

ST. CLETUS CHURCH

Rectory

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MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM
Sundays: 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,
11:00 AM, 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Evening before Holy Day: 7:00 PM
Holy Day: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM
Weekdays: 8:00 AM

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation Class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office (352-6209).

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 (352-4834).

CONFESSIONS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month: 4:00 PM

Fr. Marshall's Musings
Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

A month ago I had the opportunity to celebrate the First Communion Mass for some of our second graders from St. Cletus parish. In my position as University Chaplain I am not often able to be present at such a celebration. It was pure delight for me to be there, to see the enthusiasm and the joy in the children's faces as they prepared to receive the body and blood of Christ for the first time. It was exhilarating. I prayed for them that day that they may always have such enthusiasm for receiving the Holy Eucharist.

The following day, Sunday, we had asked the children to wear their First Communion outfits at Sunday Mass. I had the 9:30am Mass that day and I was somewhat disappointed because, at that Mass, only about 16 of the children were present. I wondered if maybe they had too many parties or too much going on. In reality I knew that many of them wouldn't be making their second Communion for awhile because their parents just don't go to Church and the children aren't old enough to go on their own. What a shame that is.

Today we celebrate the solemn feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharist is the center of our Catholic belief. By literally taking the body and blood of Christ into us at Holy Communion, we become his body and his blood for the world. It nourishes us and strengthens us to face the challenges that life presents to us. The Holy Eucharist also makes us the body of Christ, the mystical body of Christ. So we have to go into the world and be Christ to others. We have to show the compassion, forgiveness, kindness, generosity and love that comes from the heart of Christ.

So it is a wonderful feast that we celebrate today because it talks about the centrality of our Catholic faith. Let's encourage others who don't come to Church regularly even in our own families, to come each weekend and join us around the table to receive the body and blood of Christ. The world desperately needs to be fed. The world desperately needs to be nourished and we as the Body of Christ have the ability to do that as we receive Holy Communion each weekend.

May we as the body and blood of Christ in this community as the Church of St. Cletus nourish one another and those that we come in contact with.

Fr. Patrick Marshall

Religious Education Update:

Do Not Delay
Sign Up Today for

2006-2007 Religious Education Classes!

Registration forms may be filled out Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-2:30pm in the Religious Education Office or mailed to the office. Please help us get prepared for your child by registering now.

Attention Parents of First-Graders: Please register your child THIS YEAR to avoid the delay of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. The policy of the Archdiocese requires two years of attendance in a religious education program before the reception of these Sacraments.

Have you ever considered becoming a catechist? It is a wonderful way to serve your parish. Classes begin on September 10-11 and conclude at the end of April. Catechists are needed on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings. Think and pray about it. Then call me at the R.E. office.

R.C.I.A. – Why would you want to become a Catholic? The RCIA team invites YOU to join us during this Period of Inquiry! Bring yourself, your questions, and your ideas to our group. Share, Listen, and Learn about our Faith. Call me at the R.E. office, 708-352-2383, to enroll. The fun begins on Wednesday, September 27 at 7:00pm in Room 105 of the Education Building.

Pat Kahl
Director of Religious Education

High School Teens

Gather some friends together because there's still time to sign up for the St. Cletus/St. John of the Cross Crossroads trip to Great America on Friday, July 7. The cost is \$33, which includes transportation (\$7 if you have a season pass). We will be leaving from the St. John of the Cross parking lot at 12:30pm, returning at approximately 11:15pm. Call the Youth Ministry Office, (708) 352-4641, for more details and to obtain a registration/permission form. It is first come, first serve, and we need to know numbers by June 20...so give me a call right away. I am looking forward to hearing from you!

Mary Beth Ford
Youth Director

Independence Day Mass Honors Veterans

On Tuesday, July 4, at our 8:00am mass we will once again honor veterans of all branches of military service. We invite those who have served our country to wear a piece of their military uniform or some insignia that represents their service, and to sit with their fellow veterans in a place of honor in our church. The mass will include a color guard presentation and the "Musical Salute to the Services" performed by a 40 piece band. For more information, please contact Justin Sisul at 352-4547.

2006 Peter's Pence Collection Next Weekend

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ:

Each year, the annual Peter's Pence Collection, in support of the works of the Holy Father, is held in parishes across the country. The proceeds from this collection provides emergency relief assistance to those throughout the world who suffer from war, oppression, and natural disasters. The theme for this year's collection is *Anyone who has discovered Christ must lead others to him.*

I ask you to consider contributing to the collection this year, and I am grateful for your generosity. Together let us ask the Lord to bless the Holy Father and us, as well as those in need throughout the world.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

Calling All Confirmed Teens

... let your faces be heard, your faces be seen, and your presence be felt! We have some great opportunities to offer you to take the next step in being an active St. Cletus Parishioner:

- Become an Auxiliary Minister (distribute Holy Communion).
- Become a Lector (reader).
- Become an usher (greeter and guide) at weekend Liturgies.
- Join a Teen Advisory Board, which would plan social, spiritual and service events for St. Cletus teens and their friends.

Please give serious consideration to each of these areas, because **you have a lot to offer!** If you have any questions, please contact Mary Beth Ford: 708-352-4641 or Carol Pogar: 708-352-4834. Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.


Please Pray for

...our sick in your prayers: Adrienne Welenc, Hunter Peters, Mario Aguilar, Cacilia Ziegler, Jackie Dudley, Ruth Calandriello, Jack Carter, Dorothy Salvato, Ann Marie Nabor, Nadine Pankow, Patty Johnson, Connie Kostecki, Jonii Patterson, Catherine Meyers, Luigi Iacopetti, Andy Rasch, Mary Jean Sternquist, Agnes Suennen, Joseph Johnson, Rose Ptak, Robert Frost, Robert Salbego, Bridie Boyce, Stephanie Yakowicz, Louis Cesario, Virginia Wilson, Gail Pankow-Locker, Josie Spoto, Larry Wojnar, Louise Jaunich, Frank Werner, Virginia Tenerelli, Agnes Olszowka, Judy Hofstetter, Michael Karpinski, Emil Chlapecka, Augustin Jaso, Marie Krolicki, Mary O'Rourke, Debbie Broz, Bill Gilmer, Scott May, and Jackie Zaccari. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass. If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, please call the rectory office at (708) 352-6209. Please advise us when a person no longer needs to be on the prayer list.

Stewardship

"Good measure pressed down, shaken together, running over, will then pour into the fold of your garment. For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you." (Lk 6:38)

June 11

Budgeted revenue:		\$28,000
Collection Received:		22,761
22 shortfall last week:		- 5,239
Revenue to budget		
Shortfall for this fiscal year:		- 24,840
# of envelopes mailed:		3,187
# of envelopes returned:		865

Thank you for your continued support. Supplementary offering envelopes are available in the pews each week.

Please note: Many parishioners have elected to have their weekly Sunday offering contribution debited out of their checking account once or twice a month. If you would like more information, contact Bobbie at the rectory office, (708) 352-6209.

Local Area Garage Sales

St. John of the Cross Annual Garage Sale

St. John of the Cross Parish (51st & Wolf Road, Western Springs) is holding it's 33rd annual Garage Sale. Over the years, this sale has been a great success because there are thousands of items at very low prices. Everyone is invited to come find a favorite bargain from among rooms full of furniture, clothing, housewares, toys, treasures, books, lamps, lighting fixtures, bikes, hardware, garden supplies and more!

The garage sale will be held Saturday, June 24, from 9:00am 'til 2:00pm. There will be a ½ price bag sale on Monday, June 26, from 10:00am 'till 1:00pm.

Divine Providence - (2500 Mayfair, Westchester) Parish Garage Sale

Saturday, June 24, from 8:00am to 4:00pm and
Sunday, June 25, from Noon to 4:00pm

Come and select those "treasures" you have always wanted. Also, enjoy our Bake Sale and "What-Not" Raffle. Continental Breakfast & Lunch will be available at nominal prices. For further information, please call Carol at (708) 562-3364.

Golf Outing

The 5th Annual RJ Sanders Golf Outing will be held on July 15, at the Carillon Golf Club in Plainfield. RJ was a 1991 graduate of St. Hugh School and a 1995 graduate from Nazareth Academy. He died tragically in a construction accident October 2001. Each year a golf outing is held in his memory and all proceeds go directly to a scholarship in his name at Nazareth Academy. In spring of 2003, Nazareth's new baseball field was dedicated to RJ, a four-year player for Nazareth's baseball team. Golf fee is \$125 for 18 holes (start time 1:00pm). Fee includes: golf, cart, lunch and dinner. Non-golfers are welcome to join us for dinner, \$40 starting at 7:00pm and then enjoy a silent auction and raffle prizes. For more information, please contact Bill or Rita Sanders at (630) 655-6335. If you would like to participate or make a donation, send to: RJ Sanders Memorial Fund, PO Box 719, Lyons, 60534. We look forward to support from fellow classmates, friends and the Christian community. We are a 501© (3) tax exempt organization. Please respond by July 10.

When God Created Fathers...

When the good Lord was creating fathers He started with a tall frame.

And a female angel nearby said, "What kind of father is that? If You're going to make children so close to the ground, why have You put fathers up so high? He won't be able to shoot marbles without kneeling, tuck a child in bed without bending, or even kiss a child without a lot of stooping."

And God smiled and said, "Yes, but if I make him child-size, who would children have to look up to?"

And when God made a father's hands, they were large and sinewy.

And the angel shook her head sadly and said, "Do You know what You're doing? Large hands are clumsy. They can't manage diaper pins, small buttons, rubber bands on ponytails or even remove splinters caused by baseball bats."

And God smiled and said, "I know, but they're large enough to hold everything a small boy empties from his pockets at the end of a day...yet small enough to cup a child's face in his hands."

And then God molded long, slim legs and broad shoulders.

And the angel nearly had a heart attack. "Boy, this is the end of the week, all right," she clucked. "Do you realize you just made a father without a lap? How is he going to pull a child close to him without the kid falling between his legs?"

And God smiled and said, "A mother needs a lap. A father needs strong shoulders to pull a sled, balance a boy on a bicycle, or hold a sleepy head on the way home from the circus."

God was in the middle of creating two of the largest feet anyone had ever seen when the angel could contain herself no longer. "That's not fair. Do You honestly think those large boes are going to dig out of bed early in the morning when the baby cries? Or walk through a small birthday party without crushing at least three of the guests?"

And God smiled and said, "They'll work. You'll see. They'll support a small child who wants to 'ride a horse to A Banbury Cross,' or scare off mice at the summer cabin, or display shoes that will be a challenge to fill."

God worked throughout the night, giving the father few words, but a firm, authoritative voice; eyes that saw everything, but remained calm and tolerant.

Finally, almost as an afterthought, He added-tears.


Then He turned to the angel and said, "Now are you satisfied that he can love as much as a mother?"

The angel shuteth up.

-Erma Bombeck

**Mass Intentions for the Week of
June 19 – June 25**

Day	Time	Intention
Monday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society – Joseph J. Idzik, Angelica Falicelli, Charles Daley, Francis Cirrincione
Tuesday	8:00am	Liam Connors, Velma Gartland, Michael Lenihan
Wednesday	8:00am	Willard Sargeant, Sven T. Nylen, Bob Cowdrill
Thursday	8:00am	John Hopp, Amelia S. Baricevich, Camille Beranek, Beverly Kasperski
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Angela Clifford, Louis J. Kadlec, Joseph Megla
Saturday	5:00pm	People of St. Cletus
Sunday	7, 8, 9:30, 11am	People of St. Cletus

Altar Servers 
June 24/25

- 5:00pm - J. Babirak, A. Kison, P. Oboikovitz
- 7:00am - S. Boland, M. King, E. Mrazek
- 8:00am - C. McCollom, A Condotti, K. Caplice
- 9:30am - C. Madden, K. Kelliher, H. Heim
- 11:00am - K. Baro, M. Micek, S. Lenz

Auxiliary Minister Schedule

Saturday, June 24, 2006

- 5:00 PM** LR Spizzirri, Susan-
SM Kalata, Marcie- C1 Boyer, Kathy-
B2 Heyes, Stuart C2 Heyes, Marlene
B3 Bozec, Betty C3 Bamberger, Mary
B4 Richards, Marge- C4 Kalata, Marcie-
B5 Pogar, Carol C5 Skupien, Kathy
B6 Andrews, Diane- C6 Kensek, Maggie-

9:30 AM

- LR Pfeiffer, Irv-
SM Dunkovich, Alice- C1 Tosheff, Christine
B2 Warren, Catherine- C2 Schump, Cathy-
B3 Reichl, Mickie- C3 Meuwissen, Jean-
B4 Horak, Veronica- C4 Dunkovich, Alice-
B5 Zupancic, Robert- C5 Fisher, Harry-
B6 Nolan, Jeannine- C6 Keating-Gay, Sus-

Sunday, June 25, 2006

- 7:00 AM** LR Bellisario, Janet-
SM Wouk, Dolores-
B2 Wouk, Dolores-
B3 Ward, Laura-
B4 Mezan, Mary Ann-
B5 Walsh, Mary Jane-
B6 Fahey, Ann-




11:00 AM

- LR Augustyn, Ron-
SM Hagen, Colleen- C1 Pavlik, Laretta-
B2 Brannigan, Rita- C2 Gebka, Mary Lu-
B3 Hoskins, Celine C3 Haskins, William
B4 Garske, Elizabeth- C4 Hagen, Colleen-
B5 Provan, Karen C5 Provan, Jim
B6 Benkert, Jahn- C6 Nash, Sheila-

8:00 AM

- LR Okkema, Peter
SM Koch, Barbara- C1 Okkema, Ann
B2 Thornton, Madeline- C2 Thornton, William
B3 Ford, Mary Beth- C3 Curatto, Louis-
B4 McCartney, Sandra- C4 Koch, Barbara-
B5 Thuma, Mary- C5 Welch, Jerry-
B6 Samuelson, Debra- C6 Kunkel, JoAnn-

Wedding Banns 

Sarita Marquez and Jeff Ptak
Allison Sanders and Cullen Myrs

Rest in Peace

Please pray for those who have died and their families:

- ...Chester Szot, husband of Bertha
- ...Warren C. Gerler, husband of Rachel

Baptism

This Past Week We Welcomed... Corinne Rose Lavaty and Zak Thomas Lavaty to Our Parish Family.

**Woman Care Services is...
Looking for Lifesavers**

Woman Care Services, is a crisis pregnancy center in Berwyn. They need committed volunteers to help keep the center running. Included in the volunteer work is doing everything from lay counseling to fundraising activities to computer work to general office assistance.

For more information or to register for an upcoming session, call Laura at (708) 795-6000. God bless you for your caring!