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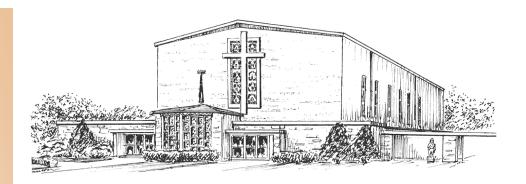
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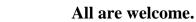
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time





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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 January 21 - January 27, 2013

Day	Time	Intentions		
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Edward Kodatt, Pauline Cuttill		
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Scott Malcak		
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Evelyn Prevenas, Eddie Wisner		
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Andrew Frank Bultas, Jr., Special Intention: Stanley & Irene Oboy 65th Wedding Anniversary		
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Jack McLaughlin, Nan Rettig, Erik Geyer, Pauline Cuttill		
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Purgatorial Society Benjamin Patrick Hyink		
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Joseph & Wanda Kurland, John Salvato, Dolores E. Kuchta Bobbie McQuaid, Maria Wisnewska Eugene Sorrentino, Ruth Ann Derbas James J. Lilly, John Dunbar Battistoni Souls in Purgatory		

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;

Mk 2:23-28, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk

3:7-12

Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;

Mk 16:15-18

Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9

or Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15;

1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4-

21

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

Joseph Fajdich, father of Cheri Wilborn

Ted Crawford, father of Chris Boyle

May the Lord grant them eternal rest. Amen.

TRUST

Blessed are they who place themselves in the hands of Jesus. He will place himself in their hands.

-Anonymous



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Mona Heyes, Susan Cambron, Edmundo Casas, Edward Hrzenjak, Steven Onusaitis,

Z. Gajos, Philip Hodak, Mary Alice Gregorchuk, Eugene Dorosz, Joshua Thomas, Jr., John Brannigan, Stacy Kwak, Marilyn Matesevac, Frances Klimcke, Bill Jaworski, John & George Duda, Donna Styrska, Fernando Cabral, Carol Witkowski, Joe Butkus, Catherine Mlot, Jim Ivetic, Jennifer Buchta, Julius Kohl, Peter Ference, Mary Bartucci, Jennie Boerste, Frank Nash, James McSweeney, John Karch, Gertrude Koeníg-Stoiber, Gerdi Dorso, Bob Zimmerman, Breann Moddes, Betty Niwa, Workman, Betty Zapf, Sue Kremer, Lydia Ciaglia, and Howard Pohlman. 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.



In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, ALL facilities will be closed Monday, January 21, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

The rectory office will reopen Tuesday, January 22 at 9:00 a.m.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2013

Celebrations are always a mixture of tradition and innovation. To some extent, it depends on our personality and character which we prefer. It can also depend on how old we are. Arguments about weddings often take place because parents and children cannot agree on the right mix. Should the wedding take place in a church or on a beach in the Caribbean? Should the father give the bride away or should she march in by herself or with her mother? Should bride and groom exchange rings or other tokens? Should the music be traditional or modern? What should everyone wear? Does the bridal couple walk or travel by limousine? Who is to be invited? What and where do they eat? Weddings do not have the monopoly on such decision making. Even children's parties can cause similar problems in the western world today. Traditional societies may be more concerned about respecting and retaining all the old practices. However, there is always the desire to get it right, to fulfill the various expectations. Rituals are important. They often articulate—even in ways that at times may seem irrelevant—the letting go of the old and the encounter with the new.

In the story of Cana, John weaves together the encounter of the worlds of the Old and New Testaments. The Old is not discarded in this encounter, but it provides the material to be transformed into the New. How fitting it is that this takes place at a wedding, for the law of the new life is nothing other than love. The Old is represented by the mother of Jesus, by the old rituals and the water; the New is represented by Jesus and his disciples and by the new wine that is poured out for all. Not evident in translation, John's use of tenses in the original Greek reinforces the contrast between the two worlds. John used the past tense until Jesus acts. The difference between the two worlds is most highlighted in the words of Jesus in response to his mother's request: "Woman why turn to me? My hour has not come yet." His mother is the representative, even the pinnacle, of all that has gone before. The first reaction of Jesus points to the break that has to happen if the New is to be born and to flourish. And yet, it is his mother who calls forth the initiation of the new, and it is the ceremonial water pots of the old legislation that he now takes to transform into the wine of the new. Water, the most important symbol of creation and cleansing, is transformed into the higher symbol of life-giving love. It is in the nature of such love that it cannot stay untouched or stagnant. It has to be poured out; in being poured out, the full nature of the transformation is revealed. The old expectations are reversed. The old wine cannot compare with the new wine of God's love.

As human beings, we often struggle with the complex relationship between past, present and future. We can prefer one or the other, depending on our age and attitude. We expect the young to yearn for the new and the elderly to muse fondly on the past. Yet we also meet old heads on young shoulders and pensioners who never cease to delight in the new. As Christians, this tension is experienced in different ways. We have traditional and modern liturgies. We feel comfortable with different forms of architecture and different forms of language. The gospel message cannot be used to buttress any of these choices. It is rather a challenge to endure, with the new life of God's love, all forms of expressing our belief. The whole of creation is our artistic palette. The question is how we transform the ordinary into the extraordinary, the two-dimensional into the life-giving. For this to happen there must be a pouring out of ourselves in love. We are the new wine that only finds its true destiny in being shared and enjoyed. Where our acts and practices of worship and life turn inwards and become defensive, we fall back into the old world. At the point where we are able to give of ourselves with the generosity shown by Jesus himself, the clay we are working with, whether sacred or profane, is transformed into the new life of Christ himself.

Blessings of New Life in Christ Always,

Father Bob

Pastor

THE INEFFABILITY OF GOD

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser

Nicholas Lash, in a deeply insightful essay on God and unbelief, suggests that the God that atheists reject is often simply an idol of their own imaginations: "We need do no more than notice that most of our contemporaries still find it 'obvious' that atheism is not only possible, but widespread and that, both intellectually and ethically, it has much to commend it. This might be plausible if being an atheist were a matter of not believing that there exists 'a person without a body' who is 'eternal, free, able to do anything, knows everything' and is 'the proper object of human worship and obedience, the creator and sustainer of the universe.' If, however, by 'God' we mean the mystery, announced in Christ, breathing all things out of nothing into peace, then all things have to do with God in every move and fragment of their being, whether they notice this and suppose it to be so or not. Atheism, if it means deciding not to have anything to do with God, is thus selfcontradictory and, if successful, self-destructive."

Lash's insight is, I believe, very important, not first and foremost for our dialogue with atheists, but for our understanding of our own faith. The first thing that Christianity defines dogmatically about God is that God is ineffable, that is, that it is impossible to conceptualize God and that all of our language about God is more inaccurate than accurate. That isn't just an abstract dogma. Our failure to understand this, perhaps more than anything else, is the reason why we struggle with faith and struggle to not fudge its demands. What's at issue here?

All of us, naturally, try to form some picture of God and try to imagine God's existence. The problem when we try to do this is that we end up in one of two places, both not good.

On the one hand, we often end up with an image of God as some superman, a person like ourselves, except wonderfully superior to us in every way. We picture God as a superhero, divine, all knowing, and all-powerful, but still ultimately like us, capable of being imagined and pictured, someone whom we can circumscribe, put a face to, and count. While this is natural and unavoidable, it leaves us, no matter how sincere we are, always, with an idol, a God created in our own image and likeness, and consequently a God who can easily and rightly be rejected by atheism.

On the other hand, sometimes when we try to form a picture of God and imagine God's existence, something else happens: We come up dry and empty, unable to either picture God or imagine God's existence. We then end up

either in some form of atheism or afraid to examine our faith because we have unconsciously internalized atheism's belief that faith is naïve and cannot stand up to the hard questions.

When this happens to us, when we try to imagine God's existence and come up empty, that failure is not one of faith but of our imagination. We are living not so much inside of atheism as inside of God's ineffability, inside a "cloud of unknowing", a "dark night of the soul". We aren't atheists. We just feel like we are. It's not that God doesn't exist or has disappeared. It's rather that God's ineffability has put God outside of our imaginative capacities. Our minds are overmatched. God is still real, still there, but our finite imaginations are coming up empty trying to picture infinite reality, tantamount to what happens when we try to imagine the highest number to which it is possible to count. The infinite cannot be circumscribed by the imagination. It has no floor and it has no ceiling, no beginning and no end. The human imagination cannot deal with that.

God is infinite and, thus, by definition unimaginable and impossible to conceptualize. That's also true for God's existence. It cannot be pictured. However the fact that we cannot imagine God is very different than saying that we cannot know God. God can be known, even if not imagined. How?

We all know many things that we cannot imagine, conceptualize, or articulate. Inside us there is something the mystics call "dark knowledge", namely, an inchoate, intuitive, gut-sense within which we know and understand beyond what we can picture and give words to. And this isn't some exotic, paranormal talent that fortune-tellers claim to have. The opposite; it's our bedrock, that solid foundation that we touch in our most sincere and deepest moments, that place inside us where when we are at our best we ground our lives.

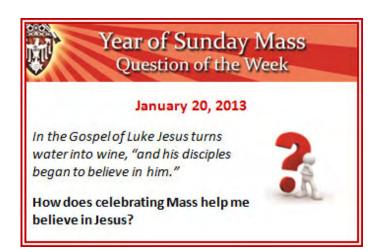
God is ineffable, unimaginable, and beyond conception and language. Our faith lets us bracket this for a while and lets us picture God as some idolized superhero. But eventually that well runs dry and our finite minds are left to know the infinite only in darkness, without images, and our finite hearts are left to feel infinite love only inside a dark trust.



Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser, theologian, teacher, and award-winning author, is President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. He can be contacted through his website www.ronrolheiser.com.

HEALTH PRECAUTIONS AT MASS

ith the flu season upon us and its near epidemic proportions, we will make several temporary changes at all Masses. Until the flu season ends, we will suspend the distribution of the Precious Blood (the cup with the Blood of Christ) as well as the exchange of the Sign of Peace. Additionally, we encourage everyone to take common sense precautions during this year's extensive outbreak of the flu. All ministers at church will utilize hand sanitizers before and after the distribution of Holy Communion and hand sanitizers will be available at the entrances to church. If you are sick or have flu symptoms; if you are coughing, sneezing or have a fever, we invite you to refrain from attending Mass. This request is intended to protect your own wellbeing as well as that of fellow parishioners. Sunday Mass at Mercy Home is the televised Mass offered by the Archdiocese of Chicago for elderly, infirm and homebound Catholics. We warmly encourage you to participate in this Mass if you are unable to attend in person. Sunday Mass at Mercy Home is offered on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. on WGN Channel 9. (Cable viewers should check their cable listing.) We hope these precautions will assist in the wellness of our parishioners as we pray for the health and safety of all.



LOOKING GOOD

The best mirror is a friend's eyes.
-Gaelic proverb

KNOW THE MASS, ONE WORD AT A TIME



Serve

Serving means making ourselves available to meet the needs of others. Jesus served us in the most remarkable way. He identified his mission and his service when he said "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,"

and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). He serves us by giving up his life for us and for our redemption and healing. And we meet him serving us every time we celebrate the Mass—"This is my body, which will be given up for you."

In the Mass and outside the Mass, we take the service of Jesus to our hearts. We know that we too must make ourselves available to meet the needs of others. We too must serve.

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A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to *see*, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult "public life" at his baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of his "first sign," providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

It is with great pleasure that I welcome back to St. Cletus a familiar face. Mrs. Jolene Hillgoth has accepted the position of Pastoral Associate for Education. The role of Pastoral Associate for Education will be to consult, assist, assess, and advise all ministry areas within our parish involved with Education and Faith Formation. She will collaborate with our parish Religious Education Department, St. Cletus School, Youth Ministry, Adult Formation and Sacramental Preparation.

Mrs. Hillgoth comes back to St. Cletus with a rich background in both Education and Faith Formation. She will assist us as we move forward in spreading the good news of the gospel. Mrs. Hillgoth will be a true asset to our parish community and I look forward to ministering with her.

Father Bob Clark
Pastor

JOLENE HILLGOTH OUR NEW PASTORAL ASSOCIATE/EDUCATION



I graduated from Quincy University with a Bachelor of Science in education and received my Masters degree in Educational Administration from Dominican University. My experiences in the Archdiocese of Chicago include 19 years as an administrator in elementary schools (9 of which were here at St. Cletus), consulting for early childhood programs and elementary teacher. I served on several school improvement process teams as well as represented local area principals at monthly Archdiocesan Principal Association meetings. Through the years, I have served on a home/school association board, school board, youth ministry, worship ministry, parish council, and played a large role in the planning of a new school building.



OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 27th 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

- Faith Based Education from Preschool through Eigth Grade
- Half-day and Full-day Preschool for 3 and 4 year olds
- 🏶 Half-day and Full-day Kindergarten
- Before and After School Extended Care
- Environment of Academic Excellence

- Strong Curriculum including Spanish, Art, Music, PE, Science Lab, Technology Learning Center and Library
- Athletic Opportunity and Extra-Curricular Activities
- Caring Community
- Technology Integrated into Classrooms and Curriculum

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Plan to join us for an unforgettable evening of music. Andrew Blendermann entertains regularly at piano bars around Chicago and spent a decade banging on grand pianos at Howl At The Moon.

This is only fundraiser we have for the Fine Arts Series, and we look forward to your support and attendance.

DATE Friday, February 8 th	ADMISSION \$35 in Advance	
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TIME		
8:00 p.m. Entertainment	ADMISSION INCLUDES	
Begins	Entertainment, Wine and Desserts	

Reservations can be returned to the Parish Rectory or made online at www.steletusparish.com.

"SAVE THE DATE"

We are announcing the first ever 50th Anniversary Reunion of a Graduating Class of St. Cletus School. The Class of 1963 will be holding this event on Saturday, September 28, 2013. We need help in tracking down members of our class, so if you are a member, sibling, parent or friend of the Class of 1963, please pass along this information so that one of the members of our committee can contact him/her.

Please contact Dick Carraher (Class of 1963) @ dcarraher3243@hotmail.com or (708) 774-8844.

CRAFTERS WANTED



... for the Spring Fling Craft Show and Bake Sale to be held on Saturday, March 16, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St. Barbara Parish Center, 4015 Prairie

Avenue in Brookfield. Spaces are 9 feet wide by 8 feet deep and are \$25; tables to rent are 8 feet wide by 2 feet deep and cost \$10; and electric hook up is \$5. *No vendors please.* Call Jane at (708) 485-6614 for an application.

LET'S PUT AN END TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Did you know that 1 in 4 women in the US will be a victim of Domestic Violence sometime in her life? This cuts across all races and socio-economic classes.

The most effective weapon to battle Domestic Violence is information and outreach. Please help end Domestic Violence in our community by attending the following presentation hosted by Pillars Constance Morris House:

Date Saturday,	Time	Place	Subject
January 26	9am –12pm	St. Francis Xavier 124 N. Waiola La Grange IL	Types of Abuse, Cycle of Violence, Why Women Stay, Grief, Safety Planning
Saturday,		-	
February 9	9am – 12pm	St. Francis Xavier 124 N. Wiola La Grange IL	Effects of DV on Children, Civil/Criminal Order of Protection, Rights of Clients, Confidentiality



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 20, 2013

Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory.

social concerns ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



Thank you for your faithful response to the pantry's needs. Your donations, along with those from various area churches, schools, businesses, and organizations, are what keep us up and running.

- As we gear up for our February monthly distribution, most needed items include assorted noodles (we are OK on dry spaghetti), canned fruit, jelly, peanut butter, boxed side dishes, hot cocoa mix, crackers & cooking oil,
- It's not necessary to bring every item we need each week (although we will graciously and gratefully accept them!), but if everyone could just bring one or two items, it would help us greatly.
- All in date non-perishables are greatly appreciated.
- Your donations can be dropped off in the designated food bins in the Church narthex when you come to church on the weekend, or daily from 7:45 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK WINTER WORKSHOP, 2013

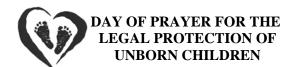
Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us when the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange will host a sixweek job support skills workshop on Tuesday evenings beginning January 22, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Whether you are unemployed, under-employed, looking for a career change or a recent grad looking for your first professional position, this informative workshop is for you. FPCLG is located at 150 South Ashland Avenue; meetings will be held in Westminster Hall. Please enter church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, call the FPCLG church office at (708) 354-0771. This workshop is open to all and there is no fee to attend. We look forward to welcoming you!

FREE RESUME REVIEW

Interfaith Career Network invites you to a free resume review on Saturday, February 2, 2013 from 9-11:30 a.m. at St. Cletus Education Building, 700 West 55th Street in La Grange. Join us and have a helpful 20- minute one-on-one conversation with a Human Resource or other source related professional for some ideas and

suggestions that may enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with your elevator speech? This is a terrific opportunity. Don't miss it! Please enter the building at the flagpole entrance.

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



ROE V. WADE

In 2013 our country will observe a shameful anniversary, marking forty years of a "culture of death" that began when the U.S. Supreme Court, *in roe v. Wade*, struck down all state laws restricting abortion. Since the advent of "legalized" abortion, over 53 million children have lost their lives, and their parents and family members have been forever, unalterably changed.

In addition to opening the door to abortion on request for all nine months of pregnancy, the Supreme Court's decision eroded respect to human life and led to a growing acceptance of death as the "solution" to personal and societal problems. Euthanasia and assisted suicide are now promoted as answers to declining health and disability. Human embryonic stem cell research, in which week-old embryos are sacrificed, is championed as a means to cure disease. To solve the problem of low fertility, many doctors create human embryos in their clinics, knowing full well that few embryos will survive to birth and the majority will be discarded or die. And the death penalty is still vigorously defended as the answer to violent crime.

A long time ago, God the Father allowed the Israelites to wander in a wasteland for forty painful years. This exile was not only a punishment for having rejected him, it was also a test of their faithfulness before they would be allowed to enter the land he had promised them. At the end of their time in the desert, the Israelites were given one challenge: "I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live, /by loving the LORD, your God, obeying his voice, and holding fast to him.: (Dt 30:29-20)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: NO MORE PAPER CHECKS FROM SOCIAL SECURITY!!!

Starting on March 1, 2013, the Treasury Department is requiring that all Social Security, VA, SSI and other federal beneficiaries receive their benefits by *electronic payment*. Senior citizens and other federal beneficiaries may choose either direct deposit or the Treasury-recommended Direct Express Debit Mastercard.

This new payment method is **not optional. It is the law.** Besides saving taxpayers money, switching to electronic payments provides a safer, more convenient and cost-effective way for people to get benefits than paper checks.

If you need assistance in switching to electronic payment, please call the Treasury's secure Go Direct Call Center at (800)333-1795. The agents are specially trained to answer questions and complete the switchover process in less than 10 minutes.

When you place the call, you must either have your most recent benefit check on hand, or know your 12-digit federal benefit check number. To arrange for direct deposit, you will also need to give the agent your bank or credit union's routing transit number, along with your account number.

Please don't wait until the last minute to make this important change!

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE!

TEEN FAITH FORMATION

Small groups will meet at designated times next Sunday, January 27, at the homes of our catechists.

OVERNIGHT CHICAGO SERVICE-BASED RETREAT

From Friday to Saturday, February 1-2, we will be staying at the Brother David Darst Center **www.brdaviddarstcenter.org** at 2834 S. Normal, Chicago 60616. We will be doing 2–3 service projects in the city and reflecting/learning about Catholic Social Teaching. Adult chaperones are needed! Registration and fee are due by **January 16!**. All information is available on our **website www.stcletusparish.com/youth**.

RACINE, WISCONSIN SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2013

We will be traveling to the DeKoven Retreat Center in Racine, Wisconsin June 9–13. While we are there we will be serving with Habitat for Humanity ReStore, Bethany Apartments (transitional home for women and children who suffer from domestic abuse), Racine Dominicans' Eco-Justice and Hope Centers, Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization, Racine County Food Bank, St. Monica's Senior Home, and similar organizations. More information and registration forms are available on our website at **www.stcletusparish.com/youth**. Registration and non-refundable deposits will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis and are due **this week**, by January 24. There may be a waiting list, so get yours in early!

MISSION TRIP MEETING

On Tuesday, January 29, at 6:30 p.m., in Room 201 in the Education Building, we will have our first mandatory mission trip meeting. It is for parents and teens. We will discuss details of the trip including our first fundraiser!

PARENTS OF TEENS PRAYER

Begin the New Year with prayer! On Friday, January 25, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 208 in the Education Building we will meet again to pray and reflect. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

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.

Kristin Maxwell

Youth Ministry

SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP (SCSG)

Multi Parish Ministry For singles in their 40's and 50's January/February Events

January Events

Sat.., 1/26 – Pizza and bowling – Connie's Pizza, 19 W. Ogden, Westmont – 6:00 p.m. - Followed by bowling at Suburbanite Bowl, 201 W. Ogden Av., Westmont – 8:00 p.m.. Carpooling will be available – meet at Panera Bread in La Grange Park at 5:15 p.m., leave promptly at 5:30 p.m.

February Events

- Sat., 2/9 Dinner and Play The Grapevine Restaurant, 9 W. Hillgrove Ave., La Grange 5:45 p.m. Western Springs Theatre, 4384 Hampton, Western Springs arrive at 7:30 p.m.. The play for the evening is "Ghost in the Machine." Cost is \$20.
- Sat., 2/16 Starved Rock Eagle Watching. Meet at Panera Bread in La Grange Park at 8:15 a.m. and leave promptly at 8:30 a.m. Carpooling will be available. This is an all day trip will return approximately at 5:00 p.m.

Above events are subject to change.

You can contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com
Find us on Facebook – Suburban Catholic Singles



PROGRAMS AT THE WELL

"Nuns" on the Bus" religious leader, attorney, poet, executive director of NETWORK and a speaker at the Democratic National Convention, Sister Simone Campbell, SSS, will host **The Gospel of Love: A Lived Experience of Catholic Social Teaching**, on Sunday, February 10, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Sister Kathy Sherman, CSJ, composer and singer, will weave her inspirational songs into the themes of the evening, including her most recent song, "Love Cannot be Silenced," which was recently featured in articles on Sister Kathy in *The New York Times* and *Chicago Tribune*.

Take a step into solitude by practicing **Centering Prayer**, a remarkably simple spiritual practice than can expand your receptivity to the presence and activity of God in your life, and promotes well-being of body, mind and spirit. Sister Jacqueline Schmitz, CSJ, will facilitate sic prayer sessions on Mondays, beginning February 11 through March 18, from 7:30-8:30 p.m. A suggested offering is \$10 for the first session and a free-will offering thereafter.

2013 Sacred Universe Award recipient, Father Denis Edwards will explore a Christian approach to an ecological way of life in his program, **Planetary Spirituality**, on Saturday, February 16, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Father Edwards is associate professor of theology at Flinders University and a priest of the Archdiocese of Adelaide, South Australia. This program is co-sponsored with St. Francis Xavier Parish. The cost is \$20.

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

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Total Active Registered Families 2,742

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used this week 586 % of registered families 21%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000

Over (Under) Budget: (\$4,150)

This fiscal Year @ Jan.13, 2013 Actual Sunday Collections: \$ 774,385 Budgeted Sunday Collections 783,000 YTD Over (Under) budget: \$ (8,615) **Amount Collected**

\$ 17,984 Envelopes Users 2,814 Loose Check/Cash 2,052 Electronic Giving

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	W	EEK ATA	GLANCE
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
Sunday, January 20	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Narthex/East Narthex/West S-Band, Library, Music & C	Respect Life Committee MANNA Cash & Carry Fine Arts Rehearsal
Monday, January 21	ALL FACIL	ITIES CLOSED	AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS
Tuesday, January 22	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-208 S-200 MH	Teen Catechist Meeting RCIA Boys' Church League
Wednesday, January 23	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	RB MH MH	Mission Ladies Market Day Boys' Church League
Thursday, January 24	3:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	MH S-Music S-Music MH	Science Fair Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boys' Church League
Friday, January 25	10:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	S-208 MH Lobby S-Music	Parents of Teen Prayer Group MANNA Cash & Carry Spanish Choir
Saturday, January 26	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Narthex/East Narthex/West	Cabaret Reservations Raffle Ticket Sales
Sunday, January 27	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Narthex/East Narthex/West C Entire School S-Band, Library Music & C	Cabaret Reservations Raffle Ticket Sales Catholic Schools Week <i>Mass</i> Catholic Schools Week <i>Open House</i> Fine Arts Rehearsal
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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

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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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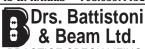
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