

# *Saint Cletus Parish Canticle*

We should spend as much time  
in thanking God for His benefits  
as we do in asking for them  
- St. Vincent De Paul



## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will  
make you fishers of men." - Mk 1:17

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# Mass Intentions for January 22 - January 28 2024

Day	Time	Presider	Intentions
January 22	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Evelyn Prevenas
January 23	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Diana Zepeda, Anthony Serritella, Ralph Heft
January 24	8:00am	Fr. Romero	BC and Rip Collins, Andrew F. Bultas Jr., Louie Marasovic
January 25	8:00am	Fr. Novick	St. Cletus Parishioners
January 26	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Louie Marasovic
January 27	5:00pm	Fr. Novick	Rev. Charles Watkins, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, James, Moles, Irene Erdmann, Patricia Hays, Jordan P. Nicolosi
January 28	7:15am	Fr. Romero	Julia Kopacz
	8:45am	Fr. Novick	Eugene Sorrentino, Rev. Charles Watkins, Phyllis Prevenas, Deceased Members of St. Cletus CWC
	10:30am	Fr. Romero	Stacy Baker, John Baker, Luis P. Gonzalez, Henry and Eleonore Romanowski, Henry John Romanowski,, Theresa Romanowski
	12:30pm	Fr. Marulanda	Por las benditas almas del purgatorio, Abel Salvador D. La Cerda, Ramon Gutierrez Bautista, Jose Hernandez Perez

**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.

**January - Mary Ann Bamberger**

**December - Mary Lue Buchler**

**November -**

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

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

**Eugene J. Wozniak Sr.**

**May he rest in peace....**

**ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...**

**Patrick Steven Nives**

Son of Colins Nives and Celeste Kramer



**Isabella Luna Medina**

Daughter of Anthony Medina and Valentina Lisa Flores

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

## Pastor's Note

*"Jesus said to them,  
"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."  
Mark 1:17.*

Dear Friends,

It is remarkable to learn how Jesus, the Son of God, recruits and builds his team. He takes the journey, walks towards them, enjoys watching them at what they are good at. Then, he engages them by asking them to follow him. Did they do that? Yes, they did. *"They abandoned their nets and followed him,"* Scriptures tells us today.

How is your awareness of Jesus? Do you sense him walking towards you? Do you let him be with you as you fulfill your daily responsibilities at home and work? How do you normally respond to him when he invites you to be part of his team? When you are in church, just look up and around you and notice how so many members of our parish community have been called by Jesus and how they are fulfilling their calling with care, gentleness, and joy. Perhaps today is that day for you to respond to his calling and consider becoming an Altar Server, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Sacristan, Gusher, member of the choir, and so forth. Another way of responding the call of Jesus is also by extending an invitation to others to come to pray with us on weekends.

Our parish is blessed with many amazing ministries, committees, organizations, and staff that have heard the call from Jesus to be part of his team. Their dedication and joy tell us that they enjoy serving and collaborating with Jesus. That is something I can see and notice daily for which I am most grateful.

For example, I am happy to let you know that we have an excellent Parish Staff, Parish Pastoral Council, and Parish Finance Council. Each of them has been called by Jesus to serve and collaborate with him. They have a good relationship with Jesus and they joyfully share and put in practice their knowledge, wisdom, and strengths. They want to see our parish growing in friendship, fraternity, and harmony. They want us to have a deeper relationship with Jesus. It is a joy to journey, work, and collaborate with them. If you could, please hold them in prayer.

I am also happy to let you know that I have invited three members of our parish community to join our Parish Pastoral Council effective immediately. They are Monica Herron, David Smith, and Armando Fulgencio. They are active members of our parish. They are also very generous sharing their time, gifts, and strengths. I look forward collaborating with them. I take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Desiree Diaz and Colleen Hagen for their service and contribution as members of the Parish Pastoral Council this past year.

With the leadership of the Parish Pastoral Council, once again, we are hosting "St. Cletus Super Bowl Party," on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in the Parish Center. This is an opportunity for us to come together, meet new members of our parish community, and have fun. I hope you are planning to join us. In advance, I would like to thank the members of our Parish Pastoral Council for their leadership and dedication. I am looking forward to it.

Through the aid of the Holy Spirit, may our response to the calling of Jesus today be generous.

Fr. Elmer Romero





## Note From Father Mike

### January 21 (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time) 2024

While we are officially out of the Christmas season, I wanted to take a few minutes to reflect on the goodness of the Christmas Season at St. Cletus and give attention to the Christmas Eve and Day celebrations.

Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas. It's also more work than some may think. There really was no way St. Cletus would have seen the success we did without the amount of volunteers and ministers who pitched in to bring Christ to life before our eyes. The first group our patrons see as they walk into the church are the ministers known as the gushers (the combination of whose members are both greeters + ushers at Mass). It's a group that tends to be simply made up of smiling faces, greeting our patrons with warmth, gratitude, and sometimes handing out bulletins. The people you see bringing up the bread and wine at the offertory are usually chosen by the gushers, besides taking the collection. Everyone is a top-notch human being. For Christmas EVE especially, they were going here, going there finding more chairs for people to sit in as between the 3pm and 3:15pm Masses there were about 2000 people in attendance.

One of the reasons the 3pm Mass is so popular is because our children's choir sings like the angels they are. It's a lot of parents and other family members that come to hear their children sing so beautifully under the direction of Mr. Ryan Rump, our Director of Music. And with that segue, think about all of the time and energy it took for Ryan to bring various choirs, musicians, and cantors together in order to be sure that every Mass was brilliant and vibrant. Ryan's choirs have really done great, and his volunteer cantors continue to work hard to give the best praise and worship they can.

Our Altar Servers have made some important strides forward. Some of the servers are taking a bit more of a responsibility, especially in terms of learning how to work with incense. Since the arrival of the most recent set of servers were trained, they seem to be more attentive to the Mass and to what comes next. It may not be all of the time right now, but they really did a good job during the Christmas Masses.

From behind the scenes (ideally), sacristans help get things set up for the Mass – putting out the bread and wine to be offered, lighting candles, being sure the books are out and ready to be used, and so much more. We have a very good group of men and women doing this specialized ministry. I intend on teaching them more and more. For now, thanks to all of you for your ministry!

One of the more impressive ministries in my opinion is the Hispanic Ministry led by Juanita Avila. The core group of volunteers are always helping to be sure the 12:30pm Mass

runs like clockwork, as well as special Masses that include Spanish being used. Looking back at Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrations for Mañanitas and Mass of the Roses, the volunteers worked tirelessly to be sure everyone in attendance had a wonderful experience.

Again, thank you to all of our volunteers of St. Cletus. These liturgical ministries are only the beginning of the great things that are possible when we all pitch in. It really makes things easier on all people. Please consider one of these ministries or something else. The parish website has a dropdown menu of all ministries. Check them out and see if there is one for you.

Onward to God's Kingdom!

Fr. Mike

**Scan Here To Learn More  
About Our Ministries!**



# Sunday Notes

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

**Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

**Thursday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

**Friday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34

**Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

**Next Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Monday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

**Tuesday:** St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

**Wednesday:** St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Thursday:** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

**Friday:** Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

**Saturday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin

**Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week



## Get Your Super Bowl Tickets!

# ST. CLETUS SUPER BOWL PARTY!

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11TH, 2024 ~ DOORS OPEN AT 3PM

ST. CLETUS PARISH CENTER ~ TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW

\*FUN INCLUDES: PINATAS, GAMES, PIZZA, WINGS, DESSERT AND LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES TO WIN!

YOU COULD WIN A FOOTBALL SIGNED BY BEARS SUPER BOWL CHAMPS STEVE MCMICHAEL AND KURT BECKER! RAFFLE TICKETS ARE \$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20

FOOTBALL SQUARES AVAILABLE FOR \$10 EACH  
PRIZE PAY OUT: \$100 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD QUARTERS  
"\$200 FINAL SCORE"

### HOW MUCH?

\$10 PER PERSON OR TABLE OF 6 FOR \$40

(FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$10 WE WILL SET ASIDE A RESERVED TABLE FOR YOUR PARTY)



SPONSORED BY THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

THIS EVENT SOLD OUT LAST YEAR SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY!

# CCW

## CCW TIME TRAVELS BACK TO 1964

CCW members and their guests were treated to some time travel back in history to 1964. Historian and public speaker, Leslie Goddard, became Jackie Kennedy and shared with us her memories of her courtship and marriage to President John Kennedy. Jackie also spoke of her trials at trying to keep herself and her children living a life out of the spotlight. Her stories of life in the White House sparked our own memories of Jackie and JFK and his “Camelot Presidency.” It was an entertaining and informative presentation followed by some tasty French treats, champagne and friendship.

### Our next CCW General

**Meeting is Wednesday, March 13.** During the liturgical season of Lent we will have an evening of Reflection and Prayer. Hope to see you then and at other St. Cletus Events. Blessing for the entire 2024!



**Open House Is Next Weekend!**

# JOIN US FOR OPEN HOUSE

## JANUARY 28TH 10:30AM-2:00PM

COME SEE WHY EVERYDAY IS A GREAT DAY TO BE A CARDINAL!



700 W. 55th St.  
La Grange, IL 60525  
708.352.4820  
www.stcletusschool.com



# School News

## ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS!

Recently, we had a great time at our first PBIS assembly of 2024! Thank you to our student council for reminding us exactly what it means to BE A CARDINAL! Following their skit we held our rock, paper, scissors championship!! It's always a very exciting and fun event!



## “SNOW” MUCH FUN!

Last week winter seemed to finally and officially make its arrival! Our students had two days off because of the snow and cold. They made the most of it and certainly



## CHUCK E. CHEESE RESCHEDULED!

Our fundraiser has been rescheduled to January 26th! We hope you'll join us!



## ATTEND OUR SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

**ADDRESS:**  
2409 CASS AVENUE  
DARIEN, IL 60561

**DATE:**  
JANUARY 26TH

**TIME:**  
3-9PM



# Social Concerns Ministry



## ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 4-8PM

Wish List:

- Canned meats
- Cereal and oatmeal
- Detergent and soap
- Pasta and pasta sauce
- Diapers size 4, 5, 6
- Baby wipes

Follow us on  
Facebook:  
@StCletusFoodPantry  
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

Food Pantry volunteer slots are now available through the end of March. Volunteers must be 6<sup>th</sup> grade and older, adult are welcomed and needed too! Two shifts available.

ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Thursdays  
Shifts available:  
3:15-5:30  
5:15-8:15  
Minimum age: 6th grade

Sign up at:  
<https://bit.ly/3GuHZoP>

**MORE INFORMATION**  
708.215.5418  
FOODPANTRY@STCLETUSPARISH.COM

FIND A VOLUNTEER ROLE THAT FITS YOUR INTERESTS AND AVAILABILITY!

*Coffee & Refreshments*

**FOR THE LOVE OF VOLUNTEERING**

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 9-11:30 am

**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER FAIR**

→ All are welcome. Bring a friend!

HOSTED BY ICP

First Presbyterian Church of La Grange  
150 S. Ashland Ave.  
Enter at Elm St. and Catherine Ave.

Join us at our upcoming event, where a multitude of organizations come together under one roof, offering you the perfect opportunity to make a difference in your community. Sip a cup of coffee and explore a diverse range of causes and find the perfect volunteer role that aligns with your passions and skills. Together, let's create a positive impact and build a stronger, more compassionate community.

Participating nonprofits include: CAEL, Community Support Services, Go Green La Grange, Helping Hand, Hinsdale Humane Society, Interfaith Community Partners, La Grange Area Historical Society, LATTE Theater, Leadership, Pillars, St Cletus Food Pantry, Scouting, and more!

## 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 14 – March 21. If you are interested in signing up and participating locally, you can do so here:

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





## Second Collection Next Weekend to Support Our Students

### St. Cletus Parish Finance Council Update

The week of November 19, 2023, we published the FY 2023 Parish Financial Report that summarized the Parish's 2023 fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023. We encourage you to read about your continued support & generosity in providing the financial foundation that sustains all of our Parish ministries and initiatives.

Of course, one important component of our community is our Parish elementary school, which has 280 students enrolled in Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. According to Archdiocesan guidelines, parish schools are required to be self-sufficient through tuition and any needed fund-raising, not relying on Parish financial support. Our school has been very successful in completing & following this mandate.

However, a serious setback was dealt to our school and other private schools when the Illinois State Legislature chose to allow the Empower Illinois Scholarship program to expire without renewal. The five-year-old tax credit scholarship program that 9,700 students across the state used, including 23 St. Cletus students was allowed to "sunset" after the 2023 - 2024 school year. Our St. Cletus school received \$113,218 in scholarships this year to help pay either partial or full tuition of \$6,900 per student at St. Cletus. This has caused a huge budget concern for our school and many individual families seeking a Catholic education for their children who now must consider other school options for the next year.

We are writing to you for a couple of reasons. First, to ensure that you are aware of how this short-sighted (in our opinion) decision by the legislature will directly affect our St. Cletus community. This is a real, serious issue for several school families and school administration, and ultimately, our entire Parish. This brings us to our second point.

Three weekends have been set aside for a second collection during Mass to help offset this deficit. The weekends of January 27/28, 2024, which is the start of Catholic Schools week, and the weekends of February 24/25 and April 27/28, 2024. These three weekends also correspond as Family Mass weekends at 10:30 Mass. We realize that many of your budgets are probably already stretched thin, especially after the holidays. However, after examining your family's bottom line and praying about your options, please consider this choice to further show your gratitude for God's blessings. Another option to consider, if this would work for you, would be to sponsor one student for the entire year. As mentioned earlier, this would be \$6,900, probably more as tuition increases. If this is an option for you, please contact our school principal, Mr. Greg Porod 708/352-4820 or email at [gporod@stcletusparish.com](mailto:gporod@stcletusparish.com).

Thank you, fellow parishioners, for your continued support, prayers, and generosity!

Sincerely, *The St. Cletus Parish Finance Council, Doug Morrissey, Chair* [finance@stcletusparish.com](mailto:finance@stcletusparish.com)

## Climate Change Meeting

### Solutions to Climate Change

A Catholic Perspective

Saturday, February 3

9:30-11:00am

St. John of the Cross Parish Center

5005 Wolf Rd.

Western Springs

Join us for an interactive presentation about how we can best address climate change. Our expert speaker is Andrew Panelli, who leads the Creation Care Ministry at St. Elizabeth Seton of Orland Park and is Advocacy Lead with the Archdiocese of Chicago's Encyclical Working Group.



CARES  
Catholics Are Responsible Environmental Stewards  
St. John of the Cross Parish

Scan the QR Code to RSVP or visit  
[www.stjohnofthecross.org/caresrsvp](http://www.stjohnofthecross.org/caresrsvp)  
Walk-ins always welcome!



# Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
23 de enero, 2024	7:00 p.m.	<b>Adoración al Santísimo</b> Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	<b>Iglesia Church</b>
21 de enero 2024	12:30 p.m.	<b>Misa en Español</b> Spanish Mass	<b>Iglesia Church</b>
Segundo Sábado de cada mes Second Saturday of each month	8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.	Adoración Nocturna Night Adoration	Iglesia Church
Sábados	8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	<b>Confesiones</b>	<b>Iglesia</b>



## 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.

## INTENCIONES DE MISA:

Si desea una intención de misa para la Misa de 12:30 p.m., llame a la oficina principal 708 352-6209 o al 708-215-5441. Las intenciones de misa deben solicitarse antes del miércoles si su intención es para ese fin de semana. Las intenciones de misa deben solicitarse antes del día, la donación sugerida por cada intención es de \$10.

## MASS INTENTIONS:

If you would like a mass intention for the 12:30 p.m. Mass,

please call the main office 708 352-6209 or 708-215-5441. Mass intentions must be requested by Wednesday if your intention is for that weekend. Mass Intentions should be requested prior to the day, suggested donation per Mass Intention is \$10.

## FORMATION OF THE MINISTRY OF CARE

There will be a training for ministers of Communion to the Sick on Saturday, January 27, 2024 from 8am to 4:30 pm. This training is for anyone who wants to bring communion to those who are homebound, in nursing homes, or in hospitals. For more information please contact Juanita Ávila at 708-215-5441

## FORMACIÓN DEL MINISTERIO DE COMUNIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS

Habrà un entrenamiento para ministros de Comunión a los Enfermos el sábado 27 de enero de 8am a 4:30 pm. Esta capacitación es para cualquier persona que desea llevar la comunión a quienes están confinados en sus hogares, en hogares de ancianos o en hospitales. Para más información puede comunicarse con Juanita Ávila al 708-215-5441

# Mission Trip



Register Here:



Catholic Heart  
Workcamp

2024 Summer  
Mission Trip

Join us for a life-changing week of service, faith and fun.

The teens of St. Francis, St. Cletus and St. John of the Cross are partnering for another Summer Mission trip to Love, Serve and Connect in Louisville, Kentucky.

\*Rising Sophomores-Graduating Seniors\*

\*June 9-14, 2024\*

\*Louisville, Kentucky\*



# Ministry News

## BOOK CLUB



Come join us on February 13<sup>th</sup> for our Discussion of *The Celebrants* by Stephen Rawley . We meet at 10 a.m. in the Gallagher Room. If you have any questions, please e-mail [book\\_club@stcletusparish.com](mailto:book_club@stcletusparish.com).

For those who like to look ahead, our April book is *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to those who donated to St. Vincent DePaul over the Christmas Holiday. We were able to help 5 Families with their Rent and/or utilities. Please, if you can donate, there are green envelopes in the Narthex that you can return in the collection basket. God Bless You.

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

This past week we welcomed Norma Hernandez to our Faith Formation Team. We are very happy to have Norma working with us, she will add much to our program and I am happy to be working with her as she transitions into her new role as Faith Formation Coordinator for children and teens.

This is a very busy week for Faith Formation. Reminder for our families: classes are in session today, Sunday and tomorrow Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will host our Teen Seekers on Wednesday evening, and on Thursday, January 25, we will host our First Communion Parent Meeting for families whose children will receive First Communion this year.

We will end the week with our Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, January 27. We will begin at 1:00 p.m. and end our retreat with our candidates and families attending the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Please pray for our young people as they walk the journey to Confirmation.

**Note: Classes will not be in session on January 28 & 29, or 31 – for our Teen Seekers because of the Catholic Schools Week Open House and Activities.**

## Save The Date

 *St. Cletus Parish*

PLEASE JOIN US FEBRUARY 12TH AT 6:30PM FOR:

**AN EVENING WITH OUR PARISH STAFF**



**GATHER WITH US IN OUR PARISH CENTER TO SHARE A MEAL AND GET TO KNOW OUR PARISH STAFF BETTER!**



# Community News

## ENGAGE COMMUNITY – JANUARY

Our next get together:

**Thursday, January 25 at 7 pm to 8:30 pm in Unity Hall at SFX**

Bridget Sperduto, the Director of The Well Spirituality Center part of the Congregation of St. Joseph Mission Network, will be presenting **“Our Sacred Universe: Where Science and Theology Meet.”**

Discussion and fellowship to follow

RSVPs, at the email below, are requested.

For questions or to RSVP, please email Jane at [janeLGPark@gmail.com](mailto:janeLGPark@gmail.com)

All are welcome. Engage is for adults; single, married, divorced, widowed, parishioners and visitors to foster Christian community through social and service events.

## Behold the Lamb of God

Blessed Carlo Acutis and How Eucharistic Miracles Show What Our Faith Says is Always True

with Fr. Luke Spannagel

Our Catholic Faith tells us that bread and wine are changed during the Eucharistic Prayer at every Mass into the very Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. A true miracle! Yet, most of the time, the appearance of the bread and wine stays the same. For many, this can be a challenge as we strive to look upon the Host with the eyes of faith. Did you know that every now and then, Jesus does something unique in providing a different kind of miracle--one where the appearance of the bread and wine does change? Did you know that a remarkable teenager from Italy gathered the information about these miracles into an amazing website? Plan to join us to learn more about a potential saint who both played video games and spent time in Eucharistic Adoration...plan to join us to learn more about these special Eucharistic miracles which can help to bolster our faith!



**February 8, 2024  
7:00-8:00pm  
St. John of the Cross  
Parish Center**

Hospitality following the presentation



Scan to RSVP

## Save The Date

## Preferred Partners



*Thank you!*

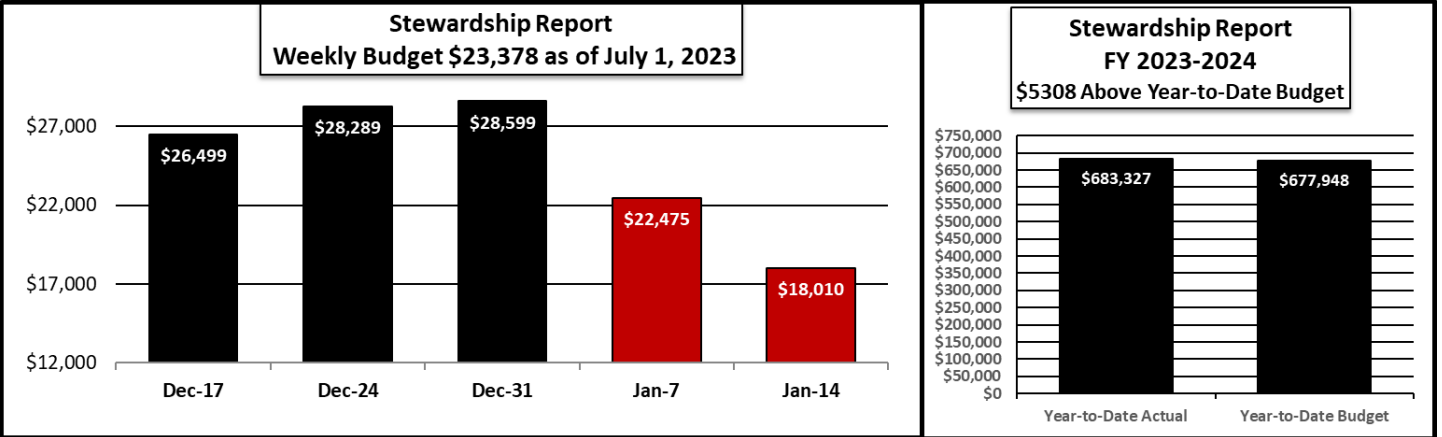




# Week At A Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, January 21			
Monday, January 22			
Tuesday, January 23	7pm 8pm	Church Parish Center	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament- Spanish Senior Basketball Practice Church League
Wednesday, January 24	9am-12pm 1-1:45pm 8-10pm	Gallagher Room Church Parish Center	Mission Ladies Living Rosary School Fathers Basketball
Thursday, January 25	4-8pm 6:30pm 8-10pm	Food Pantry Morrissey Hall Parish Center	Food Pantry Distribution First Communion Parent Meeting Church League Basketball Team Practices
Friday, January 26	8-9pm	Morrissey Hall	Frosh/Soph Church League Practice
Saturday, January 27			
Sunday, January 28			

# 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 2023 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](mailto: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.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

# 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.

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

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office .... (708) 352-6209

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Elmer Romero, *Pastor*  
Deacon Franco Foti, *Operations Director*  
Rev. Michael Novick, *Associate Pastor*  
Rev. John Lodge, *Senior Priest for Weekend Liturgy*  
Mr. Ramón Cazales, *Deacon*  
Rev. Robert Clark, *Pastor Emeritus*

### PASTORAL STAFF

Tina Norton, *Pastoral Associate* (708) 215-5412  
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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.