

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



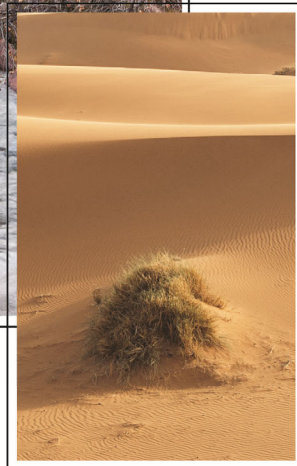
**I consider everything as a loss
because of the supreme good of knowing
Christ Jesus my Lord.**
— Philipians 3:8



WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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I put water in the desert
and rivers in the wasteland
for my chosen people to drink.
~ Isaiah 43:20



Mass Intentions for the Week of April 8 - 14, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper, Ann Rosso
Tuesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper, Al Jaskierski, Elizabeth Koerble
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Mary Carey, John E. Cooper
Thursday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention - Victor Stracqualursi
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik
Saturday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Jane Schafer, Robert Miller
	Fr. Gamboa	5:00 p.m.	Ken Kakareka, Edward Hrzzenjak, Jim Deslauriers, Edith King
Sunday	Fr. Clark	7:00 a.m.	George Duda, Joseph Ulfing, Joseph Nevi Hosteny III, Jack McLaughlin, Michael Thuma, Michael Snyder
	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker, Edith King, Lisa Kotynek
	Fr. Baker	9:30 a.m.	Ann Vansack, John P. Ahern
	Fr. Baker	11:00 a.m.	Mary Carey, Jim Zethmayr
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners

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

Anthony Bresnahan

Husband of Paula

Richard J. Cunningham

Husband of Jessica

Edith King

Mother of Alice Williams and Maureen Babinsky

Anita (Anne) Smith

Mother of Mary Paula Doyle and Dave Smith

May they rest in peace. Amen.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS



Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available this weekend, April 6 and 7, after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses.

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

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.

March - Ted Buczek, Johnson Dy, Gene Gajos, Nancy Gibson, Norman Kwak, Kathryn McCord, Margaret Pirman, Jackie Schickel, Nicole Will-Montemagni

February - Joan Clark, John Duda, Alice Dunkovich, Ola Maveety, George Sedlacek, Rachael Schopp

January - Frank Colonna, Ronald Kruczek, Daniella DeRivera, Gloria Rivera, Dr. Max Scheyerer, Eleanor Artemenko, Gerda E. Dorso, Cherie Franzen, Patricia Rodey, Ron Ramsey, Anne Scheer, John Sheil, Michael Stoinski, Charles Fiipek, Virginia Gebka, Yesenia Guzman, Sharon Smilanich, Jean Weekley

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

Holy Name Society

Walter Klimcke

Pancake Breakfast

St. Cletus Parish Center
Sunday, April 14
7:00am - 12:30pm

Tickets:

\$7 Adults

\$4 Kids under 10



Notes from Fr. Bob...

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

I know I am revealing my age but as a child growing up in the 1950's, before the advent of television, a trip to the local cinema for the Saturday matinee was the highlight of the week. The films on view were all American movies, "Westerns", that told simple stories of "good guys" and "bad guys", of cowboys and Indians. A typical storyline would tell how a peaceful wagon train was making its way across the prairie, when suddenly the travelers would find themselves under attack. It would look very bad for the travelers, as they turned their wagons into a tight circle to defend themselves. Arrows would fly, shots were fired, but the situation looked bleak... until the sound of a bugle announced the arrival of the US cavalry. At that point a huge roar would go up in the cinema, and all the children, in their rows of seats, would cheer wildly at the sight of the bluecoats, riding to the rescue. There is nothing that so satisfies the human heart as the sight of what we perceive as justice being done.

Such is the feeling we get when we read today's story of Jesus in the Temple and the woman taken in adultery. Like those people in the wagon train, Jesus finds himself surrounded by enemies, all intent on destroying him. The trap they have laid for him is strong. Will he uphold the law and have the woman stoned? Will he let the woman go and show his disrespect for the law? There seems no way out for Jesus. He is caught both ways. And then, suddenly, the trap is sprung, the tables are turned and, by a brilliant reply, Jesus is free.

What is more, justice is done for the woman, caught up in the trap, and, more importantly, justice is done to the heartless gang who sought to entrap Jesus in the first place. This story warms the human heart. We smile with happiness at the sight of the triumph of goodness.

One man who might have felt at home in that crowd of scribes and Pharisees was St. Paul. He was a real stickler for the law of his ancestors. He was as devoted a Jew as it was possible to find. Of the tribe of Benjamin, a Pharisee and a persecutor of the Church, Paul would have enjoyed the opportunity to trap the young carpenter of Nazareth. Intelligent and energetic, Paul would have delighted in destroying his enemies, and in upholding his own beliefs. It was so important to be right and to be in the right; so good to prove that others are in the wrong. But then he met the Lord on the road to Damascus and, after the darkness of confusion, his eyes were opened to realize that, in persecuting other people, he was, in fact, persecuting God. "Who are you, Lord?" "I am Jesus, and

you are
persecuting
me."

This realization brought home to Paul the foolishness of trying to be perfect by his own efforts. From now on, Paul would learn another way of life, and he would "run his race" and live his life in the fervent love of other people. Why, because he had found, in Jesus, the true way to live. Paul would now try to reproduce the pattern of Christ in his own life. He wanted to share in Christ's sufferings, so as to share in his Resurrection. He made his peace with his past, and now strove for the prize of salvation for the whole human race. This striving would lead Paul to Rome and to his own martyrdom. He used to deal in death. Now he was not afraid to face his own.

Today's Gospel asks us to examine our own lives. Are we people who happily throw stones at other people? Do we regard ourselves as righteous, and others as rubbish? Do we deal in oppression? Do we demand that others dance to our tune? Or can we tolerate difference? Can we cope with others' failings? Can we deal fairly and patiently with one another?

The work of salvation asks us to be gentle people, to be patient with others, and to strive always and everywhere for justice and peace. This will involve suffering on our part. But this is a price worth paying. It is part of the mystery of knowing Christ Jesus, and, as St. Paul discovered for himself, there is nothing that can outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing the carpenter of Nazareth.

Lenten Success to All,

Fr. Bob Clark
Pastor



Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

April 9 & 11D4D at Café Salsa in Countryside
 April 11 8th Grade presents Living Stations of the Cross
 April 15 Spring Break Begins

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL 2ND TRIMESTER HONOR ROLL

8TH GRADE HONORS

Jenna Battista	Molly Burke
Natalia Caron	Madelyn Ciampaglia
Patrick Cramer	Taylor Kemmer
Felicity Klancir	Conor Mulcrone
Anne Petrak	Marc Skrip

8TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Elisabeth Braun	Ava Calderon*
Ryan Clifford	Gabriella Estrada
Serena Garza	Kevin Jacobs
Grace Koziol*	Kathryn Lazich
Jack Magee	Lauren Schinker*
Sara Schinker	Kaelyn Sloan*
Maureen Staelgraeve	William Wangard

7TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Molly Banos*	Juliet Becker
Morgan Butney*	Robert Capiak
Shannon Cranny*	Annaliese Dorchinez*
June Foley	Kaj Grzybicki*
Gabi Kapusta*	JoLi Klancir
Emily Lathrop	Julia Ludden*
Evie Madaras	Amelia Mariano
Michael McGuire*	Sophia Olano
Colleen Ramicone	Alenka Rus*
Abby Schuler	Brianna Wologiewicz

7TH GRADE HONORS

*Indicates 4.0 or higher

Christian Arias	Maura DeGroot
Adrian Llerenas	Quinn Mulcrone
Vicky Pokay	Thomas Townsend

APRIL 9 - TAKE A LOOK TUESDAY

Want to take a peek into our St. Cletus Early Childhood Pre-school and Kindergarten programs? You are welcome to visit these classrooms the Second Tuesday of every month, with or without your child, to see all the great things our parish school has to offer! We are open between 10-11am the second Tuesday of every month!

Interested? RSVP to: mbentley@stcletusparish so we can expect you! These grade levels fill up quickly, come and see why your child would benefit from these wonderful programs! Hope to see you there!

APRIL 9 & 11 - D4D AT CAFÉ SALSA

Support St. Cletus School by dining at Café Salsa in Countryside on April 9th and 11th between 11am and 10pm. Present the flier below and Café Salsa will donate a portion of the proceeds to St. Cletus School.



D4D at Café Salsa

April 9th
April 11th

All Day!!
11 am to 10:00 pm

This FLYER is
REQUIRED!

Enjoy dinner,
drinks, & socialize
with other St.
Cletus school and
parish families

**D4D AT CAFÉ SALSA
APRIL 9 & 11**

ST. CLETUS D4D
 April's D4D event will be held at Café Salsa in Countryside. Enjoy Café Salsa's Mexican menu **Tuesday, April 9 & Thursday, April 11** anytime between 11:00 am & 10:00 pm. Share this information with friends, family and neighbors. This flyer is required, so please remember to bring one with you!



CAFÉ SALSA
 9932 W. 55th Street
 Countryside, IL
 708-352-5100

www.cafesalsa.com

April 9 & 11
 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

2019 ST. CLETUS
CARDINAL OPEN

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY,
JUNE 2ND



Religious Education

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION?

April 14/15 No RE Classes

April 21/22 No RE Classes

April 28/29 Regular RE Classes in Session, Special Needs in Parish Center, Buddy Event for Early Childhood, 1st Gr, 2nd Gr, 5th Gr, 7th Gr, and 8th Gr. Last Day of Class. FIRST COMMUNION BANNERS DUE.

May 2 Optional First Communion Photos

May 7 First Communion Practice for 10:30 a.m. Mass – in Church from 6:30-8 p.m.

May 8 First Communion Practice for 1 p.m. Mass – in Church from 6:30-8 p.m.

May 11th First Communion Masses for 2nd Grade – 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Masses

May 12th First Communion Masses for students in Grades 3-7 at the 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Masses

VBS LEADERS



Once again St. Cletus Parish is looking for special volunteers who will help us to host a week of Summer Fun! Together we will engage our parish children in activities, games, crafts, music, a movie and other fun faith activities! **Adult leaders** facilitate the sessions and **Jr. High** and **High School** age students lead our groups of children during the Vacation Bible School. It is a *great opportunity for service experiences* as well. The dates and hours are: **June 17-21, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** Please consider joining us. Contact the Religious Ed. office with questions or to volunteer. We would love to hear from you!

REGISTRATION FOR RE IS OPEN!

Registration for Religious Education 2019-2020 is now open! Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re or in the Parish Center Office or Religious Education Office. We have classes for Grades 1-8 on Sunday mornings from 9:15 – 10:45 a.m. and on Monday evenings from 6 – 7:30 p.m. Our early childhood program is for children 3 years old – Kindergarten, and they meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. We also have a Special Needs program for children in 1st-8th Grade, which takes place on two Sunday mornings a month in the Parish Center from 9:30-10:30 a.m. We will also offer a Teen Seeker program, which is a Confirmation program for students who have been away from Religious Education, and are in 8th Grade or High School. Teen Seekers meets every Wednesday evening from 7-9 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



June 17-21, 2019

9a.m. – 12 noon each day

Morrissey Hall in the Parish School building

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). All children in grades K-5 next September are invited to join us for this awesome week of fun and games! This year our theme is Roar – Life is Wild – God is good!

How to register: Complete registration form online at stcletusparish.com/vbs, or pick up a form at the Parish Center or Religious Education Office.

Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- SpaghettiOs/Canned
- Dry pinto beans (1-3 lb. bags)
- Baking items and boxed mixes

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

FOOD PANTRY

THANK YOU! - We want to pass along the many gifts, kind words, and thankfulness that clients share with us. We are all so grateful for our donors and volunteers. A few offerings of gratitude are pictured.

TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT SNAP BENEFITS - Joint Statement from USCCB, Catholic Charities and the Society of St. Vincent dePaul



The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is our nation's foremost anti-hunger program. Each year SNAP lifts millions of low-income Americans out of food insecurity. On February 1, 2019, the USDA released a proposed rule to increase SNAP work requirements which would limit state flexibilities to adapt to the needs of low-income and working families in the state.

As a result of these changes more than 755,000 individuals would lose SNAP benefits over the next three years. Even individuals living in areas that have persistent unemployment above 6.9 percent (almost double the current unemployment rate) would be ineligible for waivers. This means less local control, more food insecurity and more people in need.

Tell the USDA to withdraw or modify the rule so that it protects access to necessary food and nutrition programs and adheres to the bipartisan policies implemented in the recently-passed 2018 Farm Bill.

To learn more, read the joint comments of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Catholic Charities USA and Society of St. Vincent De Paul found on the USCCB website.

ENCOUNTER LENT



Encounter Ona - We encounter Ona in Gaza, where despite lack of economic opportunity, people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How do your daily choices impact others throughout the world? How can your choices support the dignity of workers? crsricebowl.org



We Pray - For Ona, whom we encounter through CRS Rice Bowl, and those struggling to find meaningful work in Gaza, that their God-given gifts be used for the common good. For workers everywhere, that they be given fair payment for their work, safe conditions in which to labor, and the dignified treatment to which they are entitled.

WORD OF LIFE



“God creates every person for eternal union with Himself and continually invites us to embrace a loving relationship with Him. Every person is chosen.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
2018-19 Respect Life Reflection

AREA RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Volunteer Opportunity - Join us Mother's Day weekend May 11-12! Volunteers will serve at a table in the Church Narthex welcoming and thanking people, helping collect donated baby items, and selling carnations. Donated items will benefit the moms and babies at our local Women's Care Center and proceeds from carnation sales will help support our Area Respect Life Ministry. Thank you! Visit <http://bit.ly/2TDpqnN> to sign up!

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Clean your closets. Change lives forever.



SAVE THE DATE & SAVE YOUR STUFF! The St. Vincent dePaul Donation Truck will be here May 4-5! We will be collecting clothing and small household items.

ANGST: RAISING AWARENESS AROUND ANXIETY

Where: Riverside Brookfield High School Auditorium
 When: April 9th 7:00PM
 Tickets: FREE with advance reservation at www.rbhs208.net scroll to News and Announcements and click on ANGST Screening

ANGST is a 56-minute IndiFlix Original Documentary that features candid interviews with kids and young adults who suffer, or have suffered, from anxiety and what they've learned about it. The film includes discussions with mental health experts about the causes of anxiety and its sociological effects, as well as help, resources and tools. This film is appropriate for ages 10 and up.

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Treat Your Job Interview Like A Sales Call - The biggest sales call you'll make is selling yourself to the hiring manager! On Thursday, April 11 from 7-9 pm, our speaker, Mike Cooper, will focus on topics that include tough interview questions, accountability and a closing checklist. You'll leave this discussion with easy to use tips, tactics and techniques to help ensure doing your best on your next interview. Mike is a Certified Sales Consultant at a sales training and consulting company he founded in 2008. He can help bring your job search to the next level using the PAPCE selling method. What is the PAPCE selling method? Learn all about it when you join

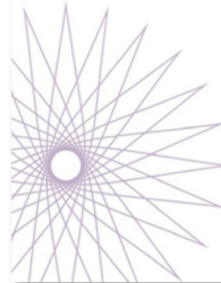
us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.

Everyone is welcome to ICN meetings/workshops and there is no charge to attend. For further info, please visit: www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH



self-love: verb
 the action
 of loving yourself;
 to care for
 and nurture
 your mind,
 body,
 and spirit.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
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Domestic Violence 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 on the far left. You are not alone.

FOOD PANTRY OPEN HOUSE

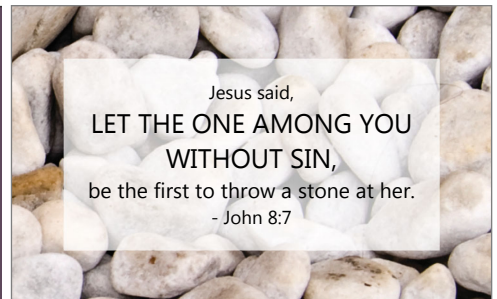
Open House May 4-5



Join us after Masses May 4-5 for our Food Pantry Open House.

Volunteers and staff will be available to help give tours, provide information about services, and answer questions.





LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Join us on April 11th for the Living Stations of the Cross presented by the St. Cletus School 8th Grade.

At 2:00 p.m. the Living Stations will be presented for the school and at 7:00 p.m. the 8th graders will be accompanied by the Contemporary Choir. We invite you to join us in the church for this unique Lenten experience.

Please note that due to the Living Stations on Thursday, there will be no Stations of the Cross Friday, April 12.

GOD'S ACTIONS NOW

When Jews celebrate the Passover, they always tell the story of the Exodus in present terms, as if they themselves experienced those events: when we were prisoners in Egypt; when God brought us out of slavery and through the waters of the sea. We would do well to follow their example and see the works of Jesus and his sacrifice as being in the present, as happening to us now. We believe that Christ's work, his teachings, and his sacrifice on the cross were not just for his followers in the past, but for all people at all times. When we think of this in our prayers, we become one in faith with that great cloud of witnesses, the saints. We have been striving through Lent to repent of our sins and failings, and to follow Jesus more closely. Today in the story of the woman caught in adultery, we see Jesus forgiving the woman, saving her from a horrible death, and urging her not to sin any more. This is new, and brings out something for which the law had not allowed—forgiveness. Of course one can sin no more if one is dead, caught in one's sins forever. But Jesus introduces the concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — See, I am doing something new! (Isaiah 43:16-21) *or* Ezekiel 37:12-14.

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126) *or* Psalm 130.

Second Reading — I have been taken possession of by Christ Jesus (Philippians 3:8-14) *or* Romans 8:8-11.

Gospel — Go, and from now on do not sin any more (John 8:1-11) *or* John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

Thursday: St. Stanislaus

Friday: Abstinence

Saturday: St. Martin I

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Next weekend, many churches provide palms to be carried in the opening moments of the liturgy, as we gratefully recall Jesus' entry into the holy city of Jerusalem. The children who greeted him on that day used what was both handy and traditional, since palms were carried to inaugurate the joyful harvest feast of Succoth. To this day, faithful Jews are directed to take a beautiful palm branch, green and straight as possible, called a *lulav*, and bind it with three myrtle branches fifteen inches long, and two longer willow branches. At the end of the temple service, everyone carries the *lulav*, circling the sanctuary in a dance called the *Hoshanot*, singing hymns of joy.

In other climates, Jews and Christians alike have had to make accommodations over the years. In Italy, everyone carries olive branches today, often brought from their own garden. In England, forsythia branches are preferred, a relative of the olive, sign of peace. Germans prefer pussywillows, and others look for flowering spring branches. In our part of the world, what do you think would be the best choice to express joy and welcome, and to remind us of the joy of Christ's victory even as we prepare to commemorate his passion?

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ST. CLETUS PARISH

Join us during Lent



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
APRIL 7 Welcome Committee in Narthex 	APRIL 8 	APRIL 9 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	APRIL 10 9:00am School Prayer Service 	APRIL 11 2:00pm & 7:00pm Living Stations of the Cross presented by the 8 th grade students	APRIL 12 No Stations of the Cross	APRIL 13 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions CRS Rice Bowl Collection
APRIL 14 PALM SUNDAY Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale Rice Bowl Collection	APRIL 15 No Confessions	APRIL 16 No Confessions 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	APRIL 17 No Confessions	APRIL 18 HOLY THURSDAY No 8am Mass No Confessions No Food Pantry 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Visit of the Seven Churches 	APRIL 19 GOOD FRIDAY No 8am Mass No Confessions 3:00pm Passion of the Lord in Church 6:30pm Passion of the Lord in Spanish in the Parish Center	APRIL 20 HOLY SATURDAY No 8am Mass No Confessions No 5:00pm Mass 12:00pm Blessing of Food Baskets 7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass 
<small>PLEASE NOTE: CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD DURING HOLY WEEK OR ON HOLY SATURDAY</small>				APRIL 21 EASTER SUNDAY 		
Easter Sunday Services: 7:00 am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, and 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)						

ST. CLETUS PARISH



SAINT JOHN CANTIUS



MONASTERY OF THE HOLY CROSS



ST. MARY OF PERPETUAL HELP



HOLY CROSS



Holy Thursday Visit of the Seven Churches

On April 18th, right after Holy Thursday Mass we will be visiting churches following the ancient tradition of "The Visit of the Seven Churches." This tradition originated in Rome. It was the custom for the faithful of the Early Church to visit the seven major basilicas as penance. The tradition today calls us to accompany Jesus in his agony by visiting seven Catholic churches and, for an indulgence, to pray for the intentions of the Pope.

St. Cletus Parish will take part with our own parish and then visit 4 additional churches. The remaining churches are for you to visit on your own if you wish to do so. A bus(es) will be waiting outside St. Cletus after our 7:30 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass. We expect to return at midnight.

If you plan to join us, please contact the parish office at (708)352-6209 to ensure we have adequate transportation. Thank you.

The parish would like to thank our Holy Name Society for sponsoring the transportation cost of this event.

Other Ministry News

DEACON STUART - SOLES 4 SOULS



Deacon Stuart and Marlene are again organizing a Used Shoe drive on the Weekend of April 27/28 (the weekend after Easter) before and after all masses. This a great time to go through your shoe racks, closets etc. and donate any gently used footwear that are excess to your requirements or are too small for your growing children.

A little background: More than 300 million people worldwide are without a single pair of shoes and this leaves them vulnerable to injuries and infections. In many places, children who don't have shoes cannot attend school, yet each year in this great country of ours millions of shoes are thrown away in landfills.

Please join Brighton Collectible and Soles4Souls* as they partner to collect and distribute shoes for those in need. Many of the shoes will go to places in the United States like battered women's shelters, those affected by national disasters or the impoverished around the world.

All different types of footwear are needed, shoes for young children and adults. The gently worn shoes can be rubber banded or tied so that pairs can stay together. Once shoes are collected, they are boxed and shipped to the designated Soles4Souls distribution center. Jerry Kohl, the owner of Brighton Collectibles pays the shipping cost.

Please open your hearts and look through your closets. Your time and effort will help so many!

Thank You - Deacon Stuart & Marlene Heyes

* Check out soles4souls.org

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on April 9th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. We will discuss both **Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine** by Gail Honeyman originally scheduled for February and also **The Storyteller's Secret** by Sejal Badani. All are welcome! Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO IS HIRING

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Are you seeking an opportunity to draw closer to our Lord through your work? Consider applying your professional strengths and experience at the service of sharing Christ with others. The Archdiocese of Chicago is in the midst of exciting changes as we renew our local Church. With our competitive salary and benefit packages, the archdiocese provides many opportunities for professional and personal growth and development. For the listing of current openings please visit archchicago.org/careers or follow us on **LinkedIn**.

The Archdiocese of Chicago, pastored by Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, has more than 15,000 employees that serve more than 2.2 million Catholics in Cook and Lake Counties. Our elementary and secondary schools comprise one of the largest U.S. private school systems and have garnered more U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon Awards than any system of any type.

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

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

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

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Walter Klimcke
Pancake Breakfast

Parish Center
Sunday, April 14
7:00am - 12:30pm



HOLY NAME SOCIETY PANCAKE BREAKFAST
The Holy Name Society will be holding its Walter Klimcke Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 14th. Breakfast will be served from 7:00 AM to 12:30 PM in the Parish Center. Pre-sale tickets will be sold in the narthex after masses this weekend. The prices of tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10. Tickets may also be purchased “at the door.”

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



BAKE SALE!

Join us for our Bake Sale on Sunday, April 14th from 7:30am to 12:30pm in the Parish Center.

WE NEED YOU FOR THE CCW BAKE SALE!

BAKERS - Time to bring out your favorite recipes for the annual CCW Bake Sale in conjunction with the Holy Name Society’s Pancake Breakfast. It will be on Palm Sunday, April 14th and we need your help. We need all you bakers to drop off your favorite dessert to the parish center in a disposable container with a list of ingredients (for allergies). Hours for drop off: Saturday, April 13th 4-6pm or Sunday, April 14th 7:30-9am. If necessary you can drop off a little later but we do need time to price & sell.

VOLUNTEERS - We need volunteers to work the Sale & Drop off. Times to volunteer are 4-6pm on Saturday or 1-2 hour slots during the Sale time of 7:30-12:30 on Sunday. Please call Geri Hinton to sign up to volunteer at 708-579-0999. For any questions call Gloria at 708-308-6479 or email Peggy at shevpeggy@aol.com or our general email, CCW@stcletusparish.com. Proceeds benefit the CCW and our scholarship fund.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Second Collection at all Masses This Weekend!

We are so blessed to have a growing Youth Ministry program, but we need your help! To continue to strengthen and grow this ministry, we are asking for financial support from our Parish Family. Please give generously to our second collection at all masses this weekend, which will go directly to offset costs incurred our service trip this summer, retreat & church league fees, but most importantly scholarships for our teens to participate in these events. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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

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. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at 708.352.6209.

ST. CLETUS PARISH FALL FEST



Mark your calendars for the 6th Annual Fall Fest, September 5-8, 2019. We’re excited to bring back this wonderful event to our parish featuring live music, carnival rides, beer garden, food vendors and more! Thursday is opening day for the Chicago Bears and we plan to celebrate. Friday night ARRA will be our headliner. Saturday we’ll have great music all day and end with our headliner Mike and Joe. Maggie Speaks will be close out our Fall Fest on Sunday.

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES AT ST. CLETUS



 **Ed Ward**
FINE ARTS SERIES
AT ST. CLETUS LA GRANGE, IL

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 AT 4:00PM

A MUSICAL THEATER REVIEW
FROM THE 1940S TO TODAY
WITH GAYLE BISESI & NICK FALCO

ST. CLETUS PARISH CENTER
600 W. 55TH ST. LA GRANGE
FREE ADMISSION

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THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park. To register online and see complete list of our programs visit www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

The Art of Slowing Down - An Introduction to the Deep River Within Saturday, April 13, 10 AM – 12:30 PM
Facilitator: Carol Hohle. Within each of us flows a deep river of creativity, clarity, and contentment. Sometimes we lose connection to it amidst the busyness of daily life. In this workshop for women, participants will be introduced to six core practices that can keep us connected to our Deep River of purpose and joy. Cost: \$30

DIG DEEP RETREAT

Join us for a weekend retreat at the Br. David Darst Center in Bridgeport this April 13-14! We welcome people excited to build relationships, engage in dialog, and take action with community organizations and leaders working for justice and equity. This weekend will focus on our current immigration system and some of the systemic barriers which complicate the process. We will also have time for individual and group reflection and storytelling.

Our DIG DEEP! Retreats offer opportunities for adults (21+) to explore the root causes of injustice in order to better understand ourselves and our world. While most of our programming at the Darst Center focuses on high school and college students, we know adults need time and space for this inner and outer work, too. We welcome you to take 24 hours and breathe a little deeper, reflect on what is on your heart, and share in our vibrant and encouraging community.

Cost: \$75 (includes lodging, linens, three meals)
Partial scholarships available - email programs@darstcenter.org
RSVP: darstevents.org

AGING CARE CONNECTIONS

SEMINAR AND A SNACK SERIES: Treasure, Trade, or Trash - Learn how to take back control of your home through helpful insight on how you can sort through many years of accumulation to eliminate clutter for good!

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2019 - 10:00 am - 11:15 am
Location: Aging care Connections, 111 W. Harris, La Grange
Cost: Free but RSVP required
Contact Jasmine Horton at 708-603-2337 to register

ST. MARYS PASTA KNIGHT DINNER

St. Mary's Riverside Knights of Columbus is sponsoring our annual Pasta Knight Dinner on Saturday, April 13th in the Parish Center at 126 Herrick Road from 3:30-8:00PM. It's All-You-Can-Eat. Beer & wine available, 50/50 Raffle, Live Music, fabulous Basket Raffle, Silent Auction, and more. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Kids under-5 free. To purchase tickets go to <https://squareup.com/store/BK1628>

THE AID FOR WOMEN AUXILIARY - WEST CHAPTER SPRING EVENING

To Benefit Aid for Women Pregnancy Care Centers and Residential Programs

Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 6:00 pm
Oak Park Country Club, 2001 Thatcher Ave., River Grove, IL
\$75 Per Person, \$600 Table of 8

Featured Speaker - Ashley Bratcher. Heroic actress Ashley Bratcher plays the lead role as Abby Johnson in the film *Unplanned* (2019), the true story of Johnson's inspiring transformation from Planned Parenthood clinic director to pro-life activist. For more information and reservations, visit the event page at www.helpaidforwomen.org/springevening2019 or contact us at (312)621-1107 or info@aidforwomen.org.

NAZARETH ACADEMY STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRAYER SERVICE

The date for Nazareth Academy's community Stations of the Cross Prayer Service will be Tuesday, April 16 at 7 p.m. in the Congregation of St. Joseph Chapel. All are welcome to join us for an inspirational evening of prayer, reflection and music in preparation for the holiest days of the year, the Triduum. This loving reenactment of Christ's final steps allows our Nazareth Family to share personal reflections of our connection to the Paschal Mystery. As we recall Christ's passion, we encourage the young men and women of Nazareth to share their voices and their stories.

If you have any questions, please contact Nazareth's Campus Minister, Janet Rausch at jrausch@nazarethacademy.com.

HITZEMAN GRIEF SUPPORT

We welcome you and your family to join us for our Grief Support Gatherings which will occur the second Tuesday of each month. These groups are intended to be social in nature where we can express our support with others that are experiencing the same feelings. For more information please visit www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport

Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Place: Hitzeman Funeral Home, 9445 West 31st St. Brookfield

Time: 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Seats are limited; please R.S.V.P. by April 5 to info@hitzemanfuneral.com or 708-485-2000. We appreciate your continued trust in Hitzeman Funeral Home and we hope that you will be able to join us. Refreshments will follow. Next forum, Tuesday, May 14th - Creative Ways to Manage Grief

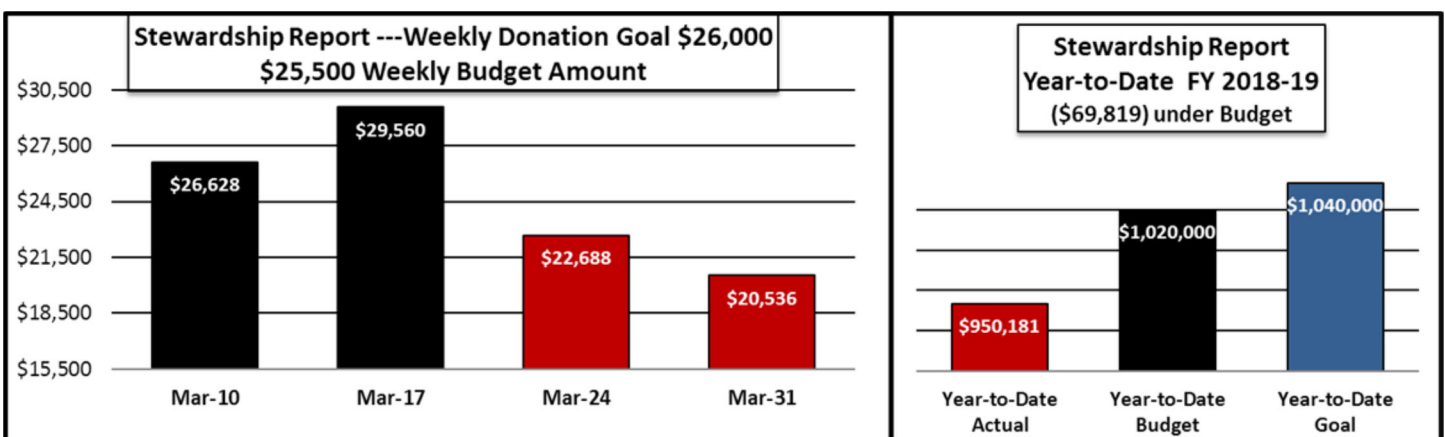
BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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. Please note, there are early deadlines for the Palm Sunday and Easter bulletins.

Week at a Glance


DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, April 7	7:00am	Narthex	Welcome Committee
	7:00am	Narthex	Pancake Breakfast Ticket Sales
Monday, April 8	4:00pm	School Music Room	Junior Choir
	8:00pm	PC Gym	Men's Basketball
Tuesday, April 9	8:30am	Church	Adoration Begins
	6:00pm	Church	Holy Hour with Benediction
	7:00pm	Rectory	RCIA
	7:00pm	Church	Spanish Holy Hour
	7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room	Book Club
	8:00pm	PC Gym	Girls Church League Practice
Wednesday, April 10	9:00am	Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies
	7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room	Baptism Preparation Class
	8:00pm	PC Gym	Girls Church League Practice
Thursday, April 11	2:00pm	Church	School Living Stations of the Cross
	5:00pm	School Music Room	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	7:00pm	Church	Living Stations of the Cross
	7:30pm	School Music Room	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, April 12			
Saturday, April 13	8:00am	Parish Center	RCIA Day of Reflection
	4:00pm	Parish Center	Bake Sale Drop Off
	5:00pm	Narthex	CRS Rice Bowl Collection
	5:00pm	Narthex	Youth Ministry Candy Sales
	7:00pm	Church	Extended Adoration
Sunday, April 14	7:00am	Narthex	CRS Rice Bowl Collection
	7:00am	Narthex	Youth Ministry Candy Sales
	7:00am	Parish Center Gym	Holy Name Society Walter Klimcke Pancake Breakfast
	7:30am	Parish Center Mtg Room	St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women Bake Sale
	2:00pm	Church	Holy Thursday Rehearsal

Stewardship Report



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.

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