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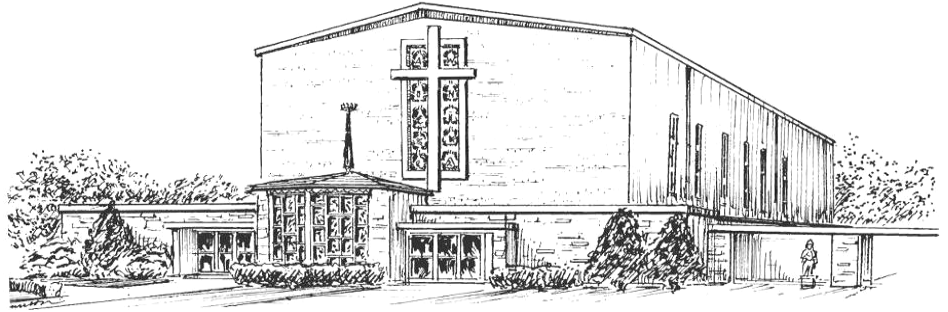
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Sunday, September 22, 2013

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 23 – September 29, 2013

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Viecei
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Mary Therese Ryan
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Ed & Bobbie McQuaid, Joseph Viecei
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Nancy Tisa, Nancy Battle
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Ade Verehoven, George E. Rockwood, Sr. Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Dolores E. Kuchta, Paul Granger, Shirley Petersen Purgatorial Society William Jaworski, William H. Nault Beloved Parishioners of St. Cletus Souls in Purgatory



Please remember our sick in your prayers: Anna Mae McCormick, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Margaret Bauer Fountain, Christine Anderson Rita, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, Gerda Dorso, Betty Niwa, Karen Stoltman, Judy Duque, Mark Bergnach, Joan Curtin, Phil Hodak, Nancy Ptak, Jennie Boerste, John Duda, George Duda, Steven Onusaitis, Lorraine Walter, Pam Wilson, Loretta Harwood, Marilyn Matesevac, Joe Butkus, Elizabeth Dougherty, Barbara Stamm, Teddy Kowalski, and Frances Klimcke. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound and are unable to attend Mass. Please know we pray daily for the sick and the dying.



Wedding Banns

Gina Pascua & Randall Burse

Maria Garcia & Gustavo Rosales

Victoria Kuchta & Mark Szczepaniak



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 22, 2013

God . . . wills everyone to be saved
and to come to knowledge of the truth.
— 1 Timothy 2:4

DOORS OPENING!

Taller de José Open House & 5 Year Anniversary Kick-Off

September 29, 2013 - 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
2831 W. 24 Boulevard
Chicago, IL

Please join us to celebrate our new home and begin the celebration of our 5-Year Anniversary. Light refreshments will be served. Parking is located behind the building. Please rsvp to info@tallerdejose.org.

Directions to Parking Lot

Heading west on 25th Street, turn right into the alley just west of California Ave (right next to the Fruteria Saucedo). The alley will turn to the left and our parking lot is marked with a sign on the right side.



First Day of Autumn

Sunday, September 22, 2013



NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2013

John Dillinger, American gangster and bank-robber, and officially declared “Public Enemy Number One,” was shot dead as he left the Biograph Theatre, Chicago, on July 22, 1934. He has never been canonized as a saint, and I don’t suppose he ever will be. However, in the 1930’s, large sections of the American public regarded him as a hero. For, in those days of great poverty and hardship, John Dillinger represented for them the struggle of the poor man to make his way in life, against the unmoving might of giant corporations and banks.

The status of hero was enhanced in Dillinger, not only because of his cool style of bank-robbing and his daring escapes from capture and ambush, but also because, when caught, people and police found Dillinger to be a very likeable and sociable character, a genuinely friendly man.

Why, then, did this country boy from Mooresville, Indiana, end up dead on a Chicago street, hunted down by the FBI as the most wanted man in America? The story of Dillinger’s plunge into crime and bloodshed began with the bang of a judge’s gavel, sending Dillinger, aged 21, to prison for ten years for his first offence, when he attempted to rob a neighbor of some money. Dillinger, who had broken down in front of his neighbor, admitted his guilt and apologized, was shattered by the unmerciful length of his sentence and embittered by the system. Thereafter, he was launched into the world of crime. It was as though the judge had sent him to the penitentiary to get a criminal education. It worked only too well.

Poverty and lack of opportunity in society are not excuses for crime, but they are natural breeding grounds; the temptation to crime as a way out of poverty is all too obvious. Whatever Dillinger’s faults in that early mistake, the harshness of the sentence he received and the callous indifference of that judge did the greater damage to Dillinger and to American society.

The oppression of poor people by well-off, comfortable people is condemned by the prophet Amos today. It is all too easy to see the poor criminal; he stands out a mile. It is far more difficult to spot and to nail the wealthy crooks. As the comedian Jackie Mason used to say: “If you take money from a restaurant, they call it stealing. If the restaurant takes money from you, for a paltry meal, they call it elegant dining!” The double standard is always at work: one law for the rich, another for the poor.

Paul reminds Timothy that the good Lord wants everyone to be saved, not just some; not just the rich, not just the comfortable, not just the respectable, but everyone. That includes the poor, the criminal, the down-and-out, the despairing. Therefore, no matter what happens, we cannot bring the gavel of condemnation down on the people we do not like, or on the people who give us trouble. Our greatest sin, the practice that does the most harm to our society, is the practice of excommunication. When we cut people off, when we separate them from ourselves, when we, as it were, send them to “No Man’s Land,” that is when we make the great divide in our world. Then the victim or wrongdoer is likely to become embittered... to become worse, not better.

What is our Lord’s teaching today in his famously complex parable about the master and the steward? The words are there on the page. “So I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity.”

It is the making of friends that seals our lives in harmony. Never set out to make enemies of anyone. The bonds of good will must be forged between all groups in society, especially where injustice and inequality threaten to destroy peace. Having a care for the poor, not driving them into despair: this is the Lord’s clear teaching today.

If you love those who love you, are you doing anything remarkable? Even the tax-collectors do that! No. Love your enemies, and do good to those who treat you badly. It is vital to the salvation of this world that we persevere in doing good, to everyone, always. If only the judge, in Dillinger’s case, had thought of that!

*Peace,
Father Bob
Pastor*

Raising Faith-Filled Kids • One Word at a Time

Thriftiness



For many families, Christmas and birthdays feature children frantically ripping open endless packages one minute and then feeling empty and cranky the next. That same pattern describes society at times: manic buying followed by inevitable disappointment. The virtue of thriftiness encourages wisdom in how we choose to use our resources. With landfills overflowing and playrooms littered with unused toys, thriftiness is gaining appeal as a virtue for our times. Being thoughtful about how we use our God-given gifts of money, time, and energy allows us to live more consciously, use fewer resources, and make choices that are more likely to satisfy over the long haul. Thriftiness asks, "Will this purchase bring joy to my life and the lives of others or just provide a passing thrill or an emotional quick fix?" —Tom McGrath

YEAR OF STRONG CATHOLIC PARENTS

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**8th Annual Novena
to
St. Therese of the Little Flower**

You are invited to pray a **Novena** at the
Shrine of St. Therese of the Little Flower

September 23 through Oct 1
11:00 a.m.

St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel

7740 S. Western Avenue
Chicago, IL 60620
(secure and ample parking available)

SCHEDULE

Sept. 23-Sept. 30-11:00 a.m. Novena
with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

October 1-11:00 a.m.

FEAST DAY MASS with Novena

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Autumn begins
Monday:	St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)
Thursday:	Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Friday:	St. Vincent de Paul

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

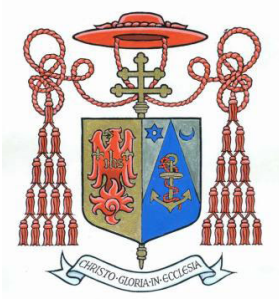
Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10- 12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



**LET US CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN
PRAYER THOSE IN THE MILITARY**

Ryan McDonell, USA
1st Lt. Sara Jean Sedlacek, USA
Pvt. Paul Jacobson, USMC
Nick Radziwon, US Navy
1st Lt. Thomas G. Dybicz, USA Ranger
Lt. Cdr. Amy Sloan Bloyd, US Coast Guard
Michael Carr, USA
Captain Anthony Cech, USA Chaplain
Sgt. Franklyn Cuchana, USA
2nd Lt. Thomas G. Dybicz, USA Ranger
Sgt. Michael Fittanto, USA
M/Sgt. Patrick Hegeman, USMC
Sgt. Joseph Kaminski, USA
Kevin Lewis, USA
Pfc. Zackus McLeod, USA
Capt. Robert Mele, USAF
Capt. Steven Muscolino, USAF
Spf. Kyle Nicholson, USA
Pvt. James Reisel, USA
S/Sgt. Daniel Hattie, USAF
Pfc. Matthew Sparks, USMC
Capt. Charlie Drucker, USA
Major Christopher Strahlman, USA
M/Sgt. Anthony Zito, USA

Please call Eugenia Callison at (708) 482-4974 if you would like to add someone to this list or have any changes to their information.



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

September 22, 2013

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

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. During this Year of Faith, we have worked to strengthen our efforts in the New Evangelization. Pope Francis has encouraged us all to be “true evangelizers,” “bridges” to Christ for others. This is the call of every Christian, and each priest has a special role in this call to evangelize as an *alter Christus*.

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,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

RCIA: COME AND SEE

**SESSIONS FOR
THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
BEGINS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2013
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE RECTORY**

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

**PLEASE CONTACT FR. KEN (708-352 6209 ext 205)
FOR PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION**

Youth Ministry News

The Youth Ministry program is looking for adults who would be willing to lead/host small groups in their homes for the 2013-14 Youth Ministry season. We are looking to begin small groups at the beginning of October. Please contact Amanda Birth for more information at abirth@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419.



KAIROS

**ATTENTION JUNIORS & SENIORS
SIGN UP FOR KAIROS!**

Kairos is run by teens, for teens. Your Kairos leaders have all attended the retreat, and will be there to guide you throughout the weekend. We're high school kids, facing the same problems and challenges you are, and just like you, we all came on this retreat for different reasons.

The reason our retreats work so well, is because there is no pressure. We're there to relax, have some fun, and to simply get away from everything! In the process, we learn about ourselves, God, and our faith.

Even if you aren't Christian, or don't know what to believe in, **we want you!** This weekend is about not only getting to know our God better, but to also get to know ourselves and those around us better.

Kairos is a **four-day** Catholic based retreat starting **Thursday, November 7 thru Sunday, November 10**.

***Registration forms can be found online at <http://www.stcletusparish.com/youth>. They can also be picked up from the **Rectory Office**. Please return the forms to Amanda Birth at St. Cletus Youth Ministry, 700 W. 55th St., La Grange, IL 60525.

Any questions? Contact Amanda Birth at abirth@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419.

Amanda Birth

Youth Ministry Director

THE YEAR OF FAITH

UNDER ORDERS

by Martha Fernández-Sardina

"A centurion came... to him... saying, 'Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home...' And [Jesus] said to him, 'I will come and heal him.' ... [T]he centurion answered him, 'Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.' ... When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said... 'Go; be it done for you as you have believed.' And the servant was healed at that very moment."

—Matthew 8:5-8, 10-13

I am amazed by the faith exhibited by "outsiders" and "outcasts" in the Gospels! And so is Jesus. Take the Syrophenician woman who insists that "even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs" (cf. Mk. 7:25; Mt. 15: 21ff); or the hemorrhaging woman who dares touch Jesus' cloak to be healed despite her "uncleanness" (cf. Mt. 9:20). Recall the centurion at the foot of the cross who, "filled with awe", makes a profession of faith – "Truly this was the Son of God!" – as Christ, in a loud cry, yields his spirit to His Father and breathes His last causing an earthquake that splits rocks, opens tombs, and tears the temple curtain from top to bottom (cf. Mt. 27: 50ff); or the centurion in Capernaum, whose servant was paralyzed at home and required the intervention of someone with real power to save and restore, teaches us an additional faith lesson.

This centurion approached Jesus like so many of us in need of healing for ourselves or someone we love. But what makes his story unique is that, deeming himself "not worthy to have you come under my roof", he asks Jesus to simply "say the word and my servant will be healed." Amazing! "When Jesus heard this he marveled." (cf. Mt. 8:10) This non-Jewish Roman official had faith in the Word of God which was capable of bringing the Universe into existence and even today can create, recreate, and bring to naught in a split second. This man had confidence because he understood authority: he knew what it means to give and receive orders, and what can be accomplished with real power: "I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go', and he goes, and to another, 'Come', and he comes, and to my slave, 'do this' and he does it." (Mt. 8:9)

Action Step

In what ways might you be called to follow the centurion's example of faith and trust this Year? Ask the Lord in prayer to show you areas in which you need to allow Christ to exercise his authority more fully in your life. Make an explicit profession of faith in His authority over every aspect of your life, even as we repeat the words of the centurion at every Mass we attend: "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." If you have faith, be ready to have Christ act in some marvelous way!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY

We welcome all our catechists, veterans and "new-bees," to the Religious Education ministry. Classes began September 8, with an energetic and committed staff who cheerfully greeted our little ones. We are blessed to have so many dedicated men and women who generously have come forward to share their faith with our youngest parishioners.

If there is anyone else in our parish community who feels they might be able to occasionally substitute or help as an aide in the classroom, please contact us at (708) 352-2383. It is never too late to serve!

Paulette Bolton

Director of Parish Catechesis/Formation

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

FALL FEST FUN!

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL | 700 W. 55TH ST., LA GRANGE | WWW.STCLETUSSCHOOL.COM

FAMILY FALL FEST

Noon till 4pm

Fun for the whole family!

FREE PERFORMANCES

1pm Magician Paul Lee

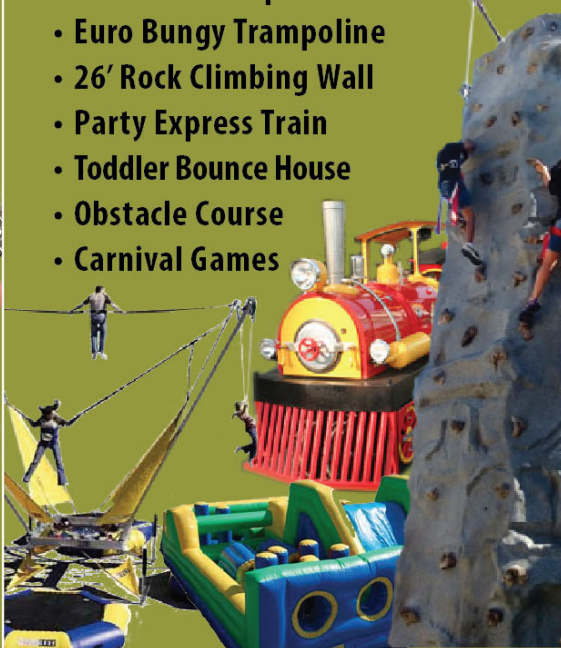
3pm Jim Gill

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- Obstacle Course
- Carnival Games



BREW FEST

6pm-10:30pm

TICKETS \$15 EACH (\$20 AT DOOR)

- Ticket includes a buffet dinner
- Craft beers at cash bar
- Bucket raffles
- Square pool
- Split the pot, etc.
- Satellite TVs showing the night's games



St. Cletus School

FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

St. Cletus School in La Grange has been forming faith-filled children for over 60 years.

Please visit stcletusschool.com or email fallfest@stcletusparish.com for more info about this event.



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL
FALL FEST SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT
FAMILY FALL FEST 12-4P.M.
INFLATABLES · LIVE PERFORMERS
BREWFEST 6-10:30P.M. ADULTS 21+ ONLY
CRAFT BEERS · DJ · BUFFET DINNER

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES	<input type="checkbox"/> FAMILY SPONSOR \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> RED ELM SPONSOR \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> WHITE OAK SPONSOR \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> SILVER MAPLE SPONSOR \$1000	<input type="checkbox"/> GOLDEN CEDAR SPONSOR \$2000	<input type="checkbox"/> PLATINUM FOREST SPONSOR \$3000 OR MORE
Join in the fun! Choose between tickets to Brewfest (for adults 21 and over), Wristbands for Family Fall Fest inflatables, or indicate if you are happy to sponsor but not able to attend the event	Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Brewfest Tix -or- <input type="checkbox"/> 1 "Unlimited Fun" Wristband (valued at \$25)	Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Brewfest Tix -or- <input type="checkbox"/> 2 "Unlimited Fun" Wristbands (valued at \$50)	Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Brewfest Tix -or- <input type="checkbox"/> 3 "Unlimited Fun" Wristbands (valued at \$75)	Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Brewfest Tix -or- <input type="checkbox"/> 4 "Unlimited Fun" Wristbands (valued at \$100)	Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> 16 Brewfest Tix -or- <input type="checkbox"/> 8 "Unlimited Fun" Wristbands (valued at \$200)	Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> 20 Brewfest Tix -or- <input type="checkbox"/> 10 "Unlimited Fun" Wristbands (valued at \$250)
Name listed as Sponsor on sign at an attraction at the Family Fall Fest			X	X	2	3
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SPECIFIC SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

<input type="checkbox"/> Stage Sponsor \$750	Stage sponsors receive signage by the live performers. These free performances will be at 1pm and 3pm and open to the public.
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CONTACT NAME: _____

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Please mail sponsorship agreements and payments to St. Cletus School, 700 W. 55th St., La Grange, IL 60525

Sponsorship Agreements are appreciated as soon as possible, but no later than September 26, 2013

Please make checks payable to St. Cletus School.

Sponsors at the White Oak (\$500) level and above, please email your company logo to fallfest@stcletusparish.com.

-Please see reverse side for more Sponsorship Opportunities-

Your support of St. Cletus School is sincerely appreciated. St. Cletus is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Donations and gifts are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

You will receive confirmation of your tax-deductible contribution for your records.

St. Cletus School



EDUCATION BUILDING RENOVATION

August is always a busy month in the St. Cletus Education Building making sure everything is in tiptop shape for our students' return. This year St. Cletus completed a major renovation of the 1st -5th grade wing.

Highlights include:

- Removing asbestos
- Installing new, brighter floors in the hallways and classrooms
- Shelving in classroom updated
- Installing new ceiling with brighter and more energy efficient lighting
- Painting hallways and classrooms

Parents, students, and alumni followed the progress on the school's Facebook page (<http://www.fb.com/stcletusschool>) as the pictures flooded in. Below are some of the before, during, and after pictures.

We are proud of our school and the environment we provide our students. If you would like a tour please contact the school office at 708.352.4820.



ROOM TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES

Five years ago we began an initiative to outfit each classroom with an exciting new technology — SMART Board interactive whiteboards. This summer we completed that initiative.

SMART Boards combine the simplicity of a whiteboard with the power of a computer, allowing our teachers and students to experience dynamic, engaging lessons, all with the simple touch of a finger.

6TH GRADERS RECEIVE THEIR BIBLES



There was something a bit different at the school Mass on Sept. 10. The entire school assembled for a wonderful St. Cletus school tradition during which the 6th graders receive their bibles.

6th grade is an important transition year for our students. In addition to having lockers and moving between classrooms for different subjects, their Religion studies focus on the gospels and how they guide us in our daily lives.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Homecoming Game and Parade September 22
 Fall Family Funfest! October 5
 Welcome Wednesday October 16

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR OF OUR SCHOOL

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Margaret Hayes, Principal
 (708) 352-4820 | mhayes@stcletusparish.com

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE!

Help! Our next monthly food distribution is October 10 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: **dry pinto beans, canned milk, cereal, pasta sauce, boxed potatoes & other boxed sides, canned tomatoes and tuna.**

Please note: Regular size items work best for us (i.e. 1-2 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 designated food bins in the Church narthex when you come to Mass over the weekend or daily 7:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

LASTLY:

- This weekend after Mass, please stop by the narthex to give encouragement to John Balch, who is asking your support for his Eagle Scout Project: collecting **personal care items** and distributing them to our Food Pantry families. He has placed a collection box near our food bins for your donations.
- We are collecting **Jewel stamps for Rachel Ray Dinnerware** for our Advent Giving Tree Outreach. If you are not collecting them for yourself, please put the stamps in an envelope and place with your food donations, or drop the envelope in the collection basket, or at the rectory.

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

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Tuesday, September 24, 2013, 7-9:00 p.m., our keynote speaker, Dennis Hamilton, will provide a special presentation on identifying your skills and quantifying your accomplishments. These are the keys to preparing a compelling resume and "elevator speech". Interested in making a career change? Dennis will also discuss how to assess your skills and prepare a strategy to make the change you want.

Tuesday, October 1, 2013, 7-9:00 p.m., this week 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. We look forward to welcoming you in Westminster Hall at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. Please enter church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

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



What is 40 Days for Life? 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil is a wonderful 'life saving' opportunity to join with our community and hundreds of cities around the world in prayer, fasting and keeping a peaceful vigil in front of a place where children are killed by abortion. It has led to the conversion of clinic workers and has seen many abortion facilities close forever.

Please sign up to pray for an hour or more at Access Health Center at 1700 75th St., in Downers Grove by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove and clicking on "Vigil Schedule." The Fall 40 Days for Life campaign runs from Wednesday, September 25 thru Sunday, November 3, from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. each day.

The gradual erosion of the place of religious liberty in our common life and the belittling of mediating institutions that buffer us from too much encroachment by the State are very much in force. Recent decisions by the Supreme Court have a cumulative effect, for instance, of bleaching out the distinctiveness and uniqueness of the meaning of marriage...As a part of our journey of discipleship we must continue to stand for the truth of marriage and the good of children. This issue is urgent. The freedom of conscience and religious liberty is not a private hobby but also enters into the public square with other points of view and must make its voice heard. Clearly.

-Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston, "Letter from Cardinal DiNardo-Fortnight for Freedom." June 28, 2013

The Saint Cletus Parish Committee for Respect Life Activities

will meet on Wednesday
September 25, 2013
at 7:00 p.m.

Room 200
2nd floor of
The Education Building

All are welcome



find out how at LabelsForEducation.com

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to an exciting year at St. Cletus! This year, our school will be participating in the *Labels for Education*® program. My name is Virginia Noga and I am the *Labels for Education* coordinator for our school. Through the program we can collect UPCs and beverage sauce caps from participating products to earn points that can be redeemed for FREE educational merchandise!

Our goal this year is to collect 50,000 points that we can redeem for many products to help our children. It is easy to help - simply save UPC's and beverage/sauce caps from participating products and drop them off at St. Cletus School or the *Labels for Education* container located in the church narthex by the Minister's room on the shelf.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (708) 525-5697 or via email at Virginia.m.noga@sbcglobal.net.

Thank you for your support. Together with the *Labels for Education* program - we can build a better school for our children. Thank you.

Virginia Noga

Visit [Facebook.com/LabelsForEducation](https://www.facebook.com/LabelsForEducation) to find out about more additional ways to earn Labels for Education bonus points and see a complete list of participating products and point values.

DIVINE PROVIDENCE PARISH

2550 Mayfair, Westchester, IL

FOUR SEASONS BAZAAR & CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, October 5, 2013

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

CRAFTERS & VENDORS WANTED

(Set-up @ 7:30 a.m. & take-down after 3:00 p.m.)

\$40/6' Table + 2 chairs (10 x 7 space)

\$25 each additional table (16 x 7 space)

All Fees are NON REFUNDABLE

Please contact Maria Lovera (708) 449-2740 or

Email—lovera2221@comcast.net

STEWARDSHIP — SUNDAY COLLECTION – SEPTEMBER 15, 2013

Total Active Registered Families 2,730

Collection Statistics# of envelopes used this week 614
% of registered families 23%**Amount Collected**\$ 19,669 Envelopes Users
3,199 Loose Check/Cash
1,636 Electronic Giving
\$ 24,504 Total Collected**Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000**
Over (Under) Budget: (\$2,496)

This fiscal Year @ 9/15/13

Actual Sunday Collections: \$ 268,989

Budgeted Sunday Collections 297,000**YTD Over (Under) budget: \$ (28,011)*****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.******Fr. Bob Clark, Pastor******“It is my wish, then, that in every place the people should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument.” 1 Timothy 2:8***

Try to make it a habit to give God the first few minutes of each day by simply praying, “Lord, what do You want me to do today with all the gifts You have given me?” Then be sure to listen for His response throughout each day.

WEEK AT A GLANCE			
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
Sunday, September 22	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex/East C-Narthex/West	Eagle Scout Project Family Fall Fest Ticket Sales
Monday, September 23	7:00 p.m.	S-201	8th Grade Parent Meeting
Tuesday, September 24	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	C S-200 S-201	School Mass Kairos Meeting Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group
Wednesday, September 25	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	S-200 S-201 Rectory DR	Respect Life Committee Parish Transformation Meeting Compassionate Care Ministry Meeting
Thursday, September 26	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	S-Music S-Music S-Music	Children's Choir Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal Chancel Choir
Friday, September 27	6:30 p.m.	S-Music NO SCHOOL	Hispanic Choir
Saturday, September 28	9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	S-201 MH C-Narthex/East C-Narthex/West	Interfaith Career Network 50th Anniversary Reunion Class of 1963 Family Fall Fest Ticket Sales MANNA Cash & Carry
Sunday, September 29	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex/East C-Narthex/West	Family Fall Fest Ticket Sales MANNA Cash & Carry
C...Church Narthex...Church MH...Morrissey Hall	Vestibule (East & West)		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

ST. CLETUIS SCOOOL BOARD

DEPARTMENT

POSITION

Administration

Fr. Bob Clark	Pastor
Jolene Hillgoth	President
Margaret Hayes	Principal

Executive Committee

Mike Pusatera	Chairperson
Marty Mulcrone	Vice Chairperson
Heather Alpe	Secretary

Finance Committee

Mike Magee	Finance Chair
Bob Gray	Finance Vice Chair

Policy

Shawn Temple	Policy Chair
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Michael Gilmartin	Alumni Chair
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Ron Skrip	
Ann Foley	
Rachel Luna	
Doug Rausch	

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Chris McLean	Tech Comm Liaison

BULLETIN ARTICLES

The deadline for Canticle article submission is 5:00 p.m. Friday, one full week prior to Sunday's publication. Articles may be submitted electronically to pdrobny@stcletusparish.com.