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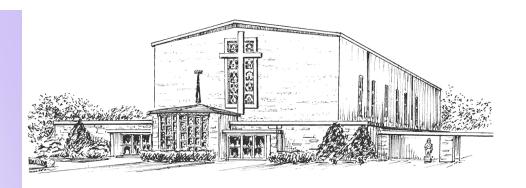
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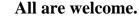


St. Cletus Canticle

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Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time





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 February 6 - February 12, 2012

Day	Time	Intention		
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Joe Falls, Jim Kenny		
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Monica O'Brien, Stefan & Paulina Slobodnik		
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society		
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Jacqueline Rybacki		
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Joseph & Anton Kuchta, Erik Geyer, Josephine Odo		
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Richard Benka Georgia Popp, John Hopp, Joseph P. McDermott, Charles Daley		
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Richard Benka Kathleen Szabelski, John McGrath, Joseph P. McDermott Philip Dindia Henry & James Meske, Dale Fisher, Dennis Herrera Souls in Purgatory		

Come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, February 7, 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 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Please remember our sick in your prayers: Bill McCollom. Frank Nash, Stacy Kwak, Bob Kunkel, Denny Dine, Sr., Harry Fisher, Mary Dybas, James McSweeney, John Karch, Gertrude Koenig-Stoiber, Gerdi Dorso, Loretta Pavlik, N. Zagrodnik, Bob Zimmerman, Breann Moddes, Betty Niwa, Joan Workman, Betty Zapf, Donald Cuttill, Idolina Montano, Sue Kremer, Gail Pankow-Locker, Kathryn Super-Wilson, Lydia Ciaglia, Maeva Bishop, Katie Meyer, Howard Pohlman, Evelyn Kilker, Jessica Gundling, Joe Saban, Ola Maveety, Jean Weekley, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass.

A BOOK TO READ

There is a great difference between the eager person who wants to read a book and the tired person who wants a book to read.

—G. K. Chesterton

"LIVING OUR FAITH, BUILDING OUR FUTURE"

As we begin this new and exciting campaign, I wanted to take a moment to clarify a question that was raised this past weekend. Because we are beginning our own Capital Campaign how does that affect our parish participation in the "Archdiocese of Chicago Annual Catholic Appeal?" The answer is that we have formally requested and have been granted an EXEMPTION FROM PARTICIPATION in the Annual Catholic Appeal while we are conducting our own "Living Our Faith, Building Our Future" Campaign.

WE WILL NOT BE MAKING THE NORMAL REQUEST FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL THIS YEAR. THERE WILL BE NO PRESENTATION AT THE MASSES IN FEBRUARY. IF YOU RECEIVED A DIRECT MAILING REQUEST REGARDING THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL YOU DO NOT NEED TO RESPOND SINCE WE HAVE BEEN EXCUSED FROM PARTICIPATING.

This has been done so we can concentrate ALL of our efforts in achieving the goals of our "Living Our Faith, Building Our Future" campaign.

Thank you in advance for your commitment and generosity in helping us to achieve success in reaching our goal of building the new St. Cletus Parish Center.

Fr. Bob Pastor

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The story of Bernadette of Lourdes always provokes strong feelings about miracles. Some people are positive and faith-filled, others are skeptical. James, a twenty-year-old student who travelled to Lourdes on the Jumble Ambulance with a group of sick people, was one such skeptic. From time to time, he made cynical comments, but he was intrigued by the question of why so many people travelled to Lourdes. The gaudy tourist shops did not help him find an answer, but the joy and faith of doctors, nurses, helpers and the sick changed his attitude. There was something mysterious about the experience in Lourdes. It deepened his faith in people and God. He returned home having witnessed many small miracles, cures which were inexplicable to modern medicine. They were extraordinary events.

Miracles cannot be explained. Words also fail when we try to describe the evil in the world. Popular papers sometimes label people who do very wrong deeds as "evil" or "possessed". There is an interest in the demonic in many novels, and some people are tempted to experiment with black magic. When we see a crowd turning violent, or the ferocity of ethnic cleansing, we are not only witnessing the effects of prejudice or hatred. There seems to be something more to it. This "something more" has been associated in different ages with the force of evil, dark principalities and powers or the devil. The reality of evil must be named.

To the modern mind, today's Gospel raises a lot of questions. How do we understand healings and the casting out of devils? The frequency with which these things occur in the gospels shows that Jesus must have been both healer and liberator from evil.

To understand the power of God active in the deeds of Jesus, we must recognize all that stands in opposition to good. It comes in many different forms. Some people suffer from sickness and need healing. Others suffer from the evil deeds of those around them and from sin. Sin causes disorder and breaks communion with others. The power of evil is mysterious, but it cannot be denied. However, the Gospel teaches that the power of God is always greater than any other force, whether sin, sickness or evil.

Why in the Gospel is it that the devils recognize Jesus? Perhaps it is because the power of goodness will always be able to uncover evil. It is part of the mystery of Mark's gospel that the disciples do not fully understand Jesus until after his crucifixion and resurrection. Mark does not want the hearers of the gospel to see Jesus as a magician or wonder-worker. Rather his miracles must be seen in the context of the victory of the cross and resurrection. It is this which reassures us that the power of God is greater than any other force. We have confidence that it can liberate from sin, from suffering and from evil.

Modern psychology can lead to a fuller understanding of the human person and the ways in which mental illness is treatable. It can help to overcome the stigma once associated with it, and past associations with possession. On the other hand, we cannot simply reduce evil to psychology or social conditioning. There is another reality, which only God overcomes.

God is involved in the healing of sickness, normally through the ordinary means of medicine, but occasionally in extraordinary ways through the miraculous. God is active when people are liberated from oppression through the establishment of justice in society. The power of God can free people from all forms of enslavement, including the mystery of evil – the "something more" which we cannot explain. We have faith that God has triumphed over evil and will overcome all things. Jesus has promised to be with his followers until the end of time.

Prayerfully Yours,

Father Bob

Pastor



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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2012

FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME; WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Dear sisters and brothers: Thank you!

Today we pray for and give thanks to the men and women who publicly profess to live the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. Monks, hermits, contemplatives, and religious priests, sisters, and brothers represent the diversity of consecrated life recognized by the church. Those who choose this life are committed to imitating Christ, engaging in his ministries of spreading the Good News, and showing that "the world can be transfigured with the spirit of the beatitudes" (Catechism 932). Their witness reminds all of us that our lives have purpose and meaning beyond this age, so we'd better choose how we live our present days wisely.

TODAY'S READINGS: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39 (74)

"All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it."

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

FEAST OF PAUL MIKI, MARTYR, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS Keep the story alive

Christianity came to Japan with the arrival of Saint Francis Xavier in 1549. In fewer than 50 years, however, all foreign missionaries had been expelled and 26 Christians were condemned to die, including Paul Miki, a Japanese-born Jesuit priest. The story does not end there. In the 1860s new missionaries to Japan were astonished to discover a hidden but thriving Christian community numbering in the tens of thousands. They had managed to pass along the faith informally for 200 years! Such is the power of the Christian narrative. What is your favorite story from the life of Jesus? Why? In what ways has it influenced your life? How can you pass it along?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Mark 6:53-56 (329) "As they were leaving the boat, people immediately recognized him."

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

May God rest in peace!

Talk about holy sites: the Temple Mount, where King Solomon is said to have built Israel's First Temple around 3,000 years ago, has been considered a sacred location by at least four religious traditions: Judaism, Christianity, Islam, and even Roman paganism. Competing claims on the site, and on the area known as East Jerusalem where it is located, are a central element of Arab-Israeli conflict in the region. Surely we can find a way to bring lasting peace to the place where tradition says the Divine Presence rested after creating the world and then gathered the dust to form the first human beings. Add your voice to those calling for a negotiated peace in God's backyard.

Today's Readings: 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Mark 7:1-13 (330)

"May your eyes watch night and day over this temple."

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Don't be late to break-fast

With the season of Lent and its practice of fasting arriving in a couple of weeks, it's a little puzzling to remember that Jesus was a great *breaker* of fasts and violator of religious food rules—that was one thing that got him into trouble with the authorities. His followers gathered grain on the Sabbath because they were starving. He ate with sinners and outcasts. He simply *did not follow the rules*, but for a purpose: to show how the rules should not control but rather serve to bring a person into a more loving relationship with God and neighbor. What

makes a person holy is not external observance but internal faith and love, which leads to right behavior.

Today's readings: 1 Kings 10:1-10; Mark 7:14-23 (331) "Everything that goes into a person from outside cannot defile But what comes out of the man, that is what defiles."

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

What do you choose?

Being chosen by God seems attractive, but God's choice is less entitlement to special favors and more being selected for a commission—given a job to do. Further, we find that God does not usually choose as we might. We find God picking, for example, David, the runt of the litter; Mary, an unknown girl from Nazareth; the sinner over the holy man. Try to be aware of how you make choices: how you will treat a troublesome fellow-worker or that driver who is tailgating or how scrupulously honest you will be. Like God, who chose you to be one in Christ, make decisions based not on the obvious but on what is inside the other—and who dwells within you.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 11:4-13; Mark 7:24-30 (332) "When Solomon was old his wives had turned his heart to strange gods."

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

FEAST OF SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

What's between your life's bookends?

We know few facts about Saint Scholastica: She lived in Italy in the fifth and sixth centuries, was the sister of Saint Benedict, became a nun and a prioress, and helped found Benedictine monasticism. Yet, thanks to two brief comments by Saint Gregory the Great, we know volumes about *how* she lived her life. Of her childhood Gregory wrote: "She was devoted to God from a very early age," and a few paragraphs later he added that when she died "her soul ascended into heaven in the likeness of a dove." Though seemingly innocuous, these comments are like bookends of Scholastica's existence and give us a sense of the rich content of her biography. As you think about your life's journey, what do your bookends look like?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Mark 7:31-37 (333) "He has done all things well."

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES; WORLD DAY OF THE SICK God is bigger than our needs

In an hour of crisis it may be impossible to imagine that help will arrive in time, or that your great need might be met with sufficient comfort to make a difference. Yet Jesus once faced a hungry multitude and fed them with next to nothing—and no one went away in want. Today the church remembers those who are sick: all who carry the cross of chronic problems like diabetes, AIDS, or mental illness as well as those struck with a diagnosis of an illness like cancer, heart disease, or stroke. We and our loved ones are not forgotten. Jesus comes to fulfill every need. And his mother Mary's arms are wide enough for all of us.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mark 8:1-10 (334) "They are and were satisfied."

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LIVING OUR FAITH, BUILDING OUR FUTURE

A LETTER FROM FATHER CHARLES GALLAGHER, PASTOR EMERITUS

Dear Parishioners,

I run into St. Cletus parishioners once in a while. I'm always happy to see them and talk about "my parish", which it will always be. I was there for 19 years, 1971-1990, then I came back for another 10 years to say the 7:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. That is a life-time, almost 30 years. I am on the Canticle mailing list because I want to know what is going on.

That is why I fully support the "Living Our Faith, Building Our Future Campaign." Father Clark has shared the plans with me and answered my questions. I have full confidence in his leadership, not only in the project, but also in how he leads the parish. I know you are appreciative.

The goals of this campaign are something the parishioners have always wanted. In my time as pastor, the debt, \$886,000, simply made any new construction unthinkable. That was discussed and it was agreed it was something for the future.

The future is here now and the new multiuse-facility will benefit everyone in the parish by providing space for small and large group meetings, educational and social events, assemblies and presentations, as well as sports activities. This project was the dream of Father Gerald Morrissey, the founding pastor, and the pioneer parishioners, many are still with us.

For more than 60 years, the spirit and Faith of the parishioners of St. Cletus has been outstanding. It is a leading light for the Catholic Church in the western suburbs of the Archdiocese. It points the way in Faith, social ability, and achievement. That is some heritage to honor.

I have no hesitancy in feeling this project will be most successful, and I hope to be around to help in blessing it.

Sincerely, Father Charles Gallagher

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY

There's still a little time left to drop off groceries for the February 9 distribution. Items most needed include pasta (spaghetti and assorted noodles), and extras such as juice, coffee, laundry detergent, dish soap. Just drop your donation off in the designated food bins in the church vestibule, 7:45 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Thank you for your generosity!

SVDP

In the Gospel today, we find that Jesus would rise very early before dawn and go to a deserted place to pray and then he went out to preach and to heal. Praying for those in need can bring the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. We ask your prayers for the people we serve. Who are they? They are the family who has lost the roof over their heads because of fire; single moms who have little income as they struggle to provide the basic necessities for their children; unemployed or under-employed moms and dads, who are looking for work to make ends meet; older adults, who never thought they would be coming to someone for food and financial assistance; people who have made unwise choices and are fighting to get back on the right path; the disabled or sick, who cannot afford healthcare and medicine. We ask your prayers, too, for our volunteers as they visit the homes of those who come to us for food and financial assistance for transportation, utilities, rent, and prescriptions, that the Holy Spirit may guide them in their ministry. Thank you for your support.

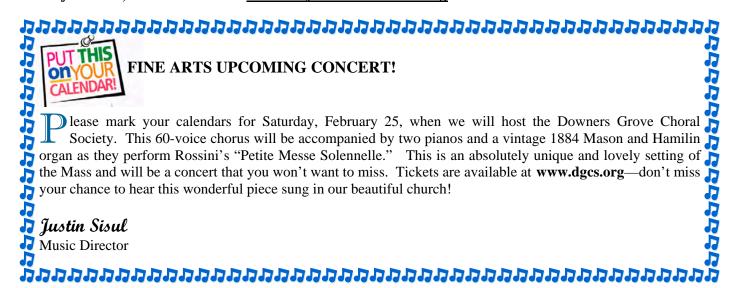
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Social Concerns Ministry

IN A JOB SEARCH?

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of lessons learned during a successful job search. Our guest speaker, Michelle (Halm) Nacker, a "graduate" of ICN will discuss how she successfully landed a position after her extensive search. Michelle will share valuable insights on timely topics such as Good Days/Bad Days, Resumes/Cover Letters/Templates, Business Cards, Getting Organized, LinkedIn, Handbills, Elevator Speech and Networking. Many of these are tools you already have at hand but may not always know how to use or where best to begin. This evening promises to be time well spent on your journey to a successful career transition. Don't miss it! Meet with us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. This program is open to all and there is no charge to attend.

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





Last year more than 30 Alumnae from St. Cletus played in our 1st Alumni volleyball game. We raised more than \$1300 for Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation.

Please join us for the

Erin Potts Invitational Alumni Volleyball Game Saturday, February 11 - 6:30-9:00 p.m.

All alumni male/female are invited to come and play whether you graduated last year or 20 years ago we want to see you there.

Fee \$20/per person price includes T-shirt

Concessions available

You can sign up as an individual or as a team.

Please email confirmation with T-shirt size to Sue Lovett Rejdukowski '83.

suerej@sbcglobal.net

All proceeds from the game along with the 7/8th grade tournament will be donated to Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation in the name of Erin Potts.

St Cletus Spring Auction Sponsorship Opportunities

"St. Cletus Goes Green" Sponsor \$250 - Name listed in Auction Book, Admittance for 2 (\$150 value)
Erin Go Bragh Sponsor \$500 - 1/4 Page Ad in Auction Book, Admittance for 2 (\$150 value)
Sláinte Sponsor \$750 - 1/2 Page Ad in Auction Book, Admittance for 4 (\$300 value)
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Emerald Isle Sponsor \$2,500 - Full Page Ad Premium Placement, Admittance for 4 (\$300 value)
Blarney Bash Sponsor \$5,000 - Listing as Event Sponsor and Full Page Ad in Auction Book, Admittance for 8 (\$600 value), and Acknowledgement at the 2012 Oktoberfest and Golf Outing
Name

appreciated. St. Cletus is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations and gifts are tax-deductible to the Sponsor the 2012 Auction. Please see information above. Unable to attend, contribution enclosed.

□ Pre-purchase Instant Wine Cellar "corks" at \$50 per cork.

full extent of the law.

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TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ ____

Please return this form to the St. Cletus School Office by Feb. 17th.

"The Year of the Teen and Young Adult Youth Ministry Update!"

AN AWESOME WEEKEND!

"During our mission trip, we stayed at the Brother David Darst Center. While there, we experienced optimism and the Spirit of God in the less fortunate whom we were able to help while working at Uptown Baptist Homeless Shelter and Saint Martin de Porres House of Hope.





"This trip not only opened our eyes to the injustices of the world and how fortunate we are, but also gave us perspective on the endurance of Christian belief and faith even in the depths of poverty."

- Joe Okkema

TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our next large group meets Sunday, February 12, in Room 201 of the Education Building at 6:00 p.m. We will be making blankets for patients in the RML Specialty Hospital in Hinsdale. Bring your friends!

Small groups will meet in the homes of our catechists on Sunday, February 19, at designated times.

Registration is ongoing! We are always welcoming newcomers! Please contact Kristen with any questions.

FLEECE MATERIAL NEEDED FOR OUR SERVICE PROJECT...

At our large group session on Sunday, February 12, we will be serving the community by making blankets for patients at the RML Specialty Hospital in Hinsdale. We are in need of 2 yard pieces of fleece material. If you would like to make a donation, please leave it in the rectory to the attention of Kristen Maxwell. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. Please submit all

donations by this Monday, February 6.

MISSION TRIP MEETING

This Tuesday, February 7, at 6:30 p.m., in Room 201of the Education Building, we will have our first meeting to prepare for our trip to Solsberry Indiana this summer. Materials will be distributed for our first fundraiser!

KAIROS X

The next Kairos retreat for juniors and seniors is being hosted by St. John of the Cross and will be held March 15–18 at the Dominican Retreat Center in Justice. Registration can be found online at http://www.stjohnofthecross.org/event/kairos-junior-senior-retreat-2/.

DROP-IN

Our next drop-in is Tuesday, February 14. Join us anytime between 5:30 and 8:00 p.m. for games, snacks, and fun! Bring your friends!

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

IN SCHAUMBURG, IL...On Tuesday, February 21, we will be packaging vitamin and nutrient enriched meals that are shipped to the poor in nearly 70 countries around the world. We will be meeting at the St. Cletus parking lot at 4:45 p.m. and will return at approximately 8:15.p.m. Adult drivers/chaperones are needed. Any teen is welcome and encouraged to join us. Permission slips can be found on our parish website www.stcletusparish.com/youth and must be returned by February 17. If you would like to bring an item to donate to the facility, FMSC is asking for printing paper, paper towels, toilet paper, and black fat permanent markers. Learn more at www.fmsc.org.

Kristen Maxwell

Youth Ministry

HINDSIGHT

God's presence is not discerned at the time when it is upon us, but afterwards, when we look back.

-John Henry Newman



CATHOLIC BOOK DRIVE FOR OUR NEW PARISH LENDING LIBRARY – THIS WEEKEND

The CREDO Committee is pleased to announce that we will soon coordinate a parish lending library of Catholic books. We need some help to stock the shelves. CREDO is holding a Catholic book drive **this** weekend, February 4/5. Please bring Catholic books that you wish to donate to Mass with you this weekend, and drop them off at our table in the church vestibule.

The new parish lending library will debut the first weekend of Lent, February 25/26. Watch for more details in the *Canticle*. Thank you for your support of the Catholic book drive.

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CREDO Committee

Religious Education Summer Bible Study

Are you ready for the adventure of a lifetime? Then join us this summer for Sky! At Sky kids discover that everything is possible with God! Sky is filled with incredible experiments, teambuilding games, cool faith-filled songs, and tasty treats. Children of ages 4-9 are invited to join us as we have fun and learn more about Jesus!

The fun begins on Monday, June 18, from 9:00 a.m. 'til Noon in Morrissey Hall, and continues all week long. The cost is \$30 per child. Registration information and forms are available in the Religious Education Office and on the Parish Web Site's under the Religious Education tab. We are limited to 90 students – Don't delay in sending in your forms.

NEEDED – Adult Station Leaders and teen Crew Leaders from 7th Grade and up willing to help our young adventurer's Explore God's World during the week of June 18 from 8:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.. Call Sr. Pat or Holly at (708) 352-2383 or email at **re@stcletusparish.com**.

Sr. Pat

Director of Religious Education

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

World Day for Consecrated Life;

Boy Scout Sunday

Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions

Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine

Bakhita

Friday: St. Scholastica

Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin

Mary: World Day of the Sick



The Robert E. Coulter Jr., American Legion Post 1941 invites you to our Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Friday,

February 10. We will be serving spaghetti with meat or marinara sauce, tossed salad, bread, desert, and beverage from 4:00-8:00 p.m., plus entertainment. Adults/\$8-Children under 10/\$4, and Children under 4/Free. We are located at 900 S. La Grange Rd., La Grange.



PROGRAMS AT THE WELL

Experience a **Labyrinth Retreat** that is sure to enhance your Lenten journey. This walking spiritual tool helps one connect the Divine. Registration and orientation begin at 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, March 6, and the program concludes with a closing prayer at 12:30 p.m. Sister Janet Bolger, CSJ, facilitator, incorporates quiet time and journaling into the agenda. Light refreshments are included. Suggested donation is \$25.

POVERTY AND PRAYER is about an afternoon with filmmaker and author Gerard Straub. On Sunday, March 11, from 1:00-4:00 p.m., Straub will share film clips that uncover the devastating poverty in some of Earth's worst slums. You will learn of his personal story of conversion that impelled him to move from making Hollywood movies to filming documentaries that invite us into solidarity with the world's most vulnerable people. The program is supported by a Generous Promises grant from the Congregation of St. Joseph. The cost is \$20

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



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 5, 2012

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars and calls them by name.



FEBRUARY 14, 2012 10:00 AM



Congregation of St. Joseph Ministry Center 1515 W. Ogden Avenue La Grange Park

Entertainment

"Singing the Standards"

A program of reminiscent oldies and goodies performed by Kym Frankovelgia sponsored by Independence-4-Seniors

RSVP by February 7th (708) 579-8929

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE

THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33–34). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

Sunday Collection - January 29, 2012

Total Active Registered Families 2,768

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used - this week 640 % of registered families 23%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000

Over (under) Budget

This Fiscal Year @ 1/29/12

Actual Sunday Collections \$816,564

Budgeted Sunday Collections \$10,000

YTD Over (Under) than budget \$6,564

Amount Collected

\$ 19,257 Envelope Users 2,823 Loose Checks/Cash

1,682 Electronic Giving

\$ 23,762 Total

Thank you for your continued generous financial support and volunteering your time towards our various parish ministries.

Fr. Bob, Pastor

Our goal for the remainder of the fiscal year is to make a weekly deposit of \$500 into our Parish's Savings Account.

(\$3,238)

"Brothers and sisters: Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."
-1 Corinthians 10:31

Are you doing everything possible for the glory of God? Or is there maybe some other way that you could generously share your time, talent or treasure for God's glory? Think about it.

	WEEK	AT A GLAN	CE
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM#	EVENT
Monday, February 6	7:00 a.m.	CV/East	Adoration Sign-up
	9:00 a.m.	C	School Mass
	9:00 p.m.	MH	Men's Basketball
Tuesday, February 7	7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	CV/East C S-201 S-200 S-213 C MH	Adoration Sign-up Adoration & Benediction Youth Mission Trip Meeting RCIA Social Concerns Ministry Spanish Adoration High School Boys Church League
Wednesday, February 8	9:00 a.m.	RB	Mission Ladies
	7:00 p.m.	MH	School Band Concert
	7:30 p.m.	S-200	Baptism Preparation Class
Thursday, February 9	5:00 p.m.	S-Music	Children's Choir
	6:30 p.m.	S-Music	Contemporary Choir
	6:30 p.m.	S-102	Food Pantry
	7:30 p.m.	S-Music	Chancel Choir
	9:00 p.m.	MH	High School Boys' Church League
Friday, February 10	2:00 p.m.	MH Lobby	MANNA Cash & Carry
	6:00 p.m.	S-Music	Spanish Choir
	7:00 p.m.	S-207	Spanish bible Class
Saturday, February 11	6:30 p.m.	МН	Erin Potts Volleyball Tournament
Sunday, February 12	9:00 a.m.	S-207	English Classes/GED
	9:15 a.m.	MH	Lenten Prayer Service
	1:30 p.m.	S-200	Natural Family Planning Class
	6:00 p.m.	S-102	Teen Faith Formation
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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).

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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.

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CONFESSIONS

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

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