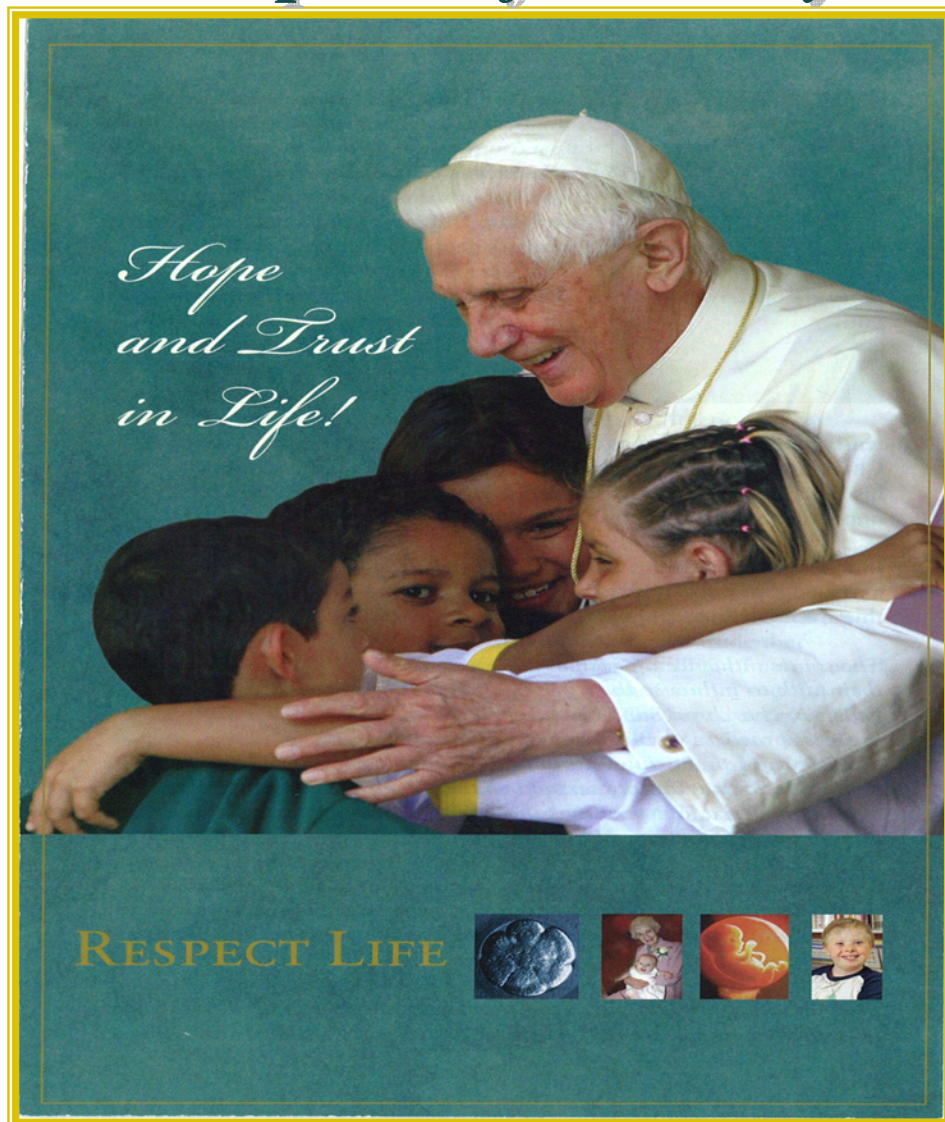


St. Cletus Canticle

October 5, 2008

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Respect Life Sunday



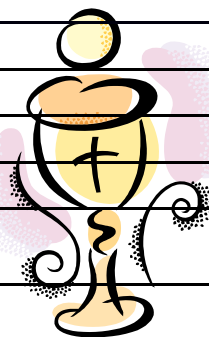
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All are welcome. Handicapped parking is located in front of church.
Personal hearing devices are available from the ushers/greeters.

Mass Intentions for the Week of October 6 - October 12, 2008

Day	Time	
Monday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society—Joseph Viecei
Tuesday	8:00am	Stanley Pawlowicz, Scott Smith
Wednesday	8:00am	Eva & Stanley Grabowski, Joseph & Kay Klemak
Thursday	8:00am	Nary Ricciardone, Calandriello Family, Al Cooke
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Joseph Megla, Sandy Fisher, John Fisher, Sophie Egielski
Saturday	8:00am 5:00pm	John Hopp 50th Wedding Anniversary John & Jacqueline Oaks Belfonte Pieri, Wayne Kral, Fran Stefanski, Eleanor Haskins, Florence Vanderslice
Sunday	7:00am 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 12:30pm 6:00pm	Catherine Meyers, Joseph & Mary Buch John Burns, Ann Jiganti Dolores Magdziarz Karen M. Wilson, Sophie Egielski, Elwyn Seifert, Harriet Bryar Mass of Anointing Hispanic Priest's Intentions

**AUXILIARY MINISTER SCHEDULE
WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 11/12, 2008**

	5:00 PM	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
SM	Wouk, D.	Swindall, V.	Hagen, C.	Heyes, S.	Samuelson, D.
LR	Gallagher, J Levitske, C.	Chlapecka, T.	Staelgraeve, M Curotto, L.	Duffy, M. McGann, B.	Pfeiffer, I. Pisone, M.L.
B2	Wouk, D.	Swindall, V.	Hagen, C.	Heyes, S.	Samuelson, D.
B3	Chlapecka, R.	Swindall, T.	Welch, J.	Schump, C.	Severino, S.
B4	Beales, N.	Ward, L.	Kalata, M.	McGann, K.	Brannigan, R.
B5	Delaloye, J.	Loch, L.	Nicosia, C.	Nolan, J.	Managhas, A.
B6	Reichl, M.	Smith, D.	Biesadecki, C.	Blecic, D.	Hansen, B.
C1	Bozec, B.		Stopka, S.	Wehrmeister, R.	Pavlik, L.
C2	Lenz, R.		Hagen, J.	Heyes, M.	Ficaro, J.
C3	Boyer, K.		Warren, C.	Rotunno, P.	Fisher, H.
C4	Beales, D.		Thuma, M.	Dunkovich, A.	Pristo, B.
C5	Sheridan, E.		Walsh, M.J.	Dunkovich, A.	Haggerty, F.
C6	Malcak, L.		Biesadecki, B.	Stumreiter, E.	Garske, E.
Altar Servers	Lawler, J. McAtee, M. Lawler, K.	McDonnell, B. Lombardo, M. Patterson, M.	Lang, C. Boland, A. Cahill, K.	Madden, N. Tlusty, M. Kern, J.	Bogolin, K. Hubona, S. Wuerl, K.

*Wedding Banns*

*Sarah Hamilton
and
John Hodak*

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEAD...

*Bessie La Rue Hull,
aunt of James Barry*

*Lorraine K. Adamec,
mother of James (Rose) Adamec*

**AND KEEP THEIR FAMILIES
IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

Thank you so much for serving our parish as an Altar Server, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Communion or Usher. Your skills and training are so valuable and we count on you and look for you at Mass.

Paulette Bolton
Director of Liturgy

ATTENTION MINISTERS!

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR SCHEDULES!

Paulette Bolton
Director of Liturgy

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel



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BEARING THE RIGHT KIND OF FRUIT

Today's readings focus our attention on vineyards. Isaiah's song concerning his friend's vineyard begins with inspiring and poetic images of an idyllic vineyard where the choicest harvest is expected. Instead, the vineyard yields wild grapes, which causes the owner to abandon it. The psalmist cries out to God, asking that God once again take care of the vineyard, which is the house of Israel. The parable told in today's Gospel offers a stern warning that those who commit treachery in the hopes of attaining personal wealth will be "put . . . to a wretched death" (Matthew 21:41). Jesus warns his listeners not to act like the murderous tenants in the vineyard. Instead he exhorts them to produce the kind of fruit that will lead them to the kingdom of God.

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TRUE FRUITFULNESS

Whatever you possess, and however fruitful your activities, regard them all as worthless without the inward certainty and experience of Jesus' love.

--from *The Cloud of Unknowing*, fourteenth century

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before long, as we've seen, the four newly constructed Eucharistic Prayers became two. The old Roman Canon faded away into relative disuse after 1600 unbroken years, sometimes heard only at Christmas Midnight Mass or the Easter Vigil. The new Eucharistic Prayer IV, at least in its English form, grates a bit on most hearers, and besides is meant only for Ordinary Time. The reconstruction of the ancient prayer of Hippolytus, Eucharistic Prayer II, is the most familiar, but its brevity sometimes creates an imbalance with the Liturgy of the Word. No wonder that as soon as the creative juices began to flow at the Vatican, people worldwide were trying their hands at new prayers.

In 1967, even before the final shape of the new Mass was announced, bishops were asking to adapt that celebration for the needs of children. They wanted to clarify what ought to happen when large numbers of children are at Mass: what could be adapted, omitted, or shortened. Experimentation had already begun. Separate Liturgies of the Word for children were by this time commonplace in Holland and elsewhere in Europe. Catechists were saying that many of our liturgical forms were too complex for the children in their charge, and priests were making adaptations on their own. Clearly, the Vatican had to take this seriously.

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Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2008

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

They'll know us by our respect

We know Christians are to love others. Whether it's Jesus telling people to love God with all their souls, hearts, and minds and their neighbor as themselves or Saint John saying God is love, it's clear love is at the center of living one's faith. Love for all is not the intimate love we share with family, spouses, and close friends. No one can love everybody in that way. No, the essence of Christian love is respect for the life and dignity of all human beings. Christians are often ridiculed for such respect, particularly when it concerns vulnerable or marginalized lives, such as babies in the womb; disabled, elderly, and poor people; undocumented workers; prisoners; addicts; or even our sworn enemies. But our love for even the least of our brothers and sisters is what sets Christians apart. Show that love today on Respect Life Sunday, and every day.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43*

"This was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes."

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

FEAST OF BRUNO, PRIEST - Enter the silence

If you haven't seen the movie *Into Great Silence*, consider checking it out this week in honor of Saint Bruno. He founded the Carthusian monastery featured in the documentary. But this is no ordinary movie: Forget the popcorn and invite some contemplative-minded friends. Or dare your family to keep silence for three hours along with these monks. (Anyone who speaks puts a "fine" in the jar for the missions.) The Carthusian life is an invitation to dispossess, to be aware, to cultivate patience, and to give up productivity in favor of self-surrender. Take the challenge. Embrace the silence!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37*

"If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Gain a new center of gravity

Appealing to the image of a loom, Pope Paul VI noted that the Hail Mary prayer is the "warp" upon which the rosary weaves its mysteries. Those who neither weave nor pray the rosary may not get it. But we can respect the simplicity of a prayer that honors how the son of Mary is also the Son of God. The prayer hinges on the name Jesus as its center of gravity. Our intercession through Mary is grounded in Jesus just as her own identity through Christian history depends on him. Step away from distraction and pray a Hail Mary daily.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42*

"Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing."

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

I have sinned through my own fault

Jesus spoke Aramaic, a language similar to Hebrew. We're reminded of Christianity's Jewish roots on Yom Kippur, when the Jewish community sings the *Nol Kidre* prayer in the original Aramaic. Yom Kippur is a time to ask forgiveness from those one has harmed. The *Nol Kidre* prayer seeks reconciliation for the ways we fail to live up to our obligations to God. Catholics

also seek forgiveness at the beginning of Mass for the way each of us has sinned: "In my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do." Seek and offer forgiveness readily.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Luke 11:1-4*

"And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us."

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

FEAST OF JOHN LEONARDI, PRIEST - The foundation layers

If you went to a public grade school and groaned about having to go to "CCD class" after school, today you can go to the source with any lingering grievance you might have. We celebrate the feast day of Saint John Leonardi (1541-1609), who founded the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD), the origin of those religion classes you had to attend. On the other hand, if your classes were thoughtfully prepared and effectively taught, they helped lay the groundwork for faith that you can build on today. But CCD classes only lay the foundation—it is up to us to build a sturdy home for faith that lasts a lifetime.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13*

"Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you."

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 - The law of love

What difference does it make if we are living according to "the law" or according to our faith? These two ways of life often appear very similar—they can even be identical at times. The difference, of course, becomes apparent in the outcome. Actions motivated by fear of the law may or may not have a positive result, while the same ones carried out in love will always be beneficial. Notice that laws come from outside us, while faith is written on our hearts. Then observe and reflect upon your actions today. Are they guided by a blind allegiance to the law or do they emanate from your faith?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26*

"Realize then that it is those who have faith who are children of Abraham."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 - Bringing Christ to birth

FEAST OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A book of meditations from the 1950s, speaking to the reader in the voice of the Lord, gently chided: "Remember, my child, there is no such word as *fruitofthywombJesus!*"—a caution against rushing through the words of the rosary or the Hail Mary prayer. Yet if we pause over some words, they might make us uncomfortable with their unmistakable earthiness: Jesus is the fruit of the womb of Mary, just as we all are the fruit of our own mothers. But Jesus was not being squeamish when he demurred from a woman in the crowd blessing the breasts and womb of his mother. He is pointing to the even greater joy and blessing of those who put the gospel into practice by fidelity, compassion, forgiveness, and acts of justice. It is they who bring Christ to birth in the world just as truly as Mary did.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28*

"But Jesus said, 'Blessed rather are those who hear the Word of God and obey it!'"

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October is Respect Life Month

This Sunday afternoon, the *annual Life Chain* will be held all across the United States, from 2:30 to 3:30pm. As in past years, St. Cletus parishioners will join those from St. Barbara, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross and other local churches of Berwyn, Lyons, Brookfield, La Grange, and Western Springs to take part in the Ogden Avenue Chain.

All you have to do is show up at Ogden and La Grange Road at 2:30pm, pick up your sign and stand (or bring your lawn chair) in silence along Ogden Avenue for one hour.

Life Chain is a lawful, silent, powerful, peaceful and prayerful witness to the sanctity of human life. Tell your friends about it, bring your family, and join us in prayer as we **STAND UP FOR LIFE!**...

Wayne & Marianne Hamilton

The St. Cletus Parish Committee
Coordinators for Respect Life Activities



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Roberta Zeman, James Prucha, Pauline Cuttill, Anthony Regalado, Emma Fontana, Mark Ronchetti, Adrienne Welenc, Kathryn Super-Wilson, John Burke, Larry Rincon, Joseph Fajdich, Dorothy O'Neill, Betty Niwa, Donal Fox, Mary Barnish, Elaine Bianco, Freda Guide, Leslie Imholt, Ryan Cosgrove, Ann Fahey, Joan Klein, Sheila Nash, Rosemary Sylvester, Rose Olferchek, Steve Zeman, Sister Arlene Gibson, Zach Sperka, Marguerite May, Mike Patzelt, Rita D'Onofrio, Marilyn Matesevac, Hunter Peters, Cacilia Ziegler, Ruth Calandriello, Ann Marie Nabor, Nadine Pankow, Patty Johnson, Agnes Suennen, Joseph Johnson, Stephanie Yakowicz, Gail Pankow-Locker, Josie Spoto, Larry Wojnar, Louise Jaunich, Frank Werner, Agnes Olszowka, Michael Karpinski, Agustin Jaso, Marie Krolecki, Mary O'Rourke, Debbie Broz and Scott May. Please know we pray daily for our sick.

YOUTH CHOIR BEGINS ITS SEASON!

The St. Cletus Youth Choir is off to a great start! This brand new choir is open to parishioners who are in grades 7-12. We rehearse weekly and lead singing at Mass approximately twice each month. New members are always welcome, and we look forward to continuing to welcome eager young adults to this vibrant group. Our next rehearsal is Thursday, October 9th, from 6:30-7:30pm. A complete rehearsal calendar can be found on our website at www.stcletusparish.com/ministries/music/. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at jsisul@stcletusparish.com or by phone at (708) 215-5423.

Justin Sisul

Director of Music



WomanCare Services a crisis pregnancy center in Berwyn which is recognized as a "preferred provider" by the Archdiocese of Chicago, will distribute baby bottles after each Mass this weekend on October 4/5, *Respect Life Sunday*. When you take a bottle and fill it with change and dollars you may have spent on treats or entertainment during the following two weeks, you will be helping to save lives. The baby bottles will be collected after all Masses during the weekend of October 25/26. Thank you for participating in this life-saving event!

Wayne & Marianne Hamilton

Coordinators for Respect Life Committee

UPCOMING CASH & CARRY MANNA DATES

THIS weekend, October 4th and 5th, you can purchase MANNA gift cards after all Masses in the church vestibule. There will also be Cash & Carry on October 18/19. MANNA is an ongoing fundraising program through the St. Cletus FSA, which purchases gift cards at a discount, sells them at face value and the proceeds then go the school. Order forms will be available at the MANNA table the day of purchase. Also, as a reminder, MANNA is now available online at stcletus.mannaorder.com. Any questions please call Leslie Doherty (708) 482-0257 or Erin Rhoads (708) 588-0510.

October 5th, 2008

Dear St. Cletus Parishioners:

I want to take a moment as I leave my position as Director of Hispanic ministry to thank the many parishioners who have supported this ministry during the eleven years I have worked at St. Cletus. Your support and guidance has always been a source of inspiration.

During these years I witnessed the generous hearts that this community possesses and your complete faith in the gospel to show the love of God by loving our neighbors. The ability to welcome the stranger has always been a sign of faith and you have given this faith to many.

Your consistent acts of charity and care for others have enabled me to offer hope to many in their moments of suffering and despair. Your selfless love for the vulnerable of our community has helped many to return to God's path and to discover in themselves that they are dignified children of God. Your donations, sharing of your goods, and willingness to let others know they are not alone have strengthened the Body of Christ. I am very pleased to leave this ministry vibrant and flourishing due to your support.

One day, we will no longer be strangers, we will no longer be rich and poor, nor will we show our diplomas or homes to say we are of value. On that day, the only thing we will have in our hands will be the fruits of our actions. May those fruits, yours and mine, be pleasing to God's eyes.

Thank you for these years and be certain that the St. Cletus Hispanic community deeply appreciates your welcoming and sharing God's love with them.

Maria Arias

Oktoberfest Raffle

1st Prize

Panasonic 42" Plasma Flat Panel HDTV

2nd Prize

Hortons Outdoor Package

3rd Prize

Nintendo Wii Entertainment System

4th Prize

Hinsdale Nurseries \$200 Gift Certificate

TICKETS

1 for \$5

5 for \$20

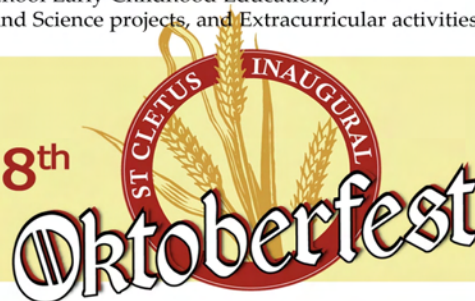
Special thanks to Hortons Home Lighting, Hinsdale Nurseries and an anonymous donor for supporting St. Cletus and the Oktoberfest Raffle.

Drawing will be held at event.
Winner need not be present to be eligible.

Join us for Pretzels, Brats, Brews and all things German!

Proceeds benefit St. Cletus School Early Childhood Education, Technology upgrades, Math and Science projects, and Extracurricular activities.

**Saturday
October 18th
6:30 p.m.**



Admission:

In Advance: \$25

At the Door: \$30

Admission includes:

Entertainment, a German meal and one beverage of your choice. Additional food and beverage tickets will be available for purchase at the event. Only adults 21 and older with valid ID admitted.

Purchase admission and raffle tickets after weekend Masses or in the St. Cletus School office. More information on www.stcletusschool.com.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

There's still a few days left for you to donate groceries for the Thursday, October 9th food distribution. All in-date non-perishables are welcome, including tuna, rice, dry pinto beans, peanut butter, jelly, soup, meals in a can/box, boxed side dishes, pasta, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, cereal, and paper goods. You can drop off your contributions in the designated bins in the Church vestibule daily from 7:45AM – 4:00 PM. Thank you for your faithfulness in responding to the needs of our Food Pantry.

Thank you to those who took part in the Macy's Shop for A Cause Day. Our Food Pantry received \$380 from this event.

CROP WALK

Please mark your calendars now and gather together with family, friends and neighbors to join in the 25th annual La Grange/Western Springs CROP Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) **on Sunday, October 19th, 2008 at 1:00 PM**. The 3-mile walk begins and ends at 1st United Methodist Church of La Grange. Last year our Food Pantry benefited directly from this walk with a generous check for \$1000. Help us to make this year's CROP Walk even more successful. Our goal is to increase both the number of walkers and donations... **your participation will make a difference!** Please stop by the CROP WALK table in the vestibule of the Church this Sunday after Mass for more details and registration packets or to make a monetary donation if you can't walk, but would like to sponsor a walker. You can also contact me at (708) 215-5418 or mford@stcletusparish.com for packets or more details. Thanks!

ANOTHER SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

La Grange Area Transitional Housing (LATH) is a program of Pillars dedicated to serving local families who are facing homelessness. The heart of LATH are the 2 person mentor teams that serve as life coaches, providing direction, encouragement and support. Each family develops an action plan to reach its goals of financial independence and sustainability. The Mentors are a critical success factor for these families to achieve their goals. We are currently seeking dedicated Mentors for our families in the LATH program. If you are interested in this very rewarding opportunity, please contact Amy Beros at aberos@pillarscommunity.org or 708.698.5500 x205.

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The St. Cletus Parish family will celebrate the *Sacrament of Anointing* during a special 12:30pm Mass **next Sunday, October 12, 2008**. We encourage parishioners to bring their family, friends and neighbors who might be in need of the healing graces of this sacrament. A reception will follow in the foyer of the church.

Please fill out the registration form below and return it to the rectory office or drop it in the collection basket. Questions? Call Dolores Wouk in the Ministry of Care Office at (708) 352-4834.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Name(s) of those to be anointed _____

Address _____

City _____ Phone _____

Do you need transportation? Yes _____ No _____



Faith, Family, Future

Cardinal Corner News from the St. Cletus School Board

St. Cletus Successfully Launches All-Day Preschool - St. Cletus welcomed its first all-day preschool class during the 2008/2009 school year. So far, the children are having a great school year. We look forward to sharing successes with our preschool program as we move through the school year.

Don't forget to buy tickets to Oktoberfest! Tickets to our inaugural Oktoberfest event will be on sale in the back of church after Mass today. This important fundraiser will benefit our school's technology program, math and science curricula, early childhood program and extracurricular activities. We will also be selling raffles tickets. Please consider buying raffle tickets for a chance to win a 42" flat panel HD tv, an outdoor patio set from Horton's, a Wii game system, or a \$200 gift certificate for Hinsdale Nurseries. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. We appreciate all your support!

Tot Time series begins October 7 - Families with infants up to age 3 are invited to join us for *Tot Time*, a parent and child activity where parents and caregivers have the opportunity to mingle and learn more about our school's Early Childhood program.

On three Tuesdays this October (October 7, 14 and 21), you are all welcome to join in a fun-filled activity time in the St. Cletus School Library from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Park on 54th Street and enter through the side doors on 54th Street.

St. Cletus School offers half-day and full-day 3-year old and 4-year old preschool programs, as well as half-day and full-day kindergarten. All are welcome to attend one, two or all of the free *Tot Time* activities. Siblings are welcome as well.

Graduate News - Anthony Bartucci, St. Cletus graduate, and Nazareth Academy student, is a crew member participating in the 2009 Illinois High School Theatre Festival All-State Production of "Hairspray."

St. Cletus graduates Colin Schwendt, Anthony Bartucci and Colleen McCollom were all elected to the Nazareth Academy 2008 – 2009 student council.

Congratulations to our students named to the Nazareth Academy Second Semester 2007 – 2008 Honor Roll.

B Honor Roll: Parishioners Sean Bolton, Timothy Tiernan and St. Cletus Graduates John Battistoni, Julia Hagen, Daniel Trejo, Anthony Bartucci, Timothy Heuer, Megan Baro, Rebecca Lenz, Jason Tosheff, Michael Gray.

A Honor Roll: Scott Patterson, Kyle Hulihan and St. Cletus Graduates Melissa Luna, Philip Moore, Sara Sedlacek, Zachary Basile, Steve DalPorto, Christopher Gray, James Kennedy, Frank Laghi, Michael Moles, Jonathan Nelson, Colin Schwendt, Jaclyn Baker, Clare Lang, Mary Shannon, Kevin Baro, John Flach, Cassandra Levitske, Colleen McCollom, Christopher Gray.

Congratulations to our students named to the Fenwick High School Marking Period 4 and Semester Two Honor Roll for 2007 – 2008. Parishioners John Comfort, Scott Green, Julie Comfort and St. Cletus Graduates Colin Kelliher, Charles Lawler, Patrick Heslin, Edward Bruce, Matthew Philbin, Kelsey Kelliher, William Lawler.

Congratulations to the St. Cletus Graduates named to the 2007 – 2008 Second Semester Honor Roll at Lyons Township High School. Freshmen Jill Babirak, Robert Bogolin, Susan Boland, Thomas Callahan, Kelle Caplice, Alyssa Condotti, Charlotte Donatelli, Alex Driscoll, Frances Galin, Geena Grzeca, Heidi Heim, Brian Kelley, Moira King, Allison Kison, Sean Lenz, Margaret McGrath, Katherine McMillin, Michael Micek, Elle Mrazek, Jacob Newman, Katherine Nichin, Loren Oboikovitz, Paige Oboikovitz, Benjamin Okkema, Lindsay Purpura, Adam Smith

Sophomores Rebecca Adamec, Mariah Alwahab, Stephen Goethals, Ashley Hess, Katelyn Jacobs, Lauren Kolbusz, Robert Martinez, Matthew McQuillan, Connor Mosquera, James Provan.

Juniors David Bellisario, Madeline Caplice, Caileen Collins, Colin Farnan, Kelsey Gacek, Brian Griffin, Jessica Holloway, Kimberly Jaworski, Genevieve King, Megan McDonald, Megan McNichols, Maggie Newman, Marissa Pierce, Michael Ryva, Kevin Stepuszek, Patrick Thomas.

Seniors Magdalena Boland, Kyle Goethals, Kaitlin Healy, Jonathan Jarosik, Hannah Keller, Amanda Krystyniak, Patrick McNichols, Alyssa Molek, Sarah Sipek, Paul Smith, Rachel Stege, Krystal Vogt, Lauren Ward.

Religious Education Reminder

There are no religious classes scheduled for Sunday, October 12, and Monday, October 13. We are celebrating Columbus Day! We hope that your family discovers something wonderful with your time off. Classes resume on October 19/20.

Pat Kahl

Director of Religious Education



FLU & PNEUMONIA SHOTS AT ST. CLETUS...

Flu and Pneumonia shots will be available at St. Cletus in Morrissey Hall on Sunday, October 12th, from 8:00am to 12:00 Noon. Young children and older adults are most susceptible to the Flu, but ALL are urged to be vaccinated.

Clare Slowik

Parish Nurse



Our Bride's Room will be undergoing a much needed renovation from October 13th through November 1st. During Sunday Masses the downstairs bathroom in the rectory will be available for use. Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

Fr. Bob

Pastor

MEALS-ON-WHEELS/LA GRANGE AREA

Volunteers needed for:

- Preparing Meals
- Driver/Runner
- Office/Church/School Monetary Collections
- Use of Your Professional Skills

Interested: Call: Marady Norman (708) 547-5600 x303

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
 Monday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher
 Tuesday: Our Lady of the Rosary
 Wednesday: Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset
 Thursday: St. Denis and his companions; St. John Leonardi
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Stewardship

Stewardship is opening our hearts, schedules and hands to others - being available and willing to listen and give our time and our love. Those we give to can be neighbors, fellow parishioners, as well as those who are hurting.

Weekly Giving Summary

Last Weekend..... \$ 32,868
 A Year Ago 32,439

This Fiscal Year thru 9/28/08..... \$335,628
 Last Fiscal Year thru 9/30/07..... 366,566
 Budgeted Collection through 9/28/08..... 368,225

Note: The last Sunday of the month includes ACH debits. During September 2008, fifty-six parishioners contributed \$6,858.

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.

*St. Cletus would be grateful
 if you would consider remembering
 the parish in your estate planning.
 Thank you.*

2008 Annual Catholic Appeal

*"For you will be repaid at the resurrection
 of the righteous." Luke 14:1,14*

Today we wish to recognize those who not only support our parish, but also have made a gift or pledge to the 2008 Annual Catholic Appeal of the Archdiocese of Chicago. On behalf of those who will be served by your contributions, our thanks goes out to all who have already completed their pledge payments, as well as to those who are still making payments.

Whether your gift is large or small, when combined with the gifts of thousands of other parishioners throughout the Archdiocese, every gift makes a very real difference in the ability of the Archdiocese to provide ministries and services. Thank you again for your support.

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(708) 352-6209**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS****Monday thru Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm****Sunday: 8:00am-1:00pm****PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Pastor - Rev. Robert Clark • Associate Pastor - Rev. Edgar Rodriguez • Associate Pastor - Rev. Charles Watkins

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Jim Ryva*Technology Representative:* Julie Lenz**MASSES****Saturday Evening: 5:00pm****Sunday: 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am,
11:00am, 6:00pm (Spanish)****Weekdays: Mon., thru Sat., 8:00am****Evening before Holy Day: 7:00pm****Holy Day: 6:30am, 8:00am****BAPTISMS****1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at
1:00pm. 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 (215-5407).****CONFESSIONS****Confessions every Saturday of the
month 4:15-4:45pm.****EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
AND BENEDICTION****1st Monday of the Month immediately
following the 8:00am Mass with
Benediction at 6:45pm.****BULLETIN ARTICLES****The deadline for Canticle article
submission is 5:00pm Friday, **one full
week** prior to Sunday's publication.
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