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First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 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 December 1 – December 7, 2014

Day	Presider Subject to change	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Frank Victor Bedenk
Tuesday	Fr. Rodriguez	8:00 a.m.	Nancy Battle, John Dunbar Battistoni, Anna Pleszka
Wednesday	Fr. Clark Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Special Intention: Ward Calonder Advent Mass
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Patricia Leonard
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Nan Rettig
Saturday	Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Robinson Family Angelo Cumbo, Mary Ellen Nemec, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp, Otto Keller
Sunday	Fr. Rodriguez Fr. Anglim Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Juan G.	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, John Karch, Dolores E. Kuchta, Josephine & Anton Kuchta Mary Ricciardone & Calandriello Family, Susan Tomasovich Jean Nowicki, Darlene & Henry Krueger, Mary Ellen & John Salvato Robert Kunkel, Celina & Pedro Lopez, Maria de los Angeles Ramirez, Carlos & Luisa Ramirez Souls in Purgatory



*St. Cletus Parish
Welcomes...*

*Leah Jean Lestarczyk,
daughter of Jonathan & Lauren (DeBerry) Lestarczyk*

*Logan William Lestarczyk,
son of Jonathan & Lauren (DeBerry) Lestarczyk*

*to the Catholic Faith through the
Sacrament of Baptism.*



**WELCOME SUNDAY
NEXT WEEKEND**

Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available next weekend, December 6-7, after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses.

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



Please remember our sick in your prayers:
Gerda E. Dorso, Jean Weekly, Judy Duque,
Carolyn Sharpe, Stacy Rodey, Joanne Stevens,
Linda McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively,
Pauline Passardi, Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle,
Grace Dominick, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic,
Collette Grisko-Dote, David Harrington, Dave McCoy,
LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr.,
Fernando Cabral, Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel,
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Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda, George
Duda, Steven Onusaitis, Lorraine Walter,
Loretta Harwood, Marilyn Matesevac, Barbara Stamm,
and Teddy Kowalski. Also pray for our parishioners
who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to
attend Mass.



ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Come and adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, December 2, and every first Tuesday of the month. Adoration begins immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed at 6:15 p.m. followed by Benediction.

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

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Patrick Kavanagh writes, in a poem entitled Advent, “We have tested and tasted too much, lover. Through a chink too wide there comes in no wonder.” His message is that people become tired and surfeited with sensations. For him, Advent is a time of rediscovering wonder: the joy of a bright, crisp wintry morning, smell of food cooking, the look of surprise on the face of a small child exploring a new world, a glimpse of love or thankfulness for a gift. It is a time to pay attention to the particular, to the present moment.

The people to whom Isaiah writes have tested and tasted too much. Their hearts have strayed from God and this has led to a sense of lifelessness which is described in terms of being unclean or wearing filthy clothing. There is no joy to life. They experience the absence of God in their hearts. Yet they know that he is the potter who molds their destiny. Isaiah wants them to see again how God is active in everyday events.

Wakefulness characterizes the life of the disciple. He reflects on how God is active. To be aware of the giftedness of each person requires eyes to see and ears to hear. The disciple is invited to stand alert, like the watchman waiting for dawn, and to recognize God’s power and love breaking in.

Paul is aware of this grace as he observes the witness of the Christians in Corinth. He is able to see the giftedness of the members of the community and recognizes the charisms of the Spirit that they possess. His love for Christ gives him the eyes to see and the ears to hear. He has the alertness of the disciple.

This particular Advent is a season of joy as we celebrate over two thousand years of Christianity. That the small group of disciples who fled from the cross is being remembered over two thousand years later is a true miracle. It bears witness to the Spirit poured over the Church at Pentecost. Recognizing the power of Christ in the Church, let us approach this season with new eyes and ears. How is God revealed in the cycle of nature? How do other people reveal God’s love for me? Moments of tenderness, of intimate love, of forgiveness are causes for celebration.

Silence in the midst of activity is a characteristic of the saints throughout the ages. The example of St. Benedict and his followers for fifteen centuries bears witness to the importance of such silence. How is this to be found in the midst of the busy Christian family? With difficulty, perhaps. But the human heart needs moments of silence to renew it. Times of prayer help deepen the awareness of God and God’s work.

Gratitude is the mark of the disciple. May this holy season be a time of growth in gratitude for the faith handed on to each one of us.

OUR PARISH ADVENT GOAL 2014

Let us all use this holy season of Advent to evangelize someone we know who isn’t coming to church regularly. Let it be our goal to personally invite them to attend Mass during this holy season with us. Of course, we will continue to pray for all those who are not attending Church regularly but let us go a step further and reach out to them and personally invite them home. May this Advent journey be filled with all the faithful participating together.

Advent Blessings,

*Father Bob
Pastor*

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Prayer for Watchfulness

God our Father,
you are the potter who formed us.
You know that we wander from your ways.
Rouse us! Bring us to attention!
Make us watchful,
always scanning for your arrival.
Don't let us miss the ways
that you break into our lives,
in the small tasks and delights of everyday,

in service and sacrifice to family
and stranger,
in the safe return of an absent loved one.
Let us ever be alert
for the final return of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Sunday, November 30, 2014
Watch! Be Alert!

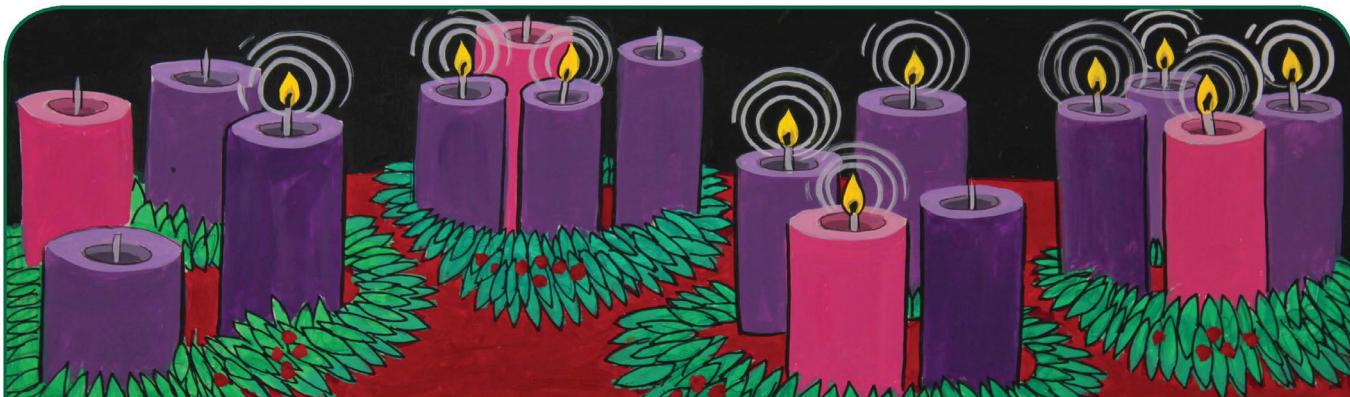


Today's Readings: Isaiah 63:16b–17, 19b; 64:2–7; Psalm 80:2–3, 15–16, 18–19; 1 Corinthians 1:3–9; Mark 13:33–37. As we hear in the Gospel on this First Sunday of Advent, we cannot let ourselves sit back and be comfortable. As Christ tells his disciples, we need to "be watchful! Be alert!" As we prepare for Christ to come into our hearts at Christmas, we also ready ourselves for the Second Coming. We cannot be complacent. Our relationship with God and our relationships with others need to be in order. As Advent begins, we might examine how we can grow in our relationship to God and take care with our familial relationships.

Relationship is at the heart of the reading from Isaiah. Twice this reading calls God "father," and throughout the

reading, it is apparent that humankind has damaged the relationship through sin. Finally, invoking the metaphor of clay and potter, it is noted that we are the work of God. God shapes us, but we need to allow him to work within us. During this Advent, we can consider how we rest in the potter's hands.

Finally, we see in the letter from St. Paul an acknowledgment that everything is from God. Paul is thankful to God for what he has bestowed on the Corinthians. The people in Corinth are filled with spiritual gifts. Paul assures them that God will keep them faithful as they await Christ. He will keep them faithful, we learn, because God is faithful. Yes, God is faithful, as a parent is faithful. Will we put our trust in this loving God this Advent?



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, December 1, 2014

A Humble Encounter

Today's Gospel is the story of the Lord healing the centurion's paralyzed servant. Central to the text of the Gospel are the words "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed" (Matthew 8:8). The centurion was humbled at the thought of Jesus coming to his home. Do you approach the Sacrament of the Eucharist with humility, in awe that Christ will enter us? How do you prepare for Communion? Today's Readings: Isaiah 2:1–5; Psalm 122:1–2, 3–4b, 4cd–5, 6–7, 8–9; Matthew 8:5–11.

Tuesday, December 2, 2014

Peace in Our Time

In the 1983 US bishops' document *The Challenge of Peace: God's Promise and Our Response*, the bishops tell us "the human person is the clearest reflection of God's presence in the world" (15). As we keep the days of Advent in the midst of a culture already celebrating Christmas, consider how we reflect God's presence. Do we take the time to rejoice "in the Holy Spirit," as stated in today's Gospel? Do we seek God's presence in each person encountered? Such awareness will help bring about the Kingdom of God. Today's Readings: Isaiah 11:1–10; Psalm 72:1–2, 7–8, 12–13, 17; Luke 10:21–24.

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest

Francis Xavier ministered to the people of Malaysia and Japan and lived with the poor, sharing their food and rough accommodations. Inspired by his example, let us reflect on how we care for those in need. Would the homeless shelter in your community appreciate a meal or dessert your family provided for its residents? Or could your family donate to the food pantry or help out in a soup kitchen? Could such donations be a regular part of your family life? Today's Readings: Isaiah 25:6–10a; Psalm 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 5, 6; Matthew 15:29–37.



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Thursday, December 4, 2014

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor

Consider the practice of *lectio divina*, or divine reading of Scripture. The practice consists of reading a biblical passage, meditating on a word or phrase from the passage, prayer flowing from the text, and contemplation. The reading and meditation can be repeated before moving to the prayer and contemplation. John Damascene defended the Church's regard for images. In a way, he practiced *lectio divina* by gazing upon images of Christ and the saints, icons that open us to contemplation, meditation, and prayer. Today's Readings: Isaiah 26:1–6; Psalm 118:1 and 8–9, 19–21, 25–27a; Matthew 7:21, 24–27.

Friday, December 5, 2014

Open Your Eyes

Today's Gospel tells of Jesus opening the eyes of two blind men. Advent is the time for us to open our eyes, to look around and wait for the light that shatters the short days and long nights for those of us who live in the Northern Hemisphere. Consider lighting a candle of the Advent wreath each night at the family dining table. Accompany the lighting with a reading from one of the Scripture passages of the day. Pray that the Scriptures will open your eyes this Advent. Today's Readings: Isaiah 29:17–24; Psalm 27:1, 4, 13–14; Matthew 9:27–31.

Saturday, December 6, 2014

Optional Memorial St. Nicholas, Bishop

Honoring St. Nicholas's concern for the poor, place coins in a baby bottle and share what you collect on January 22, 2015, (the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children) with an organization that advocates for unborn children. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the master of the harvest to "send out laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38). The Gospel calls us to go out and proclaim the Good News. One way in which we do this is to uphold the dignity of each person. Today's Readings: Isaiah 30:19–21, 23–26; Psalm 147:1–2, 3–4, 5–6; Matthew 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6–8.



SAINT CLETUS FINE ARTS SERIES
2014-15 SEASON

Christmas CAROL CONCERT

CAROLS, SING-A-LONGS AND A STRING QUARTET

Sunday December 7th 4:00 p.m.

This concert is presented free of charge. A freewill offering will be collected to support the St. Cletus Fine Arts Series.

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ADVENT GIVING TREE

This Advent, our Giving Tree outreach provides many opportunities for you and your family to respond to those in need, to ensure they receive their share of the richness of God's gifts given to us.

- ◆ Take a tag or two from the trees in the Church narthex to help us make the holidays a little brighter for someone in need in our community. Instructions are on the tags. Encourage your friends to take a tag, also!
- ◆ Volunteer to accept gifts at one of the Masses on the weekend of December 13-14. (Junior high students on up) or to help sort gifts in Church on Sunday, December 14, from 2:00 -6:30 p.m. (Jr. High students accompanied by an adult and high school students on up).
- ◆ Transport gifts down to St. Agatha's Parish in Chicago on Sunday, December 14, around 4:00 p.m. Please consider helping out, especially if you have a van or truck.
- ◆ Sign up to help out in Morrissey Hall on Sunday, December 21. We will be accepting food baskets from 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., organizing food baskets and family gifts until 1:00 PM, when we will begin distributing baskets/gifts to our community families (junior high students accompanied by an adult, and high school students on up.) Our day will end around 7:00 p.m., after clean-up.
- ◆ A special request: If there is anyone in our parish who is able to donate some medium to large new boxes for us to use for the groceries we are distributing to our local Giving Tree recipients on December 21, please contact Mary Beth Ford to work out details.

Contact Mary Beth Ford at (708) 215-5418 or mford@stcletusparish.com to volunteer, or for further information. Thank you!

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

- ◆ Thank you to all parishioners who purchased “turkey bucks” at the Countryside Jewel store in November. Those funds went towards pre-cooked traditional Thanksgiving dinners, which Jewel prepared for us to distribute to some of our food pantry families on Tuesday, November 25. All interested Food Pantry families signed up for a “chance” to win one of these delicious dinners. At time of printing, the final number of families we will be able to serve is not known...but we do know from past experience that all the families will be most appreciative of a delicious Thanksgiving meal.
- ◆ Don’t forget we are collecting **Jewel stamps for Cuisinart Stainless Cookware** 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.
- ◆ Our most needed items include **dry pasta, canned chili/meat, powdered or canned milk, pudding cups, cooking oil, paper goods, coffee, hot cocoa mix and juice.**

Thank you to all who support our efforts to respond to human needs with justice and love, in Christ’s name.

Mary Beth Ford - Director of Social Concerns

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS...Providing transportation and support for independent living.

Here's two ways to support the work of ICP, a coalition comprised of 14 faith partners, one of whom is St. Cletus Parish:

- ◆ Eat Italian on the first Thursday of each month. **Alex and Aldo's, located at 720 East 31st Street, La Grange Park, (708) 354-1390**, donates 10% of their proceeds on this day to ICP. This includes take-out, delivery, or dining in their small cozy establishment. So this **Thursday, December 4**, eat well and support a great cause!
- ◆ Become a volunteer. Contact the ICP office at (708)579-8929 or e-mail interfaith@att.net to sign up for the next training session or to learn more.

Thank you for joining with ICP as we help older adults and people with disabilities in the Greater Lyons Township area.



THE DEACON'S WIFE IS COLLECTING STAMPS AGAIN!

Again this year I'm collecting stamps for Kolbe House Catholic Jail Ministry.

As many of you know I serve as a Minister for Kolbe House at Cook County Jail, however, the families of the incarcerated are also a matter of concern to the men and women engaged in this ministry. In an effort to keep the detainees connected to their families, Kolbe House is asking us to send to them postage stamps. The stamps are to be used for the detainees Christmas greetings to their families.

If you would like to donate stamps in any denomination (1 cent up to first class postage) please put them in an envelope and drop them off at the rectory marked “Kolbe House Stamps - c/o Marlene.”

Thank you on behalf of the detainees at Cook and Lake County Jails and the staff and ministers of Kolbe House.

God Bless You All,
Marlene Heyes

YEAR OF SACRAMENTS • ONE WORD AT A TIME

Listen

"Are you listening to me?" How many times do parents ask their children this question?

More than they can count. The question, even if asked out of frustration, is a way to help children learn not only to hear but to pay attention. Learning to **listen** and to pay attention is a lifelong task, especially for the deepest things of life that involve God's call and promise.

The prophets of Advent, the Church's worship, and our sacramental celebrations alert us and teach us to listen and to really pay attention to God. The messages are of the utmost importance—God is close, we need to change, and hope is our inheritance.

God is saying to us in so many ways, "Are you listening to me?" Well, are we?



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WATCH!

““Watch!” This word occurs three times in today’s Gospel passage. Moreover, it is placed at significant points: the beginning, the center, and the end. Though this is technically a parable, it is quite short (four verses). The threefold repetition of “watch” leaves no doubt as to what the story is about.

We often think of Advent as a time of waiting, but it truly is a season of watchfulness, a very active form of waiting for the coming Day of the Lord. It is that day, more than Christmas day, that the Christian community faithfully expects, using all of our gifts and talents for this purpose, as Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Corinthians. When we use these gifts in faithful watching and expectation, we become like the servants of the parable, set to their tasks, not waiting around idly, but engaged in the master’s work until his return. May our Advent be a time when we return or rededicate our lives and our communities to this work—the active and diligent faithfulness that the Lord will expect to find.

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ADVENT REFLECTIONS /ACTIONS

LITTLE BLUE BOOKS containing daily Advent daily scripture, prayer, and reflections will be available this weekend in the narthex. Free will offering appreciated.

PARISH FORGIVENESS SERVICE

We have another opportunity to be graced by God's peace and extend it to others through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our Parish Forgiveness Service will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Monday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m.** in the church. Advent is a time to mend quarrels, to forgive those who have hurt us, and to pray for peace. What better way to “Be watchful! Be Alert! WE do not know the day nor the hour.”

TAIZÉ PRAYER FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH 7:00 P. M. IN CHURCH

Taizé prayer is a gathering of people using music, scripture, prayer, and silent reflection to pray for peace and reconciliation in our world.

HELP NEEDED!

Ladies and gentlemen are needed to serve as ushers in our Hospitality Ministry. The duties are first and foremost to be hospitable and helpful to all. You attend Mass as usual (and may sit with your family) but offer to assist people before and after Mass—finding seats, answering questions, handing out bulletins, taking up the collections, and generally being friendly and welcoming. If you could share your talents in these areas, we would be most appreciative. Please contact Paulette Bolton (708-352-2383) or pbolton@stcletusparish.com. Thank you. This is a great way to spread the St. Cletus Parish spirit.



St. Cletus School News



DATES TO REMEMBER

Dining 4 Dollars: McDonald'sDecember 9
 Band Concert.....December 17
 Preschool Christmas Program.....December 19

FOR INFORMATION OR SCHEDULE A TOUR

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The Blue Ribbon Celebration Continues

Just back from all the festivities in Washington D.C., Ms. Lewandowski gave her 4th-grade class a chance to pose with the plaque our school was awarded for being named a National Blue Ribbon School.



Integrating School Technology in the Classroom

The sixth-grade students in Mr. Kittlaus' social studies class go 1:1 as they take a 27-question test on ancient Egypt. The electronic test works through our school's TeacherEase learning management software and depending on the options chosen, can immediately populate the teacher's gradebook. In this case, students typed answers to two essay questions, which Mr. Kittlaus will review and grade.



Veterans Day Mass

We celebrated Veterans Day — with a special Mass for the veterans from our parish and community. Many veterans were in attendance, and we were able to honor them for their service.

School Prayer for December

During morning prayer, in addition to our regular student prayers, the school recites a specific chosen prayer together throughout the entire month. For December students are starting their day with "Hail Mary".



*Hail Mary, full of grace.
 Our Lord is with thee.
 Blessed art thou among women,
 and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
 Jesus.*

*Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners,
 now and at the hour of our death.
 Amen.*



HOLY NAME SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The HNS annual Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 5, at Salerno's Restaurant, 9301 W. 63rd St., Hodgkins. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Ushers, counters, greeters no charge, Guests \$20. Please sign up in the Ministers' Room. HNS members, ushers, and money counters, please bring a gift for the raffle.

Dan Gibbons

SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP (SCSG) MULTI PARISH MINISTRY FOR SINGLES IN THEIR 40'S AND 50'S DECEMBER EVENTS

Saturday, December 6, 4:00 p.m., Illumination: Tree Lights at the Morton Arboretum, located at 4100 Illinois Route 53 in Lisle. Carpool leaves from Panera Bread, 435 N. La Grange Road, in La Grange Park at 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$17. Please RSVP by December 4.

Sunday, December 14, join us for 12 p.m. Mass at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 124 N. Spring Avenue, in La Grange. Afterwards, is our Christmas Luncheon, 1:30pm, at the Bohemian Crystal, 639 Blackhawk Drive, in Westmont. Cost is \$17, prior to Tax & Tip. Cash Bar. RSVP required by December 10 if attending.

Above events are subject to change.

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



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Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at the rectory, (708) 352-6209.

“Be watchful! Be Alert! You do not know when the time will come.” Mark 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. Our lives are so busy, many of us are planning our time - our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ROOM #	EVENT
Sunday, November 30			
Monday, December 1	4:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m.	S-Music MH	Junior Choir Girls Grades 5-8 Men's Basketball
Tuesday, December 2	8:30 a.m. 8:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	C S-202 MH	Adoration and Benediction Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group Boys' Church League Fresh/Soph
Wednesday, December 3	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	C S-201 S-98 MH	Advent Mass Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena CREDO Adult Ed Oremus Class Boys' Church League Juniors
Thursday, December 4	4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	S-Music S-Music S-Band S-201 S-Music MH	Treble Choir Boys Grades 3-8 Children's Choir Girls Grades 3-4 Contempo Ensemble Rehearsals Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boys' Church League Seniors
Friday, December 5	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C S-201	Taizé Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena
Saturday, December 6	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C-Narthex/E C-Narthex S-201	MANNA Cash & Carry Welcome Committee Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena
Sunday, December 7	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	C-Narthex/E C-Narthex C S-201	MANNA Cash & Carry Welcome Committee Fine Arts Christmas Concert Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena
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).

EUCARISTIC 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.

CONFESIONS

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

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am-12:30pm

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL 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
Doug Rausch

Development & Marketing

Chris McLean
Zlata Kozul-Naumovski
Ron Skrip
Ann Foley
Eileen Dorchinez
Patrick Townsend

Liaisons

Robin Bourjaily	FSA President
Chris Bourjaily	Athletic Assoc President
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.