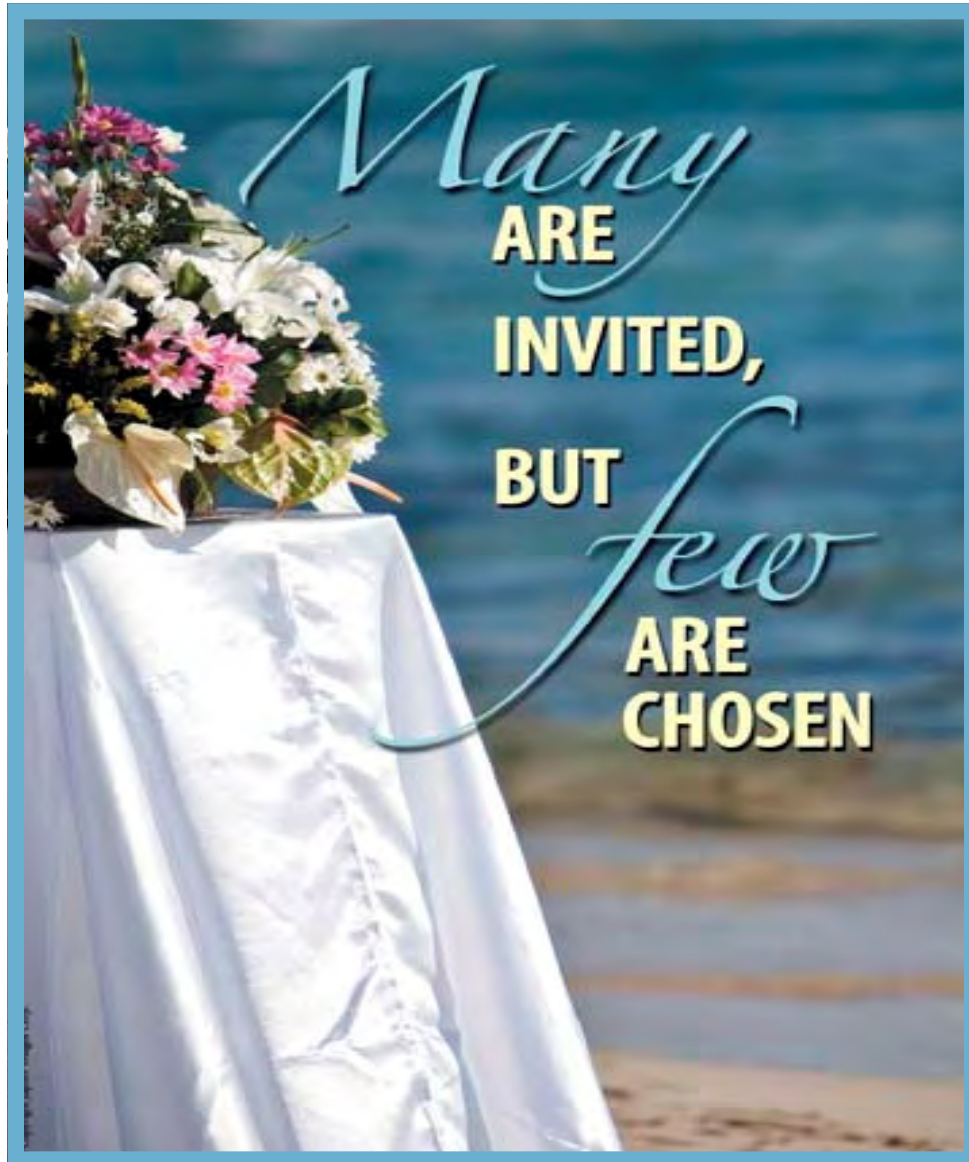


St. Cletus Canticle

October 12, 2008

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



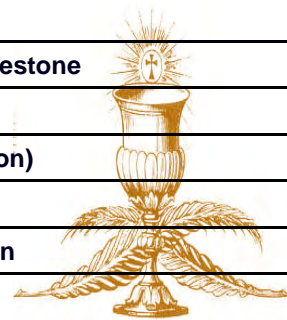
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Mass Intentions for the Week of October 13 - October 19, 2008

Day	Time	
Monday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Tom Kigin, Johnston Family, Steven Firestone
Tuesday	8:00am	Frank Genovese, Peggy Goodrich
Wednesday	8:00am	Linda Felice, Maria Matyas, Maureen Murphy (Special Intention)
Thursday	8:00am	Eleanor Maday, Paul Simon
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Sandy Fisher, John Fisher, Ken Johnson
Saturday	8:00am 5:00pm	Nadine Falls, Paulina Slobodnik, Mr. & Mrs. Gus DeBartolo Ray Tobolski, Jozef Slowik, Michael Malachi Mannion
Sunday	7:00am 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 6:00pm	Andy Jaskierski, Marian Murphy, Linda Felice Ann Lindquist Parish Priest's Intentions Timothy Benrus, William Rogan, Sr. Hispanic Priest's Intentions



AUXILIARY MINISTER SCHEDULE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 18/19, 2008

	5:00 PM	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
SM	Heyes, S.	Kalata, M.	Hagen, C.	Koch, B.	Bolton, P.
LR	Bamberger, J. Staelgraave, M.	Bellisario, J.	Hagen, K. Szabelski, R.	McGann, B. Haggerty, F.	O'Heron, R. Reisel, T.
B2	Heyes, S.	Kalata, M.	Hagen, C.	Koch, B.	Bolton, P.
B3	Bamberger, M	Parlier, D.	Karch, T.	Malcak, L.	Hoskins, C.
B4	Boyer, K.	Parlier, J.	Bliss, G.	Meuwissen, J.	Fisher, H.
B5	Andrews, D.	Thornton, W.	Chaney, M.	McGann, K.	Brannigan, R.
B6	Beales, N.	Thornton, M.	Saban, J.	Hansen, B.	Garske, E.
C1	Ryva, J.		Borsilli, H.	Williams, A.	Maday, J.
C2	Heyes, M.		Zaremba, E.	Horak, V.	Augustyn, R.
C3	Delaloye, J.		Karch, J.	Nolan, J.	Walsh, M.J.
C4	Hockman, S.		Kwak, T.	Schump, C.	Gebka, M.L.
C5	Chlapecka, R.		Martinez, J.	Stumreiter, E.	Ficaro, J.
C6	Beales, D.		Warren, C.	Dunkovich, A.	Severino, S.
Altar Servers	Hurley, D. Temple, P. Temple, R.	Kelley, P. Keane, S. Cherny, D.	Kennedy, E. Rincon, M. Ward, J.	Rhode, J. Contarino, A. Patterson, S.	Geraci, M. Stepuszek, B. Anfield, A.



We welcome
these children
into God's Family:

James Daniel Prazer,
son of Michael and Kim (Szczepaniak) Prazer

Jameson Rose O'Neill,
daughter of James and Bianca (Hollman) O'Neill

Benjamin Baron Shanley,
son of Richard and Stefani (Sewart) Shanley

Angela Tobolski,
daughter of Tim and Erica (Serrano) Tobolski

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEAD...



Stanley Pokrzywa,
father of Bob Pokrzywa

**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

OOPS!



Correction of the spelling of Sara Hamilton who was married to John Hodak on Saturday, October 11, 2008.
Congratulations!

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah's version of God's kingdom is of abundance, joy and peace, all the gifts of the Lord. He describes the reign of God using familiar, tangible images, and we can easily grasp what Isaiah describes. It is an immortality that immediately appeals. But Isaiah does not simply describe: he teaches. On the day when we attain the kingdom, we will recognize the Lord's goodness and truly rejoice. For Isaiah, the good things that make up the kingdom are inseparable from the presence of the Lord: "...for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain".

St. Paul takes a similar approach. For him, the presence of God is everything – strength, life, and salvation. And like Isaiah, his vision of God's kingdom, a gift of the generous God, leads him to give glory to God. Is the vision of Isaiah and Paul the same as that of Jesus?

Today's gospel reading is admonitory. Jesus describes our invitation to God's kingdom, while warning of the dangers of taking it for granted. The kingdom is like a wedding feast, an image of the kingdom used frequently by Jesus. But here the emphasis is not on abundance or on celebration. It is on accepting the invitation so generously extended by God. And here is the warning: immortality, or at least a blissful immortality, is by no means guaranteed. "Many are called," he says, "but few are chosen."

Let's look more closely at this parable. Firstly, it is told to the chief priests and elders, those who perhaps would be most complacent about their own inclusion in God's kingdom. Complacency, to Jesus, is a true enemy of the soul. The first response of those who are invited is to ignore the invitation. The repeated invitation is unambiguous; those invited are compelled to respond this time, and their response is to seize, maltreat and finally kill the servants of the King. The message of Jesus is clear. To refuse the invitation of God can put us in the position of enemies of the kingdom. Ignoring the message is not satisfactory at all.

In the final part of the parable, we see that the invitation of the King is then extended more widely than before, because the original guests refused to attend. But those who do attend are careful to make preparations. Again, complacency is intolerable. The person who turns up at the feast under-dressed, unprepared, is cast out into the darkness. Many are called, some respond, and of those who respond, not all take seriously the nature of the feast.

We cannot afford to take lightly our destiny, in this world or the next. To do so is to neglect the whole purpose of our life. Complacency is truly the enemy of the soul, because we are treating lightly what should be treated most seriously of all: our eternal happiness. If there is a hell for us or for anyone else, it is a hell of isolation that we have constructed for ourselves and for each other. God's constant invitation is an ever-present lifeline to a world of peace and joy.

It is said by dream analysts that each person in our dreams represents an aspect of ourselves; so too in the parables of Jesus. We are the invited guests who choose not to attend; we are those who do not prepare for the feast; and we are those who accept eagerly, prepare, and enjoy the feast. With these possibilities clearly before us, and with God's help, how could we choose ill?

(OKTOBERFEST 2008)

Next Saturday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m. we will celebrate our parish's first inaugural Oktoberfest. Our parish school board has been working extremely hard to make this a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the excellence of our parish school. It is an occasion to take pride in and support the accomplishments of our premier educational institution. Please come out and give your support to our parish youth while enjoying some great food, drink, and music together as a parish family. This is truly a time to **"CHEER"** about **SAINT CLETUS PARISH SCHOOL...** **"GO CARDINALS GO!!!"**

*****PLEASE NOTE***** Due to this fantastic event there will be a **LARGE TENT** in our parking lot next weekend. We ask for your patience and help by parking on the side streets around our block or if weather permits on the **PARISH FIELD BEHIND THE CHURCH** when coming for Masses October 18th & 19th. **THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!!!!**

Peace and Prayers Always,
Father Bob



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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2008

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A place set for you at the table

That tiny wafer we receive at Communion and the little sip we take from the cup doesn't seem like much of a feast. But look at it this way: As it says in one of the Mass prayers, it's the "foretaste and promise of the Paschal feast of heaven." Our little banquet in church is a sacrament, the visible sign of an invisible reality. What we don't yet see is the fullness and completeness of life to which the sign points, described in scripture as a wedding reception. The nice thing about this wedding is that we are not simply guests—we are the bride!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 25:6-10a; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22:1-14*

"Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, and everything is ready."

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

SUKKOT BEGINS - Pack your bags

As much as setting down roots allows us to experience nourishment and growth, they all the same can make us rigid and insensitive. If we take the biblical history of the Israelites as any example, God clearly believes it's important that God's followers occasionally be uprooted and sent wandering in order to be transformed and find their Lord anew. Today begins the Jewish Feast of Booths (also called *Sukkot*), first celebrated to remind the Israelites of their 40 years of wandering. It is traditional that during this feast Jews should construct a temporary, destructible shelter in which to live, annually uprooting themselves from the comforts and burdens of their daily lives. Imagine your own way to practice this uprooting in the following days.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31:5-1; Luke 11:29-32*

"For freedom Christ has set us free."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

FEAST OF CALLISTUS I, POPE, MARTYR-The saint of second chances

Callistus (d. 222) started out as a slave, bungler, and brawler—not the usual career path for a pope. As a slave he lost a sum of money his Christian master had entrusted to him and fled in terror only to be caught later. Sentenced to hard labor, his captors eventually released him in the hope he would work off his debt. But he got into a fight and was imprisoned again. After our hero was once again freed, the current pope, Saint Zephirinus, took note of Callistus and decided to trust him by putting him in charge of a Christian cemetery in Rome. Becoming pope himself, Callistus was known for his mercy and said that even murderers could be admitted to communion after they had done penance for their sin. Perhaps Callistus appreciated the second chances and new trust he had received and wanted to return the favor. Do you give people another chance, and do you make good on those given to you?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 5:1-6; Luke 11:37-41*

"For in Christ Jesus . . . the only thing that counts is faith working through love."

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

FEAST OF TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN, DOCTOR

Time for a spiritual checkup

Ever wonder whether you are in good spiritual health? It's easy to assess: If love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control come easily to you, you're in good shape. If hatred, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, acts of selfishness, and envy are your frequent reactions to events, you're

in need of a spiritual workout. Let Saint Teresa of Avila (1515-1582), reformer and church doctor, be your spiritual trainer. Step one: Recite this Teresian prayer daily: "Let nothing disturb you; Let nothing dismay you; All things pass: God never changes. Patience attains all that it strives for. He who has God lacks for nothing: God alone suffices." Step two: There is no need for a step two if you master step one.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Galatians 5:18-25; Luke 11:42-46*

"By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16 - Knowing ahead of time

It helps to know things will work out before you get started on them. Paying bills is easy when you know the money is there. Getting something fixed is a less anxious experience when you have confidence in the repairperson. So it is with the spiritual life. In all the apparent struggle to believe, live a holy life, and do the right thing, we can forget how much God has already done for us. Saint Paul makes this point many times. We are *already* blessed. We *already* have redemption in Christ. God has revealed God's plan for us and the world and has chosen and adopted us as God's children. All we have to do is to stay close to God and offer praise. God has given us so much and promises to lead us to glory. Knowing that might make the journey a bit easier.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ephesians 1:1-10; Luke 11:47-54*

"With all wisdom and insight God has made known to us the mystery of the divine will set forth in Christ."

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

FEAST OF IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP, MARTYR

In the arms of Christ

Ignatius of Antioch (c. 35-110) is one of the apostolic fathers of the church, a small group of Christian authors who lived close to the time of Jesus and had personal contact with some of the 12 apostles. It is said that Saint Peter himself appointed Ignatius to be bishop of Antioch. Tradition also has it that as a young child Ignatius had been one of the children Jesus took in his arms and blessed (Matthew 19:13-15). Whether or not historically true, this story signals something each of us can make our own—the image of being held in the loving arms of our Savior. That indeed is a tradition that remains unbroken, from the time of Jesus down to the present.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ephesians 1:11-14; Luke 12:1-7*

"Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

FEAST OF LUKE, EVANGELIST - Show and tell

Today we remember and celebrate Saint Luke, author of the Acts of the Apostles as well as the gospel that bears his name. Thanks to Luke we have an original, compelling portrait of Jesus the master who emphasized the importance of prayer and who cared deeply for women and the poor, the outcast, the ill, and the lowly of society. Luke is the only one of the four evangelists whose stated purpose in writing his gospel is so that others would be assured of the truth of their earlier instruction about Jesus. Let us be grateful to parents, teachers, mentors, and others who, like Luke, freely share what they have learned for the benefit of others.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9*

"The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few."

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Priests and Pets Gathered for the Pet Blessing.

Fr. Edgar, Fr. Bob and Fr. Charles



St. Cletus Parish
celebrated
the Blessing of Pets
on the feast day of
St. Francis of Assisi
October 4, 2008.



St. Cletus School 6th grader Kacie Ryan and her mom Kelly with Basset Hounds, Daisy and Mabel, as they await their blessing.



Fr. Bob walks around greeting the pets while blessing them.



Fr. Bob, parishioners and animals, take pleasure in the day.
It was a much anticipated and rewarding afternoon!



Alex Kiessling, 8th grade student at St. Cletus School, proudly shows his pet snake, Bubba, to Fr. Bob.

Fr. Charles and parishioner chatting during blessing.



Fr. Edgar enjoys talking to parishioners about the animals.

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL CONCERNS



FOOD PANTRY

A special **THANK YOU** to all who donated time, talent and/or treasure to the October food distribution. As we approach the winter months, especially in such difficult economic times, our need increases. Fortunately so does the generosity of our parish and friends. Our efforts to fill the needed grocery bags for our October Food pantry were met by so many, including our ever faithful parishioners, our friends at Highlands Presbyterian Church, employees and friends of the Catholic Cemeteries, Special food drives were held by Gurrie Middle School, Spring Avenue School, St. Cletus School Cubs and Sox Dress Down Day, and the ongoing sixth grade school students "items of the month" drive also helped. Both the clients and volunteers of the St. Cletus Food Pantry deeply appreciate this show of support from our parish and local community.

As we begin restocking our pantry shelves, here are a few things to remember:

- Our staple items include rice, pinto beans, pasta, pasta sauce, tomatoes, meals in a can/box, soup, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, tuna, macaroni & cheese, cereal, and paper goods.
- Some favorite extras include coffee, powdered or evaporated milk, oatmeal, juice, crackers or cookies, diapers (especially sizes 4 & 5), toiletries, laundry detergent and dish washing soap.
- All non-perishables are greatly appreciated. Please remember to check the expiration dates to avoid out of date goods which we cannot use.
- These items can be dropped off in the designated food bins located in the Madonna della Strada shrine in the Church vestibule. You can bring them when you come to Mass over the weekend, or daily, from 7:45 AM – 4:00 PM.
- The Food Pantry distributes groceries from the vestibule of the Church on the second Thursday of each month, from 6:30-8:30 PM. Our next distribution will be on November 13th.

CROP Walk - Don't forget that the annual LaGrange/Western Springs CROP Hunger Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) steps off from the 1st United Methodist Church of La Grange on Sunday, October 19th, with registration beginning at 1:00 PM. Together we can make a difference. If you would like to join the Walk or contribute to a Walker, please contact me for details. Thank you.

Society of St. Vincent DePaul - Our initial information/volunteer recruitment meeting was well attended. Thanks to all who came. We are looking forward to meeting soon as a group to determine the needs as perceived in the parish area, as well as discussing sources of funding and how they will be used. It's not too late to join our group in service to the poor of our area. Please contact me if you are interested.

BEDS Plus - Six new volunteers took part in our recent Volunteer Orientation Meeting at St. Cletus. Thank you for stepping forward to help support this outreach, whose mission is to provide emergency overnight shelter and to assist the homeless people of West Suburban Cook County to become self sufficient. There is still a need for volunteers. The time commitment is a 4-hour shift once a month for site volunteers, either in the evening/nighttime or day programs. There are also opportunities for support volunteers, ranging from cooking a meal to laundering bed and bath linens to office assistance. For more information, please call the BEDSPlus office at 708-354-0858 or visit www.bedsonline.org. As a volunteer, you will meet warm, caring people, who, like you, want to make a positive difference in our community.

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns



*A Warm Welcome
to our newly registered parishioners.*

Please welcome: Mr. & Mrs. Marco Bertuglia and Family, Ms. Alice Frederick, René Quinones and Diane Cesarone, and Mr. & Mrs. Tim Kress to our Parish Family.

If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not yet registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

YOUTH MINISTRY REMINDERS!

Year I Confirmation Candidates...Just a reminder that the Crop Walk is next weekend, October 19th. We will meet at 1:15pm at the First United Methodist Church, 100 W. Cossitt Ave., La Grange. Please collect your pledges for this important cause and remember to bring a canned food item as we walk in solidarity to fight world hunger. See you there!



Fright Fest, Great America

A reminder to all high school teens who signed up, we will be leaving tomorrow (October 13th) from St. John of the Cross at 9:00am and should return there at about 7:15pm. It looks like we're going to have a large group! Looking forward to a great day! Special thanks to Robbie O'Shea for volunteering to chaperone this fun event! Any questions, please call the Youth Ministry Office at 708-215-5419 or email youth@stcletusparish.com.

Advisor Meeting Reminder: All Year 1 advisors (at 8:00pm) and Year II advisors (at 7:00pm) will be meeting this Tuesday, October 14th, in Room 201 of the Education Building.

Amy Cranny

Director of Youth Ministry

Our New Religious Education Junior High Program

Two Sundays a month, 100 of our Religious Education 7th and 8th Grade Students attend the 11:00am Mass and then return to the Education Building until 12:45pm for class. The students and catechists would like to thank those attending the 11:00am Mass for their warm welcome. Many of our parishioners have commented to me and the catechists and even to the students that it is so wonderful to see so many young people in church. We do apologize for some of our students who seem to have failed to remember their church manners and have distracted you from your prayers and reflections. We will improve!

Our remaining scheduled classes for the month of October are the 19th and the 26th. We have been discussing the meaning of the ritual of the Mass, why we attend Mass and the parts of the Mass. On October 26th we have our first speaker of the year, Ms. Margaret McDonald. Margaret was paralyzed as a 7th grade student in a diving accident in her pool. She shares her story of how her faith and her relationship with God and her family gave and gives her courage and strength. YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US IN MORRISSEY HALL TO LISTEN TO HER STORY AND HER JOURNEY OF FAITH.

We will keep you posted as to our Church dates, topics of discussion, service projects, and speakers! Please keep all of us in your thoughts and prayers.

Pat Kahl

Director of Religious Education

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
 -or-
 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 the St. Cletus Inaugural Oktoberfest
Saturday, October 18th
 6:30 p.m. - Midnight

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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 tickets after Masses or in the St. Cletus School office.

FLU AND PNEUMONIA SHOTS will be given in Morrissey Hall this Sunday, October 12th, from 8:00am until 12:00 noon. Medicare patients will be accepted - all others are \$30. Young children and older adults are most susceptible to the Flu, but all are urged to be vaccinated.

Clare Slowik
Parish Nurse



Make a Difference Day October 25 – October 26

St. Cletus School is proud to again sponsor *Make a Difference Day*. Here's how it works- School families volunteer to assist our senior parishioners with fall clean-up. Activities include:

- Washing ground floor windows
- Raking
- Planting flowers (weather permitting)
- Social visit
- Trimming bushes
- Preparing flower beds/lawn

If you are interested in participating, please complete the *Make a Difference* pew card and place it in the collection basket or contact the school office at (708) 352-4820.

Let us lend a helping hand to you and **THANK YOU** for all you do to support St. Cletus School!

UPCOMING CASH & CARRY for MANNA

MANNA will be available after all Masses in the church vestibule October 18th/19th. **October is a perfect month to purchase gift cards for some 'spooktacular' stores!** Any questions, please call Erin Rhoads at 708-588-0510 or Leslie Doherty, 708-482-0257.



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. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass. Please know we pray daily for our sick.

Mark Your Calendar!
FREE RESUME REVIEW
and Networking Seminar

Stop in anytime, sign in, and meet individually with a Human Resources or Search Professional for a FREE twenty-minute resume review. All are invited. There will be several professionals on hand and one will work with you, one-on-one, to offer suggestions and ideas on "how to" improve your resume. We invite you to take advantage of this opportunity.

Learn how to transform your resume into one that is:

- Current preferred style
- Key-word friendly
- Targeted
- Professional in appearance
- Formatted Properly
- Accomplishment focused
- Clear and concise

Saturday, October 25, 9AM-11AM
St. Cletus Education Building - Room 201
700 West 55th Street
La Grange

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

On Friday, October 17th at 7:30pm Divine Infant Parish, 1601 Newcastle, in Westchester will hold a pro-life Holy Hour with solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The hour will contain scripture, the Litany of the Precious Blood of Jesus, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Sacred music will be provided by the Ecclesia Men's Choir directed by Timothy Woods. You will not want to miss the beauty of this pro-life event - nor will you easily forget it. Please join us as we entreat God's mercy for human life. Contact Deacon James Sinacore at (708) 343-2263 if you have any questions.



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

Stewardship

"In his use of things, man should regard the external goods he legitimately owns not merely as exclusive to himself but common to others also, in the sense that they can benefit others as well as himself." Vatican II, Modern World

It is good to remember that everything belongs to God. Therefore, it is important for us to recognize that we have an obligation to return a portion of our gifts to God, for all gifts belong to Him and come from Him.

Weekly Giving Summary

Last Weekend..... \$ 27,075
 A Year Ago..... 24,810

This Fiscal Year thru 10/05/08.....\$362,703
 Last Fiscal Year thru 10/07/07..... 391,366
 Needed for Budget thru 10/05/08..... 396,550

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.*



One Sunday for the Whole World

Next Sunday, Pope Benedict XVI calls every Catholic in the world to celebrate our vocation to the missionary... It's **World Mission Sunday!**

As Catholics around the world - here at home and in the Missions - gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, we are to pray for the "Good News" of our Lord's great love for us and for the missionaries who offer the poor and suffering the light of Christ. And we are to offer financial help through the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith** for more than 1,150 dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands. Envelopes are available in the pews this weekend.

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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
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