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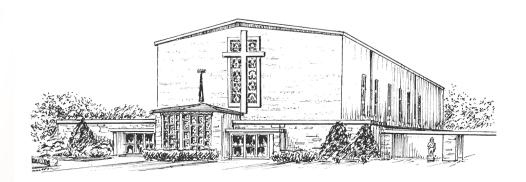
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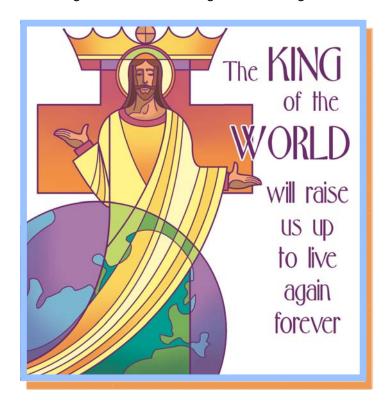
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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 November 11 - November 17, 2013

Day	Time	Intentions		
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Tecla Kwak, Sandy & John Fisher, Edward Fisher Family		
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Dr. W. James Syms, Harry Fisher		
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Rev. Charles Gallagher, Tom Kigin, José Gonzales, Andy Sandoval		
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Grace Sandal, Roger Vandriessche, Joseph P. McDermott		
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Ann Jiganti, Erik Geyer, Theodore & Irene Dopart, Bill Jaworski		
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	All Souls in Purgatory Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp, Amelia Tunny		
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Donald Ralls, Karen Pajak, John Karch Special Intention for Dave McCoy, Jim Murray William H. Nault, George M. Nault, Bob Pieranunzi Dr. Julio Battistoni, Elmer Co, Zenaida Nabo, Columba Co Nicolas Arambula		

Please remember our sick in your prayers: Donna Cameron, Dave McCoy, Eric Sanchez, Anna Mae McCormick, Sharon Mylan,

Mary Jamrozik, Margaret Bauer Fountain, Christine Anderson Rita, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, Niwa, Gerda Dorso, Betty Karen Stoltman, Mark Bergnach, Judy Duque, 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.



María Romero and Eduardo Abarca Meghan Burke & Chad Meyer



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

Robert J. Staniszewski, brother of Theresa Zagorski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10;

Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3,

16-+19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7;

Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-

91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab;

Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9;

Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43;

Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2

Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please welcome to our parish family:
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Meyers, Javier Moreno & Laura
Hernandez, Mr. & Mrs. JayJay Nabo & Family,
Eric Nerad and Son, Sharon Sibr, and
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Strojny.

If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2013

On occasion most of us will have had the mortifying experience of being proven wrong. The experience is mortifying because we like to be right about things, and our pride is hurt when we are not. By the same token it is particularly difficult when our cherished beliefs are challenged and we are certain that we are not wrong, but we cannot prove it to our challengers.

This can happen often in matters of faith, but it can also happen in the world of science. Galileo and Einstein, to name two, struggled to communicate their visions of the nature of the world to disbelieving audiences. How could Galileo say that the earth went around the sun when the tradition, supported by what people saw daily with their own eyes, proved the opposite? And how could the physics of the world be based on a theory of relativity, as Einstein argued, when you only had to kick a stone to know how solidly everything had its place? How do we express what seems at first encounter inexpressible? How do we make the intangible tangible? How do we talk about the risen life in a world that is firmly locked into a closed understanding of its own possibilities?

The idea of life after death developed quite late in Hebrew thinking. Where Greek influence prevailed, there was some exploration of the idea of the immortality of the soul, but in mainstream Judaism, with its insistence on the fleshy but spirit-filled nature of humanity, it was the idea of bodily resurrection that finally emerged. Among the groups who were active at the time of Jesus, the Pharisees supported the idea of resurrection, and the Sadducees were the flat earthers in opposition. The argument they put forward to catch Jesus came from their Jewish legal background. If a married man died without children, it was the duty of his brother to marry his wife and have children in his place. Hence the challenge about the seven brothers and whose wife she would be in heaven. As with so many other questions put to him in this way, Jesus challenged the terms of the question. Immediately before this incident we have him avoiding an attempt to trap him as to the source of his authority. Here Jesus chooses to clarify the nature of resurrection. First of all, it is a way of being that is totally different to our present existence, so it is pointless asking questions that pertain to our present limited ways of understanding. In the time of the resurrection we will all be the children of God and one family, so the giving and taking in marriage will no longer have any sense or place. Secondly, the life of the resurrection comes from God's promise to his people. Jesus uses one of the Sadducees' favorite quotes about their links with Abraham to illustrate this. His promise is a promise of life, so this must mean that in some way we will not die. But the risen life remains his gift; it is not a natural progression for all, nor is it a disembodied state of immortality. It is the fulfillment of God's promise: ultimately a share in God's own life and glory.

This teaching of Jesus challenges us to reflect on both our relationship with God and how we communicate the idea of resurrection to others. We sometimes talk about God as though he is a puppeteer, pulling our strings but remaining rather detached and unaffected. Sometimes we go even further and feel he may have started the world in motion but since then has lost interest. This may reflect our own desire to find a similarly detached vantage point from which to view the world. But the image of God that Jesus presents to us is very different. He is the God of promises, and his greatest promise is that of a living encounter with him. There is nothing isolated or detached about this God. He is the God of the living not the dead and passionately involved with his creation. The challenge to us is to be similarly alive and not dead. Where are signs of life in our Christian communities today? We will not be able to prove scientifically that Christ is among us, but then Jesus himself said we would be recognized by nothing other than the love we shared among ourselves.

Life in Christ Jesus Always,

Father Bob Pastor

🚯 St. Cletus School







"Life is a Gift, Live it Drug Free!"

The halls of St.Cletus were extra red this week as the school celebrated Red Ribbon Week. Teachers and students worked together to spread an important message throughout the week, the benefits of staying drug-free.

To fill the school with this year's theme, "Life is a gift, live it drug free" each class rolled up their sleeves and decorated their classroom doors on Monday. The level of creativity of our cardinals is incredible! Also, student council gave each day of the week a fun theme such as "Be a smarty; don't do drugs" and "Boot out drugs" to celebrate.

The week ended with an all school Mass and each student getting a certificate with their pledge to be drug free.

St. Cletus Chess Club

St. Cletus provides a wide variety of opportunities for children to participate in activities that complement the classroom experience. These activities enable each child to build new skills and enjoy the discovery of individual talents.

This fall St. Cletus added to its list of activities with start of a chess club. The club is lead by our own Mr. Erich Kittlaus (7th Grade).

The club is off to a great start with attendance for the first meeting exceeding expectations. It has only taken a few meetings for the students to learn the rules and to begin to develop their strategies.

First Place in Speech Contest!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported and encouraged our students to participate in the speech contest. We were very proud of them, as they all gave their best effort.

There were 8 schools with over 160 students participating. As a school team, we PLACED FIRST again! We had 9 students out of 32 who placed individually:

Declamation: Andy Schramka, 4th place

Dramatic Performance: Pilar Valdes, 1st place; Maddie Walsh, 3rd place

Original Oratory: Christian Davila, 1st place; Lauren Decker, 3rd place

Poetry: McKenna Doyle, 2nd place; Kelly Grace, 4th place; Grace Luxem,4th place

Prose: Katie Hart, 2nd place; Danielle Dahill, 3rd place

A big thanks to all the parents who served as judges and gave up their Saturday morning: Becky Burens, Jim Doherty, Karen Habercross, Dave Kelly, and Mary Therese Luxem. All of our students have benefitted from this experience. They couldn't have done it without your help!

Another BIG THANKS goes to Mary Jo Ramicone, Liz Valdes, and Gina McAndrew, who co-chaired the contest. These three wonderful volunteers worked tirelessly with the students, helping them fine-tune their speech skills and instill confidence in them to produce these winning results. Great work!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dining 4 Dollars – Aurelio's Pizza.....November 11-13 Book Fair November 25-26 School Christmas Performance December 11

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR OF OUR SCHOOL

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SAINT CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES



Upcoming St. Cletus Fine Arts Series Performances:

SATURDAY, DEC. 14TH 8 PM SUNDAY, DEC. 15TH 3 PM

Tower Chorale "Spirit of the Season"

Featuring the St. Cletus Children's Choir

St. Cletus Church 600 W 55th St. La Grange, IL

SUNDAY, MARCH 30TH 4 PM

Fr. Ken Baker & Friends

Proceeds benefit the St. Cletus Capital Campaign

Reber Center
100 South Brainard Ave
La Grange, IL 60525

SUNDAY, APRIL 27[™] 4 PM

An Afternoon of Chamber Music

Grant Street Quartet with Jeffrey Panko, Piano

St. Cletus Church 600 W 55th St. La Grange, IL

The St. Cletus Fine Arts Series was created in 2009 to present high quality musical performances outside of the liturgical setting. Most concerts are presented free of charge. Freewill offerings are collected to support the St. Cletus Fine Arts Series or other selected charities as announced. More information at http://stcletusparish.com/our-parish/fine-arts-series/



WORSHIP MINISTRY

Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Please remember to select one of the 2 upcoming dates for minister updating and re-training. Attendance is required for continuing in the ministry.

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion — preparation for new mandate: Sunday, November 17, 2:00-3:00 p.m. *OR* Thursday, November 21, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Lectors - Sunday, November 17, 3:00-4:00 p.m. *OR* Thursday, November 21, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Lector books for Cycle A (beginning the First Sunday of Advent) will be distributed and reviewing and altering of a few procedures will be presented. Meetings will take place in church.

A mandate is an order or commission given by the Archdiocese to individuals who have completed a course of training to serve or continue serving a particular parish as a Minister of Communion. The pastor reviews those ministers' service and authorizes their re-mandating (if already in service) or commissions new ministers to be mandated. This occurs every three years. This takes place throughout the Archdiocese when the new liturgical year begins on the First Sunday of Advent.

On December 1, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Ministers of Care will be mandated for a three-year period. Ministers of Care need not come to the re-training sessions listed above *unless* they are also Extraordinary Ministers of Communion.

Please contact Fr. Ken or Paulette if you have any questions. (708) 215-5400 or 215-5415.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Sunday, November 3, parents, candidates and sponsors gathered at the 11:00 a.m. Mass to celebrate the Eucharist together. The Confirmation candidates presented a family and personal form pledging to continue their commitment to receiving the sacrament. Fr. Bob, in turn, representing the parish community, gave each candidate a document expressing the prayers and support of the parish.

Following the Mass, Fr. Ken met the candidates and sponsors in Morrissey Hall reassuring the candidates to pursue developing the gifts they have been given and which they had discussed during their recent *Day of the Spirit* retreat.

The candidates, then paired with their sponsors to have a conversation about their faith journeys and develop a plan to stay connected with each other through prayer, communication and activities. The sacrament will be celebrated March 1, 2014. Please pray for our young people.

Paulette Bolton. Director of Catechesis/Formation

YEAR OF FAITH

TIGHTROPES AND TOSSES

by Brian Butler

"Sometimes faith is far more beautiful unadorned, and it is quite possible to crush a delicate and growing faith with a weight of learned arguments intended to adorn and perfect it."

—Robert Benson

You may have heard the classic tale of a daredevil who walked a tightrope across Niagara Falls, to the amazement of a cheering crowd. Next, the man pushed a wheelbarrow across the great expanse. Finally, he asked the crowd if they thought that he could make it across with someone sitting in the wheelbarrow. The crowd went into a frenzy of support... until the stuntman asked for a volunteer to get in the wheelbarrow. All went silent. Their admiration was real, but their faith in him was not great enough to join him in his efforts. One reason for this lack of faith was probably that they had seen the heroic acts, but they did not know the hero.

I am not a daredevil, but I am a father. Like most good dads, I like to toss my kids in the air like a pizza man with a high ceiling and some good dough. On one hand, they love the delight of flight and the view from the second-story balcony. On the other hand, a childlike faith grows stronger with each toss, without a thought for reason or the mechanics behind the experience. My kids don't even fear gravity as they should because they have defied it for years, always landing safely in my arms. If a deranged scientist showed up one day explaining Newton's laws of motion, Einstein's theory of relativity, and the nuances of gravity, my kids wouldn't care. As children, they are not interested so much in "how" it all works but are able to enjoy simply the thrill of moving higher in elevation and deeper in trust with Dad.

As adults, we sometimes make things more complicated than they need to be and rationalize with arguments rather than relate with God.

Action Step

How is the Father inviting you to simple, "unadorned" and childlike faith this week? How does he want to build a relationship of trust with you, tossing you in the air of your faith journey? Consider praying and meditating with Scripture passages this week that feature children at the center, like Mark 10:13-16, Matthew 18:1-5, and Luke 18:15-17.

What does the Father want to teach you as his child?



SAINT CLETUS PARISH

Living our Faith, Building our Future.

Prayer for the success of Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign

Heavenly Father, as St. Cletus Parish moves into the future, we ask that you bless our founding parishioners, those who have come before us and those here today. Their sacrifices and dedication over the past 60 years have provided us our present day facilities.

I.ord Jesus, as we move into the future, please bless our efforts to provide for a new Parish Center to meet our continually growing needs. May our sacrifice and dedication to the future of our parish match that of all our brother and sisters from the past

Holy Spirit, as this effort moves forward, please send your Spirit to inspire us. May we know your will and follow it as we continue to Spread the Good News of the Gospel within our St. Cletus Community.



St. Cletus, pray for us.

------ Update ------

Families Contributing with Pledge 620
Families Contributing with non-pledge gift 243
Total Families Contributing 863
Total Contributions through Family Pledges and non-pledged gifts \$3,055,394
Total Collected to date \$1,704,383

SECOND COLLECTION - Weekend of November 16th & 17th - please be generous!

Social Concerns Ministry

"TURKEY BUCKS"



This month when you do your grocery shopping at the Jewel store across the street from St. Cletus, **please remember to tell your cashier** that you would like to help St. Cletus Food Pantry by purchasing \$1, \$5, or \$10 in Jewel "Turkey Bucks." Your thoughtful donation will help bring a traditional holiday dinner to a family in our community that otherwise may have gone without. Thank you!

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE!

There are still a few days to donate some non-perishables for our monthly food distribution, which is this Thursday, November 14.

- Most needed items for this distribution are **dry pinto beans**, **juice**, **laundry detergent**, **juice and diapers**.
- Just drop off the items in the designated food bins in Church, Monday-Wednesday 7:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m. or at the rectory, during business hours, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Of course, we will still be assembling bags after Wednesday, so we welcome in-date donations all week long!
- Don't forget 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 to all who support this ministry in so many ways!

Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns

The Knights of Columbus Council 6483 wishes to thank the parishioners of St. Cletus Parish for your support of the Holiday Food Drive on October 26. THANK YOU to Mary Beth Ford who runs the Food Pantry for partnering with us on this wonderful project. The St. Cletus Food Pantry distributes a bag of non-perishable groceries from the narthex of the church on the second Thursday of the month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. to approximately 200-250+ families. Thank you Mary Beth and your volunteer "Worker Bees" for the good and important work you do providing nutritional assistance in our community.

Respectfully, Mike Hattie

WANT TO GET TO YES IN YOUR JOB SEARCH? GO BEYOND YOUR RESUME WITH ANOTHER WAY TO PRESENT YOURSELF

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, November 21, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for a different but very useful approach to your job search. Our speaker, Norris Beren, is an executive "in transition" advisor with 40+ years of working with CEO's. Are you open to new ideas? Can you effectively answer the question... why should I hire you? Can you respond by making a strong business case? What is your competitive advantage over other candidates? Why is what you want to happen not happening now? Get answers to these and other thought provoking questions...from a CEO's point of view. This program is open to all and there is no charge to attend. We look forward to welcoming you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. Interfaith Career Network (ICN) offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

GIVING TREE



Dear Parishioners,

Our annual Advent Giving Tree Project—a St. Cletus tradition—will begin next weekend, November 16 and 17. We will be offering our parish families an opportunity to share with those less fortunate...those who would not have a very merry Christmas without your generosity. Our trees will be filled with names of individuals in need from our sharing parish, St. Agatha's, and from our community. As in the past, we ask you to purchase gifts for the person named on the PURPLE tag you remove from the tree. Then, on the weekend of December 7-8, please bring your gifts to Church. We also ask you to remember your special person(s) in your family's prayers throughout this holy season. Last year our parish made Christmas brighter for more than 1700 people.

We will again have a tree with **RED food basket tags**. These tags will have a suggested list for the contents of a CHRISTMAS SEASON FOOD BASKET for the families using our Food Pantry and others struggling in our community. Please read the instruction listed on these "basket tags." On **Sunday, December 15, FOOD BASKETS will be accepted in Morrissey Hall in the morning** and distributed from there in the afternoon.

We invite you to stop in the narthex next weekend to take a tag or two from one of the Giving Trees. We are thankful for your generosity in purchasing many gifts for the individual(s) you choose. We are asking this year, for some of you to consider taking an additional tag or two, and perhaps buying fewer gifts for each name you pick. Thank you! Your generosity will provide hope and make a difference in someone's life. God bless you on your Advent Journey!

The Giving Tree Committee

Answers to frequently asked questions can be found on the parish website: www.stcletusparish.com/socialconcerns.

For further details you can also contact: Mary Beth, (708) 215-5418, mford@stcletusparish.com or Maureen, (708) 839-0345

Raising Faith-Filled Kids • One Word at a Time

Explore

Jesus often sent people he encountered into action saying, "Go!" "Go; your faith has made you well," he told the man born blind. "Go, sell what you own," he told the man born rich. "Go therefore and make disciples



of all nations," he told the Apostles. Each case is an invitation to explore a new way of living in the light of grace.

Parents begin to explore a whole new way of living when children come into our lives. We learn to tend to our children's ailments, whether physical or psychological; we sacrifice immediate ease and pleasure for their physical, spiritual, and moral welfare; and we teach in both word and example what it means to follow Jesus, who tells us, Go! Explore what it means to live in the Kingdom of God. —*Tom McGrath*

YEAR OF STRONG CATHOLIC PARENTS

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDER

Religious Education has class at the regularly scheduled times, Sunday, November 17 & Monday, November 18. There will be Reconciliation for grades 3-7 on Tuesday, November 19, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. All should be in church by 6:30 p.m. and may leave after receiving the sacrament.

PLEASE NOTE: A CALENDAR CHANGE

We will **not** have class on December 1 & 2 as many will be away for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Faulette Bolton

Director of Catechesis/Formation



LET US CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN THE MILITARY ESPECIALLY...

Ryan McDonell, USA

1st Lt. Sara Jean Sedlacek, USA

Pfc. Paul Jacobsen, 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



November 11, 2013

ST. CLETUS

Book Club



The next book is

Big Stone Gap

by Adrianna Trigiani

We will meet to discuss it on

Tuesday, November 12, at 7:00 p.m. (Room 98 in the Education Building)

Questions? Email: Ioriashe@aol.com

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW CLASS - TRIUMPH OF THE KING

This is our last session for the Gospel of Matthew. Chapter 28 tells of the Resurrection of Jesus. Jeff Cavins on the DVD presentation reviews the complete Gospel of Matthew, then goes on to explain the Resurrection and the commissioning of the disciples.

CREDO invites you to this session on Wednesday, November 13, in Room 98 in the Education Building. Discussion starts at 7:00 p.m. and lasts 45 minutes. After discussion we will watch the DVD series by Jeff Cavins. If you wish to view only the video, please come at 7:45 p.m. In fairness to those who have registered and paid for the class, we ask a donation of \$1 per class for drop-ins.

ST. CLETUS PARISH LIBRARY UPDATE!

The CREDO committee wishes to thank everyone who has donated materials to the parish library. CREDO continues to accept donations, so please leave your library donations in the basket near the cart. The library has nearly 1,000 items thanks to your generosity. Due to space limitations, we have only a few hundred on the cart at a time. We do rotate the materials on a regular basis, especially for those books that are seasonal. We are short on Catholic books about Christmas and Advent so if you have any to donate they would be most welcome.

To those who are not familiar with the library, it is located on a cart in the church narthex. There are Catholic books, CDs and DVDs. We also have material for children. To sign out an item, please fill out the card with the date, your name and phone number. Put the card in the box provided on the cart. Loan periods for books are usually one month, and CDs or DVDs can be signed out for two weeks. Currently more than 100 items are checked out.

We have had a few issues with the library, so we ask your help with the following:

- Please sign out the material. We have nearly 80 items missing that have not been signed out. If you took an item but did not sign it out, please sign the card and drop it in the box on the cart so we know where it is.
- There are many books that have been signed out for over nine months. We worry that the book has been lost. If you have had a book signed out for over nine months, please return it as soon as possible.

Thank you for your help in keeping the library viable for all parishioners, and thank you so much again for your donations.

CREDO (Continuing Religious **ED**ucation **O**pportunities)



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 10, 2013

My steps have been steadfast in your paths, my feet have not faltered. I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.

— *Psalm 17:5* □ *6a*

Youth Ministry Update

2013-2014 TEEN FAITH FORMATION

Our next small group gathering will be November 17, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. All High School Age Teens are welcome to join us!



KAIROS #15

Please pray for the 67 Teens and adults attending our Kairos Retreat in Justice this weekend!



**CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Church league registration is closed! Emails for practices will go out soon! I'm looking forward to a great season!

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2013

November 3: First small group meeting 6:00-7:30 p.m. (St. Cletus)

November 17: Small groups 6:00-7:30 p.m. (St. Cletus)

December 8: Giving Tree 2:00-6:15 p.m. (St. Cletus)

December 15: Giving Tree 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Pizza and White Elephant gifts after until 7:30 p.m.

(St. Cletus)

January 12, 2014: Teen Mass 11:00 a.m. (St. Cletus)

Merry Christmas! Check your email for updates. Our first small group meeting of the New Year will be January 19, 2014!

Freshman/Sophomore Retreat is January 10-12, 2014 (more information to come)!

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

Amanda Birth

Director of Youth Ministry



Please join the Sisters of St. Joseph for Coffee & Conversation on Saturday, November 23, 2013, 8:00-9:00 a.m. in Welcome Hall, 1515 W. Ogden Avenue in La Grange Park. The topic is presented by Sister Kathy Sherman, CSJ: Eucharist As a Way of Life: Becoming the Real Presence.

Presentation description: We gather in community each week to break open the Word and to share a meal. We do this in remembrance of Christ Jesus. What difference does this make in our living each day? We will explore this through liturgical documents, story and song.

No RSVP is necessary; this is a drop in event. A free will offering may be made.

Stewardship — Sunday Collection – November 3, 2013

Total Active Registered Families 2,753

Amount Collected

of envelopes used this week 696 % of registered families 25%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000 Over (Under) Budget: \$5,507

This fiscal Year @ 11/4/13

Actual Sunday Collections: \$ 451,705 <u>Budgeted Sunday Collections 486,000</u> **YTD Over** (Under) budget: \$ (34,295)

Collection Statistics

\$ 27,149 Envelopes Users 3,271 Loose Check/Cash 2,087 Electronic Giving

\$ 32,507 Total Collected

We need your help. As you can see we are running short on our budget. If you would consider raising your contribution for the next several months we will be able to make-up our shortfall. Thank you for all the support you show for the ministries that take place within the parish.

Fr. Bob Clark, Pastor

	WE	EK AT A GL	ANCE
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM#	EVENT
Sunday, November 10	7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex/East	Cabaret Ticket Sales
	7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex/West	MANNA Cash & Carry
	7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex	Girl Scouts Coat Drive
Monday, November 11	6:30 p.m.	S-201	Capital Campaign Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	S-200	Athletic Association
	9:00 p.m.	MH	Men's Basketball
Tuesday, November 12	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	S-208 S-207 S-98 R-Dining Room S-213 S-201	Teen Drop-in Hispanic Ministry Advisory Board Book Club RCIA FSA Meeting Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group
Wednesday, November 13	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	C RB MH S-201/207/213 S-98 S-200	School Mass Mission Ladies 1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting Parish Transformation Meeting CREDO Matthew Bible Study Baptism Prep Class
Thursday, November 14	5:00 p.m.	S-Music	Children's Choir
	6:00 p.m.	C-Narthex	Food Pantry Distribution
	6:30 p.m.	S-Music	Cantor's Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.	S-Music	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, November 15	6:30 p.m.	S-Music	Hispanic Choir
	8:00 p.m.	MH	Fine Arts Cabaret Performance
Saturday, November 16	5:00 p.m.	C-Narthex/East	Giving Tree Tags
	5:00 p.m.	C-Narthex/West	Giving Tree Tags
Sunday, November 17	7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex/East	Giving Tree Tags
	7:00 a.m.	C-Narthex/West	Giving Tree Tags
	6:00 p.m.	S-201	Teen Large Group Meeting
CChurch NarthexChurch MHMorrissey H		st & West)	SSchool (Education Building) RBRectory 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).

EUCHARISTIC 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. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

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