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# St. Cletus Canticle

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 16, 2014



## 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 February 17 – February 23

Day	Presider Subject to change	Time	Intentions	
Monday	Fr. Anglim	8:00 a.m.	Purgatorial Society	
Tuesday	Fr. Rodriguez	8:00 a.m.	Edgardo Paynor, Richard Duda	
Wednesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Phyllis Prevenas, Stacy Ann Baker, Lottie Kolman, Lawrence Vieceli	
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention Rev. E. J. Dodge, Walter Dobrowolski, Erik Geyer, Stella Weise	
Friday	Fr. Anglim	8:00 a.m.	Harry Fisher	
Saturday	Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Purgatorial Society Nilda Grzanich, Frank & Grace Radavich, Michael Liszeo, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Joseph, Mary, & Richard Buch, Kathleen Koza	
Sunday	Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Baker Fr. Anglim Fr. Baker	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Mrs. Lois Bednar, Dolores E. Kuchta Beloved St. Cletus Parishioners Purgatorial Society Infant Alice Fee Williams, John Patrick Russell, Patricia Durkin, Louis & Stephanie Yackowicz, Georgia Popp All Priest's Intentions	

Please remember our sick in your prayers: Emily Ann Dziedzic, Jackie Fuchs, Kathy Wendell, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr.,

Fernando Cabral, Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Sue Engstrom, Ray Salstedt, Loretta Johncola, Catherine Mlot, Denise Rowalka, Marty Weber, Barbara Kotus, Hector Gonzalez, Donna Cameron, Anna Mae McCormick, Sharon Mylan, Marv Jamrozik, Margaret Bauer Fountain. Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, Gerda Dorso, Karen Stoltman, Judy Duque, Mark Bergnach, Joan Curtin, Phil Hodak, 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 NOTE: <u>All</u> facilities will be closed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, February 17, in observance of Presidents' Day.

The rectory office will reopen on Tuesday, February 18, at 9:00 a.m.

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68,

71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13 y: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a;

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

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Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5;

Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7;

Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6;

Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6;

Mt 16:13-19

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4,

8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23;

Mt 5:38-48

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

Mrs. Lois Bednar,

sister-in-law of Dr. Thomas Bednar

Infant Alice Fee Williams

May the Lord grant them eternal rest. Amen.

# NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2014

In his book "Jesus of Nazareth," Pope Benedict XVI tells the fascinating story of a Jewish scholar, brought up with Christian friends and deeply respectful of Christianity, and above all our Lord. The scholar's own book, entitled "A Rabbi Talks with Jesus," tells how he pictures himself in Jesus' company, listening to him, watching him, accompanying him on the way to Jerusalem, even engaging him in conversation. He joins the crowd, for example, that gathers around Jesus as he is about to deliver the Sermon on the Mount. In his imagination, the rabbi would have heard the very words that we have just heard in today's Gospel.

And what is the result? He is both attracted and troubled. Attracted by the purity and loftiness of Jesus' teaching; yet at the same time troubled, for he sees that Jesus is claiming equality with God, and for such a pious Jew that seems a blasphemous pretension. And so finally the rabbi walks away, but rather sadly. Still full of admiration for Jesus, he is unable to accept a claim that to him is incompatible with his Jewish faith. "I now realize", he writes, "only God can demand of me what Jesus is asking."

How right the rabbi was! In his Gospel St. Matthew portrays Jesus as a new and greater Moses. It was on a mountain, Mount Sinai that Moses delivered the Law of God. Now it's on a mountainside, in the Sermon on the Mount, that Jesus delivers the new law. When he says, "You have learned how it was said to our ancestors..." his audience knows at once that he is referring to Moses, and to the Law that Moses had received from God on Sinai. And when he says, "But I say this to you..." they realize, at once and with some anxiety that he is claiming to be greater than Moses. In fact, he is putting himself on a par with God; he is claiming to speak with God's authority; he is daring to adjust God's Law. But it is an adjusting, not a revoking of the Law; as Jesus explains, he has come "not to abolish (the Law and the Prophets) but to complete them", to reveal their deepest implications, to point to the more demanding virtue that they entail.

So, according to the Law, murder is wrong: yes, says Jesus, but so too is anger, which so easily flares into violence; indeed, it is better not to come to worship if you harbor hatred for a sister or brother. According to the Law, adultery is wrong: yes, says Jesus, but so too is looking lustfully at another human being for that is, at least in intent, a violation of the other. According to the Law, lying under oath is wrong: yes, says Jesus, but the fact that oaths are taken at all is a sign of lack of trust and openness; certainly, between Christians, a "Yes" or a "No" should be all that needs to be said.

Jesus insists that Christian morality means a great deal more than external respectability. The expression "depth psychology" refers to a psychological approach that examines the deepest parts of human experience. What Jesus presents is a "depth morality", a morality that affects us to the depths of our being.

Even in Old Testament times the Jews did not understand the Law in simply legalistic terms. They knew that it was something more than rules and regulations; they believed that it was God's loving instruction, God's guidance of God's people. And so they would pray, as we did in the response to today's Psalm, "They are happy who follow God's law!"

Jesus himself tells us that in the end the whole of the Law and the Prophets hangs on the double commandment of loving God and loving our neighbor. Moreover, it is in rising to this twofold love that we prove our love for him. "If you love me", he will tell his friends in John's Gospel, "keep my commandments." This is a hard love, a demanding love. It is true, as the rabbi realized, that only God can make the demands that Jesus makes on us. However, it is also true that Jesus not only makes demands of us – for, because Jesus is God, he also enables us to live out those demands in our daily lives.

Peace in Christ Jesus,

Father Bob Pastor



Please make a pledge to the 2014 Annual Catholic Appeal. You may respond to your in-home mailing or this weekend, Commitment Weekend.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is: "You are the temple of God." As we carefully consider His gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude for these gifts. Our sharing through the Annual Catholic Appeal helps to maintain Catholic schools, parishes, programs of religious education and support ministries to children, youth and adults in economical struggling communities in our archdiocese and other ministries. Through its support of Catholic Relief Services, the Appeal serves people worldwide, without regard for religious affiliation, whose lives are devastated by natural disasters, illnesses, wars and famines.

Your contributions are deeply appreciated and very much needed and will make a real difference in the lives of so many.

Please be generous.

# Raising Faith-Filled Kids • One Word at a Time

# Consider

Have you found yourself as a parent reacting without thinking? Maybe you had a fit of anger. Maybe you sulked. Maybe you found yourself blurting out words your mother used to say that you vowed would never come



from your lips. Such outbursts are often caused by anxiety. When that happens, it's time to consider. You might ask, "Consider what?" Take Jesus' advice and "consider the lilies of the field" and the "birds of the air" who trust in the Lord and are taken care of by God. Jesus contrasts anxiety and faith. In the Kingdom of God, faith banishes fear and trust diminishes anxiety.

Advertisers and newscasters bombard us with messages meant to increase our anxiety. Instead, listen for the voice of Jesus who invites you to share in his life of fullness. —*Tom McGrath* 

# YEAR OF STRONG CATHOLIC PARENTS

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#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: The Seven Holy Founders of

the Servite Order; Presidents' Day

Friday: St. Peter Damian

Saturday: The Chair of St. Peter the

Apostle; Washington's Birthday

# **ROBERT E. COULTER, JR. POST 1941**



**Join us for our Annual Spaghetti Dinner** on Friday,
February 21. We will be serving spaghetti with meat or marinara sauce, tossed salad,

bread, desert, and beverage from 4:00-8:00 p.m., plus entertainment. Adults/\$9-Children under 10/\$4. and Children under 4/Free.

This dinner helps provide resources for the post home. This is the place where activities are held which include events for both community and veterans.

We are located at 900 S. La Grange Rd., La Grange. For more information, please call (708) 354-3300/www.AL1941.org.

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HAPPENINGS

The Religious Education classes were pleased to welcome our parish priests on the occasion of the feast of St. Blaise. On Sunday, February 2, Father Bob and Father Edgar visited each of the classes and blessed throats after a brief explanation of the life of the saint and the meaning of the blessing. Father Ken blessed throats for the Monday evening classes and interacted with the children with questions and answers and sharing the story of St. Blaise.

The first graders have been studying about Baptism, the first sacrament of initiation. They were eager to share some artifacts from their own baptism and also to reenact the actual baptismal service.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders celebrated the sacrament of Reconciliation on January 14 as several priests heard their first Confessions. They each received a cross as a reminder of God's forgiveness and love. They are continuing to prepare for their First Communion in May.

A reminder to parents of *all* children preparing for their First Communion: Parent Meeting is Tuesday, February 18, at 7:00 p.m., in Morrissey Hall (about 1 hr.).

Bishop Manz will be conferring the sacrament of Confirmation on our candidates on Saturday, March 1, at 1:00 p.m.

Please keep them in your prayers.

# Paulette Bolton

Director of Religious Education

Feast of St. Blaise Blessing of Throats









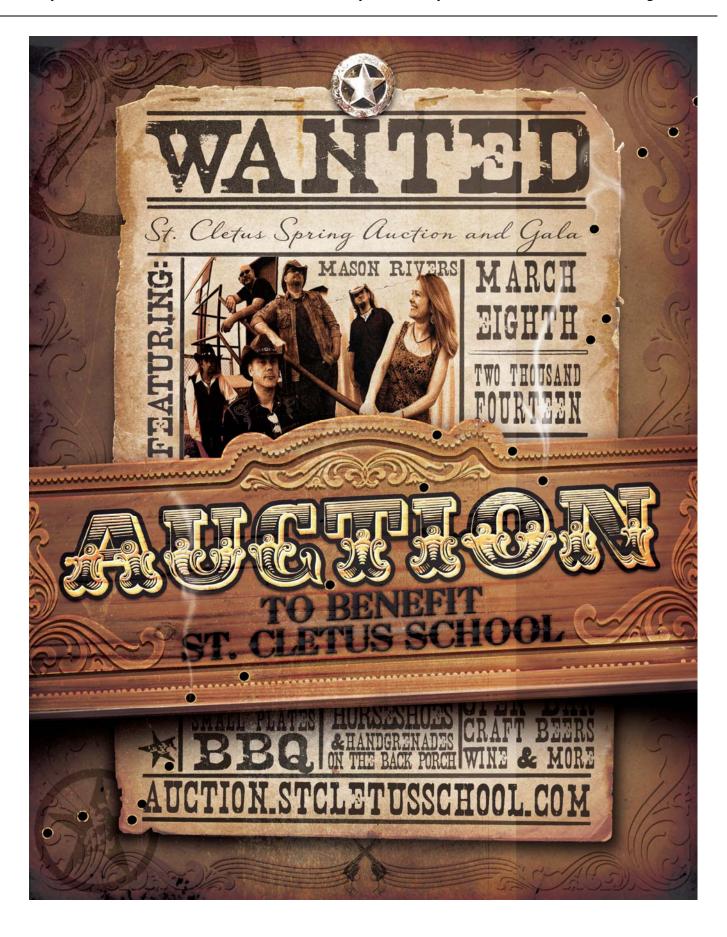




1st Graders studying the Sacrament of Baptism







# **Social Concerns Ministry**

#### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you all for your faithfulness to this ministry which answers Jesus' call to feed the hungry.

- We were able to prepare 200+ bags of non-perishables for our February monthly distribution due to your generous contributions!
- ♦ As we continue to replenish our shelves, most needed items include **cereal**, **canned meat**, **boxed sides**, **juice**, **canned pears and peaches**, **snacks**, **and juice**.
- ♦ A special word of appreciation to our St. Cletus team of Greater Chicago Food Depository volunteers. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month, 10-15 volunteers work to earn \$15.00 each toward our GCFD food purchase. This is a great financial help since the Food Pantry purchases quality items at low prices each month to supplement donations from our parishioners and friends in the community.

## LOOKING AHEAD...



The Lenten Season begins in less than 3 weeks! As we approach Ash Wednesday, we look forward to a time of deepening our relationship with Christ and preparing ourselves for the great celebration of Easter. Our parish will be taking part in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl faith in action program, which will offer us the opportunity to reflect and act on Christ's mission of Love for those in need.

What exactly is Catholic Relief Services? It is the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic Community in the United States. CRS is motivated by the example of Jesus Christ to assist the poor and the suffering in nearly 100 countries on the basis of need, without regard to race, religion, or nationality. Visit **www.crs.org** to learn more about their amazing, ongoing programs, which touch more that 100 million lives.

Details about our parish participation in CRS Rice Bowl will appear in future Canticles from now until Easter. We hope you will enthusiastically take part as this program highlights the beauty of this time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

# Mary Beth Ford

**Director of Social Concerns** 

### CAREER TRANSITION WORKSHOP

Join us on Tuesday, February 18, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. 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. Please note that this workshop is designed for the employed, under employed, as well as the unemployed. Join us for one or all of the consecutive Tuesday sessions and gain new skills that will help you land that new position. All sessions are free and all are welcome to attend any of these sessions. Please enter the church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

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# Social Concerns Ministry Continued...

### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

### RESUME REVAMP

Join us on Thursday, February 20, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Cletus Education Building, 700 West 55<sup>th</sup> Street in La Grange. Our speaker, Lauren Milligan, will offer a PowerPoint presentation and engage you with her "No Wimps Allowed" approach. In her "Tell the Story Behind the Story" presentation, Lauren will provide insider tips on writing a resume that will crush the competition! She will also share her #1 trade secret that will drastically improve anyone's resume in 30 seconds or less. In addition to resume strategies, Lauren will also cover tough interview questions that employers are now asking candidates as a direct result of the recession and long-term unemployment. Lauren shares resume strategies that other resume experts won't share, so you will walk away with a better resume than when the presentation started. Lauren is the founder, head resume expert and job coach at **ResuMAYDAY**, a one-stop-shop for career advancement. EVERYONE, not just the unemployed, should have an updated and polished resume! Please enter the Education Building at door #3 by the flag pole.

### FREE RESUME REVIEW

Join us on Saturday, February 22, from 9:00-11:00 am at St. Cletus Education Building, 700 West 55<sup>th</sup> Street in La Grange. Have a helpful 20-minute one-on-one conversation with a HR or other search related professional for 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. Please enter the school at door #3 by the flag pole. ICN meetings are open to everyone and there is no charge to attend. Visit our website at **www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.** 

#### FIRST HISPANIC FUNDRAISER

St. Cletus' Hispanic Ministry has made a pledge to help Hispanic students from St. Cletus Parish who lack the financial resources to attend or continue attending college. Our goal is to help provide three students with a \$3,000 scholarship every year. The Hispanic Ministry Board will screen the students and qualified students will receive the scholarship based on their income and need. To achieve our goal, we plan to have several fundraisers throughout the year.

Our first fundraising event begins with a "Post Valentine' Day" Dinner Dance on February 22, 2014. We will be in room 98 in the Education Building this weekend, February 15/16, greeting and selling tickets for our February 22nd fundraising event. We know that with your help we can do it, because St. Cletus community is well known for its generous heart.

We hope to see you in room 98 this weekend and on February 22, at 7:00 p.m. in Morrissey Hall.

Yours in Christ, Dcn. Jesús & Silvia Casas

# St. Cletus



The next book is

The Great Santini: A Novel by Pat Conroy We will meet to discuss it on

Tuesday, March 11th at 7:00 p.m. (Room 98 in the Education Building)

Questions? Email Ioriashe@aol.com

### CONSCIENCE

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire, called conscience.

-George Washington



# St. Cletus School

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St. Cletus School's elementary program offers a strong educational curriculum guided by the Common Core State Standards in English, language arts, and math, as well as the State of Illinois Learning Standards. In addition to our 1<sup>st</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade program with an average classroom size of 22 students, St. Cletus offers 3- and 4-year-old, half and full-day preschool, as well as half and full-day kindergarten classes. Our well-rounded academic program offers Spanish, art, music, physical education, library, and computer technology classes. Daily religion classes, service hours, and regular school Masses also help our students to develop into mature, responsible young adults. Other opportunities available at St. Cletus School are Junior Great Books, Student Council, Scouting (for boys and girls), athletic programs, band, choir, various after school clubs, and before -and after care programs. If your child is just beginning his/her education, or if you are considering a change, please call the school to make an appointment to visit or to register.

Applications are now being accepted for new students for the 2014-15 school year.

Feel free to call the school office Monday through Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. at (708) 352-4820 if you have questions or would like to schedule an appointment to visit our school. St. Cletus School is a great place to be—stop by to learn more!

Sincerely,

Margaret Hayes

**Principal** 

Jolene Hillgoth

President

# St. Cletus School News







The 8th grade students did a wonderful job with their Science Fair projects this year! I am very proud of the students and all the time they spent to produce wonderful projects!

The students going to Regionals at the Museum of Science and Industry are:

- Ben Cranny
- Neil Doherty
- Christian Davila
- · Andy Schramka

Students who received honorable mention are:

- Eliana Condotti
- Marty Paylik
- McKenna Dovle
- Sam Rahman
- Patrick Kane
- · Ethan Tosheff

# **History Fair**

Once again all our 7th grade students have outdone themselves, putting together well researched and engaging displays for the annual History Fair projects. The students listed below will be representing our school at the Chicago regional competition at DePaul University this spring.

#### **Boards:**

- Wren Decker
- Pilar Valdes
- Isabelle Donahue & Mary Okkema
- Michael Fanta

#### Websites:

- Joe Schuler & Emily Rausch
- Danielle Dahill
- · Jessica Pulciani
- Maggie Degnan

#### **Documentaries:**

- Eric Otrusina
- Andrea Fuentes



# Let The Games Begin

The kindergarteners participated in the St. Cletus Winter Olympics. Each child made U.S. and Olympic flags, which were waved as they sang the National Anthem. After the Olympic torch relay, the athletes paraded to the gym where they participated in several events. They competed in scooter bobsledding and luge, skiing, strength training, the Olympic ring run and hockey. All athletes that participated were WINNERS and received gold medals.

# St. Cletus is a Blue Ribbon Award Nominee!

St. Cletus has been nominated for the Blue Ribbon Award! We are one of only 16 schools in the state to be nominated. We now send our application to the U.S. Department of Education for its consideration.

The parish should be very proud of our students, faculty and staff who worked so hard to get us here. We are very proud of the faculty team who worked on the extensive application, especially Ms. Lewandowski who was the chair of our team.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Band Concert	February 19
School Board Meeting	March 4
School Auction and Gala	March 8

# FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR OF OUR SCHOOL

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# **Youth Ministry Update!**

### TEEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our next large group session will be Feed My Starving Children in Schaumburg, IL.



On **Monday March 3**, 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 6:45 p.m. and will return at approximately 10:15 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 24**.

FMSC humbly requests cash donations from food packing volunteers. If you would like to sponsor a teen, let Amanda know. Learn more at **www.fmsc.org**.

TEEN MASS: Our next Teen Mass is at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1.

### MISSION TRIP!



Our Mission Trip this year will be with Catholic Heart Work Camp in Oil City, PA. Sign-ups can be found on our website and a \$100 deposit with your form is due by February 17 to Amanda Birth. Make sure you read the entire form; you must be able to attend all of our mission trip prep meetings! We are looking for adult chaperones.

# FANNIE MAY EASTER CANDY SALES TO BENEFIT OUR SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO OIL CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Your support helped us so much last year, that we are doing this fundraiser again! Stayed tuned for more information! The teens will also be hosting Hospitality Sunday after all the Masses the weekend of March 1/2! Come meet the teens going on our mission trip and enjoy some free donuts and coffee. We will be selling candy bars, have our Easter forms for Fannie May and give you the opportunity to "buy miles" for our summer trip. Hope to see you there!

## GIRLS' CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Our high school girls' season will begin sometime in March and run through May. The schedule has not been set yet. Forms and registration information are available on our website and are due by **March 4.** 

### 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.

### Amanda Birth

Director of Youth Ministry



# ST. CLETUS ONLINE GIVING

When you think of giving to St. Cletus Parish, Sunday offertory envelopes probably come to mind. As a convenient alternative we encourage you to make online donations by logging onto our website, **www.stcletusparish.com** click on the "DONATE" button and register your electronic donation using your checking account, debit card or credit card.

Thank you for your generosity and support! Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at the rectory, (708) 352 -6209.

# STEWARDSHIP — SUNDAY COLLECTION — FEBRUARY 9, 2014

Total Active Registered Families 2,730

**Amount Collected** 

# of envelopes used this week 525 % of registered families 19%

Weekly Collection Budget: \$27,000

Over (Under) Budget: \$319

This fiscal Year @ 2/9/14

Actual Sunday Collections: \$824,819 <u>Budgeted Sunday Collections 864,000</u> **YTD Over** (Under) budget: \$ (39,181)

# **Collection Statistics**

\$ 23,137 Envelopes Users 2,106 Loose Check/Cash 2,076 Electronic Giving

\$ 27,319 Total Collected

Thank you for increasing your weekly giving. The extra dollars are helping us to be better prepared to meet our weekly financial obligations. Thanks for your stewardship efforts!

Blessings,

Fr. Bob Clark, Pastor

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:20

The scribes and Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear—it's the love that you have in your heart that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner in the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

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DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT
Sunday, February 16	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	S-98 C RB	Hispanic Ministry Ticket Sales Annual Catholic Appeal at all Masses CREDO Matthew Kelly Book Discussion
Monday, February 17	ALL FA	CILITIES CLOS	SED AFTER THE 8:00 A.M. MASS
Tuesday, February 18	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	RB MH S-201 MH	CREDO Matthew Kelly Book Discussion 1st Communion Parent Meeting Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group YM Church League
Wednesday, February 19	9:00 a.m. 9:00 p.m.	RB MH	Mission Ladies YM Church League
Thursday, February 20	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-Music S-201 S-Music MH	Children's Choir ICN Employment Ministry Chancel Choir YM Church League
Friday, February 21			
Saturday, February 22	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	S-201 MH	ICN Resume Review Hispanic Ministry Fundraising Dance
Sunday, February 23	9:00 a.m.	RB	CREDO Matthew Kelly Book Discussion
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#### 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

# <u>DEPARTMENT</u> <u>POSITION</u>

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