

ST. CLETUS CHURCH 600 W. 55TH ST. LA GRANGE, IL

FEBRUARY 5TH, 2023



The just man is light
in the darkness
-Psalm 112

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS.

PSALM 112



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WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for February 6 - February 12, 2023

Day	Time	Presider	Intentions
February 6	8:00am	Bishop Birmingham	Rita Peters, St. Cletus Purgatorial Society, Louie V. Viececi, Al Saporito
February 7	8:00am	Bishop Birmingham	Theresa Podwika
February 8	8:00am	Fr. Gavancho	BC and Rip Collins
February 9	8:00am	Fr. Gavancho	Joe and Kay Klemak
February 10	8:00am	Fr. Gavancho	St. Cletus Parishioners
February 11	5:00pm	Fr. Lodge	Lydia Danielewicz, Esteban Orona, Ramiro Garza, Carlota Garza, Alfonso Orona, Emilia Orona, Alejandro Orona, Rose Marie Hrzzenjak
February 12	7:15am	Fr. Romero	John Duda, John Butler, Lois Cushing
	8:45am	Fr. Lodge	George Marshall
	10:30am	Fr. Romero	Joseph Accardi, Enrique Diaz, Violet Rakoczy(living intention)
	12:30pm	Fr. Borquez	St. Cletus Parishioners

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

Father Charles Watkins

Salvador A. De La Cerda

May they rest in peace....

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.

February - Daniel Lacey, Matthew O'Connell, Roman Szabelski

January - Janusz Szczepanski, James Wallace, Bill Gozdecki, Peter Felice, Donna Kurcz, Bill Deleeshe

December - Marlene Heyes, Patricia Rodey

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

ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...

Rishawn Darell House Jr.

Son of Rishawn Darell House and Laurie Miller

Nathan Carter House

Son of Rishawn Darell House and Laurie Miller

Ava Miller

Daughter of Rishawn Darell House and Laurie Miller

Hunter Kraus

Son of Michael Kraus and Eva Gadomski

Audrey Jaime Olsowka

Daughter of Scott Olsowka and Jaime Olsowka

**TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH
THROUGH THE SACRAMENT
OF BAPTISM**



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Pastor's Note

"Thus says the Lord:

*Share your bread with the hungry,
shelter the oppressed and the homeless;
clothe the naked when you see them,
and do not turn your back on your own, "*
Isaiah 58:7

Dear Parishioners,

The Lord is kind to us. Each day He blesses us with the gifts of life, family, work, friends, and faith. He fills our hearts with His kindness and generosity. He gives us the courage and joy to share our blessings and time with others. He inspires us to be attentive not only to our needs but also to the needs of others.

Our parish is very good at sharing bread with the hungry. We share bread with our sisters and brothers every week. This is something that we do through the Food Pantry ministry that our parish is blessed to have. Everyone that comes to our Food Pantry is welcomed and served with compassion, kindness, and love. As I thank you for your continued support to our Food Pantry, I would like to acknowledge and thank Kendall Grant and all the volunteers for making feel welcomed and at home all those who allow us to share our bread with them.

With gratitude, appreciation, and wonder, I proceed to share with you some news and events. In each of them we can notice the presence and work of the Holy Spirit.

First, on Wednesday, February 1st, 2023, at 10:30 AM, we had a funeral Mass for Fr. Charles Watkins. Most Rev. Joseph Perry was the principal celebrant. Fr. Michael Novick, Associate Pastor, was the homilist. Fr. Watkins served at our parish as an Associate Pastor for five years (2006-2011). I met him at Mundelein Seminary in 2000. We both were ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago by Francis Cardinal George on May 24, 2003. Four days before he passed, I was able to visit him. We were able to exchange a few words. May the Lord welcome him into His kingdom!

Second, our celebration and sharing of Holy Moments which was held on Wednesday, January 25th, 2023, went well. As a community of faith and moved by our desire to grow in our relationship with God, we came together to pray and thank Him for all the many holy moments He gives us daily. I was encouraged and uplifted by the holy moments that were shared by five members of our parish. It is my prayer and hope that the Lord will continue to share His grace with us so that our awareness of holy moments in our daily lives continues to grow.

Third, on Friday morning, January 27, 2023, accompanied by Greg Porod, principal, I was able to visit and pray with our students. As always, I was moved by their warm hospitality. They are eager to share with you their love for learning and the projects that they are working on. After praying with them, I blessed them with holy water. At the end of my visit, I was able to join our pre-school children in their Lunar New year celebration. It was a holy moment to be with them. Please keep them and their teachers in prayer.

Fourth, last Sunday, January 29, 2023, I attended the St. Cletus Open House. I was happy to see many families visiting our school. Each of them had a chance to meet our wonderful teachers, talk with students and parents, explore the classrooms, and learn more about our school. I would like to acknowledge and thank our Principal, Assistant Principal, teachers, students, and parents who offered such a warm and successful St. Cletus School Open House to our guests. It was such a wonderful experience for all.

Fifth, with the support and leadership of our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) and some other volunteers, our parish is hosting a Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 12, 2023, at the Parish Center. I am happy to let you know that the members of the PPC are excited and joyfully preparing everything so that we all can have a marvelous time together on February 12. This is another way of us being together and growing in friendship with all those who consider St. Cletus Parish as their spiritual home. If you could, please bring a friend along.

Sixth, currently, I am doing my yearly retreat. I started on Saturday, February 4, 2023. I will return to the parish on Friday evening, February 10th, 2023. Every priest that serves in the Archdiocese of Chicago is expected to do a yearly eight-day retreat. A retreat is always a special moment for prayer, reflection, silence, solitude, and especially for growth in friendship with the Lord. Please keep me in prayer as I will keep you in mine.

Seventh, next Saturday, February 11th, 2023, at 1:00 PM, 93 of our children will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at a special Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Robert Casey, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago. Please keep the children, their parents, sponsors, and catechists in your prayer. If you are able, please join us.

Finally, may our desire to share bread with the hungry be blessed by our loving God. **Fr. Elmer Romero**

Note From Father Mike

Change of plans

I had to postpone my surgery as the world lost one of the shining lights of the priesthood and certainly one of my own lights, Fr. Charles Watkins, a former Associate Pastor of St. Cletus from 2006-2008. Fr. Charles and I had been friends since even before he was officially a student at Mundelein. I was ordained in 2001, Fr. Charles in 2003 – a classmate to Fr. Elmer too. Charles was a gifted man with an amazing life with about 4 or 5 different careers, and none was less important than another. He passed away on January 27th. RIP, my brother and dearest of friends. There will be another time. One day.

I know this is around the time that the Annual Catholic Appeal begins. The theme for this year is “Walking on the Road With Jesus.” I find this theme to be very providential at this time in the Church. With Lent not too far away, you may remember a song from Church with a line from the first verse that says “Lord, let me walk that lonely road with you **UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE WOOD.**” The reality of the Christian life is that “Walking on the Road With Jesus” is a daily task. Jesus didn’t simply take up the Cross at the time of His condemnation. Jesus carried wood plenty of times in being a carpenter, learning the trade from Joseph, His earthly father. I’m sure there were plenty of days Jesus had to carry some pretty heavy pieces of handcrafted furniture. If you’ve ever bought solid furniture like a dining room table and chairs, you know how heavy it is by comparison to “pressed wood” (what basically appears to be compacted sawdust with a vinyl cover of some sort). So He was no stranger to a heavy load, but probably not carrying it by himself. So when we say we hope to become disciples of Jesus, we are pleading with Him too carry the Cross with Him, or more so, to carry it for Him. We should also so willing to carry our own cross, which He gladly helps us to carry.

I found an article online the other day called “Do Christians Really Need to Attend Church?” I am pretty sure I’ve tried to tackle this question in many articles and homilies before, but here came this article across my computer screen. The simple answer to the question is “yes.” Yet, there are so many people that have said over time “I don’t need to go to church to have a relationship with God.” While in essence that is true, being a disciple of Jesus means following His words and actions. Something we know Jesus did was to go to the temple to pray with the community. That is noted in the gospel of St. Luke early on when He reads from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. We cannot simply say “well, that was Jesus. That’s not me.” It may not be our charism (strength) to read in front of people, and for most people, having a specific liturgical ministry to be involved with isn’t always possible. Or maybe some people still think Mass is boring and “I get nothing out of going.” Whenever we attend Mass, we are not supposed to be looking for something from God, but we are there because we love Him and we are thankful for the love He has shown us by calling us to new life through our call to be His children by adoption through baptism.

Now, of course, that comes with trying to have an open mind and heart to receive whatever the Holy Spirit offers, when-
ever He reveals it to us. Is He going to reveal something every week to every person in attendance? Actually, He does. The question is whether or not we are actually paying attention to what He is offering at that time. It’s not foolproof to say we are going to understand every week, but we ought to be praying for the grace to understand whenever He chooses. It’s really not a lot for God to ask us for one hour of our time each week, is it? Or is it just me?

Peace be with you,

Fr. Mike

7th and 8th grade students stood as honor guard as Father Watkins was processed out of church.



Super Bowl Party!

Eagles VS. Chiefs- The teams have been set!

Whether you are “Team Philly Cheese Steak” or “Team BBQ” join us Sunday, February 12th for the big game! Here is all you need to know:

When: Sunday, February 12th. Doors open at 3:00 pm /Kick-off 5:30 pm

Where: St. Cletus Parish Center

Cost: \$20 for a table of 6 or \$5 per person- this includes pizza and wings

What: Watch the game, commercials and half-time show on a Jumbotron (240 inch) screen TV
Enjoy pizza from Ledo’s and BBQ or Buffalo style wings from Lucca’s
Beer, wine, hard seltzer available for purchase \$5 or mix and match buckets for \$15
Soda and water available for \$1
More raffles and squares available game day

Kids are welcome! We will have a Chill Zone set up in the Gallagher Room with movies and popcorn where parents can take the kids and, well, Chill. (*Please note that childcare is not provided, parents will be responsible for children in the Chill Zone*) We will also have a Piñata for the kids after the half time show.



Sunday, February 12, 2023

St. Cletus Parish Center – Doors open at 3:00 p.m.

Sponsored by the St. Cletus Parish Pastoral Council and assisted by the St. Cletus Fathers' Club

Holy Moments

A BEAUTIFUL EVENING

It was cold and snowy evening but you would never know it inside our church. The atmosphere was full of warmth and community as speakers shared their stories and their “holy moments” that have stood out to them in their lives. Thank you to everyone who helped create such a beautiful and moving gathering.



School News

OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to everyone who attended our open house last Sunday! Our day began, gathered together for mass. At the end of mass our faculty and staff were invited up to the altar for a special blessing from Father Mike. Following mass it was time to head over to school to show everyone just how great being a Cardinal is! It was such a beautiful day surrounded by both current and prospective families!



Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
5 de febrero, 2023	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	Iglesia Church
7 de febrero, 2023	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español Spanish Mass	Iglesia Church
Segundo Sábado de cada mes Second Saturday of each month	8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.	Adoración Nocturna Night Adoration	Iglesia Church
Sábados	8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Confesiones	Iglesia

ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

Cada segundo sábado del mes el Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Adoración Nocturna, comenzando con una Misa a las 8:00 p.m. seguido de la Adoración al Santísimo hasta las 5:00 a.m. Todos están invitados a participar.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Every second Saturday of the month the Hispanic Ministry conducts Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with a Mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 am. Everyone is invited to participate.

DEVOCIÓN GUADALUPANA

El Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Devoción Guadalupeana rezando el rosario todos los días 12 de cada mes a las 7:00 pm en la iglesia. Todos están invitados a participar.

GUADALUPE DEVOTION

The Hispanic Ministry holds the Guadalupe Devotion by

praying the rosary every 12th day of each month at 7:00 pm in the church. Everyone is invited to participate.

JUNTA DE LECTORES

habrá una junta para todos los lectores en el Ministerio Hispano el viernes 10 de febrero, 2023 a las 7:00pm en el salón Gallagher. Compartiremos nuestras experiencias como lectores y reflexionaremos sobre la palabra de Dios. Nos estaremos reuniendo una vez cada tres meses. Las fechas las determinaremos en esta junta. Favor de anotarlo en su calendario.

LECTOR'S MEETING

There will be a meeting for all lectors in the Hispanic Ministry on Friday, February 10, 2023, at 7:00pm in the Gallagher Room. We will share our experiences as readers and reflect on the word of God. We will be meeting once every three months. The dates will be determined at this meeting. Please mark it on your calendar.

Sunday Notes

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed. (Is 58:8)

Psalm: The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. (Ps 112)

Second Reading: When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. (1 Cor 2:1-2)

Gospel: You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket." (Mt 5:14-15)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (1b)/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Wish List:

- \$10 gift cards to Walmart or Jewel
- Beverages
- Toothpaste
- Baby wipes
- Diapers size 4, 5, 6
- Household cleaners
- Laundry Detergent
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Shave cream
- Razors

Follow us on

Facebook:

@StCletusFoodPantry

Instagram:

@St.CletusFoodPantry

THANK YOU PACTIV EVERGREEN!



We recently got a large donation from Pactiv Evergreen of helpful household items! This includes aluminum foil, plastic food storage bags, aluminum pans and trash bags. Thank you to Holly for making this donation possible!

BIGGEST NEED

We are currently seeking donations of \$10 gift cards to Jewel or Walmart. Donations can be dropped in the weekly collection basket or at the Parish Center (please do not put gift cards in the donations bins). Or you can make an online donation to the food pantry. Please write (gift cards) in the memo/notes.

Each year, during the month of Easter, we distribute \$10 gift cards to Jewel/Walmart to each household. Last year, we had a huge response to donations and each household was able to receive \$20!

GCFD CAREER PATHWAYS OPPORTUNITY

The Greater Chicago Food Depository provides FREE & PAID job training 4-week job training programs for unemployed and underemployed adults living in Cook County. Trainings are background friendly and welcome to those without a high school diploma or GED. There are multiple career opportunities available in warehouse and hospitality industries. Career Pathways programs provide:

Life skills & career counseling services

Professional development & job placement assistance

Transportation & food assistance

\$15/hour paid training + completion bonus

Lectures are conducted in English with Spanish-language support and materials available.

For more information, you can call 773-843-5414 or visit chicagosfoodbank.org/job-training.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



As we prepare for Lent, we partner with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) to reach out and serve others through the Rice Bowl program. Please help distribute Rice Bowls after Masses **February 25-26**. All ages are welcome. Visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094cacac2ea2fc1-rice#/> to view slots and sign up.

*If you have questions
or would like to
volunteer with the
Social Concerns
Ministry contact
Kendall Grant
(708)215-5418
kgrant@*

Annual Catholic Appeal

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



WALKING ON THE ROAD WITH JESUS

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PLEASE MAKE YOUR GIFT TO THE 2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Walking on the road with Jesus

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes and schools who receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer the call “Walking on the road with Jesus.” We encourage giving at all levels to support this initiative. In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the archdiocese, the Annual Catholic Appeal funds services in our own parish.

When we financially support the work of our parish, our archdiocese and the Catholic Church throughout the world, we experience a feeling of deep gratitude, especially when we contemplate God’s many gifts to us personally. By sharing our wealth through gifts to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, we demonstrate our commitment to the Church and each other.

Ministry News

DISCUSSION

For the next book discussion we are reading **Laine Change** by Mary Ann Doornbos. We will meet on February 14 at 10 AM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.

For those who like to look ahead....

April 11 **In the Woods** by Tana French

June 13 **The Dream Daughter** by Diane Chamberlain

As always, all are welcome.

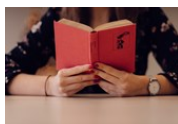
Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

VISIO DIVINA



Join us for Visio Divina during this Lent, when we will be reflecting on the readings of each Sunday in Lent, using art that reflects those readings. We will be using the Arts and Faith series from Loyola

Press. We will read and pray with the relevant reading and the art, and end with an Ignatian reflection. These sessions will be held on Thursdays at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. (please sign up for one of these) in the Gallagher Room. There is no charge. If this is interesting to you, please sign up by contacting our pastoral associate, Tina Norton



PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

"Oh! If it were but known how great is the power of the good souls in purgatory with the Heart of God, and if we knew all the graces we can obtain through their intercession, they would not be so much forgotten. We must, therefore, pray much for them, that they may pray much for us." ~ St. John Vianney
Enroll your deceased loved ones for FREE, become a member of the purgatorial society and join us in prayer for the holy souls!



Information pamphlet and enrollment forms can be found in the narthex or visit: <http://www.stcletusparish.com/purgatorialsociety>

Special intentions for February anniversaries will be remembered at Mass on Monday, February 6th, 8am

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

The Holy Name Society is meeting on February 10th at 7pm in the Gallagher Room. We will be discussing and making plans for the upcoming pancake breakfast in April.

We hope all members can attend, and welcome new members.

*"The Holy Eucharist
is the perfect
expression of the love
of Jesus Christ."*



Bringing up the gifts is a wonderful way to become actively involved in mass each weekend! If you would like to sign up, please follow the link below
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4BA4A923ABF>
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BAPTISMAL MINISTRY

We are hoping to start a new Baptism Ministry here at St. Cletus. The Baptism Minister would help set up the font on Saturdays before the baptisms (which are at 11:00 or 11:30, depending), welcome the families and help them find seats in church, and then put the baptism materials away afterwards. No special theological knowledge is required, and you'll get a chance to meet new people and show them that St. Cletus is a welcoming place. Training will be provided. Also, any confirmed teens who might like this ministry can have service hours. If this is interesting to you, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Tina Norton, for more information.

WEDDING MINISTRY

As the pandemic recedes we are having more weddings scheduled at St. Cletus, and we would like to have more Wedding Ministers to help. Wedding Ministers see to the wedding rehearsal, make sure all the paperwork is together, set up for the mass on the wedding day, and oversee the wedding itself. Usually this is done as a team of at least two ministers. It's a chance to welcome families and give them a happy memory of their time at St. Cletus. You can do this as often as you like. For more information, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Tina Norton, at the Parish Office.

Community News

VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

We beg you good and holy priests. In every age you call men to follow you as servants and shepherds of your people. Open their hearts to your call and give them the courage to follow you. Be their rock of refuge and their lights as they discern.

Help us to support them on their journey, and to love them as your disciples.

We thank you for all that you are and all that you do. In your name we pray.

Amen.

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Vocation Office
750 North Wabash
Ave. Chicago, IL

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Quarterly Resume Review

Join us on Saturday, February 11 from 9-11 am for a helpful 20 minute, one-on-one conversation with a HR or other search related professional. Pick up some new ideas and suggestions that could enhance or refresh your resume. Need some coaching with your elevator speech? Want to brush up on LinkedIn? This is your opportunity to add impact and clarity to your existing resume. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend. We look forward to seeing you at St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 W. 55th Street in La Grange.

Visit us at www.interfaithcareernetwork.com for additional resources.

Mid-Career Job Search Techniques for Success

Are you over the age of 50? Many mid-career job seekers have concern of age bias when in search of new opportunities. There are ways to enter the competition with more confidence when you overcome some of these natural concerns. Panelists Eileen Paliakas and Jim Fix are two mid-career professionals who have recently landed

great jobs. They will share their experiences including the obvious suggestions, the less obvious and what may potentially waste your time. Please join us on Thursday, February 16 from 7-9 pm. We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, Western Springs. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend.

Visit us at www.interfaithcareernetwork.com for additional resources.

MID-LIFE SINGLES (MID-30S TO 50S)

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph and Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), on March 3-5, 2023. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$285 for meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

SAVE THE DATE!

You're invited to join ICP for our 21st Annual Fall Benefit to support our community's older adults and celebrate all who make the ICP mission possible! **Friday, September 29th, 2023 at 6pm**



Holiday Inn | Countryside, IL
Cocktails, Appetizers, Program

Music, Fun & Games, Silent Auction

Proceeds benefit ICP and our mission to provide safe transportation and outreach services to older adults in the 22 local communities we serve!

AREA RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion clinics. This campaign runs from February 22 - April 2. If you are interested in signing up and participating locally, you can do so here:



<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/downersgrove>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

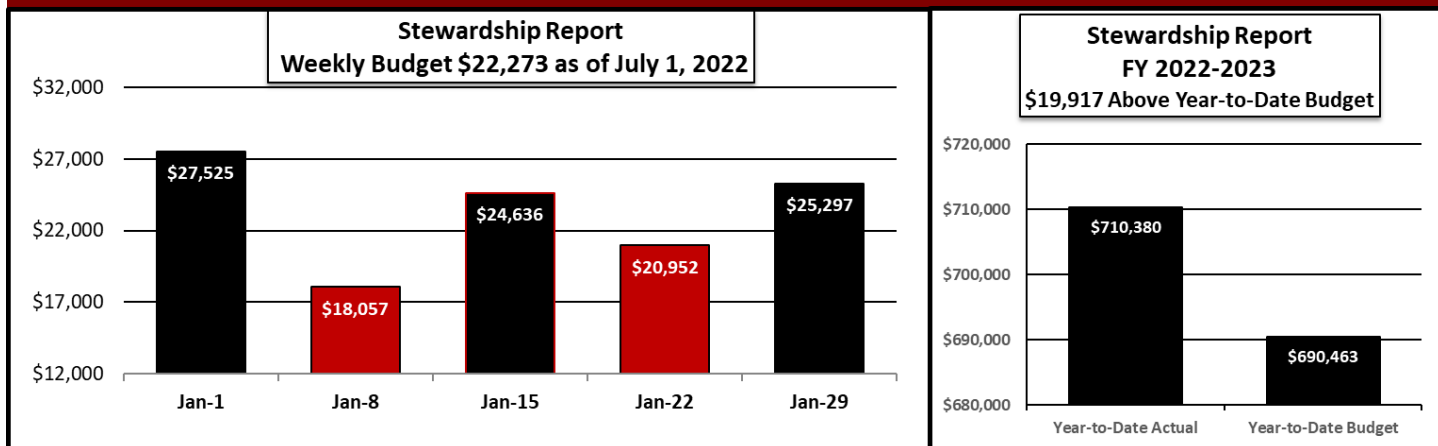
If you are experiencing problems, especially abuse, in your relationship, talk to a professional counselor. Find professional assistance by calling the National Domestic Violence Hotline, 800-799-7233. Chat with a service provider and find the domestic violence services nearest you. If you are in immediate danger, call 911.



Week At A Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 5			
Monday, February 6			
Tuesday, February 7	8:15-9:45pm	Parish Center	Church League Basketball Practice Grades 10 & 11
Wednesday, February 7	9am-12pm	Gallagher Room	Mission Ladies
Thursday, February 9	6-8pm 8:15-9:45pm	Food Pantry Parish Center	Food Pantry Distribution Church League Basketball Practice Grades 10 & 11
Friday, February 10	6:30pm-8pm	Morrissey Hall	Family Bingo Night
Saturday, February 11			
Sunday, February 12	3pm	Parish Center	Super Bowl Party

Stewardship Report



YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2022 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the office @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email jdion@stcletusparish.com and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ Envelope # _____

GIVING


Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY!

Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON (pictured to the right). Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, contact Jim Dion at jdion@stcletusparish.com or 708.352.6209.



St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

Parish Center.....(708) 352-6209
 School(708) 352-4820
 www.stcletusparish.com.....  stcletuschurch

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office.

Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday and Sunday Closed

MASSES

Saturday Evening 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
 12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
 Weekdays Monday thru Friday 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.

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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

We welcome all. We encourage all parishioners to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in their daily lives, by sharing their talents and faith with our parish and community.