

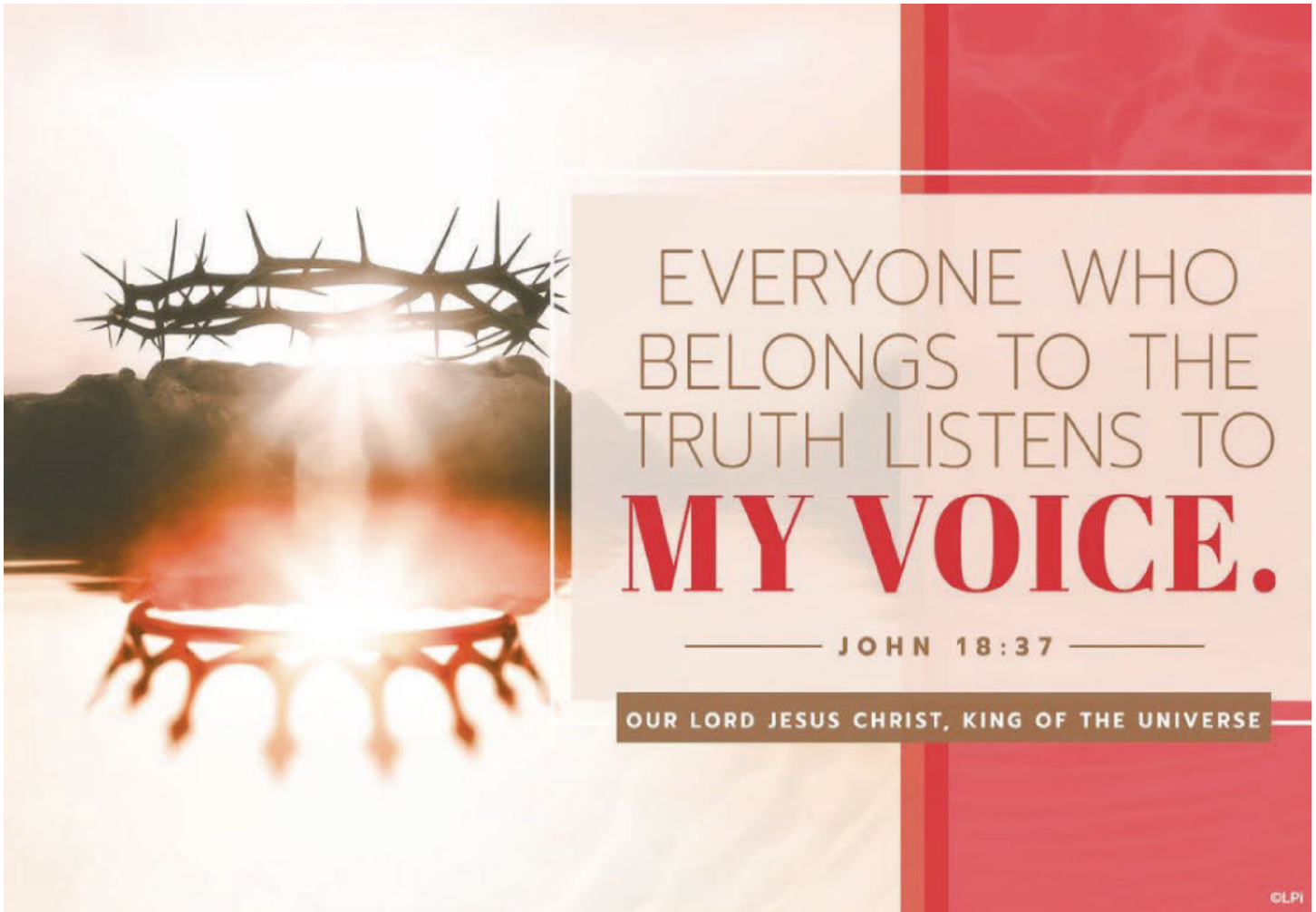
# St. Cletus Parish Canticle

Spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ  
Through Worship, Education and Service

600 W. 55th St, La Grange, IL 60525



November 24, 2024 | The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



## Mission and Vision Statement

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

Mt 28:19-20



**Parish Office**  
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Monday - Friday  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



stcletusparish.com  
St. Cletus Parish  
St. Cletus Church

**St. Cletus School**  
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### **Weekday Masses**

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. Mass

### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday Vigil, 5 p.m. (English)  
Streamed live: <https://www.youtube.com/@stcletusparish/streams>  
7:15 a.m. (English)  
8:45 a.m. (English)  
10:30 a.m. (English)  
12:30 p.m. (Español)

### **Confessions**

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

### **Baptisms / Bautizos**

Contact the parish office  
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### **Religious Education For Children**

#### **Educación Religiosa Para Niños**

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### **O.C.I.A**

Contact the parish office.

### **Weddings**

Please contact the parish office 6  
months prior to the wedding date.

### **Quinceañeras y Presentaciones**

Comuníquese con Juanita Avila al  
(708) 215 - 5441.

### **Funerals**

Contact the parish office.

### **Parish Canticle**

For any request, please email  
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## Mass Intentions

Saturday November 23	Rev. Alexander Garcia	5 p.m.	† John Nisbet † Irene Erdmann † Ellen Benrus	Janet Boyer (Special Intention) Mary Welenc (Birthday)
Sunday November 24	Rev. Elmer Romero	7:15 a.m.	† John & Frances Kennedy † Patrick Mahoney	† Robert Spyrison † Julia Kopacz
	Rev. Alexander Garcia	8:45 a.m.	† Mary Jane Walsh † Jim & Gerry Condon Betty Koran (Birthday)	Health blessings for John Prusko, Sr. (Living) Michael Zimmerman Family (Special Intention)
	Rev. Elmer Romero	10:30 a.m.	† Anthony Perkovich † Ralph Kriho & Daughter, Laura	† C. Rodger Brown † Donald Kotrba † Dolores Delaney
	Rev. Alexander Garcia	12:30 p.m.	† Francisco Medina † Gustavo Gutierrez Pedraza Juan Ramon Hernandez (Birthday)	† Por las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio
Monday November 25	Rev. Elmer Romero	8 a.m.	† Delphine Marciszewski	† Doretta Mucha † Marguerite Keating
Tuesday November 26	Rev. Alexander Garcia	8 a.m.	† LaVerne Phillips	† Anthony Tunney
Wednesday November 27	Rev. Michael Novick	8 a.m.	† BC & Rip Collins † Louie Pesut † Ray Rybacki	† Anthony Perkovich † Jackie Rybacki
Thursday November 28	Rev. Michael Novick	8 a.m.	† Delphine Marciszewski	For the Kadlec Family (Special Intention)
Friday November 29	Rev. Alexander Garcia	8 a.m.	† Louie Marasovic † Frank Baggio	† Zenaida Nabo Steve Tosch (Special Intention)
Saturday November 30	Rev. Elmer Romero	5 p.m.	† Edward & Alice Vonesh † Benjamin Patrick Hyink † Ellen Benrus	Janet Boyer (Special Intention) † Deceased Members of St Cletus CWC
Sunday December 1	Rev. Alexander Garcia	7:15 a.m.	† Louis Marchese Michael Zimmerman Family (Special Intention)	† Julia Kopacz
	Rev. Michael Novick	8:45 a.m.	† John & Anne Kuchta † Sophie Konieczny † Kelly Sorrentino	Health blessings for John Prusko, Sr. (Living) † Ida Callaghan
	Rev. John Lodge	10:30 a.m.	† Donald Kotrba † Dale Fisher	† Donald Kotrba † Milly Zalokar
	Rev. Alexander Garcia	12:30 p.m.	Isaac Ramirez (Living)	

### Please remember our sick in your prayers:

Cynthia Gosse | Denise & Rich Jandura | George & Barb Zykan | June Matasic | Richard Madsen | Asis Gonzalez | Frank Orrico | Joanne Kasang | Jorea Touranjzau | Debbie Côté | Vincent Austrevich

### Please remember our dead in your prayers:

† Theresa Duda  
† Mary McMahan, Aunt of Maureen Feirick

## A Note from the Pastor's Desk

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**"For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.  
Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."**

John 18:37

Dear Friends,

This weekend Catholics all over the world celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Consider this special celebration as an opportunity to learn more about the identity of Jesus. Who is he? Where did he come from? Why did he come? What was his mission? How did he fulfill the will of his Father? What aspect of his life shocks you and why? How do you see him in your life? What difference does he make in your life and the lives of the people that you love?

A good place to start would be today's readings. They have precious information about who Jesus. For instance, in the Book of the prophet Daniel we hear about a vision of Christ, the Son of Man, receiving from the Father total, universal, and everlasting kingship, Lordship over all people and nations. The Psalm verse, which is also a prophecy, also announces the Lord is King, from of old and from everlasting to everlasting, forever. The prophecy from the book of Revelation calls Jesus "the ruler of kings of the earth." He is the "king of kings:" not only the greatest of all kings, but the ruler over all kings.

Nowadays, there are countless resources available that talk or teach about Jesus. The Gospels continue to be my favorite ones. Then, I turn to "Simply Jesus," a book written by N.T. Wright, and "Jesus of Nazareth," written by Pope Benedict XVI. When it comes to podcasts, I turn to the "Word on Fire" ministry led by Bishop Robert Barron. Most recently The Chosen (TV series) has given us a new look at the life of Jesus Christ. From my conversation with those who have already watched all the series, they tell me that they feel closer to Jesus Christ. How about you?

Jesus wants to be close to us. He delights being part of our lives. He offers us his friendship, life, and love for free. Sometimes all we need to do is to give him a chance. After that, you will notice yourself being more open, flexible, generous, and kind. It is also possible that he might invite you to join him on the best adventure of your life. Can you imagine that? Look around and you will see many who are enjoying that beautiful adventure with Jesus Christ.

I consider our upcoming Thanksgiving Day Mass as one of the most beautiful adventures to which Jesus is inviting us. He is the reason why we are having a special Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 AM. He is the principal host. He wants us coming together as one community to give thanks for all the blessings he has bestowed upon us since last year. He delights seeing us growing in friendship, community, and fraternity.

Careful preparations have been taking place for this special Mass. A special worship aid has been prepared for this moment of prayer in order to help those who speak English or Spanish. We will have a choir that will help us in singing praises to the Lord. The Art and Environment Committee will have the sanctuary of our church arranged beautifully. All ministers will fulfill their mission with care, reverence, and joy. Fr. Michael, Fr. Alex, and I are excited and looking forward to praying with you on this special occasion.

What has Jesus brought to the world? "The answer is very simple: God. He has brought us God," says Pope Benedict XVI.

May the God of Jesus continue to be acknowledged, worshiped, and loved by us all at St. Cletus Parish, a parish community that we love.

Fr. Elmer Romero



## A Letter from the Associate Pastor's Desk

As Thanksgiving approaches, I have so much to be grateful for. First and foremost, I thank God for sending not only to be a priest, but more specifically, for sending me to this great parish of St. Cletus. I am very blessed to know so many great people, some of whom were parishioners back in the days of Fr. Charles Watkins, who was an associate pastor here around 2006 or so, and my best friend. Serving here even with so many years in between his tenure and mine is still very nostalgic. And I love hearing about the stories from people whose lives he touched. It's a real gift.

As we all should be, I am very grateful for inspiring my parents to have me baptized just weeks after welcoming me into the world. That day, like most Catholics, is not memorable for them personally because we were infants. However, the effects of that day and the faith that was given was nurtured at home. My parents sent me to Catholic schools throughout my education – elementary, high school, and college. And when I was considering going to the seminary, I wanted to be sure I could handle the classwork. I had been out of college for 6+ years. So, I took one class at another Catholic university not far from home and felt good enough to go on with my studies at Mundelein. All of the Sundays over the years proved to be fruitful. All of the priests that I came to know because my parents cared proved to

be very helpful. Plus, all of the sacraments received over time made a difference as I grew.

I have never been short of having great friends. After Fr. Charles passed away in January 2023, there was a period of time that I felt so lost and alone. I had to make a conscious effort to make new friends. While that started with friends from here at St. Cletus, the world is much larger. So, I found a support system at which I have found a great deal of new friends. And that group continues to grow.

I am also very grateful for the knowledge within my that I would have never thought of as being useful. I know that sounds strange, but growing up as a bit of a runt in my schooling days, I wasn't a great student. What I have learned (thankfully over time) is that even if I don't know the answers to certain questions I get asked, I know HOW to find them. That is also a gift.

I wish I could name every gift I've ever been given. Someday I am sure those memories will come back to the front of my thoughts, but for now, I just say thank you to God for every moment I have been graced with recognizing.

Peace and all good things for Thanksgiving,  
Fr. Mike

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



# CCHD 2024 COLLECTION



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**For over 50 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development has carried out the mission of Jesus Christ to bring good news to the poor, bring liberty to captives, bring new sight to the blind and set the downtrodden free.**

**Please support the second collection in your parish on November 23 – 24.** Funds raised will provide support to local organizations across the Chicagoland area.

For more information on CCHD's mission and partner organizations or to donate, please visit [CCHDchicago.org](https://www.CCHDchicago.org).

## Parish Life

Date	Time	Events	Location
Monday, November 25	10:00 a.m.	Funeral Mass- Thomas Swulius	Church
	7:00 p. m.	Bible Study	Gallagher Room
Tuesday, November 26	9:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Prayer Service	Church
Wednesday, November 27	9:00 a.m.	Mission Ladies	Gallagher Room
	9:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Cookie Collection	Parish Center
	1:00 p.m.	St. Cletus Living Rosary	Church
Thursday, November 28	All Day	Parish Office Will Be Closed	Parish Center
	9:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Day Mass (English & Spanish)	Church
Friday, November 29	All Day	Parish Office Will Be Closed	Parish Center
Saturday, November 30	5:00 p.m.	Giving Tree Tags	Church Narthex
Sunday, December 1	All Masses	Giving Tree Tags	Church Narthex

### Readings of the week

**Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37  
**Monday:** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4  
**Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11  
**Wednesday:** Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19  
**Thursday:** Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28  
**Friday:** Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33  
**Saturday:** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22  
**Next Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

### Saints and Special Observances

**Sunday:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
**Monday:** St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr  
**Thursday:** Thanksgiving Day  
**Saturday:** St. Andrew, Apostle  
**Next Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Advent

### Celebrating The Sacraments

**Baptism:** Saul Cazares, Sofia Cazares, and Rowan Morgan Ryan.  
**Weddings:** Jaclyn Hofstetter & Jonathan Paveza and Victoria Haleas & Salvador Aguiler.

Congratulations!

## Thanksgiving Day Mass

*Join us on Thanksgiving, November 28th*

*9:00AM*

*Mass will be in English and Spanish*

All parishioners, family, and friends are welcome to gather with us for Mass and celebrate all we have to be thankful for.

## Misa de Acción de Gracias

*El 28 de noviembre, Día de Acción de Gracias,*

*a las 9.00 AM.*

*La Misa sera bilingüe*

Todos los feligreses, familiares y amigos son bienvenidos a celebrar con nosotros la misa y todo lo que tenemos que agradecer.

JOIN THE ST. CLETUS  
COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN & FSA FOR OUR

*HO HO Holiday*



*Breakfast  
with*

**Santa**

**Sunday, December 8  
7:45am - 1:00pm**

**The St. Cletus Parish Center will be transformed into a holiday wonderland!**

**\$5 per person includes:**

- Continental Breakfast
- Crafts for Children
- Old-fashioned Cake Walk for all ages
- Special Appearance by Santa & Mrs. Claus
- Holy Family "Drop a Wish" for Baby Jesus Display
- Christmas Ornament Sale to benefit the CCW Scholarship Fund

For more information email [ccw@stcletusparish.com](mailto:ccw@stcletusparish.com)  
or call Pat at 630.330.1884 or Karen at 708.710.0644



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8**

**7:45<sup>AM</sup> - 1:00<sup>PM</sup>**

**ST. CLETUS PARISH CENTER**



# School News

## Fermi Lab Assembly


Recently our students enjoyed a presentation with Mrs. Freeze from Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory! They learned all about the properties of liquid nitrogen with a fantastic interactive assembly that ended with delicious frozen marshmallows!



## November Dining 4 Dollars This Tuesday

**Corner Bakery Cafe La Grange!**  
Eat to Support St. Cletus School

❤️ 25% Donate Back



Use Promo code 659  
In-Cafe or at [cornerbakerycafe.com](http://cornerbakerycafe.com) before checkout.

Tuesday, November 26th  
7:30 AM - 7:30 PM

39 N La Grange Rd,  
La Grange

## LTHS Choir Performance

Last week we had the pleasure of hosting the Lyons Township High School Choir. It was wonderful to welcome back St. Cletus alum, Maya Goryl class of 2022.





## Ministerio Hispano

Fecha	Hora	Evento	Lugar
Domingo, 24 de Noviembre	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español	Iglesia
Martes, 26 de Noviembre	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo	Iglesia
Segundo sábado de cada mes	8 p.m. - 5 a.m.	Misa, Confesiones, Adoración Nocturna <i>Mass, Confessions, Nocturnal Adoration</i>	Iglesia
Sábados	8:30 - 9:15 a.m.	Confesiones	Iglesia
Cada 12 del mes	7:00 p.m.	Devoción Guadalupeana / Guadalupe Devotion	Iglesia

# Celebración de la Virgen de Guadalupe Celebration in Honor of the Virgin Mary

### Gracias a la Junta Directiva del Comité Guadalupe.

Gracias al comité por su voluntad de servir en este ministerio.

Presidenta: Lupita Rodríguez

Vicepresidenta: Angélica Cansino

Secretarias:

Berónica Martínez y Marbella Marín

Tesoreros: Erasmo Zavala & Rubén Ramírez.

### Thank you to the Board of Directors of the Guadalupe Committee.

Thank you to the committee for your willingness to serve in this ministry.

President: Lupita Rodríguez

Vice President: Angelica Cansino

Secretaries:

Berónica Martínez & Marbella Marín

Treasurers: Erasmo Zavala & Rubén Ramírez.

### Segunda Colecta

Estaremos tomando una colecta más para ayudar con los gastos de la Fiesta Guadalupeana durante la misa de 12:30 p.m.

### 1 de Diciembre

También puede donar en línea, escaneando el código QR.

### Novena Guadalupeana

3 al 11 de Diciembre a las 7 p.m. en la Iglesia

### Rifa

\$5 por boleto

El 50% de las recaudaciones será el premio mayor. El sorteo será el 12 de diciembre durante la fiesta de la convivencia Guadalupeana. (No es necesario estar presente para ganar.)

### Celebración Guadalupeana

El 12 de Diciembre de 5 a.m. en la Iglesia



### Second Collection

We will be having one more collection to help with the expenses of the Guadalupeana Fiesta during the 12:30 p.m. Mass.

### December 1

You can also donate online by scanning the QR code.

### Novena Guadalupeana

December 3rd to the 11th at 7 p.m. in the Church

### Raffle

\$5 per ticket

50% of the proceeds will become the grand prize. The raffle will be held on December 12 during the Guadalupeana celebration (It is not necessary to be present to win).

### Guadalupeana Celebration

On December 12 at 5 a.m. in the Church

## Social Concerns



### St. Cletus Food Pantry

Thursdays  
4-8 p.m.

Wish List:

- Jelly
- Diapers
- Cereal
- Baby Wipes
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Shampoo
- Body wash
- Hand Soap
- Boxed Potatoes
- Crackers, cookies, snacks

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If you have questions or would like to volunteer  
Kendall Grant  
(708)215-5418  
kgrant@stcletusparish.com

### We Need Your Help!

Our biggest priority and request for help right now is Giving Tree! Here is how you can help:

**Giving Tree Tags:** We have 45 more families enrolled in Giving Tree this year than last year. That is about **180 more tags** than in 2023. Since Thanksgiving is late this year, we also have one less week with the Giving Trees in Church. **We need your help with tags!**

Tags are now available in the Church Narthex!

This year, we are offering a **new online tag sign up**. This will help us expand our reach to those outside the St.

Cletus Parish community. You can share this link with other friends and family that may not attend our parish or be familiar with our program. You can share on social media too! [foodpantry.com/givingtree](http://foodpantry.com/givingtree)



### Thank You Liam!

Liam Muir celebrated his 10th birthday by collecting donation for the food pantry! He got a TON of support from his friends and family. Happy Birthday, Liam!



### Pom Squad Volunteers!

Members of the Hinsdale Central High School Pom Squad joined us at our recent pantry distribution. They were a HUGE help during both shifts! This is just a few of them.







# Advent Reconciliation Prayer Service

Saturday, December 7th, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Hosted by St. John of the Cross Parish  
5005 Wolf Road , Western Springs, IL 60558

Parishioners from St. Francis Xavier and St. Cletus are invited.

## Una Noche de Oracion y Reflexion

◆ San Francisco y el Regalo de la Encarnación ◆

*Habra convivio despues de la charla*

3 de diciembre, 2024

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

*Ponente Invitado:  
Fray Mario L. Serrano,  
OFC Conv.*



*St. Cletus Parish*  
600 W. 55th Street La Grange

## An Evening of Prayer and Reflection

◆ St. Francis and the Gift of Incarnation ◆

*Hospitality to follow*

December 4th, 2024

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

*Special Guest Speaker:  
Friar Mario L. Serrano,  
OFM Conv.*



*St. Cletus Parish*  
600 W. 55th Street La Grange





# WHO WILL FILL THESE SHOES?



November 29, 2024, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

## Inviting young men in the Archdiocese of Chicago, ages 13–20.

Parents and priests are also invited to this annual event hosted at Mundelein Seminary.

**Come and learn more about the priesthood and your vocation.**

**November 29, 2024** University of St. Mary of the Lake  
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Mundelein, IL

Please register by November 28.

For further information contact Katie Hazen at [khazen@archchicago.org](mailto:khazen@archchicago.org).



# WHO WILL FILL THESE SHOES?



29 de noviembre de 2024, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

## Se invita a los hombres jóvenes en la Arquidiócesis de Chicago, de 13 a 20 años.

Los padres y sacerdotes también están invitados a este evento anual presentado en el Seminario Mundelein.

**Ven y aprende más sobre el sacerdocio y tu vocación.**

**29 de noviembre de 2024** Universidad de Santa María de Lago  
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Mundelein, IL

Por favor insíbete antes del 28 de noviembre.

Para más información comunícate con Katie Hazen en [khazen@archchicago.org](mailto:khazen@archchicago.org).



# THANKSGIVING BLESSINGS

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## BAKERS/DONORS NEEDED FOR HOHO HOLIDAY BREAKFAST CAKE WALK

Cakes, bars, cookies, loaves, etc., all would be gratefully accepted as “prizes” for the very popular Cake Walk.



- Please place in non-returnable containers and indicate if the item contains nuts.
- Please drop off Saturday, December 7th, 3 to 6 PM to the Parish Center.



Thank you in advance for your help. Questions? Call Pat at 630-330-1884 or Karen at 708-710-0644 or email: [cw@steletusparish.com](mailto:cw@steletusparish.com)



ST. CLETUS MUSIC MINISTRY PRESENTS:

# "A CHILD IS BORN!"

A CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT

**DECEMBER 22, 2024**

**4:00 PM**

**ST. CLETUS CHURCH**

**ADMISSION IS FREE**

**DONATIONS TO SUPPORT FUTURE  
MUSIC MINISTRY EVENTS WILL BE  
GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED.**



*PLEASE COME AND JOIN US AS WE RAISE OUR VOICES (AND YOURS!) TO JOYFULLY SING OUR PRAISE TO THE LORD!*

## **SPRED at St. Francis Xavier Parish**

SPRED (Special Religious Development) welcomes children and adults with developmental disabilities and leads them toward a deeper awareness of God in their lives, an awareness of themselves as persons of dignity who are deeply loved by God, and an awareness of their integral relationship to the parish community and the entire Church. This is accomplished by meaningful one-on-one relationships within a small faith community.



We currently have openings in our Saturday morning group for adults (ages 22+). If you know of any adults who would benefit from participating in the SPRED program, please contact Maureen Windmoeller at 708-250-1049.

## Sharing Our Holy Moments

*"First, I want to say "Thank you" for the gift of the Monday bible study classes, which I'm finding to be a great addition to my spiritual life. I learned long ago that, no matter what age I am, I can always learn more about God, about myself and others, and it's always enriching to my soul. The people in my discussion group are all forthcoming in our exchange of ideas, and I am thoroughly enjoying our conversations, and working on putting into practice what I'm learning." -Gerry McNichols*

## AARP Tax-Aide Needs Volunteers for the 2025 Tax Filing Season

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

The AARP Tax-Aide Program is now seeking volunteers for the upcoming 2025 tax filing season. It's not necessary for you to be an AARP member or to have a tax or an accounting background to volunteer. However, some knowledge of your own personal tax matters is very helpful. All returns are prepared on computers; thus, volunteers should be somewhat computer literate. Training classes will be held in January, 2025. Minimum time commitment during the filing season is 4 to 5 hours one day per week from early February to mid-April.

This income tax preparation and assistance service is offered to low and middle income individuals with special attention to those 60 years and older. Won't you help?

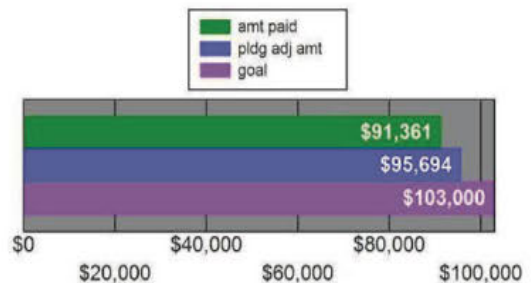
For further information about the program and to sign up as a volunteer, please visit: <https://www.aarpfoundation.org/taxaidevolunteer> or contact parishioner John Wagner at 708-352-0170.



### ACA Report By Parish

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal through 10/19/2024

<b>Parish #</b>	870
<b>Parish Name</b>	St. Cletus
<b>Donor Count</b>	302
<b>2024 Goal</b>	\$103,000.39
<b>Amount Pledged</b>	\$95,694.00
<b>Amount Paid</b>	\$91,361.00
<b>Balance Due</b>	\$4,333.00



## St. Cletus Parish Preferred Partners



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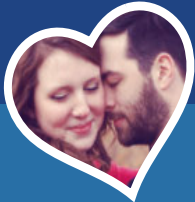
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