Liquid soap or body wash (no bar soap please), other travel size toiletries

New or gently used religious items needed: Small crosses, Rosaries, Prayer cards, Saint necklaces or medals

Monetary donations can be given to the Parish Office. Cash donations should be in an envelope marked Eagle Scout Project -117 and donations by check should be made out to BSA Troop 117. Thank you for your generosity.

ST. RITA HIGH SCHOOL

The St. Rita High School Mothers' Club is hosting "Ladies Night Out" on Thursday, November 4 from 6:30-9:30p.m. in the St. Rita Dining Hall (7740 S. Western Ave., Chicago). This annual vendor fair will feature over 45 great vendors. Admission is \$5 per person and includes a raffle ticket and dessert. A cash bar of wine, beer, soda, and bottled water will also be available. This is a 21 and older event. For more information visit stritaahs.com/mothersclub or contact Margie Hopkins at 773.925.6600.

REFLECT RETREAT

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose and belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph & Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (northern suburbs), on Nov 12-14, 2021. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or (630) 222-8303 for details.

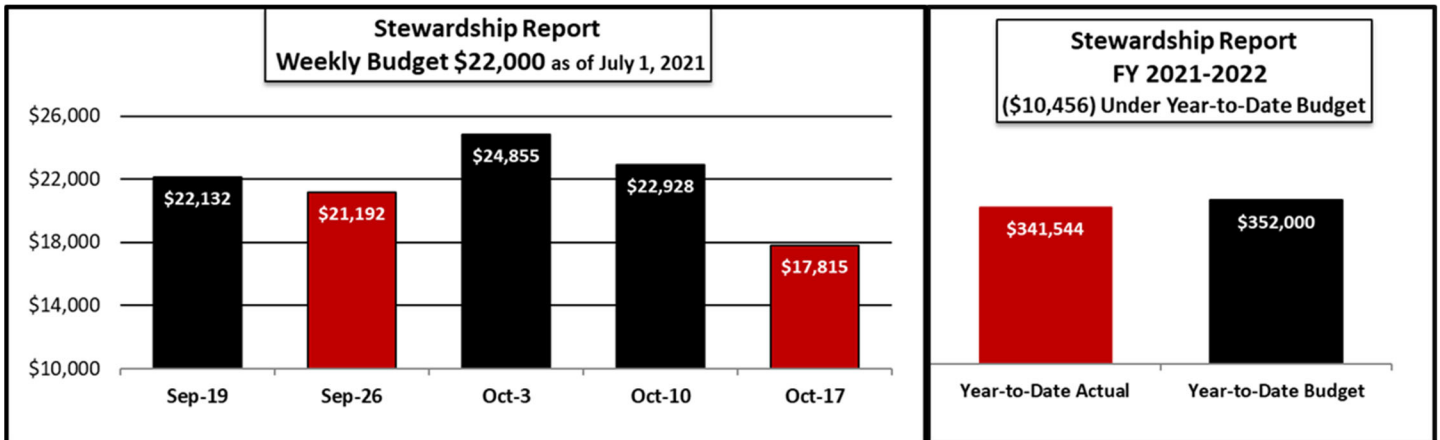
INSTALLATION LITURGY POSTPONED

The Liturgy of Installation of our new pastor, Fr. Elmer Romero, has been postponed. Our new Vicar, Bishop Kevin Birmingham, has a scheduling conflict and is unable to attend. A new date will be set by the Bishop's office.

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 5:00 p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication

Stewardship Report



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



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

Visit stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON. Then click Sunday donations. If you have questions, call Mary Zwolinski at 708-352-6209.

CONSIDER INCLUDING ST. CLETUS PARISH IN YOUR WILL OR TRUST

Your generosity during your lifetime has enabled St. Cletus Parish to serve the people of God in this community. Continue to be a part of the strength of this community by considering a gift through your will or trust to continue the work of our parish and school.


Please consider preparing your will or trust today by contacting an estate attorney. For sample bequest language, please contact Mary Zwolinski at 708-352-6209 or mzwolinski@stcletusparish.com or contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, October 24			
Monday, October 25	4:00pm 7:00pm	School Music Room Parish Center Mtg Room	Junior Choir Rehearsal Ministry of Care
Tuesday, October 26	7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room	Interfaith Career Network
Wednesday, October 27	9:00am 7:30pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies Hopes and Dreams Meeting
Thursday, October 28	5:00pm 6-8pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Church Parking Lot School Music Room	Children’s Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 29			
Saturday, October 30	5:00pm	Narthex	Baby Bottle Collection
Sunday, October 31	7:00am	Narthex	Baby Bottle Collection

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. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 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..... Mon. thru Fri. 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

WEDDINGS

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

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office (708) 352-6209

STAFF

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Elmer Romero, *Pastor*
Rev. Kenneth Baker, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Dan Costello, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Robert Clark, *Pastor Emeritus*

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Baker/Paulette Bolton, *Worship* (708) 215-5422
Karen Ziemba, *Music Ministry* (708) 215-5423
Kendall Grant, *Social Concerns* (708) 215-5418
Debbie Lestarczyk, *Business Manager* (708) 215-5405
Christopher Wagner, *Technology* (708) 215-5420

HISPANIC MINISTRY (708) 352-6209

SCHOOL STAFF (708) 352-4820

Gregory Porod, *Principal*
Christy Schaefer, *Assistant Principal*
Mary Lee Krieger, *Administrative Assistant*
Jeannie Scalzitti, *Receptionist/Office Assistant*
Kate Townsend, *Receptionist/Office Assistant*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STAFF (708) 352-2383

Barb Campbell, *Director of Religious Education*
Griselda Rahman, *Coordinator of Religious Education*
Paulette Bolton, *Director of Adult Faith Formation and Assistant Director of Worship*

PARISH OFFICE STAFF (708) 352-6209

Mary Zwolinski, *Parish Accounting*
Olga Montalvo, *Parish Assistant*
Elizabeth Goellner-McLean, *Bulletin Editor*

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

Pastor Fr. Elmer Romero
Chairperson Bob Wasik

MEMBERS

Bob Malham
Kevin Hogan
Mike Napleton

LIAISONS

FSA President Rhonda Aumann
Athletic Association..... Tina Pryor

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.

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS

St. Cletus Church #9238
600 W. 55th Street
La Grange, IL 60525

TELEPHONE

708-352-6209

CONTACT PERSON

Elizabeth Goellner/
Debbie Lestarczyk (Bus Mgr)

SOFTWARE

MSPublisher 2016
Adobe Acrobat XI
Windows 10 ltsc

PRINTER

HP Laserjet 1022

SUNDAY DATE OF PUBLICATION

October 24, 2021

NUMBER OF PAGES SENT

1 through 15

Wednesday 3pm

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

PRINT 600 PLEASE!!!