

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**"Whatever you bind on earth
shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth
shall be loosed in heaven."
— MATTHEW 16:19**

AUGUST 23, 2020 | TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

SIMON PETER SAID TO JESUS,

*"You are the Christ,
the Son of the
living God."*

~ MATTHEW 16:16

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Mass Intentions for August 24 - 30, 2020

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
August 24	Fr. Clark	8:00am	Delphine Marciszewski, Daniel Linklater, Special Intention - Al & Geri Hinton 63rd Wedding Anniversary
August 25	Fr. Baker	8:00am	St. Cletus Parishioners
August 26	Fr. Gamboa	8:00am	Virginia Rachford
August 27	Fr. Clark	8:00am	Delphine Marciszewski
August 28	Fr. Clark	8:00am	Al Young
August 29	Fr. Baker Fr. Baker	8:00am 5:00pm	St. Cletus Parishioners Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Rhoda Smithy, Helen Mrozek, Chuck Bataglia, Jeanie Hills
August 30	Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa Fr. Gamboa	7:15am 8:45am 10:30am 12:15pm	Richard Gomez, George Duda Stacy Baker Eleanor Mlot St. Cletus Parishioners

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

Jeanie Hills

Sister of Peggy Shevlin

Janina Rogan

Wife of Robert

William (Bill) Todhunter

Husband of Mary

May they 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.

August - Carol Reckwerdt, Bill Bolton, Carol Griffith

July - Frank Colonna, Alice Dunkovich, John Zydek

June - Annette Bonvillian, Mary Ann Doornbos, John Paul Granger, Virginia Klecka, Frank Niwa, Waclaw Berdysz, Mary Duckett, Wayne Hamilton, Christine Wolosewicz, Joyce Arnold, John Collingwood, Jeanie Hills, Charles (Bud) Howe, Mark Radulski, Mary Ramirez, Rose Serrano, Ludwig Stoiber, Joseph Gregory Stroude, Laura Terrazino, Grace Yamamoto, John Duda, Hermelinda Nevarez, Linda Stoinski, Judy Halvorson, Emily Malec, Gerda E. Dorso, Kim and Tony Fox, Deborah Krueger, Patricia Rodey, Michael Stoinski, Robert Stoinski

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

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES - BY RESERVATION ONLY

St. Cletus Parish is currently welcoming back parishioners, with a limit of 65 for each Mass. We are also offering private prayer, confessions on the first Saturday of the month, and a Spanish prayer service. All of these worship opportunities require that you pre-register.



The sign up link can be found on our website, www.stcletusparish.com. If you don't have internet access you can call the parish office at 708.352.6209 for assistance.

Please remember that masks are required to enter the church and we ask that you maintain social distancing guidelines.



JOIN US FOR MASS ONLINE

We will continue to offer Mass online from the St. Cletus altar on a daily basis and on Sunday. Be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the bell icon to be notified of the latest videos. You can also find the link on our website and Facebook page.

Website - www.stcletusparish.com

Facebook - www.facebook.com/stcletuschurch

YouTube - www.youtube.com/stcletusparish

St. Cletus Parish Lucky Leaf Raffle

Congratulations to our Second Early Bird \$100 Winner, Claudia B.!

Don't miss the next drawing on Sunday, August 23rd!

Individual tickets are \$20 each. If you buy five for \$100, you receive the sixth one for free! Please contact the parish office at (708) 352-6209 if you can help sell additional tickets.

2020 Lucky Leaf Raffle Prizes:

Grand Prize: \$5,000

2nd Prize: \$2,500

4th Prize: \$500

3rd Prize: \$1,000

5th Prize: \$500

5 \$100 Early Bird Drawings:

There are two Early Bird Drawings remaining: August 23rd and August 30th!

Please return ticket stubs with payment by mail, at Mass or in the rectory door mail slot. The drawing will be held on **September 13, 2020**.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and help in offsetting the financial impact the pandemic has had on the Parish finances.

SAINT CLETUS

SOCIALLY DISTANT



**DRAWING WILL BE HELD
SEPTEMBER 13, 2020
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN**

Grand Prize \$5,000

2nd Prize \$2,500

3rd Prize Winner \$1,000

4th & 5th Prize Winners \$500

5 EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS FOR \$100 EACH

RETURN TICKETS BY MAIL TO ST. CLETUS PARISH
600 W. 55TH ST. LA GRANGE, IL 60525
OR DROP IN THE RECTORY MAIL SLOT

\$20

PER TICKET

-OR-

6 FOR \$100

5 EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS

AUGUST 2

AUGUST 9

AUGUST 16

AUGUST 23

AUGUST 30

Social Concerns Ministry



**ST. CLETUS
FOOD PANTRY
THURSDAYS 6-8PM**

Most needed at this time:

- School Supplies
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Canned Tomatoes
- Cereal
- Jelly
- “Extras”: granola bars, condiments, snacks, pancake mix, baking mixes, crackers

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



Follow us on Facebook:
@StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram:
@St.CletusFoodPantry

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

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

We are seeing more and more households coming for food again. This crisis is not over. Can you help us stock the shelves? Our most needed items are listed on this page. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER TRANSITION

For the past 10 years, Jerry Mitchell has been coordinating volunteers from St. Cletus to serve at the Greater Chicago Food Depository each month. Over that time, volunteers have earned our pantry THOUSANDS (likely tens of thousands) of dollars to offset the costs of food we purchase from the Depository. Jerry is moving out of the area and is stepping down from his role as coordinator. We asked Jerry to share some reflections from his time coordinating these volunteers:

"My favorite part of the job is the interaction with the volunteers. Sending out an email each month to find out who could join us that month and I would receive emails that gave a glimpse into each person's life. I can't attend this month because a member of the family is unwell and I am care giver. I'm doing some studies for work. Yes I can make this month and can I bring my son with, he's back from college.

Just a little snapshot of what each person is encountering in any given month, and through those small windows I got to know people on a more personal level.

The most rewarding part of the job is just contributing to the effort. The need is great. One person in seven is food insecure in Cook county. Through our efforts as volunteers we contribute to the 82,000 volunteer hours worked each year at the pantry. That effort supports over 700 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other programs, providing the equivalent of over 170,000 meals every day.

Just being a part of that effort is indeed a privilege."

We are so grateful for Jerry's support of the pantry. Jerry is everywhere at St. Cletus! RCIA, food pantry, depository, helping at Mass, initiating a Healing Ministry, delivering Giving Tree gifts, on and on. We love you Jerry and wish you the best in your next adventure!



**GREATER
CHICAGO
- FOOD -
DEPOSITORY.**

Join us in officially welcoming Joan Kittler as our new GCFD Volunteer Coordinator! Joan (and her husband Don) are longtime volunteers at GCFD. Joan is enjoying her recent retirement and has graciously stepped in to help us with this role.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Greater Chicago Food Depository, have questions about their current COVID-19 procedures, or would like to be added to our monthly GCFD volunteer email list, please email Joan at: kittlerjh4533@gmail.com.

Thank you!



August 13 Food Pantry Volunteers.



Jerry Mitchell and Joan Kittler

Other Ministry News

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Our monthly DV Support Group meetings will continue to be held virtually on Zoom. If you would like to join us, please fill out this RSVP form to receive the meeting details: <https://bit.ly/31dqC66>

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

You are not alone.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
— ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO —
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION
www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org



WORD OF LIFE



“Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God’s design that ‘the two shall become one’ (Mt 19:5).”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Healing within Marriage from an Abortion” (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS



This year, for the safety of our ICP community, we’re replacing our 2020 Fall Benefit with a special NON-Event fundraiser. We love our wonderful friends and supporters, but we do NOT want to see your lovely faces at this NON

-Event. We mean it. Stay on your couch. If you show up, we will NOT be there. Instead, show your support by making a donation from your couch or office chair.

While we will miss seeing everyone in person, with no event costs this year we can funnel as much money as possible toward our mission! 100% of your “ticket” purchase/donation is tax deductible and will go toward reinstating our mission to maximize the independence and well-being of older adults by enabling connections with others in their community.

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT:

Online: <http://bit.do/fGfGY>

Text: ICP to “88793”

Email: interfaithcommunitypartners@gmail.com

Mail check to: P.O. Box 310, La Grange, IL 60525

Phone: (708) 354-9328

Please look into your heart and consider donating whatever you would have contributed at our fall benefit.

For a minimum \$50 donation, you will receive an ICP logo mask and a cocktail and appetizer recipe from a local restaurant.

We appreciate your participation in this special Non-Event and plan to be back in person celebrating with you in 2021!

More info at interfaithcommunitypartners.org

MISERICORDIA WOMEN’S LEAGUE



NEW MEMBERSHIP MEETING - We are looking for new members!

Misericordia provides a caring environment for more than 600 children and adults with developmental and physical disabilities. Our league supports Misericordia through fundraising and service.

Please join us:

Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

At Katherine Legge Memorial Park

5901 S. County Line Road

(Bring a lawn chair and a morning drink)

For more information contact:

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Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – A FAMILY OF FAITH!



This coming academic year, Religious Education at St. Cletus will be utilizing a Family Catechesis model at home. We will partner together with our parents to support them in utilizing our new at home curriculum which is downloadable/online, engaging and fun, easy to follow and allows for meaningful interaction within your family and with God.

For students preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation we will have additional online lessons for this sacramental preparation.

Please make sure you register for this program by August 24, 2020. Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re/ or you can email Barb Campbell for further information and the forms (bcampbell@stcletusparish.com).

Our world is experiencing a “New Normal”. Many of us do not like the changes or things that are happening in the world. It is more important than ever to keep God in the center of all we do, relying on his help and grace to get us through these challenging times. God will never leave us. He has been holding up each of our families through these ongoing changes. Make the time to keep God at the center of your family life, and to develop your relationship with Him.

Sign up for our program today!

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION



It is with much joy that we continue to celebrate the reception of Holy Eucharist for the first time with our parish children. We are so happy to welcome the following children to the table of the Lord this weekend at our First Communion Masses on August 22 and 23:

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| Elizabeth Angel | Cecilia Mraz |
| Maeve Barnwell | Nicholas Muniz |
| Teagan Byrne | Clark Myers |
| David Beyers | Mary Clare Napleton |
| Carter Chowanec | Lilliana Nunez |
| Maci Cieczak | Maeve Offenbacher |
| Isabella DeLaCruz | Isabel Pawula |
| Grace Downs | Ellie Poshek |
| Madelyn Golm | Lucas Rahman |
| Julian Gonzalez | Catherine Riberto |
| Mia Gonzalez | Nathan Rice |
| Lilian Jacoby | Margaret Sheehan |
| Nolan Jaworski | Campbell Sullivan |
| Mary Joyce | Sofia Vari |
| Meghan Koziol | Ruby Waldvogel |
| Aidan Ludden | Charlotte Wasik |
| Molly Malham | Alexa Wayteck |
| Adelaide McHugh | Hunter Willis |

We would also like to acknowledge the following additional children who received their First Communion on Sunday, Aug. 16:

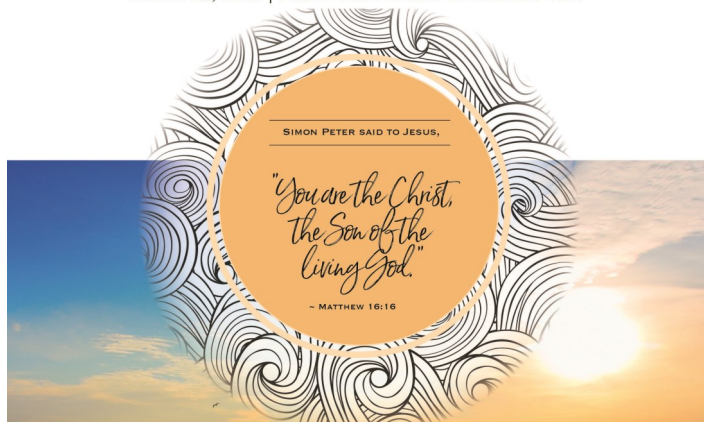
- Alan Garcia
- Nicole Garcia
- Edgar Morales

Please pray for all of these children so that they may always feel as close to our Lord as they do on their First Communion day.

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Sunday Notes

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TRUST

Keys hold great significance for those who carry them. They represent the trust and authority of the owner when given to another person. We may give our house key to a trusted friend to take care of our matters while we are away. We may give keys to someone responsible for maintaining or working in a particular building. Keys to vehicles are given to people who have proven themselves responsible drivers. The readings today focus on this kind of trust—the trust that conveys authority and responsibility. In the first reading, the symbol is specifically that of a key; but the second reading and the Gospel also speak of trust and leadership as they refer to the earthly church that Jesus established.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Eliakim is destined by God to be a father to those who live in Jerusalem (Isaiah 22:19-23).

Psalms — Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — How deep are the riches and the wisdom and the knowledge of God! (Romans 11:33-36).

Gospel — Jesus asked the disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” Peter replied, “You are the Christ” (Matthew 16:13-20).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Bartholomew
Tuesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
Thursday: St. Monica
Friday: St. Augustine
Saturday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;
Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5;
Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;
Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;
Mk 6:17-29
Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;
Mt 16:21-27

SAINT MONICA (332-387)

August 27

She had smiles for the neighbors, though her husband found her religion and the charity it inspired annoying. She made tearful prayers in private for a son, outwardly self-assured but, as his mother knew, inwardly restless, and whose girlfriend of a dozen years had borne his child out of wedlock. Though not the first or last such mother and son, Monica and Augustine are the Church's most famous, so we keep their feast days back to back, with Monica's, fittingly, first. To Rome she followed Augustine, then to Milan, where years of prayer—and nagging—finally bore fruit in his conversion by Saint Ambrose. For six months, mother and son enjoyed the blessing of rediscovering each other. Just in time! On the way home to North Africa, Monica took sick and died near Rome. No child who has mourned a parent can read, unmoved, Augustine's tender account, in his *Confessions*, of Monica's last days. At this time of the year, when parents watch apprehensively as children leave for school, may Monica's perseverance and Augustine's long-prayed-for conversion ease anxiety and kindle hope.

—Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PATIENCE

Patience is the companion of wisdom.

—St. Augustine

THE TRUE MEASURE

When I die, God won't measure my head to see how clever I was. God will measure my heart to see how loving I was.

—Anonymous

A GOOD TEST

A test of worship is how sensitive it makes me to the needs of those around me.

—Anonymous

St. Cletus School

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

August 18 Meet and Greet
August 19 First Day of School

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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**CLASSES START
ON AUGUST 19TH**



St. Cletus School

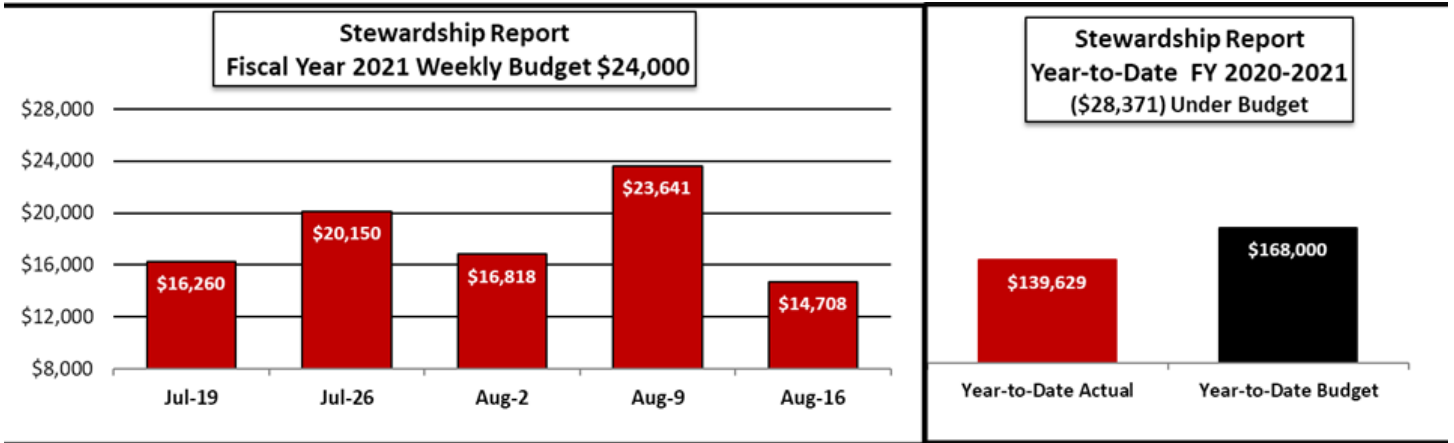
FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

CALL TODAY TO LEARN ABOUT OUR REOPENING PLAN

**IN PERSON LEARNING - 5 DAYS A WEEK
VIRTUAL LEARNING OPTION AVAILABLE**

Stewardship Report

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



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 or need help, call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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

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Thank you to our 2019 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest Major Sponsors. These businesses will be listed in our Parish Canticle for one year as preferred providers.

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

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 Español(708) 215-5440
 School(708) 352-4820
 www.stcletusparish.com.....  stcletuschurch

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

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

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Saturday and SundayClosed

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
 12:15 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 First Saturday of the Month .. 9:00 to 9:45 a.m.
Must call parish offices to schedule a reservation.

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

STAFF

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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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