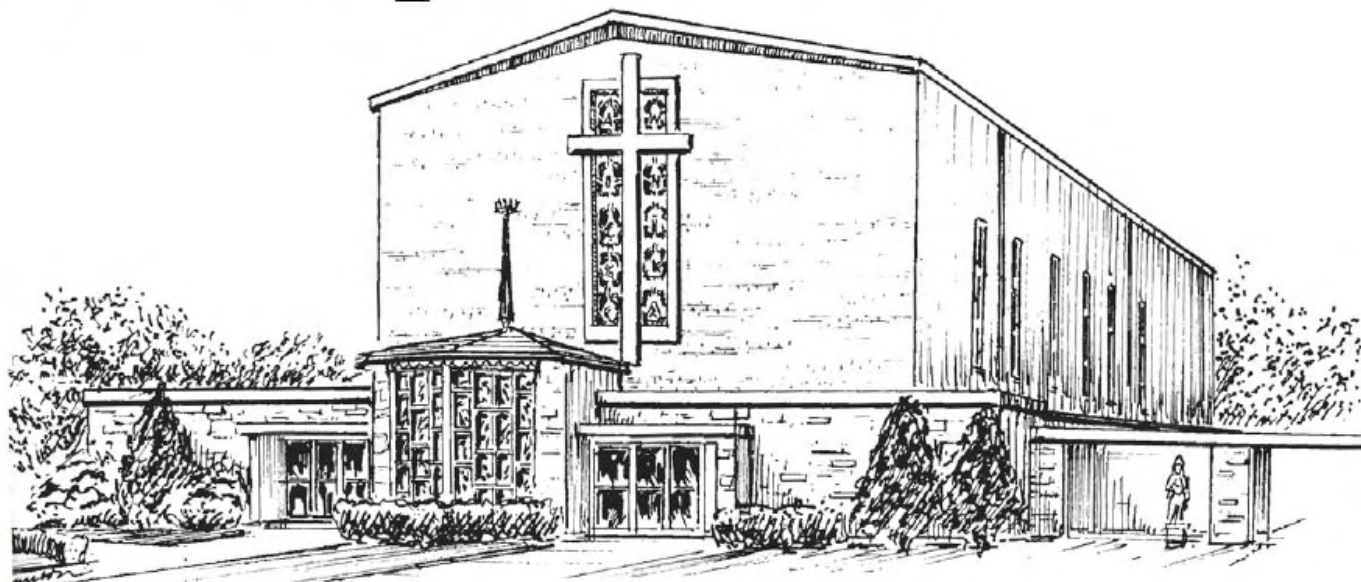


Your opinion.



Our vision.

You're invited to make your opinion count!

Please visit our website today to complete a **ten minute** online survey.

www.stcletusparish.com

*The St. Cletus Community Survey
gives YOU a voice in planning the
future of our faith community!*

The survey opens Fri. September 17th and closes Wed. September 29th.

All members of the parish community are invited to participate. We encourage each member of your household over the age of 18 to complete the survey individually. Those without access to the internet are invited to submit a paper survey, which will be available after all masses or by visiting the Parish Rectory.

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 27 - October 3, 2010

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Nancy Battle
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Philip Jeffrey
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Nan Rettig, Adam & Marie Petrzak, George Benrus
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Purgatorial Society Ora & Don Kennedy, Angela Paul, Thomas Dassinger, Kathleen Morgenstern, Jeanette & Jerry Jearas
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Darlene & Henry Krueger Brian Luczak, Mary Ricciardone, Calandriello Family Norma Evans, Bill Magee Tom Moran, Timothy Benrus, Benjamin Joseph Radosevich Purgatorial Society



WELCOME SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND

Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available next weekend, October 2/3, after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses. Please stop by the back of church, say hello, and become members.



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Joshua Thomas, Jr., Leslie Imholt, Loretta Pavlik, Katie Meyer, Rosemary Rogers, Howard Pohlman, Joe Augustine, Evelyn Kilker, Jessica Gundling, Dominic Cairo, Ann Fahey, Rajamma Thomas, Joe Saban, Ola Maveety, Jean Weekley, Gen Andorf, Rich Andorf, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass.



Baptism

St. Cletus Parish Welcomes...

Bryan Cortéz,

son of Alberto Cortéz & Rosa Sánchez

Kevin Cortéz,

son of Alberto Cortéz & Rosa Sánchez

To the Catholic Faith through the
Sacrament of Baptism.

Attention! Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Communion... please pick up your schedules in the vestibule. Thank you.

Paulette Bolton

Director of Liturgy



Jennifer Molinari

&

Christopher Maul

PET BLESSING AT ST. CLETUS



In observance of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi you are invited to bring your pets for a special blessing at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 2. We will gather on the school grounds near the statue of St. Francis.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In the last five years of her life, Audrey Hepburn, that beguilingly beautiful film-star, made almost fifty trips around the world as an ambassador for UNICEF. As a “hands-on” worker for this children’s relief agency, Audrey visited the poverty-stricken regions of Asia and Africa, bringing the world’s attention to these places and imparting her own genuine love and compassion for the children and the people she met.

From 1988 until her death in January 1993, this work with UNICEF was not her first contact with children’s charitable organizations. As a young girl, Audrey spent the war years of the 1940’s amid the hardships and shortages of occupied Belgium, living for one month in a cellar with rats for company. At the war’s end, she remembered receiving food parcels from the Red Cross and from children’s relief agencies to help keep her alive.

Such memories stay with one forever, and even when Audrey became the darling of Hollywood and fashion model for the exquisite designs and dresses of Givenchy, she never lost the common touch or that simple humanity that keeps our feet on the ground and our head level. Her genuine feeling for others even extended to her father who had deserted her at the age of six, as into her adult years, she supported him financially until his death in 1980 at the age of 94. “Why did you do it?” she was asked. “It helped to lay a ghost,” was her healing reply.

This feeling for other people, this sensitivity to human need, whatever the circumstances, whatever the story, is the teaching of the Lord today. Jesus tells a story, a well-known, traditional kind of story, found in many cultures, of the rich man and the poor man, of this life and of the life to come. As you would expect, the Lord tells the story very well, with lots of colorful detail. The rich man’s clothes – purple and fine linen – are described, and his dining table is a daily feast. The poor man has sores and dogs to contend with. The two men live side by side, and yet the rich man does nothing to help Lazarus, the poor man, who can’t even get the scraps.

To an outside observer this looks obscene. How can the rich man be so uncaring, so unfeeling? To understand, to discover the answer to that, all we need is a little wealth, a little luxury, a little comfort zone. Once we become ensconced in our pleasures, cozy on our couch, settled on our sofas, it becomes very easy to forget the cold weather outside and the people who might be shivering in it. We don’t like draughts; they disturb our warmth, and in shutting out the draught, we might be guilty at times of shutting out the people who live in the draught.

In other words, comfort and luxury have a tendency to make us forgetful of the poor, and, God forgive us, insensitive to suffering. This is serious. In this story by Jesus, we must identify ourselves with the rich man if we are to do the story justice and if we are going to allow the story to bring issues of justice home to us.

We westerners generally cannot identify ourselves with Lazarus. Most of us are well-to-do. We live in a world that desperately needs to diet, while the rest of mankind is starving. We are cocooned against the cold, protecting our own interests – a favorite political phrase.

“Our own interests” form a blind, deaf, and dangerous game. Even the Golden Rule has more insight than that. “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you,” it says. This simple insight into how we ought to live our lives tells us that it is clearly wrong to ignore the sufferings of others. We are all flesh and blood, and we need to care for each other. If we cannot see that, if we close our eyes to that, no other-worldly vision or stories of resurrection from the dead will make any difference. We will have lost the plot!

Audrey Hepburn’s son, Sean, said after his mother died, “Mummy believed in one thing above all—that love can heal, fix, and mend, and put everything right in the end. And it did.”

The parable today calls us to heal, fix, and mend, and to put everything right in the end. Please God, we will.

Peace,
Father Bob
Pastor



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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Get out of the heat

Long-standing images of the fires of hell owe much to the vivid description of the afterlife contained in a gospel story. A rich man (later sometimes named Dives) suffers tormenting flames after death because he ignored poor Lazarus on his doorstep throughout his life. Medieval artists loved to illustrate the story because of its drama and visual potential. But beneath all the fire and brimstone lies a clear and direct message: Living only for one's own wealth and comfort leads to a living hell. If we hope to rest in the bosom of Abraham, we need to pay attention to the Lazarus waiting at our doorstep.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31*

"Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things."

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

FEAST OF VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST - Learn by example

We have much to learn from the life of Saint Vincent de Paul (1581-1660). We learn hope: He was taken captive by pirates and sold as a slave. He escaped with the help of his owner, whom he converted to Christianity. We learn the power of prayer: He was inspired by the good humor of Saint Francis de Sales to ask God for help with his own melancholy and moody nature. He received it. We learn to trust God: Vincent became a priest for the prestige and ended up an advocate for the poor. So beloved was he that 100 years later during the French Revolution his was the only image in the Paris Panthéon not destroyed by angry mobs. Keep company with Vincent today.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Job 1:6-22; Luke 9:36-50*

"The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

FEAST OF WENCESLAUS, MARTYR - No time like the present

The brief life (907-935) of Saint Wenceslaus (the "good king" of Christmas carol fame) reads like an eerie reenactment of the Cain and Abel story. Wenceslaus became Duke of Bohemia in what is now the Czech Republic at 18 when his father died. A few short years later, his own brother and fellow conspirators killed him. In his brief life Wenceslaus gained renown for his generosity toward those who were poor or in need—he was said to carry wood to their homes on his own shoulders. We rightly sing his praises every year at the holiday, but the larger lesson is that we never know how much time we have left. If we want to be remembered for compassion and generosity, we need to act now.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Luke 9:51-56*
"When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem."

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

FEAST OF MICHAEL, GABRIEL, AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

Help from on high

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Archangels. Michael, the chief archangel, is known as a defender of God's people. *Michael* in Hebrew means "who is like God?" *Gabriel* is inseparable from the event of the Annunciation when Mary said "yes" to be the Mother of God. Gabriel's name in Hebrew refers to the strength or power of God. *Raphael*, "God heals," appears in the Book of Tobit as a protective, healing presence to both Tobias and his father, Tobit. Honor the archangels this day by looking for ways to incarnate the message that each

of them represents. How can you be a source of safety for those in distress? In what ways can you spread the word that through God all things are possible? Where might you offer a word of healing and comfort?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51*

"You will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending . . ."

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

FEAST OF JEROME, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Words for the wise and witty

"Prayer is a groan!" Who could express an idea better than Saint Jerome? The first great Bible scholar is also the unofficial king of quotes. Consider this on aging: "[It's] like being engaged in a war. All our friends are going or gone and we survive amongst the dead and the dying as on a battlefield." Or his critique of self-righteousness: "They talk like angels but they live like men." An observance on chastity: "Virginity can be lost by a thought." And is there a better way to view charity than "storing money in the stomachs of the needy rather than hiding it in a purse"?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Job 19:21-27; Luke 10:1-12*

"O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!"

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

FEAST OF THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH - No shrinking violet

Saint Thérèse is known as the "Little Flower" in part because of her humility, chronic illness, early death in 1897 at the age of 24, and even her love of flowers. But Thérèse was no fragile bloom. Her "Little Way" of finding and responding to the presence of God with love and devotion in the ordinary things of everyday life has proven to be an inspiration for millions. The psychoanalyst Karl Stern said Thérèse's Little Way "has all the power of the spirit of Christianity behind it. It is an explosive force that can transform our lives and the life of the world, once put into effect." Unleash God's mighty love in the small things of life and see what happens.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Luke 10:13-16*

"See, I am of small account; what shall I answer you?"

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

FEAST OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

Don't mess with the children

"I am he as you are he as you are me and we are all together." Gospel of John? Nope: It's from the Beatles' "I Am the Walrus," although it sounds as if it could come from John! The point being that what Jesus has is shared with those who "eat and drink" the reality of Jesus, becoming one with him. So if Jesus has an angel to watch over him "lest he dash his foot against a stone" (see Psalm 91:11-12; Matthew 4:6; Luke 4:10-11), so do we. And so do those children he talks about in today's gospel story. So watch how you treat those little folks.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Matthew 18:1-5, 10*

"Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for . . . in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven."

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SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

FOOD PANTRY

Our next monthly food distribution is on Thursday, October 14, and we are scrambling to make up the bags needed. Remember, it's as easy as 1-2-3 to make a difference by donating non-perishables to the pantry.

- (1) When you go to the grocery store this week, just pick up an item or two for the Food Pantry.
- (2)
 - (a) Pick something from our "most needed at this time" list: dry pinto beans, soup, chili, pasta, cereal, jelly, canned vegetables, tuna, boxed side dishes, paper goods and diapers. **Or**
 - (b) Select something from our list of other needed staples: canned fruit, macaroni & cheese, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce, rice, or extras such as crackers, coffee, condiments, dish soap, laundry detergent, etc.

Of course, all in-date non perishables are always appreciated.

- (3) Drop off your donations in the food bins in the Church vestibule when you come to Mass this weekend or daily 7:45 AM – 4:00 PM.

Thank you for adding St. Cletus Food Pantry items to your regular shopping list!!!

CROP WALK

Remember to mark your calendars now to join together with family, friends and neighbors in the annual La Grange/Western Springs CROP Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) **on Sunday, October 17, 2010.** The 5K walk begins at St. Barbara Parish Center, 4015 Prairie Avenue, Brookfield, IL. Check in is at 1:30 p.m., with the Walk starting at 2:00 p.m. Last year our Food Pantry benefited directly from this walk with a generous check for over \$1500. 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!** More details about the walk can be found on www.lagrangewesternspringscropwalk.org. Contact the rectory, (708) 352-6209, this week if you would like a walker packet.

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

- Who is Jesus?
- What are Sacraments?
- What must I do to join the Catholic Church?

Do you know someone who has asked you some of the above questions about the Catholic Church or might be considering becoming a Catholic? If you do, please invite him or her to join our R.C.I.A. program. The program begins on Wednesday, September 29, at 7:00 p.m., Room 102 in the Education Building. If you have any questions, please call the Religious Education office at (708) 352-2383.

Our Welcome Mat is out: come join us!

Sister Pat Mc Kee, C.P.

Director of Religious Education



Don't forget to RSVP for the St. Cletus Kinderplatz Friday, October 1st 5:30-7pm

This free all ages event is open to all St. Cletus families and will include games, prizes, crafts, and a dance party. Please note that ALL children must attend with an ADULT.

Please bring a non-perishable food item to support the St. Cletus Food Pantry.

First 500 children at the event receive a FREE pumpkin!

Special thanks to CBC and the Tomasian Family for donating pumpkins.

Oktoberfest Raffle

**\$1000
Grand Prize**

2nd Prize

Weber Spirit SP-320 Grill (\$599 Value)
donated by Horton's Home Lighting

3rd Prize

Life Time Fitness 6 month Membership

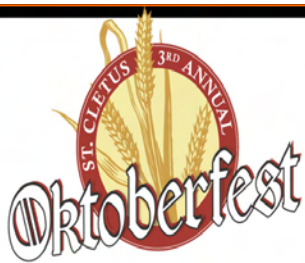
4th Prize

\$100

TICKETS

1 for \$5
or
5 for \$20

Special thanks to Hortons Home Lighting and Life Time Fitness for the generous donations. Drawing will be held at event. Winner need not be present to be eligible.



Admission:

In Advance: \$25

At the Door: \$30

**SATURDAY
October 2nd
6 - 11 p.m.**

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.

Get your tickets today! Purchase admission and raffle tickets after weekend Masses.

Thank you to Our Event Sponsor Bill & Heidi



VISIT WWW.STCLETUSOKTOBERFEST.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Dominick's IMPORTANT eScrip CHANGE!!

Dominick's now requires all participating families to RENEW their cards every year. If you participated last year, renew ASAP, so St. Cletus continues to earn contributions.

This is a very simple process: **RENEW BY NOVEMBER 1** - Go to eScrip.com
Click on "YES RENEW!" - Enter either your phone number, email, or Fresh Values Card number.
If you have not registered yet now is a great time to do so.

To sign up (if you haven't already registered):

- Have your Dominick's Fresh Values card number ready.
- Log onto **www.escrip.com**.
- Click on the link to sign up as a new member.
- Locate St. Cletus School (Group ID #500014509) and register your card number.

That's it! It's that easy – your family shops – St. Cletus earns money. If you have any questions regarding this program or need assistance registering your Fresh Values Card, please contact Holly Kallal at (708) 655-1302. Thanks for your support.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ON-LINE AUCTION

Did you miss the Rummage Sale? Not to worry! Due to the generosity of donors, we have some wonderful items that we are putting up for "auction" on our website. Here is how it will work. On the second Saturday of each month, we will place a pictured item up for bid on our web site. The item will have a minimum bid. You will have until midnight the following Saturday to make a bid via the internet. We will announce the winning bidder on our web site the Monday after the bidding ends. First item up for bid on Saturday, October 9, is a Waterford Crystal Vase. Look for reminders in future Canticles. All proceeds will benefit the St. Cletus Chapter of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul.

Maureen Soldat

Social Concerns



MONDAY NIGHT BASKETBALL

ALL men of the parish are invited to participate in an Open Gym for Basketball starting on Monday, October 4, in Morrissey Hall. There is a **new** start time, 9:00-10:30 p.m., to allow more school team practice. New teams are picked each week. Please bring a white and dark shirt each week.

Good sportsmanship and a desire to stay in shape is all that is required. Please call (708) 352-1140 for more information.

Frank Haggerty

YOUTH MINISTRY

KAIROIS

JUNIORS & SENIORS WE WANT YOU!

Exhausted with your daily lives? Need a break from the rigors of endless piles of homework? Want to spend some time relaxing with your friends? Kairos is the answer to all these questions and more. Kairos is a four-day Catholic based retreat starting Thursday, November 11 through Sunday, November 14.

Now I bet your thinking this is just another “boring” church retreat, but you are wrong. Kairos is run by teens, for teens. Your Kairos leaders have all attended the retreat, and will be there to guide you throughout the weekend. We’re high school kids, facing the same problems and challenges you are, and just like you, we all came on this retreat for different reasons.

The reason our retreats work so well, is because there is no pressure. We’re there to relax, have some fun, and to simply get away from everything! In the process, we learn about ourselves, God, and our faith.

Speaking of the Church, we’re Christians and we’re proud of it, all denominations are welcome. Even if you aren’t Christian, or don’t know what to believe in, WE WANT YOU TOO. This weekend is about not only getting to know our God better, but to also get to know ourselves, and those around us better. So really, what do you have to lose? It’s only four days, we promise it will be worth it.

Tom Walsh, Senior at LTHS

Registration forms can be found online at www.stcletusparish.com/youth. The forms can also be picked up from the Religious Education office at St Cletus Education Building, 700 W. 55th Street. Please return the forms to Amy Cranny at St. Cletus Youth Ministry, 700 W. 55th Street, LaGrange, IL 60525. Any questions? Contact Amy Cranny at (708) 215-5419.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD...Any high school teen is invited and encouraged to participate in this year’s advisory commissions board. Your input will help us design our new program for next year. We will plan socials, service projects, prayer opportunities, and possibly a mission trip for next summer. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 12, at 7:00 p.m., in Room 201. Please enter through the flagpole doors of the Education Building. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Maxwell at kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419.

FRIGHT FEST, GREAT AMERICA

We will be going to Fright Fest on Columbus Day, Monday, October 11, with St. John of the Cross Parish. Permission forms/info can be found on our parish website at www.stcletusparish.com/youth. The forms are due by Tuesday, October 5...no exceptions! We also need one adult to help chaperone this trip. Please contact Kristen Maxwell (708) 215-5419 if you are able to chaperone.

Amy Cranny

Director of Youth Ministry

Music Ministry News!

Our Parish Children's Choir has begun its season! The Children's Choir is open to children of our parish school and religious education programs in grades 3-8. Under the direction of Mrs. Karen Ziemba, this group rehearses each Thursday from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the school music room. More information is available at <http://www.stcletusparish.com/music/> or by emailing Mrs. Ziemba at kziemba@stcletusparish.com. We hope to see many of our young parishioners take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to make great music and serve our parish!

Mark your calendars for the next Fine Arts Series events...

On Sunday, October 24, at 4:00 p.m. we will present the St. Cletus Festival Chorus and Orchestra in a concert not to be missed. Nearly 75 parishioners and musicians will be involved in this performance including music by Haydn, Mozart, Brahms, Whitacre, Lauridsen, Thompson, and more. Also, on Sunday, November 7, we will host the Tower Chorale of Western Springs as they present a special fall concert to kick off an anniversary season. Plan on joining us for both of these incredible musical presentations!

Justin Sisul

Director of Music

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Please join us for our next meeting on Friday, October 1, at 8:00 p.m. in Room 98 in the Education Building. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. New members are always welcome! Dues are only \$5 yearly. We meet the first Friday of the month.

Dan Gibbons



LIFE CHAIN - OCTOBER 3, 2010

WHAT REALLY IS IT?

What is "Life Chain"? It is that spectacular annual event that draws the attention of hundreds of thousands of Americans. The concept is simple, the effect stunning.

People of all ages and faiths stand reverently in silent prayer, for one-hour along a major street or highway, holding signs that proclaim the importance of human life. The Life Chain is a visual statement by the Christian community that it supports the sanctity of human life. Uniform signs (no graphic depictions) are provided for participants, so the overall impression is one of solidarity in belief and purposes.

Next Sunday afternoon, October 3, the annual Life Chain will be held all across the United States, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. As in past years, St. Cletus parishioners will take part in the Ogden Avenue Chain and will meet at Ogden and La Grange Road at 2:30 p.m.

Questions? Call parishioners Marianne or Wayne Hamilton at (708) 579-0118 or check on chain sites at **LifeChain.Net** or the Respect Life Bulletin Board on the East Side of the Foyer.



REMINDER!

FLU AND PNEUMONIA shots will be given at St. Cletus in Morrissey Hall on Sunday, October 10, from 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon. This year everyone is advised to take this precaution. Those with Medicare, there is no cost (be sure to bring your card); for others the cost will be \$25. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Clare Slowik

Parish Nurse

WEEK AT A GLANCE			
Day/Date	Start Time	Location/ Rm. #	Event
Monday, September 27	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	C S-98 S-200 S-213	School Mass Bible Study Kairos Meeting Kairos Meeting
Tuesday, September 28	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	C RB C	Year II Confirmation Parent Meeting (English) PPC Meeting Year II Confirmation Parent Meeting (Spanish)
Wednesday, September 29	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	RB S-Band S-102	Mission Ladies Band Rental Open House RCIA
Thursday, September 30	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	S-Music S-Music S-213 S-Music RB	Children's Choir Contemporary Choir SVD Chancel Choir AA Meeting
Friday, October 1	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	S-207 S-98	Hispanic Ministry Bible Class Holy Name Society
Saturday, October 2	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	CV CV CV Parking lot	Crop Walk Sign Up (Social Concerns) Respect Life Committee (Life Chain) Welcome Sunday Ocktoberfest
Sunday, October 3	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	CV CV CV S-207 S-213 S-200 S-213	Crop Walk Sign Up (Social Concerns) Respect Life Committee (Life Chain) Welcome Sunday Hispanic Ministry/English Classes Hispanic Ministry/English Classes Kairos Meeting Kairos Meeting
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SEMINARY SUNDAY

Next weekend, October 2/3, we celebrate **Seminary Sunday**. On this occasion, we recognize the ministry of the many priests who serve us so faithfully each day, as well as those who are preparing to serve us with that same charity in the future. The best example of the work of the seminary is reflected in the quiet and compassionate ministry of your pastor and parish priests as, each day, they live out their ordination commitment to bring Christ to you in word and sacrament. *Because of your prayers and support the healing touch of Jesus will live through the work of these future priests for you, your children and grandchildren for years to come.* Please pray for those whom God is *now* calling to the ordained priesthood from among our families and friends. Talk to young men you know whom you judge would be good priests; encourage them to explore the possibility of priesthood.

Sunday Collection

Total Active Registered Families 2,710

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used - this week 654
% of registered families 24%

Amount Collected

\$19,685	Envelope Users
<u>2,008</u>	Loose Checks/Cash
\$21,693	

September 19, 2010 Budgeted Collection = \$27,250

Weekly (Under) Over Budget (\$5,557)

This Fiscal Year @ 9/19/10

Actual Sunday Collections	\$295,681
Budgeted Sunday Collections	<u>327,000</u>
(Under) Over than Budgeted	\$(31,320)

Stewardship reminds us to count our blessings, acknowledge God's gifts to us and express thanks to the Lord by a proportionate giving of our time, talent, and treasure.

Thanks to so many parishioners for contributing an extra \$2 or \$3 in your weekly contributions. Your continued efforts help us reach our budgeted needs. God Bless.

Fr. Bob Clark

Pastor



PROGRAMS AT THE WELL

God as Divine Mystery offers insights into the views of Denis Edwards, a well known theologian in the areas of religion and science, by Father Joe Bracken, SJ. The program, held on Thursday, October 14, from 7:00-8:30 p.m., is co-sponsored by St. Francis Xavier Parish. The cost is \$20. Parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Parish should register by emailing smatthews@sfx-lg.org.

Reaping the Harvest: A Morning Reflection explores the wisdom of the season of autumn, and how the beauty of nature reveals where and how the Holy is inviting us into deeper relationship with ourselves, each other and God. Bridget Spurduto will facilitate this program on Friday, October 15, from 9 a.m.–12 noon. The cost is \$25.

The Well is located at 1515 W. Ogden Ave., La Grange Park. To register, please call 708-482-5048 or visit the website at www.csjthewell.org.

CAREER NETWORKING SESSION

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK invites you to **join us** for a supportive evening of networking on **Thursday, October 7, at 7:00 p.m.** You'll meet with other job seekers in our community and exchange contacts and leads that could be very **helpful in your job search**. Meet job seekers who **understand the value of networking to help you find your next new job**. Bring copies of your networking handbills, resumes and business cards to distribute. Don't have any? Come anyway!

We hope you will join us and **gain some important new contacts** and information that may lead to your next new job. This session is open to all and there is no fee for attending. We meet at the **First Baptist Church**, 20 North Ashland Avenue in La Grange (across from the La Grange Post Office). Please use the Bell Street entrance

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Cletus Catholic Parish of the Archdiocese of Chicago is a Christian community of believers and followers of Christ Jesus. We call and welcome all to join our family of faith as we seek to live the Gospel values in our daily lives, community and world. We are committed to providing spiritual nourishment through the worship of God, celebration of the sacraments, Christian education, and use of our time, talent and treasure in serving others with compassion and love.

MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am,
11:00am, 12:30pm (Spanish)

Weekdays: Mon. thru Sat. 8:00am

Evening before Holy Day: 7:00pm

Holy Day: 6:30am, 8:00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30am. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office (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.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Adoration begins following the 8:00am Mass and continues during the day until 6:15pm the first Monday of the month.

The *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed at 6:15pm followed by Benediction.

Hispanic Adoration continues from 7:00pm until 8:00pm.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday of the month: 4:15-4:45pm.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am-1:00pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

<i>Chairperson:</i>	Rita F. Mayer
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AT THE END

In the coming weeks, as we draw nearer to the end of the liturgical year, we will often hear references to the end of our lives and the end of time. This week's scriptures are no exception. The reading from Timothy warns us to live "without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Timothy 6:14), and the psalm says that God "secures justice for the oppressed . . . but the way of the wicked he thwarts" (Psalm 146:7, 9). In the reading from Amos we hear about the "woe" that is in store for the complacent rich, who think nothing of how their self-indulgence oppresses the poor. The Gospel parable about Lazarus and the nameless rich man exemplifies such complacency, as well as the justice that both the wicked and the oppressed will experience beyond the grave.