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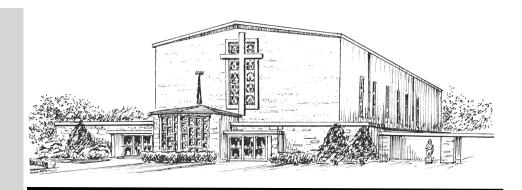
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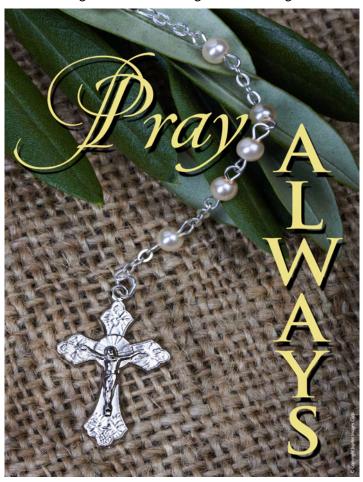
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St. Cletus Canticle

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time





All are welcome. Handicapped parking is located in front of church.

Personal hearing devices are available from the ushers/greeters.

Saturday

Sunday

Time Intentions Day Monday 8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society, George Benrus, James Capria **Tuesday** 8:00 a.m. Walter Maveety, William McLoughlin, Special Intention Wednesday 8:00 a.m. John Mellott **Thursday** Joseph Sorce, Lorraine O'Connor, Mary Ricciardone & Calandriello Family 8:00 a.m. **Friday** 8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society, Frank Wojcik, Erik Geyer

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Mass Intentions for the Week of October 18 - October 24, 2010

Please pray for those who have died and their families...

William Warner

8:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. 7:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Ann Fahey, wife of Fred

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

Amen.



Catholics should involve themselves in the public square - and do so coherently and unapologetically. This is not to "impose our views" but to "make our proposal" about what is necessary for human flourishing in society. Thus, we bring to public policy debates on issues of human life, dignity, justice and peace, immigration reform, and marriage and the family an understanding of the human person that, while founded on the Christian Scriptures, is also accessible to human reason. While this understanding expressed in the Church's social teachings can seem to be quite complex, I believe it can be summarized in one simple phrase: no man is a problem...no human being - no matter how poor or how weak - can be reduced to just a problem. When we allow ourselves to think of a human being as a mere problem, we offend his or her dignity.

-Most Rev. Thomas Wenski, Archbishop of Miami, homily at Mass of Installation, June 1, 2010



Please remember our sick in your prayers:
James McNichols, Lydia Ciaglia, Luke Alpe,
Sheila Nash, Cindy Bringle, Sherry Sumner,
Picker Pakesse Mueller Jackus Thomas In

Maeva Bishop, Rebecca Mueller, Joshua Thomas, Jr., Leslie Imholt, Loretta Pavlik, Katie Meyer, Rosemary Rogers, Howard Pohlman, Joe Augustine, Evelyn Kilker, Jessica Gundling, Dominic Cairo, 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.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

National Shut-In Visitation Day;

World Mission Sunday

Monday: St. Luke

Tuesday: Ss. Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf, and

Their Companions

Wednesday: St. Paul of the Cross

Saturday: St. John of Capistrano;

Blessed Virgin Mary

HAPPY ARE THEY

Happy are they who grieve not for what they have not, but give thanks for what they do have.

—Anonymous

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Harry, a successful businessman, had gained his success by being very careful with his money. After years of prosperity, the country and world were suddenly plunged into deep recession. Harry's business was badly hit and in danger of bankruptcy. He went into church and prayed to God. "Lord," he prayed, "this is Harry. You know me. I come to church every Sunday. I try to lead a good life. But now I've fallen on hard times. My wife and family are suffering. Lord, please get me out of this. Please let me win the lottery." Saturday came. There was no lottery win for Harry. A second time he went to church. "Lord," he prayed, "I can't impress upon you enough the urgency of my situation. Please, Lord, let me win the lottery." Saturday came: still nothing. A third time Harry went to church. "Lord, I'm desperate. Please, please, let me win the lottery." At that moment a voice came from heaven. "Harry, can't you meet me half way? Can't you at least BUY A LOTTERY TICKET?"

We're inclined to be a bit upset about the kind of prayer Harry prayed. We think it's unworthy, or at least in bad taste, to pray so blatantly for something for ourselves. We think we should be praying for worthy things, or better still, we shouldn't be asking for things at all. But that's not how Jesus talks about prayer. Whenever Jesus talks about prayer in the gospels, it is nearly always to urge his followers to ask for things from their heavenly Father. The parable in today's gospel is a good example. Jesus urges his friends to be persistent in asking God for what they need and what they want. Harry had something in common with the widow in today's gospel. Firstly, he was persistent, and secondly, he asked for what he really wanted. True, he failed to play his part in the transaction, but two out of three aren't bad!

The widow in the parable is being held up as a model for the disciple in prayer. The message is: keep on praying. Be persistent. But the unjust judge does not stand for God. Jesus is not saying that God is reluctant to answer prayer. He is CONTRASTING God with the unjust judge. God's desire to help is being contrasted with the unjust judge's reluctance to help. When we persist in our prayer, we are expressing our faith in God's willingness and desire to help us; we are affirming our belief in God's goodness; we are acknowledging our dependence on God for everything we have and everything we are.

Jesus is very realistic about prayer. He understands that we often reach out in prayer to God when we are desperate. When someone we love is seriously ill, we bombard heaven with our prayers, and we ask others to pray for him/her: the more prayers, the better. At that moment, we have no doubt about what we want and have no difficulty asking God for it. That kind of prayer in which we pester God, and go on pestering him is just the kind of prayer that Jesus urges his followers to pray. It's not an inferior kind of prayer. It's not a selfish prayer. It is the foundation of all prayer. And let's be clear what we are praying for: we're praying for the person we love to get better. We're appealing to God precisely for that. We shouldn't try to make our prayer "respectable" by praying "that the doctors and nurses will be inspired to do their job properly." Of course, we can pray for that as well. But we are first and foremost praying that our loved one will be restored to health. Questions about how God answers prayer have no place in times like this. There ARE theological questions about prayer and how God answers it. But they have nothing to do with the business of actually praying. When we kneel down to say our prayers, we do so in a simple and straightforward way, taking Jesus at his word: "Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Like the widow in the parable, like Harry the businessman, we know what we want, and we simply go on asking God for it.

In Prayer Always,
Fr. Bob
Pastor



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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2010

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

To the moon, Lord

"Sometimes I get so mad at God," one woman told the priest, "that I'd like to punch him right in the nose!" Yikes! It sounds irreverent, but that's exactly what Jesus is saying in an amusing parable about a widow and a judge. The judge renders a decision for the widow because he fears the woman will strike him! If that's true for a worldly judge, Jesus says, how much more will the Judge of All be quick to answer a prayer. Faith, then, is waiting in joyful and expectant hope for our God, the truly just judge, who answers all our prayers, maybe because he fears a black eye!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Luke 18:1-8*

"And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night?"

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

FEAST OF LUKE, EVANGELIST

Gather faithful friends near

"Faithful friends are a sturdy shelter: whoever finds one has found a treasure." The teacher who wrote Sirach 6:14 must have had a friend like that to be able to pen such appreciative words. Saint Paul, languishing in jail, found such a true companion in Luke. Perhaps the best way to celebrate the feast day of this great gospel writer, then, is to celebrate this *other* thing Luke is famous for: being a good friend. Take a friend to lunch or drop an e-mail. Let the folks who have been a "sturdy shelter" in your life know that you notice.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9 "Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me.... Only Luke is with me."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

FEAST OF JOHN DE BRÉBEUF AND ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS, MARTYRS, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

Sacrifice has its rewards

The Jesuit Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues came to North America largely to convert as many members of the Huron tribe to the Catholic faith as possible. Working under extremely difficult and dangerous conditions, they managed to bring a few thousand souls into the church. The accounts of the gruesome torture and deaths of the missionaries read like the script of a horror movie. The story of the encounter of these men with the indigenous people had consequences for both sides. But their lives and deaths watered the seeds of faith, as the blood of martyrs often does, and helped bring Catholicism to this continent. Remember their courage and perseverance the next time you are called upon to make a sacrifice.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 2:12-22; Luke 12:35-38 "Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

FEAST OF PAUL OF THE CROSS, PRIEST - Live the cross

Once God lights a fire under a person, there's no stopping him or her! Saint Paul of the Cross was just such an individual. At the age of 19 he had a powerful experience of God's love and dedicated himself to prayer and helping others open themselves to the depth of that love. At 26 he founded a new religious community, the Passionists. The secret to his dedication? It's in his honorific title: the cross. Wrote the saint:

"Live in such a way that all may know that you bear outwardly as well as inwardly the image of Christ crucified, the model of all gentleness and mercy." Paul encouraged people to practice heroic goodness "especially through a patience reinforced by courage." What's the secret to your dedication to living the gospel?

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 3:2-12; Luke 12:39-48 "Of this gospel I have become a servant."

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

All fired up and ready to go

We can safely assume that Jesus was not a pyromaniac. So when he spoke of wanting to set the world on fire, what kind of fire was he talking about? In biblical imagery, fire is associated with God's action in the world and the lives of individuals. In Exodus, God speaks to Moses from the burning bush, and in other biblical books fire symbolizes God's glory, protective presence, holiness, righteous judgment, and anger against sin. Fire is also a symbol for the Holy Spirit. Jesus is alerting us to the fact that the reign of God is at hand and calls for our immediate and wholehearted response. Our God isn't a "when I get around to it" God; the time to act is now.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 3:14-21; Luke 12:49-53 "I have come to bring fire the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!"

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

Enough with the arguing

He says it was last Wednesday, she says it was Tuesday. She says it was green, he says it was blue. She says it was at 3 o'clock, he says no, it was 2:30. Many couples are constantly at odds over minor, inconsequential details. It doesn't seem to be a matter of precision or correctness; it has more to do with maintaining the conflict over who's right and who's wrong. Jesus says that if you really want to judge what is right, then settle with your opponent. Compromise! Work it out! Our willingness to yield will unite us with the sacrifice of Jesus to win the ultimate victory.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:1-6; Luke 12:54-59 "When you go with your accuser before a magistrate, on the way make an effort to settle the case."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

FEAST OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A string and a prayer

It may be encouraging to know that rosary-makers are doing well these days. The proliferation of the beads, however, does not necessarily mean people are praying more. Rosaries worn around the neck, you may have noticed, have become body decorations, like tattoos and piercing. They're frequently hung from cars' rearview mirrors. Even if we could teach new rosary owners how to pray the beads, how many would be willing to meditate on its mysteries? Yet perhaps God is at work here reminding those who pray, dangle, or wear the beads that in the joyful, sorrowful, glorious, and luminous mysteries of life—Jesus', Mary's, and theirs—there is holiness.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:7-16; Luke 13:1-9 "Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift."

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Songs of Spirit: Prayer and Tourney

FESTIVAL CHORUS CONCERT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24 4:00 P.M.

ST. CLETUS CHURCH LA GRANGE, IL

The Saint Cletus Fine Arts Series presents a choral concert with chamber string orchestra featuring Franz Josef Haydn's Missa Brevis (Saint John of God), as well as works by Johannes Brahms, Anton Bruckner, Eleanor Daley, Morten Lauridsen, John Rutter, Eric Whitacre and others.

The St. Cletus Fine Arts Series was created in 2009 to present high quality musical performances outside of the liturgical setting. This performance will be presented free of charge.

A freewill offering will be taken to support the Fine Arts Series

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

ADULT SERVICE PROJECT

The Social Concerns Commission is exploring an opportunity to expand St. Cletus' role of service to the community through the involvement of the adult members of our congregation. Potential involvements could include Habitat for Humanity, Appalachian Service Projects, etc. Our community could not function without the enormous, untapped kindness available from well-meaning individuals who look for greater fulfillment through helping others. An act of kindness, no matter how small, is never forgotten! If you wish to help make a difference, please complete the Adult Service Project Survey on the Social Concerns page at **www.stcletusparish.com**. Survey forms are also available in the Church vestibule, and can be returned in the collection basket, to the rectory, or sent to Mary Beth Ford, St. Cletus Social Concerns, 600 W. 55th St., La Grange, IL 60525. Thank you.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

A big *THANK YOU* to all who donated time, talent and/or treasure to the October food distribution. Special thanks, also, to our friends at Gurrie Middle School for the 12 boxes of food they collected & donated to the pantry. 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. 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:

- At this time the staples we need most include pinto beans, cereal, pasta, canned tomatoes/ tomato sauce, meals in a can/box (especially chili), canned meats, jelly, macaroni & cheese and paper goods.
- Some favorite extras include coffee, juice, powdered or evaporated milk, oatmeal, crackers or cookies, all sizes of diapers, toiletries, laundry detergent and dish washing soap.
- All non-perishables are greatly appreciated. Please remember to check expiration dates to avoid out of date goods which we cannot use.
- We also need full size brown paper grocery bags.
- All the above 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 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- The Food Pantry distributes groceries from the vestibule of the Church on the second Thursday of each month, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Our next distribution will be on November 11.

CROP WALK REMINDER

Walkers, don't forget that today, October 17, is the annual LaGrange/Western Springs CROP Hunger Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty), which steps off from St. Barbara Parish Center, 4015 Prairie Ave., Brookfield, IL, with registration beginning at 1:30 p.m. Be sure to bring your pledge envelope with the donations you have collected. Thank you for representing our parish in this community effort to fight poverty!

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend, October 23/24, with Catholics of the world, we are called to offer at this Eucharist, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of the Lord—to help the poor and suffering experience the healing love and peace of Jesus.



Celebrate Mary Next Sunday

October is a month of special devotion to Mary, Mother of God. Her love for us is endless and she acts as our intercessor to the Father and Son. The 20 mysteries of the Rosary (if you include the Luminous Mysteries) chronicle Mary's intimate involvement in Jesus' ministry and ask her intercession in our daily lives. The Rosary is prayed as a group in several ways at St. Cletus. Parishioners gather in the church at 7:15 a.m. every day except Sunday to pray together. Others meet in the church at noon on Sundays to pray the Rosary. Another way to share in the Rosary is to join the Living Rosary, whereby 20 people each pray one decade of the Rosary each day so that together the entire Rosary is prayed by the end of the day. St Cletus currently has ten ongoing Living Rosary groups and we are always looking for new members.

The Living Rosary members will meet at 12:10 p.m. in the Kindergarten room on Sunday, October 24, to pray the entire Rosary together. This is a very moving way to honor Mary and celebrate her abiding love for us. Please join us as we dedicate these final October days to Our Mother Mary.

Do you have a Rosary in need of repair or an extra one that you would like to give to a "good home?" On Sunday, October 24, the Living Rosary will host a table in the vestibule where you can drop off your Rosary to be repaired. If you have the missing beads, we can reattach them. Otherwise, we will use the closest match for replacement beads and return your rosary. Rosaries can also be dropped off at the rectory (be sure to mark them with your name and phone number). Local nursing home residents, our students and missionaries would love to have any extra Rosaries that you care to donate. For further information, contact Mary Lu Gebka at (708) 579-3987.



ST. CLETUS 8th GRADE FUNDRAISER

Please consider placing an order for pies/desserts through Market Day this month. This is the 8th Grade major fundraiser for their Dinner Dance. Their goal is to sell 500+ pies/desserts in order to receive the highest profit of 45%. These would be delicious desserts for Thanksgiving or Christmas, gifts for holiday parties, friends, relatives, neighbors or coworkers. Order forms are available in the Minister's Room or online at **www.marketday.com.** Pickup is in Morrissey Hall on Wednesday, November 3, from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call either Ann Okkema at (708) 352-2125 or Mary Jane Walsh at (708) 579-5586.

High School Students

We are looking for high school students who would like to work with our catechists in our Religious Education Program on Sunday morning from 9:15-10:45 a.m. or Monday evening from 6:15-8:00 p.m.. If you are interested, please call the Religious Education Office at (708) 352-2383. Thank you!

Sr. Pat McKee

Director of Religious Education



The Junior High St Cletus Girl Scouts will be collecting **new**

and gently worn men's and women's winter coats, as well as sample-sized toiletry items for the St. Vincent de Paul Center in Chicago. The collection will begin on Saturday, October 23, and run through Sunday, November 7, after all of the Masses.

Thank you for your donation!



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The St. Cletus Parish family will celebrate the *Sacrament of Anointing* during the 11:00 a.m. Mass on *Sunday, October 31, 2010*. This sacrament of healing is offered to anyone who is suffering in any physical, mental or emotional way. If you or someone you know is sick or suffers from a chronic illness we invite you to join fellow parishioners as we pray for healing and strength. A reception will follow the Mass in Room 98, in the Education Building.

Questions? Call Dolores Wouk in the Ministry of Care Office, (708) 215-5407.

Youth Ministry update!

YEAR I CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES - CROP WALK REMINDER!

This Sunday, October 17, we walk in solidarity to fight against world hunger. We will meet at St. Barbara's Church in Brookfield at 1:30 p.m. Remember to bring your pledge forms and an item to donate to our local food pantries! See you there!

LAST CHANCE! KAIROS...is a 4-day retreat opportunity for juniors and seniors in high school. We are running this retreat in conjunction with St. John of the Cross and St. Francis Xavier parishes. St. Cletus is hosting this retreat November 11-14, at the Dominican Sisters Retreat House. SJC will host next spring and SFX will host next summer. This is a wonderful experience that you will never forget! Registration forms can be found online at **http://www.stcletusparish.com/youth.** They can also be picked up from the Religious Education Office at St. Cletus, 700 W. 55th Street. Registration forms are due by October 22! Please return the forms to Amy Cranny at the St. Cletus Youth Ministry, 700 W. 55th Street, LaGrange, IL 60525. Questions? Contact Amy Cranny at (708) 215-5419 or **acranny@stcletusparish.com**.

Dominicks ... 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: <u>RENEW BY NOVEMBER 1</u> - 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!

Sunday Collection

Total Active	Registered Families	2,710
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Collection Statistics

of envelopes used - this week 654

% of registered families 24% \$20,116 Envelope Users 5,461 Loose Checks/Cash

\$25,577

Amount Collected

October 10, 2010 Budgeted Collection = \$27,250

Weekly (Under) Over Budget (\$ 1,673)

This Fiscal Year @ 10/10/10

Actual Sunday Collections \$377,704 **Budgeted Sunday Collections** 408,750

(Under) Over than Budgeted \$ (31,046)

STEWARDSHIP

Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need, the remainder is needed by others. -St. Augustine

WEEK AT A GLANCE				
Day/Date	Start Time	Location/ Rm. #	Event	
Monday, October 18	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	C S-98 MH	School Mass Bible Study Men's Basketball	
Tuesday, October 19	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	S-213 MH S-200 S-213	YM Church League Meeting RE 1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting Kairos Meeting Kairos Meeting	
Wednesday, October 20	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	RB S-200	Mission Ladies Worship Ministry	
Thursday, October 21	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	S-Music S-Music C S-Music RB	Children's Choir Contemporary Choir Festival Chorus Rehearsal Chancel Choir AA	
Friday, October 22	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	S-Music S-207	Spanish Choir Practice Hispanic Ministry Bible Class	
Saturday, October 23	9:00 a.m. S-201 5:00 p.m.	S-200 S-2-1 CV	Employment Ministry Employment Ministry MANNA	
Sunday, October 24	7:00 a.mnoon 7:00 a.mnoon 12:00 noon 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	CV CV S-98 C MH	MANNA Living Rosary Repairs Pray the Living Rosary Fine Arts Series Concert Reception following Fine Arts Concert	
C CV MH	Church Church Vestibule Morrissey Hall	S RB	School Rectory Basement	

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

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Fr. Edgar Rodriguez

HOW I LANDED MY NEW JOB...

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK invites you to join us when a panel of ICN alums return to discuss their job landing and how they did it. Their insight and experience on a successful journey from job seeker to full-time employee will inspire and encourage you. This is a Homecoming you won't want to miss! If you are you looking for valuable information and some new ideas to help you succeed in your own job search, mark your calendar now! Thursday, October 21, at 7:00 p.m., St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. This program is open to all and there is no fee to attend. There will be time for questions at the end of our panel discussion. In keeping with the spirit of Homecoming season, we welcome and encourage all ICN alums to join us for this event. Hope you will join us!