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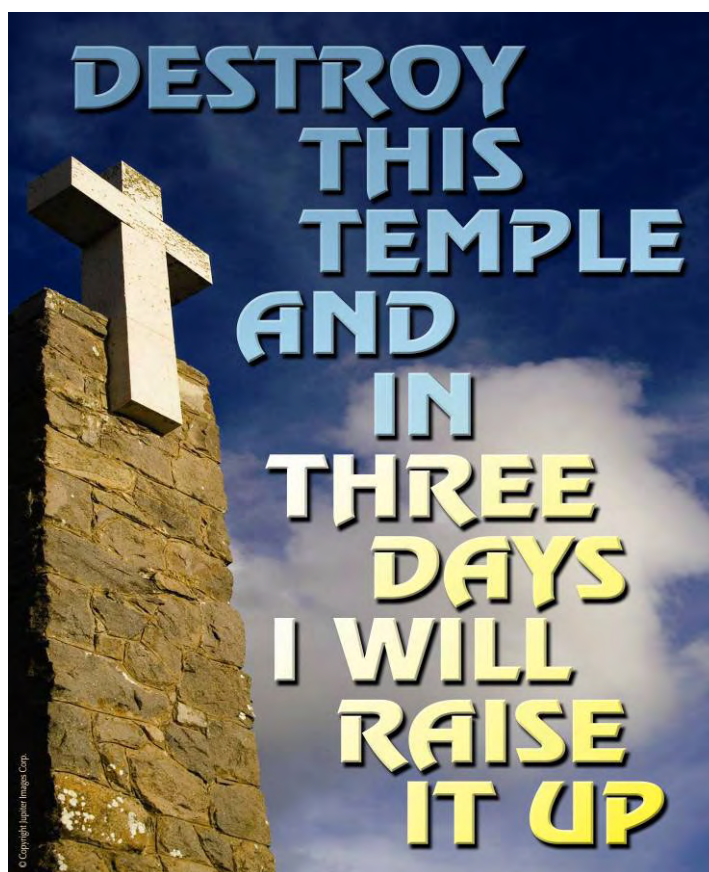
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March 11, 2012

Third Sunday of Lent




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 March 12 - March 18, 2012

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society 
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Thomas Kigin
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Sr. Madonna Marie Mulqueen, Karen Marie Wilson, Frank Wojcik Lenten Mass
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Elsie Wagner, Venda Tulacka, Angelo Cumbo
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Valentine Budvitis
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Laura McDonnell Georgia Popp, Marcie Johnston, Patricia McKillip, Donald McMillin, Jr., Tom Olsece, Joseph McDermott, Joseph Lewandowski, Stanley Klepczarek
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Anna Pleszka John McTigue, John Wisniewski Lorraine Pallela, Jack Lewis, Erik Antonio Montengro Henry & James Meske Teresa Cuevas Velásquez



Please Welcome...

Lucas Christopher Bissias,
son of Adam & Kelly (Waters) Bissias

Zavier Timothy Haraldsen,
son of Timothy Haraldsen & Marie Serrano

Jack George Sedlacek,
son of Joseph & Shannon (Morahan) Sedlacek

Nathan Robert Yin,
son of Andrew & Patri (Marconi) Yin

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



Please remember our sick in your prayers:
Philip Hodak, Eddie Wisner 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, 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 Warm Welcome to Our
Newly Registered Parishioners*

*Please welcome... Mr. & Mrs. David Adams
and Family, Fred Bartman, Mr. & Mrs. Michael
Boyle, Mr. & Mrs. Karl Eckberg, Stephanie Labayen/
Brendan Farmer, Michael Napleton, Santo Louis
Tatone, Mitchell Tylutki and Mr. & Mrs. Michael
Welchko to our parish family*

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



*Katheen McKillip and Patrick Von Feldt
Gabriela Serrano and Lucio Lozano-Joaquín
Alexis Ortenzo and Jason Lerch*

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 2012

We have had two world summits about poverty and environmental issues in the last 20 years. The first was at Rio in Brazil, the second at Johannesburg in South Africa. They brought together not just governments, but also businesses and agencies concerned with aid and the environment. We could say that on both occasions, most of the wisdom of the world came together, with the chance to improve our relationships with each other and the world in which we live. On both occasions, it was felt that the lesser wisdoms of the world ultimately won out. Each group's concern for its own short-term needs and an inability to think in worldwide terms restricted their achievements. Businesses, and the governments that back them, do not like being required to comply with expensive conditions over emissions and waste disposal. Developed world societies do not like being asked to limit their freedom to travel and receive cheap resources from around the world. Developing societies do not like being asked to pay for others' environmental mistakes. For them, industrial development still seems to be the way out of the poverty trap. However, if they take that route and increase world pollution, their countries in the tropical and desert zones of the world will again be the ones to suffer most. True wisdom demands restrictions on our consumption, together with debt relief and environmentally friendly investment in the developing world, but this would mean giving up too many of what we consider our rights.

As the Church's first missionary, St. Paul finds himself constantly face to face with disbelief, rejection and even persecution. In his letters, he lists all that he personally has had to put up with in the course of his preaching. He glories in such a catalogue, because it brings him closer to his master, the crucified Christ. He finds that the Jews and the Greeks offer different barriers to his message. The Jews look for miracles. This desire for the all-conclusive sign is a problem Jesus himself encounters when on home territory. In today's Gospel, the people ask Jesus for a sign to justify him driving out the money-changers from the Temple; in response, he offers them the sign of his own death and resurrection. This is the same sign that Paul offers, but it is not an acceptable one. For the Jews, it goes against their expectations of an all-conquering Messiah. For the Greeks, looking for a rational world-view, self-sacrifice does not make sense and the idea of resurrection is bizarre. For them, the ultimate aim is to be free from our bodily limitations. Yet both Paul and Jesus, in John's Gospel, insist that this is how the wisdom of God is revealed. If this appears foolish in our human eyes, it is because God's foolishness is wiser than our human wisdom. It is only through our pursuit of this same path that we can come both to understand and to live out that same wisdom in our lives.

The Church believes that ultimately there is no contradiction between matters of faith and reason. This is why it also believes that Christian teachings, at their deepest level, speak to the world at large, not just to the converted. However, our ability to reach the deeper truth and coherence of things by natural means is flawed. It is only through revelation and our faith response that we become able to see things as God sees them. This does not mean that we have a privileged access to a scientific understanding of our world. It does mean that we can bring an ongoing critique to how such understanding is used, when it either supports or conflicts with the underlying aims and principles of human and earthly existence. In the ensuing argument, it is hoped that both sides receive further enlightenment, for the message of the figure of Christ is that real development only comes through the process of dying and rising again. The setting aside of assumptions and the search for the real truth is a painful and humbling process, but it is also shot through with glory. We do not have a set of unchanging principles that just have to be followed. We have, rather, the person of Jesus, who moves us dynamically forward in a creative and perhaps unexpected way, to discover the truths we need; that is, according to the principle of dying and rising again.

Lenten Prayers,

Father Bob
Pastor



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

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2012

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Let yourself fall into the hands of love

You may have had the experience of a “trust fall” in which you allow yourself to fall backwards trusting someone to catch you. The exercise is sometimes satirized but it has its impact. Saint Francis of Assisi used the image of falling to suggest abandoning ourselves to God. Quoting scripture, he would say: “It is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of God.” He didn’t mean *terrible* as in frightening but in the sense of *awesome*. Falling is always scary. But when you trust God’s open arms, you place control of your life in the hands of the loving creator. Whether you are a lifetime Christian or preparing to make that commitment at Easter, Lent ought to be that kind of plunge.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25 (29)*

“I, the Lord, your God . . . bestowing mercy . . . on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.”

MONDAY, MARCH 12

LENTEN WEEKDAY

This Lent’s to-do list

Wondering what the talk of “giving alms” is all about during Lent? The corporal works of mercy are a good place to start when looking for examples. Those include: feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, and visiting the sick and imprisoned. “Among all these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God,” says the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Make the corporal works of mercy your to-do list this Lent.

TODAY’S READINGS: *2 Kings 5:1-15b; Luke 4:24-30 (237)*

“If the prophet had told you to do something extraordinary, would you not have done it?”

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

LENTEN WEEKDAY - Give what you want

Jesus’ entire ministry was grounded in love and forgiveness, yet often enough those who call themselves followers of Jesus fail to offer love and forgiveness to others. Instead, they nurture their grudges, hurts, and resentments, keeping them alive and in the present by retelling themselves the same old stories where it’s everybody else’s fault. Lent is a very good time to practice abstaining from this habit. When you find yourself wanting to judge and blame others, turn your gaze inward. How often have you refused to give what you so dearly wish to receive?

TODAY’S READINGS: *Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35 (238)*

“Moved with compassion the master . . . let him go and forgave him the loan.”

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

LENTEN WEEKDAY - Show some real zeal

Zeal is an obscure virtue during the season of Lent. We aim often for the virtues of self-denial, humility, fortitude, and others that seem to lend themselves to our desire for repentance and movement toward the new life of the Resurrection. With that repentance, however, is an opportunity to look at our life in relationship with God and make some real and positive change. That is where zeal can help. Zeal is the quality of eagerness and ardent desire in pursuing something. In Catholic language, zeal is love in action. Let us continue this Lenten

season with zeal, allowing love to impel us to look realistically, without judgment, at our life and make choices that more fully reflect Christ’s life within us.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11: 29-32 (226)*

“However, take care and be earnestly on your guard not to forget the things which your own eyes have seen.”

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

LENTEN WEEKDAY - How to be more prophet-able

Many think of biblical prophets as people whom God gave the mysterious power to see into the future. Prophets, however, were not crystal-ball-gazers who “predicted” what was to come. Most of the time they talked about the present—their present—and sometimes about the past as well. They focused on what the people of God were doing—or not doing—in their relationship with God. In bringing God’s word to a situation, they called people back to God and showed them that God was still a guiding force in their lives. God summoned a long line of prophets to serve the Israelites, and there have been Christian prophets, too—just read 1 Corinthians 12:28 or Ephesians 4:11. A few prophets might even be around today.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23 (240)*

“I have sent you untiringly all my servants the prophets.”

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

LENTEN WEEKDAY; DAY OF ABSTINENCE - When will we forgive?

Nobody likes a traitor. From Brutus to John Wilkes Booth to Judas, those who betray ultimate loyalties like patriotism or friendship seem beyond redemption. A still deeper bond exists within families that can be trespassed or broken. In times of infidelity, mistreatment, severed trust, or divorce, it can seem that the idea of family itself has been lost. While people often don’t feel the capacity to pardon such violations, emotion plays only a part in the task of forgiveness. Forgiving is also an act of will, not only of feelings. God models the decision of forgiveness for us, allowing the healing to begin. Abstain from meat today—and from withholding the healing power of forgiveness.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34 (241)*

“I will heal their defection . . . I will love them freely; for my wrath is turned away from them.”

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

FEAST OF PATRICK, BISHOP - A not so super event

During last January’s Super Bowl, a little-known fact came to light: Like other major international sports events, the Super Bowl is a major market for human trafficking. According to the U.S. government, as many as 17,500 women, children, and men are trafficked in this country every year. Almost half are forced into prostitution, about a quarter into domestic servitude, and others into agricultural and factory work and other forms of coerced labor. Saint Patrick was born in Roman Britain. He got to Ireland thanks to Irish raiders who kidnapped him and took him there to be enslaved for six years. Why not honor Patrick this year by educating yourself more about the injustice of modern slavery? Some places you can start are polarisproject.org; stopenslavement.org; freetheslaves.net; and unodc.org.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14 (242)*

“For it is love that I desire, not sacrifice.”

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RCIA ~ The Scrutinies

Last Sunday, two fellow parishioners in this year's RCIA attended the Rite of Election at Holy Name Cathedral. Jim Curnutt and Chuck Harwood (pictured below) were received as candidates for the sacraments. Baptized in other faiths, they will be received into the church at the Easter Vigil and celebrate the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

The Scrutinies — celebrated on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent — are the beginning of a period of purification and include rites for self-searching and repentance. The purpose of the scrutinies is to help prepare the spiritual readiness of the candidates so that they may be ready to celebrate the sacraments.

The scrutinies will be celebrated at the following liturgies:

The First Scrutiny – Sunday, March 11 at the 9:30 a.m. Mass
The Second Scrutiny – Sunday, March 18 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass
The Third Scrutiny – Sunday, March 25 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Please continue to pray for the Candidates.

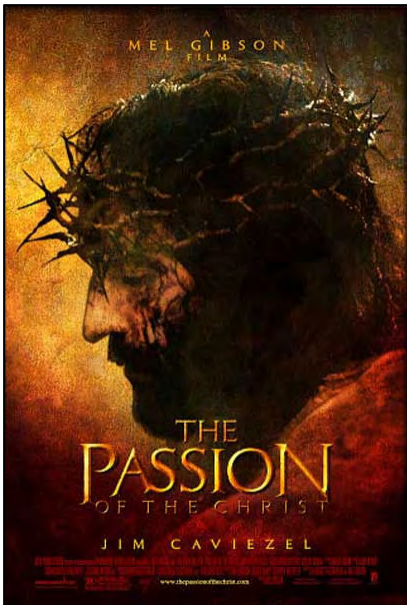


Chuck Harwood



Jim Curnutt

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST MOVIE, ADORATION, AND BENEDICTION



This Sunday, March 11, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., join the CREDO Committee for a Lenten mini-retreat. We will begin in the school kindergarten with the viewing of the movie *The Passion of the Christ*. After the movie, a brief period of meditation will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction in the Church.

As Monica Miller states in her book *The Theology of The Passion of the Christ*, the movie “is a religious meditation ... and functions as an icon ... intended to stimulate, arouse, and provoke faith .. and a response to the person of Christ and his mission of redemption. “*The Passion* has the power to bring the viewer to a deeper awareness of the sacrifice of Christ and His great love for mankind to have endured such suffering.” The movie “has the ability to deepen, even awaken faith.”

Come join us to contemplate the sacrifice Christ made for us and then spend some time in His presence.

If you only wish to attend the second part of the program, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction will begin in the church at 4:00 p.m.

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

CREDO (Committee Continuing Religious EDucation Opportunities for adults)

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

TALLER DE JOSÉ/LENTEN ALMSGIVING



In today's scriptures, we hear the commandments given to Moses after God brings the Israelites out of slavery. These commandments represent fundamental rights and responsibilities of all of God's people. One of the seven principles of Catholic Social Teaching tells us that we must take responsibility to protect the rights of all people. These rights include the right to life, food, shelter, education, and employment, along with political and cultural rights. Our Catholic tradition teaches that *human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities--to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.** (excerpt from the website of the Catholic Bishops of the United States: www.usccb.org.)

Taller de José, this year's recipient of our parish almsgiving, takes to heart the responsibility to protect the rights of all of God's people. They are a community resource center offering accompaniment to people in need of basic services, connecting people to services and services to people. As a sponsored ministry of the Congregation of St. Joseph, Taller exists to fulfill its mission "that all may be one". Below is Maria's story, which illustrates one of the many ways Taller assists those in need.

MARIA

Maria was referred to Taller de José in May 2010 by Catholic Charities when she was 4 months pregnant. Maria's partner had just left her with two children four and eight years old as well as one child on the way. Maria was having a difficult time with her pregnancy, was losing weight, and could not keep any food in her stomach. Taller de José has accompanied her to check-ups with a high risk pregnancy specialist as well as accompanied her to the hospital to get blood work done to ensure she and the baby are healthy. Maria's kind spirit has shown through during this difficult time as she recently cut her hair and donated it to make into wigs for cancer patients. Taller de José accompanied Maria for 6 months until she gave birth in October to a beautiful healthy baby girl, Alicia. As we continue our Lenten journey, let us pray for the Lord's guidance and strength of purpose that our fasting be hunger for justice, and that our almsgiving provides hope and new life to others.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the overwhelming response to our requests for the March 8 food distribution. Currently, our most urgent needs include assorted noodles, canned tomatoes/tomato sauce, boxed side dishes, macaroni & cheese, jelly, canned fruit, dry or evaporated milk, & cooking oil. We greatly appreciate your adding these or other non-perishable food pantry items to your grocery list!

SPECIAL THANKS TO...

- Religious Education staff, students and families for all the wonderful donations you delivered to us on completion of your Good Neighbor Food Drive. What a great example of faith in action!
- The Greater Chicago Food Depository for the \$1200 shared maintenance food credit grant you recently awarded us. We received the first installment on February 28, and the second on March 30.
- Church World Services and the 2011 CROP Walk Committee & walkers. Although we did not participate in this year's walk, we are given a generous check for \$660.47 in support of our ministry to the community.

Joining together, we can make a greater impact in our efforts to answer Christ's call to feed the hungry.

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY CONT:

Come One, Come All! Join Father Ken Baker & Us for the Friends of the Poor Benefit



Our very own star, Father Ken Baker, and the "Padres on Parade" will be the featured entertainment for the Chicago Society of St. Vincent de Paul's **4th Annual Friends of the Poor Benefit** on **Sunday, April 15, 2012** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Drury Lane Oakbrook Terrace.

The ticket price of \$75 per person will include a fabulous champagne brunch, silent auction, pick a prize, 50/50 raffle, the Big Raffle, and entertainment from "Padres on Parade." The Big Raffle prizes:

- **1st prize:** 5 night cruise on the Royal Caribbean with a deluxe ocean view state room with balcony (including round trip airfare from Chicago)
- **2nd prize:** 55-inch LG television
- **3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th prizes:** \$250 gas card

The benefit is a great opportunity to support and celebrate the good works of the Society. We invite you all to bring family and friends for a delicious meal, entertainment and camaraderie. You won't want to miss all the fun!

To attend, please contact Frieda Bertello at (312) 655-7181 or Frieda@svdpchicago.org.

LEVERAGE LINKEDIN DURING YOUR JOB SEARCH

Interfaith Career Network invites you to learn more about LinkedIn on Thursday, March 15, at 7:00 p.m. Our presenter, Aileen Gilpin, will speak to various social media topics including *How to Use Social Media in Your Job Search*. Additionally, Aileen will present an interactive demonstration on how to effectively use today's most professional online tools. Watch step by step as she creates a solid LinkedIn profile with one of our job seekers, along with some nice extras you can add to yours. LinkedIn is a powerful tool for all job seekers and can help connect you to new key business contacts when you understand how to use it effectively. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from an expert in the social media field. Join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. This meeting is open to all and there is no charge to attend.

P.S. If you have the time, consider building your own profile on LinkedIn prior to this meeting. It's good practice and may lead to many questions that Aileen can answer for you. Try it!



Cards



Come to the Adrian Dominican Sisters' Arts and Crafts Bazaar on March 24/25 at St. Cletus Parish, 600 West 55th Street in La Grange, Illinois.

Times: Saturday after the 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Place: Room 98 of the Education Building

There will be many beautiful items on sale that represent the beauty and creativity of the Adrian Dominican Sisters.

COME AND SEE!

**Over 250 people attended the 2012 Spring Auction at the William Tell.
Thank you to all who attended, volunteered, and donated to this event.
We raised over \$70,000 for St. Cletus School!**

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Carrie & Matt Wangard

Thank you also to the generous grandparents of
St. Cletus School who donated \$6,265 to the
2012 Spring Auction and Gala.



***“THE YEAR OF THE TEEN AND YOUNG ADULT”
YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE!***

MANY THANKS

Thank you so much to all of our parishioners for supporting our Fannie May Easter Candy Sales. We earned more than \$2,200 for our mission trip. We couldn't do it without you!

TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Large group will meet at **3:45 p.m. in Room 201 of the Education Building this Sunday, March 11** for reconciliation. We will walk over to our teen hosted Mass at 5:00 p.m. afterwards.

TEEN HOSTED MASS

All teens and families are welcome to join us **this Sunday, March 11, at 5:00 p.m.** for our teen hosted Mass. Teens are welcome to stay for pizza and social immediately following in Room 201 of the Education Building. Parents are invited for coffee in Room 102 while they wait for their teens.

LIVING STATIONS – TEEN VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED

We will be performing the Living Stations again this year at 7:30 p.m. on Good Friday, April 6. Many teens are still needed! Practices will be held March 27, 28, and April 4. Please contact Kristen to sign up!

REGISTRATION FOR 2012-13 TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

We are looking forward to the second year of our new program! Registration materials are now available online. Forms can be dropped off at the school or rectory offices. Contact (708) 215-5419 or kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com with any questions.

DROP-IN

Our next drop-in is this **Tuesday, March 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! Bring your friends!

STAY UP-TO-DATE ON OUR ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

“Like” St. Cletus Youth Ministry on Facebook! You can do this on our webpage www.stcletusparish.com/youth.

Kristen Maxwell

Youth Ministry

ST. CLETUS



The Next Book is
Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet
by Jamie Ford

We will meet to discuss it on Tuesday, March 13,
@ 7:00 p.m.
(Room 102 of the Education Building)

Questions? Email lorieashe@aol.com



GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 23, at 2:30 p.m. at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State St., Chicago, IL. Couples married in 1962 interested in attending this celebration should contact their parish (708-352-6209) to register.

For further information, call the Family Ministries Office at (312) 534-8351 visit the website: www.familyministries.org.

COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND MARCH 10/11

This weekend we will take up the **Collection** for the ***Church in Central and Eastern Europe***. This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide food, shelter, medical care, catechesis, and companionship for the lonely in a region still struggling in the aftermath of atheistic Soviet rule. Your donations help to restore the strength of the Church in the region. Please give generously to the Collection this weekend. Envelopes are available in the pews.

PARISH LENTEN FORGIVENESS SERVICE

Please note that St. Cletus's Parish Forgiveness Service will be held on *Monday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m.* Please feel free to take advantage of this opportunity.



PRESENTS:

SCREENING OF DOCUMENTARY...

PROJECT HAPPINESS

Tuesday, March 20 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Lyons Township High School - South Campus

Q&A with creator/producer Randy Taran
to follow 60 minute film.

Seating is limited (max 350)

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Donations accepted at the door for ACES

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For more information, visit

www.parentcommunitynetwork.com



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ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION

Please join us on Thursday, March 15, from 6-8:00 p.m. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day, family style, at Palmers in La Grange, featuring "The Irish Spirits," former St Cletus Track Coach, banjo player, Jack Kiley, current SFX Football Coach, guitar player, Tom Kiley, and former SFX Associate Pastor, keyboard player, Reverend Mike Shanahan! See you there.



The St. Cletus School 3rd Grade Brownies who are working on earning their Family of God Medal recently visited the Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen in Chicago. The girls assisted in serving lunch and organizing recently received donations. These girls will be awarded their medal at the Girl Scout Sunday - 11:00 a.m. Mass this weekend!

"Congratulations Girls!"



Journey with Jesus: a Lenten retreat for men and women with Colleen Lowery as we enter into the Paschal Mystery together. Participants will find this experiential prayer a thoughtful way to prepare for, and celebrate more fully, the holiest days of the Christian calendar. Join us as we break open the scripture stories of the Easter Triduum, and reflect on our own lives during this holy season. \$175 per person, includes private room and all meals. Commuter rates \$100 for both days, no hotel, or & 75 for Saturday only.

When: March 30-31

Where: Double Tree Hotel in Downers Grove

Cost: \$175/person includes private room and all meals.

Commuter rates: \$100 for both days or \$75 for Saturday.

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Sunday Collection – March 4, 2012

Total Active Registered Families 2,772

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used this week 693
% of registered families 25%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000

Over (Under) Budget: \$2,313

This fiscal Year @ 3/4/12

Actual Sunday Collections: \$957,616

Budgeted Sunday Collections: 945,000

YTD Over (Under) budget: \$ 12,616

Amount Collected

\$ 24,306 Envelopes Users
2,855 Loose Check/Cash
2,152 Electronic Giving
\$ 29,313 Total Collected

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

Fr. Bob, Pastor

	WEEK AT A GLANCE		
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
Monday, March 12	7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-200 MH	Athletic Association Meeting Men's Basketball
Tuesday, March 13	8:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-213 C S-208 S-Library S-102 S-207 S-213 MH	FSA Meeting School Mass Teen Drop-In Technology Committee Book Club PreCana Class Pastoral Care Commission High School Boys' Church League
Wednesday, March 14	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	RB C S-200 S-200 MH	Mission Ladies Lenten Mass Baptismal Prep Class Worship Ministry High School Boys' Church League
Thursday, March 15	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-Music S-Music S-213 C S-Music S-102 MH	Children's Choir Contemporary Choir SVDP Confirmation Practice Chancel Choir AA Closed Meeting High School Boys' Church League
Friday, March 16	2:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C S-Music C S-207	Stations of the Cross Spanish Choir Liturgy of the Hours Spanish Ministry Bible Class
Saturday, March 17			
Sunday, March 18	9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	S-207 C MH }	English Classes/GED Sacrament of Confirmation with Reception to follow in Morrissey Hall
C.....Church CV.....Church Vestibule (East & West) MH....Morrissey Hall		S.... RB...	School (Education Building) 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).

EUCCHARISTIC 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

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