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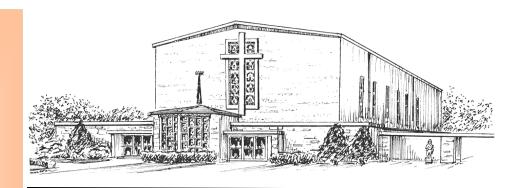
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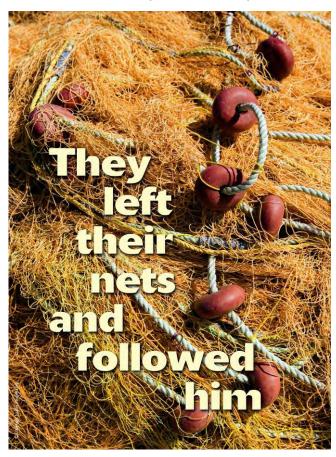
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St. Cletus Canticle

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time





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 January 24 - January 30, 2011

Day	Time	Intentions		
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society		
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Dr. Rudy Necz, Giovanna Vieceli		
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Steve Grzelinski, Jr.		
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society		
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Ann Jiganti, Louis Vieceli, Erik Geyer, Eva & Stanley Grabowski		
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	George Benrus Phillip C. Butkus, Ed Smithy, Helene Kveton		
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Lester Buczek, Michael Heinzel Purgatorial Society Eugene Sorrentino, Thomas Gallagher, Alfreda Woods Timothy Benrus, Mary Grace Cibula Purgatorial Society		



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Chester Wojcik, Joan Luckey, Donald Cuttill, Laura McDonnell, Joan Workman, Dick Radom,

Idolina Montano, Wei Wu, Sue Kremer, Gail Pankow-Kathryn Super-Wilson, Locker, Lydia Ciaglia, Sherry Sumner, Maeva Cindy Bringle, Bishop, Rebecca Mueller, Joshua Thomas, Jr., Leslie Imholt, Loretta Pavlik. Katie Meyer, Howard Pohlman. Jessica Gundling, Evelyn Kilker, 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.



Please Welcome to Our Parish Family...

Layla Kathleen McLaughlin,

daughter of Charles & Erin (Mankiewicz) McLaughlin

Liliana Maribel Salazar, daughter of José & Jennifer (Martinez) Salazar

Arthur Daniel Schaffer, son of Kevin & Joani (DiSilvestro) Schaffer

May God's Love Always Bless Them.
Amen.

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS!

... please pick up your schedules in the vestibule. Thank you.

Paulette BoltonDirector of Liturgy

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Francis de Sales

Tuesday: The Conversion of St. Paul;

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

Wednesday: Ss. Timothy and Titus Thursday: St. Angela Merici Friday: St. Thomas Aquinas Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Mary Jo Stefanski, daughter of Marion Bluma

Kay Battle,

mother of the late Nancy Battle (former principal of St. Cletus School)

May the Lord grant them eternal rest. Amen.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2011

In August of 1999, there was a total eclipse of the sun. Its flight path crossed the globe from the north Atlantic to the Indian Ocean. On the morning of the eclipse, a bright sunny day with clear skies overhead, all across this area of the world thousands of people gathered on beaches and open lands and waited for the world to grow dark. When the time came, the shape of the moon could be seen to encroach on the blazing sun, and gradually the light of day was turned into the darkest of nights. After a few minutes, the bright sunlight began to emerge again as the moon drifted past, and all the people were bathed in light once more. "A people who dwelt in darkness saw a great light."

One observer described the experience as "sacred" or "spiritual." Something very special, something out of the ordinary, a truly great wonder of nature had taken place, and the watching crowd had felt united in sharing the experience together.

In this experience, it was the darkness that brought the feeling of closeness and unity to the people. It was the dying of the light that served to remind us how selfishly we abuse the light of day, misusing it for our own delight: how foolishly we forget our common inheritance as children of God. Sometimes we need the shock of the dark to bring us to our senses, to make us concentrate our attention on the unity of humankind, and on the unity of God. There is only one God, and we are all his children.

In the busy seaport of Corinth, Paul, the great apostle and preacher of Christ, came to plant the Christian faith. It was a tremendous place to visit: a thriving commercial center full of people, full of business, and full of life and activity. Religions and philosophies vied with each other for pride of place in this great metropolis. Vice and immorality also found great space and scope for their activities. If the faith could be planted here, it could quickly spread to that whole area of southern Greece.

Paul established a strong community of believers, but it was not long before trouble broke out. It was hard enough to live the Christian life in an environment as complex as Corinth, but even harder when internal dissension broke out. Factions and in-fighting developed as people vied to be truer Christians than others. Dissension such as this casts a shadow over people's lives. Living with arguments and quarrels is like living in darkness and in the shadow of death. Paul has to write to the people and remind them to turn their gaze to the one person who really matters—Jesus Christ. It is this person, this name, this life that unites us. Let the darkness of our squabbling cease, and let us turn our eyes to the source of our joy, the Lord himself.

On the day Christ died, darkness covered the earth from the sixth hour until the ninth hour. The sun was blotted out, and the day became as black as night. But on Easter day, the Son of God rose from the dead, and light returned to this earth. As Paul tells us, no clever philosophy could explain this or understand it. It is God's doing, and we, who live together in the darkness of this world, have experienced the coming again of the light of life.

Our world is dark enough. Everywhere on earth there is dissension and civil war. People turn against each other, shouting their slogans, waving their flags, and breathing death and destruction to the foe.

For the sake of justice and for the cause of peace, we cannot continue to live in the dark. Violence must not provoke us into wrongdoing or hostility toward others. Paul tells us today: be united in your belief and in your practice. As the spiritual experience of eclipse and darkness might teach us, there is only one God, and we are all God's children.

In the Light of Christ, Father Bob Pastor



Come learn about our school's rich tradition of excellence in service, faith formation, and quality education.

Workshops will be available during the Open House in our Art, Music, Spanish and Technology classes.

St. Cletus offers a comprehensive education for children from 3 years of age through eighth grade.

700 W. 55th St. La Grange, IL 60525

Pre-register online at www.stcletusschool.com or call 708-352-4820

Walk-ins are welcome

CASH & CARRY FOR MANNA THIS WEEKEND!

MANNA: Gift Cards for Education will be available after all Masses in the church vestibule, **THIS WEEKEND**, I January 22/23. **Ring in 2011 with a MANNA purchase—it's a great way to support the school!** Looking for more information about MANNA? Visit **www.stcletusparish.com**.

FOR PEACE IN MEXICO

As you know, Mexico is suffering a tremendous wave of violence that is affecting families and innocent people. Our Mexican neighbors are living in a world of chaos of crime and violence. God is being lost. It is only *God* who can change people's hearts. It is only *God* who can help them and help the innocents who are suffering the consequences of these crimes.

We know the power of prayer and know that God is our only hope to change the world. For that reason our Hispanic Praying Group have united and every night are saying a Hail Mary for peace in Mexico.

For the sake of the lives of millions of Mexicans, *The Hispanic Prayer Group* invites you to join us and say **a Hail Mary every evening at 9:00 p.m. for peace in Mexico.** We ask you to please, in the sanctuary of your home, join us as God's family and unite in prayer for our neighbors in Mexico.

Please invite family and friends to join us, and in the sanctuary of their home, say a Hail Mary every evening at 9:00 p.m. for peace in Mexico. Please remember every evening at 9:00 p.m.

Deacon Jesús Casas

CARDINAL CORNER News from the St. Cletus School Board

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Faith, Family, Future

JOIN US FOR TOT TIME!

Families with children ages two to four 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.

We are hosting Tot Time several mornings this spring and one evening: February 15, March 15, and April 19 from 9:30-10:15 a.m. and March 8 from 6:30-7:15 p.m.

You are all welcome to join in a fun-filled activity time in the St. Cletus School Library. Park on Stone Avenue and enter through the Apple door. Snacks will be provided.

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.



ST. CLETUS 5th GRADERS GRADUATE FROM DARE PROGRAM

St. Cletus 5th Graders celebrated after graduating from a ten week course in Drug Abuse Resistance Education "D.A.R.E." Program. La Grange Police Officer Matt Gill, lead the course. Officer Gill met with students once a week to review Tobacco, Marijuana, Alcohol and Peer Pressure. The D.A.R.E. program helps educate students on how to resist drugs and violence. The Program was established in 1983.

GRADUATE NEWS

Congratulations to the following St. Cletus students who made the honor roll for first quarter at Nazareth Academy.

A Honor Roll: St. Cletus graduates Edward Ashe, Katelyn Cahill, Timothy Christopher, Tommy Clarke, Mary Figura, John Flach, Camille Lang, Cassandra Levitske, Colleen McCollom, Evan McLaughlin, Joey Nelson, Mark Patterson, Dennis Reisel and Cody Roll and parishioners Deanna Crouchelli and Taryn Kryza.

B Honor Roll: St. Cletus graduates Kevin Baro, Andrew Bartucci, Daniel Clarke, Sally Garvey, Michael Gray, Eileen Kennedy, Robert Lively, Jack McCollom and Catherine Usher and parishioners Emily Ayala, Nicholas Cozzi and Daniel Wulff.

Youth Ministry News!

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM: Tonight, <u>Sunday, January 23</u>, is a large group gathering for all Year I and II high school confirmation candidates. This program will be from 7–8:15pm in Morrissey Hall. All Year II Candidates should also turn in their permission slips for the overnight retreat and their Confirmation Information Sheets, listing their chosen Confirmation names. Both of these forms are due tonight. Any questions, contact Amy Cranny at (708-) 215-5419.

LAST CHANCE FOR OUR SURVEY – The Future of St. Cletus Youth Ministry

How can we as a parish encourage our youth to know and experience our Catholic faith during their high school years and beyond? As you have heard, our youth ministry program is going to be changing next year when Confirmation takes place solely in eighth grade. NOW, we have an exciting opportunity to plan for our parish teens' ongoing faith development! Two online surveys are posted – one for eighth graders/teens and one for parents/adult parishioners. All are welcome to complete the survey! Hard copies and copies in Spanish are available in the rectory. Please take the time to share your thoughts and feelings with us! Your input matters! Look for the surveys on our website at www.stcletusparish.com. Call (708) 215-5419 or email kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com with any questions.

PARENT/TEEN YOUTH MINISTRY SOCIAL

On Sunday, January 30, at 6:00 p.m., in Morrissey Hall, parents and teens (eighth grade and older) are invited to discuss the results of our survey - the future of SC youth ministry. Come for prayer, pizza, and fun! All are welcome! Call (708) 215-5419 or email **kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com** with any questions.

Kristen Maxwell

Youth Ministry



EVANGELIZATION - CALLING OTHERS TO CONNECT WITH GOD

n today's Gospel (4:12-23), Jesus calls Peter, Andrew, James and John to follow him and proclaim the Good News to all. Our call to discipleship began at our Baptism and yet we need to hear it repeatedly in order to respond to it again and again. Recently, the Archdiocese of Chicago used *Catholics Come Home*® ads on television to call all Catholics to a deeper practice of the faith. The ads stopped running last week though our call is clear...we are

to be part of a faith community that is strongly connected to God and to each other

The Catholic Church is the gathering of Jesus' disciples in union with him. This is the true substance of the Church, and it appeals to everyone longing for a true sense of connection in life and to everyone who deeply desires the fullness of life. The answer to a deeper connection to Jesus is found through prayer. Prayer itself is a gift given to us by the Lord. It is initially our movement but it is empowered by God's Holy Spirit.

The saints, the holy men and women of our tradition, give witness to prayer as an act of intimate connection. Saint Ignatius of Loyola spoke of the practice of prayer leading to a sense of familiarity with God, literally, a sense of family. Saint Teresa of Avila also speaks of prayer as our intimate connection with God, when she offers her description of prayer in the Book of Her Life: "...prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with Him who we know loves us." (chap. 8, n. 5)

Prayer truly is our connection with God.

Challenge yourself to learn a new prayer by heart or pray a rosary or prayerfully reflect on Scripture. Strengthen your connection to God through any style of prayer and you will find the power to live more clearly as a disciple, going out to share the Good News with others.



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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2011

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME School yourself in the values of Catholic education

We've heard the grim statistics about our nation's public schools. Ranked fifth in education spending around the globe, we're 21st in science literacy and 25th in math literacy. And don't even talk about reading: 69 percent of our students are not proficient readers in eighth grade. Children in private schools do better, of course—not only in their subjects but in their prospects after school days are behind them. And some of the most forward-looking education of all can be had in Catholic schools. It's Catholic Schools Week. Thank a teacher and support your local school.

Today's readings: Isaiah 8:23-9:3; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17; Matthew 4:12-23 or Matthew 4:12-17 "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

FEAST OF FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH All you need is love

In 1579, at the tender age of 13, Saint Francis de Sales experienced a spiritual crisis, having come away from a lecture on predestination convinced that he was damned to hell. It took seven years for the shadow to lift, and Francis only regained hope when he realized that whatever God had in store for him was good because "God is love." This insight became the basis for his life and for his influential spiritual writings. Don't let anyone or anything persuade you that you are beyond redemption. Cherish the insight that became the cornerstone of Francis' life: God is love, and in God all things are possible.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 9:15, 24-28; Mark 3:22-30 "The Lord has made his salvation known."

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25 FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL Turnaround artists

The Acts of the Apostles describes Saint Paul's conversion three times. Some of the details differ, but there's one part all the stories share: Paul hears a voice ask, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" Saul (Paul's original name) had enough good sense not only to ask who the voice was but also to address it as "Lord"! "I am Jesus," came the reply, "whom you are persecuting." It marked a complete turnaround for Paul, from zealous persecutor of Christians to zealous Christian missionary. While perhaps not as dramatic as Paul's conversion, we each have "conversion moments" that reveal God to us and reorient us toward love of God and neighbor. Today is a good day to act on them.

Today's readings: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18 "Proclaim the good news to the whole creation."

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

Be brave!

Many spiritual things come in sevens: the seven sacraments, the seven spiritual and corporal works of mercy, even the seven deadly sins and the seven sons of Saint Symphorosa! Seven is also the number of what are known as the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and one of those is *fortitude*, sometimes called courage. In Catholic tradition fortitude comes in two forms. One is the courage that goes with taking on a worthy challenge. The other is the courage to endure trials: illness, loss, failure, among others. In both cases what's needed is trust in God and God's purposes for your life. As Saint Thomas Aquinas wrote, "The Holy Spirit leads us to

eternal life, which is the final achievement of all we do"

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5; Luke 10:1-9

"God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline."

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27 FEAST OF ANGELA MERICI, VIRGIN Increase your faith's visibility

Saint Angela Merici founded the Ursuline order of nuns in 1535 in Brescia, Italy. The order's main mission was the education of girls and the care of the sick and needy. Within 100 years, the Ursuline Sisters expanded their ministry to the Americas. They were the first nuns in North America, and the convent they established in Quebec houses Ursuline sisters to this day. In succeeding generations the Ursulines established high schools and colleges across the U.S. and Canada. Today Ursuline Sisters are involved in varied ministries including teaching, parish work, spiritual direction, and peace and justice advocacy. Follow in the footsteps of Saint Angela and her sisters and make your faith visible through service to others.

Today's Readings: Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 4:21-25 "For there is nothing hidden, except to be disclosed."

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

FEAST OF THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH Grow in knowledge and faith

As Catholic Schools Week draws to a close we celebrate a great student: Saint Thomas Aquinas. A monumental intellect such as his might seem daunting to us with lesser skills, but what was important is that we always remain learners and not be afraid of truth. A solid education, like the mustard seed in Jesus' example, can grow along with our young people, keeping them always humble and open to new insights as the world changes. Finishing his great Summa Theologica, Thomas admitted: "All that I have written seems to me like so much straw compared to what I have seen and what has been revealed to me." We may not have his brilliance, but we can have his humility and charity—and make them available to future generations.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:32-39; Mark 4:26-34
"The kingdom of God.... is like a mustard seed... when it is sown
it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs."

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29 Make a list

In 1941 author James Agee and photographer Walker Evans published Let Us Now Praise Famous Men, a book chronicling the lives of Alabama sharecropper families in the 1930s. The title came from the first verse of chapter 44 in the Book of Sirach: "Let us now sing the praises of famous men, our ancestors in their generations"—ironic, because the book was about people who were distinctly un-famous. The Sirach passage introduces a recognizable form of biblical literature, the listing of people who were models of faith and virtue. Parents, teachers, coaches, bosses, maybe even a farmer grandfather or two and a greatgrandmother whose stern photo on the wall sees you out the door each day—each of us has a holy roll call of spiritual ancestors whose lives have guided us. Who's on yours?

Today's readings: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Mark 4:35-41
"It is through Isaac that descendants shall be named for you."

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SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for your faithful response to the pantry's needs. Your donations, along with those from various area churches, businesses, and organizations, are what keep us up and running. As we gear up for our February monthly distribution, most needed items include dry pinto beans, macaroni & cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, boxed sides, boxed meals, canned meat, tomatoes, canned fruit, cereal, juice, and diapers. It's not necessary to bring every item we need each week (although we will graciously and gratefully accept them!), but if everyone could just bring one or two items, it would help us greatly. Your donations can be dropped off in the designated food bins in the Church vestibule when you come to church on the weekend, or daily from 7:45a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Thanks again for continuing to answer Christ's call to feed the hungry.

MORE GIVING TREE "THANKS"

Besides the personal words of thanks, hugs, tears, and smiles of appreciation we received on the day of our gift and food distribution, at the January Food Pantry, and in numerous phone calls, we have also received many cards expressing appreciation. As in past years, I'd like to share a few of those heartfelt messages, because our clients' words say it best and mean the most:

"I just want to wish you a great prosperous New Year. Thank you for allowing us to participate in the Christmas program. It brought a great smile to my children's faces as they unwrapped their gifts."

"Thanks to everyone at St. Cletus for all you have done for us this year, especially for the wonderful gifts and food at Christmas. You are a blessing in tough times."

"We appreciate all that is done for us. Thank you for the kind words and smiles when we came to pick up our gifts and food.. Wishing you a new year filled with beautiful moments."

"I am truly touched by your kindness and compassion. Thank you for the gift of comfort and joy this December."

"God bless everyone at St. Cletus for the good things they do."

"Thanks for remembering us older folks and giving us a Merry Christmas, too."

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns



DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

THIS PAST YEAR WAS PARTICULARLY DEVASTATING FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA. Earthquakes in both Haiti and Chile resulted in the loss of life for thousands of this region's population. Additionally, these natural disasters caused unprecedented damage to both physical structures and the fragile resources of the Church and its parishioners.

This collection for the Church in Latin America provides funding for the formation of seminarians, religious and catechists, as well as for pastoral ministries such as evangelization. Obviously, it will take many years to rebuild the churches and schools devastated in this region, but through your generous support, the Church in Latin America will regain her strong presence in the two hundred dioceses of the Southern Hemisphere

Please know that I am grateful for your support of your local parish, the Archdiocese and the Universal Church. May God continue to bless you and your loved ones in this New Year. Know that you are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago

2011 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL BEGINS

"...seek first the kingdom of God..." (Matthew 6:33)

Many of our parishioners either have or soon will receive a mailing from Cardinal George. He will ask that you make a pledge to the 2011 *Annual Catholic Appeal*. Please respond generously.

The Appeal supports parish ministries that provide religious education to children, youth and adults in economically disadvantaged communities. It is also one of the largest philanthropic sources of financial support for Catholic schools in the Archdiocese. The Appeal also funds services that are of great help to other ministries here in our parish.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "...seek first the kingdom of God..." (Matthew 6:33). Jesus taught that we are not to worry about the things of this world. Rather, we are to seek the kingdom of God and the Father will reward us. God provides all that we have and all that we are. Stewardship, in part, is the recognition of God's gifts and the obligation to return a significant portion of our gifts to assist in his work. Our gifts to our parish, to our Archdiocese and the Church throughout the world are given in gratitude for what God has given us. A gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal helps to provide education, services, and ministry to thousands within and outside of our Archdiocese.

Also, when our parish reaches its goal of \$103,000 in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our parish.

Please prayerfully consider making a significant pledge to the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal.

:That each of us will give generously to support the work of our Archdiocese through the Annual Catholic Appeal. We pray to the Lord..."



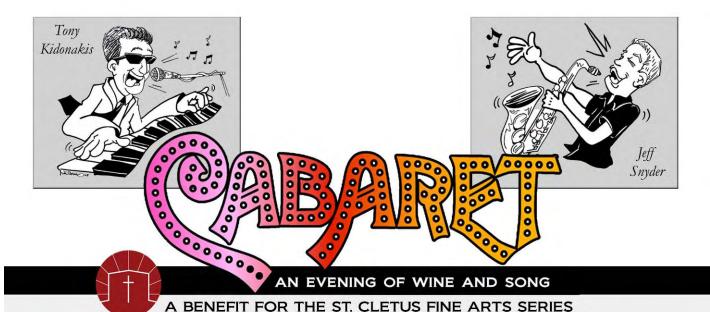
Mid-winter Women's Retreat: *Coming Home to Ourselves* will be held on Friday evening, January 28, from 7–9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 29, from

9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Bridget Sperduto and Janet Bolger, CSJ, facilitators, will explore with you the wisdom from two great parables, The Prodigal Son and The Good Samaritan. The cost including overnight accommodations is \$140 (\$90 for commuters).

Quest for the Living God (3 sessions) with John Surette, SJ, and Bridget Sperduto touches on new images of God suggested by the discovery that we live in an evolving Universe. The sessions will be held on Thursdays, February 3, 10 and 17, from 9:30–11:30 a.m. There will be opportunities for reflection, contemplation and discussion. The cost is \$75.

Beholding Earth: A Cosmic Vision is a workshop that encourages you to experience Earth anew from a 21st century worldview. Spiritual seeker, teacher and director Ann Schreckenberger facilitates the program on Friday, February 4, from 9:00 a.m.– 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.**



DATE

Friday, February 25 7:30 p.m. Doors Open 8:00 p.m. Entertainment Begins

ADMISSION

\$35 in Advance, \$40 at the Door includes Entertainment, Wine and Hors d'œuvres

Plan to join us for an unforgettable evening of music. Tony Kidonakis and Jeff Synder will perform an interactive sing-along show. They'll take requests and sing your favorite songs, everyone leaves singing and smiling. This is only fundraiser we have for the Fine Arts Series, and we look forward to your support and attendance.

Save the Date!

JOYFUL AGAIN! (A WIDOWED MINISTRY)

Have you lost a spouse recently and are grieving for him/her? Do you hold back the tears and let them fall when you are alone to avoid having your family worry about you? If so this is the retreat for you.

All are invited: The Joyful Again! Retreat is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and joy in their lives.

To be held at: Holy Family Medical Ctr,

100 N. River Rd., Des Plaines, IL

On: March 19 & 20, 2011

For more information:

Phone (708) 354-7211
Email: Joyfulagain@att.net
Website: www.joyfulagain.org

RESPECT LIFE 2011

This weekend begins the remembrance of the 38th Anniversary of Roe vs Wade when the Supreme Court legalized Abortion at all stages of Life. The St. Cletus Parish Committee for Respect Life Activities has literature tables in the foyer of the church today.

Details and facts of the live television coverage of the Masses and the Monday March in Washington, D.C. can be found at the tables and on the Respect Life bulletin board on the East wall of the foyer. Thank you.

Marianne & Wayne Hamilton

The St. Cletus Parish Committee for Respect Life Activities

It is indispensable that new technological development in the field of medicine never be to the detriment of respect for human life and dignity, so that those who suffer physical illnesses or handicaps can always receive that love and attention required to make them feel valued as persons in their concrete needs.

> Pope Benedict XVI, Address during Visit to the Obra Benéfico-Social Nen Déu, Nov. 7, 2010

Sunday Collection - January 16, 2011

Total Active Registered Families 2,729

<u>Collection Statistics</u> <u>Amount Collected</u>

of envelopes used - this week 666

% of registered families 24% \$21,039 Envelope Users

2,611 Loose Checks/Cash Automatic Debit

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,250 \$23,650 Total

Over (under) Budget (\$3,600)

This Fiscal Year @ 01/16/11

Actual Sunday Collections \$754,072 <u>Budgeted Sunday Collections</u> 790,250 YTD Over (Under) than budget \$ (36,178)

WEEK AT A GLANCE					
Day/Date	Start Time	Location/ Rm. #	Event		
Monday, January 24	7:00 p.m.	S-98	EPIC Class		
	9:00 p.m.	MH	Men's Basketball		
Tuesday, January 25	7:00 p.m.	S-201	Teen Advisory Board		
	9:00 p.m.	MH	Boy's Church League		
Wednesday, January 26	9:00 a.m.	RB	Mission Ladies		
	3:30 p.m.	MH	Science Fair		
	7:00 p.m.	S-102	RCIA		
	9:00 p.m.	MH	Boy's Church League		
Thursday, January 27	5:00 p.m.	S-Music	Children's Choir		
	6:30 p.m.	S-Music	Contemporary Choir		
	7:30 p.m.	S-Music	Chancel Choir		
	8:00 p.m.	S-102	AA		
	9:00 p.m.	MH	Boy's Church League		
Friday, January 28	6:00 p.m.	S-Music	Spanish Choir Practice		
	7:00 p.m.	S-207	Hispanic Ministry Bible Class		
Saturday, January 29	6:00 p.m.	S-200 & 213	Spanish Gathering Ministerial Celebration		
Sunday, January 30	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	S-102 C Entire School MH MH	RCIA Catholic Schools Week Mass Catholic Schools Week Open House Open House 8th Grade Youth Ministry		
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

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson:Ed BurkeVice-Chairperson:Joe BambergerRecording Secretary:Xavier Polanski

Corresponding Secretary: Elizabeth Goellner-McLean

Worship Ministry: Colleen Hagen
Justin Sisul

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Parish at Large: TBA

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Education Ministry: Marty Mulcrone (School) George Pach (Rel. Ed.)

Adult Faith Formation: Mike Pusatera

Pastoral Care Ministry: Gary Lewis
Jim Matthews

Development Ministry:Ed BurkeStaff Representative:Paulette BoltonHispanic Ministry:Silvia CasasLouis Lopez

Social Concerns: Dick Ford
Peggy Meidell

Parish Life: Fr. Edgar Rodriguez

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

OFFICERS

Pastor: Fr. Bob Clark
Principal: Terri Langellier
Chairperson: Tim O'Brien
Vice Chairperson: Luke Sheridan
Secretary: Jeanne Kelly
Athl. Association President: Amy Grace

FSA President:
PPC Rep:
Tech. Committee Rep:
Mark Staelgrave
Marketing:
Heather Alpe

Bridget Garvey
Finance: Ed Burke

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