

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,  
"Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"  
"Here I am," I said, "send me!"  
— Isaiah 6:8



FEBRUARY 10, 2019 | FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jesus said to Simon,*

"PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER AND LOWER YOUR NETS FOR A CATCH."

~ Luke 5:4



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## WELCOME

*So glad you could join us!*

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# Mass Intentions for the Week of February 11 - 17, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper, Patrick O’Connell
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	9:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper, Mike Thuma
Wednesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, John E. Cooper
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Leandra Chvatal, Eric Karlson, Gloria Karlson, Rosemary Jerik, George Pappas, Ed Mielkus
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Patrick O’Connell
Saturday	Fr. Baker Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Theresa Rehmer, Paul Budvitis Ken Kakareka
Sunday	Fr. Clark Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Ayala	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	George Duda Stacy Baker Patrick O’Connell Dorothy Conley, Jane Haldeman, Barbara Rogan, Robert Arbuckle St. Cletus Parishioners

## Marriage Banns



**Sara Hoffman & Ed Marchese**

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

**Ann Rasch**

May she rest in peace. Amen.

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

*We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 3 months.*

**February** - Alice Dunkovich, George Sedlacek

**January** - Frank Colonna, Ronald Kruczek, Daniella DeRivera, Gloria Rivera

**December** - Eleanor Artemenko, Gerda E. Dorso, Cherie Franzen, Gene Gajos, Jim McLamore, Patricia Rodey, Ron Ramsey, Anne Scheer, Rachael Schopp, Dr. Max Scheyerer, John Sheil, Dave Sipek, Michael Stoinski, Charles Fiipek, Virginia Gebka, Yesenia Guzman, Sharon Smilanich, Jean Weekley, Kimberly & Tony Fox, Susan Grace, John Duda, Laura Biesadecki, Lee Ascencio, Mary Benka, Paul DeRivera, Nikki Howell, Ada Medina, Leo Rivera, Bill Tortorello, Joan Clark, Rosario Martinez, Frank Niwa, Laura Terrazino, Nicole Will Montemagni, Bonnie Boerste, Helen Brennan, Dr. Larry Bernstein

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

### ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...

**Hunter Stephen Thompson**  
Son of Tara O’Malley & Justin Thompson

**Francesco Leonidas Klapsis-Aurimedia**  
Son of Aretine Klapsis & Frank Aurimedia

**Madeline Elise Kennedy**  
Daughter of Katherine Kos & Curt Kennedy

**Penelope Juniper Farmer**  
Son of Stephanie Labayen & Brendan Farmer

**to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.**



### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

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

Like the first disciples, we have been invited to a life of intimacy and sharing with Jesus. We are privileged to walk in his company each day and observe all that he says and does. By imitating him, we grow in holiness and life. But is something more expected of us?

The first reading describes the origins of Isaiah's prophetic call during a liturgical celebration in Jerusalem temple during the reign of King Uzziah (783-742 BC). It has three distinct parts or movements: the theophany, the purification, and the prophet's willingness to serve. Aware of God's utter holiness and of his own unworthiness, Isaiah naturally cowers in the divine presence until an angel purifies his lips with a burning ember from the altar. Isaiah then offers to serve as the messenger of the Lord. This same pattern, found so often in other call narratives in the Old Testament, repeats itself in the Gospel. After teaching the crowds from Simon's boat, Jesus says to him: "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon hesitates momentarily, and then is overwhelmed by the enormity of the catch made. Humbled, he begs Jesus to depart, but the Lord does not. Instead, Jesus' words reassure him and he leaves everything to become a follower. The Corinthians text is one of the earliest creedal statements. Its authoritativeness is evident in the technical language used: Paul "hands over" (paradidōmi) what he has "received" (paralambánō). This teaching touches on the heart of the good news: "...that Christ died for our sins... that he was buried...that he was raised on the third day... that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve."

The first Sundays in Ordinary Time have focused on the beginnings of Jesus' ministry and the inauguration of the messianic age. Today's readings bring us to a new and challenging reality: our call to share in his saving mission. The Christian call is more than a summons to faith or to holiness. Like Isaiah and Peter, WE ARE CALLED IN ORDER TO BE SENT. Isaiah will speak God's prophetic word; Peter will shepherd the church and oversee its expanding missionary effort. To whom, and for what purpose, are we being sent today?

*Called to be Sent,*

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



### 2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

#### **"Come, Follow Me...and share the Word"**

Please Make Your Gift to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal - During the last few weeks, many parish families received a letter from Cardinal Cupich requesting your participation in pledging to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal. We ask that you respond as generously as possible.

The Appeal supports both Parish and Archdiocesan ministries, and funds services that are of great help here in our Parish.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "Come, Follow Me... and share the Word." We have all received God's love. By financially supporting the ministries and services funded by the Annual Catholic Appeal, we help to extend God's love to many, many others.

As you review the mailing from Cardinal Cupich, take note of those services that directly support the work of our parish and please give generously. When our parish reaches its goal, all additional funds contributed will be returned to us for use in our Parish.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



COME, FOLLOW ME...  
**and share the Word**

**2019 Annual Catholic Appeal**

[annualcatholicappeal.com](http://annualcatholicappeal.com)

# Parish School



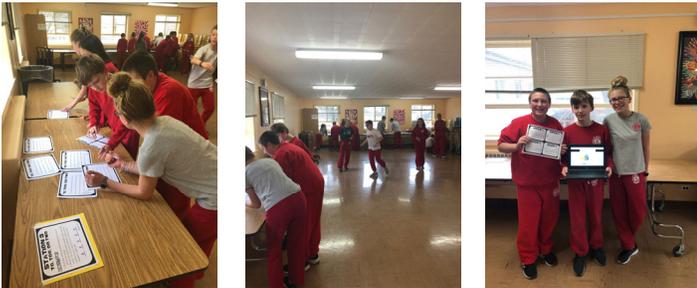
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### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

February 11 .....	Queen of Hearts Drawing
February 23 .....	Confirmation
March 30 .....	Spring Auction

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

<b>Tom Chinske, Principal</b> (708) 352-4820 tchinske@stcletusparish.com	<b>Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal</b> (708) 352-4820 cscshaefer@stcletusparish.com
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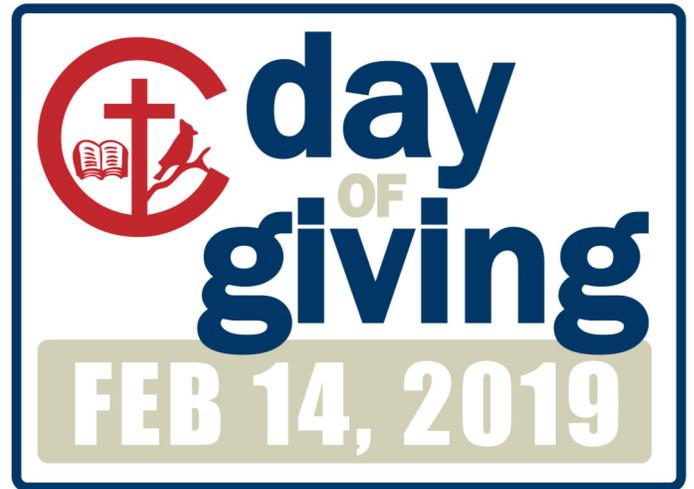
### ESCAPE ROOM

Sixth grade students in Mr. Millner's Language Arts class had to navigate their way out of an escape room, using homophones, homonyms, homographs, and troublesome words. There were four stations within the room where they had to complete various tasks on their recording sheet. The recording sheet itself was hidden in the room and could only be found by responding to the clues given about its location. The students had a great time working together and demonstrating their knowledge in several areas. Everyone escaped!



### CELEBRATING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

St. Cletus School wrapped up Catholic Schools Week with the annual Red vs White volleyball game on Friday. A wonderful tradition, the Red vs White game brings the entire school together for a fun and exciting finish to the week. In case you're wondering, Red won!

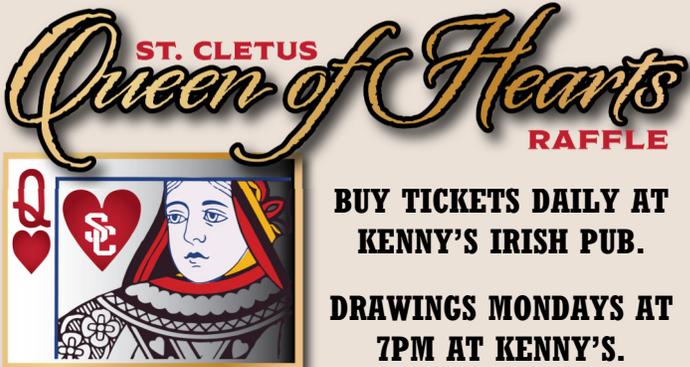


#LOVESTC

#CLETUSDAYOFGIVING

We love our school and we want to show it! St. Cletus School Day of Giving is a 24 hour day to share your stories and give back to local Catholic education. All monies raised go to our Annual Fund which directly supports teacher pay, student programs and keeps tuition affordable.

Help us spread the word by using the hashtags #CletusDayofGiving and #LoveStC on your Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram accounts and use the link [dayofgiving.stcletusparish.com](http://dayofgiving.stcletusparish.com).



**ST. CLETUS**  
*Queen of Hearts*  
**RAFFLE**

**BUY TICKETS DAILY AT  
KENNY'S IRISH PUB.**

**DRAWINGS MONDAYS AT  
7PM AT KENNY'S.**

### THE ST. CLETUS QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50 RAFFLE RETURNS...

Visit Kenny's Irish Pub and buy your tickets today for the next drawing at 7pm on Monday, February 11.

## Religious Education

### **FEBRUARY IS THE MONTH FOR LOVE – GOD’S LOVE!**

February often conjures images of love, and we capitalize on this in RE by focusing on God’s incredible love for all of us!



All of our classes participated in a service project to make Valentine’s Day cards for Interfaith Community Partners, who connect with Seniors in our community (pictured below.)



This weekend our 4th Grade classes show their love for a special person in their lives at our Love Day celebrations!

Our entire program participates in our annual Good Neighbor Food Drive at the end of the month, where we share what we have with others through donations to the St. Cletus Food Pantry.

We are blessed to have our Fifth Graders and their parents coordinate this fun program-wide service project!

Earlier in the month, God’s love was abiding in our Special Needs Adaptive class when we celebrated Reconciliation and God’s forgiveness with Fr. Ken.

In the coming weeks, our 8th Graders will receive the loving Gifts of the Holy Spirit at the Sacrament of Confirmation. All you need is Love...God is LOVE!

### **A LOOK AHEAD...**

- February 10 & 11 4<sup>th</sup> Grade classes celebrate LOVE DAY. Regular RE Classes in session.
- February 17 & 18 NO CLASS due to holiday weekend
- February 21 Confirmation Practice in Church 6:30-8 p.m.
- February 23 Confirmation at 1 p.m. (Students and Sponsors arrive at 12:30 in PC)
- February 24 & 25 Regular RE Classes in Session, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade classes do not meet. Special Needs Adaptive class meets in PC. Good Neighbor Food Drive.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



#### **Are you ready to roar?**

Head out on an African adventure and create a stampede of fun at this year’s vacation bible school (VBS). Experience jaw-dropping discoveries and run wild with high energy activities.

VBS runs June 17-21. Sign up today on our website, <https://stcletusparish.com/vbs>

# Social Concerns Ministry



## ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Deodorant
- Razors
- Shaving cream
- Powdered milk
- Canned fish and tuna
- Baby wipes
- \$10 Walmart cards  
(distributed at our April food pantry nights for Easter)

Donations can be dropped off before or after Masses or anytime daily between 7:45am-4pm in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex (at the back of church).



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

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Domestic violence is the leading cause of injury and death for women of all socioeconomic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds, and affects up to 1 in 10 men and 1 in 3 teens. We invite you to join us to raise awareness and stand in solidarity with all those affected by violence.

**Note that these are intended for adult readers.** All names have been changed for protection.

### TRACEY'S STORY

#### The Abuse

I was in my late twenties when I met my ex at the church I attended. We married a year later.

He slapped me across the face one time when we were engaged as he didn't like the meal that I cooked. I was dumbfounded but accepted his apologies and excuse of having had a hard day at work. The abuse started a week after we were married and escalated very quickly. Six months into the marriage I asked him for a divorce. He said that if I divorced him he would kill me and kill my parents.

I confided in the minister of the church as to what was going on. The minister tried counseling us, but my husband was telling the priest one thing and doing another.

I earned more than him and had to cover all the household expenses. He would also make demands for money from me. He would give me 15 minutes to get home from work. If I were late, he would accuse me of being unfaithful. One time I was late, and an argument broke out. I ran to the bathroom and locked the door. He put his fist through the door. I jumped into the shower recess and he completely smashed it to get to me.

He cut me off from my family and friends and eventually from my church. I became a prisoner in my own home. He destroyed my self-esteem by telling me how worthless I was and continued with the mind games. It got to a stage where I didn't know what the truth was and what was a lie. He stripped me of my dignity and self-respect. I lived in fear for my life.

#### My advice to others

When I was going through this abuse I remained silent about what was going on in my home and I believe that it was my silence that enabled him to continue with the abuse. By remaining silent and not telling others what is happening in our homes, we enable the abusers to continue with the abuse. We need to break the silence and expose those who seek to keep us bound in fear and dread.

#### General Contact Information

*In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars, found in the purple box to the left.*

***You are not alone.***



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
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AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION  
www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org

## LENTEN OUTREACH



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

March 9-10. All ages are welcome. To sign up visit <http://bit.ly/2MO1OKC> to view slots and sign up.

## INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

### **Winter 2019 Career Search and Development Boot Camp**

Join us on Tuesday, February 12, from 7-9 pm at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. Being able to articulate and tell your story is one of the most critical elements of a job search. This week, co-facilitator Jim Peterson will help you craft that all important "Elevator Speech" Time will be allowed to practice your personal elevator speech with fellow attendees. You are encouraged to attend every session to make the most out of this training. Please enter the church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at [sqsedler@aol.com](mailto:sqsedler@aol.com).

### **Organizing Your Job Search**

Join us on Thursday, February 21 when our speaker, Steve Rosenblum, will discuss the process of a job search. Whether you are unemployed or employed seeking another opportunity, it is still a process. One of the most important parts of successfully making it through a search is to STAY ORGANIZED. This lively, interactive and informative presentation will offer insight, tools, resources and suggestions to help start, reinvigorate, lead and succeed in your search. Steve will also share many of his learnings, experiences and best practices, while encouraging others to do the same. We hope to see you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs.

*Everyone is welcome to ICN meetings/workshops and there is no charge to attend. For further info, please visit our website: [www.interfaithcareernetwork.org](http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org).*

## WORD OF LIFE



“When violent crime impacts a community there is a temptation to respond with anger and vengeance. But the Gospel calls for rehabilitation, reconciliation, and restoration and teaches us to respect the dignity of all human beings, even those guilty of committing horrendous crimes.”

“Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities”  
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

## GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY

On the 4th Wednesday of each month, 10-15 volunteers work to earn \$15.00 each toward our GCFD food purchase. This is a great financial help since the Food Pantry purchases quality items at low prices each month to supplement donations from our parishioners and friends in the community. Our money goes much further at the food depository!

If you are interested in joining our group on one or more of the upcoming 4th Wednesdays, please e-mail Jerry Mitchell, [jerryconverse@gmail.com](mailto:jerryconverse@gmail.com), or contact Kendall at [kgrant@stcletusparish.com](mailto:kgrant@stcletusparish.com), (708)214-5418. See below for answers to some common questions about this service opportunity.

### **How old do I have to be to volunteer?**

Volunteers need to be 14 years old to volunteer at the Food Depository during regular sessions. Ages 16 and older can volunteer self-supervised. Ages 14 and 15 need to have one adult supervisor per 10 youths.

### **What should I wear?**

Volunteers must wear long pants and close-toed shoes. You will not be permitted to work in the warehouse if you are wearing sandals or shorts/ short skirt. Depending on the project you are assigned to, you may be asked to remove jewelry above the waist (including piercings, but rings are acceptable).

### **Where is the GCFD located?**

4100 W. Ann Lurie Place, Chicago, IL 60632, which is a few blocks from I-55 and Pulaski.

## BUDDY'S PLACE SPRING SCHEDULE

**8 Week Session Begins April 2nd - Registration is open!** Buddy's Place is a family based children's grief support program for families with children ages 4-18 who have experienced the death of a someone important in their life, such as a parent, sibling, grandparent, or friend.

**MONTHLY GATHERINGS** - Buddy's Place offers a monthly family support group that meets on the 2nd Monday of every month, including the summer. All groups meet from 6:15pm - 7:30pm. The dates for the 2019 Spring Monthly Gatherings are Mondays: February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10

**Spring 8 Week Session** - The 8 Week Session is a family-based bereavement support group that provides support and grief education. It meets for 8 consecutive Tuesday evenings in Western Springs from 6:15pm - 7:30pm. (April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21)

There is no cost to participate in Buddy's Place however registration is required at [pillarscommunityhealth.org](http://pillarscommunityhealth.org).

## Other Ministry Notes

### THANK YOU FROM MARLENE

Dear Friends at St. Cletus,

Thank you so much for the gift of stamps for the Kolbe House Jail ministry - St Cletus is very special and generous, this year we collected almost \$900 worth of stamps.

The Kolbe House jail ministers all received, as a Christmas gift, a book written by Fr Gregory Boyle - "Tattoos on the Heart" - a great book about Homeboy Industries (Google this and the author) an insight into gang culture and how with support, direction and opportunity even the most troubled homeboy / homegirl can turn his/her life around. I highly recommend it and it's sequel which I just finished "Barking to the choir". All proceeds go to support Homeboy Industries.

Warmest Wishes - Marlene

PS - be prepared to laugh and shed a few tears when you read these books.

### BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on February 12th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. The book that will be discussed is

**Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine** by Gail Honeyman. All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

### YOUTH MINISTRY



**KAIROS March 14 – 17, 2019**

Registration is ONLINE ONLY, and can be found on the St. Cletus Parish Website, under Youth Ministry.

Be on the lookout for more information about these upcoming youth ministry opportunities:

- 2019 Girls Church League Basketball registration opens in
- Fannie May Candy Fundraiser
- St. Cletus Youth Ministry Week of Service will be July 15th – 20th

MaryClaire Zurowski, Youth Ministry Coordinator  
mzurowski@stcletusparish.com | 708.352.5419  
Instagram @stcletus.youthministry

### AREA-WIDE ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION



St. Francis Xavier Church  
124 N. Spring Avenue  
La Grange  
(Just west of La Grange Rd & Ogden Ave)

Monday nights, for 7 sessions between Feb. 25 and May 9, 2019

Contact Kate DeVries, Pastoral Associate, 708-352-0168 or kdevries@sfxlg.org

St. Francis Xavier Church in La Grange will be hosting an area-wide Confirmation program for any Adult Catholics who have received Holy Communion, but for whatever reason, did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. All Adults (18 and older) are most welcome.

Sessions will be held on Monday nights, Feb. 25, March 4, March 18, March 25, April 1, & April 8, in Unity Hall (signs will be posted). Sessions will go from 7:00 – 8:30 pm, with the exception of April 8, when we will gather at 6:45 pm, to attend the Parish Reconciliation Service. The celebration of Confirmation will take place at St. Francis Xavier Church within their Teen celebration, on Thursday, May 9 at 7 pm.

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

### ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



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

St. Cletus Parish website at www.stcletusparish.com and click the "DONATE" button. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209.

### ST. CLETUS PARISH FALL FEST



Save the date for our annual Fall Fest September 5-8, 2019.

The headliners on the 2019 St. Cletus Fall Fest stage will be ARRA, Mike and Joe, and Maggie Speaks!

## **ST. CLETUS YOUTH CHOIRS**



In conjunction with Catholic Schools Week, 17 members of the St. Cletus Combined Youth Choirs participated in pre-game activities at the Wolves hockey game at Allstate Arena in Rosemont. In preparation for the event, choristers attended special rehearsals and learned a medley of patriotic songs which they sang immediately prior to the Wolves/Manitoba faceoff. 49 members of their family and friends along with parishioner Ron Ziemba, St. Cletus School Principal Tom Chinske, and school administrative assistants Mary Lee Krieger and Jeannie Scalzetti, accompanied the group and cheered loudly when the singers were featured on the jumbotron. It was a wonderful experience for the children, one they won't forget!

All students, grades 3 through 12, who enjoy singing and would like to participate in either the Children's Choir, Junior Choir or Teen Choir are encouraged to join now, "mid-year", as we will soon be preparing for Lent and the Easter season. For more information contact Mrs. Karen Ziemba, Director of Music Ministries: [kziemba@stcletusparish.com](mailto:kziemba@stcletusparish.com) or call 708-215-5423. *(photo courtesy of Sara Hodak)*

## **SIGN ME UP! STAY CONNECTED WITH OUR PARISH E-NEWS**

**Get all the latest updates!** Sign up to receive emails from St. Cletus Parish using the quick form on the bottom of the home page of our website, [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) or email [addme@stcletusparish.com](mailto:addme@stcletusparish.com). You can also turn in your name and email to the parish office during regular business hours (Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 8am-12:30pm.)

## **SUPPORT ST. CLETUS WITH AMAZON SMILE**

Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time

you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We hope you will choose St. Cletus Church. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) will result in a donation.

## **WORSHIP MINISTRY**

**From Saint John's Abbey** - Note on a restaurant menu: "Cell phones in use will be confiscated and turned into hash." Most of us learned with some maturity that doctors, clergy, teachers, public officials, that none of these is immune from questioning. That, even though often idols of our childhood, they have faults. But do we question technology, an idol in our society? So often if technology shows that something can be done we take that as "it must be done". Much of what technology presents to us is driven at least in part by the desire of the manufacturer or inventor to make a living—or a bit more! In the last decades (it has been that fast!) we have been presented with gadget after gadget which, as one claim goes, make it possible for us to take everything in our life with us in this little rectangular item.

Do we ask ourselves whether that's something we should do? All this is often presented as an increase in communication. Communication? Yes, but apparently with anyone but the people we are with now. We see people walking around wired, oblivious to the person with them or those they meet. It becomes another way to avoid living in the present, with these people here and now, in this place. Anything, anyone, but the present, the here and now. What about turning the gadget off to be present to the people we're with?

That note on the restaurant menu was apt. "Cell phones in use will be confiscated and turned into hash." The restaurateur's idea is that, for one thing, we should appreciate the food before us and, even more, value and enjoy the people we are with. Why come with Ted and Jill to dine and then spend our time talking to Bill or Angie in Shanghai, Madrid or Calgary? Going even further: what about enjoying some silence in our lives? Do our ears and minds have to be filled with talk or noise all the time? Rabbi Abraham Heschel writes that silence and prayer leave an opening for God to speak to us.

— Don Talafous OSB  
<http://www.saintjohnsabbey.org>



# JESUS SAID TO SIMON, “PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER AND LOWER YOUR NETS FOR A CATCH.”

Luke 5:4

## GOD’S SUMMONS

Confronted with God’s power and majesty, the first response of the prophet Isaiah was to acknowledge his sinfulness. “Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips,” he said aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets dramatically filled at Jesus’ instruction, Peter fell to his knees and cried out, “Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man.”

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats then left to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of heart. When he heard the Lord say, “Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?” Isaiah answered, “Here I am, send me.”

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote, believing in anything else won’t lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what is unimportant and to accept your call to be God’s messenger?

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## TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the Lord and responds, “Send me!” (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

**Psalm** — In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

**Second Reading** — Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

**Gospel** — Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. (Luke 5:1-11).

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Marriage Day
- Monday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
- Tuesday: Lincoln’s Birthday
- Thursday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine’s Day
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ’s total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God, we prepare to receive the gift of God’s own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the act of giving from our abundance, and attending to the needs of the poor, opens us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires.

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## SERVE THE POOR

Be diligent in serving the poor. Love the poor, honor them as you would Christ himself.

—St. Louise de Marillac

# Community Bulletin Board

## JOYFUL AGAIN



**Widowed and feeling stuck?** Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life. Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry Program presents a Retreat/workshop for men & women March 9-10. (Incl. overnight) at the Mt. Assisi Center in Lemont and March 30 & 31 at the Holy Family Med. Ctr., Des Plaines. To register call: 708-354-7211, e-mail [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com). Website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org) (incls.video)

## COMBONI MISSION JOB OPENING

The Comboni Fathers of LaGrange Park have a job opening: The position is business office manager of the Comboni Mission center at 1615 E. 31<sup>st</sup>. St. In LaGrange Park. The position will be part time, with the possibility later of full time. The position will include fundraising and development, data management, and fiscal management. Bilingual is a plus, applicants must support and accept the faith based mission of the community. Inquiries and resumes can be directed to Fr. Chris Aleti at [mamdriga67@gmail.com](mailto:mamdriga67@gmail.com).

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Hitzeman Funeral Home welcomes you and your family to join us for our Grief Support Gatherings which will occur the second Tuesday of each month. For more info please visit [www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport](http://www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport)

**Tuesday, February 12 at 6:30 P.M.**

**Hitzeman Funeral Home, 9445 West 31st St. Brookfield**

Please R.S.V.P. by February 8, 2019 to 708-485-2000 or [info@hitzemanfuneral.com](mailto:info@hitzemanfuneral.com).

## LEGACY GUILD



Legacy Guild Fundraiser for local students who have lost a parent on Saturday, February 23 - The Legacy Guild, a local nonprofit that provides college scholarships for area students who have lost a parent, hosts its biggest fundraiser of the year on Sat., Feb. 23, at FitzGerald's in Berwyn. The Big Spring Event 2019 is a rockin' evening featuring a live band. Ticket price includes dinner, drinks and dancing along with roundtrip bus ride from La Grange. The Legacy Guild has provided almost \$700,000 in college scholarships since its inception in 2012. Current Legacy Guild Scholars receive a \$2,500 scholarship renewable for up to four years of college. Tickets and sponsorships can be purchased at [www.TheLegacyGuild.com](http://www.TheLegacyGuild.com). Contact Ryan Williamson with any questions at 312.714.7665 or by email at [ryan.williamson@lpl.com](mailto:ryan.williamson@lpl.com).

## ADRIAN DOMINICAN SISTERS

Spend a weekend with Adrian Dominican Sisters for "A Time to Come and See for Yourself"

March 1-3, 2019 • Adrian, Michigan

For women ages 25-35:

- Meet other women discerning God's call.

- Join the Adrian Dominican Sisters for Sunday Liturgy.
- Have time for prayer, reflection, silence, sharing, and fun.
- Learn about the life of a Sister and Dominican life.
- Tour the Motherhouse campus and engage in conversation with our Sisters.

NO CHARGE — you are our guests.

REGISTER ONLINE: <https://tinyurl.com/ADSDiscern>

LOCATION: Weber Retreat & Conference Center

1257 East Siena Heights Dr. Adrian, Michigan 49221

MORE INFORMATION: Sister Tarianne DeYonker, OP

[tdeyonker@adriandominicans.org](mailto:tdeyonker@adriandominicans.org) | 517.920.1395 (call or text)

## REFLECT RETREAT

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 & Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (northern suburbs) on Feb 22-24, 2019. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Call (630) 222-8303, Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), or [reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com).

## LA GRANGE AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

FREE EVENT - "GUN VIOLENCE: The Impact on our Communities", Tuesday, February 12, 7-8:30 pm. Location: Lyons Township HS Performing Arts Center, 4900 Willow Springs Rd, Western Springs Il. Speakers Dr Cichon, Professor & Chairman Emergency Dept, Loyola Medical Center; La Grange Police Dept School Resource Officer, LTHS Leaders of S.A.V..E Sandy Hook Promise Club (Students Against Violence Everywhere).

## THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park. To register online and see complete list of our new Programs: [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or 708-482-5048

### Deepening Our Understanding of Dreams – Part 2

**Thursday, Feb. 28, 10-11:30 AM. Facilitator: Ann Letourneau, Psy.D, CSJ** - Let Ann Letourneau help you make sense of those wild dreams. To prepare for this program, write down your dreams upon waking (before the dreams fade with the light) with as much dream detail as possible and bring them to the workshop. Cost: \$20 (Attendance at Part 1 is not required.)

### New Year, New Church?

**NEW DATE! Thursday, Feb. 28, 7-8:30 PM Facilitator: Sallie Latkovich, CSJ** - This presentation and discussion will review the troubling events in our institutional church over the last several years, providing history and opinion. There will be time for directed sharing and discussion. Just as the lamentations in our Scriptures always conclude with hope, may our lamentations this evening come to a hopeful conclusion of actively claiming what is ours to do at this point in time. Cost: \$20

# Community Bulletin Board (continued)

## AGING CARE CONNECTIONS

### GEM NOMINATIONS

Aging Care Connections hosts Aging Well Month in May, which is also Older Americans Month! We will celebrate the volunteer efforts of older adults who have generously given their time to make their communities thrive! We call these special honorees Community GEMS – older adults Going the Extra Mile through volunteer work to better their community. On May 1, 2019 we will kick-off Aging Well Month by recognizing these selfless community members with a special luncheon at the La Grange Country Club.

And here is where we need your assistance. ***Do you know a person from Lyons, Riverside or Proviso Township, who is 60+ and has, or is currently, volunteering and making a difference in the lives of others?*** If so, chat with them about this special award and ask them if they are interested in being nominated. If they are, please complete the form and send it to [communitygems@agingcareconnections.org](mailto:communitygems@agingcareconnections.org).

All nominations will be honored! Then you and your GEM can join us at the Luncheon on May 1<sup>st</sup> where we will honor them and their impact in our communities.

### INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



AARP-trained tax volunteers will be available by appointment only for those aged 60+ who would like assistance preparing their income tax returns at: Aging Care Connections, 111 W. Harris Avenue. Appointments will be scheduled Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Appointments begin Monday, February 11th through Wednesday, April 10th. To schedule an appointment, please call 708-354-1323.

## COSSITT CLOTHING SALE

Cossitt School will hold its bi-annual children's consignment sale on Saturday, March 9th, from 8am – 1pm. SELL! We make it easy to sell your gently used children's clothing and merchandise – from coats to costumes, cribs and cleats, shoes and more. You keep 60% of the sale price. BUY! Find amazing

deals on gently used spring and summer items from infant to size 16. Details for sellers, buyers and volunteers can be found at [www.cossittptc.org/clothingsale](http://www.cossittptc.org/clothingsale).

## SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SOCIAL GROUP

The Suburban Catholic Social Group (SCSG) is welcoming new members. We are a Catholic faith based group for ages 40's and up meeting monthly for social and spiritual activities. We have been together for 10 years, creating great friendships along the way.

Our events include dinner and a movie, bowling, hiking, attending mass and lunch together, Stations of the Cross, service events and much more! We welcome any and all ideas!

For more information or questions about our group, you can find us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/suburbancatholicsingles> or email [scsgillinois@gmail.com](mailto:scsgillinois@gmail.com). We look forward to meeting you!

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples and religious on April 12-14, 2019 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community. For information on applying, please go to [wwme-chicagoland.org](http://wwme-chicagoland.org) (or pick up a brochure\* on your way out) and say YES TODAY, to God's call to love one another!

## BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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

## 5th Annual Fall Fest - St. Cletus Parish Preferred Providers

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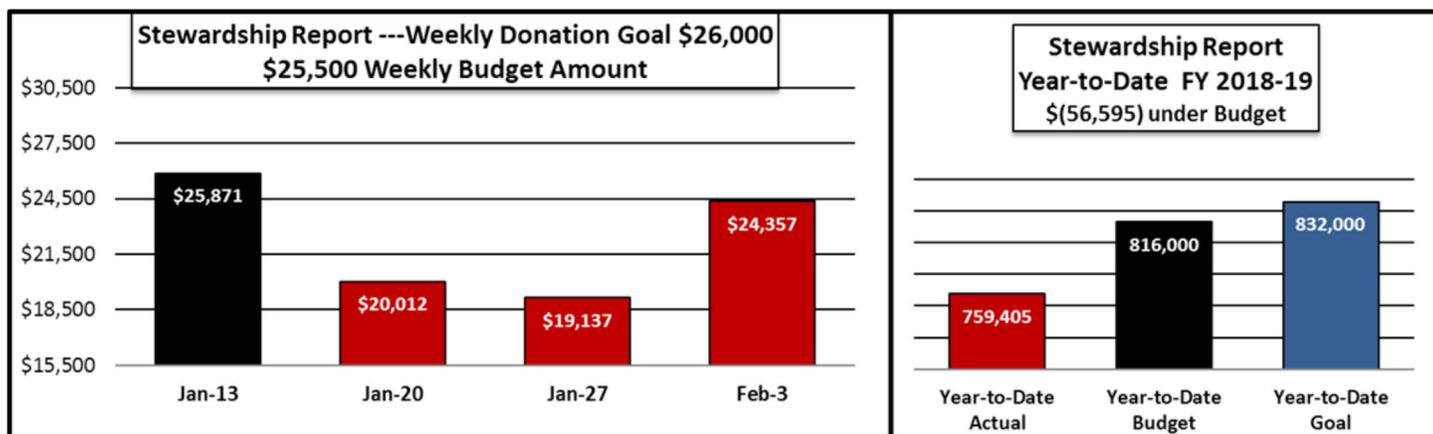
*Thank you to all of our 2018 Fall Fest Sponsors!*

*Sponsors at the \$2,500 level and above will be featured in the St. Cletus Canticle as Preferred Providers.*

# Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 10			
Monday, February 11	4:00pm	School Music Rm	Junior Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, February 12	7:00pm	PC Gym	5th Grade Performance
	7:00pm	Rectory	RCIA
	7:00pm	Church	Spanish Holy Hour
	7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room	Book Club
	7:00pm	School Rm 202	Women's Council Board Meeting
	7:00pm	School Rm 213	FSA Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 13	9:00am	Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies
	8:00pm	PC Gym	Boys Church League Practice
Thursday, February 14	5:00pm	School Music Rm	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	7:30pm	School Music Rm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	8:00pm	PC Gym	Boys Church League Practice
Friday, February 15			
Saturday, February 16	5:00pm	PC Gym	Boys Church League Games
Sunday, February 17			

# Stewardship Report



## YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2018 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the office @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email [bkallal@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bkallal@stcletusparish.com) and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

# St. Cletus Parish Information

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## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new parish center office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday thru Saturday ..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,  
 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
 Weekdays..... Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.  
 Evening before Holy Day ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Holy Day..... 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday..... 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

## BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of most months at 11:00 a.m.  
 Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Parish office. Contact Bobbie Kallal (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. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office ..... (708) 215-5407

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

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

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

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

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