

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**Where there is forgiveness,
there is no longer offering for sin.**
— HEBREWS 10:18



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Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

MARK 13:31

THIRTY-THIRD

Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 14, 2021

Mass Intentions for November 15 - 21, 2021

Day	Time	Presider (subject to change)	Intentions
November 15	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Frank Attento, Samuel Colonna, Christine Stec
November 16	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Ted Gajos
November 17	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Frank Miller
November 18	8:00am	Fr. Baker	BC Collins, Nick Brzezniak
November 19	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Wayne Kral, Dr. Harold Janecek
November 20	5:00pm	Fr. Baker	Elaine Rys, Richard Cruz
November 21	7:15am	Fr. Costello	Stacy Baker, Richard Gomez, Ola Maveety, George Duda, Robert Spyrison Rosemarie Gallagher, Dolores Foderaro Joe & Carole Stuart, Patrick King, Magee Family, John J. Reyes Sr., Francisca & Ramon Gaitan, Julia & Norbert Gonzalez Sr., Martin Gaitan Deacon Mario A. Avila
	8:45am	Fr. Romero	
	10:30am	Fr. Baker	
	12:30pm	Fr. Romero	

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THEIR FAMILIES...

George Louis Adams

May he rest in peace. Amen.

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.

October - Steve Hubona, Gerda E. Dorso

September - Joseph Busta, John Duda, Sandra Eckrich, Howard Eggert, Marlene Heyes, Joan Klemak, Marian Mozden, Patricia Rodey, Jean Tomazin

August - Catherine Cosgrove, Mary Depasquale, Laurie Stewart, Laura Terrazino, Ed Kuchta, Frank Niwa, Joanna Polanski, Gladys Vaci, Tom Valenti, Patrick Wingert

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

MASKS ARE REQUIRED

**MASKS ARE
REQUIRED FOR
ENTRY TO
THIS FACILITY**



Masks are required indoors for all clergy, staff, volunteers and parishioners inside archdiocesan facilities in Suburban Cook County and in the City of Chicago, including Masses, liturgies and all activities/events within our parishes.

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Next weekend (Nov. 20-21) there will be envelopes in the pews to support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than thirty-eight million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.

PARISH EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS

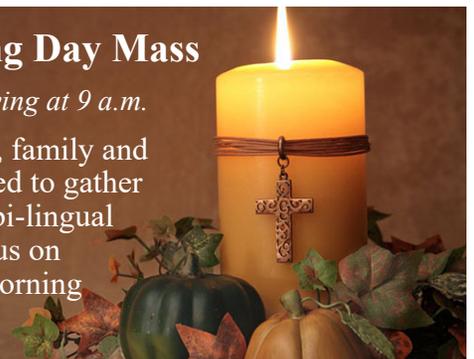
The parish is aware of scammers creating fake email accounts in the likeness of employees. St. Cletus staff will only correspond using their official @stcletusparish.com email address. Staff will NEVER ask for gift card numbers over email or text.

JOIN US FOR THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Join us Thanksgiving at 9 a.m.

All parishioners, family and friends are invited to gather and celebrate a bi-lingual Mass at St. Cletus on Thanksgiving morning at 9:00 a.m.



Pastor's Note

Dear Parishioners,

Advent is just two weeks away. So, how shall we engage the four weeks of Advent? How shall we prepare ourselves as members of St. Cletus Parish for Christmas?

As Fr. Gerald O'Collins says,

“In Western Christianity the four weeks that prepare for Christmas: also form the beginning of the liturgical year. They are characterized by the curtailing of festivities: no Gloria is said (except on the feast of the Immaculate Conception) and the liturgical color is penitential violet (except for the third Sunday of Advent, when rose may be used). Advent also refers to Christ's second coming at the end of history,” *A Concise Dictionary of Theology* [2000], page 4.

I am delighted to let you know that with the help and leadership of an amazing group of people (see photo), we will be hosting an Advent Gathering/Reflection on Sunday, December 5th, 2021, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in our beautiful Church, followed by light refreshment in the Parish Center.

The members of this amazing group of people are: Deb Blecic, Barb Campbell, Debbie Lestarczyk, Olga Montalvo, Karen Ziemba, Leonard Bertin, Chris Wagner, and Bill Wettstein.

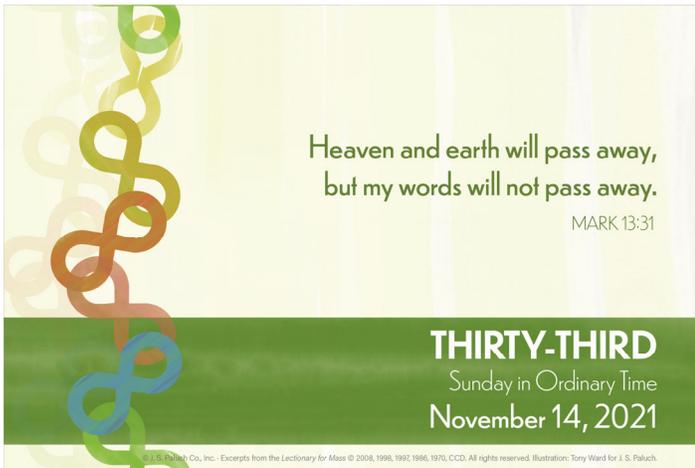
My hope is to see you all at this unique Advent Gathering and Reflection. Why? Because the Lord is sending us Paul C. Hilliard, Ph.D. as our guest speaker. Dr. Hilliard is professor at the University of St. Mary of the Lake / Mundelein Seminary where for over 13 years, he has been assisting with the intellectual formation of our future priests. In addition, a few years ago, he was appointed to be the new Director of Doctor of Ministry Program at the Seminary. He is married to Robin Hilliard. They have three wonderful boys. Paul is a man of deep faith and loves God with all his heart and mind. I consider him not only a close friend, but also a mentor with whom I enjoy spending time. I am confident that you will find his reflection to be insightful and uplifting.

May the Lord continue to help us to be source of hope and love!

Fr. Elmer Romero
Pastor



Sunday Readings



READING I

Dn 12:1-3

In those days, I Daniel,
heard this word of the Lord:
"At that time there shall arise
Michael, the great prince,
guardian of your people;
it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress
since nations began until that time.
At that time your people shall escape,
everyone who is found written in the book.
"Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall
awake; some shall live forever,
others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.
"But the wise shall shine brightly
like the splendor of the firmament,
and those who lead the many to justice
shall be like the stars forever."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!

O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
you it is who hold fast my lot.
I set the LORD ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence;
because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,
nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo
corruption.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!

You will show me the path to life,

fullness of joys in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!

READING II

Heb 10:11-14, 18

Brothers and sisters:
Every priest stands daily at his ministry,
offering frequently those same sacrifices
that can never take away sins.
But this one offered one sacrifice for sins,
and took his seat forever at the right hand of God;
now he waits until his enemies are made his footstool.
For by one offering
he has made perfect forever those who are being
consecrated.
Where there is forgiveness of these,
there is no longer offering for sin.

ALLELUIA

Jn 14:23

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength
to stand before the Son of Man.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mk 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples:
"In those days after that tribulation the sun will be
darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the
stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the
heavens will be shaken.

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the
clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send
out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds,
from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

"Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch
becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that
summer is near. In the same way, when you see these
things happening, know that he is near, at the gates.
Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away
until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth
will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels
in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

XXXII Domingo Ordinario



PRIMERA LECTURA

Dn 12, 1-3

En aquel tiempo, se levantará Miguel, el gran príncipe que defiende a tu pueblo.

Será aquél un tiempo de angustia, como no lo hubo desde el principio del mundo. Entonces se salvará tu pueblo; todos aquellos que están escritos en el libro. Muchos de los que duermen en el polvo, despertarán: unos para la vida eterna, otros para el eterno castigo.

Los guías sabios brillarán como el esplendor del firmamento, y los que enseñan a muchos la justicia, resplandecerán como estrellas por toda la eternidad.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL

Salmo 145, 7. 8-9a. 9bc-10

R. Enséñanos, Señor, el camino de la vida.

El Señor es la parte que me ha tocado en herencia:
mi vida está en sus manos.

Tengo siempre presente al Señor
y con él a mi lado, jamás tropezaré.

R. Enséñanos, Señor, el camino de la vida.

Por eso se me alegran el corazón y el alma
y mi cuerpo vivirá tranquilo,
porque tú no me abandonarás a la muerte
ni dejarás que sufra yo la corrupción.

R. Enséñanos, Señor, el camino de la vida.

Enséñame el camino de la vida,
sácíame de gozo en tu presencia
y de alegría perpetua junto a ti.

R. Enséñanos, Señor, el camino de la vida.

SEGUNDA LECTURA

Heb 10, 11-14. 18

Hermanos: En la antigua alianza los sacerdotes ofrecían en el templo, diariamente y de pie, los mismos sacrificios, que no podían perdonar los pecados. Cristo, en cambio, ofreció un solo sacrificio por los pecados y se sentó para siempre a la derecha de Dios; no le queda sino aguardar a que sus enemigos sean puestos bajo sus pies. Así, con una sola ofrenda, hizo perfectos para siempre a los que ha santificado. Porque una vez que los pecados han sido perdonados, ya no hacen falta más ofrendas por ellos.

ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO

Cfr Lc 21, 36

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Velen y oren,
para que puedan presentarse sin temor
ante el Hijo del hombre.

R. Aleluya.

EVANGELIO

Mc 13, 24-32

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: “Cuando lleguen aquellos días, después de la gran tribulación, la luz del sol se apagará, no brillará la luna, caerán del cielo las estrellas y el universo entero se conmoverá. Entonces verán venir al Hijo del hombre sobre las nubes con gran poder y majestad. Y él enviará a sus ángeles a congregar a sus elegidos desde los cuatro puntos cardinales y desde lo más profundo de la tierra a lo más alto del cielo.

Entiendan esto con el ejemplo de la higuera. Cuando las ramas se ponen tiernas y brotan las hojas, ustedes saben que el verano está cerca. Así también, cuando vean ustedes que suceden estas cosas, sepan que el fin ya está cerca, ya está a la puerta. En verdad que no pasará esta generación sin que todo esto se cumpla. Podrán dejar de existir el cielo y la tierra, pero mis palabras no dejarán de cumplirse. Nadie conoce el día ni la hora. Ni los ángeles del cielo ni el Hijo; solamente el Padre”.

Religious Education

Last Saturday our teens who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation all attended our Day of the Spirit retreat. We began by watching the live-stream of Holy Fire, which the Archdiocese presented for all Confirmation Candidates. After lunch, Fr. Ken Baker was our Retreat Presenter, and we concluded our day with a very special Mass. We are truly grateful to Fr. Ken and our teachers and parents who helped us to make this a special retreat experience for our candidates. Please keep our Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they continue their journey to the Sacrament of Confirmation on February 19th.



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CHESS CLUB AT ST. CLETUS!



Over fifty students from grades K-8 signed up for Chess Club this fall. Students have been receiving instruction from Principal Emeritus Mr. Larry Manetti during the last several weeks. Students are placed in groups from beginners all the way through a more advanced level. As the year progresses, some of the students may have the opportunity to participate in tournaments. Keep up the great work, Cardinals!

JOB OPENINGS

AFTERCARE WORKER

5 days a week from 3pm until 6pm or until the last student leaves. Pay is \$15 an hour.

Looking for a reliable, caring individual. College and High School Jr's and Sr's welcome to apply.

Must be VIRTUS Trained.

Please contact the school office if interested at 708-352-4820



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GIVE TO CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Fund a Child's Future

Did you know that the **Invest in Kids Act** helps children from low-income households in Illinois access scholarships that cover up to 100 percent of a Catholic school's tuition? Thanks to this program, thousands of students are learning in a faith-filled environment, gaining knowledge and building on their faith in Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools. Your support during these challenging times would help educate the next generation of Catholic student leaders while building on a brighter future for all.

What is a tax credit scholarship?
Tax Credit Scholarships cover up to 100 percent of tuition and fees for the 2022/23 school year. Students from low-income households can qualify for tax credit scholarships if their family income is less than \$72,900.* More than 9,000 students qualified for a scholarship last year and 6,300 were left on the waiting list without one.

Cut tax liability
Individuals may receive a credit for their Illinois state taxes equal to 75 percent of donation.

HOW IT WORKS
We use \$10K in this example, but any amount is needed.

DONATE \$10,000
After following the step-by-step guide, a taxpayer can donate \$10,000 to Empower Illinois or the Big Shoulders Fund, the two Scholarship Granting Organizations working with the archdiocese. Designate the archdiocese's Catholic schools or a specific group of schools as beneficiary.

TAX REWARD CAN EQUAL \$7,500
You are eligible to claim a \$7,500 tax credit on your state taxes -75 percent of your gift! This has the potential to eliminate your 2020 tax liability.

*Based on a family of four.

Donate now to keep students learning in Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools

As COVID-19 variants continue to spread through our community, our Catholic schools have maintained in-person learning, while providing excellence in education, lifelong lessons in faith and leadership and the spirit of community.



You can ensure a brighter future by investing in children from our most vulnerable communities. Contribute through the Illinois Invest in Kids program and make the lifelong advantage of a Catholic school education possible.

Catholic schools have long set the standard for faith, excellence in education and service to society. They have provided spiritual growth and instruction to students, in order for them to overcome economic struggles and, in turn, contribute back to strengthen our communities.

Your donation is an investment that keeps our schools open and guarantees that our future generations will have the advantage of a quality Catholic education.

A donation can be made using cash, check or appreciated stock.

Invest in kids now: 3 easy steps

- 1 REGISTER**
These helpful guides from either **Empower Illinois** or the **Big Shoulders Fund** will walk you through the process of obtaining a donor account. You will need the primary taxpayer's SSN and one of the following: IL Driver's License #, IL State ID #, or Adjusted Gross Income from the prior year's return.
- 2 RESERVE**
Reserve your tax credit with the Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR). Refer to this list of **eligible schools** to determine where your school of choice is located and designate either Empower Illinois or Big Shoulders Fund as your Scholarship Granting Organization. You will receive your Contribution Authorization Certificate (CAC) via email. Once you have your CAC, you are ready to donate.
- 3 DONATE**
Once you receive confirmation of your tax credit and your CAC from IDOR, you have up to 60 days to donate to the Scholarship Granting Organization of your choice.

THANK YOU!
These three simple steps make a difference in a child's life and will have a long-lasting, positive impact on our community because you have invested in Catholic education. Do not delay. Mark your calendar! This opportunity will not last.

For more information please contact the TCS hotline at **312.534.2617** or tcs@archchicago.org, or visit archchicago.org/tcs.

Youth Ministry

CHURCH LEAGUE



Church League for Boys has begun! Practices are Wednesday evenings in the Parish Center Gym. Freshmen and Sophomores practice from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Juniors and Seniors practice from 8:30-9:30 p.m. We are truly grateful to the parent coaches who stepped up to enable our boys to play this year!

MISSION TRIP

We were super excited to see the response to our Mission Trip scheduled for June 19-25, 2022. At this time, there is a wait list for the trip. If you are interested, please do join the waitlist. There is a real possibility we can add additional teens for this trip. See the website for additional information.

Thank you to all who supported our first fundraiser for this trip! We sold over 200 Kringles, which will provide much needed funds to offset our transportation costs. We will be doing additional fundraising in the future for this trip as well. We are so grateful for your support!



KAIROS



Save the date! We are planning for our next Kairos retreat for Juniors and Seniors for January 2-4, 2022. It will be held at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien.

More information coming next week!

JOIN US ON DECEMBER 6

Stress Less: Resilience for Success

Teenagers are experiencing stress at higher levels for many different reasons: school, friendships, family relationships, and extracurricular activities just to name a few. This presentation seeks to teach high school students how to identify causes of stress, develop stress management techniques, and learn mindfulness practices. Mindfulness not only reduces stress and anxiety in individuals, but leads to better school performance and overall well-being. Our goal is to teach students how to reduce stress and practice good mental health behaviors.

We will also be making stress balls to take home. The bonus is that we will be providing fun desserts for our teens... remember that desserts is stressed spelled backwards! We hope our high school teens will join us for a fun evening! Our speaker is coming from NAMI, and is an expert on the subject of teen stress. Grab a friend and join us for a worthwhile study break! We ask that you sign up using the sign up genius link on our website, so that we can ensure we have enough delicious desserts! All are welcome! See the parish website for the link to sign up!



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2021 Advent Gathering & Reflection



“Thinking with the Saints” Reflections on how to become a better Catholic

Special Guest Speaker
Paul C. Hilliard, Ph.D.



Chairperson and Associate Professor in the Department of Church History; Director of Doctor of Ministry Program at University of St. Mary of the Lake/ Mundelein Seminary.

Dr. Hilliard received his B.A. in History with Concentrations in Classics, Medieval and Renaissance Studies from the University of Dallas. He received his Masters in Philosophy in Medieval History from University of Cambridge. Additionally, he received his Ph.D. in History from the University of Cambridge. Dr. Hilliard is a member of the American Historical Association, American Catholic Historical Association, Ecclesiastical History Society, International Society of Anglo-Saxonists, Medieval Academy of America, and Society for the Study of the Bible in the Middle Ages

Gather at St. Cletus Catholic Church as we prepare for the celebration of the coming of our Lord and Savior in the Nativity of Jesus! Come together to share the joy of the season in shared song, prayer, and reflection followed by fellowship and light refreshments in the Parish Center.

December 5, 2021, 3-5 p.m.
600 W 55th St., La Grange, IL 60525



St. Cletus Parish

Spreading The Good News Through
Worship, Service, And Education

Social Concerns Ministry



**ST. CLETUS
FOOD PANTRY
THURSDAYS 6-8PM
CHURCH PARKING LOT**

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- 2-3 lb Rice
- Boxed Potatoes
- Canned Chili

Please look for the FOOD PANTRY DONATION bin near the Rectory door, it will be checked daily.



Follow us on Facebook:
[@StCletusFoodPantry](#)

Now on Instagram:
[@St.CletusFoodPantry](#)

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 UPDATES

Thanks to the students and PTO at Gurrie Middle School for their TGIF food drive benefiting our pantry! St. Cletus half day pre-k students are collecting items each week until Thanksgiving. Week one was jelly for the letter “J”! Thank you for thinking of us!

GIVING TREE UPDATE

Giving Tree Tags are NOW AVAILABLE! Shop with Scrip gift cards will be for sale in the Narthex this weekend and next weekend. There are many ways to get tags this year:

- **Church Narthex:** Trees will be available before and after Masses in the Church Narthex. Trees will be labeled by category so you can easily find what type of tag you are looking for.
- **Online Form:** We have a simple form you can complete to request tags and then we will email you information for tags based on what you requested. All contact free. Visit: shorturl.at/cwLU1
- **Email/Phone:** Or you can email kgrant@stcletusparish.com or leave a message at 708.215.5418 and we can get back to you with tag information.

October 1-31:	Client Registration
Nov. 13-Dec. 10:	Tags are available for donors
December 11 & 12:	Gifts need to be turned in
December 18 & 19:	Distribution to Clients

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Volunteer slots are now available for our Giving Tree collection and distribution weekends. View slots, availability, age requirements, FAQs, and more at: www.stcletusparish.com/givingtree

For further details, you can also contact: Kendall Grant, (708)215-5418, kgrant@stcletusparish.com

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Mid-Career Job Search Techniques for Success—Looking for a new job? Are you over the age of 50? Be sure to join us on Thursday, November 18 from 7-9 pm. Many mid-career job seekers have concerns of age bias when in search for new opportunities. There are ways to enter the competition with more confidence when you overcome some of your natural concerns. Panelists Eileen Paliakas and John Fix are two mid-career professionals who have recently successfully landed great new jobs. They will share their experiences including obvious suggestions, the less obvious and what may potentially waste your time. We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, in Western Springs. This will be a Hybrid meeting both in-person and via Zoom. The link to the Zoom meeting can be found at <http://interfaithcareernetwork.org/calender>. If you attend in-person, masks are required. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend.

WORD OF LIFE



“We can’t imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God’s power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives.”

USSCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
“An Adoption Love Story” (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)

Ministerio de Justicia Social

ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

Gracias a todos los estudiantes y al PTO de la escuela intermedia Gurrie por su TGIF en recaudación de alimentos que nos beneficiaron! Los estudiantes de San Cleto de medio día que están recolectando artículos cada semana hasta el Día de dar Gracias. Una semana fue mermelada por la letra J!. Gracias por pensar en nosotros.

ÁRBOL NAVIDEÑO

Etiquetas del árbol navideño están ya DISPONIBLES ! compre con tarjeta de regalo SCRIP, estarán de venta en Nártex este fin de semana y el próximo. Hay diferente maneras de obtener una etiqueta este año:

- **Nártex de la Iglesia:** arboles estarán antes y después de cada Misa en Nártex de la Iglesia, los arboles estarán con etiqueta por categoría, para que usted fácilmente pueda encontrar la etiqueta que busca
- **En Línea:** Tenemos una forma simple que puede llenar y pedir etiquetas y se las mandaremos por correo electrónico, basado en lo que usted haya pedido. Todo libre de contacto. Visite : shorturl.at/cwLU1
- **Correo Electrónico/Teléfono:** Puede mandar un correo electrónico a kgrant@stcletusparish.com o deje un mensaje en el 708 215 5418 y regresaremos la llamada con la información de la etiqueta

OPORTUNIDADES PARA VOLUNTARIOS DE ÁRBOL NAVIDEÑO

Espacios para voluntarios están ahora disponibles para el Árbol Navideño, fines de semana de colección y distribución , ver los espacios disponibles, requerimiento de edad y más, en el stcletusparish.com/givingtree

Respuestas a las preguntas frecuentemente hechas, pueden ser encontradas en la página de la parroquia : www.stcletusparish.com/givingtree.

RED DE CARRERAS INTERRELIGIOSAS

Búsqueda de empleo y técnicas para el éxito , buscando un trabajo nuevo? usted es mayor de 50? Asegúrese de unirse a nosotros el Jueves, Noviembre 18 de 7 a 9pm. Muchas personas de edad media buscando una nueva oportunidad. Hay diferentes maneras de entrar en la competencia con más confianza cuando logra superar la preocupación. Panelistas Eileen Paliakos y John Fix son dos profesionales de edad media quien recientemente con éxito encontraron un excelente trabajo. Ellos compartieran sus experiencias incluyendo , las sugerencias obvias y las menos obvias, y que potencialmente puede ser pérdida de tiempo. Los esperamos en St. John of The Cross en el centro parroquial en el 5505 Wolf Road en Western Springs. Esta será una junta híbrida de dos maneras, en persona y vía Zoom. El enlace para la junta zoom puede ser encontrada en nuestra página en interfaithcareernetwork.org . Si usted va asistir en persona , cubre boca es requerido. Todos son bienvenidos sin ningún costo, esta junta será en ingles.

PALABRA DE VIDA



“No podemos imaginar amar a un niño que concebimos más de lo que amamos a Andrew. Es sorprendente lo bien que se adapta a nuestras personalidades... Adoptar a Andrew nos ha hecho más conscientes del poder de Dios y de su amor por nosotros. Comprendemos que siempre tiene un plan perfecto para nuestras vidas”.

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
 “Relato de una adopción de amor” (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)



DEPÓSITO DE COMIDA DE LA PARROQUIA DE SAN CLETO JUEVES 6-8PM

Lista de deseos para la Despensa de Aliment:

- Salsa para pasta
- 2-3 libras de arroz
- Papas en caja
- Lata de chili

Para los que gustan donar alimentos, pueden dejar sus donaciones en el contenedor que se encuentra enfrente de la puerta de la recotoria.

Siganos en Facebook:
[@StCletusFoodPantry](https://www.facebook.com/StCletusFoodPantry)

Siganos en Instagram:
[@St.CletusFoodPantry](https://www.instagram.com/StCletusFoodPantry)

Si tiene preguntas o quiere ser voluntario en nuestro ministerio de Justicia Social contacte a Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

Ministry News

MINISTER TRAINING 11/15 & 11/17

The Lord is inviting some folks who would like to share their gifts by proclaiming the Word of God (as a lector) or offering the Eucharist at Mass as an extraordinary minister of Communion. Scheduling is flexible as you state your Mass time and date preferences.

Training will be offered Monday, Nov.15 or Wednesday, Nov. 17th in church for those wishing to become:

- Eucharistic Ministers - 6:00-7:00pm
- Lectors - 7:00-7:30pm

Please give Paulette Bolton a call if you have any questions and/or to accept the invitation: 708.215.5422.

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN ADVENT RETREAT 11/20

Ladies of St. Cletus Parish, you are invited to join us for our Advent Retreat "Walking to Bethlehem with Thanksgiving and Wonder."

When: Saturday, November 20th, 2021

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Donation: \$10 per person (includes lunch)

For questions or help with your reservation contact: Ann at amkuchta@uic.edu or Pat at 708-205-9678

HOLY NAME SOCIETY THANKSGIVING GIFT CARDS



As an alternative to the annual Turkey Raffle, the Holy Name Society has decided NOT to hold a raffle for turkeys for reasons detailed in last week's Canticle. As we did last year, we will again forego the traditional fundraising for our treasury and concentrate on the more meaningful expression of THANKS to the hard-working school and parish staff at St. Cletus.

Specifically, we will **purchase food store gift cards with donations from HNS members and other interested parishioners, and offer the cards to school and parish personnel before THANKGIVING.** Last year \$25 cards were distributed to the teachers and office staff for the school, various parish staff members, and the parish Food Pantry. This year we are hopeful to at least equal – and possibly exceed – last year's effort. To reach for that goal, we will again solicit donations at masses this weekend (**November 13/14**). For accounting purposes, we would **prefer to receive donations by check.**

If interested in helping to fund this show of THANKS to staff and Food Pantry clients, please consider stopping in the narthex on these weekends where **Holy Name**

members will **THANK-fully** accept checks from parishioners for this worthy effort. **Checks should be made out to: St. Cletus HNS.** THANK YOU!

Contact Rod Bradford (708-370-9001) or Bill Wettstein (708-227-0642, wwettstein@gmail.com) with any questions/concerns.

BOOK DISCUSSION 12/14



For the next book discussion, we are reading **The All-girl Filling Station's Last Reunion** by Fannie Flagg. We will meet on December 14, 2021 at 7 PM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.

At this gathering we will also select the books to read in the coming months. If there is a book that you would like to read and discuss please come and join in. As always, all are welcome. Questions – call Denise 708.712.8294.

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE 11/28



Please join us on Sunday, November 28 at 5pm for an Advent service of meditative song, scripture, and prayer. This candlelit service is open to all ages.

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

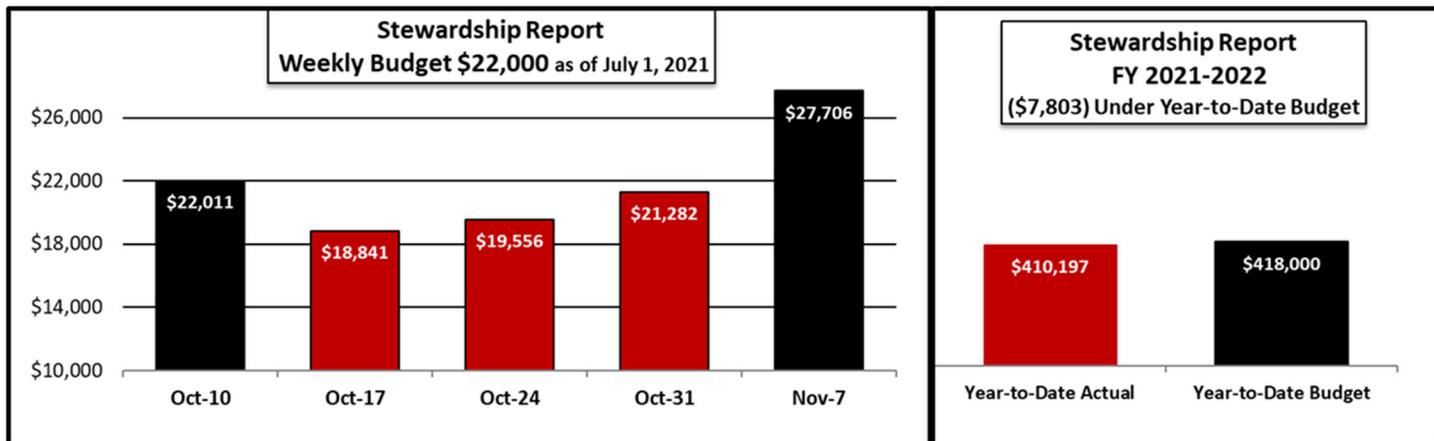
Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5:00 p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication

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PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A QCD GIFT TO OUR PARISH

Making a gift from your IRA can benefit you and our parish. An IRA charitable rollover, also known as a qualified charitable distribution (QCD), allows individuals age 70½ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to make a direct transfer of funds from their IRA to qualified charities, tax-free.

There are three main benefits of giving with a QCD:

- 1) If you are 72 years old or older, the amount you transfer can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution.
- 2) The amount transferred directly to charity does not generate taxable income, which may reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your Medicare premiums and decrease the amount of Social Security that is subject to tax.
- 3) Your gift will be immediately used, allowing you to see the impact of your gift now.

If you wish to have your QCD gift qualify for the current tax year, we recommend submitting your request to your IRA administrator by December 1st.

If you would like more information on making a QCD gift, please contact Mary Zwolinski at 708-352-6209 or mzwolinski@stcletusparish.com.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, November 14	7:00am	Narthex	Holy Name Society Table
Monday, November 15	4:00pm	School Music Room	Junior Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, November 16			
Wednesday, November 17	9:00am 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies Finance Council
Thursday, November 18	5:00pm 6-8pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Church Parking Lot School Music Room	Children's Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, November 19			
Saturday, November 20	11:00am	Parish Center Gym	SCCCW Advent Retreat
Sunday, November 21			

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

Parish Center.....(708) 352-6209
School(708) 352-4820
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PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Saturday and SundayClosed

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
Sunday7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
Weekdays..... Mon. thru Fri. 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (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.

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

Mission Statement

St. Cletus is a dynamic Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Good news of Jesus Christ through worship, education, and service.

Vision Statement

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