

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**Hosanna to the Son of David/
blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord**
-Matthew 21:9



WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

- 2 Mass Intentions and Important Notes
- 3 Pastors Note
- 4 Note From Father Mike
- 5 Sunday Notes and Sharing Our Graces and Blessings
- 6 Hispanic Ministry
- 7 Social Concerns Ministry
- 8 School News
- 9 Kids Corner
- 10 WISE and Survey Thank You
- 11 Ministry News
- 12 Community News
- 13 Week at a Glance and Stewardship Report
- 14 Parish Information

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

Mass Intentions for April 3 - April 9, 2023

Day	Time	Presider	Intentions
April 3	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Joe and Kay Klemak, John Leating, William and Ethel Garske
April 4	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Nick Brzezniak
April 5	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Renee Saban, BC and RIP Collins
April 6	7pm	Fr. Romero	Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper
April 7	3pm 7pm	Fr. Romero Fr. Hays	The Passion of the Lord Service Celebracion de la Pasion del Senor
April 8	7:30pm	Fr. Romero &Fr. Novick	Bilingual Easter Vigil in the Holy Night
April 9	7:15am 8:45am 10:30am 12:30pm	Fr. Novick Fr. Kalas Fr. Romero Fr. Romero	Easter Sunday

**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.

April - Patricia Rodey

March - Enemorio Cisneros, Galdino Padilla, Juana Garcia, Beto Montalvo, Laura Terrazino, Charlie McCarthy, Denise and Rich Jandura, and Baby Muffy, Francie Smith, Enrique Durán, Donald Hogue

February - Daniel Lacey, Matthew O'Connell, Roman Szabelski, Edward Rojack, Juana Martinez, Louie Soto, Leo Gonzalez, Tillie Gonzalez

Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes

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

Gerald F. Young Sr.

May he rest in peace....

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday - April 6th

Please note there is no 8am mass

- Washing of the Feet School Prayer Service - 9:30am
- School Stations of the Cross - 2:30pm
- Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7pm
- Adoration follows mass

Good Friday - April 7th

Please note there is no 8am mass

- Passion of the Lord - 3pm
- Celebracion de la Pasion del Senor - 7pm

Holy Saturday - April 8th

Please note there is no 8am mass or confessions

- Easter Basket Blessing - 10am
- Easter Vigil - 7:30pm

Easter Sunday - April 9th

- Easter Masses - 7:15am, 8:45am, 10:30am, 12:30pm (Spanish)



Pastor's Note

... and they said,
 "Truly, this was the Son of God!"
 Matthew 27:54b

Dear Parishioners,

It is with faith, hope, and love that we gather today to celebrate Palm Sunday. Today, we are given the opportunity to remember how the people went out to meet Jesus Christ and calling out: "*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*" Then we are invited to attentively listen to that part of the gospel which describes the Passion and death of our Lord. This week, then, we are sent out to meet Jesus Christ in his passion, in those last days of his suffering.

How fortunate we are to be here today surrounded by a community of faith that loves to pray together. How blessed we are to be praying together with a community that acknowledges having Jesus Christ as the heart of their lives. How fortunate we are to go out to meet Jesus to follow him. For a moment, I kindly ask you to imagine and sense the joy and comfort Jesus is experiencing right now as you walk with him. I am sure he appreciates your kindness.

In Matthew 16:24 Jesus reminds us, "whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." So, in what we read in the gospel story and from our own experience of life and what is going on in the world around us, the experience of the world's suffering is taken up by Christ to sanctify it, to give it meaning and significance. Starting today with the celebration of Palm Sunday, almost hour by hour we can follow Jesus Christ in those moments of his Passion. Once again, how fortunate we are. He is letting us experience his passion. He is allowing us to be there with him. He is offering us such a unique way to experience with him the love that the Father has for him. It is breathtaking what he is allowing us to experience as we follow him. I am humbled and encouraged by the love God has for us as he let us enter and experience Holy Week with faith, hope, and love.

At our parish, each day of the Holy Week, we will have special opportunities to walk, follow, and be with Jesus. I am confident that you will actively support and participate in each of them. Each day will be an opportunity for us all to deepen and renew our friendship with the Lord. In advance I would like to thank you for celebrating and sharing with me the faith, hope and love you have for the Lord and St. Cletus Parish. It is awe-inspiring to pray and be part of a community that loves to follow the Lord.

On March 18, 2023, we held a special retreat for those who will be making their First Communion on May 6th, 2023. Larry Manetti, Director of Faith Formation, invited Fr. Ron Kalas to be the special keynote speaker at the retreat. The report that I received was that Fr. Kalas' talk was well received by our children, their parents, and our catechists. A few days after the retreat, I received an email from Fr. Kalas which warmed my heart. Fr. Kalas truly walks with the Lord. He loves serving the Lord and his people. He has at the heart of his priesthood the mission that the Lord entrusted him. With his life, ministry, and the love that he has for the Lord, he is always leading us to the Lord. He is truly an evangelizer. Below I share with you part of his email.

"I was very honored to be asked to be a part of the 1st Communion Retreat this year. My task was to offer a reflection on the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Parents and children were present for this reflection. Prior to these parents and children participated in various activities lead by the catechists and Mr. Manetti, Director of Faith Formation. The presentation began with the 6th chapter of John Gospel. There Jesus feeds the five thousand with 5 loaves and two fish, a spectacular miracle. Then shortly after he encountered the same people and told them that he would give the bread of eternal life, and eating his body and drinking his blood would make this happen. Many walked away for this was very difficult for them to understand. It required faith! Then we shared the wonderful way that Jesus would be with us today through food which the children eagerly noted that food would give you energy and Jesus' gives energy too to follow him and live what he taught us. Finally, we keep Holy Communion, Jesus' presence in a special place in our church. The children identified this place as the tabernacle. I then asked them about the artwork around the tabernacle and was pleasantly surprised when a little girl said it was a reminder of the burning bush that Moses encountered in the desert where he was told it was a holy place because God revealed himself there. What a beautiful connection in our church with the Real Presence. Our session ended with some sharing about our coming to Mass on the weekends to honor God, pray with the community and to reverently receive Jesus in Holy Communion. What a privilege this is, and we need to make time for this Sacrament and to make sure that sports and other activities on Saturday or Sunday do not interfere with this important time. The children eagerly shared this message by raising their hands and giving affirmation with their voices. What a blessing!

It is my prayer and hope that this week indeed is going to be a Holy Week, a different week, a week when we meet Jesus Christ in his Passion. May his Spirit warm, heal, and renew our hearts so that we will truly be present to him and recognize him as the Son of God. **Fr. Elmer Romero**

Note From Father Mike

Palm Sunday Weekend

We enter into Holy Week with Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. It's a beautiful scene. All of the palm branches lining the streets and being waved as Jesus comes riding on a donkey. It's an ironic scene too. Here is the man that many had heard about or had seen performing mighty deeds – miracles – yet He is not riding on a steed, wearing armor, and carrying a sword. How was He to deliver the Israelites from the tyranny of Rome?

A short time later, Jesus celebrates Passover with the Twelve Apostles. And yes, Judas was invited, but was not staying to finish the celebration that Jesus was trying to teach. That is still the Mass of the Lord's Supper – the Last Supper – the night when Jesus gave us His Body and Blood as the perpetual and supreme sacrifice. This Eucharist is celebrated on Holy Thursday. Another very powerful piece to the Holy Thursday Mass is the Washing of Feet. It's the ultimate expression of hospitality as it was in Jesus' time. Dirt, dust, sweat – The Master isn't changing anything in Jewish cleansing rituals. He is merely hoping to do these lessons quickly. However, as He told Peter when he tried to reject it "Whoever has bathed has no need except to have his feet washed." (Jn 13:10)

Good Friday is Jesus' goal. It's why He entered Jerusalem in the first place. The first Passover, hundreds of years prior, had Moses and the Israelites partaking of a lamb at the meal. It tends to be the last course of the seder, likely still cooking until the initial courses are eaten (including bread and wine). Here, then, Jesus – The Lamb – is slaughtered. Oh, it's not merely because God was going to send the angel of death to the homes of the Israelites. The angel of death came for the one Lamb in order to save His holy and chosen people not from Rome or Egypt, but from our own sins.

But then there is a day before we officially arrive at Easter.

Holy Saturday is a day that many Christians see as that last day of preparation for their meals with family and friends. One tradition is to bless Easter baskets filled with goodies from the morsels from the meals with family and friends. Or some people do all of that preparation and invite a priest or deacon to bless their food, decorated dining tables, and families. But Saturday is SO much more.

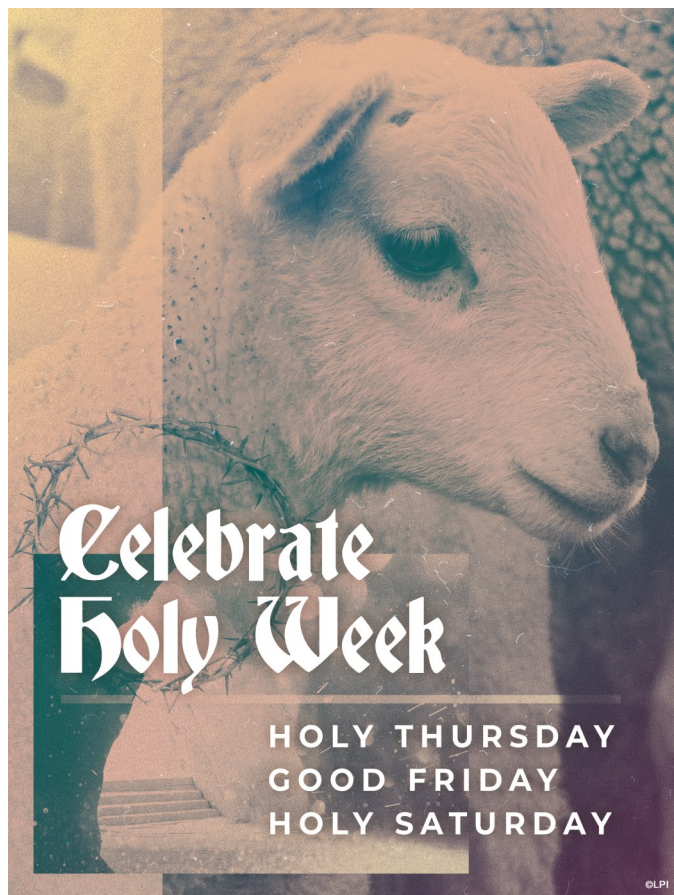
If we are staying with the Passion of Jesus, once He dies, He doesn't simply go to Heaven. Instead, He is buried in a tomb with a large stone in front of the entrance. It's a day of mourning for the disciples as they didn't fully understand what was happening. And so we wait and watch, keeping vigil at the tomb, awaiting God's power to show forth in Jesus' Resurrection, overcoming even death.

This year at St. Cletus, we will be celebrating the Easter Vigil on Saturday April 8th at 7:30pm. We hope you will consider joining us as we celebrate with such great symbolism – the ritual of the new fire being blessed, the

new Paschal candle being blessed, and for the first time in a while, we will be using all of the readings (9 total – 7 from the Old Testament, 1 epistle from St. Paul, and the Gospel). We do not (unfortunately) have anyone coming into the Church to be baptized, but we will bless new holy water and renew or baptismal promises. Then finish with the Eucharistic feast as we were commanded to do by Jesus just 36 hours before. Holy Saturday is the night when people seeking to enter into full communion with the Church come to receive the Sacraments they had been studying. In the early days of the Church, literally hundreds of people would come to be baptized and received into the Church. They would hear lots of same stories we will hear. Quite often, the celebrations of old would begin as dusk (hence the need for the new fire) and last into the wee hours of Easter morning. And yet, they were not even celebrating the Resurrection until EVERYONE was baptized. Then, they simply stayed for the marvelous wonder of Easter. It's priceless and yet practically unheard of in our culture today. Staying at Church for hours? No way, right? Please consider planning on being with us on the most holy night of the whole Church calendar. See you there, and may you have a blessed Holy Week.

Easter is near!

Fr. Mike



Sunday Notes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: *Chrim Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/ Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/ Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday



Sharing Our Graces and Blessings

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

“When we try to express communion with God in words, we rapidly reach the end of our capacities. But in the depths of our being Christ is praying for more than we imagine. Compared to the immensity of that hidden prayer of Christ in us, our explicit praying dwindles to almost nothing. That is why silence is so essential in discovering the heart of prayer.” Thank you to everyone who attended our Taize prayer service on March 22nd and to all who made the evening so full of God’s spirit of love.



Hispanic Ministry

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



ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

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

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

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

DEVOCIÓN GUADALUPANA

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

GUADALUPE DEVOTION

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

@stcletusparish.com. at the Hispanic Ministry office or Deacon Ramón Cazales. 708-215-5441

VIA CRUCIS

Estaremos realizando el Vía Crucis viviente en español el Viernes Santo, 7 de abril de 2023 a las 11:00 a.m. en la iglesia. Por favor haga planes para ese día y únase a nosotros para recordar la crucifixión y muerte de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Todos están invitados

WAY OF THE CROSS

The living Stations of the Cross in Spanish will take place on Good Friday, April 7, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in the church. Please plan for that day and join us in remembering the crucifixion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Everyone is invited

LA PASION DEL SEÑOR / THE LORDS PASSION

Please join us to commemorate the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, April 7, 2023, at 7:00 pm in Spanish. / Favor de unirse a nosotros a conmemorar la Pasión de nuestro Señor el Viernes Santo 7 de abril a las 7:00 pm en español.



Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Wish List:

- Applesauce
- Pasta
- Jelly
- Canned tomatoes
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Personal Care Items
- Cleaning Supplies
- Diapers size 3-4 and 5-6
- Baby wipes

Follow us on

Facebook:

@StCletusFoodPantry

Instagram:

@St.CletusFoodPantry

BIG NEWS!



BIG NEWS!

We have some exciting updates from the food pantry! **New Hours:** Beginning in April, we will be expanding our food pantry distribution hours. Our **new hours will be 4:00-8:00pm**. This will double the amount of time customers are able to come for food assistance and provide more flexibility in their day to stop in for help.

Additional Volunteer Opportunities: Increasing our hours means that we need more volunteers! Beginning in April, will be adding a **new volunteer session every Thursday from 3:15-5:15pm**. This is perfect for students right after school, but we definitely need adults during this shift, as well! Volunteers must be 6th grade and older. Sign up is now available

at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094cacac2ea2fc1-stcletus#/>

Matching Donation: We have been given an anonymous **matching donation of up to \$35,000!** These funds will help us provide additional assistance at a crucial time when SNAP benefits are being cut and our numbers are increasing. This will help us purchase more food, expand our cold storage capacity, increase our hours and volunteer opportunities. Please consider helping us reach this full match! Donations can be made online to the “Food Pantry”, checks can be written to “St. Cletus Food Pantry” and put in the collection basket, brought to the Parish Center or mailed to: Attn Food Pantry 600 W 55th St. La Grange, IL 60525

Thank you for your support! You allow us to dream bigger and expand to meet the growing needs in our community.



LENTEN OUTREACH

Modern Day Simon of Cyrene

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. As we walk with Jesus this week, we remember that countless women, children and men who carry heavy crosses even today: crosses of hunger, of vulnerability to climate change, or of a lack of resources. How-like Simon of Cyrene-can you help to carry the crosses of our sisters and brothers in your local community and around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more.

Please remember to return your Rice Bowls this weekend! They can be placed in the collection basket, thank you!

WORD OF LIFE



“Despite our best efforts, it can sometimes be difficult to recognize the profound value of human life when we see its full weakness and fragility. Yet, the faithful care of human life until its natural end is entrusted to every person.” *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice”*

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

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



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

School News

MARCH MADNESS SHOOT OUT

On March 24th Student council hosted our first March Madness Shootout! What a fun event it was! Our students had so much fun participating as well as cheering for their classmates! Thank you to everyone who put so much work in to making this event to so fantastic! Congratulations also of course to all of our winners!



BEACH PARTY DANCE

Recently our 7th and 8th graders came together for our Beach Party dance! They truly danced the night away!



DARE GRADUATION

Congratulations to our 5th graders who celebrated their DARE graduation last week! Thank you to the LaGrange Police Department for offering this program and to Officer Falls for her hard work and dedication every year as she guides and educates our students!



TAX CREDIT REMINDER!



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

Kids Corner



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion • Matthew 21:1-11

WISE

For more info. Contact: hobregon@stcletusparish.com



It is true, we all have the gifts and capacities to succeed in life, but sometimes having someone to encourage us can make a huge difference in our FAITH journey. Thus, when you share your faith experiences with other people, you help them see the meaning of love, care, forgiveness, peace, etc.

Don't forget, "there are as many different ways to be holy as there are people on the planet." Pope Francis

+ BE A **WISE ENCOURAGER!**

"Let's evangelize at all times and when necessary let us use words" St. Francis of Assisi



Thank You For Your Participation!

Thank you to all who participated in the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) parish survey.

We received more than 650 responses! This is absolutely an amazing total which indicates in yet another way the vibrancy of St. Cletus and how interested you are in the future of our great parish. Once the results have been received and reviewed I'm confident that information will be shared and new initiatives undertaken. Again, many thanks for supporting this effort!

May God bless us all.

Karen Ziemba, Parish Point of Contact

DMIsurvey@stcletusparish.com, 708-215-5466



Ministry News

DISCUSSION.

For the next book discussion we are reading **In the Woods** by Tana French. We will meet on April 11 at 10 AM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.



For those who like to look ahead....

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

August 8 **Christ the Lord out of Egypt** by Anne Rice

As always, all are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

CCW BAKE SALE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN Please drop off donations on Saturday, April 1st from 4-6pm and Sunday, April 2nd before 10:30am in the Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.

Be sure to stop by the CCW Bake Sale on Sunday, April 2nd 7:30am-2:00pm in the Gallagher room to take home some delicious bakery.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

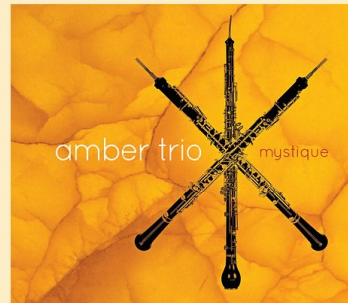
March has been very busy month for our Faith Formation Program. We held our First Communion Retreat for our First Communion Students from the school and Faith Formation Program, on March 18. It was very well received by our parents and children; some of the highlights mentioned were the special snack they prepared, the mediation, and the talk by Father Kalas. Over the last few weeks our children have been involved in studying about Jesus and His teaching of Salvation.

In preparing for Holy Week our children have studied the Triduum and the liturgies associated with them. March has been month to speak about the saints, especially St. Joseph. Ms. Ouska's seventh grade class participated in a simple St. Joseph Table Celebration.

We hope everyone has a blessed Holy Week and Easter.

Faith Formation Classes: Remember our next class is Sunday-Monday, April 16 & 17.

God Bless,
Lawrence Manetti



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

amber trio
Sunday, April 16 at 4:00 p.m.
St. Cletus Church

Tricia Wlazlo, Christine Janzow Phillips, and Nancy Hagen will present a one hour program entitled Las Favoritas that will feature music for oboe, english horn, oboe d'amore and piano from a wide range of composers and musical styles. It will be an extraordinary musical experience!

Community News

VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

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

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

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

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



**WISDOM AND WONDER
FROM THE BOOK OF NATURE**

FACILITATOR: BARBARA

MAHANY

Thursday APRIL 13, 6:30 - 8 PM *In-person or on Zoom.*

Throughout millennia and across world religions, all of creation was revered as a sacred text, the first, best entry point for encounter with the divine. Today, nature generously awaits our attention and devotion. On this evening, author Barbara Mahany will weave together astonishments of science, profound wisdom and literary gems of thinkers, poets, and keen-eyed wonderers who've come before us, as well as her own spiritual practice and gentle observation. Cost: \$20 csjthewell.org/programs/book-of-nature/

INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS COACHING

FACILITATOR: LINDA BITSAS, RN-BSN, HWC
Tuesday, APRIL 18, 10 – 11 AM *In-person or on Zoom.*

Health and wellness coaching can be described as helping people achieve their potential through addressing physical, social, intellectual, emotional, spiritual, or environmental areas of health and wellness. Join us for this introduction and discussion and explore whether coaching may be of help to you. Cost: \$10 csjthewell.org/programs/health-and-wellness

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Energize Your New Job Search Using Your New LinkedIn Profile

Want to impress everyone with your LinkedIn profile? Of course you do! Then join us on Thursday, April 20 from 7-9:00 pm at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5055 Wolf Road in Western Springs. Denis Curtin is a

LinkedIn Trainer and Coach who helps job seekers and companies optimize their LinkedIn profiles. Denis is an outstanding presenter who quickly engages the group and entertains as he presents dynamic ideas for improving your LinkedIn profile and presence. He has been assisting job seekers at the Holy Family Job Support Group in Inverness for the past 25 years, and has presented to our ICN group for the past 10 years. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

Visit www.interfaithcareernetwork.com for additional resources.

SUPPORT INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The La Grange Park Chamber of Commerce proudly presents:

RUN FOR THE ROSES



MAY 14, 2023 • 8AM

Forest Road School
(901 Forest Rd • LaGrange Park)

- * \$30.00 for early bird sign up February 1 - March 31
- * \$40.00 to sign up April 1 - May 13
- * \$45.00 for day of the race sign up

Half of the proceeds for this event will go to Interfaith Community Partners.



REGISTER TODAY
<https://raceroster.com/events/2023/07288/run-for-the-roses>

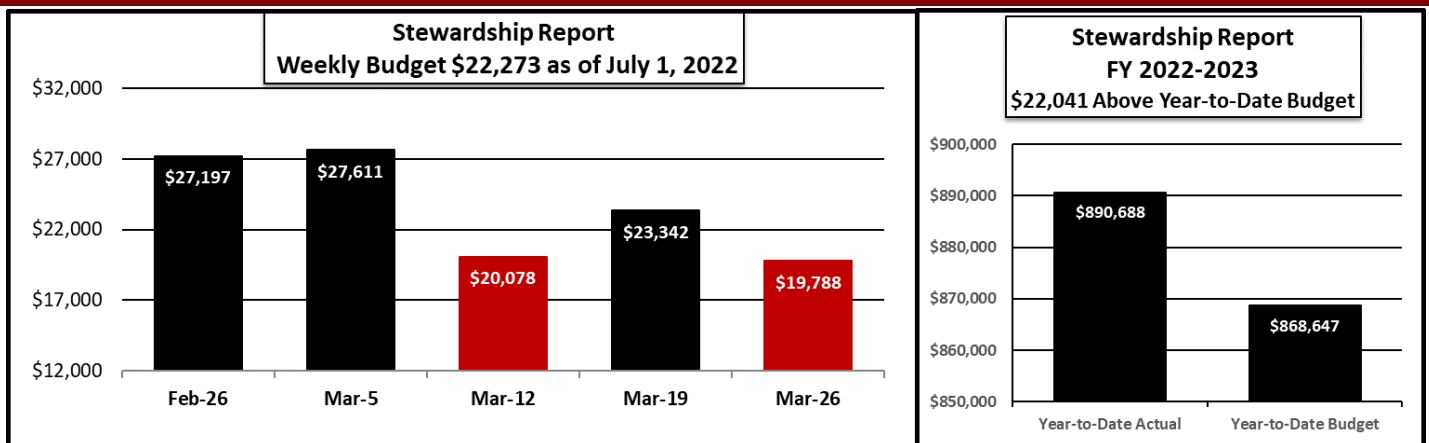


Wonderful sponsorship opportunities are available at various levels. Contact Sheri Sauer to learn more: (708) 372-2579.

Week At A Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, April 2	7am-2pm	Parish Center Parish Center	Holy Name Society Pancake Breakfast CCW Annual Bake Sale
Monday, April 3			
Tuesday, April 4	7-8pm 8-10pm	Church Parish Center	Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament (Spanish) Church League Basketball
Wednesday, April 5	9am-12pm 7-8pm	Gallagher Room Church	Mission Ladies Lenten Evening of Reflection
Thursday, April 6	9:30am 2:30pm 4-8pm 7pm 10:30pm-12am	Church Church Food Pantry Church Church	School Feet Washing Service School Stations of the Cross Food Pantry Distribution Mass of the Lord's Supper Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration
Friday, April 7	10am-1pm 3pm 7-8pm	Church Church	Living Stations of the Cross Passion of the Lord Celebracion de la Pasion del Senor
Saturday, April 8	8:30am-9:15am 10am 7:30pm	Church Church Church	Confessions Blessing of the Baskets Easter Vigil
Sunday, April 9			Easter Sunday

Stewardship Report



GIVING YOUR FIRST HOUR TO GOD


Thank you for your continued stewardship of St. Cletus Parish. Parishioners sometimes ask for suggestions about appropriate weekly contributions. When in doubt, consider giving your hourly pay rate at work (“giving your first hour to God”). Whatever you can give will go toward keeping the lights on and supporting the good work of the Parish.

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. Thank you!

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

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

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

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

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

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
 12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
 Weekdays..... Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

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. Michael Novick, Associate Pastor
Rev. Kevin Hays, Senior Priest for Weekend Liturgy
Rev. John Lodge, Senior Priest for Weekend Liturgy
Mr. Ramón Cazales, Deacon
Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor Emeritus

PASTORAL STAFF

Tina Norton, Pastoral Associate (708) 215-5412
Ryan Rump, Music Ministry (708) 215-5423
Kendall Grant, Social Concerns (708) 215-5418
Christopher Wagner, Technology (708) 215-5420

HISPANIC MINISTRY STAFF (708) 215-5441

Juanita Avila, Head of Hispanic Ministry

SCHOOL STAFF (708) 352-4820

Gregory Porod, Principal
Christy Schaefer, Assistant Principal
Mary Lee Krieger, Administrative Assistant
Kate Townsend, Receptionist/Administrative Assistant
Jeannie Scalzitti, Receptionist/Administrative Assistant
Sara Hodak, Marketing/Development

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STAFF (708) 352-2383

Lawrence Manetti, Director of Faith Formation for Children
Hector Obregon-Luna, Associate Director of Faith Formation

PARISH OFFICE STAFF (708) 352-6209

Jim Dion, Business Manager
Olga Montalvo, Parish Administrative Assistant
Silvia Castellanos, Parish Secretary
Sara Hodak, Bulletin Editor
Doug Morrisey, Parish Finance Council Chairperson,
 Email: finance@stcletusparish.com
Helen McComiskey, Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson
 Email: ppc@stcletusparish.com

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

Pastor Fr. Elmer Romero
 Chairperson..... Bob Wasik

MEMBERS

Kevin Hogan	Bob Malham	Stephen Mersman
Mike Napleton	Griselda Quintero	Julio Quintero
Jennifer Senyard		

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.