

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS OF LIFE THANKS

Thank you to everyone who attended last Saturday's Mass of Life with Archbishop Blasé Cupich. It was wonderful to see so many of our parishioners in attendance.

We'd also like to thank our staff who did a wonderful job planning the mass and reception and our volunteers who helped ensure it's success. The hard work and commitment of our Respect Life Committee is a blessing to the entire Archdiocese. We are blessed with beautiful musicians at St. Cletus Parish. The Archbishop had nothing but compliments for our parish choirs and instrumentalists. Thank you for all of your hard work.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

This weekend there will be a second collection to benefit the Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign. Please check out page 5 of the Canticle for updated renderings of the new parish center set to break ground this Spring.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

JAN. 22: Cardinal Pursuit Trivia Night

JAN. 31: School Open House 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

JAN. 31-FEB. 6: Catholic Schools Week

FEB. 5-7: Erin Potts Invitation Volleyball Tournament

FEB. 9: Book Club

FEB. 13-14: Ministry Weekend

MAR. 5: St. Cletus School Spring Auction

WELCOME So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of January 18 — January 24, 2016

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions	
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Frank Baggio, Frank Wojcik	
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Jozef & James Slowik	
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Laura Jean Nalepka	
Thursday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	George Rockwood	
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Benjamin Patrick Hyink	
Saturday	Fr. Fisher Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners St. Cletus Parishioners	
Sunday	Fr. Fisher Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa Fr. Ngwila	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Mark Callaghan, George Duda, Special Intention for Patricia White Mary Flannery, Andrew F. Bultas Jr., Joseph Tybor Eugene Sorrentino Therese Martin-Cox, William Ralph Groskopf, Louis Hector Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners	

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend there will be a second collection to benefit the St. Cletus Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign which breaks ground this Spring. Please see page 5 for updated building renderings. Thank you for your continued generous support.



HOLIDAY CLOSING

ALL facilities will be closed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, January 18, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The rectory office will reopen on Tuesday, January 19, at 9:00 a.m.

NOTICE REGARDING BULLETIN ARTICLES

Please note that all canticle articles are to be sent to canticle@stcletusparish.com. Please send as text with pictures separate. All articles are due no later than 5 p.m. Friday the week before Sunday's publication. Thank you!.

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

Diane Bradford

Wife of Rod Bradford

Ann Pastore

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

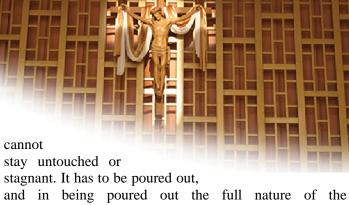
Jen Trenkamp, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Patricia Niwa, Allie DeRivera, Don King, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Alexandra DeRivera, Steve Woynicki, 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 McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, Dave McCoy, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, 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...

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Celebrations are always a mixture of tradition and innovation. To some extent it depends on our personality and character which we prefer. It can also depend on how old we are. Arguments about weddings often take place because parents and children cannot agree on the right mix. Should the wedding take place in a church or on a beach in the Caribbean? Should the father give the bride away or should she march in by herself or with her mother? Should bride and groom exchange rings or other tokens? Should the music be traditional or modern? What should everyone wear? Does the bridal couple walk or travel by limousine? Who is to be invited? What and where do they eat? Weddings do not have the monopoly on such decision making. Even children's parties can cause similar problems in the Western world today. Traditional societies may be more concerned to ensure that all the old practices are respected and retained. But always there is the desire to get it right, to fulfill the varieties of expectations. Rituals are important. They often articulate, even in ways that at times may seem irrelevant, the letting go of the old and the encounter with the new.

In the story of Cana St. John weaves together the encounter of the worlds of the Old and New Testaments. In this encounter the Old is not discarded but provides the material to be transformed into the New. It is fitting that this all takes place at a wedding, for the law of the new life is nothing other than love. The Old is represented by the mother of Jesus, by the old rituals and the water, the New is represented by Jesus and his disciples and by the new wine that is poured out for all. Not evident in translation, John's use of tenses in the original Greek reinforces the contrast between the two worlds. Until Jesus acts he used the past tense. The difference between the two worlds is most highlighted in the words of Jesus in response to his mother's request: "Woman why turn to me? My hour has not come yet." His mother is the representative, even the pinnacle of all that has gone before. The first reaction of Jesus points to the break that has to happen if the New is to be born and flourish. And yet it is his mother who calls forth the initiation of the new, and it is the ceremonial water pots of the old legislation that he now takes to transform into the wine of the new. The most important symbol of creation and cleansing, water, is transformed into the higher symbol of life-giving love. It is in the nature of such love that it



and in being poured out the full nature of the transformation is revealed. The old expectations are reversed. The old wine cannot compare with the new wine of God's love.

As human beings we often struggle with the complex relationship between past, present and future. Depending on age and attitude we can prefer one or the other. We expect the young to yearn for the new and the elderly to muse fondly on the past, but we also meet old heads on young shoulders and pensioners who never cease to delight in the new. As Christians this tension is experienced in different ways. We have traditional and modern liturgies, we feel comfortable with different forms of architecture and different forms of language. The gospel message cannot be used to buttress any of these choices. It is more a challenge to endure with the new life of God's love all forms of expressing our belief. The whole of creation is our artistic palette. The question is how we transform the ordinary into the extraordinary, the two-dimensional into the life-giving. For this to happen there has to be a pouring out of ourselves in love. We are the new wine that only finds its true destiny in being shared and enjoyed. Where our acts and practices of worship and life turn inwards and become defensive, we fall back into the old world. Where we are able to give of ourselves with the generosity shown by Jesus himself, at that point the clay we are working with, whether sacred or profane, is transformed into the new life of Christ himself.

Blessings and Prayers,

Fr. Bob Pastor

Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

Cardinal Pursuit Trivia Night...... January 22 Catholic Schools Week Open House January 31 St. Cletus School Spring Auction..... March 5

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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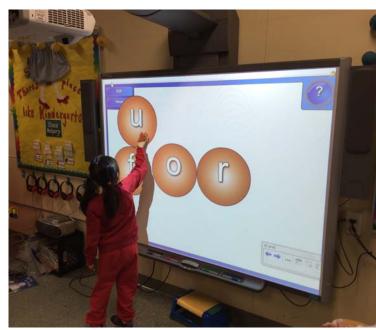
Learning Centers in Kindergarten

Our Kindergarteners work in learning centers each day because they are a wonderful way for students to explore their creativity and learn how to work together and share. Some of our centers are used for creative painting and coloring. Other centers involve building with objects such as blocks and interlocking systems. Students even have the opportunity to use the smart boards for

interactive exploring.







Designing Egg Protection Systems

Recently, Second graders were asked to design a landing pad to protect a raw egg when dropped from 2 meters. Students were given paper, tape foam, and cloth. The class discussed how this was similar to design teams creating packages of emergency supplies that are airlifted to areas affected by disasters. They discussed the importance of the supplies arriving unharmed and at the intended delivery sites. Students went through many redesigns as they observed their creations in action.





Living our Faith, Building our Future

Campaign Update: Thank you to everyone who has pledged and donated to the St. Cletus Parish Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign. We have currently collected just over \$3 million which will allow us to break ground this Spring on our new parish center. Newman Architecture has provided us with updated renderings of the new building (below). This weekend we will be taking a second collection to support the campaign. Thank you for your continued generosity as we continue to get closer to realizing this goal.







Youth Ministry

ARCHDIOCESAN SKI TRIP

This event takes place January 29th-30th. Buses depart Friday evening and travel to Galena, IL for an all-night ski adventure. We will arrive back early Saturday morning. If you are interested, please submit the permission form and fee asap. If you have questions, contact Elizabeth Tomasek.

For information regarding cost and for registration, please visit the St. Cletus website. Parent volunteers encouraged to attend as well!!!

REGISTRATION FOR KAIROS 22 IS OPEN!



Registration information is available on the parish website. Kairos 22 is March 10th -13th. The retreat will be filled on a first

come, first served basis, but registration will close on January 22, so please do not delay in turning in your registration!

This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Francis Xavier, St. John of the Cross, and St. Cletus Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. This experience is open to all high school juniors and seniors.

STAY UP-TO-DATE ON OUR ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS



"Like" St. Cletus Youth Ministry on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stcletusyouth.

MISSION TRIP 2016

The Mission Trip planning is underway for the summer of 2016. St. Cletus will again be taking a group of teens who have



young neighbors in action

completed at least one year of high school through the Young Neighbors in Action service experience the week of July 10th-16th to Detroit, MI. YNIA offers teens a way to grow in faith and join in prayer while also participating in mission and serving those in need. This year's theme is taken from Amos 5:24, "Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." Registration is open now through January 22nd or until all spots are taken. For more information regarding cost and for registration, please visit the St. Cletus website. Meetings for team building, mission formation, and fundraising plans will begin this winter. **Adult chaperones are needed** to make this possible!

Contact Elizabeth Tomasek at etomasek@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419 www.stcletusparish.com/youth

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Parish School (continued)

BLUE RIBBON RECIPIENT

CARDINAL PURSUIT TRIVIA NIGHT



Ouestion:

What is the January event not to miss??

Cardinal Pursuit on Friday, January 22nd

Put together teams of 8-12 players and head over to Morrissey Hall at 7pm to test your knowledge (and luck!) as we embark upon the Trivia Challenge of the year!

Cost is \$10 per person and mulligans will be available for those needing a little assistance. Bring your own food and beverages to provide brain nourishment throughout the night. Questions? Need a team? No problem! Email Karen Mulcrone at kkmulcrone@yahoo.com.

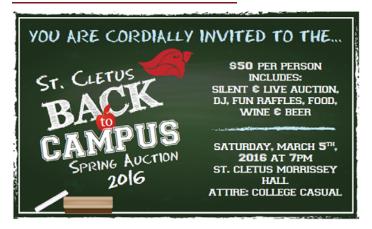
SCIENCE FAIR - JUDGES NEEDED

St. Cletus' 2016 Science Fair is just around the corner! We are looking for volunteers to judge the fair this year. The science fair is on Thursday, January 28th from 3:30pm to 5:30pm in Morrissey Hall. We will have a brief meeting prior to judging. Do you need to be a science teacher? No! A science expert? No! All that is required is a bit of analytical strength and a healthy dose of objectivity.

Students have worked diligently and many have truly immersed themselves into their area of study. Projects span a variety of sciences from behavioral science to biology, chemistry to physics, and engineering to microbiology. The students will be excited to present their projects to you. Please contact me ASAP if you are interested in being a judge. Your help is greatly appreciated.

- Rob McGahey rmcgahey@stcletusparish.com

SPRING AUCTION



Tickets and Sponsorship info available on our website: http://auction.stcletusschool.com

BOX TOPS AND LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Don't forget to Clip Box Tops and Labels from participating products to raise money for St. Cletus School.

Make sure to trim on the dotted line, put them in an envelope or Ziploc bag. Box Tops and Labels can be dropped off in the box found in the ushers room in the LabelsForEducation.com church narthex.

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Thank you for supporting our parish school!



Other Ministry Notes

FALL FEST 2016—SAVE THE DATE

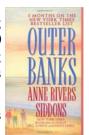


Mark your calendars for the 2016 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest which will be held September 8-11th. Construction will be moving ahead for our new parish

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!

BOOK CLUB

The St. Cletus Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, February 9th, 2016, at 7:00 PM in the school. We will be discussing the book, "Outer Banks", by Anne Rivers Siddons.



All interested participants are always welcome!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS



On the weekend of February 13- 14th, the PPC will host a Ministry Fair in Morrissey Hall where every ministry in the parish will be on

display. Members will be available to describe their work and answer questions. For further information, please call Helen McMahon at 708-579-5913 or Susan Hurley at 708 -374-9773.

WORD OF LIFE

"Since everything is interrelated, concern for the protection of nature is also incompatible with the justification of abortion. How can we genuinely teach the importance of concern for other vulnerable beings... if we fail to protect a human embryo, even when its presence is uncomfortable and creates difficulties?"

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THANK YOU FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO RESPECT LIFE OFFICE

Many thanks go to the staff and parishioners of Saint Cletus for the hard work, attention to detail, beautiful liturgy, outstanding Music, and impressive reception for the Archbishop....at the Archdiocesan Annual Mass for Life last weekend. Thank you Sara Hodak for taking pictures during the event (below).



2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time



SURPRISES

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Psalm — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — At a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus changes water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19, or any of a

number of readings for the Day of Prayer

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21 Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30

[12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day;

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Tuesday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)

Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

Thursday: St. Agnes

Friday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of

Unborn Children

Saturday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope;

Blessed Virgin Mary

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although our tradition carries a long memory of marriage as a sacrament, it may surprise you to learn that for nearly eleven centuries, there was no single wedding ceremony approved for use in the Church. While we have evidence of priests blessing marriages as early as the second century, in the early period church leaders relied on civil authorities to manage marriage for everyone in society. In most cases, society yielded its authority to sanction marriage to the male heads of households.

From ancient times, marriage had been a family affair, managed by the father of the family, who acted as priest and guardian of family tradition. Each head wanted to keep the family gods alive, and so he would arrange for brides for his sons, paying a "bride price" as compensation for the loss of a skilled household worker. As creepy as that sounds, it was a step up from the kidnapping practice of earlier years. Even after the kidnapping raids stopped, the customs remained. Every wedding contained the ritualized kidnapping of the bride, the husband abducting his bride from the festivities, carrying her over the threshold to prevent her father's gods from following her into her new religion. There, he fed her a piece of "sacred cake," initiating her into a new way of life. It's fascinating to see how customs endure, long after we have completely rejected the values and attitudes they originally expressed!

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

YOUR BEST

Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.

—Anonymous

Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- · Canned or dry milk
- Pasta sauce
- Chili/canned meals
- Coffee/cocoa
- · Paper products

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.



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 faithful response to the pantry's needs. Your donations, along with those from various area churches, schools, businesses, and organizations, are what keep us up and running. As we gear up for our February monthly distribution, most needed items are listed on the left column of the bulletin. All in date non-perishables are greatly appreciated.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP MTG.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 19th from 7:00-8:00pm. The monthly support group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. The intent is to share our stories and listen to one another in a safe environment. We welcome both men and women survivors and victims' to express their thoughts and feelings and share their experiences. St. Cletus-Room 200 in the Education Building. Please enter at the flagpole door.

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 left. You are not alone.



INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

In A Job Search? Get Better Organized!

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, January 21 from 7-9pm for a lively, interactive and informative presentation on how to better organize your job search. Whether you are unemployed or employed, seeking another opportunity is a process. One of the most important parts of successfully making it through your search is to stay organized. Our speaker, Steven Rosenblum, is a dedicated HR professional with over 15 years of experience in various HR roles. Steve will offer insight, tools, resources and suggestions to help start, reinvigorate, lead and succeed in your search. He will share many of his experiences and best practices, which will also be extremely helpful. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend. Please join us in at St. Cletus School. Look for the ICN sign outside and use the flag pole entrance.

Career Transition Boot Camp

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us during this five-week workshop beginning Tuesday, January 19 from 7-9 pm. WEEK 1 kicks off with a punch list of things to do to prepare your career search strategy. Our Boot Camp facilitator, Jim Peterson, will describe how "Generational Differences" can impact that strategy and Dr. Joe Yount will deliver a special presentation on how to put yourself in the right mindset as you begin to look for a new position. Join us for one or all of the consecutive Tuesday sessions and gain new skills that will help you land a new position. This workshop is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend. Join us at First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. Enter church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

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

8TH DAY CENTER FOR JUSTICE



With the start of a new year comes a new way to engage in social justice issues with 8th Day Center.

10 Strategies to Counter Islamophobia

Imam Malik Mujahid will share the impact of Islamophobia as well as 10 strategies which peace and

justice movements can pursue to defeat it. Imam Mujahid is the President of SoundVision.com, a 26 year old Muslim not for profit which develops content and does PR on behalf of the Muslim community. He is also executive producer of the daily Radio Islam on WCEV 1450 AM in Chicago. Imam Mujahid was selected five times as one of the 500 most influential Muslims in the world in 2011-2015. He is chair emeritus of the Parliament of the World's Religions. Imam Mujahid also chairs Burma Task Force USA to stop the genocide of Rohingyas in Burma.

Please RSVP to Scott atscott@8thdaycenter.org or by calling 312-641-5151 ext. 116.

CRS RICE BOWL DAY OF REFLECTION

Saturday, January 23, 2016 9:00am – 1:00pm at Ascension Parish 808 South East Avenue, Oak Park, IL.

A morning of prayer and reflection in the spirit of global solidarity. Featuring keynote from Thomas Awiapo of CRS Ghana. Engage in stories of hope and



learn about some of the countries where CRS is currently working around the world. RSVP on our website www.chicagopeaceandjustice.org/new-events/

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BENEFIT



Sunday, April 17th 11am-3pm at Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace. \$75 per person (or \$725 for a table of 10) includes Champagne brunch, fun games, live auction, choir contest and grand prize raffle.

Net proceeds from event and

raffle tickets will be divided between our 10 districts throughout Cook and Lake counties to fund new programs that offer direct service to the poor and the needs of their specific community. Visit sydphenefit.org for more info.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY, JANUARY 17

Mary, whom Catholic tradition names "Mother of Mercy," at Cana intercedes with her Son to show mercy toward the bridal couple: "Son, they have no wine." But he does more! Jesus' transformation of water into wine is a "sign" (John's term for "miracle") that God's marriage with the whole human race has begun in Jesus' person and ministry, a marriage that will be consummated on the cross: "It is finished"—

we are saved! But before Jesus acts, Mary instructs the servers to prepare the way for Jesus' miracle of mercy: "Do whatever he tells you." During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Mother Church, like Mother Mary, instructs us to share the Spirit's manifold gifts—some of which Paul lists in today's second reading—in generous service to the human family. Thus we prepare the way for Jesus' new miracles of mercy, transforming life's sometimes stagnant water into the refreshing wine of God's mercy.—Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

A YEAR OF MERCY

Visit THE IMPRISONED

As he entered his merciful Passion,
Jesus was arrested and imprisoned.

Then they came and laid hands on Jesus
and arrested him. (Matthew 26:50)
We visit the imprisoned, and we meet
Jesus. Paul knew the power of Christ
through his own imprisonment: It has
become known... to everyone... that
my imprisonment is for Christ; and
most of the brothers and sisters, having
been made confident in the Lord by my
imprisonment, dare to speak the word
with greater boldness and without fear.
(Philippians 1:13–14)



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Community Bulletin Board

ROSARY HILL HOME BIBLE STUDY

Join the Dominican Sisters Rosary Hill Home for an Psalms: The School of Prayer. This is an eleven part bible study featuring Jeff Cavins, Sarah Christmyer & Tim Gray. Session runs from Monday, January 18—March 28, 2016. Student study packs are \$30. Sign ups will still be accepted after the first class. Call us to register or for more information. Rosarv Hill Home 9000 W. 81st St. Justice, IL 60458 (708)458-3040

JOYFUL AGAIN MINISTRY RETREAT



Widowed Men & Women -Looking for a way to become joyful again?

There will be a retreat/workshop March 5 & 6, at Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer (located in Lemont on Alvernia Manor's campus). An additional program will be held April 9 & 10 in Desplaines. Being widowed is a special loss, and this program is designed to help the widowed find hope & joy again.

Space limited – register early. Phone: 708-354-7211, joyfulagain7211@gmail.com

MID-LIFE SINGLES REFLECT RETREAT

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), on March 4-6, 2015.



Cost is \$197 for meals and a single room. Take a chance, get involved... you won't regret it! Call (312) 532-8286, ereflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, visit www.ReflectRetreat.com for details.

SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP

SCSG Multi Parish Ministry for singles in their 40's and 50's January Events: Saturday, 1/30, 7pm Dinner and Music: Hackney's hosting the band, Five Guys named Moe cover Band) located at 123rd and La Grange Rd. in Palos Park. RSVP required by 1/27 if attending. Contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook -Suburban Catholic Singles

VOCATIONS - WWW.CHICAGOPRIEST.COM

"There are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit." Is the Holy Spirit leading you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Father Francis Bitterman (312)534-8298, fbitterman@archchicago.org

ERIN POTTS INVITATION FEB 5-7



We're preparing to host the 7th Annual Erin Potts Invitational Volleyball Tournament, which will be held in Morrissey Hall Friday, February 5 through Sunday, February 7. Local 7th and 8th grade teams will compete in this action packed community effort that, again,

promises to be loads of fun as athletes and families support an important cause, Cancer Awareness.

The event also includes Alumni Game Night on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 6:30 – 10 pm. All alumni, male/female, are invited to come and play. Whether you graduated last year or 30 years ago, we want to see you. Don't worry, you don't need to be a good player! It's all about having some fun! The fee of \$20/person includes a T-shirt. Sign up as an individual, or come as a team. Email confirmation with T-shirt size to Sue Lovett Rejdukowski (class of '83) at suerej@gmail.com.

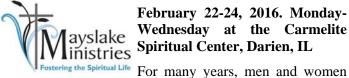
ALVERNIA ALUMNAE SPRING LUNCHEON

On Sunday, April 17, 2016 the Alvernia Alumnae Association will host its Annual Spring Luncheon at The Cotillion, 360 W. Creekside Drive (Northwest Highway & Route 53), Palatine, IL 60074. Attendance at the luncheon is by reservation only.



Information: www.alverniaalumnae.org 773-882-1637 or alverniainfo@gmail.com.

HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS' RETREAT



facilitate

February 22-24, 2016. Monday-Wednesday at the Carmelite Spiritual Center, Darien, IL

Register

online

have come together on retreat from all areas of healthcare to focus on their relationship with Jesus and to support one another in living out that relationship as they care for the lives God has placed in their path. The retreat will be quiet in nature offering presentations, communal prayer and some personal and communal reflection times and the opportunity to worship at Mass. We invite healthcare professionals to join together to take time to rest in the Lord and in the company of your peers. Christine Grano

retreat.

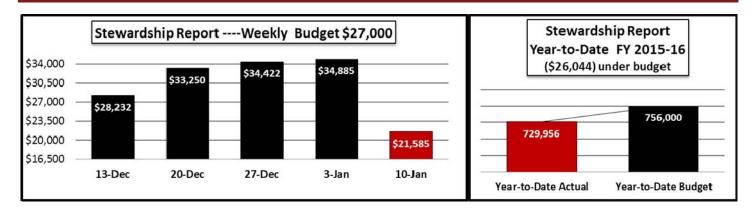
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mayslakeministries.org or call 630-852-9000.

Week At A Glance

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DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, January 17			
Monday, January 18			ALL FACILITIES CLOSED AFTER 8AM MASS
Tuesday, January 19	7:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm 9:00pm	Rectory S Rm 200 S Rm 202 MH	RCIA Domestic Violence Support Group Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group Boy's Church League Basketball
Wednesday, January 20	9:00am 5:00pm 6:00pm 9:00pm	RB Church Parking Lot MH	Mission Ladies Respect Life Committee Gathering for the National March for Life Boy's Church League Basketball
Thursday, January 21	6:30pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	S Rm 201 S Rm 213 MH	Interfaith Career Network Meeting St. Vincent DePaul Society Meeting Boy's Church League Basketball
Friday, January 22	6:00pm	MH	Cardinal Pursuit Trivia Night
Saturday, January 23			
Sunday, January 24			

Stewardship Report



YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 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** 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 #

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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

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