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FEBRUARY 21, 2016

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



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Mass Intentions for the Week of February 22 — February 28, 2016

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions	
Monday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Priests, Past and Present	
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Anton Mataitis, Phyllis Kukar, Joe Grabowski	
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners	
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Harry, Sandy & John Fisher, Debbie Sipek, Giovanni Vieceli	
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik	
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	James Courtney Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Frank Skrip Sr., George & Lorraine Kurland	
Sunday	Fr. Clark Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners George Duda, Luczak Family, Joseph Tybor, Lois Geraghty, Albert & Agnes Hinton, Walter Schulfer, Sr. Diane Bradford, Dr. Theo Grasser Jorge Villasenor, Victor Reymontas Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners	

WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Please welcome to our parish family:

Nicholas & Elizabeth Wesolowski Family Ronald & Justine Thomas Michael & Patricia Donnelly Family Jose & Dora Castro Christopher & Rhonda Aumann Jim &Roberta Merrion

If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND



This weekend there will be a second collection to benefit the St. Cletus Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign which breaks ground this Spring. Thank you for your continued generous support.

SOUP AND TAIZÉ THIS FRIDAY



We invite you to share a Lenten evening of food, faith, and fellowship on Friday, Feb. 26th at 6:15pm in Morrissey Hall, followed by Taizé Prayer at 7:00pm in Church.

We'd be happy to hear from you in advance so we have an idea of how many portions to prepare. Please RSVP to Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com) or Paulette Bolton (pbolton@stcletusparish.com).

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gene Wallace, John Eterno, Vivian Swibel, Jennifer Streit, Marge Bechina, Julianne Hausknecht, Jen Trenkamp, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Patricia Niwa, Allie DeRivera, Don King, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Peter D. Rivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, Dave McCoy, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Denise Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT 2016

THEY SAW HIS GLORY

Pilgrims to the Holy Land are unlikely to forget their visit to Mount Tabor. A graceful, isolated mountain in Lower Galilee, it rises almost 600 meters above the valley; its dome-like shape is eye-catching and panoramic views from its summit among the most stunning in the land. One writer has described Tabor as rising "up to heaven like an altar in the greatest sanctuary in the world". Such imagery, and still more the constant flow of pilgrims throughout the centuries, bears testimony to the fact that Tabor has traditionally been identified as the spot where today's gospel event took place.

The scene is one where Jesus is deep in prayer while nearby are his three disciples Peter, James and John. They are dozing off – the day has been hot and the climb exhausting - when suddenly they witness an incredible sight. It's their Master; they've seen him lost in prayer before, but never anything like this: his face radiant, even his clothing suffused with light. Then they notice that two other men are joining him. One is Moses, leader and lawgiver of God's people, and the other is Elijah, the great prophet. (Today, the Franciscan church on the summit of mount Tabor is flanked by two side chapels, dedicated to those two Old Testament heroes). More amazing than their presence, however, is their topic of conversation: they are talking with Jesus, says the gospel, "of his passing which he was about to accomplish in Jerusalem", a "passing" which will involve his death and resurrection.

Peter is awe-struck. "Master," he exclaims, "it is wonderful for us to be here." But the words are scarcely out of his mouth when a cloud – a biblical symbol of God's presence – overshadows them and from the cloud the voice of the Father is heard: "This is my Son, the Chosen One; listen to him." After that, all is back to normal; "Jesus," says the gospel, "was found alone", no longer Jesus ablaze with glory but the familiar Jesus they knew so well. Now they are to accompany him on a journey which will take him to his death in Jerusalem. However, they will never be able to forget, will never want to forget, that astonishing event on Mount Tabor; it had given them a glimpse of Jesus' real identity as the beloved Son of the Father. It

will stand them in good stead in the dark days ahead.

However, as time went by they came to see – and the readings today suggest that we should share their discovery - that there was even more to mount Tabor than they had realized. For not only had it given them a glimpse of who Jesus was but also of what we, his followers, are destined to be. In the words of St. Paul, "the Lord Jesus will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body". Some years ago a horrific explosion in Belfast robbed a young girl of an arm, a leg and an eye. She made an amazing recovery, and was married a year later. newspapers carried "before" and "after" photographs, showing the incredible transformation that had been worked, thanks to the skill of doctors and nurses. What then may we not expect when the Lord himself is at work, for, as Paul reminds us, God at his disposal limitless power, "the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe"?

As though reflecting on the import of what happened on mount Tabor, Paul cries out that "our (real) homeland is in heaven"; that's where we truly belong for we are a pilgrim people and that's where we shall finally be transfigured into the likeness of our risen lord. And that's why our supreme task, especially during these days of lent, is to ensure that we are treading the right path, or, if we are not, to make the necessary adjustments while there is time.

Lenten Blessings,

Fr. Bob Pastor

Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

Shop with Scrip Cash and Carry February 13-14 8th Grade Confirmation February 20 St. Cletus School Spring Auction...... March 5

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Jolene Hillgoth, President (708) 215-5426 jhillgoth@stcletusparish.com

Lauren Lewandowski, Principal (708) 352-4820 llewandowski@stcletusparish.com

MathCounts Competition

The St. Cletus MATHCOUNTS Club participated in the 33rd annual MATHCOUNTS Competition this Saturday at the BP Campus in Naperville. Congratulations to Carson, Meg, Kevin M., Zach, Aidan, Matt Z., Katie H., Matt L., Kevin R. & Sean! Go Cardinals!

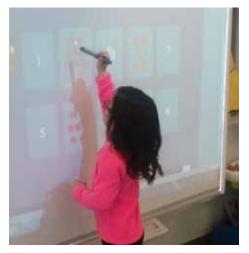














Cardinals Celebrate Digital Learning Day

On Wednesday our students celebrated Digital Learning Day which started as a way to spread innovative practices and ensure that all youth have access to high-quality digital learning opportunities. At St. Cletus we are always looking at digital tools that can help enhance the learning experience for our students from investing in Digital SmartBoards in each classroom to our 1:1 computing initiative. For St. Cletus students digital learning happens every day!

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Jubilee Year of Mercy

FEBRUARY 21

Many icons depicting Jesus' transfiguration bear the Greek title *Metamorphosis*, a technical term also for nature's springtime transformation. Fittingly, this *Jubilee Year of Mercy* coincides with the Lectionary's Year of Luke, for only Luke specifies Moses and Elijah speaking about Jesus' "exodus that he was going to accomplish in

Jerusalem" (Luke 9:31). Israel's exodus liberated from slavery; Jesus' exodus liberates from sin's living death of selfishness. Pope Francis suggests that Lent's prayer, fasting, and works of charity can transfigure the world, if Christians translate Isaiah's challenge into our daily lived experience of Jesus' life-giving exodus by releasing those bound unjustly, setting free the oppressed, sharing your bread with the hungry, bringing the afflicted and homeless into your house, clothing the naked, not turning your back on your own. "If you remove from your midst oppression, and malicious speech . . . then light shall rise for you in the darkness . . . you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring whose water never fails" (Isaiah 58:9, 10, 11).

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JUBILEE OF MERCY

FORGIVE THOSE WHO HURT US

Not by our own ability but enabled by the Holy Spirit, we can forgive those who hurt us. We can reflect the forgiving mercy of God in our lives, especially in difficult relationships. "For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matthew 6:14–15)



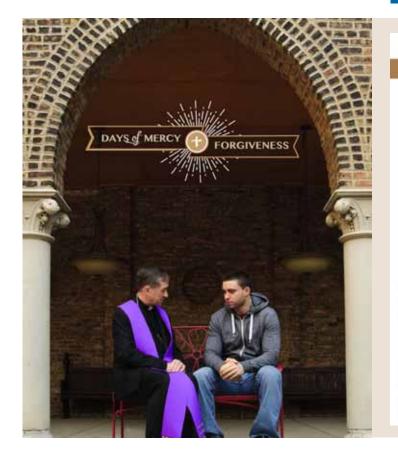
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LENT 2016



My God,

I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good
I have sinned against you.
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend with your help
to do penance, to sin no more
And to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.
In his name, my God, have mercy.

Reconciliation is offered each Saturday 4:15-4:45pm.

Parish Reconciliation Service March 14th at 7:00 p.m.

jubileemercy.org

Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Sugar
- Canned vegetables
- Canned soups
- Dry pinto beans
- Rice

Donations can be dropped off before or after masses or anytime daily between 7:45 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex.



AARP-trained tax volunteers will be available by appointment only for those aged 60+ who would like assistance preparing their income tax returns at:

Aging Care Connections
111 W. Harris Ave.
La Grange

Appointments will be scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings through April 6th.

To schedule an appointment, please call 708-354-1323

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

MESSAGES OF THANKS



WHICH WOULD YOU CHOOSE?



73% choose between food or utility bills.

We greatly appreciate your ongoing help in stocking our pantry shelves! Thank you for checking dates on all your non-perishables to make sure we can distribute them.

A heartfelt word of appreciation to the Parish Pastoral Council for hosting the Ministry Fair last weekend! We loved hearing about your gifts and interests and sharing the good work our volunteers do in Social Concerns! If you didn't have a chance to stop by the Ministry Fair but are interested in volunteering with any of the Social Concerns Ministries, please contact Kendall.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING PROJECT

Hungering for Opportunity

This week, CRS Rice Bowl takes us to Laos, where Hongkham is using her love of cooking to provide for her family—and feed an entire school. How do we use our passions and gifts for the betterment of those we meet? Visit crsricebowl.org



WEEK 2: FEBRUARY 21

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36, 37-43a

Rights and Responsibilities

As human beings, we have the right to live and grow in peace. Because we have that right, we have the responsibility to make sure others enjoy the same opportunity too.

■ God makes a promise to Abraham and his descendants; God and Abraham have a responsibility to live up to that promise.

How do we uphold our responsibility to promises we have made to God and others?

■ Paul reminds us that "our citizenship is in heaven." God loves all people—all citizens of that heavenly home—equally.

What kinds of rights and responsibilities does that citizenship imply?

■ This week, CRS Rice Bowl features a woman from Laos who, recognizing the needs of her family and her own unique gifts, uses her love of cooking to feed her children—and an entire school.

How are we called to use our own unique gifts for the betterment of others?

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY MARCH 19-20

We need your help at the weekend Masses on Saturday, March 19 and Sunday, March 20 to collect Rice Bowls after Mass as part of our Parish Lenten Almsgiving Project. Please sign up for a Mass timeslot with Kendall. All ages welcome. Thank you for your help!



We invite you to share a Lenten evening of food, faith, and fellowship on Friday, Feb. 26th at 6:15pm (Morrissey Hall) followed by Taizé Prayer at 7:00pm (Church).

Jesus says we will be judged more by our sharing of food than by our creeds. What a wonderful opportunity to share the gifts of food and faith with our fellow travelers on this Lenten journey! Spread the word. We'd be happy to hear from you in advance so we have an idea of how many portions to prepare. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please RSVP to Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com) or Paulette Bolton(pbolton@stcletusparish.com).

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

What are the causes of domestic violence?

¹Domestic violence is learned, purposeful behavior and is a manifestation of the abuser's need to achieve and maintain power and control over the victim. Abusive behavior is learned and reinforced:

- Through observation
- Through experience
- •In culture and in society
- •In the family
- •In communities, including schools and peer groups
- •In faith, religious, and spiritual institutions
- •Through our failure to hold batterers accountable for their actions.

²The single most influential factor of domestic violence in adulthood is domestic violence in the household in which the person was reared. Children who grow up in an environment where control is maintained through verbal threats and intimidation and conflicts escalate into physical violence, are more likely to resort to the same methods of abuse as adults.

³There are, however, a number of predictors that may lead to domestic violence.

- •An environment where violence is either taught, by example, or accepted as "normal" will imprint upon a child's psyche.
- •Domestic violence is often linked to poor self-esteem, isolation from social support, a manipulative nature, and a desire for power and control.
- •Drug and/or alcohol abuse may be a precursor to domestic violence. Substance abuse leads to out-of-control behavior. The number one commonality within the dynamics of most alcoholic families is poor emotional health.
- •Domestic violence is more frequent where individuals experience loss of physical health and/or wage-earning power.

Domestic violence is not caused by³:

- •Illness
- •Genetics or biology

- Alcohol and drugs
- •Out-of-control behavior
- Anger
- Stress
- •The victim's behavior or actions
- •Problems in the relationship
- •Children or pets
- •Satan, demons, or evil influences

Simply put, "There is no excuse for domestic violence."

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

CALL THE
24-HOUR PHONE

708.485.5254

FOR HELP:

¹Elaine J. Alpert, et al. Responding to Domestic Violence: An Interfaith Guide to Prevention and Intervention, The Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network 2005

² "Causes of Domestic Violence", www.allaboutlifechanges.org

³Rev. Joyce Galvin, Domestic Violence Presentations at St. Raymond July 2010

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

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Leveraging LinkedIn

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, March 3 from 7-9 pm. Our speaker, Frank Baumann, will focus on leveraging LinkedIn to build your professional brand, create meaningful relationships, engage with your network and utilize groups. Frank will also provide an in product demonstration. This program will be geared to people newer and intermediate to LinkedIn. How recruiters use LinkedIn to source for specific roles and areas will also be discussed. Frank has been working as a member of Staffing since May 2007 with Bank of America Corporation. Prior to joining Staffing, he worked for LaSalle Legacy Bank in their Consumer Lending Department since August 2001. He earned his Professional in Human Resources (PHR) certification in December 2008. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend. Please join us at St. Cletus School Building, 700 W. 55th Street in La Grange. Look for the ICN sign outside and use the flag pole entrance.

Help ICN Help Others

Interfaith Career Net has many tools to assist job seekers, but we need your assistance to provide the most important element of a job search which is open positions. If you are a hiring manager or aware of open positions in your company, please send this information to jobs@interfaithcareernetwork.org. Any and all postings are welcome. ICN job seekers are at all stages of their career, in every industry, with a broad spectrum of education and experience. All job postings will be communicated to our 400+ ICN Yahoo group. Ideally it will be a WIN/WIN for your company and a qualified job seeker in our community. If you have any questions or for additional information you can also contact Judy Kennedy at jkennedy1333@ameritech.net or Tom tom_rohan@yahoo.com. Lastly, to learn more about ICN, visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

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2nd S unday of L ent

WE ARE TO BE TRANSFORMED

The devil tempted Jesus by quoting scripture, as today's Gospel reminds us. Try a self-serving miracle. Try selling out. Try dazzling the audience; people are gullible, after all. Try all these easy ways. The tempter tries to urge Jesus onto the slippery slope, attempts the old soft-soap, the snake-oil solutions that are always readily at hand. The devil knows better, but is powerless to do better, much less be better. The devil is evil personified, who senses in Jesus the stronger, truly attractive presence of holiness.

Evil is exposed and engaged, we are reminded in this Sunday's Gospel. Evil knows the jig is up. The undoing of lies begins with Jesus, who takes up the work of soulhealing and world-healing. This Lent, the Church invites us to enter into this renewing, re-creative work and be made whole again. -Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord made a covenant with his faithful servant, Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land" (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — We await the Lord Jesus, who will change us to conform with his glorified body (Philippians 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 - 4:1]).

Gospel — Peter, James, and John witness the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:28b-36).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 Monday: Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28 Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31 Thursday: Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11;

1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;

Washington's Birthday

St. Polycarp Tuesday: Friday: Abstinence

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The treasures of our tradition can often be traced to one source, but like the waters of a river branching out on its way to the sea, are received differently as they filter through various cultures and customs. Long ago, mostly because of the preparation of candidates for baptism, the annual feast of the Lord's death and resurrection was preceded by a period of preparation. In the West that comes to us as Lent, a word drawn from the Old English word for springtime, referring to the lengthening hours of sunlight in this hemisphere.

In the East, the tradition of preparing for Easter is received as "Great Lent," to distinguish it from a secondary "Lent" preceding Christmas, and a two-week period, a kind of "pre-Lent," that gradually introduces the faithful to the austerities of Great Lent. One of the major differences between East and West is in the vigor of the Lenten fast. In Great Lent the customs of fast and abstinence are far more strict than we are accustomed to. For us, meat is off our Lenten tables on Friday, but in the East, meat disappears from the diet completely, along with dairy products.

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DIRECTION

The great thing in this world is not so much where we are, but in what direction we are going. -Oliver Wendell Holmes

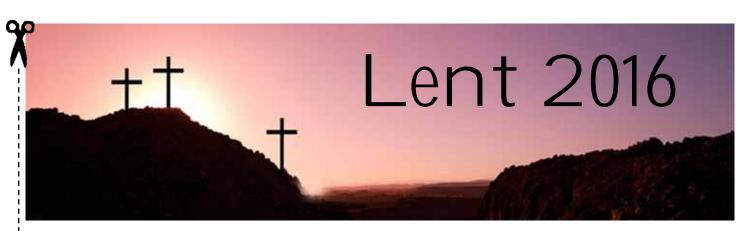
LET NOTHING DISTURB YOU

Let nothing disturb you. Nothing frighten you. All things are passing. God never changes.

Patient endurance attains all things. Whoever possesses God lacks nothing,

God alone is sufficient.

—St. Teresa of Ávila



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb. 21	Feb. 22	FEB. 23	FEB. 24 6:30pm Evening Lenten Mass	FEB. 25 2:15pm School Stations of the Cross	FEB. 26 6:15pm Soup Supper in Morrissey Hall 7pm Taizé Prayer in Church	FEB. 27 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions
FEB. 28	FEB. 29	MARCH 1 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	MARCH 2 6:30pm Evening Lenten Mass	MARCH 3 2:15pm School Stations of the Cross	MARCH 4 7pm Stations of the Cross	MARCH 5 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions
March 6	MARCH 7	MARCH 8	MARCH 9 6:30pm Evening Lenten Mass	MARCH 10 2:15pm School Stations of the Cross	MARCH 11 7pm Cancer Stations of the Cross Presentation	MARCH 12 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions
MARCH 13	MARCH 14 7pm Parish Reconciliation Service	MARCH 15	MARCH 16 6:30pm Evening Lenten Mass	MARCH 17 2:00pm School Stations of the Cross	MARCH 18 7pm Living Stations presented by the 8th grade students	MARCH 19 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions
March 20	MARCH 21	MARCH 22	March 23 No 6:30pm Mass	MARCH 24 No 8am Mass 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper	MARCH 25 No 8am Mass 9:30am Via Crucis en Español in MH 11:30am Las Últimas Siete Palabras de Christo en Español in	MARCH 26 No 8am Mass No Confessions No 5:00pm Mass 12:00pm Blessing of Food Baskets in
March 27 Easter Sunday		Services: n, 9:30am, 11:00am (Mass in Spanish)	1,		MH 1pm Pasión del Señor y Adoration del la Cruz en Español in MH 3:00pm The Passion of the Lord	Morrissey Hall 7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass

BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

In 2014-2015 Pope Francis declared the Year of the Sacraments to be celebrated by the church worldwide. The seven sacraments of the church is an excellent way for all Catholics to focus and reconnect with the rich power and grace that the sacraments offer each of us.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, beautiful stained glass windows depicting the seven sacraments were installed in April of last year. For several months since, we have been working to have brass plaques inscribed identifying the person or family who sponsored each window.

We invite everyone to join us for the formal Blessing and Dedication of these stain glass windows on February 27, 2016 at the 5:00pm Mass.

Blessings, Fr. Bob Clark



IN GRATEFUL THANKS TO GOD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS

TOM AND MARLENE MORAN INDIAN HEAD PARK



FOR YOUR BAPTISM DAY MAY GOD GRANT YOU ALWAYS A SUNBEAM TO WARM YOU, A MOONBEAM TO CHARM YOU. AND A SHELTERING

ANGEL SO NOTHING CAN HARM YOU BERNARD AND PATRICIA KELLY AND FAMILY



DRS. BEDNAR AND LINSMAIER FAMILIES



Confirmation
ED AND JACKIE
MCGOWAN
AND FAMILY



JOSEPH N. ULFIG AND FAMILY



Reconciliation

IN MEMORY OF SUE T. SCHILLER DONATED BY HER HUSBAND

AND TRAVNIK FAMILY



Marriage

PETER AND SUSAN FELICE



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THE RUFA FAMILY



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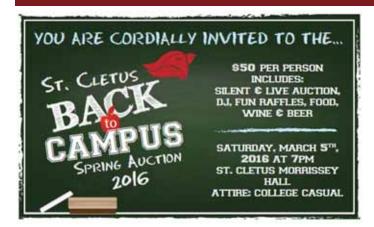
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Anointing of the Sick

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARILYN CUMMINGS

Other Ministry Notes



ST. CLETUS SPRING AUCTION

JOIN US ON MARCH 5TH IN MORRISSEY HALL

Tickets and Sponsorship info: auction.stcletusschool.com

INSTANT WINE CELLAR

Want your chance to win 50 bottles of wine? You can buy your "cork" for \$50 before they sell out at: http://auction.stcletusschool.com



CALLING ALL CARDINAL CELLAR WINE DONATORS!!!!

For the month of February Main Street Liquors will give a 10% discount on any bottles of wine purchased with a flyer to support the BACK TO CAMPUS AUCTION!! There are 3 options for wine contributions:

- 1) You can Purchase the wine at: Main Street Liquors (5425 South LaGrange Road, Countryside) The purchaser and the wine selection will be recorded, and the wine will be picked up at the end of February.
- 2) You can Purchase the wine and deliver it to school.
- 3) You can Purchase the wine and deliver to Mulcrone's house, 1210 South Stone Ave.

Get your 10% off flier at auction.stcletusschool.com

GOLF OUTING - SAVE THE DATE

St. Cletus 15th Annual Golf Outing

Friday, June 24th at Glen Eagles Country Club. Contact Chuck Luna at golfouting@stcletusparish.com for details.



"TEENS FOR JEANS" DRIVE

The St. Cletus National Junior Honor Society is sponsoring a "Teens for Jeans" drive, now through Friday, February 26. Send in any size (adult and youth) gently



used jeans which will be donated to help homeless youth in our area.

There is a donation box in the Narthex by the food donation containers. Contact Mr. Kittlaus (ekittlaus@stcletusparish.com) for more information.

WORD OF LIFE



"Jesus is with us every step of the way, giving us the grace we need. God invites us to embrace the lives we have been given, for as long as they are given. Every life is worth living."

"A Perfect Gift" (www.goo.gl/Ub6GVf) USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

FUNDRAISER AT KENNY'S 2/19-21

Help support St. Cletus school programs at our upcoming "fun"raiser. Join us February 19, 20, and 21 at Kenny's in Countryside. Kenny's is graciously donating 30% of all sales this weekend back to St. Cletus School.

Don't forget to bring your Kenny's flyer, available on our website www.stcletusschool.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Lenten Evening of Prayer and Reflection - March 8th at 7 pm in Room 200. Take a break from the hectic pace of life to be still and recognize God's presence in your life. Feel free to invite a friend! Open to all high school students

Teen Advisory Board Meeting - March 15th at 7pm. This is open to all high school teens and adults of any age who have an interest in helping to plan events for Youth Ministry.

Project C.U.R.E. - March 12th volunteer at Project C.U.R.E in Melrose Park, 1-3:30 p.m. Registration and permission forms are available on the website.

BEDS Plus Lunches - March 30th at 7 pm prepare and pack sack lunches that will be distributed to clients at BEDS Plus. We will gather in room 200.

RSVP to Elizabeth Tomasek at etomasek@stcletusparish.com

Community Bulletin Board

COUNTRYSIDE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



2016 Parade Benefiting Kelli Joy O'Laughlin Memorial Foundation on Saturday, March 5, 2016

Staging Area: Countryside Park on 61st St. (between Brainard & Kensington) at 11:30 a.m. Parade Start Location: 61st St. and Kensington, Countryside at 1 p.m. Ending at 55th Place and Edgewood. There will be a post parade party at Kenny's Irish Pub with bagpipers, Irish dancers and musical entertainment. Forms to register for the parade, waivers and ongoing parade updates can be found on the City's website: countryside-il.org. Please contact Parade Chairman Tim Ryan at parade@countryside-il.org or 708-655-9828 if you have any questions.

SCSG MARCH EVENTS

Suburban Catholic Singles Group (SCSG) Multi Parish Ministry For singles in their 40's and 50's

Friday, 3/4, 7pm, join us for Stations of the Cross at St. Cletus Parish, located at 600 W 55th St. La Grange and then walk across to Mangia Mangia for Dinner.. Cost is your dinner. Please RSVP by 3/2.

Saturday, 3/19, 6pm join us for Dinner and Live Music, (Kickin Jimmy) at Palmer's, 56 S La Grange Road in La Grange. Cost is your dinner. Please RSVP by 3/17

You can contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com Find us on Facebook – Suburban Catholic Singles

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Just as Peter, John and James experienced the Transformation of Jesus, let Jesus transform your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are April 8-10, 2016 or June 10-12, 2016 or August 12-14, 2015, all at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through http://wwme-chicagoland.org.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS MORNING OF MEDITATION

"The Value of Christian Meditation in Dealing with Life's Stuff'. Saturday, February 27 9-11am in the Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Rd. Western Springs. All are invited. Registration is requested but not required: mary105105@gmail.com or 708-246-5108.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

Coffee & Conversation - Saturday, February 27 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. in Welcome Hall, 1515 W. Ogden Avenue in LaGrange Park. The topic is presented by Sister Sallie Latkovich, CSJ: Catholic Social Teaching: "The Best Kept Secret."

No RSVP is necessary; this is a drop in event. A free will offering may be made. Questions? Contact Karen Herman DeMuro: 708-482-5037, development@csjoseph.org.

And save the date for the next Coffee! On Saturday, April 16th, Sister Jean Ann McGrath, CSJ, will present: *Passing on the Faith: Is there an App for That?*

JOYFUL AGAIN RETREATS

There will be a retreat/workshop on March 5 & 6 at Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer in Lemont. An additional program will be held April 9 & 10 at Holy Family Medical Center (now Presence/Resurrection) at Golf Rd. & River Rd., DesPlaines. (Sponsored by Rainbow Hospice.) Being widowed is a special loss, and this program is designed especially to help the widowed find hope & joy again. Space is limited, register early 708-354-7211 joyfulagain7211@gmail.com www.joyfulagain.org

VOCATIONS - WWW.CHICAGOPRIEST.COM

"This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" If in your listening to the Lord you are sensing the invitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact Father Francis Bitterman (312) 534-8298, fbitterman@archchicago.org

ST LOUISE DE MARILLAC BOOK CLUB

St Louise de Marillac is having a Jubilee Year of Mercy Book Discussion Club that meets the last Tuesday of the Month at 7pm in the Creativity Rm. **Next meeting:** Tuesday, February 23rd at 7pm. We will view a DVD: Responding to God Person-to-Person by Vinny Flynn.

Book for March: Disciplines of the Holy Spirit by Dr. Siang-Yang Tan & Dr. Douglas H Gregg will meet Tuesday, March 29th.

ST. JOSEMARIA INSTITUTE CONFERENCE

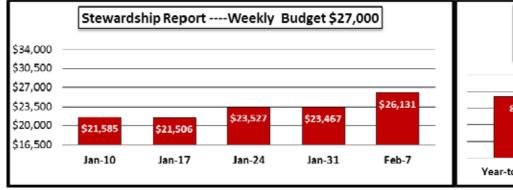
Confession: The Sacrament of Mercy - Saturday, March 19th 9:30 - 11:30 am at the Morton Arboretum, Thornhill Education Center, 4100 IL 53 Lisle, IL. Registration \$10, www.stjosemaria.org/winter-conference-2016

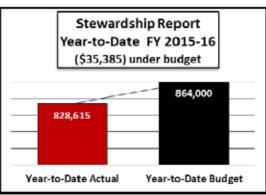
Week At A Glance

CChurch SSchool (Ed	ucation Building)	NarthexChurch Vo	estibule RBRectory Basement MHMorrissey Hall
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 21			
Monday, February 22	4:00pm 8:30pm	S Music Room MH	Junior Choir Rehearsal Men's Church League Basketball
Tuesday, February 23	7:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm 9:00pm	Rectory S Rm 200 S Rm 202 MH	RCIA Domestic Violence Steering Committee Meeting Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group Boys Church League Basketball
Wednesday, February 24	9:00am 9:00am 6:30pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	RB Church Church MH MH	Mission Ladies School Mass Lenten Wednesday Mass 1st Communion Parent Meeting Boy's Church League Basketball
Thursday, February 25	2:15pm 5:00pm 7:30pm 9:00pm	Church S Music Rm S Music Rm MH	School Stations of the Cross Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boy's Church League Basketball
Friday, February 26	6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	MH Church S Rm 201	Lenten Soup Supper Taize Prayer Service Hispanic Ministry Lenten Reflections
Saturday, February 27	5:00pm	Church	Blessing of Stained Glass Windows

Stewardship Report

WEEKLY 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 2015 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the rectory @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email **bkallal@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 #

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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 11:30 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.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Adoration begins following the 8:00 a.m. Mass and continues during the day until 6:15pm the first Tuesday of the month.

The *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed at 6:15 p.m. followed by Benediction.

Hispanic Adoration continues from 7:00pm until 8:00pm.

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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