

## **ARCHDIOCESAN MASS FOR LIFE**



Archbishop Blase Cupich Main Celebrant

We remember the innocent children lost and the women, men, and families hurt through abortion as we reflect on the 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of Roe vs. Wade.

Join Archbishop Blase Cupich and priests from across the Archdiocese of Chicago for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as we petition the Lord to transform our society from a culture of death into a culture of life.

> "Each of us is Willed, each of us is Loved, each of us is Necessary."
>
> ~Pope Benedict XVI

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2015, AT 5:00PM ST. CLETUS PARISH 600 W. 55<sup>TH</sup> ST. LA GRANGE, IL 60525

#### Mass Intentions for the Week of January 5 – January 11, 2015

Day	Presider Subject to change	Time	Intentions	
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Mary Clare O'Connell, Brian Broardrick	
Tuesday	Fr. Rodriguez	8:00 a.m.	Alex Wojcikiewicz, Edwardine Wisner	
Wednesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Rev. Robert Shannon, Jean Nowicki	
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention	
Friday	Fr. Rodriguez	8:00 a.m.	Phillip C. Butkus, Mike Stojkovich, Adeline Kulikowski	
Saturday	Fr. Rodriguez Archbishop Cupich and All	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Julius Kohl Family Archdiocesan Mass for Life Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Jr., Jeremiah O'Keefe, Jr.	
Sunday	Fr. Clark Fr. Anglim Fr. Baker Fr. Rodriguez TBA	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Eva & Stanley Grabowski, Sid Madura Parishioners of St. Cletus Antoinette Bontempi, Arlene Skryd Betty Rodriguez All Souls in Purgatory	

Please remember our sick in your prayers: Carolyn McDonough, Gerda E. Dorso, Jean Weekly, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Stacy Rodey, Joanne Stevens, Linda

McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Passardi, Pauline Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle, Grace Dominick, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Grisko-Dote, David Harrington. Dave McCoy, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Fernando Cabral, Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Jacquelyn Fuchs, Loretta Johncola, Catherine Mlot, Denise Rowalka, Marty Weber, Barbara Kotus, Hector Gonzalez, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda, George Duda, Steven Onusaitis, Lorraine Walter, Marilyn Matesevac, . Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.



Tanía Santíago & Francisco Gonzalez

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc,

17; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;

Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Acts 10:34-38 or

1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

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

Jean Davis Callaghan,

mother of Amy

Anne Jakopchek

Audrey Hovorka,

mother of Karen Dalporta

May they rest in peace. Amen.

### NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...



#### FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY 2015

There has been no time in the recorded history of the world which has been free from armed conflict of one kind or another. Individuals are at war with individuals, nations fighting nations. Human history can seem like the history of conflict. But from time to time the perpetrator of violence in word or in deed can become a powerful agent for peace. One such notable story is that of Saul of Tarsus, who became an apostle of the Gospel of Christ.

Saint Paul practiced deep hostility towards Christians before his conversion. A zealous persecutor, he witnessed and approved the stoning to death of Stephen, the first martyr. Christians feared him. After being told of his conversion, Ananias was still hesitant and suspicious to meet him. Later St. Paul preached that both pagan and Jew share a common inheritance in the plan and promise of God. The Messiah, who was longed for by the Jews, appeared but scandalously proclaimed a universal message to all people.

Although the prophet Isaiah looked forward to the day when all peoples would worship in Jerusalem, Isaiah's hope contrasts with the pictures of Bethlehem and Jerusalem that we see today. Both are heavily fortified and attitudes are characterized by suspicion and hostility.

The hope of Epiphany is a vulnerable and innocent child. Jesus is born into poverty and tenderly cared for by Mary and Joseph. They cannot find shelter at the inn but take refuge and security in the stalls with the animals. Vulnerable and weak, dependent on mother and father, the child grows in wisdom and stature. The child is also the one who is worshipped with the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh: gold for a king, frankincense for the worship of God, myrrh, a sign of the anointing at death, which will mark the climax of Jesus' life.

As Mary and Joseph looked into the eyes of their child, could they ever have imagined that he would die at thirty-three on a cross as a criminal? Could they ever have imagined that two thousand years later, people would celebrate his memory? The paradox of the cross is shown in the contrasts; vulnerability but power, human but divine, Jew but universal.

Religious conflict has a long and tragic history; we think of the Crusades, persecution at the time of the Reformation, conflict between Jew and Christian, violence and bloodshed between Hindu and Muslim. These conflicts indicate the deeper conflict within the human heart; pride, the desire <u>for</u>, and power, and wealth, the need for superiority and identity over others. Often this leads to a person of a different color or creed being treated as a scapegoat. The insecurity of the human heart needs external supports and earthly victories.

Jesus reveals a different meaning for human life. The hope of the message of peace, which is proclaimed to the shepherds, may seem distant and ideal. However, the disciple is called to the life described in the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount. It is a call to accept the distinctiveness of other people, to respect them. The disciple is called to love, which goes beyond liking, but demands treating the other with respect and dignity. The poor in spirit, the meek, the humble and those who hunger and thirst for what is right will share in the Kingdom of God.

Peace can come only through self-sacrifice, through living the cross. Peace will demand treating the other as an equal and with respect. This is difficult and requires a change of attitude. Only in the cross, in the mystery of death and resurrection, can this occur. To hear the plea of the other person, to try and understand their viewpoint, can be the beginning of a journey of reconciliation. Although we might despair that peace is unachievable, St. Paul's life shows how the power of God is active in human weakness.

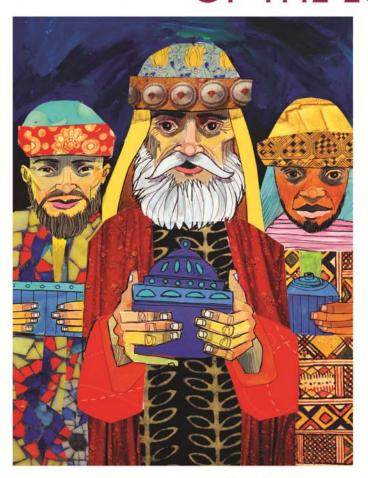
God's plan is greater than any human plan; we can take hope in Paul's life and conversion. Epiphany gives an impetus to the journey of reconciliation because Christ is revealed as a light for all peoples.

Peace Always,

Father Bob

**Pastor** 

# SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



#### Serve the Lord

Creator of the stars of night, who told your prophet, Isaiah, of a time when the light would come, when nations would walk by your light and kings by your shining radiance. You made it so, God of the Ages, and still we love those words. We bask in the light of your newborn Son, and like the kings, we come to do him homage. Open us to this holy moment, we pray. Help us to be worthy gifts, and to give ourselves generously to the world you love. We ask this through the same Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

#### Sunday, January 4, 2015

Witness to the Light

Today's Readings: Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–11, 12–13; Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6; Matthew 2:1–12. Each Christmas Time, we proclaim the coming light of the world as we decorate our homes with lights and candles. As members of the Church, we participate in announcing that God has overcome the darkness. On this feast of the manifestation of God's presence, we might ask ourselves how we have witnessed God's light in our lives since the last Epiphany. During the past year, have we seen God working in our midst? Has our burden been lightened when we have looked about and found the glory of God?

The Gospel account of the search for Jesus and the magi's finding him in a house with Mary is a story of belief

and unbelief, of darkness and light. The magi have come from afar to find Jesus, who is in the midst of Herod and, indeed, of the chief priests and scribes that Herod has assembled. The priests and scribes know the Scriptures but are unaware of the child being in the vicinity. Herod is governed by his fear of a rival king and is unable to see the light. In the Gospel, only the wise men see the light of the star that leads them to Jesus. This account might cause us to wonder about the times that God has manifested himself to us but we have been unaware. How can we make ourselves more present to God? How can we manifest God's light to others?



### THIS WEEK AT HOME

#### Monday, January 5, 2015 Memorial of St. John Neumann

John Neumann (1811–1860) became the bishop of Philadelphia at age forty. He is well-known for his holiness, spiritual writing, and preaching, but also for the parochial school system that he organized. He was the first US bishop to be beatified, and was canonized on June 19, 1977. Like Philip and the other disciples in today's Gospel, John Neumann answered the call of Jesus to "follow me." What are some concrete ways in which you are following Jesus Christ? Today's Readings 1 John 3:22—4:6; Psalm 2:7bc–8, 10–12a; Matthew 4:12–17, 23–25.

#### Tuesday, January 6, 2015 Optional Memorial of St. André Bessette, Religious

St. André Bessette (1845–1937) was a model of hospitality. As a Holy Cross brother in Montreal, André served as a porter for more than forty years. He greeted the poor and needy and visited the sick, who were often cured. He did not attribute the cures to himself but to St. Joseph. Today, we might want to consider how we are hospitable to others. Today's Readings: 1 John 4:7–10; Psalm 72:1–2, 3–4, 7–8; Mark 6:34–44.

#### Wednesday, January 7, 2015 Be Not Afraid

In today's Gospel account, Jesus urges the apostles to go ahead of him in the boat. While the apostles are at sea, the waves become tumultuous. Eventually, Jesus walks on the sea during the storm, saying to them, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Do we expect God in the storms of our lives? When God gets into our rocky boat and the turmoil of our lives calms, do we recognize him? Today's Readings: 1 John 4:11–18; Psalm 72:1–2, 10, 12–13; Mark 6:45–52.

#### Thursday, January 8, 2015 Encounter Christ

Christ proclaims in today's Gospel passage that the Spirit of the Lord has anointed him "to bring good news to the poor." If we are to be Christ in the world, we must wonder about our responsibility to the poor, about how we bring "good news to the poor." In a variety of settings, Pope Francis has referred to the "culture of encounter." He urges people to encounter people outside of their usual circles, especially the poor. Do we encounter the poor with an attitude of mercy, with a willingness to genuinely meet them? Today's Readings: 1 John 4:19—5:4; Psalm 72:1–2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Luke 4:14–22a.

#### Friday, January 9, 2015 Eternal Life

"God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son," today's First Reading states. Again, we see in a reading of Christmas Time a focus on eternal life. The message of new life in Christ, which is the message of the Resurrection, begins at Christmas Time while we celebrate the birth of Christ. Have you taken time during this Christmas season to contemplate the sense that Christ came into the world to offer eternal life? Has your attitude toward Christmas matured to meditate on the reason for his coming? Today's Readings: 1 John 5:5–13; Psalm 147:12–13, 14–15, 19–20; Luke 5:12–16.

#### Saturday, January 10, 2015 He Must Increase

As we draw near to the end of Christmas Time, John the Baptist acknowledges that Christ has come, and that his work will diminish. "He must increase, but I must decrease," John tells his disciples. Are our lives marked with such humility? Are we able to step out of the way and let the Light of God be seen? Such is a humble act, but humility is fruitful, as Pope Francis said in a Homily only months into his papacy. Today's Readings: 1 John 5:14–21; Psalm 149:1–2, 3–4, 5–6a and 9b; John 3:22–30.





## **Social Concerns Ministry** GIVING TREE

2014 ended on a hopeful note for the 500+ families who were grateful recipients of Christmas gifts and/or food baskets during our Advent Giving Tree Project. That hope and good will was shared by the myriad of parishioners and people in our community who participated in the project by taking and filling gift and/or food basket requests from the trees; by volunteering countless hours to help in the necessary preparation, organization, and distribution of the beautifully wrapped and carefully selected gifts and food items; by offering financial assistance to make sure everyone who registered for the program was remembered; by spreading the word in our community about this project to ensure support even beyond that of our faithful parishioners; or by praying for the struggling families we serve, and for the stamina and health of our volunteers.

Thank you to all of the organizations, groups and individuals, from grade school students to retired older adults who contributed in any way to the overwhelming success of this year's Giving Tree Project. The workings of the Holy Spirit were most apparent in every step along the way! A special word of gratitude to several individuals who volunteered countless hours from start to finish in this year's project: Maureen Soldat, Kathy Wendell, Denise Parlier, Pauline Szabelski and her husband, Roman. There was no job—big or small—which they did not take on with good cheer! This outreach program continues to give to all volunteers involved an inspiring perspective to the Advent and Christmas Season. We are filled with awe, humility, and gratitude as we act as ambassadors of this caring parish. In the weeks to come, I will share some of the many words of appreciation I continue to receive from the families we help at Christmas and throughout the year.

As this New Year unfolds, may the same Spirit who guides us in this project continue to dwell among us all!











Sunday, December 14, 2014 saw lots of hustle and bustle in the narthex as people returned their Giving Tree Gifts!

#### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for your generosity which enabled us to have 175+ bags ready for our January food distribution. Once again, we ask your help as we restock our shelves and begin making up bags for our next distribution.

- The most needed staples at this time include cereal, dry pinto beans (1-3lb bags work best for us), pasta (assorted noodles, as well as spaghetti) pasta sauce, canned tomatoes/sauce, boxed side dishes, canned meat, and jelly.
- We are also low on our "extras." Some favorites include coffee, powdered or evaporated milk, juice, crackers or cookies, all sizes of diapers, toiletries, laundry detergent and dishwashing soap.
- All non-perishables are greatly appreciated.
   Please remember to check expiration dates to avoid out-of-date goods.

You can drop off your donations in the designated bins in the Madonna Della Strada shrine in the Church narthex when you come to Mass over the weekend, or daily, from 7:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Thanks again for your faithfulness is supporting this much needed and appreciated outreach. If you have any questions, please contact me at (708) 215-5418 or mford@stcletusparish.com.

#### Mary Beth Ford

Director of Social Concerns



#### THE HOLY STAR

O Father, may that holy star Grow every year more bright And send its glorious beams afar To fill the world with light.

—William Cullen Bryant

## Thank you to our St. Cletus Parish **Preferred Providers**



Thank you to the following St. Cletus Parish providers. Your patronage to the vendors would be greatly appreciated.

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Adventist Hinsdale Hospital

(630) 856-9000

Adventist La Grange Memorial Hospital

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#### **GENTLENESS**

Feelings are everywhere—be gentle.

#### St. Cletus Students Excel in High School

Congratulations to the following students for being honored at their high schools.

#### Mount Carmel High School Trimester One:

High Honors: St. Cletus graduates Thomas Jacobs, Brendan Jacobs

Honors: St. Cletus graduate Matthew Kulovic

#### Montini Catholic High School 1st Quarter:

High Honor Roll: St. Cletus graduate Phallyn Habercoss

#### Nazareth Academy:

A Honor Roll: St. Cletus graduates Matthew Ashe, Amy Burke, Kevin Cahill, Emma Decker, Katherine Figura, Maria Flach, Matthew Flach, Marco Laghi, Jonathan Levitske, Meghan Nelson, Michelle Nelson, Lauren Piskorski, Amanda Sadowski, Vaennessa Seith, EthanTosheff

B Honor Roll: St. Cletus graduates Ivana Escobedo, Liam Kennedy, Cailey Muldoon, Joseph Smith, Andrew Staelgraeve

#### Queen of Peace High School:

Honor Roll: Lauren Johnson

#### Benet Academy:

St. Cletus graduate Stephen Hubona was named an AP Scholar with Honors for the class of 2014.

#### St. Cletus School 1st Trimester Honor Roll

8<sup>th</sup> grade honors: Colin Attaway, Mira, Burens, Patrick Burke, Kevin Clarke, Lauren Decker, Margaret Degnan, Isabelle Donahue, Caitlyn Edenfield, Michael Fanta, Patrick Farnan, John Kane, Kelly Kern, Kaitlyn Lowe, John O'Brien, Emily Rausch, Ava Riccione, Jennifer Schrader, Joseph Schuler, Sarah Schultz, Brendan Temple, Pilar Valdes, Matthew Zukauskas

8<sup>th</sup> grade high honors: Danielle Dahill, Abigail Hurley, Matthew Murray, Mary Okkema, Eric Otrusina, Jessica Pulciani, Deirdre Sheridan

**7<sup>th</sup> grade honors:** Brady Bourjaily, Lindsay Degnan, Michelle Diliberto, Gabrielle Dziak, Kelly Grace, Carson Hart, Ailee Hogan, Chloe Hunt, Aidan Kelly, Julia Laghi, Matthew Luxem, Margaret McLean, Joseph Noga, John Petrak, Jack Pusatera, Kegan Powell, Holly Skrip, Matthew Schuler, Moira Sommerfeld, Liam Sponaugle, Patrick Townsend, Mary Welenc

7<sup>th</sup> grade high honors: Nathaniel Banos, Charles Burke, Thomas Braun, Kaitlyn Cassidy, Madeline Cranny, Daniel Doheny, John Golden, Katharine Hart, Patrick Sheridan, Catherine Rossmiller, Matthew Zuber

Submitted by Liz and Ariel Valdez



## The Epiphany of the Lord January 4, 2015

All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

— Psalm 72:11

## St. Cletus School News

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### FOR INFORMATION OR SCHEDULE A TOUR

Jolene Hillgoth, President (708) 215-5426 jhillgoth@stcletusparish.com Margaret Hayes, Principal (708) 352-4820 mhayes@stcletusparish.com



Filling St. Cletus with Music

Thank you to our school band for getting us in the holiday spirit with a wonderful concert of holiday stapels and other classics.





#### Chess Club in Full Swing

The St. Cletus Chess Club meets in the school library every Thursday after school. Students ranging from those that have been playing for years to those that are learning for the first time attend. Between the Chess Club and Junior Chess Club, more than 70 3rd-8th graders participate.





SUPPORTING PATIENT EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS come as a team.

ADVENTIST CANCER INSTITUTE

We're gearing up to host the 6th Annual Erin Potts Invitational Volleyball Tournament, held in Morrissey Hall Friday, January 30 through Sunday, February 1. Local 7th and 8th grade teams will compete in this action-packed community effort that, again, promises to be loads of fun as athletes and families support an important cause. Cancer Awareness.

The event also includes **Alumni Game Night** on Saturday, January 31 from 6:30 – 10:00 pm. All alumni, male/female, are invited to come and play. Ask family, friends and neighbors to join you. Whether you graduated last year or 30 years ago, we want to see you. Don't worry, you don't need to be a good player! It's all about having some fun! The fee of \$20/person includes a T-shirt. Sign up as an individual, or come as a team.

Email confirmation with T-shirt size to Sue Lovett Rejdukowski (class of '83) at suerej@sbcglobal.net This annual tournament, which began in February of 2010, is held in memory of our daughter, Erin, who was a 2005 graduate of St Cletus School. She began playing competitive volleyball at the age of nine, and continued on to play for St. Cletus, LTHS and Lions/1st Alliance Volleyball Club. She was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma, a rare bone cancer at the age of fifteen and passed away when she was eighteen on December 18, 2009. Monies from past tournaments have been directed to organizations that both fund cancer research and support patients currently undergoing treatment for the disease.

Last year we were excited to announce **SCatter Kindness** – a Fund created in memory of Erin through the Adventist Hinsdale Hospital Foundation. Proceeds from the Tournament each year, as well as your personal donations, now directly support cancer patients at both Hinsdale and LaGrange Hospitals through Patient Experience Programs.

For more information about SCatter Kindness please visit my blog at http://bethecandleorthemirror.blogspot.com/ Wait until you read about the positive impact this Fund has had on patients since last year's Erin Potts Invitational!!! Please join us. Stop in and say HI. Buy a T-shirt to support the cause.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support in memory of our sweet Erin. Can't wait to see you in Morrissey Hall.

Mary and Dave Potts Chris, Sarah and Matthew

#### LEISURE LOAFERS

Our first meeting of the new year is on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in Morrissey Hall. Please come share your holiday stories with all your friends.

Alice Katzmarek



## A Twenty-Part Bible Study Featuring Jeff Cavins









#### Dates, Times, Location

January - May, September - November 2015 First class is January 28, 2015, 20 sessions total We meet usually three times a month, not every week.

Time: 7-9pm. Wednesday nights.

Where: Kindergarten room of St. Cletus School

#### Cost/Registration

Class fee is \$20. Study kit fee is \$30 if you wish to order a study kit (highly recommended). Total cost \$50.

Registration will be after masses on Jan 3/4 and 10/11. Class materials will be ordered on Jan 12. If you register and/or pay after that date you must order study kit yourself.

#### For More Information

Stop by the registration table on Jan 3/4 or 10/11 to talk to a CREDO member or go to website below.

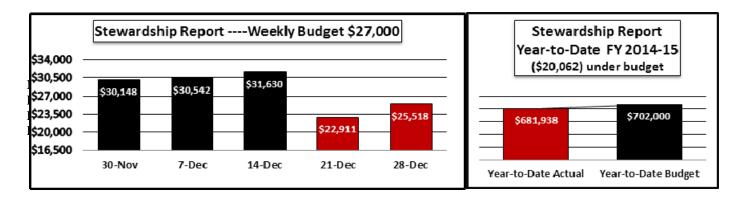
This is a DVD study course, Jeff Cavins is not present.

Acts is a story of hope. It's the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They taught as Christ did. They performed miracles as he did. Some even gave their lives for him. They faced secular forces, internal strife, hostile crowds, and despite all of this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men. Acts will enrich your faith and rekindle your love for Christ as you live the lives of his first disciples.

"Once you start learning he makes you hunger for more. Jeff pulls everything you need to know out of the Bible and it all starts to make sense like it never did before."

-Margaret A. Tirpak, NY





#### ST. CLETUS ONLINE GIVING—DONATIONS MADE EASY



We encourage you to make online donations by logging onto our website, **www.stcletusparish.com** and click on the Donate button and register using your checking account, debit card or credit card. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at the rectory, (708) 352-6209.

WEEK AT A GLANCE						
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT			
Sunday, January 4	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.	C-narthex/E C-narthex/W	CREDO Registration for Bible Study Welcome Committee			
Monday, January 5	8:30 p.m.	MH	Men's Basketball			
Tuesday, January 6	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	C C S-213 S-202 MH	Adoration & Benediction Spanish Adoration Social Concerns Commission meet4ing Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group Boys' Church League Fresh/Soph			
Wednesday, January 7	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	RB MH S-201 MH	Mission Ladies Market Day ICN Boys' Church League Juniors			
Thursday, January 8	1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	MH S-Music S-Music C-Narthex S-Music MH	Leisure Loafers Treble Choir Boys Grades 3-8 Children's Choir Girls Grades 304 Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsals Boys' Church League Seniors			
Friday, January 9						
Saturday, January 10	5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	C C MH	CREDO Registration for Bible Study Archdiocesan Mass for Life with Archbishop Blasé Cupich Hospitality after Mass			
Sunday, January 11	7:00 a.m.	Narthex/E	CREDO Registration for Bible Study			
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#### YEAR OF SACRAMENTS . ONE WORD AT A TIME

## Name

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When Jesus is baptized in the Jordan River, a voice from heaven says, "You are

my beloved son in whom I am well pleased." Jesus' heavenly Father **names** him and identifies him as his beloved son. Our own Baptism is also a naming. By tradition, we receive our names at Baptism, the identity tag that stays with us across a lifetime. There is, however, something more and something much deeper at work than getting a tag.

In our Baptism we not only receive our proper names, but we are also, like Jesus, named God's beloved sons and daughters. And this means far more than a name that appears on a driver's license or passport. This is the identity that we cling to, and do so for dear life. For you see, nothing about us matters as much as that we belong to God—not just as his creatures or his dependents but really and truly as what we are named, beloved daughters and sons.

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#### HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

Please join us for our first meeting of 2015 on Friday, January 9, 8:00 p.m. in Room 98 in the Education Building.

We will discuss upcoming events of the new year. Please bring a friend! New members are always welcome. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Dan Gibbons

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;

National Migration Week

Monday: St. John Neumann Tuesday: St. André Bessette

Wednesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;

Julian Calendar Christmas

#### PARTNERS IN THE PROMISE

As a society, during these days we can be in something of a "postpartum" depression. Our celebrations of Christmas and the New Year are over, and after today many of us will put away the decorations and the last visible remnants of the celebrations of the past weeks. The apostle Paul today uses the expression "partners in the promise." This is an uplifting phrase for us to reflect upon, and to think of as our own calling in these days following the birth of the Lord. What is this promise? We can find it in the gifts the magi bring: it is a promise of being a royal priesthood (gold), a holy nation (frankincense), a people set apart for self-giving (myrrh). We find more of the promise in Isaiah—a light shines upon us! In the psalm we know a promise of a world of flowering justice, profound peace, the poor rescued, pity for the lowly and the poor. This is the promise; and one of the best ways for us to lift ourselves out of any possible low spirits we may be suffering is to live out our partnership in this promise each and every day.

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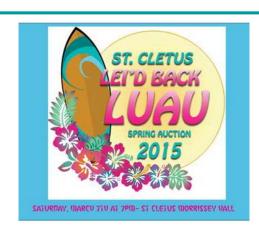
#### ST. CLETUS



The next book is:

All the Lights We Cannot See
by Anthony Doerr

We will meet to discuss it on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. In Room TBA



#### 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-12:30 p.m.

#### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

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

#### Administration

Fr. Bob Clark Pastor
Jolene Hillgoth President
Margaret Hayes Principal

#### **Executive Committee**

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Chris Bourjaily Athletic Assoc President
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#### **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**.