

GAMES OF CHANCE

600 W. 55TH ST. LA GRANGE, IL

THURSDAY

5:00-10:00PM **▲CARNIVAL**

5PM SCOTTIE LONG

7:00-10:00_{PM}

FRIDAY

5:00-11:00PM **♠CARNIVAL**

5PM BIG WHEEL

-10:00PM

SATURDAY

12:00-11:00PM 12PM KIDS EVENT

12_{PM} ASHENCO

1-3PM BINGO

HEATHER VOGT AND PATRICK MITCHELL

ST. CLETUS KIDS GOT TALENT **2**PM

3PM **DOUBLE IDENTITY**

5-6_{PM} CLOUD NINE

7:00-10:00pm

SUNDAY

11 AM OUTDOOR MASS TO

2:00-9:00PM

12:30_{PM} & FRIENDS

1-3PM BINGO

THE MILLENNIALS

3_{PM} TAKE FLIGHT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 4рм

6:00-8:00pm

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Mass Intentions for the Week of September 7 - September 13, 2015

Day	Presider Subject to change	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Jean Nowicki, James Vonesh, Leandra Chvatal, Betty Niwa
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Grace Copp, Mabel & Albert Harwood, Floyd & Helen Placzek
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Ray & Joni Pietrzak
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Edward Vonesh, Josephine Felice
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Sylvia Koch, Stephanie Marciszewski
Saturday	Fr. Baker Fr. Baker w/ Dcn. Heyes	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Special Intention: Mlot Family Tom Kigin, Jozef & James Slowik, Edward Hrzenjak, Georgia Popp, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Frank Magdziarz
Sunday Outdoor Mass	Fr. Clark Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Ngwila	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Alex Kunsarvich, Frances Kennedy Linda Bagal, Marge May Joan Bashaw, Sean Rahilly, Arthur Herron & Richard Dellasso Dcn. Walter & Frances Klimcke, Catherine Mlot Souls in Purgatory

Please remember our sick in your prayers: Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Lynn Stewart, Zimmerman. Rachel Mary Lestarczyk, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Alexandra DeRivera, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Peter D. Rivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Pauline Passardi, Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, Dave McCoy, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Denise Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, George John Duda, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

LABOR
Without labor nothing prospers.

--Sophocles



St. Cletus Parísh Welcomes...

Andrew M. Guzmán, son of Andrew Guzmán & Nayeli Zamudio

to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.

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

Genevieve Mack, mother of Larry Mack

Marilyn Ryan, mother of Joan O'Brien

May they rest in peace.

Amen



PLEASE NOTE: All facilities will be closed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, September 7.

The Rectory Office will reopen on Tuesday, September 8, at 9:00 a.m.

NOTES FROM FATHER BOB...

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2015

In today's Gospel we see Jesus curing the deaf and dumb man. Jesus took him aside and spent time with him, releasing him from all the physical and spiritual handicaps which held him bound. We may wonder why on this occasion, as on so many others, Jesus did not want news of the miracle broadcast. Perhaps one of his fears was that people would miss the point, would fail to recognize the true meaning of what was happening for this man and what was available to them all.

Like the other evangelists, Mark is concerned that we do not miss the point or the connections, and in turn the Church presses home the point by giving us today's first reading. Isaiah had foretold that when the reign of God came, the signs would be there for all to see. They would include the eyes of the blind being opened and the ears of the deaf unsealed. But on this occasion as on every other in the Gospel, Jesus is not performing miracles to prove anything, but to show us a way of living and a way of loving. Jesus loves back into life this poor man, just as he does all those who come to him or are brought to him in faith.

The truth is that in some sense all of us have been or are bound by some form of blindness or deafness. These stories are not told to us so that we can marvel at Jesus, but so that we can realize what he has in mind for each and every one of us. The Gospel stories are told as personal messages for us and we miss the point if we fail to appreciate this fact.

There is a lesson here for us. Jesus did not want his ministry to be seen as extraordinary but as God's ordinary loving response to the painful situations with which he was confronted. Jesus always sought to establish relationships of faith and trust with those whom he encountered. Once such a relationship was established everything became possible.

Jesus entrusted this same ministry to his disciples, promising that he would remain with them. If we do not grasp this, if we do not grasp that he is offering this healing to all of us and inviting us in turn to minister to others, we will remain deaf and blind to the word which is shared with us week by week.

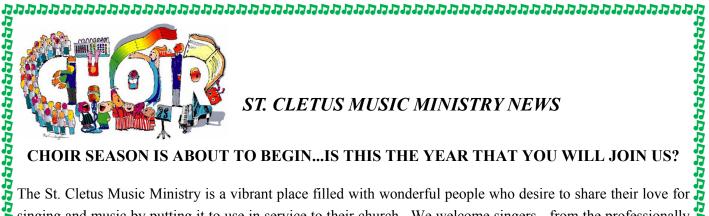
THANK YOU...

I would like to take this opportunity to express my personal thanks to the following ministries:

- 1.) St. Cletus Parish Maintenance Crew for the wonderful work that they accomplished over the summer as they prepared the school building for a new school term. The work of cleaning the church from top to bottom was excellent. Everything looks wonderful and please know that the parish is grateful for your dedication and pride that you all take in completing your daily ministry.
- 2.) Our parish staff who have worked so hard all year but especially during the summer to prepare for the start of a new year of ministry. Your dedication and commitment to your ministries and service to the people of God here at St. Cletus is greatly appreciated. You are a true blessing to our parish community.

Blessings and Love Always,

Father Bob Pastor



singing and music by putting it to use in service to their church. We welcome singers - from the professionally trained to those who simply enjoy singing along - to join us this year! The opportunities to join are detailed below and all choirs begin their seasons the week of September 21.

The Chancel Choir is our "traditional" adult choir who lead the congregation in song at the 9:30 a.m. Sunday liturgy. This group of nearly 40 men and women work together each week to sing as an ensemble and foster musical relationships as well as friendships. Rehearsals are weekly on Thursday evenings 7:30-9:15 p.m. Contact Justin Sisul at **jsisul@stcletusparish.com** or (708) 215-5423.

The Contemporary Ensemble lead song at the 5:00 pm Saturday liturgy approximately twice per month. This choir, open to singers and instrumentalists high-school age and up, typically rehearses at 4:00 prior to the 5:00 p.m. Mass and approximately once per month. While there is no prerequisite to join, some experience reading music or participating in a choir/band is helpful. We are looking for singers as well as instrumentalists (of any kind!) who want to serve in this way - contact Justin Sisul at jsisul@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5423.

All children of the parish, grades three through eight, are invited to participate in the youth choir program. The Children's Choir (Gr. 3 & 4) rehearses on Thursdays from 5-6:00 p.m. The Junior Choir (Gr. 5 through 8) rehearses on Mondays from 4-5:00 p.m. Each choir sings approximately once a month however there are several dates where the choirs are combined and occasionally sing with the adult choirs of our parish. Rehearsals will begin the week of September 21. If you have any questions please contact the Youth 2 Choirs' Director, Karen Ziemba, (708) 710-0644 or by email: kziemba@stcletusparish.com.

The Good Shepherd Choir is an adult choir that sings on an as needed basis at funeral liturgies and memorial \vec{a} services scheduled at 10:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at our parish. If you have a flexible day-time schedule, enjoy singing and have a desire to be present to the bereaved of our parish, we encourage you to consider this 5 ministry. Participation in this choir does not require you to be available every day, but rather, you would " participate as your schedule permits, even if that means you could only attend one or two days during the week. Questions regarding this ministry should be addressed to Karen Ziemba, (708) 710-0644 or by email: kziemba@stcletusparish.com.

ST. CLETUS PARISH RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA: COME AND SEE

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's adult faith formation program which invites adults who have never been baptized, who have been baptized Catholic but not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) or who have been baptized in another faith and wish to become Catholic, to explore their journey of faith in the life of the Catholic Church.

The RCIA gives people on a faith journey an opportunity to "come and see" not only what the Catholic Church and a life of faith in it is all about, but also an opportunity to explore how the Lord may be calling them into his life in a more complete way.

If you are interested in more information or know someone who is or would like to participate in the RCIA, please contact Fr. Ken for participation and registration requirements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION

CONTACT FR. KEN AT 708 (352)-6209 ext. 205



ATTENTION ST. CLETUS MISSION LADIES! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

All are welcome to join the Mission Ladies every Wednesday, starting Wednesday, September 16. No special talent is required to participate!

We meet together as a group making several items for our local charities. We respond to anyone who is needy, we also enjoy each others company. To continue our work, we are in need of yarn, eyelet fabric and small crosses (no larger than one inch). These items can be left in the Minister's Room in the church narthex or the rectory. Please label all items "Mission Ladies."

Won't you consider joining us? We meet every Wednesday morning from 9:00 a.m. until noon in the rectory basement. If you need more information, please call (708) 839-9605.

Dolores Scaletta

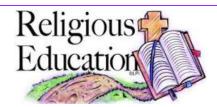
ST. CLETUS WEDDING MINISTRY



The St. Cletus Wedding Ministry cordially invites all parishioners, male and female, to join this ministry. We work in teams assisting the parish staff with wedding rehearsals and wedding day facilitation. Wedding ministers help to organize and run the wedding rehearsals,

usually held the day before. On the wedding day, ministers are responsible for setting up the Sacristy, organizing the Bridal party and making sure that all things are running smoothly and on time. The ministers pick the wedding dates to fit their schedules.

If you are interested in being a facilitator for this great marriage enrichment opportunity or would like more information, please contact Bobbie Kallal at (708) 352-6209.



THE CLOCK IS TICKING

Have you forgotten to register your child for school, for gymnastics, or music or dance lessons, for soccer or football, basketball or volleyball or cheerleading? Or did you decide it wasn't necessary to move on to the next grade level or continue to develop their knowledge and skills in the arts or sports because they've already learned all they need to so they are skipping a year or two?

How about for life-long lessons in their faith – something they will never outgrow or no longer need? Are we telling God, He doesn't fit into our schedule or our kids know all there is to know so there's no need to practice or grow in our faith (relationship with Him) so we'll wait till next year or until maybe we want Him to come to them in a sacrament? Jesus reminds us we don't know the time or the place when we will meet the Lord. Are we prepared? Have we enabled our children to be prepared? We won't have time to do things differently when that day comes. Help your child be prepared to know, love and serve the Lord and one another. Just as we need to nourish our minds and bodies to be healthy, please don't deny your children the opportunity to nourish their spiritual lives. Register your child/ren for Religious Education classes. We begin September 20/21 . We will not be able to register walkin families on Sept. 20. We can register your children now. Call: 708 352-2383 or stop by the RE office or rectory to pick up registration forms. We will be happy to welcome you.

Taulette Bolton

Director of Parish Catechesis/Formation

CATECHISTS - SUBS

Thanks to all the wonderful returning Catechists and the exuberant generosity of new catechist recruits. Our children will be blessed to have devoted men and women nurture their faith. Rarely, but on occasion, a catechist requires a replacement to fill an absence. If you think you would be able to fill that occasional need as a temporary "sub," please let us know. We will be happy to answer any questions or include you in this ministry. Please contact Paulette Bolton or Barb Campbell: (708) 352-2383.

SEPTEMBER 2015 PROGRAMS PORTIUNCULA CENTER FOR PRAYER 9263 W ST. FRANCIS ROAD FRANKFORT, IL 60423

Register by calling 815.464.3880, emailing <u>info@portforprayer.org</u>, or on our website at www.portforprayer.org



INTRODUCTION TO HEALING TOUCH

Date: Saturday, September 12 **Time:** 9:-00am-Noon

Fee: \$25

This workshop is for care-givers and anyone interested in learning more about healing touch. In addition to providing time for meditation and an experiential approach to healing touch, you will be introduced to how healing energy works, the benefits of this practice, and the challenging state of health care in our world today. Three CEUs are available to nurses and massage therapists who complete this course. There is an additional \$10 fee to register CEUs.

Facilitator: Kathryn Hungness is a Registered Nurse, Healing Touch Practitioner at the Poverello Holistic Center, and National Educator.

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU!

Community Partners volunteers from local churches, including St. Cletus Church, helps older adults in our community maintain their independence and remain connected to their communities by providing

- Escorted transportation to medical appointments, meetings and special events.
- Physical and emotional support through personal contact.
- Workshops on topics of interest to older adults, caregivers and the community.

If you or a friend could benefit from these services, if you are able to volunteer to help or to make a financial contribution, please contact Interfaith Community Partners at (708) 579-8929. Thank you!

Spiritual Gifts Inventory Workshop Returns !!!

<u>Tuesday – September 22nd 2015 – 7 pm – Morrissey Hall (gym)</u>

How many times have you heard, "You are the light of the world"?

So, what exactly IS your "light"?

To help you figure it out, St. Cletus Adult Religious Education Team (CREDO) is once again hosting the workshop "Spiritual Gifts Inventory,"

Tuesday, Sept 22nd, from 7-9 pm in the gym.



Workshop outline

- Review how Vatican II empowered the laity and called us to holiness.
- Answer 120 questions (on a scale of 0 to 3) about your relationship with the world (people and things).
- Score your test and view yourself across 24 possible "charisms" (spiritual gifts).
- Receive a detailed description of your top 4
 "charisms".
- Ask questions and share your thoughts, expectations and surprises.

Workshop "take aways"

- Reflect on your "charisms" as deeply rooted gifts from God.
- Recognize how God works through you in your everyday world.
- Consciously connect your "charisms" to God's will and make your life a prayer.
- Discover that holiness is within reach in each moment of your life.

This is a repeat of the well-received workshops held at St. Cletus last year. We are grateful to workshop leader Kathy McNicholas (PA/DRE of Incarnation Parish) for giving more parishioners and friends the chance to reflect on how God blesses us with spiritual gifts, and works through us in our everyday lives.

The workshop is free, but we need to prepare materials for you, so please register by providing your contact information to Greg Stupka via email (gstupka@comcast.net) or phone (708-310-4743).

ACTS BIBLE STUDY FALL SESSION WILL START LATER THAN ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED

Because the parking lot will be blocked off for setup for the Fall Fest, the Acts Bible Study will not resume on Wednesday, September 9 as originally scheduled. Rather, we will resume our study on **Wednesday, September 16,** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 98 in the Education Building.

We hope you had a good summer and look forward to seeing all of you again.

CREDO (Continuing Religious EDucation Opportunities)



Social Concerns Ministry Update!

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:

Did you know that September 2015 is the 8th annual Hunger Action Month? With over 800,000 food insecure individuals in Cook County every year, it is more important than ever to take action against hunger. Whether it's donating money, time, food or lending your voice to the issue of hunger, there's something everyone can do to help. What is your way? For some suggestions and to find out more about hunger issues, visit **www.chicagosfoodbank.org** and click on "Get involved during Hunger Action Month."

We already know that the parishioners of St. Cletus and friends in the community are most generous in helping us maintain our food pantry. We appreciate your ongoing support!

- Most needed items are **dry pinto beans** (2-3# bags work best because we cannot repack larger bags), **canned chili, canned/powdered milk, cereal, tuna and diapers Size 4-5-6.**
- Of course, all in date non-perishables are appreciated!
- Please drop off your donations in the designated food bins in Church when you come to Mass on the weekend, or weekdays, 7:45 a.m. -4:00 p.m. or at the rectory during office hours.
- We will again be having our "share the wealth" fresh produce drive. On **Thursday**, **September 17**, **from 4:45-5:45 p.m. in the Church narthex**, we will be accepting your donations of **fresh produce**, whether from your home gardens or the produce section of the grocery store. It is important to remember that we can accept such donations only at this time, because of storage and distribution limitations.



Thumbs Up & Many Thanks to:

- the student and adult volunteers who gave so generously of their time this summer to help set up for distribution, as well as to the awesome group of volunteers from CSA Fraternal Life Lodge Brookfield, #475. Their strong presence and cheerful attitude this summer at our monthly distributions was greatly appreciated!
- The management and staff of **Five Below** in Countryside, who sponsored a school supplies drive for our Pantry families... and to all the shoppers who donated items.
- Our friends and neighbors at St. John of the Cross who donated their August food collection to the St. Cletus Food Pantry. They generously made a partial delivery mid-month to help replenish our shelves so our packers didn't skip a beat!



Labor Day is traditionally the day to honor workers in the US and more recently to unofficially mark the end of summer. What a most fitting time to celebrate those workers in our Social Concerns Ministry, who dedicate so many volunteer hours to "labor" for God's kingdom all year long, even during the long, hot summer (think Rummage Sale or Summer Food Pantry set-up and distribution). So hats off to you...whether you serve on the Social Concerns Commission,, volunteer your service for the Food Pantry, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, the Giving Tree, Interfaith Career Network (Employment Ministry), the Society of St. Vincent

de Paul, Annual Rummage Sale, Interfaith Community Partners, Respect Life, Mission Ladies, Adult Service Projects, Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry, other special outreaches, or provide fruits of your "labor" by offering financial support, food for our Pantry, or gifts for our Advent Giving Tree outreach. A heartfelt thank you for being models of faith in action! May you and your loved ones have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend!

Continued:



Where: Park District of La Grange

536 East Avenue, La Grange, IL 60525

When: Saturday & Sunday, September 18 & 19, 2015

Doors Open at 6:30 a.m.

FREE services will be provided on site by licensed volunteers and will include:

Dental: Cleanings, basic fillings and extractions

Vision: Basic eye exams, glasses made-on-site (as time and supplies permit) Medical: General medical history review, medication review and vital signs Flu Shots Courtesy of Walgreens: (Available for persons age 14 and over)

Services are offered on a first-come, first-served basis so please arrive early and bring a snack! Call (877) 278-7631 with questions or visit **www.curenetwork.org** for more information.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH MINISTRY

The Domestic Violence Outreach Support Group will meet for the first time on Tuesday, September 15, from 7-8:00 p.m. in Room 200 in the Education Building. Please enter at the flagpole door. This group will then begin meeting throughout the year on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. If you have questions, please contact the Director of Social Concerns, (708) 215-5418 or **socialconcerns@stcletusparish.com.**

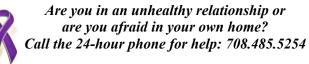
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS: The information in the series of Domestic Violence Awareness articles being printed in the Canticle can be found on the Family Ministries, Archdiocese of Chicago website: **www.familyministries.org,** under Pastoral Resources, Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach. Please see the *Domestic Violence Resource Manual*, updated 2015.

"I am a woman with three children. I have an MBA, a good job, and I live in a nice Chicago suburb. However, I have had several visits to the Emergency Room this past year. I try to go to different ERs so they won't recognize me coming in. I have to pay out of pocket since my insurance doesn't cover all these out-of-network visits. I don't come in right away. I wait until the bleeding has stopped, until I am calmer, until I can think up a plausible story to go with my cuts and bruises. I think that my husband is jealous of my education and earning ability. He never finished college. He earns less that I do. Still, I do not withhold money. We put everything into a joint account. I love him and I don't hold it over him. But it seems like every month when we pay bills, he starts feeling like he's one down. He starts belittling me first, I guess to make himself feel better, and soon he gets physical. He has never hurt me too bad. I've had a few stitches, but no broken bones like some women. He always feels so sad when it's all over. I know he doesn't want to hurt me. Something just happens..."

MYTH: Victims provoke their partners' violence.

<u>FACT:</u> Whatever problems exist in a relationship, the use of violence is never justifiable or acceptable. There is NO EXCUSE for domestic violence.

In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at (800) 799-7233 or the local Pillars hotline, found in the box below.



YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

St. Cletus School News

DATES TO REMEMBER

St. Cletus Parish Fall Festival	September 10-13
School Pictures	September 15
Parent Internet Safety Presentation	September 23

FOR INFORMATION OR SCHEDULE A TOUR

Jolene Hillgoth, President (708) 215-5426 jhillgoth@stcletusparish.com

Lauren Lewandowski Principal (708) 352-4820 llewandowski@stcletusparish.com



New Faces in Cardinal Country

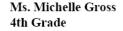
During the first week of school our students noticed a few new faces in the school's halls. Below are the new teachers that joined us this year. Learn more about them on our school's web site under Faculty and Staff.

Ms. Michelle Overton Preschool



Mass and Raising the Flag to Start the Year

The first school Mass of the new year was followed by all our students assembling around the flag pole to raise the flag. Mrs. Rotunno and Mr. Nemec led the school in singing the Star Spangled Banner to add to the celebration.





Mrs. Meg Carlson Preschool



Mr. Jeremy Nemec Music



Launching Year for our 1:1 Tech Initiative

Following over a year of teacher committee meetings, a two-day Google conference and numerous infrastructure upgrades by IT staff, our 1:1 pilot program launched on the first day of school with each 6th-grade student receiving his or her own Chromebook. Our social studies curriculum was revamped (6th-8th) and now has all resources online, including the textbook. Mr. Kittlaus, a Google certified teacher who teaches all his classes with the 1:1 initiative, has a dedicated set of Chromebooks in his 7th-grade classroom.

Mr. Matt Nowakowski 8th Grade





YOU CAN MAKE THE 2015 PARISH FALL FEST A SUCCESS!

- Sign up to **VOLUNTEER** at weekend masses in August or during the event on our website, www.stcletusfallfest.com.
- ATTEND the event and hear the wonderful bands, have a drink under the tent and catch a game in our Sports Zone.
- Become a family SPONSOR. Most Sponsorships include
 Megapasses. Forms and credit card processing are available on our website, www.stcletusfallfest.com.
- PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS: \$20 per ticket, 3 for \$50, or 6 for \$100. We hope each parish family will sell the 6 tickets which were mailed to you. Please return unsold tickets to the fall fest tent after masses or in the rectory.
- DONATE items like gift cards, gift certificates, sports or theater tickets, themed baskets and monetary gifts can be donated to the basket raffle.

Please contact us with any questions at (708) 352-6209 or fallfest@stcletusparish.com.



"VISIT THE SCHOOL WEBSITE AND LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SCHOOL."





LOOKING FOR A JOB?

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, September 17, 7-9:00 p.m. Our topic this evening is how to research companies...a critical step in helping you to prepare for future interviews. Our speaker is Steve Grosskomft whose passion is the subject of careers, work and employment related issues. Mark your calendar now and join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 South Wolf Road in Western Springs. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend.

GOD'S WORD TODAY

Each week when we gather for Mass the Lord has something to say to us. Today's Gospel recounts the familiar story of the curing of the deaf man who had a speech impediment. This miracle story is surely meant for us to ponder the meaning of what occurs when we are "opened," like that deaf man, to the power of God. We need look no further than the second reading to discover this meaning. Saint James gets to the heart of it all when he tells us that God chose the poor in this world to be rich inheritors of the kingdom of heaven. James exhorts us to treat people fairly and not to judge based on outward appearances. At our baptism, we experienced what the Church calls the "Ephphatha Rite," a rite that is inspired by today's Gospel story. At that time, the priest or deacon touched our ears and mouth, praying that we would "be open" to professing the faith we hear. Let us pray that we will see with new eyes, hear with new ears, and respond to all in ways that are fair and just.

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LEGACY GUILD OUTING SPONSORSHIPS DINNER TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

Sponsorship opportunities and dinner-only tickets are still available for the fourth annual Legacy Guild Golf Outing at La Grange Country Club on Friday afternoon, September 25. Golf spots are sold out, but there are plenty of ways to get involved. All proceeds support college scholarships for local students who have lost a parent. Visit "http://www.thelegacyguild.com/." for details.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11,

or, for Labor Day, any readings from the

Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor,"

nos. 907-911

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab;

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11;

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49 Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18;

Mk 8:27-35

SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP (SCSG)

Multi Parish Ministry
For singles in their 40's and 50's
September Events

Saturday, September 12, join us for the 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Cletus Parish, 700 W. 55th St., La Grange. Afterwards, enjoy the Fest with the band *Infinity* in the church parking lot. This event is free. Food and carnival games are extra. RSVP required by September 10 if attending.

Saturday, September 26, 7:00 p.m., Dinner at Irish Times located at 8869 Burlington Ave., in Brookfield. Please RSVP by September 24.

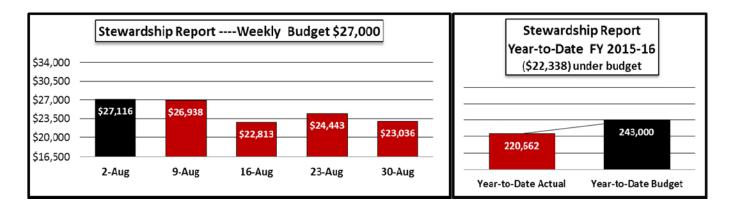
Above events are subject to change.

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

CRAFTERS WANTED

....for the Pumpkins 'n Holly Craft Show & Bake Sale on Saturday, November 21, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at *St. Barbara Parish Center*, 4015 Prairie Avenue in Brookfield. Spaces are 9' wide by 8' deep and are \$30. *No vendors please*. Call Alicia at (708) 485-2502 *or* email *amancini@boomboominc.com* for an application and table/electric info.

Mayslake Village, located at 1801 35th St., Oak Brook, is having their first Annual Craft Fair on Sunday, November 15. Please contact Joan Buchanan at (630) 214-1866 or jbuchanan@mayslake.com for more information or if you are interested in showing your crafts and would like an application.



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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.

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" (JAMES 2:5)

What is more important-being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society teaches us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith we know that material things really do not matter and we are more willing to share what we have.

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION/ ROOM #	EVENT		
Sunday, September 6	7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.	Front Lawn C-Narthex	Fall Fest Sales Welcome Committee		
Monday, September 7	ALL FACILITIES Closed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass				
Tuesday, September 8					
Wednesday, September 9					
Thursday, September 10	5:00-10:00 p.m.	Facility	Fall Fest		
Friday, September 11	5-00-11:00 p.m.	Facility	Fall Fest		
Saturday, September 12	12-Noon-11:00 p.m.	Facility	Fall Fest		
Sunday, September 13	11:00 a.m. 12 Noon– 9:00 p.m.	Outdoors Facility	Special Mass Honoring First Responders Fall Fest		

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.

BULLETIN ARTICLES

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

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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

Sunday: 8:00am-12:30 p.m.

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