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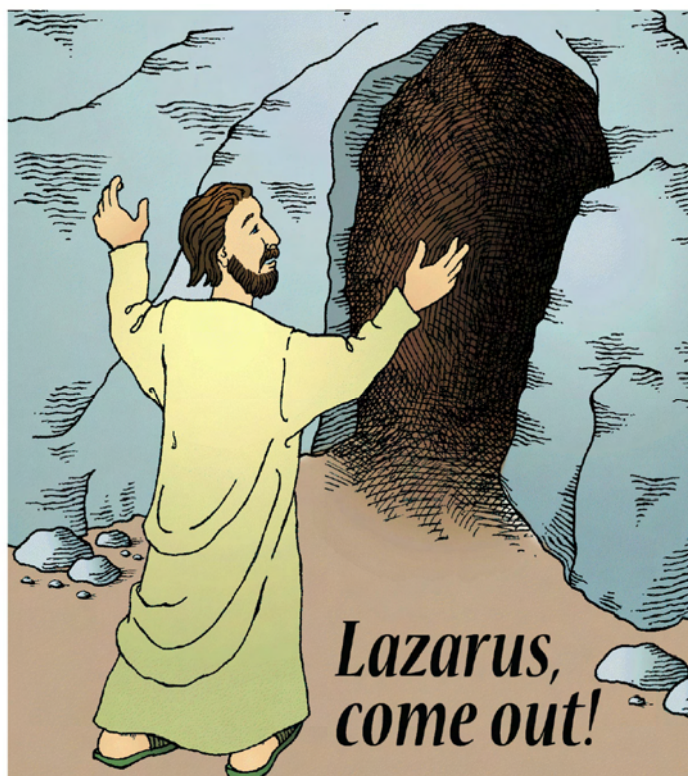
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April 10, 2011

Fifth Sunday of Lent



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Mass Intentions for the Week of April 11 - April 17, 2011

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Thomas Lihosit
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Debbie Sipek, Richard James, Roy J. Lane, Sr., Joseph Viececi, Betty Verhoven
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Tom Kigin Lenten Evening Mass
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Tecla Kwak, Joseph Ulfig, Mary Ricciardone & Calandriello Family
Friday	8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Anna Pleszka Taizé Prayer Service
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Purgatorial Society Mr. & Mrs. Costantino Lombardi, Georgia Popp, Joe Hassler, Virginia Dreja, Joseph Lewandowski, Lewis Lich
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Purgatorial Society Anna Pleszka Rose Mary Ptak, Roseann Lodato, Ann Marie Fahey, Michael Arpaia, Fred Montalto Walter & Marcie Johnston, George Benrus, Dorothy Flores, Adeline Kulikowski, Venda Tulacka Purgatorial Society



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Dale Gurney, John Harden, Mary Alice Gregorchuk, Harry Fisher, Chester Wojcik, Donald Cuttill, Laura McDonnell, Dick Radom, Idolina Montano, Wei Wu, Sue Kremer, Gail Pankow-Locker, Kathryn Super-Wilson, Lydia Ciaglia, Sherry Sumner, Maeva Bishop, Rebecca Mueller, Joshua Thomas, Jr., Leslie Imholt, Loretta Pavlik, Katie Meyer, Howard Pohlman, 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.



Wedding Banns

Nicole Krystyniak & David Abraham

Adam Tybor & Kelly Hartigan



St. Cletus Parish Welcomes

Noah Casabal,

son of Jonathan & Elizabeth (Villalobos) Casabal

**...to the Catholic Faith through the
Sacrament of Baptism.**



A Warm Welcome to Our Newly Registered Parishioners

Please welcome...Mr. & Mrs. Jesús Garcia, Mr. & Mrs. John Hebding, Jeff Jendreas and Dottie Finger, and Mr. & Mrs. James Lynch to our parish family.

If you attend St. Cletus but have not yet registered, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

**Please remember our deceased and their
families in your prayers...**



Eleanore Anna Ruta,
mother of Gayle Sorrentino

PARISH LENTEN FORGIVENESS SERVICE

St. Cletus Parish Forgiveness Service will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at 7:00 p.m. Please feel free to take advantage of God's gift of forgiveness.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2011

It was a sunny morning in July, and a family was beginning their vacation on the west coast of Ireland. Being in County Clare, they decided to visit the Cliffs of Moher. These spectacular cliffs rise 700 feet sheer from the sea and stretch for five miles along the Clare coast. A popular venue with tourists, there is a good, safe viewing area for the experience. On this particular morning, bright sunshine gave a stunning view of the cliffs, the shimmering sea, and the many birds that nest in the crevices of the rocks. Suddenly, as if from nowhere, a sea mist—a fog—rose up, blotting out the sun, blanketing the sea, and enshrouding the towering cliffs. From being able to see everything, now they could see nothing. Only the path in front of them, leading people safely back to the car park, could be discerned. Everything else was a disorientating mist.

People have lost their lives on cliffs and on mountains when a sudden mist has descended and robbed them of every landmark and all sense of direction. Without signs or familiar objects to get our bearings, we become totally lost and disoriented. We cannot see where to go. We do not even know where we are.

This physical experience of disorientation is multiplied a million times in the spiritual experience of life. In a world of a myriad of voices and lifestyles, people, especially people on their own, can become completely lost and confused. Without the comfort and support of spiritual guides in the shape of family and friends, many people find themselves lost and prey to every kind of exploitation. It does not take long for them to fall victim to the coldness and callousness of the world. The suffering of such people is enormous, because, as Saint Paul reminds the Christians of Rome, we are spiritual beings, and unspiritual behavior is destructive of our very soul. We are made for goodness, loveliness, beauty and truth, and our suffering is intense when all we experience is badness, cruelty, ugliness and lies. When such things happen to us, the sun is blotted out of our lives, and a disorientating fog envelops us. It is then that the cry for God's mercy goes up. "Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!" A spiritual death has taken hold of us, and we cannot raise ourselves. Who will lift us from our graves?

When Jesus' friend, Lazarus, falls ill and dies, the opportunity presents itself for Jesus to show to the world that he is the Lord of life—to show that no death, no evil or corrupting power will win the victory over the Lord of life. Neither physical death nor spiritual death will have the mastery. Whoever believes in Jesus will never die. Life beyond the grave is a tremendous promise, but life before the grave is desperately important as well. What is the point or purpose of living if we can never know happiness? And happiness is the spiritual delight in being alive. It is the spirit of God living within us. It is the life of the Beatitudes that Jesus preached to the crowds.

The poor, the humble, the gentle, and the patient—these are the people whose lives bring them the great gift of happiness. These are the people who have the power to raise others from spiritual death.

"If you had been here, my brother would not have died." This is the heart-broken cry of Martha over her dead brother, Lazarus. It is also a cry addressed to us by the broken-hearted people of our world. Wherever people suffer from the death-dealing blows of a violent and cruel world, they look to the healthy ones for care and compassion and for help and healing.

By God's grace, you and I are the healthy ones of this world. Not because we are perfect—far from it! Not because we are holy—God help us! Not because we are faultless—God forgive us! But for a most amazing reason, of which we are not worthy, the Spirit of God has made his home in us!

If the Spirit of Jesus lives in you, then not only will you be alive, but you can help others to be alive as well. You can, as a member of Christ Jesus, call others from their graves, unbind them, and help them to be free.

Lenten Happiness,

Fr. Bob
Pastor



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

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2011

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Seek the Spirit

When we hear talk of *flesh* in scripture, we usually think of it as the human body, our flesh and bones. Saint Paul often pits flesh against Spirit in his Letters. If at those times we understand Paul's references to flesh to be referring to the body only, we would believe our bodies to be rather nasty indeed. But the news isn't that bad. By *flesh* Paul means "self-centeredness" versus *Spirit*, or "God-centeredness." Are we oriented toward ourselves or to the ways of God? If the first option is true for us, then our physical existence, bodies included, can be a drag on our spirit. If we look to God, though, before all else, then our material lives, bodies included, become sacred vessels that house the divine.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 (34)*

"You are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you."

MONDAY, APRIL 11 LENTEN WEEKDAY

Don't live under a rock

In one of the most dramatic moments in scripture Jesus comes face-to-face with a woman caught in adultery. But because her accusers are only using her as a tool to trap Jesus, he confronts a second and greater sin: the eagerness to judge. At Jesus' invitation—"let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her"—at least those in the crowd were honest enough to let the rocks fall from their fingers. Jesus himself could have led the execution because *he* is without sin, but being sinless does not lead him to condemn sinners. It leads to forgiving them, showing them how to live without the sin that can destroy. In Lent we scrutinize ourselves for signs of self-righteousness—something we must drop like a heavy stone.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; John 8:1-11 (251)*

"In response, they went away one by one."

TUESDAY, APRIL 12 LENTEN WEEKDAY

A prophet's word is honorable

There are countless guides on how to write the perfect résumé. Nearly all suggest that you include lots of credentials and personal referrals of influential people. After all, it's who you know and what qualifications you bring to the table that matter, right? On the other hand, what would a prophet's curriculum vitae look like? Here we are seeing a different kind of *résumé*, where personal integrity carries the day. In the gospel the Pharisees want to see a traditional résumé of Jesus, but many people believed in Jesus based on the power of his witness. Listen carefully to what Jesus is saying and do your best to honor it in your own life.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30 (252)*

"Because he spoke this way, many came to believe in him."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 FEAST OF MARTIN I, POPE, MARTYR

God's grace will be your guide

Standing up for our values and our faith in God is never an easy thing to do. Sometimes our decisions can lead to justice and vindication and other times to suffering and death. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who are celebrated in the Book of Daniel, though willing to face a fiery furnace because of their belief in God, were spared. Pope Martin I, who also willingly stood up for his belief in God and in the human and divine natures

of Jesus, did not prevail against his accusers. He was tortured, imprisoned, and exiled. God's favor is not tied to our success in changing hardened hearts. All God asks of us is faithfulness. May the witness of Martin and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego give us the courage to trust in God always.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Daniel 13:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42 (253)*

"They . . . yielded their bodies rather than serve or worship any god except their own God."

THURSDAY, APRIL 14 LENTEN WEEKDAY

Getting to know God

"How well do you know me" quizzes (now in popular app form)—with questions like, "What's my favorite band/movie/song/video game? Where would I most like to be? Who are my heroes?"—have long been lighthearted ways to test or strengthen friendships. With Lent particularly set aside for repentance and renewal, it's a good time to take a "how well do you know God" quiz. Ask yourself: Based on scripture and tradition, what do I know to be God's likes and dislikes? Who are the people with whom God has found favor? Where am I likely to find God? Your search for answers will no doubt test and, let's hope, strengthen your friendship with God.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59 (254)*

"Jesus answered, ' . . . You do not know him, but I know him.' "

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 LENTEN WEEKDAY

Keep on coming back to God

The life of a prophet is not easy. Jeremiah, in particular, wrestled mightily with his role as God's messenger. He began by trying to get out of what he was being called to do: "I know not how to speak; I am too young" (1:6). During his lifetime Jeremiah endured beatings, torture, and imprisonment. He was even thrown into a well and left to die. Yet in spite of his many doubts, fears, trials, and tribulations, Jeremiah persevered. He always returned to God. Today (and every day) during those times when you feel fear or anger or resentment, take a page from Jeremiah's book and recover your grounding in God.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42 (255)*

"But the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion."

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 LENTEN WEEKDAY

Who is high priest of your own heart?

Caiaphas, the Jewish high priest who presided at the trial of Jesus, saw Jesus as a threat to his own power and privilege. So he took advantage of his close relationship with Pontius Pilate to persuade the latter to condemn Jesus to crucifixion. Though it is easy enough to dislike Caiaphas based on the biblical testimony, we do well to recognize a little bit of ourselves in him. Lent is a good time to reflect on how we protect our power and privilege in ways that hurt others. Before condemning Caiaphas let's make sure we haven't done the same thing to Jesus in our own hearts!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56 (256)*

"It is better for you that one man should die instead of the people."

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Capture the Lenten Spirit in Prayer



Monday, April 11



7:00 p.m. Evening of Reflection presented
by Rev. Thomas R. McCarthy, O.S.A.
President St. Rita High School

Tuesday, April 12

7:00 p.m. Parish Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, April 13 - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Mass

Friday, April 15

2:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Taizé Prayer Service

Sunday, April 17

A JAZZ PASSION 4:00 p.m. Victorious, Eternal, Light:
a Jazz Passion
VICTORIOUS • ETERNAL • LIGHT

A St. Cletus Fine Arts Series Presentation. Admission is free.

Wednesday, April 20 - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Mass

Thursday, April 21 - Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Supper followed by
Silent Adoration until 11:00 p.m.

Friday, April 22 - Good Friday

10:00 a.m. Living Stations of the Cross, Via Crucis
(Stations in Spanish) Parking Lot and Parish Grounds
— ALL ARE WELCOME

11:30 a.m. "Last Words"/Las Siete Palabras of Jesus
(in Spanish) in Morrissey Hall

1:00 p.m. Adoration of the Cross/Adoración de la Cruz
(in Spanish) in Morrissey Hall

3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7:00 p.m. Living Stations presented by parish teens
followed by Communion Service

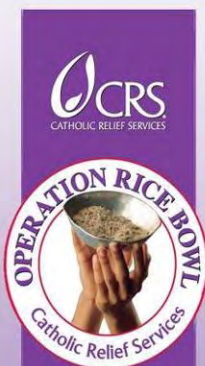
Saturday, April 23

12:00 p.m. Blessing of Food Baskets (Morrissey Hall)

7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass (Bilingual)

Sunday, April 24 - Easter Sunday

Masses - 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
11:15 a.m. (Morrissey Hall), and 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)



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FOR ALL
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Pray, Fast, Learn and
Give with Operation
Rice Bowl this Lent!

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Scripture and the Mass



It is clear that Sacred Scripture has a revered and important place in the eucharistic Liturgy. Every Mass includes a Liturgy of the Word. The main elements of the Liturgy of the Word are biblical readings and the singing of a psalm. The Liturgy of the Word reaches its high point in the proclamation of the Gospel.

However, the use of Scripture in the Mass does not end when the Liturgy of the Word has finished. In fact, the words of Scripture flow throughout the prayers of the Mass. One of the goals of the new translation of the *Missal* was to make clearer the links between the prayers of the Mass and the text of Scripture. Some of the most noticeable changes reflect the words of the Bible more clearly. Let's take a look at some of these changes.

A BIBLICAL GREETING

At several points in the Mass, the priest or deacon and the people engage in the following dialogue:

Priest or Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit. (*The Order of Mass*, 2)

The first words come from a greeting of Boaz, the great-grandfather of King David: "Boaz . . . said to the harvesters, 'The Lord be with you!' and they replied, 'The Lord bless you!'" (Ru 2:4). The people's response reflects the language of St. Paul. In Galatians, he says, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen" (Gal 6:18); the Second Letter to Timothy closes with a similar wish: "The Lord be with your spirit" (2 Tm 4:22). The Letter to the Philippians ends with "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit" (Phil 4:23).

The new language, though a bit unfamiliar to our ears, more directly reflects the biblical understanding that, through Baptism, the Spirit of God dwells in us and unites us as one Body in Christ.

WELCOMING THE LORD

Immediately before coming forward to receive the Lord in Holy Communion, we welcome the Lord:

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed. (*The Order of Mass*, 132)

This prayer quotes the words of the centurion who asked Jesus to cure his servant. He would not presume to ask Jesus to come to his home. He trusted in the authority of Jesus' healing word, saying: "Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed" (Mt 8:8; see Lk 7:6-7). This new phrasing reminds us that, in receiving Holy Communion, we are to emulate the centurion's humility and faith.

FOR THE MANY

One of the most notable changes will come in the words that the priest speaks in consecrating the wine as the Blood of Christ:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it:
for this is the chalice of my Blood,
the Blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which will be poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins. (*The Order of Mass*, 90)

The newly translated text more closely reflects the scriptural accounts of the Last Supper: "Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins'" (Mt 26:27-28). Much attention has focused on a single change in this text: from "for all" to "for many." This change is unique to the English language. Other languages, including Spanish, French, and German, have already been using language that more closely reflects Jesus' words at the Last Supper.

This new text does not mean that God's love is limited or that only some may be saved. Rather, it reflects the fact that human beings may choose to accept the grace of salvation and live their lives in the light of this grace.

DEEPER UNDERSTANDING

If we recognize the biblical references that underlie the liturgical texts, we will have a fuller understanding of their meaning. For example, Eucharistic Prayer I includes the following passage:

Be pleased to look upon these offerings
with a serene and kindly countenance,
and to accept them,
as you were pleased to accept
the gifts of your servant Abel the just,
the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith,
and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek,
a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim. (*The Order of Mass*, 93)

If we do not know who Abel (Gn 4:4) and Melchizedek (Gn 14:18-20) are and if we do not understand the importance of Abraham's sacrifice (Gn 15:7-21; 22:1-14), we will not fully appreciate the concept of sacrifice and how our celebration of the eucharistic sacrifice ties us to our ancestors in the faith, from the very beginning.

THE WORD OF GOD IN SCRIPTURE AND THE EUCHARIST

Translating the liturgical texts with a close eye to their correspondence with the texts of Scripture can help us to develop a greater appreciation of the close links between the prayers of the Mass and Sacred Scripture. These close links can help draw us more deeply into the theological meaning of the texts.

For example, before the Communion Rite, the priest breaks the Host and shows it to the people, saying:

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
(*The Order of Mass*, 132)

The first part of this prayer echoes the words of John the Baptist, heralding the coming of the Christ: "The next day he [John] saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world'" (Jn 1:29). In the same way, we who are united in the Body of Christ in the Sacrament of Baptism and strengthened in the Eucharist are called to point others to Jesus through our words and actions.

The second part of this prayer reflects the words of the Book of Revelation: "Then the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb'" (Rev 19:9). In this prayer, we are not rejoicing that we may receive the Eucharist. Instead, we rejoice for those who have been found worthy to share in the heavenly Liturgy, the supper of the Lamb, and we pray that one day, we may join them in the everlasting life of the Kingdom of God.

CONCLUSION

By delving more deeply into the scriptural background of the Mass, we come to know more closely Jesus, the Word of God made flesh, whose Paschal Mystery we celebrate.

REFERENCE

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TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS!

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DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY!
FR. THOMAS R. MCCARTHY, O.S.A.
TO SPEAK AT ST. CLETUS ON MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2011

Please join Fr. Thomas McCarthy on Monday, April 11, 7:00 p.m., as he presents an *Evening of Reflection* in church. Father Tom McCarthy, O.S.A. is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher. He is a native of the South Side of Chicago, and grew up in St. Adrian Parish in Marquette Park. He received his elementary school education at St. Adrian School and high school education at St. Rita of Cascia High School. He graduated from Villanova University with a B.A. in Communication Arts. He also has a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from Lewis University.

Fr. Tom entered the Midwest Province of the Augustinian Order in 1987. After completing his novitiate he attended Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and graduated with a Master of Divinity degree. In 1993 he made his solemn vows as an Augustinian Friar and in 1994 he was ordained to the priesthood.

Fr. Tom did a pastoral internship at St. Clare of Montefalco Parish in Grosse Pointe Park, MI. He also taught theology at Providence Catholic High School in New Lenox.

Fr. Tom has been at St. Rita of Cascia High School since 1994, first as a Campus Minister and teacher, then as President and Principal. He is currently President of St. Rita of Cascia High School and is also the Vocation Director for the Midwest Augustinian Province.



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Each one of the readings today speaks of death and new life. In Ezekiel (EZ 37:12-14) God promises to open the graves and bring his people back to life. In St. Paul's letter (8:8-11) he tells the Romans that their concern with things of the flesh will bring them sin and death though the spirit of God within them will bring eternal life. And in the Gospel story of Lazarus (John 11:1-45) Jesus brings his friend back from the dead.

These scripture passages and many others with the same message lay a foundational understanding of what it means to be Catholic. We understand suffering, we can be calm in the face of what may seem like destruction, just like Jesus in the Gospel who hears of his friend's death and calmly waits two days before returning to the friend's home. Think of the Good Friday service where we meditate on the suffering and death of Jesus during veneration of the cross. Those actions are symbolic of how our faith leads us to moments where we "kiss the cross" knowing that it is only through death that we can achieve new life.

In what part of your life have you experienced death? Has there been an ending of a relationship, a career, a dream? Has this ending been difficult for you? Have you spent time in prayer to feel the way this death brought new life to you? Make the time this week to re-read these scripture passages and listen for the message of hope that are layered within them.

Another way to apply these readings to life is to look for the things that should be allowed to die in order to find a renewed life. Are there sinful behaviors, addictions, unhealthy patterns in your life that are difficult to end? Our faith tells us that we can move through the suffering, experience death and find joyful new life.

Holy Week provides the perfect opportunity to reflect on the deaths that are necessary for you to experience abundant new life. Plan on attending one of the Triduum services in your parish. Reach out to someone that you know is suffering through a difficult experience and invite him/her to attend with you.

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

OPERATION RICE BOWL

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT — I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT IN YOU THAT YOU MAY HAVE LIFE

The scriptures this weekend are rich with the theme that God brings the dead to life. God has made us all to share life with Him, and so all humans have rights and responsibilities to the basic goods of the earth. In Kenya and elsewhere, Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl helps people receive the basic right of an education. Follow this week's calendar as it highlights the work Catholic Relief Services does with the Ministry of Education in Kenya, to help orphans and vulnerable children access high quality learning opportunities. You might want to try this week's featured Kenyan recipe, or check out the website ORB.CRS.ORG for other recipe suggestions for simple Lenten meals.

Reminder: Don't forget to return your Rice Bowl, with your almsgiving donations, to Church next weekend as we celebrate Palm Sunday, or during Holy Week. Thank you!

Do you know?

World-renowned for its game parks, marathon runners and coffee, Kenya also has a natural beauty that attracts visitors from around the globe. A rising economic force in Africa, Kenya is also a growing business hub for East Africa.

- While the country makes economic advances, it continues to struggle with large income disparities, considerable poverty and poor governance. Many Kenyans affiliate themselves closely with one of the country's 42 ethnic groups, creating tight social bonds that at times lead to conflict.
- Catholic Relief Services has been providing services to the people of Kenya since the early 1960's, addressing the major causes of poverty in Kenya, including drought, floods, diseases and injustice.
- In more recent years, CRS's focus in Kenya has shifted from direct relief and food distribution to comprehensive development programming implemented through partners to strengthen communities. One of these programs is the Education for Marginalized Children (EMACK) Program.
- **ORB.CRS.ORG** has many more interesting facts about Kenya and the impact of the work done there through Catholic Relief Services. You can also find many suggestions to enhance your Lenten Journey of Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving, and Learning about our global community and the challenges of poverty overseas.

This week's Catholic Social Teaching focus: Rights and Responsibilities: Every person has basic rights, including the right to life, food, water and shelter, and the responsibility to support the rights of others.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:

You still have a few days to drop off a non-perishable food donation to the Church vestibule before this Thursday's distribution. Most needed items include pasta sauce, spaghetti, coffee, juice, and diapers. Thank you!

SVDP

Don't forget that we now have a drop box located on the main parking lot, next to the recycled paper bins. Bring your gently used clothing and shoes to this convenient location, and help those who are in need of those items.

Save the Date: Our Fourth Annual Rummage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, July 23. It's never too early to begin thinking of those household items/furniture that you would like to donate to a great cause...or for setting aside time to help with the planning and execution of the sale itself...or for marking your calendar as a reminder to shop the great bargains available! More details to follow in June. Thank you for supporting our SVDP chapter.

Mary Beth Ford

Social Concerns Director

Youth Ministry Update!

2011 – 2012 TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION REMINDER

Don't forget to register for our new program beginning in September! All high school teens are invited and encouraged to participate! Forms and information are available on our parish website at www.stcletusparish.com/youth. Contact Kristen Maxwell at kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419 with any questions.

PRAYER GROUP FOR PARENTS OF TEENS: We will meet again this **Friday, April 15, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 200, of the Education Building.** Our prayer and reflection will center upon the virtue of forgiveness during this Lenten season. Please join us! All are welcome!

NEXT WEEKEND - FANNIE MAY MISSION TRIP CANDY SALES

To defray the cost of our trip, we will be selling candy bars once again for \$1 next weekend, April 16/17, after all Palm Sunday Masses!

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE – INDIANAPOLIS NOVEMBER 17-19, 2011

The National Catholic Youth Conference is an exciting, biennial three-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers and their adult chaperones. The schedule includes keynote addresses, concurrent and workshop sessions addressing a wide variety of topics. There are also opportunities for liturgy, reconciliation, prayer and worship, recreation and special activities such as concerts, exhibits, and the interactive thematic park. Cost for the event is \$400. Learn more about it on the website <http://ncyc.nfcym.org>. Contact Kristen Maxwell at kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com/youth or (708) 215-5419 by Friday, April 22 if you are interested.

Kristen Maxwell
Youth Minister Advisor

FINE ARTS SERIES EVENTS – NOT TO BE MISSED!

The St. Cletus Fine Arts Series has two upcoming events that you won't want to miss! On Saturday, April 30, we will host the Chicago Choral Artists at 7:30 p.m. This is a professional chorus that performs throughout Chicagoland and contains a couple of our parishioners! As this concert is part of their subscription series, tickets will be \$20 each and can be purchased at the door or in advance at www.chicagochoralartists.org.

On Palm Sunday, we will have the privilege of experiencing the telling of the Passion story through the medium of jazz music in "Victorious, Eternal Light: A Jazz Passion." If you've been to the Jazz Nativity, this is a larger version of the same professional band, joined by some of the area's top vocalists. This piece was newly composed in 2010; St. Cletus will host the 4th-ever performance of this new work. Chicagoland jazz legends including Bobby Lewis, Jerry Coleman, John Blane, Tim Coffman, Andy Tecson, Ken Jandes, Mark Olen, Jerry DiMuzio and Stewart Miller join forces with Bob Bowker and members of the Lakeside Singers (an all-professional choir) to create music that is truly stirring.

On a personal note, I have to say that of all of the projects I've been involved with over the past few years, the Jazz Passion has been the most inspiring to me, both from a musical and spiritual perspective. Conducting this ensemble is a dream; presenting the story of Christ's passion in such a unique and powerful way is truly awesome. We are incredibly fortunate to have the opportunity to experience this performance – free of charge – right here at St. Cletus. I encourage you to set aside one hour and join us on Sunday, April 17, at 4:00 p.m. It will be time well spent musically and spiritually.

Justin Sisul,
Director of Music



SAINT CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES

A JAZZ PASSION

VICTORIOUS + ETERNAL + LIGHT

Sunday, April 17 at 4pm

St. Cletus Church
700 W 55th St., La Grange, IL

No Admission Charge



LIBRETTO BY
PASTOR DAVID G. ABRAHAMSON

ORIGINAL MUSIC COMPOSED BY
BOBBY LEWIS, BOBBY SCHIFF
AND ANDY TECSON

BOB BOWKER AS JESUS

SOLO AND VOCAL QUARTET
DANIEL RILEY, DAWN HOLT
LAUBER, GAYLE BISESI AND
DAVID MOLNAR

CHOIR
BEVERLY COLEMAN AND
LAKESIDE SINGERS ANGEL
BARRETTE, LISA BOWKER,
MELISSA SMITHSON, DAN
MACDONALD, ANDY DISTEL AND
JON NEGUS

CONDUCTED BY
JUSTIN SISUL

BAND INCLUDES
BOBBY LEWIS, BOBBY SCHIFF,
ANDY TECSON, KEN JANDES,
STEWART MILLER, JERRY
COLEMAN, GERALDO
DEOLIVEIRA, MARK OLEN, JERRY
DEMUZIO, TIM COFFMAN, JOHN
BLANE AND PAT FERRERI

STAGING AND DESIGN BY
LAURA ABRAHAMSON AND
JANICE POHL

SOUND BY MARK JANDES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FAIR—MAY 22, 2011
MORRISSEY HALL — 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



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For returning families:

- * **Verify the pre-printed family form**
- * **Complete the emergency and volunteer information**
- * **Pay a deposit fee**

If you are enrolling a new child this year:

- * **Please bring with you a copy of your child's baptismal certificate**
(this is required at TIME of registration)
- * **Complete registration, emergency and volunteer forms**
- * **Pay a deposit fee**

Questions? Contact the RE Office at (708) 352-2383

Sister Pat McKee

Director of Religious Education



Congratulations!

On Sunday, April 3, 2011 two of our eighth grade Religious Education students: Sofia Luevano and Erik Diaz received their First Holy Communion at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Roberto Vilchis, an eighth grade student and his sister, Miranda Vilchis, a fifth grade student, received their First Holy Communion at the 12:30 p.m. Mass. We thank God and ask His special blessing on these four wonderful young men and women.

Sister Pat McKee

Director of Religious Education



Religious Education Bible Study

Knock-knock. Who's there? Blue. Blue who? Don't cry! You can come to PandaMania this summer. Register now for our 5th year of Bible School. The fun begins on Monday, June 20. The cost is \$30 per child. Registration forms and more information are available in the Religious Education Office or on-line.

NEEDED — Adventure Leaders and helpers from 6th Grade to 100 years old willing to help our young adventurer's Explore God's World during the week of June 20, from 8:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Call Sr. Pat or Holly at (708) 352-2383 or email to re@stcletusparish.com.

Sr. Pat McKee

Director of Religious Education

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Lent is the perfect time to make time for God. Treat yourself to a Taizé experience of silence, meditative prayer, Scripture and song. Sometimes we need to refresh our spirits and return to the source of our being. Taizé offers a peace-filled moment in our task-driven world to reflect on what is important in our lives. Won't you come on Friday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m.?

Paulette Bolton - Liturgist

CREDO CORNER

BEGIN HOLY WEEK WITH A MINI-RETREAT

On Monday April 18, from 6:30-9:30 p.m., join the CREDO Committee for a mini-retreat at the start of Holy Week. The retreat will begin in the St. Cletus School Kindergarten (Room 98) with the viewing of the movie *The Passion*. After the movie, a brief period of meditation will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction in the Church. Come join us for an evening to contemplate the sacrifice Christ made for us and then spend some time in His presence. It will be the perfect way to start Holy Week.

Due to the graphic nature of the film, this event will be limited to adults only.

**CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD
DURING HOLY WEEK**

La Grange Ministerium Presents Community-wide
I Will Redeem You with an Outstretched Arm

Good Friday Service



Live painting during service
- Caleb Baker, artist

April 22 • 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

La Grange Christian Assembly
5707 Wolf Road, La Grange, IL 60525

www.lagrangechurch.net

BULLETIN DEADLINE

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 24
ALL ARTICLES ARE DUE ON WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 13.



LET US CONTINUE TO REMEMBER OUR SOLDIERS

St. Cletus wants to keep in prayer those who are currently serving in the military. If you would like their name listed in the Canticle, please tear off the bottom portion of this page and place it in the collection basket. All names will appear every week. If you would like more information, please call Eugenia Callison at (708) 482-4974.

SOLDIER'S NAME: _____

BRANCH OF SERVICE: _____

CURRENT BASE: _____



**ST. CLETUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST!
SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

The Holy Name Society is holding their annual "Walter Klimcke" Pancake Breakfast on Palm Sunday, April 17, from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon in Morrissey Hall.

Tickets may be purchased this weekend after all the Masses. Tickets are \$5/Adults and \$3/Children. Please come and support our Holy Name Society.

Dan Gibbons



YOUTH MINISTRY

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All high school teens are welcome to participate in our Good Friday services. Practices are April 11, from 8:00 - 9:30 p.m., April 13 and April 20, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Please come and join us! For more information, contact the youth ministry office at (708) 215-5419.

Amy Cranny

Youth Director

St. Cletus



The next book is

A Circle of Friends by Maeve Binchy

We will meet to discuss it on **Tuesday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m.** (Room 102)

Questions? Email: loriashe@aol.com

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
JOB SUPPORT GROUP FIVE-WEEK
WORKSHOP BEGINS TUESDAY
EVENINGS, APRIL 19**

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us when the First Presbyterian Church La Grange will again host a five-week job support workshop beginning Tuesday evening, April 19, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The church is located at 150 South Ashland Avenue. Please enter on Ashland Avenue and take the stairs to the lower level. The meeting will be held in G-9.

This workshop is designed for all who are interested in career transition, whether you have lost your job or are looking for a new one and even college graduates looking for that first job. Sessions will help you put together a job search strategy and specifically cover resume preparation, interviewing techniques, how to network and use the social networking sites

This workshop is open to all and there is no fee for attending. Hope you will join us!

For further information, please call FPCLG's church office at (708) 354.0771.

Interfaith Career Network offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website: www.interfaithcareernetwork.org



**ST. CLETUS
BAZAAR**

**Saturday, April 30th & Sunday, May 1st
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Morrissey Hall at St. Cletus School
700 W. 55th St. La Grange, IL**

Classic Party Rental in Mc Cook, has donated three 48 foot trailers full of new and used items. Proceeds from sales will benefit St. Cletus School. You'll find a wide selection of:

**Chairs
Dishes
Glassware
Flatware
Serving Pieces
Linens
...and much more!**



For more information call 708-352-4820.

Sunday Collection – April 3, 2011**Total Active Registered Families 2,748**Collection StatisticsAmount Collected

of envelopes used - this week 746
 % of registered families 27%

\$26,451 Envelope Users
 2,898 Loose Checks/Cash
 1,935 Automatic Debit
\$31,284 Total

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,250
Over (under) Budget \$4,034

This Fiscal Year @ 04/03/11Actual Sunday Collections \$1,055,204Budgeted Sunday Collections \$1,090,000

YTD Over (Under) than budget (\$34,796)

*Thank you for your Mass participation and your
 generous contributions.*

**Fr. Bob
 Pastor**

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Day/Date	Start Time	Location/Rm. #	Event
Monday, April 11	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	C C S-98 MH	Evening of Reflection (Fr. McCarthy) Living Stations Practice EPIC Class Mens' Basketball
Tuesday, April 12	7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	C MH	Parish Lenten Forgiveness Service Girls' Church League
Wednesday, April 13	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	RB S-102 C C S-102 RB S-200	Mission Ladies EPIC Class Lenten Mass Living Stations Practice RCIA PPC Meeting Baptism Preparation Class
Thursday, April 14	6:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	CV S-Music S-Music S-Music S-102	Food Pantry Children's Choir Contemporary Choir Chancel Choir AA Closed Meeting
Friday, April 15	10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	S-200 MH Lobby C S-Music C S-207	Parents of Teens Prayer Group MANNA Stations of the Cross Spanish Choir Practice Taizé Prayer Service Hispanic Ministry Bible Class
Saturday, April 16	9:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	MH CV CV	Easter Egg Hunt Youth Ministry Candy Bar Sales MANNA
Sunday, April 17	7:00 a.m.- Noon 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	MH CV CV S-207 & 213 S-102 C	Holy Name Pancake Breakfast Youth Ministry Candy Bar Sale MANNA Hispanic Ministry/English Classes/GED RCIA A Jazz Passion-Fine Arts Series
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

<i>Chairperson:</i>	Ed Burke
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ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

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