

St. Cletus School invites you to join us for our Catholic Schools Week Open House Sunday, January 27th from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. Take a tour and learn why St. Cletus is the right choice for your family.



- 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

Mass Intentions for the Week of January 28 - February 3, 2013

Day	Time	Intentions	
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Ann Jiganti	
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Phillip C. Butkus, Edwardine Wisner	
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Sheila Delaney Santori, Timothy Benrus	
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Ashley Meanley	
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Linda Bagal, Josephine & Anton Kuchta, Frank Wojcik, Nan Rettig	
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	John Dunbar Battistoni Chris Hussmann, John Dunban Battistoni, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Joseph Panek, Olga Kaszewicz	
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Alfred F. "Fritz" Geyer Edwardine "Eddie" Wisner, Mary Ricciardone & Calandriello Family Len Wehrmeister, Loretta Jacek, Gus Goetsch, Tom Gangler Karen Gorak, James J. Lilly Souls in Purgatory	



WELCOME SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND

Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available next weekend, February 2/3, after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses.

Please stop by the back of church, say hello, and become members.

Please remember our sick in your prayers: Mona Heyes, Susan Cambron, Edmundo Casas, 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, Koeníg-Stoiber, Gertrude Gerdi Dorso. Bob Zimmerman, Breann Moddes, Betty Niwa, Joan 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.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, February 5, and every first Tuesday of the month. Adoration begins immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed at 6:15 p.m. followed by Benediction.

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

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

Edward Hrzenjak, husband of Rose Marie

May the Lord grant them eternal rest. Amen.



The Feast of St. Blasé is Sunday, February 3. Throats will be blessed saint Blase after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, February 2, and after all Masses on Sunday.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Recently, I saw an advertisement campaign on billboards that at first glance didn't make sense. In huge letters, there were questions like: "Who is your favorite accountant?" Or: "Who is your favorite lawyer?" Seemingly crazy questions... Who among us has a favorite financial advisor or legal representative? What was the point of these advertisements? Well, in very small letters in the bottom corner of the ad, was the simple statement: "Everyone remembers their favorite teacher." It was a clever campaign. This recruitment effort, encouraging people to study as teachers, appealed neither to money nor to power, but to the real and lasting impression teachers can make on young people.

Usually, what makes teachers memorable or influential isn't the fact that they're particularly brilliant mathematicians, linguists, or scientists. Even if we never remember a thing about the subjects our favorite teachers taught us, we still always remember the kind of people they were, the values that they lived by, the witness they gave. The readings today reflect something of the power of the teacher's character.

The teacher in the first reading is God himself. It is his teaching, his Law, which is read out and explained to the people. Through this Law, God's character is revealed. God teaches who he is, the kind of God he is. This moves the people to tears – perhaps as they realize just how far short of God's Law they have fallen. But God brings joy, not sorrow into our lives. The people are told to "eat the fat and drink the sweet wine." The presence of God causes us to rejoice, be happy and celebrate. This is the fitting response to God. "The joy of the Lord is our stronghold," the bedrock of our lives.

In the Gospel, Jesus deliberately chooses a scriptural text which reveals the essence of who he is and what his mission is. That passage from Isaiah shows how Jesus understands himself. It also explains the kind of impression Jesus made on people: he is a man, full of God's spirit; a man who brings good news to those in need of it; someone who sets free those imprisoned or held in slavery; a man who brings light into the darkness of people's lives; a man who raises up those who are oppressed and weighed down. Even if people never remembered one thing Jesus said or taught, this is how they would describe him; this is the lasting impression he made on those who knew him.

Teachers – like the words they speak or write – can be life-giving or they can deaden. They can actually kill our spirit. We know that we have a genuine relationship with God when we can say – like today's psalm – that God is someone who revives me, whom I can trust; that the presence of Christ in my life gives joy to my heart and light to my eyes. The authenticity of our faith – of our encounter with God – will be seen in the effects that encounter has on our lives.

It is said that we come to resemble the God we worship. Our lives are – to some extent – the book which others will read to learn about God. When people look at my life, what will be the lasting impression they have of God? Are we people who are life-giving? Do we reflect God's peace and joy through our words, our actions, our values? Can we genuinely say that the Lord's spirit has been given to us? Can we say that we, too, are good news to the poor; that in our lives, we are known as people who set others free, and bring light to dark situations and places?

In many ways, the hardest place to bear witness to God is in our daily lives, among people who know us, warts and all. Jesus chose his home town of Nazareth to proclaim who he was. Our witness, if it is to be effective, must start with the people of our own community, our own town, our own family. That is where we find God and where we are called to give witness to God – among the people who presently make up our daily lives. Anything else is unreal. Jesus said: "This text is being fulfilled...even as you listen." It was being fulfilled through him, through the kind of person he was. The challenge for us is to fulfill that text today, to make it real, and to live it out. Let us try to be like Christ, and bring joy and life to the people to whom we are sent.. May that be the lasting impression we make on the world around us.

With Joy and Life Always, Father Bob Pastor

KNOW THE MASS, ONE WORD AT A TIME



Stand

At Sunday Mass, we sit, we kneel, we bow, and we stand. Every gesture, every action has its own meaning. We sit in a posture of receptivity. We kneel to express our reverent worship, as we do when we

bow. And we stand for a couple of reasons. We stand at the Gospel out of respect for the Word of Jesus that comes to us. We stand at other parts of the Mass for a different reason. For example, we stand for the Collect, the Prayer over the Offerings, the Prayer after Communion, the Creed, and for the Lord's Prayer.

When we stand during these prayers and the Profession of Faith, we express our identity and dignity as adopted sons and daughters of God. Jesus says that we are no longer servants but his friends. And Paul says that we are no longer strangers and aliens but members of the household of God, truly sons and daughters in the Holy Spirit. In the Mass, we stand before God, because we belong to God.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO + STRATEGIC PASTORAL PLAN YEAR OF SUNDAY MASS / YEAR OF FAITH

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-

30

Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10,

11; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25 Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40;

Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;

Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;

1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk

4:21-30

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Catholic Schools Week

Monday: St. Thomas Aquinas

Thursday: St. John Bosco Friday: First Friday

Saturday: The Presentation of the Lord;

Blessing of Candles;

First Saturday; Groundhog Day



Groundhog Day is a popular tradition in the United States. It is the day that the Groundhog comes out of his hole after a long winter sleep to look for his shadow.

If he sees it, he regards it as an omen of six more weeks of bad weather and returns to his hole. If the day is cloudy and, hence, shadow less, he takes it as a sign of spring and stays above ground.



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 27, 2013

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

YEAR OF FAITH

I Will Never Leave You

by Dr. Gregory and Lisa Popcak

"By faith the Christian and soul enters, as it were, into marriage with god: I will espouse thee to me in faith." St. Thomas Aquinas, Exposition of the Apostles Creed.

Through Christ, God offers us all of himself. No longer simply creator of this universe, God reveals a love for us that is so great, he unites himself with us, his Bride. On the cross he pours out all of himself for us, holding nothing back. That one act would have been enough, and far more than we deserve, yet he goes further: He gives us himself in the Eucharist. He desires to be constantly one with us – his flesh dwelling in our flesh, his precious blood coursing through our veins.

"I will never leave you or forsake you" (Is. 49:14-15) in an age of rampant divorce and dehumanizing "hook-ups", this is a promise that many of us are too frightened to believe. We tremble with fear that will be deserted and hurt if we allow ourselves to be loved. But when we reach out in faith to Christ, when we contemplate the crucifix and see the passion with which he loves us, or even more when we receive him in the Eucharist, he is there, faithful, now and forever. All we need to do is reach out, however fearfully, in faith.

ACTION STEP

The next time you participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist, listen attentively to the words of consecration. Meditate on his Precious Body and Blood at the moment of elevation, and pray that God fills you with the deep knowledge of this total, everlasting spousal love for you.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Saturday's feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love.

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TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.

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FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK begins today with our Open House. The school will be open from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. I invite you to come and see the wonderful work being done by our students. The Invention, Consumer, Science, and History Fair projects will all be on display as well as student work from all of the grades. Stop by, visit with teachers and see impact of high quality Catholic education on the students of the parish.

The rest of Catholic Schools Week will feature fun events for the students, opportunities to give to the Food Pantry, and a faculty appreciation luncheon, all culminating in the annual Red and White Day & Game. It is a great week to celebrate St. Cletus students and faculty and how fortunate we all are to be involved in Catholic Education.

Registration for the 2013-2014 School year has begun. St. Cletus offers full and half-day Preschool for both 3 and 4-year olds, Full and half day Kindergarten, Before and Aftercare and a high-quality, faith-based education for all students from ages 3-8th grade. Our well-rounded educational program offers, Spanish, art, music, physical education, library, and an integrated approach to technology education. Daily religion classes, service hours, and school Masses provide further opportunities for students to enhance the school experience. Junior Great Books, Student Council, boy and girl scouts, athletics, band, and choir are available.

If your child is beginning his/her education, or if you are considering a change, please call the school to make an appointment to visit and apply.

Please call the school office at (708) 352-4820 Monday-Friday between 8:00 a.m.-3:15 p.m. if you have questions or would like to make an appointment to visit our school.

Jeff Taylor

Principal St. Cletus School



St. Cletus School's Grand Raffle "Pulling of the Green" has begun. Tickets will be on sale after Mass in the Narthex every week-end between now and the grand prize drawing on March 16, at a St. Patrick's Day Party held in Morrissey Hall. All proceeds from the Grand Raffle will go toward keeping St. Cletus School an excellent and affordable place for Catholic education. Tickets are \$50 with the Grand Prize being \$25,000. There are only 2,000 tickets available and weekly drawings for smaller prizes, so get your tickets early! First Early Bird winner: \$150.

Dueling Pianos in Morrissey Hall



Plan to join us for an unforgettable eveving 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 the only fundraiser we have for the Fine Arts Series, and we look forward to your support and attendance.

DATE

Friday, February 8th

TIME

8:00 p.m. Entertainment Begins

ADMISSION

\$35 in Advance \$40 at the Door

ADMISSION INCLUDES

Entertainment, Wine and Desserts

Tickets are available after Masses Jan 26-27 or online at www.stcletusparish.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

On Sunday February 24, at the 11:00 a.m. Mass the *Spirito! Singers Bravura Ensemble* will be leading our congregation at St. Cletus in song!

Spirito! Singers is an exceptional choral organization based in the Western Suburbs with rehearsals held in both La Grange and Elmhurst. The three ensembles include: *Bravura*, young women in 9-12 grades, *Ragazze*, girls in 5–8 grades, and the *Men of Spirito!*, men ages 18 years and older.

Auditions for our upcoming 2013-2014 season will be held from April 15 through May 15 in La Grange and Elmhurst. Please call (630) 941-0744 to schedule an audition or for more information.

The *Spirito! Spring Concert, Peace Like a River*, will be at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 18, at the Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church in Elmhurst. Tickets for reserved seating will be available for purchase at the end of April by calling 1-877-8WE-SING (893-7464) or on our website **www.spiritosingers.org**. Ticket price: \$20 each.

For additional information about the *Spirito! Singers* please visit our website at **www.spiritosingers.org**.

Laura Langley-Brasky

Music Director

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



When you do your grocery shopping this week, please don't forget to pick up an item or two for the Food Pantry.

Some reminders:

- All in-date non-perishables are greatly appreciated, and can be dropped off in the designated food bins in the Church vestibule when you come to church on the weekend, or daily from 7:45 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
- This week's most needed staples include dry pinto beans, rice, assorted dry noodles, canned fruit, paper goods, and crackers.
- Most needed extras include evaporated or dry milk, hot cocoa mix, laundry detergent, and dish soap.
- Each family we serve receives an "extra" or two in their pre-packed bags, as well as a choice of one or two items from our "extra" table."
- Please keep those large brown paper grocery bags coming!

A big THANK YOU to all who continue to respond so generously to our pantry needs.

SVDP

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scripture: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."

Our parish conference of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul invites you to join our volunteers as we bring tidings of Christian hope to our clients who are seeking our help. The proceeds of our annual Rummage Sale go a long way in financing this outreach to the struggling in our community, but we also rely on monetary donations to help us in our efforts to provide emergency assistance for necessities, including utilities, rent, food, medical prescriptions, eye-care, gasoline cards, etc.

Three easy ways to donate:

• Place your donation in the St. Vincent de Paul Box, found right outside the Minister's room in the church narthex.

- Drop it in the collection basket at the weekend Mass, either in an envelope marked SVDP or specify St. Cletus SVDP on the check.
- Drop off or mail your donations to the rectory, indicating SVDP as the recipient.

Thank you for your consideration. Questions? Contact me at (708) 215-5418 or **mford@stcletusparish.com.**

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK JOB SUPPORT WORKSHOP

Week #2: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, 7-9:00 p.m. Jim Peterson will discuss personal accountability in your job search. Our featured speaker, Dennis Hamilton, will focus on identifying your skills and quantifying your accomplishments which are the keys to preparing a compelling resume and "Elevator Speech."

Week #3: Tuesday, February 5, 2013, 7:00-9:00 p.m.: Susan Sedler and Dennis Hamilton will help you craft that all important "Elevator Speech." Time will be allowed to practice your personal statement with fellow attendees.

This workshop is open to all and there is no charge to attend. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at **sqsedler@aol.com**. We look forward to welcoming you in Westminster Hall at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange. Please enter the church on Catherine Avenue.

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 search 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.

THE INTELLIGENCE INSIDE THE AGING PROCESS by Fr. Ron Rolheiser

What can God and nature have had in mind when they designed the aging process? Why is it that just when our mental prowess, our human maturity, and our emotional freedom are at their peak, the body begins to fall apart?

Our faith, of course, because it opens us to a perspective beyond our biological lives, sheds some light on these questions, though it doesn't always give us a language within which to grasp more reflectively what is happening to us in the aging process. Sometimes a secular perspective can be helpful and that is the case here.

James Hillman, in a brilliant book on aging entitled, The Force of Character and Lasting Life, takes up these questions. What did God and nature have in mind when designing the aging process? He answers with a metaphor: The best wines have to be aged in cracked old barrels. The last years of our lives are meant to mellow the soul and most everything inside our biology conspires together to ensure that this happens. The soul must be properly aged before it leaves. There's intelligence inside of life, he asserts, that intends aging just as it intends growth in youth. It's a huge mistake to read the signs of aging as indications of dying rather than as initiations into another way of life. Each physical diminishment (from why we have to get up at night to go to the bathroom to why our skin sags and goes dry) is designed to mature the soul. And they do their work without our consent, relentlessly and ruthlessly.

The aging process, he asserts, eventually turns us all into monks and that, indeed, is its plan, just as it once pumped all those excessive hormones into our bodies to drive us out of our homes at puberty. And God again is in on this conspiracy. Aging isn't always pleasant or easy; but there's a rhyme and reason to the process. Aging deliteralizes biology. The soul finally gets to trump the body and it rises to the fore: "We can imagine aging as a transformation in beauty as much as in biology," writes Hillman. "The old are like images on display that transpose biological life into imagination and art. The old become strikingly memorable, ancestral representations, characters in the play of civilization, each a unique, irreplaceable figure of value. Aging: an art form?"

Increasingly, as we age, our task is not productivity, but reflection, not utility, but character. In Hillman's words: "Earlier years must focus on getting things done, while

later years consider what was done and how." The former is a function of generativity, we are meant to give our lives away; the latter is a function of dying, we are also meant to give our deaths away. And the aging process raises a second series of questions: What value do the elderly have once their productive years are over? Indeed the same question might be asked of anyone who cannot be useful and productive in a practical sense: What is the value of someone living with Alzheimer's? What is the value of people continuing to live on in palliative care when there is no chance of recovery or improvement and they have already slipped away from us mentally? What is the value of the life of a person who so mentally or physically challenged that by normal standards he or she cannot contribute anything?

Again, Hillman's insights are a valuable supplement to the perspectives offered us through our faith. For Hillman, what aging and disability bring into the world is character. Not just their own. They help give character to the others. Thus, he writes: "Productivity is too narrow a measure of usefulness, disability too cramping a notion of helplessness. An old woman may be helpful simply as a figure valued for her character. Like a stone at the bottom of a riverbed, she may do nothing but stay still and hold her ground, but the river has to take her into account and alter its flow because of her. An older man by his sheer presence plays his part as a character in the drama of the family and neighborhood. He has to be considered, and patterns adjusted simply because he is there. His character brings particular qualities to every scene, adds intricacy and depth by representing the past and the dead. When all the elderly are removed to retirement communities, the river flows smoothly back home. No disruptive rocks. Less character too."

Aging and disability need to be regarded aesthetically. We are culture that does everything it can to deny, delay, and disguise aging. We put our elders away into separate homes, away from mainstream life, tucked away, no disruptive rocks for us to deal with. We are also a culture that is beginning to talk more and more about euthanasia, defining value purely by utility. If Hillman is right, and he is, than we are paying a high price for this, we have less character and less color.



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.

Youth Ministry Undate!

TEEN FAITH FORMATION

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

MISSION TRIP MEETING

This 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!

ATTENTION 8TH GRADERS!

Do you want to learn more about youth ministry? Are you interested in participating next year? Please join us on Tuesday, February 5, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., in Room 201 in the Education Building, for a "drop-in" style social with pizza and games.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN IN SCHAUMBURG, IL

On Tuesday, February 12, we will be packaging vitamin and nutrient enriched meals that are shipped to the poor in nearly 70 countries around the world. We will be meeting at the St. Cletus parking lot at 4:45 p.m. and will return at approximately at 8:15 p.m. Adult drivers/chaperones are needed. Any teen is welcome and encouraged to join us. Permission slips can be found on our parish website at www.stcletusparish.com/youth and must be returned by February 8. FMSC humbly requests cash donations from food packing volunteers. If you would like to sponsor a teen, let me know (kmaxwell@stcletusparish.com). Learn more at www.fmsc.org.

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

HOLY NAME MEETING

Join us on Friday, February 1, 8:00 p.m., in Room 98 in the Education Building. Main topic of discussion will be the annual pancake breakfast and other interesting topics. Refreshments will be served. Look forward to seeing everyone!

Dan Gibbons

ATTENT!ON

6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADE STUDENTS

Come and help assemble Rice Bowls for our Lenten Almsgiving offering.

When: Monday, February 4
Where: Rectory basement
Time: 3:00-5:00 p.m.

We appreciate your help.

Paulette Bolton

Director of Parish Catechesis/Formation

Please join us for the 4th Annual



Erin Potts Invitational Alumni Volleyball Game Sat 2/2 6:30-9:30 p.m.

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

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

Concessions available

You can sign up as an individual or as a team Please email confirmation with T shirt size to: Sue Lovett Rejdukowski '83

surej@sbcglobal.net

All proceeds from the game, along with the 7/8th grade tournament will be donated to:

Bear Necessities
Pediatric Cancer Foundation
in the name of Erin Potts

ST. CLETUS BOOK CLUB



The next book is **Gone Girl**

by Gillian Flynn

We will meet to discuss it on Tuesday, March 12, at 7:00 p.m. (Room TBD)

Questions? Email: loriashe@aol.com

Sunday Collection – January 20, 2013

Total Active Registered Families 2,737

Collection Statistics

of envelopes used this week 618 % of registered families 23%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000 Over (Under) Budget: (\$2,845)

This fiscal Year @ Jan. 20, 2013 Actual Sunday Collections: \$ 798,541 Budgeted Sunday Collections 810,000 YTD Over (Under) budget: \$ (11,459) **Amount Collected**

\$ 19,316 Envelopes Users 2,787 Loose Check/Cash 2,052 Electronic Giving

\$ 24,155 Total Collected

Thank you for your generous Christmas Donations of \$196,371. May this holy season be one of joy and blessings to you and yours throughout the coming year. God bless,

Fr. Bob, Pastor

		WEEK ATA	GLANCE
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
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 + MH S-Band, Library Music & C	Cabaret Reservations Raffle Ticket Sales Catholic Schools Week Mass Catholic Schools Week Open House Fine Arts Rehearsal
Monday, January 28	9:00 p.m.	МН	Men's Basketball
Tuesday, January 29	10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	C S-201 S-200 MH	Teacher Appreciation Mass YM Mission Trip Meeting RCIA Boys' Church League
Wednesday,	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	RB S-98 MH	Mission Ladies CREDO Boys' Church League
Thursday, January 30	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-Music S-Music S-Music MH	Children's Choir Rehearsal Contempo Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boys' Church League
Friday, February 1	2:15 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	MH Lobby MH S-Music S-98	MANNA Cash & Carry Erin Potts Volleyball Tournament Spanish Choir Holy Name Society Meeting
Saturday, February 2	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	MH S-201 C-Narthex/West C-Narthex/East C MH	Erin Potts Volleyball Tournament Interfaith Career Network (Free Resume Review) "Pulling of the Green" Raffle Ticket Sales Welcome Committee Blessing of Throats after Mass Erin Potts Alumni Volleyball Game
Sunday, February 3	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon 7:00 p.m.	C C-Narthex/West C-Narthex/East MH S-Band, Library, Music & C	Blessing of throats after All Masses "Pulling of the Green" Raffle Ticket Sales Welcome Committee Erin Potts Volleyball Tournament Fine Arts Rehearsal
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Saturday Evening: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm (Spanish)

Weekdays: Mon. thru Sat. 8:00am

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BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30am. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office (708-352-6209).

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Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date.

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CONFESSIONS

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

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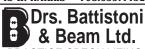
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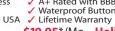
















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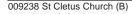
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