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September 4, 2011

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



GOD ANSWERS OUR PRAYERS



All are welcome.

Handicapped parking is located in front of church.

Personal hearing devices are available from the ushers/greeters.

**Children's Chapel available for the young and the restless
in the rear of the church.**

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 5 - September 11, 2011

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Patricia Halm
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Roz Smola, Albert B. Lorincz
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Helen Williams, James Vonesh, Ray & Joni Pietrzak, Mary & Frank Michalowski
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Charles Rufa, Dolores E. Kuchta, Justin McCrea
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Ferdinand Czachor, Paul Porreca
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Timothy Benrus, Edward Vonesh, Jolana Arvay Dick Radom, Alice Raece, Georgia Popp, Anna Pleszka, Stanley Klepczarek, Stella & Felix Gemala, Dorothy McNichols, Beth Salvitti, Barbara Lezak
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marge May Barbara Lezak, Helen Williams, Walter Maveety Family, John Hopp Sr. Madonna Marie Mulqueen, Mary T. Weston, Pat Halm, June & Roger Lavin (51st Wedding Anniversary) George Benrus, Tecla Kwak, Sophie Egielski, Special Intention for Slodyczka Family Purgatorial Society



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Betty Niwa, Joan Workman, Betty Zapf, Maybelle Ryan, Rose Pasquale, Mary Alice Gregorchuk, Harry Fisher, Donald Cuttill, Laura McDonnell, Idolina Montano, Wei Wu, Sue Kremer, Gail Pankow-Locker, Kathryn Super-Wilson, Lydia Ciaglia, Maeva Bishop, Rebecca Mueller, Joshua Thomas, Jr., Katie Meyer, Howard Pohlman, Evelyn Kilker, Jessica Gundling, Rajamma Thomas, Joe Saban, Ola Maveety, Jean Weekley, Marilyn Matesevach. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass.



St. Cletus Parish Family
Welcomed to the Catholic Faith
through the Sacrament of Baptism...

Violeta Sofia Pinilla Pauth,
daughter of Juan David Pinilla and
Tatiana Pauth Bello

Alexander Rodríguez,
son of José Joaquín Rodríguez
Norma Itzel Ursua

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

✠ ***Cecilia Cieciel***

***May the Lord grant them eternal rest.
Amen.***



ADORATION AND BENEDICTION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on **Tuesday, September 6**, and every **first Tuesday** of the month. Adoration begins immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed at 6:15 p.m. followed by Benediction.

Hispanic Adoration continues from 7-8:00p.m.

If you have some time too spend with Our Lord on Tuesdays, **please add your name to the signup sheet in the vestibule after all Masses this weekend.**



**ALL FACILITIES WILL BE CLOSED AFTER MASS
IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER, 5**

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS”

Matthew's gospel gives very practical sound advice for dealing with conflict and division. Jesus teaches the danger of failure to address wrongdoing, and the way in which the spiral of violence can develop. The spirit of the peacemaker is praised in the Beatitudes in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. As with any group of people, the Church must sometimes deal with conflict and division among members. The Christian community is called to live out on earth the practical details of the meaning of the Sermon and the commandment of love of neighbor. Only in heaven will we be freed from such tasks. Reconciliation is a process which is developed. Honesty and respect call for naming the wrongdoing between the persons involved. If conflict can be resolved in the early stages, it can be contained and does not grow. Realistically, it may be impossible for the two parties to meet and resolve their difficulty. It may not be safe to meet. Emotions are high and tensions are deep. The meeting may need to be facilitated by a mediator. If the person refuses to listen, then those in authority in the community must decide what is to be done.

One of the important features of this process is the need for listening to the case of each party. Conflict and division usually results from an inability to see the other's point of view, or to recognize the depth of the feelings of hurt and anger, which are involved. The process of listening can begin to name the feelings and the perceived injustices, to clarify the facts of the situation, and to foster understanding between the parties. Listening is the starting point of the process of reconciliation.

Finally, the gospel speaks of the need for prayer about peacemaking. Perhaps the first prayer is a desire to be reconciled. If this desire is missing because of hurt, perhaps it is a prayer for the desire to be reconciled.

Conflict and division is part of the human condition. For Christians, the gospel teaches that one is not to be limited or satisfied by this situation. Maybe there are questions I need to ask. What are the areas of division in my life? Which are the areas that need reconciliation? Who are the people with whom I have tensions?

In the celebration of the Eucharist, we recognize that God has reconciled the world to himself, and given us the ministry of reconciliation. We name our division in the Penitential Rite. In the Eucharistic Prayer, we thank God for the gift of reconciliation, and pray for the transformation of the community, through receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. We commit ourselves to be bridge-builders and peacemakers when we leave the Church. In joy we celebrate the hope that God promises, we pray deeply for peace in our world, and we ask God's blessing on those who are peacemakers.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

It is hard to believe that we have completed another fiscal year and are already entering into the third month of the new fiscal year. Please note that in this week's bulletin you will find the annual report for the fiscal year 2010-2011. Along with the report, the chairman of our Parish Finance Committee has included a bullet point summary of its major areas.

We will run this report in the bulletin again next weekend; members of the Parish Finance Committee will be available after all Masses in the Kindergarten Room just outside the west doors of the church. Please feel free to stop in, have a cup of coffee, and ask any questions you may have. The committee members will be very happy to assist you in any way with information regarding this year's financial report.

We have, also, mailed copies of the financial report to all parishioners. You should receive your copy sometime this week. If for some reason you do not receive your copy by the end of next week, please call the rectory, and we will be happy to provide you with another copy.

Thank you for your continued support of the mission of St. Cletus Parish. It is through your generous support of time, talent, and treasure that we are able to be so successful in spreading the "Good News of the Gospel" throughout our parish community. Please know that your efforts and sacrifices for the sake of our mission are greatly appreciated.

May God continue to bless these efforts to be His witnesses to this community and our world. St. Cletus is a very special place, which is doing wonderful work on behalf of the Church in building up the Kingdom of God.

God's Blessings on the People of St. Cletus,

Father Bob

Pastor

**St. Cletus Parish
BALANCE SHEETS
JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010**

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Assets		
Parish Checking/Payroll Accounts	\$ 92,049	\$ 208,192
Auxiliary Group Bank Accounts	89,140	80,761
Prepaid Deposit/Prepaid Expenses	49,892	18,059
Parish investments at market value (1)	1,188,283	1,227,235
Restricted School endowment Certificate of Deposit (2)	-	50,470
Restricted School endowment investment at market value (2)	<u>568,478</u>	<u>497,528</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,987,842</u>	<u>\$ 2,082,245</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 48,430	\$ 247,592
Tuition deposits	<u>189,156</u>	<u>171,181</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>237,586</u>	<u>418,773</u>
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	1,181,778	1,115,474
Restricted School endowment (2)	<u>568,478</u>	<u>547,998</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>1,750,256</u>	<u>1,663,472</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,987,842</u>	<u>\$ 2,082,245</u>

(1) - Includes \$172,674 unrealized gain and \$211,626 net withdrawal from parish investments in 2011.

(2) - The Restricted School Endowment investment is not available for general parish operations.

(3) - The revenue and expense of Fundraising/School Associations have been netted in 2010 and 2011..

(4) - Other/school support includes \$73,625 and \$60,000 distributions from the endowment for 2011 and 2010, respectively.

(5) - 2011 change in value of school endowment includes \$94,106 fair market value increase less distributions of \$73,625.

St. Cletus Parish
Statement of Revenue and Expense
Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2011 and 2010

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
<u>Church Revenue</u>		
Sunday & Holy Day collections	\$ 1,382,093	\$ 1,405,492
Christmas collections	190,701	209,645
Easter collections	100,014	100,850
Tuition & fees (Catechesis and youth)	135,373	137,336
Summer Projects/Light our Way	23,535	97,092
Bequest/Memorials- Church Electrical Wiring & Lighting Renovation	11,658	187,871
Net Auxiliary groups' revenue (expense)	(7,207)	(4,634)
Archdiocesan/Sharing/Other Collections	70,401	54,506
Flood damage insurance recoveries	88,888	-
Other income - i.e. vigils, sacrament fees, mass intentions, outreach	121,377	165,525
Total Church Revenue	<u>2,116,833</u>	<u>2,353,683</u>
<u>Church Expenses</u>		
Salaries & benefits	895,813	875,476
Liturgical / books	106,489	104,249
Administrative/Office/Technology	77,702	56,685
Utilities	56,179	66,381
Maintenance & repairs	124,439	127,193
Archdiocesan assessments/Insurance	281,526	304,388
Summer Projects/Light Our Way	4,381	118,307
Church Electrical Wiring & Lighting Renovation	13,408	239,018
Long Range Plan/Development/Facility Feasibility Study	9,127	10,500
Archdiocesan/Sharing/Other Collections	75,061	54,506
Flood Damage	88,208	-
Miscellaneous - i.e. Musicians, food, transportation, hospitality, outreach	176,199	196,595
Total Church Expenses	<u>1,908,532</u>	<u>2,153,298</u>
Church Net Surplus	<u>\$ 208,301</u>	<u>\$ 200,385</u>
<u>School Revenue</u>		
Tuition & fees	\$ 1,667,212	\$ 1,633,338
Other/school support/fundraising (3) (4)	381,517	459,402
Total School Revenue	<u>2,048,729</u>	<u>2,092,740</u>
<u>School Expenses</u>		
Salaries & benefits	1,983,224	1,968,231
Utilities	77,582	77,192
Maintenance & repairs	76,805	55,814
Books / instructional / technology / admin	109,065	78,964
Insurance / assessment	64,237	66,461
Other	53,400	76,690
Total School Expense	<u>2,364,313</u>	<u>2,323,352</u>
School Net (Deficit)	<u>\$ (315,584)</u>	<u>\$ (230,612)</u>
PARISH OPERATING (DEFICIT)	\$ (107,283)	\$ (30,227)
<u>Other income</u>		
Interest income	912	2,092
Unrealized gain from parish investments	172,674	142,127
Change in value of school endowment (5)	20,481	9,665
NET PARISH SURPLUS	<u>\$ 86,784</u>	<u>\$ 123,657</u>

SUMMARY OF THE PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

- Our parish finished the June 30, 2011 fiscal year with an operating deficit of \$107,283. This means that parish expenses exceeded ordinary revenue sources by \$107,283. This operating deficit is an increase over the 2010 operating deficit of \$30,227.
- Sunday, Christmas and Easter collections for the year ended June 30, 2011 decreased by \$43,000 from the previous year.
- The parish made recommended wiring safety and lighting upgrades to the church and parking lot in the 2010 fiscal year due to extraordinary bequests from parishioner's estates and the Lighting Our Way fundraising campaign. The 2011 year did not have similar large bequests and the Lighting Our Way campaign concluded toward the beginning of the 2011 fiscal year.
- Although the Church decreased expenses versus the prior year in most areas, there were expense increases in health insurance costs, building maintenance and technology. The net effect of the parish's cost containment efforts was an overall decrease in Church expenses in 2011.
- The school building suffered significant flood damage in July 2010, near the beginning of the 2011 fiscal year. The associated repairs were paid by insurance.
- St. Cletus School's fundraising campaigns for the year ended June 30, 2011, while remarkably successful, raised \$29,000 less than the previous year. To compensate, the school took a larger withdrawal from the school endowment than in the past.
- Because the school needed an unusually small amount of parish support during the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2010, the parish's required support for the school increased in the year that ended June 30, 2011. Despite the increase, the \$315,584 the parish contributed to support the school's mission during the 2011 fiscal year is less than almost all recent years.
- During the year ended June 30, 2011, the parish's investment account enjoyed substantial unrealized gains. Because these unrealized gains are not part of the normal operations of the parish and because increases in the value of investments can (and do) reverse, they are not included in the parish's \$107,283 operating deficit.
- In order to offset revenue decreases and to pay its bills, the parish withdrew \$211,626 from the parish investment account during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The parish does not usually need to withdraw investment funds from its investment account.

After all Masses on September 10th and September 11th, members of the parish finance committee will be available to answer your questions in the Kindergarten room just outside the west doors of the church. Please feel free to stop by, have a cup of coffee and ask any questions you may have about the financial report.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Cletus Parish.

David J. Smith
St. Cletus Parish Finance Committee

ST. CLETUS PARISH RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA: COME AND SEE

**BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2011
AT 7:00PM IN ROOM 102 – EDUCATION BUILDING**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's adult faith formation program which invites adults who have never been baptized, who have been baptized Catholic but not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) or who have been baptized in another faith and wish to become Catholic, to explore their journey of faith in the life of the Catholic Church.

The RCIA gives people on a faith journey an opportunity to “*come and see*” not only what the Catholic Church and a life of faith in it is all about, but also an opportunity to explore how the Lord may be calling them into his life in a more complete way.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION
CONTACT FR. KEN AT (708) 352 6209 ext 205**

FLU & PNEUMONIA SHOTS



FLU AND PNEUMONIA SHOTS will be given at St. Cletus Church in Morrissey Hall on October 9, from 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This year everyone is advised to take this precaution. Those with Medicare, there is no cost (be sure to bring your card), for others the cost will be \$25. Mark your calendar!

Clare Slowik
Parish Nurse

St. Cletus Book Club



The next book is

In The Garden of Beasts
by Erik Larson

We will meet to discuss it on

Tuesday, September 20, at 7:00 p.m.
(Room 102)

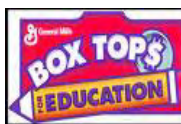
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IMPORTANT ESCRIP RENEWAL TIME!

It's time to renew your Dominick's card. If you participated last year, you simply need to click on the “**YES RENEW!**” icon at www.escrip.com. If you would like to sign up click on the “Sign Up” button, enter code 500014509 for St. Cletus and enter your Fresh Values Card number. It only takes a couple of minutes and it can mean hundreds of dollars for St. Cletus! Any questions please contact Holly Kallal at (708) 655-1302.

SUPPORT BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



Simply clip the box tops label from hundreds of participating products. For a complete list of products visit **boxtops4education**.

Each label collected earns St. Cletus 10¢. Labels can be brought to the Minister's Room in church. They do expire, so please do not save them for too long.

TYSON PROJECT A+

For each Project A+ label collected St. Cletus earns 24¢. They can be found on numerous Tyson products. Labels can also be left in the Minister's Room. Thank you for your support.



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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Can we talk?

In the early church, as in our own, bad behavior and poor judgment were inevitable, and the Gospel of Matthew quotes Jesus with a plan for self-correction, the first step of which is: “Talk to your brother.” How simple, yet too often we talk *around* that sister or brother gone wrong, or talk *about* her or him to others—a fault that has gone mad on radio and television “talk shows” in which yelling audiences seem to derive perverse pleasure like a crowd in the ancient Roman Coliseum. As Christians, bringing someone’s bad behavior to his or her attention also means listening. We should not be motivated by revenge or anger but only by compassion and love, which may be the beginning of change and healing.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20 (127)*

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone.”

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

LABOR DAY

Do the work of God

For many Labor Day is little more than the unofficial end of summer and a day off from work. But if all we do to mark the holiday is grill hot dogs, we are missing a golden opportunity to reflect on the fundamental role of work in our lives—whether on a computer or an assembly line, washing dishes or preparing a meal. The Jesuit and scientist Father Teilhard de Chardin wrote this about human labor: “At every moment [God] awaits us in the activity, the work to be done, which every moment brings. He is, in a sense, at the point of my pen, my pick, my paintbrush, my needle—and my heart and my thought.” How is God present in your heart and thought—and your labor?

TODAY’S READINGS: *Colossians 1:24-2:3; Luke 6:6-11 (437)*

“Then Jesus said to them, ‘I ask you, is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath rather than to do evil, to save life rather than to destroy it?’”

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Decisions, decisions

If you examine the key choices Jesus made in his life, you’ll note that before he did so he spent time alone in prayer—sometimes a good deal of time. Decision-making is never easy, especially when the stakes are high. If Jesus turned to quiet time in prayer at such moments, should we settle for anything less in our own lives? Make sure you take the time you need—and pray for God’s guidance—when faced with a big decision. Then you will be able to move forward with trust and confidence once you have made your choice.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 6:12-19 (438)*

“Jesus departed to the mountain to pray, and he spent the night in prayer to God.”

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

“Woe to you”—or “woe is me”?

What’s not to love about the Beatitudes? Each is a source of hope in the midst of the joys and sorrows of everyday life. What’s *really* not to love is that curious part that follows the Beatitudes in Luke’s gospel. It begins with those fateful words, “Woe to you,” and that’s about the time we decide God is taking on all those “evildoers” out there. It’s difficult to hear these words addressed to us, yet we must take them to heart and see them as calling us to life, as well as a good hard look at

some of our ways of thinking and behaving that maybe aren’t in tune with the gospel.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 6:20-26 (439)*

“You have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed.”

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Celebrate reading

Ancient stories find their fulfillment in modern situations. That’s one way to understand scripture. But for a prophecy to be fulfilled or a biblical hero to become a contemporary role model, these stories must be told, read, and spread. In some parts of the world the ability to read and receive an education is restricted: only for the wealthy or for boys. Imagine that a word from God reaches a modern teenage girl—who rejects it because she’s never heard the story of how a girl might become the God-bearer! On this International Literacy Day support the gift of reading locally or globally.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 (636)*

“We know that all things work for good for those who love God.”

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

FEAST OF PETER CLAVER

Even saints need role models

The teacher-disciple relationship is an ancient and revered spiritual institution found in many religious traditions. That dynamic was certainly present in the life of Saint Peter Claver, a 17th-century Jesuit who dedicated himself to the spiritual and bodily care of slaves brought from Africa to Cartagena, Colombia during the shameful era of the slave trade. Claver was inspired and trained by another Jesuit, Alonso Sandoval, who had been caring for slaves for 40 years when Claver arrived on the scene as a young seminarian. All of us can learn from those who came before us and guide those who will follow. Who inspires you? Whom will you inspire?

TODAY’S READINGS: *1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14; Luke 6:39-42 (441)*

“When fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher.”

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Foundation of faith

English author Ken Follett is widely known as a writer of thrillers. Much to Follett’s surprise, however, his best-selling and most beloved novel is *Pillars of the Earth*, a historical novel about the construction of a 12th-century cathedral. People love cathedrals—and stories about them—because cathedrals withstand the political and religious conflicts of an age and serve as beacons of hope for generations to come. They are built to last. It was not uncommon for the foundations of medieval cathedrals to go as deep as 25 feet underground to ensure adequate support of the walls and roofs. Dig deeply—that is great advice for building foundations of faith.

TODAY’S READINGS: *1 Timothy 1:15-17; Luke 6:43-49 (442)*

“... Someone who comes to me ... is like a man building a house, who dug deeply.”

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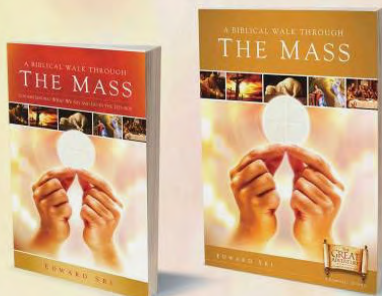
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DISCOVER THE RICHES OF THE MASS



Our parish will be running a fascinating 5-part series on the Mass, entitled, *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*.

In this study, you will come to know and understand the Mass like never before. You will discover the rich meanings behind why we say what we say and do during the Liturgy. The words and gestures of the Mass will be seen in a new light, leading you to a richer, more fruitful worship experience.



Dates/Times

Come to one introductory session:
Sunday Sept 18, 9 am Rectory Basement or
Monday Sept 19, 6:30 pm Kindergarten or
Wednesday Sept 21, 3:15 pm Room 102

Location

St. Cletus. There are four additional classes which will be held in late Nov and early Dec after the conclusion of the EPIC class.

Registration

You may register and order a study kit at any introductory session. A study kit costs \$23, the class costs \$5. If you register after Sept 21 you must order a study kit yourself.

For More Information

Contact: Deb Blecic
E-mail: dblecic@hotmail.com
Phone: 708-579-5579 between 8 -10 pm

ST. CLETUS 4TH ANNUAL Oktoberfest

Saturday, Oct. 1

Join us for Brats,
Beer, Pretzels, and
all things German!

Proceeds benefit St. Cletus School

Admission

In Advance \$25

At the Door \$30

Admission includes

Entertainment, a German meal and
one beverage of your choice.

Additional food and beverage tickets will
be available for purchase at the event.

Only adults 21 and older with valid ID admitted.
No outside food or beverages permitted.

Event Schedule

6:00 p.m.

Oktoberfest Opens with
The Happy Wanderers

9:00 p.m.

The Lusty Muttz on stage

11:00 p.m.

Oktoberfest Closes

**Free Souvenir to
the first 500
through the gate!**

Call 708.352.4820 or visit stcletusoktoberfest.com for more information



OKTOBERFEST SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Sponsor \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> Augsburg Sponsor \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> Düsseldorf Sponsor \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> Frankfurt Sponsor \$1000	<input type="checkbox"/> Hamburg Sponsor \$2000	<input type="checkbox"/> Munich Sponsor \$5000 or more
Tickets to the 4 th Annual St. Cletus Oktoberfest. (Admission ticket includes: entertainment, meal, one beverage of choice and a souvenir. Souvenirs are limited to the first 500 entries to the event. Only adults 21 and over with valid ID admitted.)	2 (valued at \$50)	4 (valued at \$100)	6 (valued at \$150)	12 (valued at \$300)	16 (valued at \$400) plus \$100 in beverage tickets	20 (valued at \$500) plus \$250 in beverage tickets
Name listed on "Thank You Banner" at event and St. Cletus Bulletin		✓	✓	✓	✓	Primary Placement
Name listed on "Sponsor T-shirt"			✓	✓	✓	Primary Placement
Name listed on "Pre-event advertising" (including AIS advertising network and 55 th Street banner) and "Newspaper Thank You"				✓	✓	Primary Placement
"Table signage" at Event, Logo on St. Cletus Oktoberfest website				✓	✓	Primary Placement
Name printed on "Souvenir"						✓

SPECIFIC SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Stage Sponsor \$750	Stage sponsors receive signage by the live band stages and will be included in the Düsseldorf Level and receive all recognition opportunities listed in this category.
<input type="checkbox"/> Keg Sponsor \$150	Keg sponsors will be recognized on a banner near the bar at the event. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you'd like Burke Beverage to bill your account for your keg sponsorship.
<input type="checkbox"/> Round of Beer Sponsor \$50	Round of Beer sponsors will be recognized on a sign near the bar at the event.

CONTACT NAME: _____

NAME AS IT SHOULD BE LISTED: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Please mail sponsorship agreements and payments to St. Cletus Oktoberfest, 700 W. 55th St., La Grange, IL 60525

Email your company logo and any questions to oktoberfest@stcletusparish.com.

Family and Augsburg Sponsorship Agreements are due no later than **September 23rd**. **All other sponsorship agreements must be received by September 15th** in order to provide the recognition noted above. **Please make checks payable to St. Cletus School.**

☐ Please check here if you are happy to sponsor, but cannot attend the event and would like to donate your tickets.

Your support of St. Cletus School is sincerely appreciated. St. Cletus is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization.
Donations and gifts are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.
You will receive confirmation of your tax-deductible contribution for your records.

Youth Ministry Update!

WORLD YOUTH DAY CHICAGO STYLE

I would like to thank Barb Pisto and Pat Ramirez for joining me as chaperones on our trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for Chicago's World Youth Day gathering on August 20. It was a wonderful opportunity for our teens to celebrate our Catholic faith through the Eucharist, prayer, and Christian rock music.



Our group is pictured in front of Our Lady of Guadalupe shrine.



We enjoyed praising God with the Jacob and Matthew Band.

TEEN CATECHIST MEETING

Our first meeting will be held on *Tuesday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m.* in our new teen space.

TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our first large group session will be on *Sunday, September 11, at 5:00 p.m.* in Morrissey Hall. Looking forward to meeting everyone and starting a great year!

DROP-IN

Our first drop-in of the new school year is *Tuesday, September 13, from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.* in the teen room. All high school teens are welcome to “drop-in” during those hours for games, music, and hanging out! Hope to see you there!

Please contact me at kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419 with any questions.

Kristen Maxwell, Youth Ministry

YOU ARE INVITED!

Do you attend the 5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Cletus? We are inviting anyone who has received the sacraments to participate in the liturgy in a special way by becoming a Eucharistic Minister or a Lector. You may choose your preferred Mass times and dates. The schedule is based on your availability.

There will be Training for those interested in **Lectoring: Monday, September 12, 6:45-7:30 p.m. OR Tuesday, September 13, 6:45-7:30 p.m.**

Training for **Eucharistic Ministers: Monday, September 12, 7:30-8:30 p.m. OR Tuesday, September 13, 7:30-8:30 p.m.** Attendance is needed for one evening session only for either ministry.

Teens are encouraged to become involved in parish life. Parents can give a wonderful example of service to their children. Singles are important to the continued commitment and vitality of our Church. Don't leave the involvement to the faithful, seasoned veterans. We are all called to spread the gospel and share the gifts God has blessed us with.

If you attend Mass, you are able to serve. It is not an additional task but an additional privilege to serve at the Lord's table. Would you have refused to help at the Last Supper?

Inquiries can be made by calling the rectory or just showing up on September 12 or September 13.

Thank you.

Paulette Bolton

Director of Liturgy

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

Labor Day is traditionally the day to honor workers in the US and more recently to mark the end of summer. I think it is a most fitting time to celebrate those workers in our Social Concerns Ministry, who dedicate so many volunteer hours to "labor" for God's kingdom all year long, even during the long, hot summer (think Rummage Sale or Summer Food Pantry set-up and distribution). So hats off to you...whether you serve on the Social Concerns Commission or PPC, volunteer your service for the Food Pantry, the Giving Tree, the Employment Ministry, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Interfaith Community Partners, Respect Life, Mission Ladies, other special outreaches, or provide fruits of your "labor" by offering financial support, food for our Pantry, or gifts for our Advent outreach. A sincere thanks for being models of faith in action! And may you have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend!

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

- Our stock is low and the need is high. We can still use your non-perishable donations for the September 8 distribution, if you drop them off in the food bins in the Church vestibule M-W this week, from 7:45 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Items most needed are boxed side dishes, spaghetti & assorted noodles, pasta sauce, canned fruit, pinto beans, cereal, soup, chili, all sizes of diapers, and any extras, such as crackers, coffee, condiments, and juice.
- Are you experiencing an overabundance of fresh vegetables from your summer garden? If it's that time when you are looking to "share the wealth" with your friends and neighbors, the St. Cletus Food pantry will gratefully accept donations of fresh produce from **4:30-5:45 p.m. on Thursday, September 8**, in the Church vestibule. This is the evening of our monthly Food Pantry, which distributes groceries to our needy, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. It is important to remember that we can accept such donations only on September 8 from 4:30-5:45 p.m., since we have no way to store and/or distribute perishable food except at this time.
- To celebrate September as Hunger Action Month, our local Jewel store (across the street) is collecting monetary donations to provide holiday meals to some of the St. Cletus Food Pantry families. This will be in addition to their regular Turkey/Holiday Bucks event later in the Fall. Please support our good friend and neighbor's effort, as you are able.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (708) 215-5418 or mford@stcletusparish.com. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

WHAT'S NEW AT INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK?

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK invites you to a job search program for the newly unemployed. Just beginning your search? Think you might be in the near future? Not sure how to begin? This program is just for you! Discover valuable job search tools and tactics learned by job seekers with experience and success. Get your job search off to a great start on Monday, September 12, at 7:00 p.m., at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Tom Tisa at (708) 467-0722 or tomtisa@msn.com. Come yourself and bring a friend. We look forward to seeing you.

DEALING WITH THE ADVERSITY OF JOB LOSS...Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, September 15, at 7:00 p.m., for a presentation and discussion that will focus on dealing with the adversities of a job loss and search. Get a better understanding of the psychological components of job loss and how they impact conducting your search. This program includes a DVD presentation by a former Vietnam Prisoner of War that reveals how he and his comrades dealt with the adversity of captivity. Learn how some of their survival techniques apply to the enduring distress of a job loss. Our presenter and facilitator this evening is Greg Harnyak, a corporate outplacement and staffing professional with 25 years of progressive experience. This program is open to all and there is no charge to attend. Please join us at the St. Cletus Education Building, Room 201, 700 West 55th Street in La Grange. Please use the flag pole entrance.

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

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

NEW PREGNANCY CARE CENTER TO OPEN IN LA GRANGE – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are very excited to announce that Women's Care Center of La Grange, a new life-affirming pregnancy care center, will be opening soon in downtown La Grange. Since we are a not-for-profit charity, we depend upon volunteers to help with various tasks such as computer work (data entry, web searches), resource development, fundraising activities, answering phones, making appointments, organizing the office, sorting donated clothing, intake with clients, etc.

Mark your calendar: We will be conducting a **three-hour orientation session on Tuesday, September 27**, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (a light lunch will be served) in our new office space. If you would like to use your God-given talents to help young women facing difficult or unplanned pregnancies, directly or indirectly, please call Laura or Roberta at (708) 352-5000 to register for this event or for more information. We look forward to hearing from you!

PROGRAMS AT THE WELL

Waking up in Our Sacred Universe brings the story of creation to life and provides an insight into the God of the universe. New theological understanding and meaning is revealed as the unity between theology and modern-day breakthroughs in the world of science are presented. You will experience more deeply the oneness of God in our amazing universe. The class is offered on Thursdays, September 22 and 29; and October 13 and 20 from 1–2:30 p.m. and presented by facilitator Bridget Spurduto, director of The Well. The cost is \$75 for the series or \$20 per session.

Bridges to Contemplative Living is a small-group program that offers spiritual growth for those who desire to live more contemplatively. It is inspired by the life and writing of Thomas Merton. Sessions are held by facilitator Barbara Foreman on Tuesdays from 1–2:30 p.m. for eight weeks beginning September 27. The cost is a free-will offering and the booklet is \$6. For more information or to register, contact Barbara at bforeman@csjoseph.org.

The Well is located at 1515 W. Ogden Ave., LaGrange Park. Visit the website at www.csjthewell.org to register or call (708) 482-5048.

**BEDS PLUS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!**

We would like you to join our mission. If you are looking for a meaningful, rewarding and proven way to help those in greatest need, please visit our website or contact us today.

Each volunteer works just 4 hours per month—but makes an impact that changes many lives.

Right now, we are recruiting volunteers for our 2011-2012 shelter season, which opens October 15 and runs through April 30.

Space is limited—call today to find out dates and reserve your spot! Call (&*) 354-0858, ext. 1 or email Cody at umbach@bedsonline.org for more information.

SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP (SCSG)**MULTI-PARISH MINISTRY
FOR SINGLES IN THEIR 40'S AND 50'S
SEPTEMBER EVENTS**

Dinner & Movie – Saturday, 9/17
Grapevine Restaurant, La Grange 5 PM
Movie at La Grange Theater

Karaoke Night – Friday, 9/23 – TBD

Mass & Oktoberfest – Saturday, 10/1/11
St. Louise de Marrillac, La Grange Park.
Mass at 5 PM – followed by Oktoberfest festivities

Please visit our web site for more information
www.suburbancatholicsingles.blogspot.com

Sunday Collection – August 28, 2011

Total Active Registered Families 2,758

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used - this week 678 ..
% of registered families 25%

Amount Collected

\$ 21,837 Envelope Users
3,361 Loose Checks/Cash
2,055 Automatic Debit
\$27,253 Total

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000

Over (under) Budget \$253

This Fiscal Year @ 08/23/11

Actual Sunday Collections \$233,208


Budgeted Sunday Collections 243,000

YTD Over (Under) than budget \$ (9,792)

Thank you for your participation at Mass and your continuing Stewardship. Please consider an extra \$2 to help with our budgeted needs.

**Thank you,
Fr. Bob
Pastor**

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Day/Date	Start Time	Location/Rm. #	Event
Monday, September 5	<u>ALL FACILITIES</u>	CLOSED AFTER	THE 8:00 A.M. MASS
Tuesday, September 6	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C C S-208 S-200 RB	Adoration & Benediction Spanish Adoration Teen Catechist Meeting Social Concerns Meeting School Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 7	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	RB S-200 S-201	Mission Ladies Worship Ministry RE Catechist Meeting
Thursday, September 8	6:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	CV S-Band Room S-Music S-Music S-102	Food Pantry Spanish Choir Contemporary Choir Chancel Choir Closed AA Meeting
Friday, September 9	7:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	S-201 MH Lobby S-201 S-207	Principal's Cabinet Breakfast MANNA Cash & Carry Pre K Adult Social Hispanic Ministry Presentation
Saturday, September 10			
Sunday, September 11 	9:15 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	MH S-200-201-207-213	Religious Ed Classes Begin Teen Faith Formation Choir Retreat
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 Tuesday 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
<i>Vice-Chairperson:</i>	Joe Bamberger
<i>Recording Secretary:</i>	Xavier Polanski
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<i>Worship Ministry:</i>	Colleen Hagen Justin Sisul
<i>Finance Liaison:</i>	Brian Kapusta
<i>Parish at Large:</i>	Joe Bamberger
<i>Youth Ministry:</i>	Dawn Dion
<i>Education Ministry:</i>	Marty Mulcrone (School) George Pach (Rel. Ed.)
<i>Adult Faith Formation:</i>	Mike Pusatera
<i>Pastoral Care Ministry:</i>	Gary Lewis Jim Matthews
<i>Development Ministry:</i>	Ed Burke
<i>Staff Representative:</i>	Paulette Bolton
<i>Hispanic Ministry:</i>	Silvia Casas Louis Lopez
<i>Social Concerns:</i>	Dick Ford Peggy Meidell
<i>Parish Life:</i>	Fr. Edgar Rodriguez

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

OFFICERS

<i>Pastor:</i>	Fr. Bob Clark
<i>Principal:</i>	Jeff Taylor
<i>Chairperson:</i>	Tim O'Brien
<i>Vice Chairperson:</i>	Luke Sheridan
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<i>Tech. Committee Rep:</i>	Mark Staelgrave
<i>Marketing:</i>	Heather Alpe Bridget Garvey
<i>Finance:</i>	Ed Burke Bob Gray
<i>Alumni:</i>	Cathy Hinckley
<i>Policy & Planning:</i>	Jim Krecek
<i>Recruitment & Retention:</i>	Mary Schramka