

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

FEBRUARY 2, 2020

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

He had to become like his
brothers and sisters in every way.
— Hebrews 2:17a

NOW, MASTER,
YOU MAY LET YOUR SERVANT GO IN PEACE,
ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD,
FOR MY EYES HAVE SEEN YOUR SALVATION.

LUKE 2:29-30

THE PRESENTATION
OF THE LORD
FEBRUARY 2, 2020

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WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of February 3-9, 2020

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Barret	8:00 a.m.	Karen Gorek
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Lawrence Vieceli
Wednesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Colleen Fitzgerald, Richard Gomez
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Stephanie & Stanley Francuz
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Amparo Silva, Betty Niwa
Saturday	Fr. Barret Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Josephine Kinastowski Jim Deslauriers, Stella & Felix Gembala, Jocko & Rosemary Muldoon
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa 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.	George Duda, Joseph & Kay Klemak, Ben Ri, Phillip Butkus Stacy Baker, Ricciardone & Calandriello Families Fr. Larry Maddock Louise Callaghan, Joan Klein, Mike Talkington St. Cletus Parishioners

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND



Living Our Faith, Building Our Future
The Final Phase

Next weekend there will be a second collection to support the Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign: Final Phase. Thank you for your continued generous support.

FEAST OF ST. BLASE

Please join us at 8am Mass on Monday, Feb. 3 for the Feast of St. Blase Throat Blessings.

2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Come, follow me... and heal our world

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal request mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes, and schools who receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible.

The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to "Come, follow me... and heal our world."

As we contemplate God's many gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude. Your financial support for the work of our parish, our archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is one way to express this gratitude. Please give generously to the Annual Catholic Appeal.

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

Phillip Butkus
Brother of Pat Drobný

Frances Lube
Wife of Bob Lube

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.

January - Joan Clark, Joyce Arnold, Frank Colonna, Jeanie Hills, Mary Ramirez, Charles (Bud) Howe, Mark Radulski, Rose Serrano, Mary Sheehan, Ludwig Stoiber, Joseph Gregory Stroude, Laura Terrazino, Grace Yamamoto, John Collingwood

December - Ed Kutcha, Hermelinda Nevarez, Linda Stoinski, Judy Halvorson, Emily Malec, Rachael Schopp

November - Joan Clark, Gerda E. Dorso, Kim and Tony Fox, Shirley Funk, Don King, Deborah Krueger, Patricia Rodey, Michael Stoinski, Robert Stoinski, John Duda, Stella Fabian, Dr. Max Scheyerer, Rosario Martinez, Edward J McNamara, Jose Perez, Margaret Pirman, Daniella DeRivera, Leo & Gloria Rivera, Ann Scheer, Virginia Skibbe, Carol Witkowski

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

Notes from Fr. Bob...

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

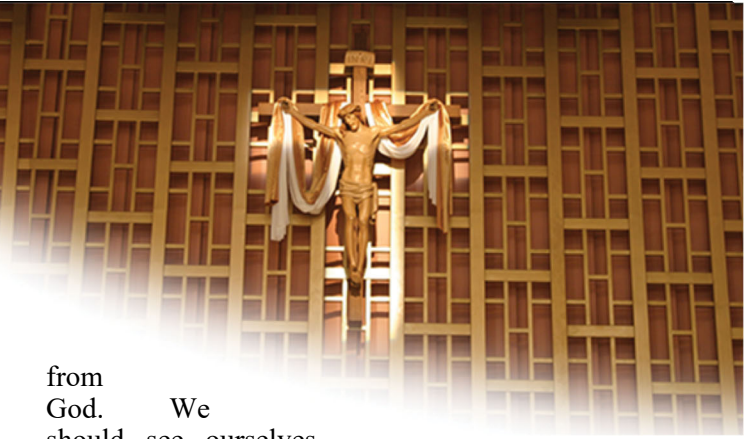
In 1925 the great “Mahatma” Gandhi published a book, an autobiography, entitled “The Story of my Experiments with Truth.” The closing words of that book are these: “I must reduce myself to zero. So long as a man does not, of his own free will, put himself last among his fellow creatures, there is no salvation for him. Ahimsa (non-violent respect for all creatures) is the farthest limit of humility.”

The revolution that Gandhi brought about in his native India, was not aimed simply at political independence from Britain, but also at the removal of injustice and prejudice in the human soul. He was a deeply spiritual man, and it was a spiritual revolution that he sought to bring: the kind of revolution that brings peace to the heart and soul of everyone alive. For this reason Gandhi always began his war on injustice at his own door. He gave great attention to his diet, as this affects our health and influences our passions and moods. He was a great lover of exercise and of long walks, for the same reason. He said that self-indulgence is the great destroyer of men and women. “In trying to enjoy the pleasures of sense, we lose in the end even our capacity for enjoyment.”

In learning to overcome self and selfish ways, Gandhi also discovered the hardest truth of all, namely, that suffering is an important and even necessary part of human life. In his struggles with opponents, he said, “I have found that appeal to reason does not answer where prejudices are age-long...Reason has to be strengthened by suffering, and suffering opens the eyes of understanding.” Self-denial, therefore, and a willingness to suffer for the sake of goodness and truth – these virtues constitute the true revolution in human life: not the conquest of territories, not the vanquishing of enemies, but the bringing of peace through personal commitment and at personal cost.

It was said of Alexander the Great that he wept at the end of his campaigns “because there were no more worlds left to conquer.” But that is not true. Greed, dishonesty and injustice are always with us, and the revolution in the human heart is always needed.

When the Apostle Paul established the Christian community in Corinth, it was not long before internal problems erupted, and people began to vie with one another for status and self-importance. Paul has to write to them and point out how foolish they are to think and behave in this way. Boasting, he says, is such a foolish thing. No one in the world has got anything to boast about to God. No one has got any reason to get “on a high horse.” As the Church’s funeral liturgy so aptly puts it, “We brought nothing into this world, and we shall take nothing out of it.” All we have, all we are, is pure gift



from
God. We
should see ourselves
like that, and we should behave
ourselves like that.

If we do have a boast, it is a boast that the whole world can share in – namely, to be part of Jesus Christ, the Lord. For, in the Son of God made man we have all the wisdom, all the virtue, all the holiness, and all the freedom we could ever want. Let that be our boast! Yes, in Jesus, the Lord, we have the man of the Beatitudes, the man of the great, revolutionary wisdom: the man who was first, and who made himself last of all, and least of all. Jesus, the man “who was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.” But God raised him high.

This Jesus, this humble carpenter from Nazareth, sat on a hillside and spoke to the world about revolution. He took this world as we know it, and he turned it upside down. He did not overturn governments or powers. He did not alter systems or societies – at least, not politically. Nor did he boss people. No. He blessed them. “Blessed are you,” he said.

When you open your eyes and see the world differently; when you open your heart and receive the world differently; when you open your mind and think of the world differently; then YOU will change, and the world will be different, and the kingdom of God will appear. The Beatitudes are not simply lovely words to be framed and put on a wall. They are a practice for our daily life. They are wisdom, virtue, holiness and freedom. Now that is something to boast about!

Blessed in Christ Jesus,



Fr. Bob
Pastor

Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

February 6Dining for Dollars at Portillo's
March 28 Spring Auction

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

The halls of St. Cletus School looked a little different on Monday as students showed off their personalities during Crazy Sock Day. This was the first of the themed days for Catholic Schools Week.

Tuesday, our 8th graders kept up a long held tradition decorating their own T-shirt's for Friday's Red and White Game.

Catholic Schools Week is always a wonderful celebration of our community and Catholic Education.

Portillo's for GOOD

FUNDRAISERS

Bring in this flyer or show it on your smartphone and 20% of the proceeds will benefit

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL

February 6, 2020
5:00pm - 8:00pm

at the Portillo's located at:
5532 S. Harlem Avenue
Summit, IL 60501

We look forward to seeing you there!

D4D: DINING FOR DOLLARS

Support St. Cletus School at Portillo's in Summit on Thursday, February 6 between 5-8pm. Portillo's will donate a portion of the proceeds to St. Cletus School.

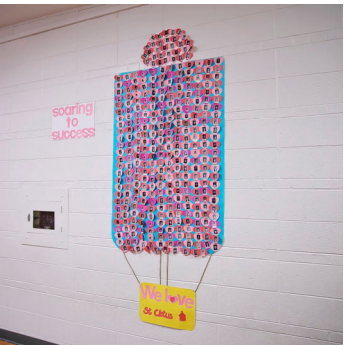


9 DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA

Sixth, seventh, and eighth students have been praying the 9 Days for Life Novena in Religion class. Sixth grade students have adorned the middle school hallway with images of Our Blessed Mother holding nine babies to symbolize our prayers for expectant families.

Thank you to everyone who came out to the St. Cletus School Open House! It was great to see current families, alumni, and of course to meet new families! It was such a wonderful and blessed day! Go Cardinals!

One of the best things about Open House every year is seeing so many of the students' projects on display for all to enjoy!



Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- Shelf stable milk (dry, canned, non-refrigerated)
- Pasta sauces
- Baby wipes
- Baby formula

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).

Follow us on facebook:
@StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram:
@St.CletusFoodPantry

ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

Re-Registration

Starting **February 20** we will begin re-registering ALL families on your next visit to the food pantry. **Please bring proof of address.** We appreciate your patience.

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 UPDATE

Thank you to St. John of the Cross for sharing their Souper Bowl collection with our food pantry! We're grateful for your attention to detail, checking in on our most needed items, organization, generosity and heavy lifting!

LENTEN OUTREACH



As we prepare for Easter, we partner with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) to reach out and serve others through the Rice Bowl program. Please help distribute Rice Bowls after Masses February 29-March 1. All ages are welcome.

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/rxdpzm5> to view slots and sign up.

RESPECT LIFE

WORD OF LIFE



“When parents say ‘yes’ to life for their child, they are saying ‘yes’ to the most loving and healing path for all involved. When God invites us to draw close to him by following his commandments (Jn 14:15), he does so because he wants what is best for us. By saying ‘yes’ to life for their child, which is morally good and right, parents are placing their trust in God and embracing their child and the life their child has been given for as long as it is given.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Supporting Families Who Receive a Prenatal Diagnosis”

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY SPEAKER

Our Area Respect Life Ministry will be hosting the Illinois Right to Life “Pro-Life Training Tour” featuring Mary Kate Knorr, Executive Director of Illinois Right to Life.

The training will be held at St. Francis Xavier (124 N Spring Ave. La Grange) on February 19th at 7:00pm.

Participants will learn some tools and techniques for having a pro-life conversation about abortion and receive a detailed recap of what was in the Reproductive Health Act that passed in IL last spring.

For more information, please call 708.352.0168.

ILLINOIS RIGHT TO LIFE PRO-LIFE TRAINING TOUR

COMING TO A LOCATION NEAR YOU.

Featuring

Mary Kate Knorr
Executive Director
Illinois Right to Life

St. Francis Xavier
124 N. Spring Avenue
LaGrange, IL 60525
February 19, 2020
7:00 p.m.

For more information,
please call 708-352-0168.

Youth Ministry

ALPHA FOR TEENS

A faith formation opportunity offered collaboratively through Saint Cletus and Saint John of the Cross Youth Ministries for teens in our community.

All High School teens are invited to attend our weekly Alpha for Teens Series, Sundays from 6:15-7:30pm in the Saint John of the Cross Parish Center. All are invited to come to share a meal, watch a short video, and talk about questions and topics from the video. Through the next several weeks, the Alpha Teen Series explores timeless questions about life, faith and God for a new generation.

It is not too late to start attending Alpha for Teens! Please feel free to attend any of the upcoming dates of Alpha for Teens, and bring a friend!

2/9, 2/16/ 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15

Registration can be found on the Youth Ministry page on the St. Cletus Parish Website.



KAIROS 35 RETREAT

March 12-15, 2020
Sponsored by Saint John of the Cross Youth Ministry.

Kairos is a retreat offered to high school juniors and seniors through the combined efforts of St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross parishes. The retreat is offered three times each calendar year. Kairos is a 4-day retreat that allows you to build new friendships as well as to deepen current relationships, and to learn more about yourself and your connection with God, while having an unforgettable experience.



Registration can be found on the Youth Ministry page on the St. Cletus Parish Website.

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE RETREAT SALT & LIGHT!

February 28 & 29, 2020
Saint John of the Cross Parish Center

Our Freshman/Sophomore retreat is a retreat offered in collaboration between the Youth Ministry programs of Saint Cletus, Saint Francis Xavier, and Saint John of the Cross. This year's Freshman/Sophomore Retreat will be a lock-in in the Saint John of the Cross Parish Center, for any and all freshman & sophomore teens in our community looking for a short retreat full of fun and formation. High School juniors & seniors will be leading your teens throughout the weekend, reinforcing this year's theme of Salt & Light through games, reflections, and activities.

Registration can be found on the Youth Ministry page on the St. Cletus Parish Website.

Matthew 5:13-16




Freshman/Sophomore Retreat

SALT & LIGHT

Friday, February 28 - Saturday, February 29

Register Online Today!

Sunday Notes



A CHRISTMAS REPRISE

The Church's celebration three weeks ago of the Baptism of the Lord signaled the "official" end of the Christmas season. Today's feast of the Presentation of the Lord seems to extend the Incarnation celebration a bit longer. In fact, some have called this feast a "second Epiphany."

The first reading recalls the anticipation of Advent, as Malachi writes, "Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me." The reading from Hebrews reminds us of the Incarnation, proclaiming that Jesus had a "share" in our own "blood and flesh." The Gospel finds the infant Jesus on his first visit to Jerusalem and his human parents once again surprised and in awe over the events surround his birth.

In the simplicity of the manger, in the grandeur of the temple, in the domesticity of Nazareth, Jesus comes. May we come to know him and so be filled with "wisdom" and the "favor of God."

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek (Malachi 3:1-4).

Psalm — Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way to help the descendants of Abraham (Hebrews 2:14-18).

Gospel — The just and pious Simeon proclaims the infant Jesus to be a revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of the people Israel (Luke 2:22-40 [22-32]).

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THE ROAD TO GOD

There is but one road to lead us to God—humility; all other ways would only lead astray, even were they fenced in with all virtues.

—Nicolas Boileau-Despreaux

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
- Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Presentation of the Lord; Blessing of Candles; World Day for Consecrated Life; Boy Scouting Sunday; Groundhog Day
- Monday: Fourth Week in Ordinary Time; St. Blaise; St. Ansgar
- Wednesday: St. Agatha
- Thursday: St. Paul Miki and Companions
- Friday: First Friday
- Saturday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking; Blessed Virgin Mary

SAINT AGATHA (DIED 251)

February 5

"Of noble birth and great beauty," so the ancient accounts describe Saint Agatha, martyred during an early persecution for refusing a powerful Roman's offer of marriage, since she had consecrated her virginity to Christ. An early preacher, Saint Methodius, reflects instead on her name, noting that, in Greek, Agatha means "good," goodness being something we can all strive for, nobly born or common, blessed with beauty—or not! So brutal the tortures that violated her youthful innocence, Agatha, like Agnes and several other women martyrs, was honored from time immemorial by having her name inscribed in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I). Long invoked as protector against earthquakes—Mount Etna erupted as she was being tortured—recent attention has focused on the particularly cruel torture decreed for Agatha, the cutting off of her breasts. This has inspired cancer survivors to promote Saint Agatha as patron and intercessor for women courageously facing breast cancer, for their families and the multitude of supporters who participate in fund-raising marches and races, and, of course, for the dedicated researchers who seek a cure.

—Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Other Ministry News

INTERESTED IN BEING A MINISTER OF CARE?

We are now looking for a more volunteers for this ministry. The commitment is one hour a month at LaGrange Hospital and you select which day of each month you attend. Training is provided.

We are having a meeting on Sunday February 16th at 12.15 pm in the Parish Center, lunch will be provided.

Come and meet current MOCs, hear their stories and see if it's for you!

If you want come, enjoy lunch and learn more (no pressure) please email me at: sheyes@stcletusparish.com

Or leave me a message at: 708 215 5407

Blessings - Deacon Stuart

THANK YOU FROM MARLENE

Dear St Cletus parishioners,

On behalf of The Kolbe House Jail Ministry, the detainees and their families I'd like to thank you for your generous donation of stamps.

As you know they are used by the detainees to send Christmas Cards to their loved ones (one per detainee).

It is some small comfort for the incarcerated, at time of year that's is joyous for most us, and really appreciated.

You donated over \$600 in stamps.

Blessings - Marlene

SAVE THE DATE FOR FALL FEST



Our 7th Annual St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest will be held September 10-13, 2020. Mark your calendars and get ready for another fun 4 days of community featuring live music, carnival rides, food vendors and our beer garden.

2020 Headliners: The Boy Band Night, Mike and Joe, and Sixteen Candles

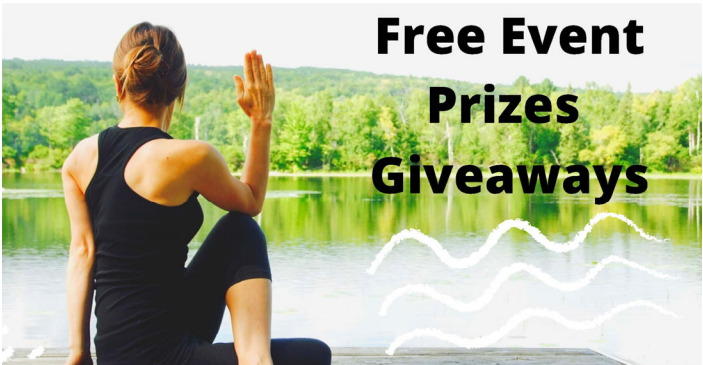


ST. CLETUS HEALTH, WELLNESS, FITNESS & SAFETY FAIR

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, February 9th, 7:30 am - 2:30 pm. St. Cletus Health, Wellness, Fitness & Safety Fair Do you know your numbers? Take the first steps to better

St. Cletus Health, Wellness, Fitness and Safety Fair

WHERE: St. Cletus Parish Center
WHEN: February 9th, 2020
TIME: 7:30AM-2:30PM



A Valuable, Interactive Event

- Posture Makes Perfect: Restore Balance + Strength
- Aging Well? Measure Fat, Height, Blood Pressure, Breathing Techniques
- All About CBD Oil
- Aging Care Connections - Senior Care
- Fire & Police Department Safety Tips
- Brazilian Jiu Jitsu

Suzanne Gray, Owner of Right Fit LLC, Health and Fitness Professional
Carolyn Streit, CNHP -Holistic Health Coach
Jennifer Day, Dance Professional & Biometric Health Screener

Contact Information: Carolyn Streit
708.638.3849
pathwaystowellness@gmail.com



Other Ministry News Continued

CCW BUNCO BASH

Come one come all to the Council of Catholic Women's Club Fundraiser BUNCO BASH to benefit our scholarship fund next Sunday, February 9th from 1 to 4 pm. in the Parish Center.

\$20 per person includes snacks, beverages, prizes and a fun-filled afternoon!

Don't know how to play Bunco? That's fine! Winning happens when you get to 21 points before anyone rolls a Bunco. How do they do it? Well, it might sound complicated but it's easy to catch on and we will have special "tutors" roaming around all afternoon!

So round up 3 folks and get your own table of four or come solo and we'll set you up with partners.

Tickets will be on sale in the narthex after all masses this weekend, February 1st and 2nd.

You can also order tickets by calling Peggy at 708-246-4308 or email ccw@stcletusparish.com. Looking forward to seeing you there!



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND...

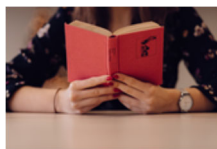
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CATHOLIC WOMEN

CCW BUNCO BASH

FEB. 9 1-4 P.M. | ST. CLETUS PARISH CENTER

FOR JUST \$20 PER PERSON YOU'LL RECEIVE SNACKS,
BEVERAGES, PRIZES AND A FUN-FILLED AFTERNOON!

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on February 11th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center.

We will discuss **The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane** by Lisa See.

For those who want to look ahead...

April 14, 2020:

Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens

June 9, 2020:

The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver

All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL SPRING AUCTION



Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

St. Cletus Parish Center

\$50 per person includes: drinks, music, food, silent and live auction.

The St. Cletus Spring Auction, Vegas Night planning is in full swing and we are looking forward to our big event on March 28th!

As the preparations are underway, we would like to ask any parishioners who are willing to help, to please tap into your contacts and network to support the auction and our School. As you know, financial support is extremely important to the School, as we rely on donations to help our students get the best education they can. A request to your business contacts and network can be a great way to provide items for the event's silent auction - proceeds of both come right back to support the school.

Please reach out to Sara Hodak to coordinate a donation at 708-207-4570 or at auction@stcletusparish.com. Thank you in advance for your help!

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES

Join us on Friday, February 7th in the St. Cletus Parish Center for our annual Ed Ward Fine Art Series Fundraiser. Tony Kidonakis and Andrew Blendermann will be back on Dueling Pianos joking, singing, and inviting everyone to sing along.

Doors open at 7:30, Entertainment begins at 8pm. Tickets are \$40 in advance, \$45 at the door. Tickets include: beer, wine, snacks, and entertainment.

Stop by our table in the narthex this weekend, Feb. 1-2 for more information and tickets.

You can also RSVP or purchase tickets via credit card on our website at www.edwardfas.com

Ed Ward Fine Arts Series at St. Cletus



DUELING PIANOS IN THE PARISH CENTER
FRIDAY, FEB. 7

8:00 PM

RSVP ON ONLINE:
www.edwardfas.com

DOORS OPEN AT 7:30 PM

FEATURING:
TONY KIDONAKIS

TICKETS:
\$40 IN ADVANCE
\$45 AT THE DOOR



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Thank you to our 2019 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest Major Sponsors. These businesses will be listed in our Parish Canticle for one year as preferred providers.

Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN! WIDOWED MINISTRY



Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life. All are welcome.

Upcoming Retreats:

March 14 & 15 *Our Lady of the Angels, Hse. of Prayer, (Mt. Assisi Center Bldg.) 13820 Main St., Lemont (Near Cog Hill)

June 27 & 28 St. Julie's Parish, Tinley Pk., IL (near Harlem Ave. and 159th St.) No overnight available

For more information contact us at 708-354-7211, joyfulagain7211@gmail.com, www.joyfulagain.org.

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Wild Mercy: faith sharing and book discussion

Thursdays, Feb. 13, 21, 27 - Mar. 12, 19, 26, 9:30-11am

Using Mirabai Starr's book *Wild Mercy – Living the Fierce and Tender Wisdom of the Women Mystics* as a jumping off point, we will explore and nurture the feminine wisdom and healing that is deeply needed at this critical time on our planet. Cost: \$20/session (this group met previously on Jan. 24 & 31, and welcomes new participants)

Evolving Spirituality in an Evolving Universe

Wednesdays, Feb. 19, Mar. 18, Apr. 15, May 20, 9:30am - 12 noon

The scientific story of creation invites us into a deeper understanding of our faith. In this series we will unfold the teachings of Thomas Berry and Brian Swimme, whose works are foundational to the work of The Well. Cost: \$25/session



The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL. A Member of the Congregation of St. Joseph Mission. Network. www.csjthewell.org 708-482-5048

CONGREGATION OF ST. JOSEPH TAIZÉ PRAYER

All are invited to join us Wednesday, February 12 at 1:00 p.m. for a Taizé Prayer Service to be held in the Alexine Chapel, 1515 W. Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park.

TOWNSHIP OF LYONS

The Township of Lyons 6404 Joliet Rd Countryside Board of Trustees in conjunction with Jessie White, Secretary of State and Michael Frerichs, State Treasurer will hold Mobile ID and I-Cash on Thursday, February 6, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Renew your driver's license, obtain a state ID card, get your license plate renewal sticker, search for lost & forgotten cash. No reservations necessary. Call Mike Porfirio, Clerk or George Pach, Deputy Clerk @ 708-482-8300 x 221 for more information.

AMERICAN LEGION SPAGHETTI DINNER



Join us for a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, Feb. 7 4-8pm at the Robert E. Coulter Jr. American Legion Post 1941, 51st & La Grange Rd. Adults \$10, Children 5-10 \$4, Under 5 Free. The Countryside Women's Club will also be hosting a Gift Basket Raffle to benefit local scholarship funds.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Don't miss out on the upcoming marriage enrichments during February 2020 that starts with a private weekend experience and never ends! For more information wwme-chicagoland.org

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

13th Annual Charities Casino Night – February 15

YOU are invited to the 13th Annual Charities Casino Night, which will be held on **Saturday, February 15**. The evening will include casino gaming (black jack, roulette, and craps), heavy hors d'oeuvres, open bar, music, a silent auction and grand raffle for 350+ guests. All are welcome! All proceeds from the Casino Night will benefit will directly benefit our Family Stabilization Services Department for the city of Chicago and surrounding communities in Cook and Lake Counties.

The Family Stabilization Services Department (FSSD) provides assistance to individuals and families whose lives have been disrupted by unplanned events such as domestic crisis, fire, unemployment, or relocation, or who for any reason are in need of emergency food and/or clothing.

13th Annual CHARITIES ROYALE CASINO NIGHT SATURDAY February 15, 2020 7:30 – 11:30pm Chicago Cultural Center: 78 E. Washington St. is one of the most fun and entertaining events in **Chicago**. **RSVP by February 8 ONLINE** www.catholiccharities.net/casinonight

AGING CARE CONNECTIONS

Do you know a person from Lyons, Riverside or Proviso Township, who is 60+ and has, or is currently, volunteering and making a difference in the lives of others? If so, talk with them about this special honor and ask them if they are comfortable with you nominating them. If they are, please complete the form from Aging Care Connections, including a digital headshot of the honoree, and send it to communitygems@agingcareconnections.org. All nominations must be submitted by Monday, March 2.

TUTORING ENGLISH TO ADVANCE CHANGE

We are looking for volunteers to teach English as a Second Language to adults. Our next new tutor training session will be Feb. 28-29. For more information please call: Susana Aguilar 630-217-0396 or Amy Smetana 708-968-7023. Check us out online: www.teachempowers.org.

ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY! Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at www.stcletusparish.com and click the "DONATE" BUTTON. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209

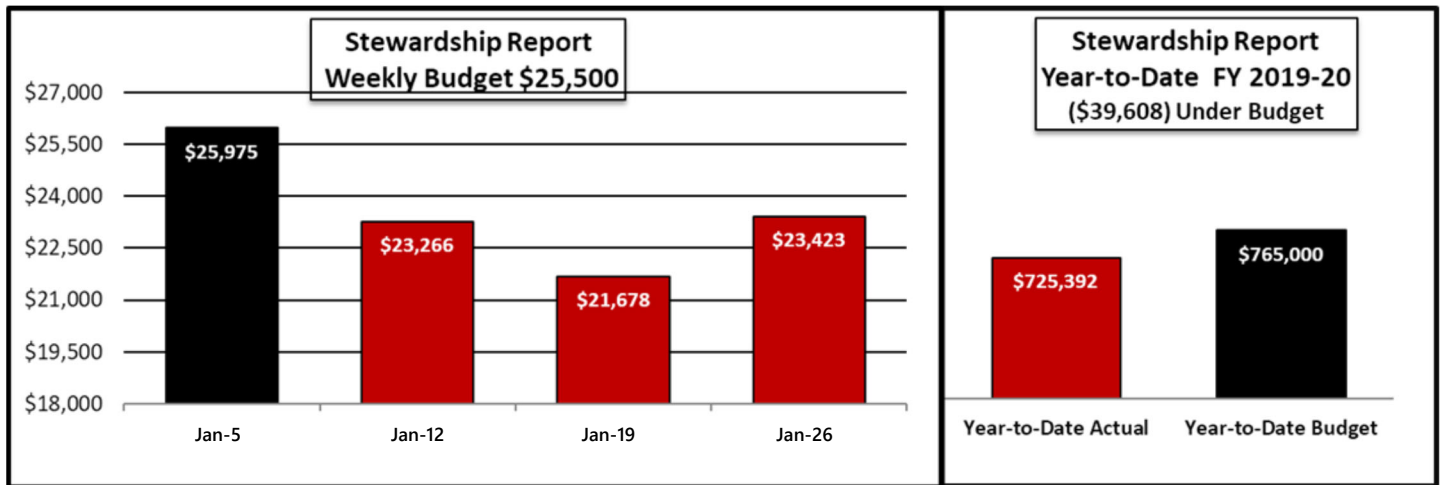
BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 2	7:00am 7:00am	Narthex Narthex	Ed Ward Fine Arts Series Cabaret Ticket Sales SCCCW Bunco Bash Ticket Sales
Monday, February 3	4:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	School Music Room School Rm 98 Morrissey Hall	Junior Choir Rehearsal CREDO Psalms Bible Study Men's Basketball
Tuesday, February 4	6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Morrissey Hall Rectory Parish Center Mtg Room	First Eucharist Parent Meeting RCIA School Board
Wednesday, February 5	9:00am 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Parish Center Gym	Mission Ladies Boys Church League
Thursday, February 6	5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Rectory Basement Parish Center Gym School Music Room	Children's Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Distribution Boys Church League Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, February 7	8:00pm	Parish Center Gym	Cabaret: Dueling Pianos Ed Ward FAS Fundraiser
Saturday, February 8	3:30pm	Morrissey Hall	Boys Church League
Sunday, February 9	7:30am 1:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Parish Center Gym	Health, Wellness, Fitness and Safety Fair SCCCW Bunco Bash

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 2019 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 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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PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday-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 most months at 11:00 a.m.
 Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Parish office. Contact Bobbie Kallal (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. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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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