

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

It was not you who chose me,
but I who chose you
and appointed you to go and bear fruit.

— John 15:16

A photograph of two hands forming a heart shape, with a cross in the center, set against a sunset field.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF

Easter

MAY 6, 2018

No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13

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WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of May 7 - May 13, 2018

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	John Cooper, Joan Lewandowski
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Delphine Marciszewski, John Battistoni, George Kusman, Joseph & Kay Klemak
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Joe Jablonowski, Virginia Bedwell
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Viececi, Loretta Harwood
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Marilyn Selig
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Special Intention - Rebecca Murillo Dan McGrath, Dennis Gabriel, Lisa Gabriel, Rose Haddad, Georgia Popp, John Cooper, Mother of Alicia Ghera
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	John Zumpano, Stacy Baker, Special Intention - Sally Baker, Josephine Felice, Patrick Mahoney, John & Frances Kennedy, Mother of Alicia Ghera Helen Callaghan, Riccardone & Calandriello Families, Shirley Sharkey, Debbie Sipek, Margaret Hess Valerie Moskus, John Battistoni, Marco & Emilia Rattin, Bill DePasquale, Camilo Ferreira Gomez, 45 th Wedding Anniversary - Wayne & Marianne Hamilton Gene Kennedy, Helen White, Josephine Sorrentino, Joan Brown Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners



CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Janice and her husband were both fighting cancer when they came to one of Catholic Charities food pantries. Since they could not work, they needed help feeding their daughter and keeping their bodies strong through proper nutrition. Catholic Charities gave them the fresh food and produce, and connected them to the appropriate services that they needed at a very difficult time in their life. Please give to Catholic Charities on Mother's Day to help families overcome enormous obstacles. Learn more at www.catholiccharities.net. A letter from the Cardinal can be found on page 5 of the Canticle.

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE MOTHER'S DAY BABY SHOWER

The St. Cletus Committee for Respect Life Activities is hosting it's 27th Annual Mother's Day Baby Shower and carnation sale in the church Narthex after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend. Details can be found on page 7.

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

Christine Campbell
Daughter of Emily Devine

Donald Cuttill

John Burns

May they 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.

April - Bonnie Boerste, John Burns, Daniella DeRivera Tom Hansen, George Hess, Kay Hogue, Kathleen Russell, Christine DeMaria, Frank Pastrana

March - Dan Gibbons, Rosa Nilles, Patricia Rodey, Lucy Schoenecker, Frank Colonna

February - Gerda E. Dorso, Kathryn McCord, Ayanna Kucera O'Neill, Denis Campbell, Susan Gundrum, John Kwak, Patrick Machroli, Marcelino Oliveros Jr, Jerry Plucienik, Kyle Marsden, Chuck Harwood

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

Notes from Fr. Bob...

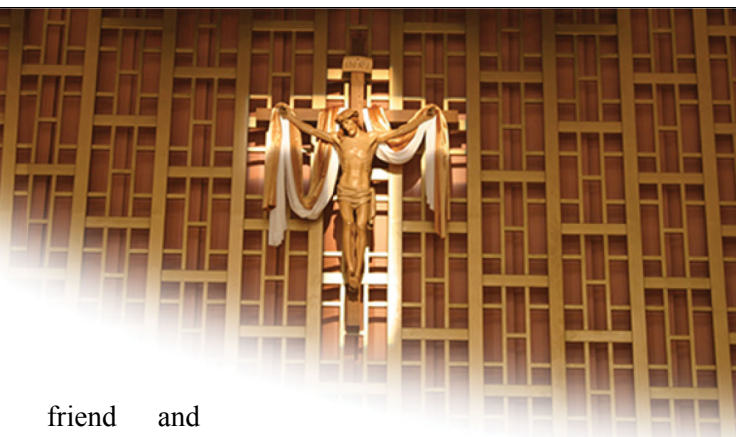
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Throughout history so many different people, Christians among them, have tried to capture in words the essence of what friendship really means. The English spiritual writer Robert Hugh Benson put it like this: “The essence of a perfect friendship is that each friend reveals themselves utterly to the other, flings aside their reserves, and shows themselves for what they truly are.” The poet Robert Bridges highlighted another aspect when he stated: “Friendship is in loving rather than being loved.” St. Jerome, the early translator of the bible, expressed a deep truth about friendship when he wrote: “The friendship that can cease has never been real.” We might add to this Francis Bacon’s comment that “the worst solitude is to be destitute of sincere friendship.”

It’s good for all of us to reflect now and then on what friendship means to us. Who are the people we would call our friends? What is it about our relationship with them that makes it so special? What kind of friend am I to others, how do I show my friendships matter to me? These questions are important for everyone. For Christians they have another dimension, because it’s through the language and invitation of friendship that Jesus shares his life with us.

It’s as Jesus’ friends that we come to know his Father, the God who sent his only Son into the world to save us and lead us to life. The first letter of St. John opens up for us the reality of who this God is. Before anything else can be said or known, God comes to us in the person of Jesus as love, generous and pure. Peter was so profoundly and powerfully aware of this that he could proclaim to Cornelius’ household: “God does not have favorites.” God’s love is freely offered to everyone, without exception. Hopefully, this love, shown to us in Christ, will spill over into our personal love for each other. However, the foundation of our faith, the bottom-line, is not our success in loving God or others – which can sometimes be pretty pathetic – but God’s tremendous and incredible desire and ability always to love us.

These themes of love and relationship are interwoven in the Gospel with Jesus’ call to remain close to him, to keep the commandments and to embrace the mission he sets before us. Yet, at the heart of all of this is the call to friendship. We can all be tempted to complicate our relationship with Christ. Here, Jesus expresses it himself in simple words we can easily understand. He is our friend and leads us into friendship with his Father. The best of whatever is true of our human friendships is transformed in our relationship with Christ, our perfect



friend and our Lord. By loving as Jesus loves, our friendship with him will deepen and grow. In faithfulness to him, our two lives become intertwined as we learn from him how to love more generously. When this happens our whole being will radiate to others the difference that having Jesus as a friend makes to us. As his friends Jesus sends us out to bring other people to the joy of his friendship.

Friends are so incredibly important. Through times of laughter and sorrow, joy and anxiety, they are there for us and we are there for them. In Jesus we have a friend beyond compare. With him, we have nothing to fear; with him, we are loved for who we are. As a friend of Jesus we are never alone or abandoned. Although, sadly, human friendships can fail, Jesus’ friendship is faithful and certain, even when we make mistakes.

The German theologian, Jurgen Moltmann, once said that prayer is the hallmark of friendship with God. Just as our human friendships develop the more time we spend with friends, so our friendship with Jesus will flourish the more we make time for him in prayer. This is ancient Christian wisdom, tried and tested by saints and spiritual giants. Jesus calls us friends because he has made known to us everything he learned from his Father. Prayer is the place where we ponder these things. In living friendship with Christ, prayer draws us closer to the Father whose Son laid down his life for his friends.

We can pray in the words of St. Richard of Chichester: “O most merciful Redeemer, friend, and brother, May I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly, day by day.”

Easter Joy!

Fr. Bob

***Fr. Bob
Pastor***

Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

Sports Awards May 10
 First Communion May 12
 Early Childhood Education Open House May 20

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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DARE to Stay Healthy

Congratulations to our 5th grade DARE graduates. With assistance from the La Grange Police our students learned positive messages and ways to handle conflict and peer pressure.



SUMMER CAMP JUNE 25-29, 2018

Discover and Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math for children grades K-2nd at St. Cletus.

Day - \$195 Full Day - \$350 Before/after care \$6/hour
 Before and after care available from 7:30am to 6:00pm

Magic Beans - 9am-12pm \$195/wk Engineering, language arts and collaborative communication challenges

Lunch Bunch - 12-1 PM \$30/wk Send lunch and a drink.

The A in STEAM - 1-4PM \$195/wk Explore art outside of the classroom through different mixed media projects this Summer!

Register NOW! <https://efkstem.com/2q5dkWU>



Space Age Food

As part of their outer space science unit, St. Cletus School fourth graders planned a meal for an astronaut to eat in space. They chose their meal based on conditions during space travel, keeping food fresh, the need to travel light, making sure astronauts find the food appealing, as well as the ability to eat without floating away!

**2018 ST. CLETUS
CARDINAL OPEN**

FRIDAY, JUNE 22ND



Golf Outing Venue:
 Glen Eagles Country Club
 13070 McCarthy Road
 Lemont

New Lower Price!
\$100 per Golfer
 Includes cart, snacks, beverages on the course, door prizes, lunch, and a buffet dinner with open bar

For More Information:
golfouting@stcletusparish.com
golfouting.stcletusschool.com

Cardinal Open Golf Outing

Mark your calendar for the annual Cardinal Open golf outing. This year's event will be held on Friday afternoon on June 22 at Glen Eagles in Lemont. This St. Cletus tradition is an event focused on community so if you have a handicap of 14 or you don't even know what a handicap is this is an event for you.

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Spring 2018

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Mother's Day is a day we honor and remember the special women in our lives who have nurtured, loved and shaped us into the people we are today. It is through their unconditional love that we begin to understand the depth of Christ's love for us, and his command to share that love with one another.

On Mother's Day, each of us will have an opportunity to share Christ's unconditional love with the poor and vulnerable through our gift to the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection. For Catholic Charities, charity is not just about providing material assistance, but acting with the same love and mercy that Jesus showed to restore people's dignity and give them the hope of a brighter future. Catholic Charities counts on our volunteer and financial support to offer comprehensive programs that get to the root cause of suffering, address multiple needs, and help people rebuild their lives for the better.

Pope Francis has used a powerful image of the Church as "field hospitals." During war, field hospitals are situated right on battlegrounds—close to the wounded who need help. Similarly, as part of the Church in the Archdiocese of Chicago, Catholic Charities 150 service locations are very much like field hospitals, helping those who are suffering, and located in neighborhoods that have sadly become like real battlegrounds, plagued with violence and despair. Catholic Charities program sites are safe havens in desperate areas and their staff and volunteers are truly ministers of mercy, providing help through a hot meal, a bag of food, a place to live, the care of a child or elderly relative, counseling, job training, job placement, or all of these things. Serving nearly one million people each year, Catholic Charities brings Christ's love and mercy to the people and the places that need it most.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your past support of the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection, and please consider being as generous as you can again this year. Contributions can be made during the second collection on Mother's Day, anytime at www.catholiccharities.net/donate, or mail your gift to Catholic Charities, 721 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60654. May God bless you and those you love this Mother's Day and always. With every good wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Card. Blase J. Cupich".
Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta sauce
- Canned meat
- Canned chicken
- Chili
- Diapers (size 5-6)
- Laundry detergent
- Gently used children's books (English or Spanish)

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).



ARE YOU IN AN
UNHEALTHY
RELATIONSHIP
OR ARE YOU
AFRAID IN YOUR
OWN HOME?

CALL THE
24-HOUR PHONE
FOR HELP:
708.485.5254

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



St. Cletus
Food Pantry

The past few weeks we shared with you some of the exciting changes coming to the food pantry. If you missed the previous updates check out recent Canticles on the St. Cletus website.

Extended Hours & Weekly Distribution - We are thrilled to finally be able to offer distribution weekly (instead of monthly) to the clients starting in May. This increases access to food, particularly to working families, by extending hours and dates to open our doors on a more frequent and accessible basis.

Starting Thursday, May 3 distribution will be **every Thursday night from 6:00-8:00pm**. Clients will still be able to come just once a month but will have many more options to come when it is most convenient for them.

Each month we serve anywhere from 100-300+ households at one monthly distribution. In our busiest months, it can take a client more than an hour to even have their number called up to check in. By switching to weekly distribution (but allowing clients to come once a month), we will have less households at each distribution. This means less waiting for each family.

This also means if the weather is bad, or you have to work, have a sick kid, a school commitment, a broken car, or for whatever reason you can't make food pantry one night, you have 3 or 4 other opportunities to come that month! This increases options and access!

Facebook - Follow us on our new Facebook page!
www.facebook.com/StCletusFoodPantry

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Gift Cards Collection

Did you know that there are 84 shelters in the state of Illinois to help women, men, and children who are victims of domestic violence? Almost 80,000 people have sought help from domestic violence shelters in Illinois alone.¹ The resources needed to help someone out of a domestic violence situation are vast, and one way to contribute is by donating gift cards. Pillars Community Health, based in LaGrange, will distribute the gift cards to people who are trying to start a new life, but may have financial difficulties. Many abusers will control finances and cut victims off from bank accounts, credit cards, or other sources of income. We can help victims become survivors by providing the means for the basic necessities as they enter into a newer and safer life. Drop off gift cards to the Parish Center, and they will be donated to Pillars. Consider picking up a gift card when you shop at places like Jewel, Mariano's, Target, Walmart, and Kohl's. Every little bit helps!

Pillars website: <https://pillarscommunity.org/>

¹Stats from www.domesticshelters.org

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

You are not alone.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
— ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO —
AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION
www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Get Ready to Interview

Congrats! They called you back and would like to interview you. Now what? Learn the best way to present your skills and the value you bring to your prospective employer. Join Interfaith Career Network on Thursday, May 17 from 7-9 pm. at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs. Our speaker, Steve Grosskopf, will cover important interviewing skills such as presenting yourself, researching the company, understanding the interview process and what recruiters won't tell you during the interview. Other issues Steve will address include how to practice interview questions, what to wear to an interview, questions YOU should ask during the interview and what to do after the interview. Steve has over a decade of experience in many facets of human resources including recruiting and finding people jobs. He is the founder of Gobie, a career services firm with a passion to assist in your career no matter what stage you're in – making a career switch, new grad, young professional, established executive. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.

Quarterly Resume Review

You're invited to join us on Saturday, May 19 from 9:30-11:30 for a free resume review. Come in for a helpful one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional. They will offer you ideas and suggestions that may enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with LinkedIn or your elevator speech? This is a great opportunity for you or someone you know who is in a job search. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost for this service. Please join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs.

ICN offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR AGING WELL MONTH!



In recognition of *Older Americans Month*, Aging Care Connections celebrates older adults throughout the month of

May through Aging Well Month. During this month engaging, educational, and social programs aimed at older adults are offered at locations throughout the Lyons, Riverside, and South Proviso Townships. This year's calendar is bigger than ever with 68 different

seminars, activities, and events scheduled. All programs are **FREE** and open to the public!

The electronic copy of the calendar is available on our website www.ageingcareconnections.org. Mark your calendars with the programs you'd like to attend and share this information with others who may be interested in attending.

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The Saint Cletus Committee for Respect Life Activities is hosting it's 27th Annual Mother's Day Baby Shower and carnation sale in the church Narthex after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend. Baskets will be in the church Narthex to collect baby gifts.

Gift Suggestions:

- Diapers (newborn to size 6)
- colorful onesies
- Bibs
- baby cornstarch (small size)
- baby hats/caps (summer-sun-type)
- baby wipes (Fragrant Free)
- Baby towels (hooded-type)
- non-mercury thermometers
- Sleepers/Spring & Summer outfits [sizes 0-3 months up to 24 mo / 2T]

(please do not gift wrap your donations)

Donations will be distributed to needy mothers in our own Parish community area and the Women's Care Center of LaGrange

WORD OF LIFE

"Sometimes our actions speak for themselves; other times, words are needed. Whatever the situation, Jesus knows how to speak to each person's heart; we simply need to follow where he leads."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 "How to Build a Culture of Life"
www.usccb.org/culture-of-life



Religious Education

STEWARDS OF THE EARTH!

On Earth Day our Religious Education students celebrated our Christian call to be stewards of God’s creation. Our Jr. High students acted as big buddies for our 1st and 2nd graders and our Early Childhood classes also buddied up with our 6th Graders as they all participated in playing games and interactive activities to learn how to better care for our Earth.

REGISTER FOR RE CLASSES!

Registration has begun for the 2018-2019 academic year. Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re or in the RE Office at the School or in the Parish Center. Classes for grades 1-8 are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:45 a.m. or Monday evening from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Early Childhood classes for Pre-3 to Kindergarten are held on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Special Needs classes are held two Sundays a month from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS!

It takes a big heart to shape young minds. We are so grateful to all of our volunteers who have given of their talents and shared their faith as Catechists, Aides , Office Volunteers and Substitute teachers! Our program is vibrant, exciting, engaging, and excellent due to them. Thank you for your service to our children, their families, and our Parish!

Meredith Bailey
 Tia Ballarini
 Alexa Benitez
 Grace Berger
 Josie Berger
 Pam Berger
 Guadalupe Bravo
 Chloe Brooks
 Grant Campbell
 Shelby Ciraulo
 Dale Czarny
 Ewelina Dadej
 Christina DalPorto
 Karen DalPorto
 Grace Drobny
 Isabel Drobny
 Elizabeth Engels
 Mary Claire Garvey
 Mindy Gordon
 Jodi Grzegorek
 Jennifer Gusentine

Dennis Kiley
 Deana Korbel
 Alicja Koslo
 Karrie Lange
 Marty McGuire
 Erin McNeil
 Rosa Medrano
 Michelle Meur
 Terri Miller
 Dan Monahan
 Kathy Morlock
 Kathy Murdoch
 Renee Offenbacher
 Charrise Ouska-
 Willkommen
 Tom Paluch
 Cathy Pavlik
 Magdalena Pawula
 Celine Pontillo
 Debbie Pusinelli
 Abed Rahman

Griselda Rahman
 Sandra Ramirez
 Ellen Rodriguez
 Alejandra Rojas
 Frank Rojas
 Jessica Roncone
 Kate Rufa
 Cathy Schwertman
 Deirdre Sheridan
 Patrick Sheridan
 Cathy Smith
 Vivian Swibel
 Tim Szczepaniak
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 Joy Tristano
 Vanessa Uhler
 Araceli Valadez
 Lauren Ward
 Caitlin Weston
 Katie Wicklander
 Suzi Wirtz



Other Ministry News

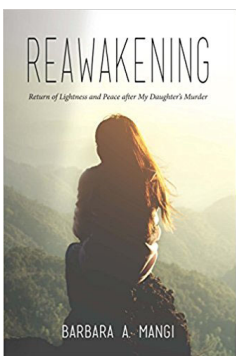
FORGIVING THE ULTIMATE TRESPASS



Barbara Mangi

Speaker: Barb Mangi
Tuesday May 8th at 7:00pm
St. Cletus Parish Center

During every mass we pray "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us". But forgiveness can be hard. Please join CREDO on May 8th at 7pm in the Gallagher room of the parish center to welcome speaker Barb Mangi. Barb will share how her faith in Jesus Christ brought her through the murder of her 25-year-old daughter, Dana; and will also share her journey towards forgiving Dana's killer while healing herself and struggling to keep her marriage together.



You may have seen Barb's story in the Chicago Tribune in the article "Mom forgives the man who murdered her daughter, answers his letters from prison" or seen her recently published book *Reawakening: Return to Lightness and Peace after my Daughters Murder*. Come and meet this inspirational mother who has had to confront terrible loss and learn how her Catholic faith helped her to move forward.

CREDO (Continuing Religious Education Opportunities)

SCCCW - NEXT MEETING MAY 15TH



Mark your calendars for the next CCW meeting on Tuesday, May 15th at 7pm in church. We will be celebrating Mary with a May Crowning ceremony followed by fellowship & hospitality in the Gallagher room. All ladies are welcome so if you haven't joined us before please consider coming & make a new Parish friend. Note this is not the usual second Tuesday but the third Tuesday for this meeting. Looking forward to praying together & meeting women of the Parish community.

ST. CLETUS 4TH OF JULY MASS



St. Cletus will again honor all Veterans at our 8am Mass on the 4th of July. Mark your calendars.

LIVING ROSARY



Take a Step toward Mary this Month

Did your child get a Rosary to celebrate a sacrament? Do you have a worry or an intention to share with Mary? May is a month of rededication to Mary and the Rosary. The Living Rosary will pray the entire Rosary together at 12:15 p.m. on May 6th in the Parish Center Meeting Room. Come, bring an open heart and stay as long as you can.

If you want to go a step further, join the Living Rosary and begin to say one decade of the rosary every day at your convenience. Other prayer partners take the other mysteries and together, the entire Rosary is said each day. Your faith deepens with newer insights as the mystery becomes a part of your life. Questions? Call Mary Lu at 708-579-3987.

BECOME A LITURGICAL MINISTER



In case you missed the invitation to train for becoming a Lector or Eucharistic minister, another date has been added, May 7th. Same place, church, same times, 6:30 Lector; 7:00 Eucharistic Minister.

Please call or e-mail Paulette Bolton: 708.215.5222 or pbolton@stcletusparish.com

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated on Sunday, September 16, 2018 by Cardinal Cupich.

Register online at <https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding> or call the St. Cletus Parish Office at 708.352.6209.

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. Thank you!

Other Ministry News (continued)

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Registration for Kairos 29 is open! Kairos 29 will take place June 7-10. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. *K29 is open to high school incoming and outgoing Seniors only.* Incoming Juniors and Seniors are eligible to sign up for K30 in July (the retreat will be held in early August).

The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration! The application is available at: youth.stcletusparish.com

INTERNET SAFETY NIGHT FOR PARENTS

Tuesday, May 15th 7:00 p.m. St. Cletus Parish Center

Please join us as Detective Charles Hollendonner of the Chicago Police Department's Special Investigations Unit will help parents understand issues of technology and internet safety and equip them with tools to help guide and educate their children to use technology safely. An RSVP is not required, however, to get an accurate gauge of attendees, please email Vice Principal Schaefer at cschaefer@stcletusparish.com to let her know you will be attending.

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES

Join us May 19th and 20th for a concert you won't want to miss on the new Parish Center stage as we present Ken Baker & Friends "My Fair Lady in Concert."

Tickets can be purchased via credit card on our website, www.edwardfas.com or with cash or check (payable to the Ed Ward Fine Arts Series) in the St. Cletus Parish Center Office during regular business hours or this weekend and next in the narthex after masses.



Ken Baker Laura Freeman George Howe John B Boss Brian Firmoff Denise McGowan Tracy Cynthia Clarey Jeffery Lyle Segal

Ken Baker
& FRIENDS

MY FAIR LADY
IN CONCERT



MAY 19
7:00PM

MAY 20
4:00PM

St. Cletus Parish Center

Tickets \$35

www.edwardfas.com

Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN! RETREAT



Widowed? Going thru ups and downs? Looking for a more hope-filled future? Attend the Retreat/Workshop for Widowed Men & Women.

June 23 & 24 St. Julie's - Tinley Park

For more info or other dates/locations contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry. Phone: 708-354-7211, email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com, web: www.joyfulagain.org
IMPORTANT: register early, space is limited.

RIGHT TO LIFE CELEBRATION MAY 18



Illinois Right to Life is celebrating 50 YEARS of changing minds and saving thousands of mothers and babies from abortion at our *Golden Jubilee Celebration* on Friday May 18, 2018 at the Carlisle in Lombard, Illinois. We've invited renowned pro-life

comedian and author, Mike G. Williams, to help celebrate not only Illinois Right to Life's 50th Birthday, but also the birthdays of thousands of babies saved through our work. This is our largest fundraiser of the year, and we would love for you to join us for an evening of joy, celebration, and looking back on the history of the pro-life movement in Illinois.

For more details and to purchase tickets, www.IllinoisRightToLife.org/Banquet or 312.422.9300.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples on August 10-12, 2018 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community. For information, please go to wwme-chicagoland.org and say YES TODAY, to God's call to love one another!

NO ROOF LEFT BEHIND/LICITRA ROOFING

Licitra Roofing in Brookfield IL is partnering with No Roof Left Behind to give away a FREE ROOF to a deserving family in the cook county area. Nominations are being taken beginning April 23rd. For more info or to nominate visit www.licitraroofting.com.

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



The Freedom & Power of Letting Go
Saturday & Sunday, May 19 & 20 9am – 4pm. Facilitator: David Ellzey Cost: \$150 including lunch both days. Registration required by 5/17.

Untying the Knots – Polarization in America
Saturday, June 2 9am – 12:30pm. Cost: \$30

Bloom Italiano Encore! Benefit for the Well Spirituality Center - Sunday June 10. Join us for a spirited liturgy at 3pm, followed by cocktails and appetizers in the courtyard, and a festive Italian dinner. Help us to honor Pat Bergen, CSJ, Janet Bolger, CSJ, and Kathy Sherman, CSJ for giving life to The Well Spirituality Center from its inception. \$75 Registration required by 5/25. 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL. www.csjthewell.org or 708-482-5048

MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 12, 2018 9:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. (Seating at 8:30 A.M.) The Parish Center St. John the Baptist Church 2302 W. Church Street Johnsburg, IL 60051. For more info visit MagnificatMcHenry.com

VIA BELLA MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH



Sunday, May 13th 10 am - 3 pm.

Adults \$29.95 | Children (6-12 yrs) \$15 | Children (3-5 yrs) \$10. Now Taking Reservations!

Breakfast Station: Omelet Station| Hash Browns| Breakfast Sausage| Bacon French Toast| Mini Muffins

Soup & Salad Station: Bruschetta| Via Bella Salad| Caesar Salad| Pasta Salad

Seafood Station: Shrimp Cocktail| Baked Clams| Fried Calamari| Broiled Tilapia

Savory Items: Carving Station| Sausage & Peppers| Vesuvio Potatoes | Steamed Vegetables| Fried Zucchini| Pasta Romano | Farfalle & Broccoli| Cheese Ravioli in Marinara Sauce| Mini Meatballs| Chicken Vesuvio| Chicken Marsala| Barbeque Ribs

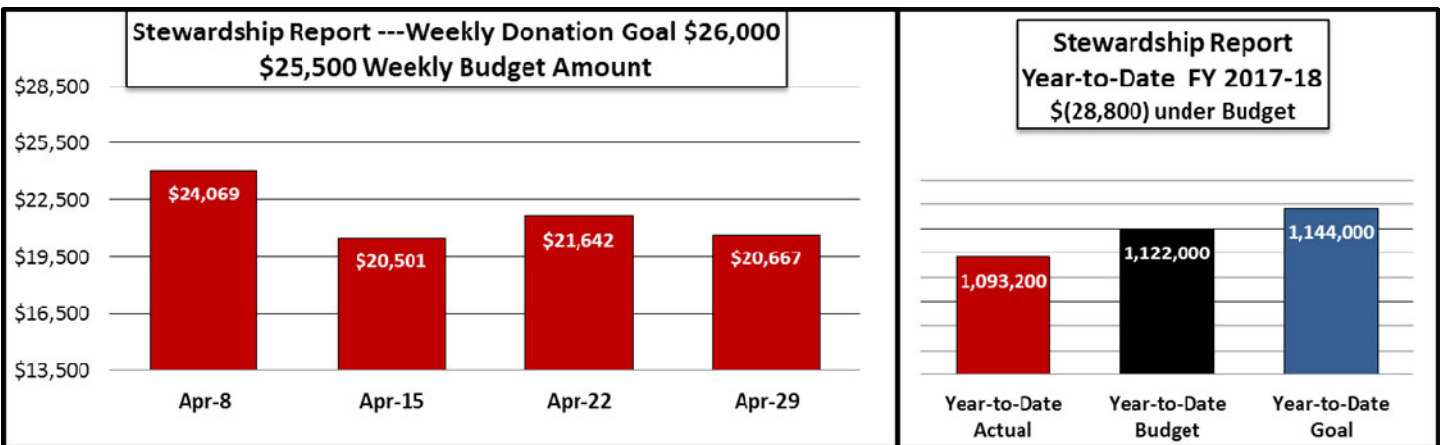
Kids Table: Chicken Tenders| Mozzarella Sticks| French Fries | Pizza | Make your own Sundae.

Also Included: Sweet Table, Mimosa Station & Coffee Station. Items are subject to change without notice. Tax & Gratuity not included. Promotional Coupons, Gift Certificates or Discount Cards will not be accepted.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, May 6	7:00am 8:00am 12:15pm	Narthex Parking Lot Parish Center Mtg Rm	My Fair Lady Ticket Sales SVDP Drop Off 8am-12:30pm Living Rosary
Monday, May 7	6:30pm	Church	Liturgical Minister Training
Tuesday, May 8	6:30pm 7:00pm	Church Parish Center Mtg Rm	First Communion Practice CREDO Speaker Barbara Mangi
Wednesday, May 9	9:00am 6:30pm	Parish Center Mtg Rm Church	Mission Ladies First Communion Practice
Thursday, May 10	5:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	School Music Rm Parish Center Gym School Music Rm	Children's Choir St. Cletus School Sports Awards Chancel Choir
Friday, May 11			
Saturday, May 12	5:00pm	Narthex	My Fair Lady Ticket Sales
Sunday, May 13	7:00am	Narthex	My Fair Lady Ticket Sales

Stewardship Report



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

Donate Online Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? Visit www.stcletusparish.com and click the "DONATE" BUTTON. Then click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions, call Mary Zwolinski at 708 -352-6209.

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PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish offices have moved to our new location in the parish center. All deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
 Weekdays..... Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.
 Evening before Holy Day 7:00 p.m.
 Holy Day..... 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m.

Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

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Please contact the Ministry of Care Office (708) 215-5407

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.

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