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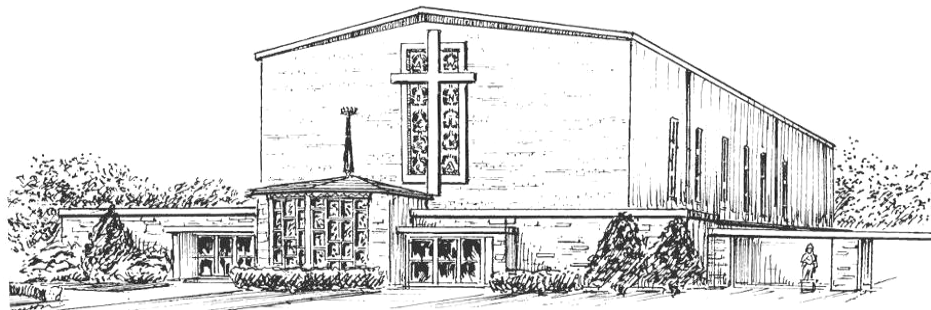
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www.stcletusparish.com

September 23, 2012

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 24 - September 30, 2012

| Day | Time | Intentions |
|-----------|---|---|
| Monday | 8:00 a.m. | Special Intention |
| Tuesday | 8:00 a.m. | Joe Saban, Joseph Viececi, Dan Rosko |
| Wednesday | 8:00 a.m. | Michael William Rockwood |
| Thursday | 8:00 a.m. | Harry Heyes |
| Friday | 8:00 a.m. | George Rockwood, Sr., George Rockwood, Jr. |
| Saturday | 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. | Purgatorial Society Georgia Popp, Bernice Persin, Michael Maly, Cathy Tutt, Matthew Mack |
| Sunday | 7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. | Special Intention for Doreen Archer Spint, Dolores E. Kuchta, Mary Ann O'Connell Christine Korzenecki Philip Jeffrey William Hill Purgatorial Society |



**St. Cletus Parish
Welcomes...**

Ryan Alexander Martin,
son of Marlin & Rachel (Young) Martin

Isabel Patricia Pawula,
daughter of Shawn & Magdalena (Cabrera) Pawula

Campbell Renee Sullivan,
daughter of Bryan & Kelly (Mrzyglod) Sullivan

Sofia Elizabeth Vari,
daughter of James & Leslie (Traficanto) Vari

Cooper James Wisniewski,
son of Scott & Teresa (Garcia) Wisniewski

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



Courtney Essig and Michael Bolt

Courtney Loch and Daniel Clay



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

Richard James Tucker,
father of Ann Czopek

Jeanne Acke,
mother of Helen McComiskey
and Mary Jo Ramicone

May the Lord grant them eternal rest. Amen.



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Carol Witkowski, Joe Butkus, Jack Urban, Catherine Mlot, Jim Ivetic, Jennifer Buchta, Ruth Ann Derbas, Julius Kohl, Peter Ference, Joan Trauth, Mary Bartucci, Jennie Boerste, Rene Quinones, Philip Hodak, Eddie Wisner, Frank Nash, Stacy Kwak, Harry Fisher, James McSweeney, John Karch, Gertrude Koenig-Stoiber, Gerdi Dorso, Loretta Pavlik, 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, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and unable to attend Mass. Please know we pray daily for the sick and the dying.

NOTES FROM DEACON JESÚS...**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“The wicked say: Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us, he sets himself against our doings, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him.”(Wis 2:12.17).

The ungodly abandoned the true God and his law, becoming the bitterest “servants of God.” They despised and hated the God-fearing people, who were reminders of their own apostasy. The same holds today-- Christians abandoning God’s law and commandments, living only in an earthly place.

The opposition of the scribes and the Pharisees came from their jealous pride. Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. St. James calls Christians to practice wisdom, to practice reason, to practice their faith. “But Wisdom from above is first of all pure, peaceful, gentle, full of grace and good fruits, and the harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.” (James 3:16 .17)

Christianity is synonymous with unselfishness. We are not individuals in opposition to one another, but rather members of the one body, cooperating for the good of that body. Among such members there can be no jealousy, no hatred, no fighting, and no coveting. Each member will live in peace, in sincerity, in justice, in truthfulness, in active helpfulness with all the other members. *This is the rule of life for true Christians.*

The gospel of Christ is a gospel which preaches peace and harmony between man and God, and between man and man. Christians should put this gospel truth into practice among themselves and then among all men.

Unfortunately, St. James’ letter did not eradicate these human weaknesses from human nature. There has been-- and there will continue to be-- jealous and selfish people who do not want others to equal them. Our own century has witnessed two world wars on a scale never seen before, and for what reason? Was there a just side in these wars? History will have difficulty in finding it. It is not always the invader, or so called aggressor, who starts the evil of war. Jealousies and egocentric interests have aroused hatred and animosity for years, even before the first gun-fire is heard.

When Jesus was teaching and telling his disciples “The son of man is going to be handed over to men and they will kill him and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise,” (Mk 9:34) his disciples did not understand his message and did not ask Jesus to explain it to them. Instead, they began disputing with one another as to which of them would have the highest post of honor in the earthly messianic kingdom, which they had envisaged. However, remember that they were not yet really Christians. They were worldly and human, needing the death and resurrection of Christ to make them what they became, his true followers.

For centuries we have had nominal Christians in Christ’s Church-- men and women who tried to make their paradise in this world, and forgot the everlasting heaven. Many of these “Christians” have devoted time to make a “better world,” a vain Utopia. If God and Christ’s teachings are left out of our reckoning, we shall forever have jealousies, enmities, hatred and wars. What chance then has the world when Christ and Christianity are banished from it?

Christ became man, suffered and died as man, for our sakes. By his resurrection, he conquered death and opened heaven for us. Heaven is our true destiny. Loving God and our neighbor, while carrying our cross, is the only way to reach heaven. Forget this “heaven on earth” doctrine; it does not and never will exist! Accept Christ and you are accepting the Father who sent him. He, in turn, will accept you.

Ask yourselves: Has his Passion and Resurrection converted us? Has he cleaned our hearts from jealousy and hatred? Are we sincerely convinced he dwells amongst us? Do we truly believe CHRIST is ALIVE?

Yours in Christ,
Deacon Jesus

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop

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September 22, 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate Seminary Sunday in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Chicago. On this occasion, we honor the ministry of the many priests who serve you so faithfully each day, as well as those who are preparing to serve you with that same charity in the future.

In the Archdiocese of Chicago, Mundelein Seminary is a place where vocations to the diocesan priesthood are discerned and strengthened. Each year, as I ordain the graduates of Mundelein Seminary to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, I do so with confidence that they have been formed for fidelity and service and are well educated in the Catholic faith. The best example of the work of the seminary is reflected in the quiet and compassionate ministry of your pastors and parish priests as they live out their ordination commitment each day to bring Christ to you as they preach, teach and administer the Sacraments. I thank them for their good example, and I thank you for your prayers and financial contributions, which provide our future priests with the education and environment they need to "prepare well" to serve God's faithful. I ask you to pray for those whom God is now calling to the ordained priesthood from among our families and friends. Talk to young men you know whom you think might be good priests; encourage them to explore the possibility of priesthood.

I ask you to especially remember your bishops, your parish priests and our seminarians each day in prayer. You and your intentions are in ours. May God bless you and those you love.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago**PLEASE NOTE:**

**The Collection at St. Cletus is *next* weekend, Saturday, September 29 & Sunday, September 30.
Envelopes are available in the pews this weekend.**

THE RIGHT ANSWER ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser O.M.I.

Truth alone is not enough. It must be balanced off with the other transcendental properties of God: oneness, goodness, and beauty.

That might sound abstract, but what it means concretely is that sometimes we can have all the right answers and still be wrong. How? If we are acting in truth how can we be wrong?

The first pitfall is this: We may be acting out of truth and, in fact, doing all the right things, but our energy can be wrong. T.S. Eliot once famously said: "The last temptation is the greatest treason: To do the right deed for the wrong reason." We can see what is at stake here by looking at the older brother of the prodigal son. On the surface his devotion to his father lacks nothing. He rightly attests that his life is blameless and a paradigm of filial devotion. He has kept all the commandments, has never left his father's house, and has done all the required work. The irony is that he fails to notice that he is not in fact inside his father's house, but is standing outside of it and is being gently invited in by his father. What is keeping him outside since after all he is doing everything correctly? Bitterness and anger. His actions are correct, but his heart is wrong. Bitterness and anger are not the right energy to fuel truth. We can be scrupulously faithful and still find ourselves standing outside of God's house and outside the circle of community and celebration because of a bitter heart. Gratitude is the energy that ultimately needs to fuel the truth.

Like the older brother of the prodigal son, we can be doing everything right and still, somehow, be wrong. And where this is particularly important in terms of a challenge is in our efforts, both as individuals and as churches, to offer the truth, the right answers, to those around us, be that our own children who no longer go to church or society as a whole. If, inside of our speaking the truth, there are elements of elitism, arrogance, anger, lack of respect, lack of understanding, or worse still, embittered moralizing, our truth will not be heard, not because our truth is wrong but because our energy is.

That is why Jesus warns us to "speak our truth in parables". Truth is not a sledgehammer; it is an invitation that we must respectfully offer others.

And there is still a second potential pitfall: We can have the right answers and the right energy, but have the wrong understanding of those answers. We see this, for example, in Mark's Gospel when Jesus

asks the disciples the question: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answers, and answers correctly, by saying: "You are the Christ, the Messiah." But he is immediately shut down by Jesus ("Don't tell that to anyone!") and is subsequently rebuked with the words: "Get behind me, Satan!" Why? Wasn't he correct?

Peter's answer was correct, Jesus was the Christ, but his understanding of what that meant was mostly wrong. For Peter, the concept of a Messiah connoted earthly power and especially earthly privilege, whereas for Jesus it meant suffering and dying. Peter had the right answer, but the wrong understanding of that answer. Some scholars speculate that this is the real reason behind the so-called "messianic secret" in the Gospels, where Jesus repeatedly asks his disciples to not reveal his identity. His reluctance to have his disciples broadcast publicly who he is was based upon his fear that they could not, before the resurrection and Pentecost, properly understand his identity and would invariably preach a false message.

We can have the right answers and still be wrong because we have the wrong energy to go along with the answers or because we have a wrong understanding of the answers. It is good to take that to heart, especially when we step out prophetically either religiously or morally or socially. We may well have the water of life, the truth that sets people free, and the right cause, but nobody except our own kind will accept to receive it from us if our energy is wrong or our understanding of that truth is wrong. It is easy to rationalize that it is because we are prophetic, the faithful remnant, the last warriors of truth still standing, that we are not being heard and why we are hated. But, more often than not, we are not being listened to because we are misguided, elitist, non-empathic, or flat-out unloving, not because we are warriors for truth or justice.

And so we need to be humble and heed Jesus' warning to guard the "messianic secret" and "speak our truth in parables". In brief, we need to be solicitous always lest a false energy behind our truth or a misunderstanding of that truth have us so fall out of discipleship that Jesus has to reprimand us with the words: "Get behind me, Satan!"



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SAINT CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES

2012-13 SEASON

RAGTIME CONCERT FEATURING BOB MILNE



**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 30TH
4:00 P.M.**

FINE ARTS SERIES SEASON KICKOFF!

The 2012-2013 St. Cletus Fine Arts Series begins in seven short days with an incredible concert by Bob Milne. Considered one of the world's greatest ragtime pianists, Bob Milne plays over 250 performances each year and is a nationally recognized musician, filling concert halls from Michigan to Japan. He is an active "Musical Ambassador" for the U.S. Department of State and has been declared a National Treasure by the U.S. Library of Congress. We are thrilled to welcome Mr. Milne to St. Cletus for a FREE concert, and know that you will want to join us on Sunday, September 30, at 4:00 p.m. - this is truly a performance you won't want to miss.

Additionally, next Sunday's performance supports a cause that is dear to many of our parishioners. While the concert is free of charge, it is being presented as a benefit for the Ministry Project of Uganda which is being undertaken by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. The dream of this clinic in Gulu, Northern Uganda. Your attendance at our concert will not only provide you with an afternoon of world-class entertainment, but will offer the opportunity to help support the noble efforts to build the Gulu clinic.

Our Fine Arts Series will continue in December as we welcome the return of the Jazz Nativity on December 15. 2013 offerings will include an opportunity for our parishioners and friends to participate in a Festival Chorus, performing in February with orchestral accompaniment; we are also thrilled to again host "Glorious, Eternal Light: A Jazz Passion" as well as our annual Cabaret "piano bar" night. We appreciate your continued support of the Fine Arts Series and look forward to seeing you next Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

Justin Sisul

Fine Arts Series

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
 Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
 Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
 Jn 1:47-51
 Sunday: Nm 11:25-19; Ps 19; Jas 5:1-6;
 Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wednesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian;
 Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement)
 begins at sunset
 Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul
 Friday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions;
 St. Wenceslaus
 Saturday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

SAINT CLETUS 5TH ANNUAL
Oktoberfest

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

*Pretzels, Brats, Brews
and all things German!*

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.

October 20th

St. Cletus Parking Lot, Under the Tent
600 W. 55th St. - La Grange

6:00 p.m.

Oktoberfest Opens with
The Happy Wanderers

9:00 p.m.

R-Gang on Stage

11:00 p.m.

Oktoberfest Closes

Call 708.352.4820 or visit stcletusoktoberfest.com for more information

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Help! Our next monthly food distribution is on October 11 and we are scrambling to make up the 300+ bags needed. Remember, it's as easy as 1-2-3 to make a difference by donating non-perishables to the pantry.

1. When you go to the grocery store this week, just pick up an item or two for the Food Pantry.
2. Pick something from our "most needed at this time" list, which includes most of the staples we pack in our bags, and suggested extras: tuna, soup, meals in a can/box, canned meat, pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, canned vegetables, boxed side dishes, macaroni & cheese, dry pinto beans, rice, canned tomatoes, crackers, coffee, condiments, dish soap, laundry detergent, juice, cooking oil, personal items, and paper goods.

Please note: Regular size items work best for us (i.e. 1-3 lb packages) since we do not have the proper facilities to repack rice, dry beans, pasta, etc. into smaller packages.

*****Of course, all in date non-perishables are always appreciated*****

3. Drop off your donations in the food bins in the Church vestibule when you come to Mass over the weekend or daily 7:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m..

Thank you for adding St. Cletus Food Pantry items to your regular shopping list!!!

Lastly, a special word of appreciation to *Early Act Club* at Gurrie Middle School, for sponsoring a recent food drive and delivering the goods to our Pantry. We are truly blessed to have good friends and neighbors, who partner with St. Cletus and faithfully support this Christian outreach to those in need in our community!

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

ICN JOB SUPPORT WORKSHOP — WEEK # 2: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us...Jim Peterson will discuss accountability in your search and Dennis Hamilton will provide a special presentation on identifying your skills and quantifying your accomplishments which are the keys to preparing a compelling resume and "elevator speech." Join us in Westminster Hall, 7:00-9:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. Please enter the church on Catherine Avenue. Everyone is welcome and there is no fee to attend this workshop. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

MAKE NETWORKING YOUR PRIORITY

Interfaith Career Network invites you to a supportive evening of networking on Thursday, October 4, at 7:00 p.m. ICN co-founders and HR professionals, Judy Kennedy and Tom Rohan will open this meeting with helpful ideas and suggestions for your job search. At the end of the discussion, take time to expand your networking with 1-2 roundtable sessions. Share leads, information and tips. Network and strategize your job search through shared conversation and connections with other job seekers. Bring copies of your resume or a network handbill. If you don't have one, come anyway. Bring a friend if you'd like. Everyone is welcome and there is no fee to attend. Join us at First Baptist Church, 20 North Ashland Avenue (across from the La Grange Post Office). Please use the Bell Avenue entrance.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE!

2012-2013 TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

At our first large group meeting on September 9, we made eight blankets for the RML Specialty Hospital in Hinsdale! Thank you for your participation and enthusiasm! Pictured below are some of the teens showing their handiwork.



Our first small group sessions will take place in the homes of our catechists this **Sunday, September 23**, at assigned times – freshmen meet at 6:00 p.m., sophomores meet at 4:00 p.m., and juniors/seniors meet at 6:30 p.m.

LA GRANGE/WESTERN SPRINGS/BROOKFIELD CROP WALK

Our teen faith formation group is walking on Sunday, October 21, at 1:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Western Springs, 4300 Howard. 25% of the money raised will benefit local food pantries like ours

while 75% supports global hunger. Donations can be put toward sponsoring our teens. All are welcome to join us. Permission slips can be found on our website: www.stcletusparish.com/youth. Please contact Kristen for more information.

DO YOU SING? PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? THEN WE NEED YOU!

Come to Room 208 (teen room) in the Education Building on Tuesday, September 25, at 7:00 p.m. to gather with other talented teens to prepare music for our teen hosted Masses! Our first Mass is Sunday, October 21, at 4:00 p.m.

PRO LABORE DEI SERVICE PROJECT

On Saturday morning, **September 29**, at 10:00 a.m., we will be meeting in Room 213 in the Education Building to make lunches for the needy in the Robbins community. Then we will be joining a group to deliver them. We will return at approximately 1:30 p.m.. If you are interested in helping, please let me know by September 25 so we can decide who is going to donate which items—bread, lunchmeat, peanut butter, cookies, drinks, etc.



GREAT AMERICA'S FRIGHT FEST

We are planning our trip for Columbus Day, Monday, October 8. Information and permission slips are available on our website: www.stcletusparish.com/youth and are due by Monday, October 1. We will need one adult chaperone. If we do not get enough teens to fill the bus by this time, we will have to cancel the trip.

BOY'S CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL SIGN-UP



Registration forms for the 2012-2013 Boy's Church League Basketball are posted on our website www.stcletusparish.com/youth this weekend. Precedence will be given to teens that are enrolled in our Teen Faith Formation Program. As it has been in the past, participants will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Parents are required to volunteer with the program. Please drop off your form and fee to the rectory as soon as possible, as they are counted from that location. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen.

STAY UP-TO-DATE ON OUR ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS—"Like" St. Cletus Youth Ministry on Facebook! You can do this at www.facebook.com/stcletusyouth.

Kristen Maxwell
Youth Ministry



Cardinal Corner

FAITH FAMILY FUTURE



Fr. Edgar is pictured presenting Bibles to the 6th graders.



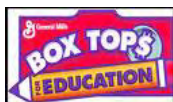
A highlight for the sixth grade students at St. Cletus is the reception of their own personal Bibles presented to them at Mass. This year it took place on September 11 with Fr. Edgar as celebrant and the sixth grade students planning the Mass. They will use and pass along these Bibles throughout the remainder of their years at St. Cletus. In using these Bibles, we hope they will further learn, understand, and spread their faith and the “good news.” Congratulations Sixth Grade!!

- Submitted by Cheryl Bialas

EXAMPLE

Children, especially, set their watches by our clock.

—Anonymous



SUPPORT BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Simply clip the box tops label from hundreds of participating products. 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.



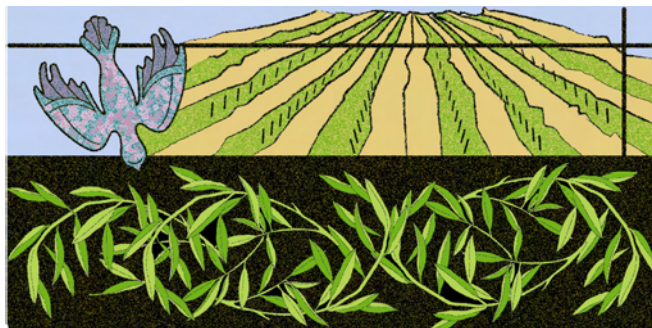
DOMINICK'S eSCRIP RENEWAL TIME

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 [eScrip Renewal](#). If you have not signed up yet, 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.

LECTORS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS

Please pick up your new schedules in the narthex. Thank you.

Paulette Bolton



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 23, 2012

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

— James 3:18

Sunday Collection – September 16, 2012

Total Active Registered Families 2,762

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used this week 659
% of registered families 24%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000
Over (Under) Budget:
(\$2,306)

This fiscal Year @ 9/16/12

Actual Sunday Collections: \$ 315,244

Budgeted Sunday Collections 324,000

YTD Over (Under) budget: \$ (8,756)

Amount Collected

| | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| \$ 20,285 | Envelopes Users |
| 2,765 | Loose Check/Cash |
| 1,644 | Electronic Giving |
| \$ 24,694 | Total Collected |

We thank you for your continued and generous financial support. Along with the volunteering of your time and talents you contribute to the Kingdom of God here on earth. God bless.

Fr. Edgar, Administrator

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and servant of all.” Mark 9:35

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus teaches us through His words and through His life that we are called to serve one another. We can serve through our sacrifices of time, talent and treasure. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is “to make holy,” from the words “*sacer*” - sacred and “*facere*” - to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by giving up some of our time, talent and treasure in the service of God and His Church.

| WEEK AT A GLANCE | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| DAY/DATE | TIME | LOCATION/ ROOM # | EVENT |
| Sunday, September 23 | 7:00 a.m. | Front Lawn | Oktoberfest Ticket Sales |
| Monday, September 24 | 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. | S-Band S-98 | Band Open House CREDO |
| Tuesday, September 25 | 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. | C S-200 S-208 | School Mass RCIA YM Teen Musicians |
| Wednesday, September 26 | 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. | RB S-200 | Mission Ladies Kairos Meeting |
| Thursday, September 27 | 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. | S-Music S-Music S-Music | Children's Choir Contemporary Ensemble Chancel Choir |
| Friday, September 28 | 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. | Near flagpole S-Music S-207 | Mums Pick-up Spanish Choir Spanish Ministry Bible Class |
| Saturday, September 29 | 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. | Near flagpole S-213 | Mums Pick-up YM Lunches for the Poor |
| Sunday, September 30 | 1:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. | S-200 C | Natural Family Planning Class Fine Arts <i>Ragtime Concert</i> |
| C...Church CV...Church Vestibule (East & West) MH...Morrissey Hall | | | S...School (Education Building) RB...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

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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