



Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**My steps have been steadfast
in your paths, my feet have
not faltered. I call upon you,
for you will answer me, O God.**
— Psalm 17:5-6a



Students Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on November 9, 2019

Alan Abarca	Cameron Dix	Aiden Ludden	Catherine Riberto
Israel Alcala	Grace Downs	Nora Lysaught	James Remkus
Elizabeth Angel	Bailey Dutton	Molly Malham	Nathan Rice
Jacob Aumann	Jonathan Farkasch	Brandon Maranon	Isabelle Serdinak
Alexandra Badrov	Alexa Fey	Reagan McGrogan	Margaret Sheehan
Alexander Banden	Ana Flores	Adelaide McHugh	Ethan Solis
Maeve Barnwell	Alan Garcia	Gavin McNeer	Nathan Solis
Francesco Bernardo	Fidel Garcia	Christopher Medina	Nathaniel Solis
David Beyers	Nicole Garcia	Edgar Morales	Campbell Sullivan
Edward Brown	Grace Gibson	Cecilia Mraz	Victor Szubert
Jonlyn Buday	Madelyn Golm	Nicholas Muniz	Eric Tank
Anthony Burger	Julian Gonzalez	Clark Myers	Ivan Tistoj
Teagan Byrne	Mia Gonzalez	Timothy Naddy	Nathan Tydus
Lauren Cabana	John Grill	Mary Clare Napleton	Brooke Valenta
Michael Cairo	Alana Hamilton	Abigail Nelson	Sofia Vari
Nina Callahan	Adeleine Hensel	Liliana Nunez	Aubrey Vody
Jeremy Camacho	Aiden Hogan-Grandt	Maeve Offenbacher	Ruby Waldvogel
Carter Chowanec	Lilian Jacoby	Diego Ojeda	Charlotte Wasik
Maci Cieczczak	Liliana Jandura	Julio Parra	Alexa Wayteck
Carl Courtright	Hailey Jans	Isabel Pawula	Charlie Weber
Whitney Cunningham	Nolan Jaworski	Ellie Poshek	Hunter Willis
Addison Degnan	Cassidy Johnson	Pyper Principe	Charles Yarbrough
Isabella De La Cruz	Grayson Jorgensen	Christian Quinn	Dominic Zamora
Cooper Demasi	Meghan Koziol	Roy Quintero	
Biara Diaz	Victoria Lagunas	Lucas Rahman	
DeAngelo Diaz	Oliver Leutsch	Romeo Ramirez	

Mass Intentions for the Week of November 11 - 17, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Frank DeBartolo, Robert McDonnell, Magee Family, Camillo & Anita Ferreira
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Silvia Pesut, Helen Borsilli
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Delphine Marciszewski, Andy Sandoval, Joseph & Kay Klemak
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Jack McCrory, Shirley Flamm
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Richard Walsh, Irene Cecil, Christine Stec, Mary Lou Quinn
Saturday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm
	Fr. Clark	5:00 p.m.	Benedict Dybas, Jim Deslauriers, Ken Kakareka, Ann Drucker, Mary Pizzo
Sunday	Fr. Clark	7:00 a.m.	George Duda, Patrick Mahoney, Frank Miller, Benedict Dybas, John & Frances Kennedy
	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker, Denis Rahilly, Eugene Hickey
	Fr. Baker	9:30 a.m.	Sam Colonna, John Shanaghan, Special Intention - Ola Maveety
	Fr. Baker	11:00 a.m.	Sophie Scaccia, BC Collins
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners

COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend St. Cletus Parish will have envelopes in the pews for the World Mission Sunday collection. Let us remember the mission at the heart of our Christian faith – to share the Good News with the world! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the priests, religious and lay leaders who embody Christ's mercy and presence among the most vulnerable communities in our world. They have been charged to proclaim the Word persistently; when it is convenient and inconvenient. Let us pray and offer our support for the Church's worldwide missionary efforts. For more information visit WeAreMissionary.org.

LOOK FOR THESE GROUPS AFTER MASS

GIVING TREE COMMITTEE

Stop by the Giving Trees to take a white envelope, green tag or purple tag. Shop with Scrip is also available to purchase Walmart and Jewel gift cards. They accept cash or check.

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL

Cardinal Raffle tickets are available for purchase in the tent on the front lawn. Tickets are \$10 each, they accept cash or check.

ST. CLETUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Annual Hank Maday Turkey Raffle cards can be purchased in the Parish Center after masses. Cards are \$20 which will guarantee you a turkey or you can buy single chances on a card.

Marriage Banns



Allison Kison & Patrick Szachowicz

Laura Bell & Jason Avila

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 3 months.

November - Hermelinda Nevarez, Dan Linklater

October - Joan Clark, Gerda E. Dorso, Kim and Tony Fox, Shirley Funk, Don King, Deborah Krueger, Patricia Rodey, Rachael Schopp, Michael Stoinski, Robert Stoinski

September - Frank Colonna, John Duda, Chuck Foerster, Stella Fabian, Dr. Max Scheyerer, Rosario Martinez, Edward J McNamara, Jose Perez, Margaret Pirman, Daniella DeRivera, Leo & Gloria Rivera, Ann Scheer, Virginia Skibbe, Laura Terrazino, Carol Witkowski, Ted Buczek, Johnson Dy, Nancy Gibson, Norman Kwak, Kathryn McCord, Jackie Schickel, Nicole Will-Montemagni, Jean Weekley

Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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

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

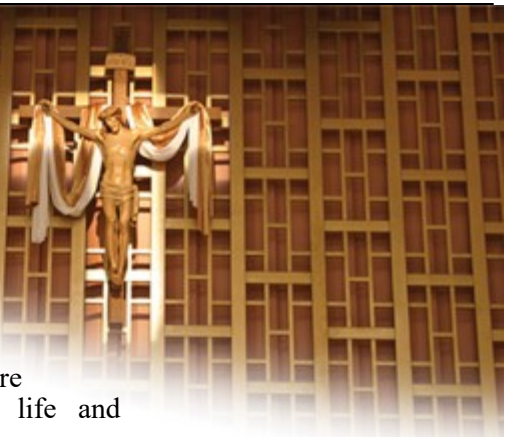
ultimately a share
in God's own life and
glory.

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

Life in Christ Jesus Always,



Fr. Bob Clark
Pastor



Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

November 13 D4D at Chipotle
 November 20 First Annual Cardinal Raffle Drawing
 November 24-26 Book Fair

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



D4D AT CHIPOTLE

Come in to the Chipotle at 5801 S. LaGrange Rd. in Countryside on Wednesday, Nov. 13 5-9pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to St. Cletus School.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN FROM ST. CLETUS!

Students and teachers alike got into the Halloween spirit with costumes and pumpkin carving!



Lets Get Ready to RAFFLE!

CASH RAFFLE

GRAND PRIZE \$1,000

2ND PRIZE \$750

3RD PRIZE \$250

DRAWING NOV. 20

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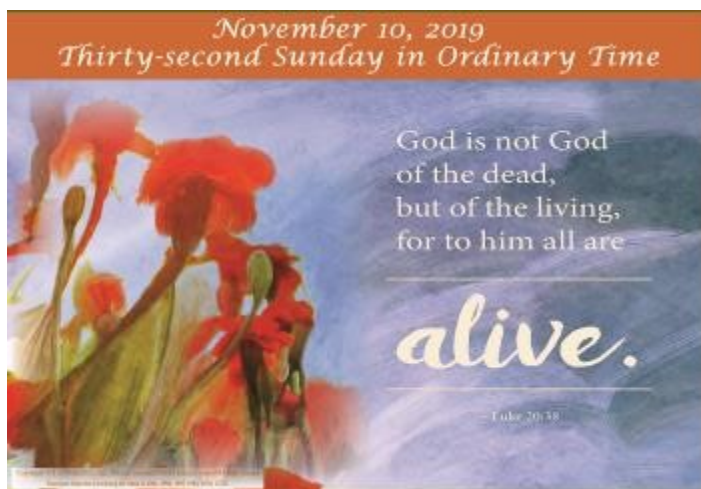
St. Cletus School is excited to announce the 1st Cardinal Raffle!

The funds raised from this raffle will help cover expenses for our Special Programs at St. Cletus School including: Art, Music, and Technology.

Tickets will be available for purchase in the church narthex after all weekend masses on November 9/10 and November 16/17 and online at www.stcletusparish.com

\$10/per ticket (cash or check).

Sunday Notes



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the seventeenth century, English Catholics, many of them wealthy and well educated, looked to the American colonies as a place to regain a measure of religious freedom. In Ireland, the so-called penal laws were even harsher than in England, as a minority Parliament tried to force the conversion of the population by denying the majority political and economic power. Beginning in 1691, laws were passed that punished dissenters, principally Catholics, but also causing hardship for Jews, Quakers, and others. There were acts forbidding “mixed marriage” or sending children “beyond the seas” for schooling. Catholics were taxed at double the common rate, barred from the legal professions and from university, and not allowed to build churches or own a decent horse.

In 1793 the situation began to change, as it became clear that the economic persecution would not drive the majority away from Catholicism. Gradually, laws were repealed until by 1829 freedom was won, although Catholics at university were ineligible for honors, and until the 1920s when the Republic was formed, the Church of Ireland was the state church, funded by the taxes of all citizens.

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PERSPECTIVE

We must often draw the comparison of time and eternity. This is the remedy of all our troubles. How small will the present moment appear when we enter that great ocean!

—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

PROCRASTINATION

Tomorrow is always the busiest day of the year.

—Anonymous

CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD

We are nearing the end of the liturgical year. Today’s readings remind us that our own lives will draw to a close one day, and we can be certain that the Lord will encourage, strengthen, and save us—both now and at the last. The astonishing story of the Maccabees invigorates our faith as we behold an entire family willing to die rather than deny the Law of Moses. The psalm response echoes the faithful cries of the Maccabees: “I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.” That same confidence appears in Saint Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians. “The Lord is faithful,” he testifies; “he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.” In the Gospel, Jesus explains just how long God’s protection will endure. The children of God whom God guards, Jesus says, will live forever like angels.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading — May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5).

Gospel — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day
 Tuesday: St. Josaphat
 Wednesday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
 Friday: St. Albert the Great
 Saturday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude; Blessed Virgin Mary

Religious Education

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION?



On Sunday, November 3rd our teens preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation attended our Sponsor Meeting with their chosen Confirmation Sponsor. We began our time together at the 9:30 mass, and continued with a guided discussion after Mass. It was wonderful to see and affirm all of our teens who are on this journey to Confirmation! Please continue to pray for them and their Sponsors as they continue on the path to Confirmation and taking their place as adults in our Church.

We have included photos of our 8th Graders and High School students from their Confirmation retreats a few weeks ago!

On Saturday, November 9th, we celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time with 85 Second Graders and 18 Special Sacraments children. This sacrament of healing is so important in our lives, and provides us with the opportunity to hear how truly loved we are from God. God's mercy is abundant and He is so excited for us to come and be healed, and venture forth into the world to serve Him and spread His good news! We were excited to celebrate this amazing sacrament with these children on Saturday! Please keep all of these children in your prayers as they continue on their sacramental journey to First Eucharist.



WHAT'S UP NEXT?

November 10 & 11 Classes in Session for Special Needs, Early Childhood, Grades 1-8. Please note that all 6th Grade classes come on Monday evening, November 11th for our Seder Meal Celebration. All sixth grade students and a parent should attend this exciting Messianic Seder Meal.

November 17 & 18 No Classes

November 24 & 25 No Classes

December 1 & 2 Classes in Session for Special Needs, Early Childhood, Grades 1-8. Third Grade students and parents attend for our Family Advent Day celebration!

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Thank you to our 2019 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest Major Sponsors. These businesses will be listed in our Parish Canticle for one year as preferred providers.

Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- pancake syrup
- dish soap
- crackers
- snack items
- laundry detergent
- cereal
- paper and plastic bags

Donations can be dropped off before or after Masses or anytime daily between 7:45am-4pm in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex (at the back of church).

Follow us on facebook:
@StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram:
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If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Social Concerns Ministry contact Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

FOOD PANTRY

Teamwork makes the dream work! Had extra hands this morning to help unload 108 bags and even more cases and boxes of donations from St. John of the Cross Parish. Thank you SJC and St. Cletus School 8th graders for braving the October snow and slush to help us unload the donations!

The numbers are in! In the last fiscal year, our Greater Chicago Food Depository volunteers earned \$2,098 in labor credits for St. Cletus Food Pantry! Each volunteer serving at one GCFD session earns \$15 for our account. These funds are used to purchase meat, milk, eggs, and shelf staple necessities. THANK YOU! Your work truly makes a difference!



CHRISTIFIDELES AWARD



We had the great privilege of awarding our volunteer Pauline Szabelski the Archdiocesan Annual Christifideles Award. Pauline is an integral and essential volunteer to pantry operations. In any given week she is ordering and purchasing needed items from various retailers, harvesting vegetables in our garden, couponing, organizing volunteers, checking dates, restocking, managing our backroom stock, tracking what items we need most, unloading donations, AND MORE. Usually she is doing all of those things each morning that she volunteers. No job is too big for Pauline, she does it all. She always has

the food pantry on her mind and in her heart.

St. Cletus Food Pantry and St. Cletus Parish are grateful beyond measure for Pauline's selfless service, dependability, and her generous spirit. Thank you, Pauline!

The Christifideles Award is given to Catholic lay people who have, by participating in parish life, demonstrated the personal and ministerial renewal called for by the papal exhortation Christifideles Laici, calling the laity to the "vocation of responsibility for the church's life springing from the gift and mission of their baptism."

TURKEY BUCKS

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

Volunteer Opportunity - Volunteers are needed to stand at the Jewel Osco doors and invite customers to donate. Various daily opportunities are available thru Nov. 25. **Please note...this is an unsupervised volunteer opportunity and an adult is recommended to be present** This calendar simply coordinates dates. **You pick whatever time works best for you!** Volunteers must check in with Donna (Jewel

Manager) or another supervisor when they start their shift. Parents, use your discretion based on your child's age and maturity to decide if they should be dropped off or need a parent present during the volunteer shift. All ages are welcome (with a parent). Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/35xgTsY>

GIVING TREE

Our annual Advent Giving Tree Project--a St. Cletus tradition--begins this weekend! Our trees are filled with names of individuals in need from our sharing parish, St. Agatha's, and from our community. We also ask you to remember your special person(s) in your family's prayers throughout this holy season. Last year our parish made Christmas brighter for over 1800 people!

SHOP WITH SCRIP - For your convenience during the weekends of November 9-10 and 16-17 we will have the St. Cletus School Shop with Scrip available in the Narthex. This is a gift card purchasing program via the school that allows the school to get a percentage of the proceeds as a fundraiser. It does not cost you anything extra to participate. They accept cash/check only.

How it works:

WHITE ENVELOPES (gift cards): Each envelope lists a dollar amount. We respectfully request that you purchase cards for the *exact amount* listed on the card and then put the card(s) directly in the envelope. We also ask that you *only purchase cards from Jewel and Walmart*. These have been the preferred stores of our clients and they are also easily accessible via public transportation. Envelopes will need to be turned in by Sunday, December 8th at 12:30pm.

GREEN TAGS (food pantry items): The food pantry will continue to be open during the month of December and we still have many donations that we will need! The green tags list some of our most needed items at this time. If you enjoy purchasing food for those in need and miss the food basket program, this might be a great option for you. Items can be returned at your convenience to the bins in the Church Narthex.

PURPLE TAGS (gifts): Gifts are to be returned before/after Masses the weekend of **December 7-8**. Gifts will be returned to Morrissey Hall using the convenient drop off lane on Stone Ave.!

We invite you to stop in the narthex next weekend to take a tag or two from one of the Giving Trees. We are thankful for your past generosity in purchasing many gifts for the individual(s) you choose. Thank you! Your generosity will provide hope and make a difference in someone's life. God bless you on your Advent Journey!

- The Giving Tree Committee

Answers to frequently asked questions can be found on the parish website: www.stcletusparish.com/socialconcerns, or contact Kendall Grant.

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Keeping A Positive Focus While Coping with Change - In a job search? Contemplating a job search or a career change? Frenzied at the thought of the holidays? We all face many changes and challenges in our life. Join us on Thursday, November 21 from 7-9 pm and learn more about the timely topic of coping with change. Our speaker, Dr. Joe Yount will focus on some helpful coping strategies and the development of positive thinking as it relates to our expectations. Dr. Yount is a lifelong resident of La Grange and a recently retired Veterans Administration Psychologist. Please join us and learn more about how you can better cope with change at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

Over the weekend of November 2-3 we held a special collection for the St. Cletus St. Vincent DePaul Society. If you missed this message or would still like to donate, checks can be made out to "St. Cletus SUDP" and dropped in the collection basket, at the Parish Center or Rectory. Thank you so much for your generosity!

Our St. Vincent de Paul conference offers one-time financial assistance as we are able, to help people get through their immediate crisis. Our volunteers, as they go into the homes of those requesting aid, provide not only monetary assistance, but also hope and the realization that God works through others to answer their basic needs. We work together with other community Agencies and organizations through referrals to provide guidance and assistance over the long term...to get people back on the right track.

Won't you join us in being a caring instrument of God's compassion and love? Thank you for your prayers and for your generous support.

RESPECT LIFE

Area Respect Life Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00pm at Women's Care Center (136 N La Grange Rd, La Grange, IL 60525). In addition to our meeting, we look forward to a tour and information from the Women's Care Center staff. We hope you can join us!

Word of Life

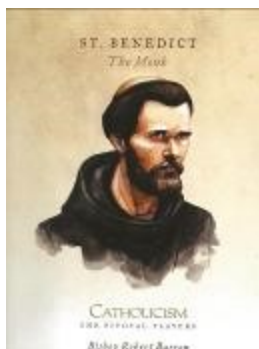


"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. ...Provide comfort to survivors of slavery and let them look to you as an example of hope and faith."

USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"

CREDO (Continuing Religious Education Opportunities)

UPCOMING EVENTS



PIVOTAL PLAYERS ST. BENEDICT

St. Benedict is the next Pivotal Player in Bishop Barron's series. You are invited to learn about St Benedict and how he contributed to saving western Christian culture. We will meet Tuesday, November 12 at 7 pm in Fr. Gallagher's room in the Parish Center. The DVD runs about an hour and there will be a

short discussion after it.

PARISH LIBRARY UPDATE



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU parishioners for your continued donations that make our parish lending library successful. The parish library is now stocked only with donations. In the past year, 336 books were checked out and returned, and we are pleased that so many people enjoy the library.

However, we are running into a problem in that many

books are being checked out and never returned. The picture shows the stack of library cards for books that are currently checked out. Equally concerning, many books are not checked out, they disappear from the library cart.

CREDO does spend money on the cards, sleeves, stamp, ink, and stickers. Even though the books are donated, there is a cost to processing. Please sign the books out and return the books in a timely manner. If everyone complies, our library will last for many more years.

Recently, it has come to the attention of CREDO that sometimes a parishioner has an issue with one of books in the library. If that is the case, do not remove the book from the library. Leave a note with the issue you have with the book, and we will review the book. Books disappearing from the library causes us to lose heart, please communicate with us instead. For example, Fr. James Martin and Archbishop Chaput are both priests of our church with messages to share, and we include works by both. If you want to read only items with an imprimatur, choose only those items with red tape on them.

Thank you for your help in keeping our library viable. Please check out books with your name and phone number – don't just take the books. Also, return those overdue books!

St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women



RSVP FOR TASTE AND SEE

"Taste and See: An Evening of Culinary Treats" All women of the parish are invited to join us on Tuesday evening, November 19th, at 7:00 p.m. Dee Dee Saracco, our guest chef (aka "The Gravy Lady") will share her secrets as she discusses and prepares four courses, which will be sampled by all of us!

Cost is \$10 per person; reservations are required and may

be made by calling 708-710-0644 or 773-576-0812 or emailing: ccw@stcletusparish.com.

This is going to be a fun-filled, tasty, evening; please reserve your seat no later than Tuesday, November 12th.

HO HO HOLIDAY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Save the date for our annual HO HO Holiday Breakfast with Santa. Email ccw@stcletusparish.com with any questions or to volunteer to help with this fun event.



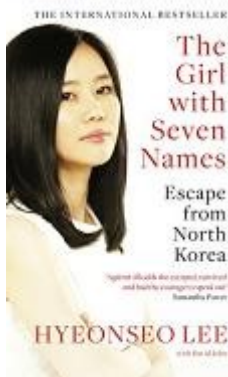
Other Ministry News

HOLY NAME SOCIETY



The Holy Name will be selling chances after each mass in the Parish Center Lobby, for the Turkey Raffle. All winners will be notified the week of November 17th to pick up their birds on the 24th.

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on December 10th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. We will discuss **The Girl with Seven Names** by Hyeonseo Lee.

For those who want to look ahead:

- On February 11, 2020: **The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane** by Lisa See
- On April 14, 2020: **Where the Crawdads Sing** by Delia Owens
- On June 9, 2020: **The Poisonwood Bible** by Barbara Kingsolver

All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

PRAY FOR HEALING MINISTRY

St. Cletus has started a ministry to pray for healing in the church – healing from the wounds resulting from the sexual abuse scandal. The ministry is open to all, and all are encouraged to join. You will receive an email once or twice a month, encouraging you to prayer. The parish website has a form you need to complete to join – under the 'Ministries & Groups' tab on the home page. No computer? No worries – please give your name and address to the parish center and we will send you each offering via mail. Questions? Please contact Jerry Mitchell at prayforhealing@stcletusparish.com

FALL FEST SHIRTS STILL AVAILABLE



There are a limited number of 2019 Fall Fest shirts still available for purchase. Short Sleeve Grey (\$15): Youth Small, Youth Large, Adult Medium and Adult Large. Long Sleeve Grey (\$18): Adult Small and Adult Medium. Email Elizabeth at egoellner@stcletusparish.com to confirm available sizes. Stop by the Parish Center Office to purchase.

AARP TAX-AIDE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2020 TAX FILING SEASON



Looking for a rewarding opportunity to make a difference in your community?

The AARP Tax-Aide Program is now seeking volunteers for the upcoming 2020 tax filing season. It's not necessary for you to be an AARP member or to have a tax or an accounting background to volunteer. However, some knowledge of your own personal tax matters is very helpful. All returns are prepared on computers; thus, volunteers should be somewhat computer literate. Training classes will be held in January, 2020. Minimum time commitment during the filing season is 4 to 5 hours one day per week from early February to mid-April. This income tax preparation and assistance service is offered to low and middle income individuals with special attention to those 60 years and older. Won't you help?

For further information about the program and to sign up as a volunteer, please visit: https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/ or contact St. Cletus parishioner John Wagner at 708-352-0170 for further details.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities Spirit of Saint Nicholas Ball
Kick off the Christmas season in style at Catholic Charities' 30th Annual Spirit of St. Nicholas Ball on Friday, December 6 at the Hilton **Chicago**. Join more than 1,300 guests for a gourmet dinner and wine, live entertainment by the Ken Arlen Orchestra, dancing, and late night "sweets and treats" at this black-tie celebration. All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities childrens programs which serve nearly more than 170,000 children in Cook and Lake counties each year.

For more information and to register, visit www.catholiccharities.net/stnick.

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES AT ST. CLETUS

Please mark your calendar for our next concert "Bending Towards the Light: a Jazz Nativity" on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 4pm. This free concert will be held in St. Cletus Church.



Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN! WIDOWED MINISTRY



"I knew I needed something." "I wanted things to get better." "This helped a lot." (What they say about us.) We understand. We've been there. Join us for a retreat/workshop:

Nov 16 & 17- (Overnight only) Mt. Assisi Center, Lemont

For more information contact us at 708-354-7211, joyfulagain7211@gmail.com, www.joyfulagain.org.

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Pre-holiday Recalibration Saturday, Nov. 16, 9 AM – Noon

The beauty and sacredness of the Christmas season can be drowned out by our hectic pace. Take time with Bridget Sperduto and Kate Wester to pause, walk the labyrinth, ground through yoga and move in celebration. You will leave the morning feeling refreshed and recalibrated. Cost: \$30

Camino Pilgrimage May 9-20, 2020

For over a thousand years, pilgrims have made their way across northern Spain to the town of Santiago de Compostela and the shrine of St. James. Our journey will include 7 days of walking for a total of 71 miles. Cost of trip, including airfare, lodging and dinners: \$3000. See more details and register on our website. Contact trip leader Kathy Brazda, CSJ: kbrazda@csjoseph.org with additional questions.



The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL. A Member of the Congregation of St. Joseph Mission. Network. www.csjthewell.org 708-482-5048

HITZEMAN FUNERAL HOME GRIEF SUPPORT

We know how losing a loved one affects the core of each family. Grief affects our lives in so many ways that sometimes we forget what it's like to have fun. This group meeting provides an opportunity for you to take a break from grieving – even if for a short time. Come out and play BINGO! It will be fun, engaging, and you might even win a prize. Prizes will be from local businesses from food items to gift cards. For more information visit www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Place: Hitzeman Funeral Home 9445 W. 31st St. Brookfield
Seats are limited; please R.S.V.P. by November 8, 2019 to info@hitzemanfuneral.com or 708-485-2000.

Mark Your Calendars: Saturday, December 7, 2019

Holiday Remembrance Event—More information will follow!

RIVERSIDE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TRIP 11/16

Knights of Columbus Bishop Ketteler Council 1628 in Riverside is have a retreat to the Shrine of Christ's Passion in St. John, IN on November 16. Cost is \$50. Purchase tickets at stmaryriverside.org/kofc or email fxmichl64@gmail.com.

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH

This month's Faith and Film Night will be the comedy "Bruce Almighty". It will be shown on Sunday, Nov. 24th at 4:30. St. James Lutheran Church, 5129 Wolf Rd. Western Springs

TOWNSHIP OF LYONS DEFENSIVE DRIVING

SAVE THE DATE! Township of Lyons (6404 Joliet Rd Countryside) Clerk Mike Porfirio & AARP present Defensive Driving for 50 & Over Wednesday, December 4 & Thursday, December 5, 2019 from 10:00 am. – 2:00 p.m. Class Completion earns auto insurance discount. Cost: AARP member \$15, non-member \$20. Class size limited to 35. Sign up with George Pach, Deputy Clerk 708-482-8300 x 221.

NAZARETH ACADEMY BOUTIQUE NIGHT 11/12

Every Fall, the Nazareth Academy Mothers Club hosts a Boutique Night for the ladies in our community to gather, sip and shop. This event includes small shops owned by local artisans and crafters, featuring unique gifts for everyone on your gift list. All are welcome on Tuesday, November 12 in the Hanson Dining Hall at Nazareth Academy, 1209 W. Ogden in La Grange Park. Doors open at 6pm and the sipping and shopping carry on until 9pm.

FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE 11/17

Fenwick Open House Sunday November 17, 12-2pm. For more info please contact Cathy Kaszuba in the Admissions Department at (708) 386-0127, ext. 109, or email ckaszuba@fenwickfriars.com. Fenwick High School is located at 505 Washington Blvd., Oak Park

IC CATHOLIC PREP OPEN HOUSE 11/17

IC Catholic Prep Open House Sunday November 17, 2-4pm. For more info please contact Nikki Kanzia in the Admissions Department at (630) 530-3484, or email nkanzia@iccatholicprep.org. IC Catholic Prep is located at 217 S Cottage Hill, Elmhurst.

EVENING OF PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP 11/18

Please plan on joining the community of Saint Ignatius College Prep as we gather at St. John of the Cross Parish for an evening of prayer and fellowship on Tuesday, November 18 at 7pm. We'll be focusing on Ignatian Spirituality, specifically the life of St. Ignatius of Loyola and the Examen. Desserts and refreshments will be available. All alum and friends are welcome as well!

The Faber Project: An Evening of Ignatian Prayer and Spirituality will be led by Father Lukas Laniauskas, SJ, Vice President of Mission, Fr. Paul Kalenzi SJ, Deacon Chuck Thompson, Director of Adult Formation and Ministry, and Gail Krema, Adult Chaplain at Saint Ignatius College Prep.

RSVP to Gail Krema gail.krema@ignatius.org (312) 432-8446

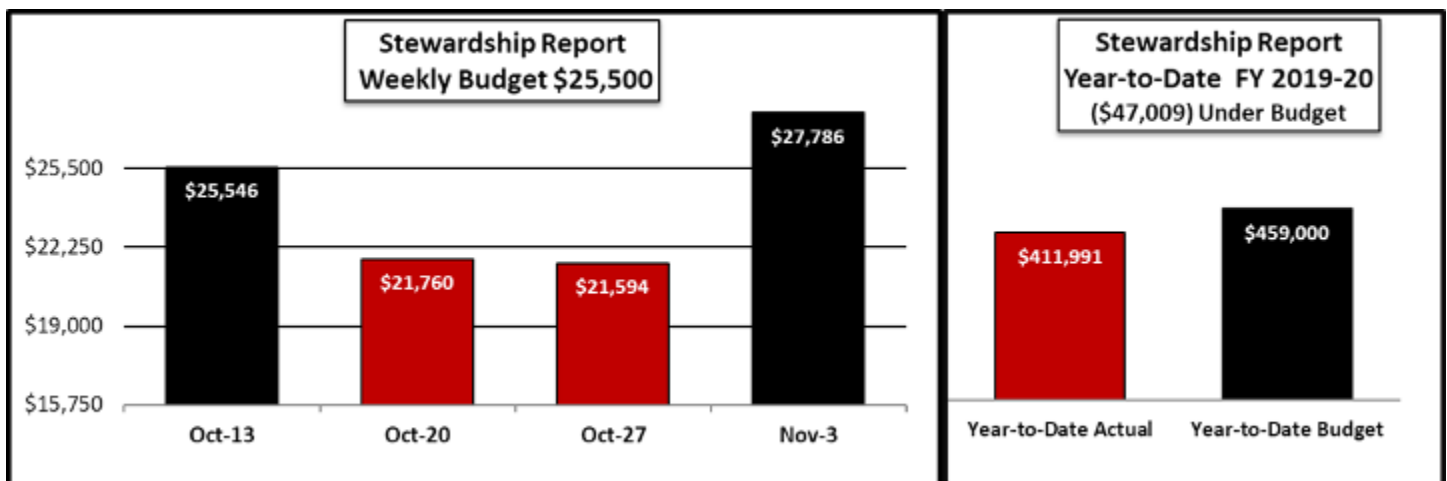
BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, November 10	7:00am 7:00am 2:00pm	Front Lawn Narthex School Room 200	School Raffle Ticket Sales Giving Trees/Shop with Scrip KAİROS Meeting
Monday, November 11	9:30am 4:00pm 8:00pm	Church School Music Room Parish Center Gym	School Mass Junior Choir Rehearsal Men's Basketball
Tuesday, November 12	7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Rectory Church Parish Center Mtg Room	RCIA Spanish Holy Hour CREDO presents Pivotal Players
Wednesday, November 13	9:00am 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Parish Center Gym School Room 117 Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies Boys Church League Teen Seekers Baptism Preparation Class
Thursday, November 14	5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Rectory Basement Parish Center Gym School Music Room	Children's Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Distribution Boys Church League Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, November 15			
Saturday, November 16	11:00am 5:00pm	Church Narthex/Front Lawn	First Reconciliation School Raffle Ticket Sales
Sunday, November 17	7:00am 7:00am	Front Lawn Narthex	School Raffle Ticket Sales Giving Trees/Shop with Scrip

Stewardship Report



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically?

Visit www.stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” button. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at 708.352.6209.

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