

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**Behold, the days are coming,
says the LORD, when I will raise up
a righteous shoot to David.**
— JEREMIAH 23:5A

JULY 18, 2021 | SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The apostles reported all they had done and taught.
Jesus said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”

~ Mark 6:30, 31

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Mass Intentions for July 19 - 25, 2021

Day	Time	Intentions
July 19	8:00am	Joseph Saban, Stella Kadlec, Joseph Vais, BC Collins, Frank Mamolella, Sammie Colonna
July 20	8:00am	Frank Wojcik
July 21	8:00am	Andrew Wnek
July 22	8:00am	Apolonia Zagrodnik
July 23	8:00am	Todd Page
July 24	5:00pm	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Ann Lawless, John Tokar, Michael Ryva, Special Intention - Wedding Anniversary Roman & Pauline Szabelski
July 25	7:15am	Stacy Baker, Richard Gomez
	8:45am	Joseph & Kay Klemak, Wanda Kuchta, Eleanor Brousil
	10:30am	Gary Obediah, Edwin A. Formas, Carrie Morini
	12:30pm	St. Cletus Parishioners

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

Gale Misiora
Wife of Ronald

May she 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.

July - Joseph Busta, John Duda, Sandra Eckrich, Howard Eggert, Joan Klemak, Marian Mozdzen

June - Catherine Cosgrove, Mary Depasquale, Laurie Stewart, Laura Terrazino, Ed Kuchta, Frank Niwa, Joanna Polanski, Gladys Vaci, Tom Valenti

May - Virginia Klecka, Montana Jennings, Ginny Skibbe, Mary Ann Vokurka, Marilyn Kornau, Maria Matayka, Kevin Peck, Patricia Rodey, Patrick Wingert

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

PARISH CENTER SUMMER HOURS

St. Cletus Parish Center Summer Hours in July:

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday Closed

FALL FEST WILL RETURN IN 2022



We are excited to announce that the St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest and carnival will return September 8-11, 2022. We will not host a carnival this year, but we do still plan to run the Grand Raffle again this Fall.

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 5:00 p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication.

A Note from Fr. Elmer

Dear Friends,

As I journey with you, I am becoming aware of the work of the Holy Spirit in our Parish.

Last Sunday, after our Spanish Mass, I celebrated the baptism of Ximena Enriquez. She was happy to be baptized. She prayerfully participated in her baptism from the beginning to the end. At the end of her baptism, she told me that I will be seeing her in Church every Sunday. I noticed that Jimena's parents and Godparents are practicing Catholics. They said that they will joyfully continue to share the joys of their faith with Ximena. I was encouraged and touched by their witness.

Since my arrival I have been having one-on-one meetings with parish staff and some parish leaders. As I listen to each of them and become aware of their ministry my heart is filled with joy and gratitude. My spirit is uplifted by their dedication, passion and witness. I pray that our good Lord continues to warm their hearts as they share their gifts and talents with us.

On Monday evening, I went to Hallowell and James funeral home to offer some prayers for a member of our parish who has gone back to the Lord. As I continue to learn how to be your parish priest, I am becoming aware that our parish is blessed to have an amazing group of parishioners who assist, pray, and share their love with families who experience a loss of a loved one. I am so grateful to them for their ministry.

Last Sunday afternoon, Colleen Hagen hosted a beautiful gathering at her house. All volunteers who helped with the reopening since July 2020 were part of the gathering. As I joined them, I was able to sense that everyone was having a wonderful time. There was good conversation taking place. There was also a lot of people laughing. Friendship was being fostered and deepened. Thank you, Colleen and Jim, for being such a good leaders and wonderful hosts.

I pray that the Holy Spirit continues to work through us.

Fr. Elmer Romero, Pastor

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If we were to use one word to describe the scriptures for today, it would be "compassion." In Jeremiah, God rails against those who have scattered the sheep, and vows to "gather the remnant" personally. We also hear the prophecy about the coming Messiah. In Ephesians, Christ is breaking down the walls of division between peoples and drawing them to be reconciled with God in peace. In Mark, Jesus calls the tired disciples away to rest and have some "me time," but even then the crowds persisted. Jesus saw their spiritual hunger and neediness and was "moved with pity." All three situations involve looking beyond one's own agenda to see the needs of others and respond. God models how to empathize with others. May we continue to learn to be kinder, gentler, and more caring for each other.

TIME FOR A TEAM MEETING - In last week's Gospel, Jesus sent the apostles out two by two. Today we see him bringing them back together, reporting "all they had done and taught." A lot has happened between then and now and in this time the disciples experienced many things. They would have grown in their ministry and their ability to heal and preach, but they probably also ran into frustrating times and encountered their limitations as human beings. If human nature prevailed, their partners were driving them nuts! So now after all this sharing, Jesus called for some balance in their lives. It was time to come away and rest. Between family and friends and social media, many of us have lost this ability to "be by ourselves" as we have become accustomed to filling every day and every

moment with distractions. Perhaps one of the gifts and challenges of "sheltering in place" these last months is that we celebrated moments of joy and hope and peace but were also forced to listen to and name those voices of anger, loneliness, and fear.

WELL LAID PLANS - It is important to have balance in our lives, and Jesus was indeed trying to teach this to the Apostles, but when they got to their intended place of repose, they encountered so many people Jesus was filled with compassion. No doubt he went about feeding them spiritually and physically; it would have been important for him to be hospitable. But at some point in time, I'm guessing that he still pulled the apostles aside and told them "Okay, people are settled now, so let's leave all the excitement, delegate the job to somebody else, and find some peace and quiet." None of us is any good at our prayer, our ministries, our lives, unless we take the time to find the quiet and go back to replenish our own wells. There is no way we can give to others unless we do. That is why we return to church each week, to rest and be nourished and renewed. And none of us is so important that we can't take time away to take care of ourselves. So be gentle with yourself and with others this week.

Today's Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

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Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- Jelly
- Toothpaste
- Facial Tissue (Kleenex)
- Pasta sauce
- canned tomatoes
- flavored rice/noodles
- 2 lb dry pinto beans
- Diapers (size 3-6)
- Baby Wipes
- School Supplies

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



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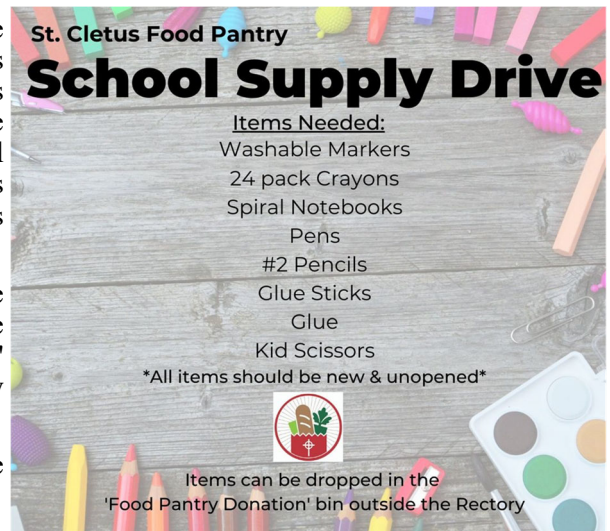
If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Social Concerns Ministry contact Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

We need your help! We are partnering with local Scout, Chris Rekstad, as he prepares for his Eagle Scout Award. He will be helping us coordinate our School Supply Drive and Distribution this year. We are SO happy to have his help!

Please see the needed items in the graphic to the right. They can be dropped off in the 'Food Pantry' Donation bin outside the Rectory at any time.

Please note, all items should be new and unopened. Thank you!



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Religion and Domestic Violence¹

A STATEMENT OF THE U.S. CATHOLIC BISHOPS

The Church Responds to Domestic Violence

- Religion can be either a resource or a roadblock for battered women. As a resource, it encourages women to resist mistreatment. As a roadblock, its misinterpretation can contribute to the victim's self-blame and suffering and to the abuser's rationalizations.
- Abused women often say, "I can't leave this relationship. The Bible says it would be wrong." Abusive men often say, "The Bible says my wife should be submissive to me." They take the biblical text and distort it to support their right to batter.
- The church condemns the use of the Bible to support abusive behavior in any form. A correct reading of Scripture leads people to an understanding of the equal dignity of men and women and to relationships based on mutuality and love. Beginning with Genesis, Scripture teaches that women and men are created in God's image. Jesus himself always respected the human dignity of women.
- Men who abuse can take Scripture out of context to justify their behavior, but Scripture refers to the mutual submission of husband and wife out of love for Christ. Husbands should love their wives as they love their own body, as Christ loves the Church.
- Men who batter may also cite Scripture to insist that their victims forgive them. Forgiveness, however, does not mean forgetting the abuse or pretending that it did not happen. Forgiveness is not permission to repeat the abuse. Rather, forgiveness means that the victim decides to let go of the experience and move on with greater insight and conviction not to tolerate abuse of any kind again.
- An abused woman may see her suffering as just punishment for a past deed for which she feels guilty. She may try to explain suffering by saying that it is "God's will" or "part of God's plan for my life" or "God's way of teaching me a lesson."

However, God is a kind, merciful, and loving God. Jesus went out of his way to help suffering women. God promises to be present to us in our suffering, even when it is unjust.

- The church emphasizes that no person is expected to stay in an abusive marriage. Some abused women believe that church teaching on the permanence of marriage requires them to stay in an abusive relationship. They may hesitate to seek a separation or divorce and fear that they cannot re-marry in the Church. Violence and abuse, not divorce, break up a marriage.

First Responders: Priests, Deacons, and Lay Ministers

Church ministers have three goals, in the following order:

- Safety for the victim and children
- Accountability for the abuser
- Restoration of the relationship (if possible), or mourning over the loss of the relationship.

Church ministers are also encouraged to see themselves as "first responders" who

- Listen to and believe the victim's story,
- Help her to assess the danger to herself and her children, and
- Refer her to counseling and other specialized services.

Church ministers should become familiar with and follow the reporting requirements of their state. Many professionals who deal with vulnerable people are required to report suspected crimes, which may include domestic abuse.

In dealing with people who abuse, church ministers need to hold them accountable for their behavior. They can support the abusive person as he seeks counseling to change his abusive behavior. Couple counseling is not appropriate and can endanger the victim's safety.

¹"When I Call For Help" A Pastoral Response to Domestic Violence Against Women, A Statement of the U.S. Catholic Bishops

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

SAVE THE DATE FOR ICP's FALL BENEFIT Friday, October 1, 2021 at 6pm at Carriage Greens Country Club. Plans are in the works to be back in person for our fall benefit this year, so please save the date for this fun evening in support of older adults! More details coming soon...

RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Are you behind on rent? Applications are being accepted for the Illinois Housing Development Authority's Illinois Rental Payment Program. The emergency rental assistance program is designed to support households in Illinois that are unable to pay rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Applicants are eligible for up to 15 months of assistance. The grant can cover the past due rent from the previous 12 months and future rental assistance for the next three months, if deemed necessary. For help with an application, please contact BEDS at (708) 354-0858 and ask for assistance with an Illinois rental assistance application. For more information, go to: <https://www.ihda.org/abo.../illinois-rental-payment-program/>

WORD OF LIFE



"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at www.respectlife.org/endof-life-considerations.

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"*



Marriage "is the wise institution of the Creator to realize in mankind His design of love."

(Humanae Vitae, 8)



#NFPweek



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

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

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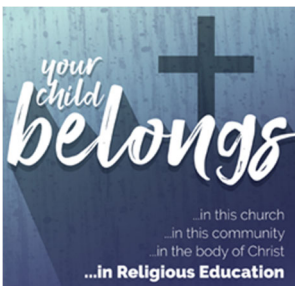
Religious Education

WE ALL NEED TIME TO GET AWAY FROM IT ALL!

It's the heart of summer, and many of us take the opportunity to go on a vacation. We all need to get away sometimes. Even Jesus said that we sometimes need to take some time off to get caught up on our rest. Today's Gospel reading tells us about the time when the apostles went to Jesus and told him how busy they had been teaching and ministering to the needs of the people. They even shared that they were often so busy that they didn't even have time to stop and eat! Jesus invited them to go to a quiet place to get some needed rest. They all got into a boat, and went away with Jesus to a quiet place. We all need some time to get away and rest. Even Jesus and his friends needed to rest!

We are grateful to God for our jobs, for our times that we can play, and for school. We also are grateful for those times when we can get away from it all and get some rest! The one thing we never need a break from is our faith, and our relationship with Jesus. I pray you all find time to rest and restore your relationship with Jesus to the best that it can be!

REGISTER FOR RE TODAY!



During the summer, we ask that you register your child for our upcoming year in Religious Education! Registration forms can be found online at our website:

www.stcletusparish.com/re

This coming year will be a combination of at-home lessons and in-person events which will provide opportunities for your child to encounter Jesus through prayer, retreats, service and fun! **Please make sure to register by August 1st** to ensure we have enough time to order your child's books and materials for the coming year!

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Next Sunday we celebrate the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, as proclaimed by Pope Francis. In next week's bulletin, we will reflect on the important role of Grandparents and the Elderly in the lives of our youth. Make plans to spend time or connect with the Grandparents and Elderly in your family's life next Sunday!



Pope Francis has proclaimed the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, to be held on Sunday 25 July 2021 (Feast of Sts Anne & Joachim, grandparents to Jesus).

In announcing this, Pope Francis has chosen the theme *"I am with you always"* (cf. Mt 28:20) to express the closeness of the Lord and the Church to every older person, especially in these challenging pandemic times.

This promise of closeness and hope is one that can be shared by young and old alike. Not only are young people called upon to be present in the lives of grandparents and older people, but the elderly also have a mission - to pass on their faith.

Each of us, whether married or single, religious or priest, share this mission. Let's reflect on the particular ways in which this is lived out by grandparents and the elderly.

RCIA



In these uncertain times people often search for something deeper and more meaningful. Some desire to learn more about the Catholic Faith, or desire to complete Sacraments on a faith journey that was started when they were a young child. Perhaps your spouse or a close friend is Catholic or you saw something that prompted questions or inspired your interest about becoming Catholic. Maybe you have a child who was never baptized as an infant, and now that they are older you desire them to be baptized and receive the other Sacraments of Initiation. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) or Children (RCIC) is the way the Church invites others to explore the teachings and practices of the Catholic faith. If you are interested in joining us this year, or have questions about the program, please contact Fr. Ken Baker (kbaker@stcletusparish.com) or Barb Campbell (bcampbell@stcletusparish.com). We would be happy to answer questions and get you enrolled in RCIA this year!

Sunday Notes



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THE DAYS ARE COMING

Separation, isolation, and hostility are terrible things. We are, sadly, too familiar with all of them in our modern life, whether we look at world events or events in our own neighborhoods and families. All three readings today refer to these same sad human conditions.

The prophet Jeremiah describes world conditions as if the people of his time were sheep who had been scattered by poor leadership and corrupt shepherds. But “the days are coming,” he assures us (Jeremiah 23:5), when a new shepherd, a just king, will come. We meet that king in the second reading and the Gospel. Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Ephesians that all divisions can now cease in Christ Jesus, who has brought us together through his blood. In Mark’s Gospel we see Jesus himself, looking with pity on those searching for him as if they were sheep without a shepherd.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Psalms — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).

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MISSION

God has created me to do some definite service. God has committed some work to me which has not been committed to another. I have a mission.

—John Henry Newman

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: St. Apollinaris
 Wednesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi
 Thursday: St. Mary Magdalene
 Friday: St. Bridget
 Saturday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42
 Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
 Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
 Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
 Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
 Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30
 Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

FEAST OF FAITH

The Prayer Over the Offerings

In the liturgy of the 1570 Missal, this prayer was called the “secret” prayer. It was “secret” not because its content was mysterious, but because it was prayed in silence by the priest, who only recited the conclusion aloud: . . . *per omnia saecula saeculorum*. With the reforms of the Second Vatican Council, we again hear these rich prayers spoken aloud. They remind us to prepare ourselves for what is to happen in the Eucharistic Prayer, for it is not only the bread and wine that will be transformed.

The Prayer Over the Offerings is a prayer for transformation, an expression, in a few words, of all that we hope that the liturgy will accomplish in our lives. We ask God to accept the gifts we present, and to change us even as God hallows the bread and wine. As we listen carefully to the Prayer Over the Offerings, we are reminded of what it is that we seek in the Eucharist: to be made holy; to be drawn closer to God; to come to eternal joy, unity, peace, and salvation.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

GOD WITHIN

God dwells in a secret and hidden way in all souls, in their very substance, for if God did not, they could not exist at all.

—St. John of the Cross

Ministry News

BOOK DISCUSSION



For the next book discussion, we are reading **The Light Between Oceans** by M L Stedman. We will meet on August 10, 2021 at 7 PM.

For those who like to look ahead, on October 12 we will discuss **On The Brink of Everything** by Parker Palmer.

As always, all are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL IS HIRING!



St. Cletus School
FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

We are looking for several position to be filled at St. Cletus School.

Please contact the school office @ 708-352-4820 or email cschaefer@stcletusparish.com if you are interested!

Positions available:

- Part time Reading Resource teacher
- Full Day preschool teacher
- 1st grade teacher
- Aftercare worker (from 3pm – 6pm)
- Substitute teachers – all grades needed

It's a Great Day to be a Cardinal at St. Cletus School! Please consider joining our family!

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Golden Wedding Anniversary 2021

The Archdiocese of Chicago Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass is scheduled to be held on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year are invited to participate. Please note, this Mass is planned as a live event with participants attending on site. With the uncertainty of the how the COVID-19 virus will be this Fall, this Mass may need to be moved to an online liturgy due to ongoing mitigation efforts associated with the pandemic. More details on the Mass, including location and relevant COVID-19 precautions, will be available in early summer 2021 at <https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding>. Please contact familyministries@archchicago.org with any questions.

NEW MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING

Ministry of Care to the Sick is a pastoral ministry to those who are hospitalized, in nursing homes or who are confined to the home. Ministers of Care are trained and formed for pastoral visits with time to listen, pray and share the Eucharist.

Attendance at all six sessions fulfills the Archdiocesan requirement for Ministry of Care certification and is led by experienced lay ministers serving in Vicariate IV.

Wednesday Evenings

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Aug 4 - Sept 8

<https://www.stjohnofthecross.org/new-minister-of-care-training/>

Registration includes handouts, light snacks, Certificate of Completion, & Communion to the Sick guide.

Date/Site/Topic:

1. Aug 4 (Zoom) Intro to the Theology of Pastoral Ministry to the Sick
2. Aug 11 (@SJC) Pastoral and Practical Aspects of Ministry of Care
3. Aug 18 (@ SJC) Pastoral Listening Skills
4. Aug 25 (@ SJC) Theology of Aging and Theology of Grieving, Death and Dying
5. Sept 1 (@ SJC) Importance of Prayer
6. Sept 8 (Zoom) Eucharistic Ministry: Theological, Pastoral and Practical Aspects

This training utilizes videos produced by Sr. Jane Schlosser, RSM at the Carmelite Spirituality Center in Darien, IL. Videos and training in English only.

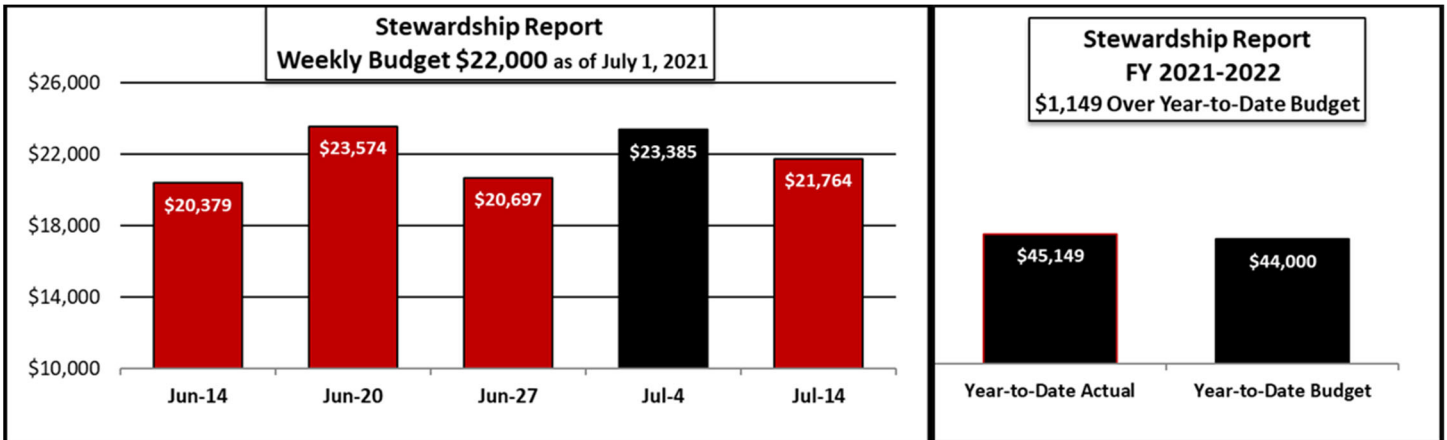
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Stewardship Report



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? Visit stcletus-parish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON. Then click Sunday donations. If you have questions, call Mary Zwolinski at 708-352-6209.

Music Ministry

MUSIC MINISTRY UPDATE

In “normal” times, the St. Cletus Choirs regularly minister from early September until Pentecost, which for those planning ahead, will be June 5, 2022! However, this summer our combined choirs provided music at the 10:30 mass on June 20th, for Fr. Bob’s Farewell Mass and also at the 10:30 mass on July 4th, our Independence Day Celebration, which was modified because of existing protocols still in effect.

Traditionally, during the off-season, we also gather the men of the music ministry (choir members and cantors) for a special “Men’s Choir” mass which was held on July 11th. Our new Associate Pastor, Fr. Dan celebrated the

mass and welcomed eleven men who augmented the congregational singing. Afterwards several of the group went out for brunch – a very necessary component of the morning!

Looking ahead, members of our Youth Choirs will be singing at the 10:30 a.m. mass on Sunday, July 25th in honor of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly as recently announced by Pope Francis.

Also, our women cantors and choir members will form a special “Women’s Choir” which will participate in the 10:30 mass on Sunday August 1st.

All of us in the music ministry are thrilled that the congregation has responded with so much joy as we have resumed congregational singing. We hope that your musical zest will continue!

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn’t mention that the music ministry is ALWAYS looking for new members. We have many opportunities available and I would be delighted to discuss with you where you might be able to use your talent! Contact me at: kziemba@stcletusparish.com or call: 708-215-5423. I’ll look forward to speaking with you!


May God bless us all.

Karen Ziemba
Director of Music Ministries



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PARISH CENTER OFFICE JUNE/JULY HOURS

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

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Saturday and SundayClosed

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
 12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
 Weekdays..... Mon. thru Fri. 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions First Saturday of the Month 8:30-9:15 a.m.
Must call parish offices to schedule a reservation.

BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office(708) 215-5407

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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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