

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



## EASTER SUNDAY



# HE IS RISEN

EASTER BLESSINGS FROM ST. CLETUS PARISH



HAPPY EASTER FROM FR. CLARK, FR. BAKER, FR. GAMBOA,  
DCN. HEYES, DCN. CASAS AND THE ST. CLETUS STAFF

## WELCOME

*So glad you could join us!*

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| APRIL 17:    | Ken Baker & Friends "Fiddler on the Roof: in Concert"                     |
| APRIL 19:    | Book Club Meeting   |
| JUNE 24:     | 15th Annual Cardinal Open Golf Outing                                     |



## Mass Intentions for the Week of March 28 — April 3, 2016

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Delphine Marciszewski, Harry, Sandy and John Fisher, Stacy Ann Baker, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Patricia Leonard, Margaret H. Crain
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Susan T. Schiller, Bob Brennan
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Andrew J. Jaskierski
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Fred Czachor, Gajos Family
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Joseph and Kay Klemak, Mary Ann Taylor
	5:00 p.m.	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Julie Kerrigan
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Josephine and Anton Kuchta, George Duda, Delmus Lech, John McTigue, Marco and Emilia Rattin
	8:00 a.m.	Mary Ricciardone and Calandriello Family, Joseph and Wanda Kurland, Julia and Walter Stetz
	9:30 a.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Sergio Ramirez, Zofia Pawula, Lourdes Pacheco, Jorge Villasenor
	12:30 p.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners

### EASTER GIFT FROM ST. CLETUS PARISH



***In Our Image  
A Pathway to  
Faith for Today's  
Christian***

To those of you who don't know me, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Barbara

Gleespen, a longtime member of St. Cletus Parish. If the name sounds familiar, I am a member of the Compassionate Care Ministry and periodically post an appeal for stamps. (Thank you to all who have helped the cause!)

What you probably don't know is that I have published a book based on my personal quest for a more relevant and dynamic faith that can withstand the tests of today's world. It is entitled *In Our Image—A Pathway to Faith for Today's Christian*. At the core of what I discovered was a deeper understanding of Jesus and a closer, more personal relationship with Him. My book is about how I got there.

Father Bob has chosen *In Our Image* as an Easter gift to our parish. I am thrilled to share my journey with you and extremely honored for this opportunity. I hope you enjoy it!

Any feedback is welcome. My email address is [barbaragleespen@aol.com](mailto:barbaragleespen@aol.com). I promise to personally respond to any questions and comments. You can also follow my blog by going to [www.barbaragleespen.com](http://www.barbaragleespen.com) Thank you, and have a joyous and blessed Easter.

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

**Susan O'Connor**

Sister of Paul McCaffray

**May she rest in peace. Amen.**

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:


Robert Williams, Martin Baumer, Helen Borsilli, Don Wettstein, Julie Horns, Gene Wallace, John Eterno, Vivian Swibel, Jennifer Streit, Julianne Hausknecht, Jen Trenkamp, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Patricia Niwa, Allie DeRivera, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Peter D. Rivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahan, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Denise Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### EASTER SUNDAY 2016

Have you ever noticed that so many of the crucial moments in our lives often leave us lost for words? We just do not have the vocabulary or figures of speech to express what we have felt or seen at such moments. They can be moments of great delight or dreadful shock; at the extremes of both we are left speechless. Sometimes we even hide such moments from others because we know that we cannot communicate what has happened and feel we will only be untrue to the moment and to ourselves if we try. Sometimes we are just afraid to make the attempt. It is at this point that artists really come into their own. Music and the visual arts can touch on what words will always fail to convey. But we should not underestimate the gift of poetry either, for the poets are our wizards with words, finding ways of communicating the incommunicable. Reading poetry we can find ourselves reacting with exclamations of surprise, with laughter or tears, for how could the poet have known what we consider to be our private secrets? How can they say precisely what we have wanted to say but never found the words? When we discover such works of art, we feel an intense need then to share them with those who are close to us, but it is a risk, for we are not just exchanging casual information. We are opening up the vulnerability of our inner lives, hoping that what we offer will resonate with the others as well. It is an act of great trust. When it works, when there is a new shared appreciation and understanding, our delight increases and a new depth is added to our friendship. We reach a new level of communication and exchange.

Throughout John's Gospel Jesus reveals himself as the one who brings life, the life which comes from the Father and is the divine life itself. In his account of the resurrection of the Lord John brings together the culmination of the offering of this gift and the human response of uncertainty and incomprehension. This is why he highlights the details. The details reveal the different levels of human response and the change from obtuseness to insight. Both Mary Magdalen and the two disciples see the details of what has happened. The stone has been moved away, the linen cloths are on the ground, the cloth which covered the head of Jesus is not with the other cloths but by itself rolled up. Neither Mary nor Peter seems to understand. Mary thinks someone has stolen the body, Peter just takes in the information and stands there dumbfounded. The beloved disciple then enters the tomb. He sees and he believes. What is



different in his reaction? We might argue that he interprets the information differently, but why? To begin with John uses Greek words for the verb TO SEE. When Mary Magdalen and Peter SEE, John uses the verb THEORIN, the root for our word THEORY. The implication is that they observe the outer details. The beloved disciple sees more concretely, as though into the heart of the matter. Perhaps because he is the beloved, this disciple is already empowered to see. Scholars sometimes argue about whether the resurrection was an external historical event or a psychological phenomenon in the eyes of the beholders. For John it is both. The Lord is truly risen, but until we have the eyes to see, it may pass our perception by. Mary Magdalen will think Jesus is the gardener until he opens her eyes by calling her by her name. So the disciples are taken into the experience of new life themselves and their lives are then transformed by it. They share in the risen life of their Lord.

The story of the risen Lord and his appearance to his disciples asks us to reflect more deeply on the transforming experiences of our lives. We live so busily and actively that we rarely give ourselves the chance to appreciate the risen dimension of the life that is also being offered us. The Eucharist is the central moment for our celebration of the risen Lord among us. In a word that struggles to accept meaning at any level, the risen Lord sweeps into the confusion and makes sense even of the humdrum. We will not find the language easy at first, for we are brought up even more than in the past to quantify information as external observers. The recognition that we cannot remain onlookers but only discover the meaning we seek through involvement and engagement demands great trust on our part. The disciples' own mixture of uncertainty and daring is an encouraging pattern for us to follow.

*Easter Blessings - Alleluia!*



*Fr. Bob, Pastor*

# Parish School



### DATES TO REMEMBER

St. Cletus Choose Kindness 5K ..... April 9  
 Lion King Jr Performances ..... April 27 & 28  
 St. Cletus Cardinal Open Golf Outing ..... June 24

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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**Happy Easter**  
**From The Students of St. Cletus School!**



### Sign up for our 5K on April 9th

Please join us on Saturday, April 9 starting at 8:15 a.m. for the inaugural St. Cletus Choose Kindness 5K. Events include a 5K run/walk, 1 mile run, and 100 yard dash. For more information and to register go to [www.stcletusschool.com](http://www.stcletusschool.com) and click on the event flyer. Online registration ends April 7th.



### Bring the Change!

Our student council recently sponsored Bring The Change for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Students brought different coins on different days to support the cause. To make things extra fun, each day was themed: Pajama Penny Day, Neon Nickels Day, Dazzling Dimes Day, Crazy Quarters Day, and lastly, Team Up Day. Students has a blast while raising money for a good cause!



### Helping Children in Need Around the World

The St. Cletus third graders went on a Lent service field trip to Feed My Starving Children to help pack food for children in need around the world last week. Students worked together measuring food, assembling meals, and boxing them. When they were done they even had a chance to try a taste of the meals they had packed. Along with the donation of their time they also gave a monetary donation to Feed My Starving Children.

# St. Cletus Parish Notes

THE ST. CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES PRESENTS

*Ken Baker & FRIENDS*  
and  
*Fiddler on the Roof*  
in concert

**April 17**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**LTHS Reber Center**  
100 S Brainard Ave, La Grange, IL

**Tickets: \$25** In advance \$28 at the door  
Purchase online or in the Rectory  
[finearts.stcletusparish.com](http://finearts.stcletusparish.com)

Featuring: Ken Baker, Amy Arbizzani, Brooke Jaeky, Aram Monisoff, Clara D'Onofrio, Paul Mullen, Dona Mullen, Frank Roberts, Judy Rossinguolo-Rice, Jonathan Schriock, Justin Sisul, Joe Delaloye, Maddie Walsh, Karen Ziemba, Bob Blase, George Pach, Brian Jungels, Bill Bolton, Larry Lalonde, Paulette Bolton, Joe Schuler, Julia Vincent, Beth Bourjaily, and the St. Cletus Chorus



## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign. We look forward to breaking ground this Spring. Details and dates will be published in an upcoming Canticle.

We wish everyone a Happy Easter and thank you again for your generosity!

## FIDDLER ON THE ROOF: IN CONCERT TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!



Ken Baker  
As Tevye

Tickets are now on sale for Ken Baker and Friends in Fiddler on the Roof: in Concert. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door. Tickets may be purchased on our website [finearts.stcletusparish.com](http://finearts.stcletusparish.com), in the Rectory, or after weekend Masses 4/2-3 and 4/9-10.

This is the final performance of the 2015-16 St. Cletus Fine Arts Series. The show will feature Fr. Ken Baker and many talented professional musicians as well as faces you'll recognize from our own parish.

Please note that the concert will be held "off-campus" in the newly remodeled LTHS Reber Center, 100 S Brainard Ave. La Grange, IL.

Profits benefit the St. Cletus Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign. We hope you'll join us for a wonderful performance April 17th at 4:00 p.m. and we thank all of our generous Fine Arts Series Sponsors who made the 2015-16 season a success.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**SEPTEMBER 8-11, 2016**

**SAINT CLETUS PARISH FALL FESTIVAL**

**600 W. 55TH ST. LA GRANGE**

## FALL FEST 2016—SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars for the 2016 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest which will be held September 8-11th.

Construction will be moving forward on our new parish center, but we'll still have carnival rides, games, live entertainment, food vendors, and of course, the beer tent. Planning is underway and it is shaping up to be another great event!

If you or your business are interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities please email us at [fallfest@stcletusparish.com](mailto:fallfest@stcletusparish.com).

# Social Concerns Ministry

## Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Juice
- \$10 Jewel/Walmart Gift Cards
- Cereal
- Sugar
- Dry/canned milk
- Tuna/canned meat
- Cleaning Supplies

Donations can be dropped off before or after masses or anytime daily between 7:45 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex.



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

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP: 708.485.5254

*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 THANKS

Thank you for your generous donations for our March monthly distribution. We distributed 158 bags, reaching 325 adults and 227 children. This month we were also able to give each family a \$10 gift card for Easter to purchase perishables. Restocking our shelves and making up family bags for April continues.

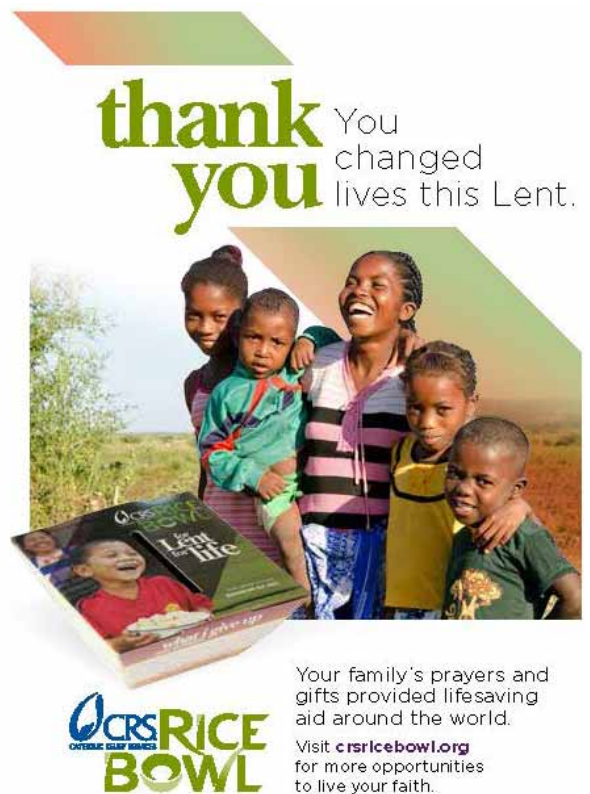
We're also grateful for the many new volunteers that joined us after signing up at the recent Ministry Fair! We're always looking for extra hands at distribution; we are especially in need of able bodies that can help carry bags out to client's vehicles. Each bag is about 25-30 pounds. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry to the less fortunate in our community.

## LENTEN ALMSGIVING PROJECT

### HUNGERING TO FOR CELEBRATION

We prayed, fasted and gave alms-and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord-and in the lives we've changed this Lent in Colombia, Laos, Rwanda, Honduras, Madagascar and all over the world!

If you forgot to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl there's still time! You can convert your donation to a check or return your rice bowl to the weekly collection basket or bring them to the rectory. What you give up for Lent changes lives. Thank you for your generosity.



**thank you** You changed lives this Lent.

Your family's prayers and gifts provided lifesaving aid around the world. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more opportunities to live your faith.

**CRS RICE BOWL**  
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

## INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

### Panel Discussion on "How I Landed My New Job"

Interfaith Career Networks invites you to join us on Thursday, April 7, 7-9 pm for a panel discussion with three job seekers who recently landed a new position. Our panel will share their job search strategies and talk about what worked best for them, and which tactics were a waste of time in each of their opinions. Learn from the panel how to structure a multi-prong approach to the job search so that you can employ some of these successful ideas in your own search. There will also be a hiring manager on the panel to share ideas on what attributes she looks for in a successful candidate for her company. We hope you will join us at St. Cletus School, Look for the ICN sign outside and use the flag pole entrance. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend.

*Interfaith Career Network (ICN) offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at [www.interfaithcareernetwork.org](http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org)*

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



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 purple box to the far left.

## TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

AARP-trained tax volunteers will be available by appointment only for those aged 60+ who would like assistance preparing their income tax returns at: Aging Care Connections 111 W. Harris Ave. La Grange. Appointments will be scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings through April 6th. To schedule an appointment, please call 708-354-1323.



## INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS



*Providing transportation and support for independent living.*

By giving Interfaith Community Partners (ICP) a **little** of your free time you can make a **big** difference in the life of some of your neighbors!

**Who are the people ICP serve?** They are our parents, our former teachers, our boyhood scout leaders, a generation of people whose wisdom and talents shaped the Lyons Township area. Now they need a little assistance from us to stay connected with their community.

**What will you do as a volunteer?** You may help with escorted transportation to medical appointments, errands and events. You could help with regularly scheduled phone calls to check in with one of the 200 people in our service network.

Whatever work you do, you are going to become attached to our care partners and the great feeling you get from being of help to them. For more information please contact the ICP office (708)579-8929 or interfaith@att.net

## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION FOR EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia!* Easter is always, but especially in this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, the victory of God’s gentle but invincible mercy raising up Jesus, “faithful witness, the first-born of the dead” (Revelation 1:5), “first-born among many brothers [and sisters]” (Romans 8:29), conquering death in all its forms, in all of us in the human family. In Luke’s Vigil Gospel, heavenly messengers send the women forth: “Remember what [Jesus] said to you” (Luke 24:6). In John’s Gospel, the empty tomb likewise “sends forth” Mary Magdalene, Peter, and the Beloved Disciple, who believe though they do not fully understand. Finally, Luke’s evening “Emmaus” Gospel sends *us* forth, as “missionaries of mercy,” assuring us that we will encounter the Risen Lord, today and every day, in “the stranger” we meet along life’s journey, in “the Word that makes our hearts burn within us,” and “in the breaking of bread” (see Luke 24:32, 35).

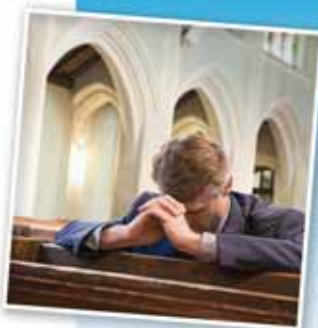
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# JUBILEE OF MERCY

# CALL

We know the mercy of God is at work when Jesus calls people to repent. When they turn away from an old way of life dominated by sin and self-concern and turn to God, God’s mercy can take hold of them and transform them completely. *“I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance.”* (Luke 5:32)



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AT A TIME

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# CREDO (Continuing Religious Education Opportunities)

## Vatican International Exhibition: Eucharistic Miracles of the World is coming to St. Cletus!

**When:**  
Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 8:00 pm and  
Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 7:30 am – 3:00 pm

**Where:**  
Morrissey Hall

At every mass, a miracle occurs when the bread and wine are transformed into the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ through transubstantiation, but the bread and wine retain the physical characteristics of bread and wine. However, throughout history, Jesus has on many occasions made his body and/or blood visible in the Eucharist.

In the first centuries of Christianity, Father Daniel the Faranite, one of the Desert Fathers, wrote about a monk who doubted the Real Presence in the Eucharist. When two priests challenged his disbelief, he told them that he wouldn't believe until he saw it with his own eyes. A week later, an angel and "a child" appeared at the altar during consecration. The angel pierced the Child with a sword, and blood ran into the chalice.


In August 2001 in Chirattakonam, India, Father Johnson Karoor witnessed physical changes in the exposed Blessed Sacrament, and within days there developed the image of a human face.

In between those nearly 2,000 years, countless people claim to have witnessed Eucharistic miracles. Of the ones that have been investigated and approved by the Catholic Church, 140 are featured in "The Vatican International Exhibition: Eucharistic Miracles of the World".

We hope you will be able to attend the exhibit. Do you know Jesus' blood type? Look at the sample poster from the exhibit that is next to the library cart to find out the answer.

*Catalogue of the Vatican International Exhibition*

### The Eucharistic Miracles Of the World



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# Eucharistic Miracles of BUENOS AIRES

ARGENTINA, 1992-1994-1996

The parish of Saint Mary in Buenos Aires has been the protagonist of 3 Eucharistic Miracles that occurred in 1992, 1994 and 1996. Professor Ricardo Castañon Gomez was called by the then Archbishop of Buenos Aires, none other than the current Pope Francis, to analyze the Miracle that occurred on August 15 of 1996.

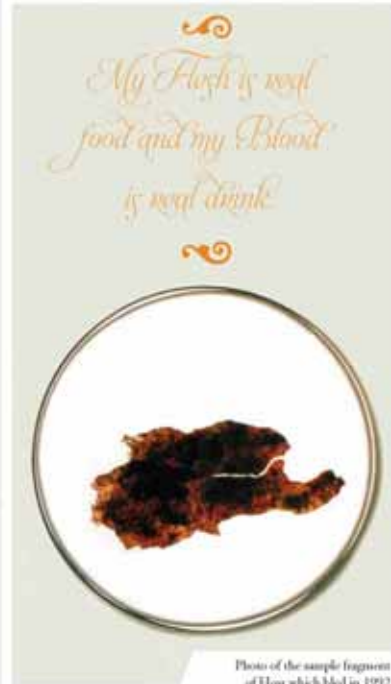


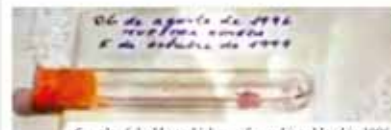
Photo of the sample fragment of Flour which bled in 1992



It is possible to receive information on the Miracle every 2nd Friday of the month from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM and every 9th Saturday of the month at 11:00 AM. Parish of Saint Mary, Av. La Plata 286, Buenos Aires.



Professor Castañon Gomez shows one of the fragment samples of the Host which transformed into flesh in 1992



Sample of the Host which transformed into blood in 1996

In 1992, after the Mass of Friday May 1, while preparing the Eucharistic reserve, a Eucharistic minister found some pieces of consecrated Host on the corporal. Following what the Church prescribes to do in these situations, the priest had them put in a vessel of water, which was then placed in the tabernacle to wait for them to dissolve. In the following days, several priests went to check it and they realized that nothing had changed. Seven days later, on Friday, May 8, they opened the tabernacle and saw that the Host fragments had become a reddish color that looked like blood. The following Sunday, May 10, during the two evening Masses, several small drops of blood were noticed on the patens with which the priests distributed Communion. On Sunday, July 24, 1994, during the children's Mass, while the Eucharistic minister took the pix from the tabernacle, he saw a drop of blood run-

ning along its side. On August 15, 1996, during the Mass of the Assumption of the Most Holy Virgin, a consecrated Host, which fell to the ground during the distribution of Communion, had to be placed again in a vessel of water so it would dissolve. A few days later, on August 26, a Eucharistic minister opened the tabernacle and saw that Host had transformed into Blood.



Photo which shows Professor Castañon Gomez as he begins to investigate the miracle and interviews the priest who was direct witness of the events. They confirmed that there had been also two pieces of consecrated Host that had bled in May of 1992. They had put them in distilled water, which unfortunately is the worst way of preserving something. They had then asked a lady pathologist who was a chemist, to analyze the bleeding Host. The lady doctor discovered that it was human blood and that this presented the same leukocyte formula. She also said of being very surprised in having found active white blood cells, which normally are around only in the presence of an infection. The lady doctor however was not able to perform the genetic examination since in those times it was not easy to do.



# *Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

## **DRAWN INTO THE STORY**

“We are witnesses!” The scripture readings for Easter Sunday concentrate on details reported by eyewitnesses. Listen carefully and you will be drawn into the stories yourself. Peter reports the good works Jesus did, his death on the cross, and his resurrection. The passage from John’s Gospel has us running to the empty tomb with Peter and John and peering inside to see the cloths used to cover Jesus’ body. Psalm 118 sums up our response: “It is wonderful in our eyes!”

What resurrection details do we see in our lives today? How have we died to our old lives and been raised up again with Jesus? Let us pay attention to the new life around us. It is wonderful in our eyes.

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## **TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

**Psalm** — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

**(1) Second Reading** — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*

**(2) Second Reading** — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

**Gospel** — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or*

Luke 24:1-12 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

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## **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter  
 Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter  
 Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter  
 Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter  
 Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter;  
 First Friday  
 Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter;  
 First Saturday

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15  
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18  
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35  
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48  
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14  
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15  
 Sunday: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;  
 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

## **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Fifty years or so ago, it was popular to teach that every Sunday is a “Little Easter.” Today, after several decades of intense liturgical reform, it is more proper to think of today as a “Big Sunday.” On every Sunday of the year, the Church is obliged to assemble, keeping the day holy. In most places, we hardly attain the goal of gathering all who are in Christ by baptism. Look around today and see what a Big Sunday looks like!

Our tradition speaks of remembering, *anamnesis*, as the antidote to “amnesia,” the tragic forgetting of who God is and who we are as God’s most beloved creation. On this Easter day, we are at our very best. We remember who God is, and we remember who we are in God’s eyes: beloved sons and daughters, reborn to eternal life in baptismal waters. We rekindle our candles and reclaim our baptismal promises. As a “Big Sunday,” today also reflects the character of festivity and leisure that should mark every Lord’s Day. We wear “Sunday best” today, and we may take some time, especially in the northern states, to stroll through a budding garden. It is truly a “Big Sunday,” and how different our lives would be if we took its values and traditions forward into all the Sundays of our lives.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## **WE REMEMBER YOU, O RISEN LORD**

We remember you, O risen Lord,  
 New Covenant at the feast of the cross.  
 Your resurrection dresses the table  
 for the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation.

Blessed are you!

—From *Come, Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSP, copyright © 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications, p.163

## Other Ministry Notes

### PARISH TRANSFORMATION



**Project We Belong:** Last weekend notecards were distributed at Masses to update our parishioner database. Notecards can still be found in the ushers room and the form is online at <http://stcletusparish.com/we-belong/>

### YOUTH MINISTRY BEDS PLUS LUNCHES

Join on us on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to prepare and pack sack lunches that will be distributed to clients at BEDS Plus. We will gather in room 200. RSVP to Elizabeth Tomasek. Contact Elizabeth Tomasek at [etomasek@stcletusparish.com](mailto:etomasek@stcletusparish.com) or (708) 215-5419.

### PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY MEETING - 4/3

Please note we will have a meeting for all ministers involved in the Ministry of Care AND Compassionate Care Ministry after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 3rd in room 201 in the School Building. I would like everyone involved in these ministries to make every effort to attend. Please bring along any friends who may have an interest in joining either ministry now or in the future to hear about what we do to help the sick, dying and bereaved of our community.



Lunch will be provided - so please confirm your intention to come by email to [sheyes@stcletusparish.com](mailto:sheyes@stcletusparish.com) or call me and leave a message at 708.215.5407.

Happy Easter to all in this great community of St Cletus - we are all very blessed!!

*Deacon Stuart*

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### Religious Ed Classes Resume April 3rd and 4th

Religious Education Classes were not in session the last 2 weeks of March due to the Pancake Breakfast and Spring Breaks. We hope all of our families had a wonderful and blessed Easter and we look forward to seeing everyone when classes resume on April 3rd and 4th.

### BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be Tuesday evening, April 19th, in the school. We will meet at 7:00 p.m. The book to be discussed is "Walk Me Home" by Catherine Ryan Hyde. We welcome all interested participants.

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY - APRIL MEETING

The Holy Name Society's April meeting will be held on **Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**, the second Friday of the month, at 8:00 PM in the Education Building, Room 98-B. This date was chosen due to the school's Easter Break. The upcoming election of new officers, the Past Presidents' Dinner in May, and other topics will be discussed. We welcome new members to join us!

### WORD OF LIFE



Our relationships on earth are meant to help us and others grow in perfect love. We are meant to depend on one another, serve each other in humility, and walk together in times of suffering.

2015-16 Respect Life Program Flyer, [www.goo.gl/sYADTw](http://www.goo.gl/sYADTw)  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

### ST. CLETUS GOLF OUTING

The 15th Annual Cardinal Open Golf Outing will be held on Friday, June 24th at Gleneagles Country Club. Email [golfouting@stcletusparish.com](mailto:golfouting@stcletusparish.com) for info and sponsorship opportunities.



### A MESSAGE FROM THE DEACON'S WIFE



A Happy Easter Wish from some of the lady detainees at Cook County Jail, Marlene and her jail ministry partner Sr. Betty.

The Easter Lilies are made from paper as are the leaves and basket, without glue clips pins etc. by a lady detainee and it will be displayed as an Easter Church decoration at BVM of the Assumption.

Thank you to all who support me in this ministry with gifts of stamps and a Very Happy Easter

- Marlene

## Community Bulletin Board

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2016, at 2:45 PM, at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Couples married in 1966 interested in attending this celebration should call the St. Cletus Rectory at 708-352-6209 to register.

For further information, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office at 312.534.8351 or visit the website: [www.marriageandfamilyministries.org](http://www.marriageandfamilyministries.org)

### JOYFUL AGAIN RETREAT

Program for widows & widowers who want to find joy in living again. Sponsored by Rainbow Hospice, Presented by Joyful Again Widowed Ministry will be held April 9 & 10, 2016 at Presence/ Resurrection Health Care-Holy Family Medical Center 100 N. River Rd. (at Golf Rd.) Des Plaines, IL 60016.

Call: 708-354-7211 to register, or e-mail: [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com) more info at: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)



### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Alleluia, Alleluia, Jesus Christ is risen! Let Jesus truly be Lord of your life and your Marriage. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on April 8-10, 2016 or June 10-12, 2016 or August 12-14, 2016, all at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwme-chicagoland.org>.

### VOCATIONS OFFICE - CHICAGOPRIEST.COM

"The Lord is truly risen!" Are you being called to proclaim the truth of the Lord's resurrection as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Father Francis Bitterman (312) 534-8298, or email: [fbitterman@archchicago.org](mailto:fbitterman@archchicago.org).

### FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

#### Open House

Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm

Fenwick HS - 505 Washington Blvd, Oak Park, IL 60302

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES

#### Meals on Wheels Dinner Dance

The Meals on Wheels Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, April 2 at 6 p.m. at Maravelas in Ingleside. Proceeds benefit Catholic Charities



Meals on Wheels Program throughout Lake County. Tickets are \$35 each or \$280 for table of eight. Contact Mary Ellen Mason at [mmason@catholiccharities.net](mailto:mmason@catholiccharities.net) or (847) 782-4115 for more information. Please visit [www.catholiccharities.net/mealsonwheels](http://www.catholiccharities.net/mealsonwheels) to register or for information.

#### Blossoms of Hope Brunch- April 24

The special 25th Anniversary of the Blossoms of Hope Brunch will be held on Sunday, April 24 at 11 a.m. at Drury Lane in Oakbrook. The event will feature Drury Lane's famous brunch, pick-a-prize, grand raffle, and wine grab. Funds will benefit the Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) Program. Tickets and sponsorships are still available. Contact Jodi Hill at [johill@catholiccharities.net](mailto:johill@catholiccharities.net) or (312) 948-6797 for additional information. Please visit [www.catholiccharities.net/lossbrunch](http://www.catholiccharities.net/lossbrunch) to register and learn more.

#### Catholic Charities Mary's Closet Needs Professional Clothing and Designer Clothing Donations

Catholic Charities professional clothing center, Mary's Closet, is in need of career-ready clothing, accessories and shoes for men and women, especially in larger sizes. We are also looking for high end designer clothing donations to support the program's annual spring fundraiser, Encore! Designer clothes are sold at the May resale event with all proceeds benefiting the Catholic Charities Mary's Closet program. All donated items can be dropped off at Catholic Charities, 721 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago. For more information or for pick-up service please visit, [www.catholiccharities.net/maryscloset](http://www.catholiccharities.net/maryscloset) or email [maryscloset@catholiccharities.net](mailto:maryscloset@catholiccharities.net)

### FRANK KWAK AWARD NOMINATIONS



Every year the St. Cletus School Athletic Association presents the Frank Kwak Award to a deserving individual for emulating Catholic values, hard work, dedication, and unselfish service to the students and athletic programs of St. Cletus School. Please submit nominations by April 1 on our website [stcletusschool.com/athletics/kwakaward/](http://stcletusschool.com/athletics/kwakaward/)

### ST. LAURENCE H.S. DECEASED ALUMNI MASS

On Saturday, April 16 at 4:30 p.m., the St. Laurence High School community will gather once again to honor its deceased alumni and students with the Annual Alumni Memorial Mass.

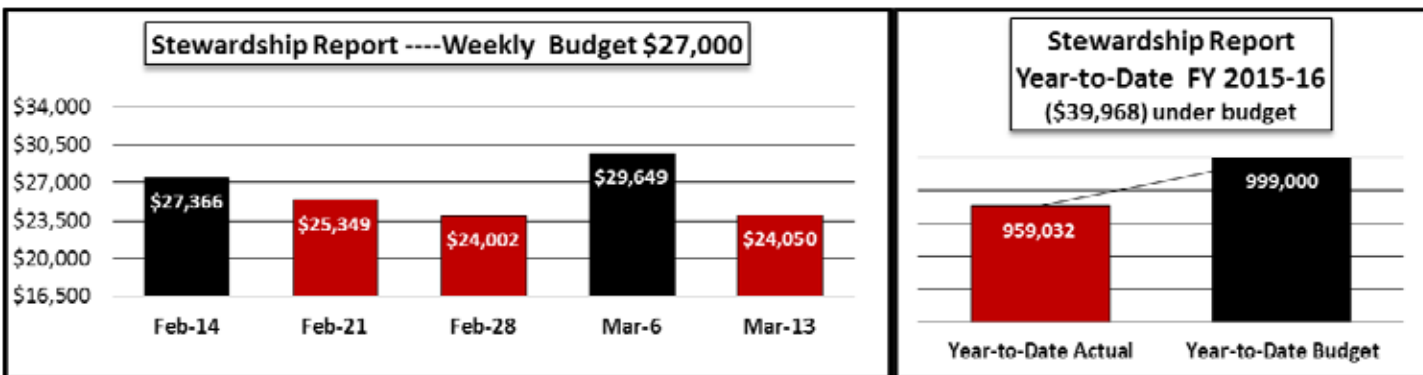
For more information, please contact Mr. Ed Kozak in the St. Laurence Alumni Office at 708-458-6900, extension 244.

# Week at a Glance

C...Church	S...School (Education Building)	Narthex...Church Vestibule	RB...Rectory Basement	MH...Morrissey Hall
<b>DAY/DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	
Sunday, March 27				
Monday, March 28			<b>Please Note: All St. Cletus facilities are closed after 8:00 a.m. Mass</b>	
Tuesday, March 29				
Wednesday, March 30	9:00am 7:00pm	RB S Rm 213	Mission Ladies Youth Ministry Project for BEDS	
Thursday, March 31				
Friday, April 1				
Saturday, April 2	5:00pm 5:00pm	Narthex Narthex	Welcome Committee Fiddler on the Roof: in Concert Ticket Sales	
Sunday, April 3	All Masses All Masses	Narthex Narthex	Welcome Committee Fiddler on the Roof: in Concert Ticket Sales	

# Stewardship Report

## WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



## ONLINE GIVING NOTE OF THANKS

Friends and Fellow Parishioners - I want to thank so many of you for making your donations to St. Cletus using our online donation service Give Central, found on our website. It is through all the different ways you choose to donate we are able to serve our parish community every day. Today, more and more of you want to make those gifts conveniently online. We are glad that many of you have chosen this method to express your support. Please log on to [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) and click on "DONATE" to start your automatic donations using your debit, credit card or checking account. Contact Mary Zwolinski [mzwolinski@stcletusparish.com](mailto:mzwolinski@stcletusparish.com) for more information. We believe that it benefits everyone to offer this flexible online tool. *Thank you again for your generosity. Fr. Bob, Pastor*

## ST. CLETUS PARISH YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY


As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2015 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the rectory @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email [bkallal@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bkallal@stcletusparish.com) and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

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

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

# St. Cletus Parish Information

## CONTACT US

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## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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 the month at 11:30 a.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

## WEDDINGS

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

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

*Adoration* begins following the 8:00 a.m. Mass and continues during the day until 6:15pm the first Tuesday of the month.

The *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed at 6:15 p.m. followed by Benediction.

*Hispanic Adoration* continues from 7:00pm until 8:00pm.

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

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

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

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Robert Clark**, *Pastor*  
**Rev. Kenneth Baker**, *Associate Pastor*  
**Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa**, *Associate Pastor*  
**Rev. Ron Anglim**, *Weekend Associate*  
**Rev. Mr. Jesús & Silvia Casas**, *Deacon Couple*  
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Chris McLean	Jodie Pulciani
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 Vice-Chairperson ..... Chuck Luna  
 Recording Secretary ..... Robbie O'Shea  
 School Representative ..... Jolene Hillgoth  
 Director of Parish Catechesis ..... Paulette Bolton  
 Staff Representative .....Debbie Lestarczyk  
 Hispanic Ministry ..... Luis Lopez

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