

# *Saint Cletus Parish Canticle*

SIMON PETER SAID TO JESUS,

*"You are the Christ,  
the Son of the  
living God."*

~ MATTHEW 16:16



## Mass Intentions for the Week of August 28 - September 3, 2017

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Patricia Concannon Madison
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	William Skibbe
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Sharon Smith, Mary Grace Potocki, Special Intention - Laura Brooks
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Msgr. Richard O'Donnell, William Schafer, Ruth Matuch
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	St. Cletus Priests, Past and Present Bob Thomas, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp, Marilyn Shanahan, Michael R. Budnik
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Bill DePasquale, Marco & Emilia Rattin, John & Frances Kennedy, George Duda, Patrick Mahoney, John Zumpano Stacy Baker, Anna Matuszewski, Ricciardone & Calandriello Families St. Cletus Parishioners Helen Callaghan, Gene Kennedy, Jim Zethmayr, John E. Toncray Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners



### Marriage Banns

Caroline Kennedy & Matthew Butler

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

#### Ralph Harlander

Husband of Maria Harlander

May they rest in peace. Amen.

### ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...

#### Noah Michael Brazee

Son of Kathryn Moss & Michael Brazee

#### Zechariah Naniho Kaauamo

#### Norrod Torgerson

Son of Burxine Norrod & Donald Torgerson

to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.



### SECOND COLLECTION



There will be a second collection this weekend as part of the National Collection to Complete the Trinity Dome of The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

### 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.*

#### August

Carol Wittowski

#### July

Ann Smith-Walls, Frank Colonna, Diane O'Rourke, Jenna Zimmerman, Emily Devine, Catherine Troyner

#### June

Frank Colonna, Patricia Rodey, Alice Katzmarek, Baby William Eric Anderson, Otto Stuckman, Laura Terrazino, Fernando Cabral, Gerda E. Dorzo, Maryann Scalise, Kris Kahn, Peter May, Frank Niwa, Bonnie Boerste, Emily Devine, Dan Haske, John Duda, Susan Star, Ernie and Katarina Dufner

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

### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to [canticle@stcletusparish.com](mailto:canticle@stcletusparish.com) as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5:00p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication. Thank you!



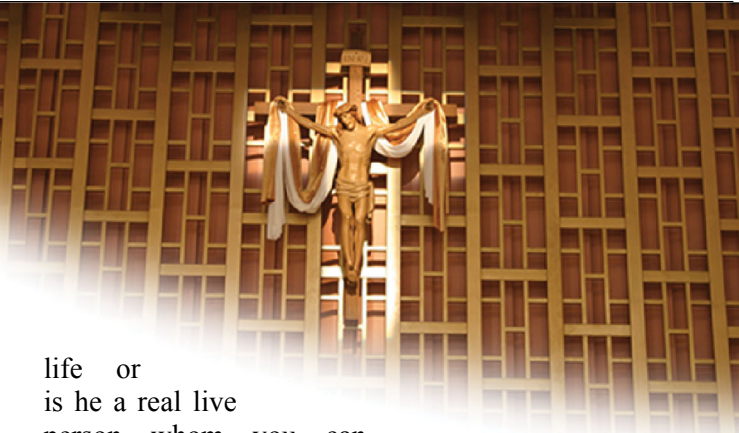
## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Baltimore Catechism was an absolute “God send” for teachers, students and priests alike for many years. From that book, we could learn, in a very concise way, who and what God is. All we had to do was memorize the appropriate question and answer. So really, it was our memories that enabled us to get in touch with God. It was simple. The Baltimore Catechism was a great tool and was ingeniously constructed; however, it may have had a few drawbacks. Knowing all the answers meant that we didn’t have to think too carefully about who God was and what He meant. If we had any doubts, we just had to go through our memorized questions and answers to find the appropriate set, which would quell our doubt. The Baltimore Catechism was a wonderful thing, but it was never meant to be the end of the story.

Jesus asks a fairly innocuous question: “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” The phrasing of the question meant that the answer is out there somewhere, and that in answering it, the person responding did not have to give anything away about their own feelings or ideas. The disciples happily respond with a litany of eminent worthies. However, Jesus is quick to turn the question around and personalize it: “Who do you say I am?” Now the disciples have to show their true colors, and say who they believe Jesus to be. The Gospel tells us that “then Simon Peter spoke up”. The word “then” would suggest that there was a pause, whether brief or long, an uncomfortable few moments when the disciples sat looking at each other, praying that someone would say something. It was Simon Peter just blurting these words out, and then wondering where on earth they came from. After all, his declaration is quite stunning, to say to his friend and master, “you are the Christ, the Son of the living God”. As Jesus himself tells Simon Peter, this knowledge did not come from another human being, but had been revealed to Peter from the Father in heaven. By being with Jesus and having a personal relationship with him, Peter was open to the working of the Spirit, and thus he was open to the Father in his own life. It was on this openness and this act of faith which Peter had just made, that our Church was founded. It is probable that Peter did not fully understand what he was saying and what his act of faith might cost him in the future, but nonetheless, the faith was there and that was enough for Jesus.

If one of your non-believing work mates asked you tomorrow, “Who is this Jesus that you believe in?” how would you respond? Is Jesus some remote figure in your



life or  
is he a real live  
person whom you can  
relate to and have a personal relationship with?  
Jesus reaches out to us in many ways, not least through the Scriptures, the Mass and the sacraments. Today he is asking us the same question that he asked his disciples many years ago. He is asking you personally, he is not asking you who the Church says he is, or who the media says he is, he asks YOU. How are we going to respond?

The question is obviously a theological one, but it is not an academic one. At the end of the day, we will all have to answer that question for ourselves. Who do you say I am? Do we, like Peter, have the faith that enables us to proclaim Jesus as our Lord, as the Messiah? Many in our world are looking for and talking about a need for a messiah. Our Messiah and savior is already in our midst, as one of us. His kingdom is here now, and we are called to work for the building of that kingdom. Perhaps we could consider ways in which we can continue to build up his kingdom now, in our homes, in our parish and in our local community at large. However, we will only be able to do that if we can answer for ourselves the question Jesus put to his disciples. If our faith enables us to answer, “Yes, Jesus, you are the Christ and I believe”, then what happy people we will be. .

*In Faith,*



**Fr. Bob  
Pastor**

# Parish School



### DATES TO REMEMBER

D4D (Dining for Dollars) at Tate's ..... August 21  
 First Day of School ..... August 22  
 Choose Kindness 5K ..... October 21

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

**Tom Chinske, Principal**      **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**  
 (708) 352-4820      (708) 352-4820  
 tchinske@stcletusparish.com      cschaefer@stcletusparish.com



### First Day of School Tradition

On Tuesday another school year kicked off at our parish school. Keeping with tradition, the day started with an all school Mass, Father Bob gave an inspirational homily. After the final blessing the students headed outside to the flagpole and raised our country's flag. These traditions highlight what it means to be a St. Cletus Cardinal.

### Quick Notes from New Teachers



Hi! I am Angelina Rivero and I have just graduated Illinois State University in December of 2016 with a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education along with a Special Education Letter of Approval and a Reading Endorsement. This is my first year of teaching and my first year at St. Cletus all rolled into one so I will be learning my way around the school and new routines just the same as the students. I look forward to what the year brings!



My name is Andrea Smith and I am excited to be a part of the St. Cletus family. I studied elementary education with a concentration in math at DePaul University. Upon graduation, I decided to teach English as a second language abroad. I taught in Chile for one year, China for six months, and Spain for three months. I have absolutely loved my time abroad and developing teaching skills in a unique way. I am so excited for my first year teaching in Illinois and I can't think of a better start than being here at St. Cletus. Let's make this a wonderful and successful year!



### SC Kids Got Talent

We have blocked out the entertainment stage on Saturday, Sept 9th at 2 p.m. to showcase all our talented students in our version of America's Got Talent---St. Cletus Kids Got Talent!

If your student sings, dances, plays a musical instrument or has another talent we would love them to participate! Students can perform solo acts or get together a few friends for a number!

Please contact Lauren, lbkapusta@sbcglobal.net, if your student/s are interested in showing off his or her talent.



## Sunday Notes

### BE A ROCK

Peter's history as a follower or friend of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn't feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God's power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter's great profession of faith in Christ as Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But, most importantly, he also saw us at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the letter to the Romans points out to us today, we have not known the mind or the wisdom of God, but God knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation. Let us always strive to be solid ground on which the church of Jesus Christ can be founded and on which it can continue to be built.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Eliakim is destined by God to be a father to those who live in Jerusalem (Isaiah 22:19-23).

**Psalms** — Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands (Psalm 138).

**Second Reading** — How deep are the riches and the wisdom and the knowledge of God! (Romans 11:33-36).

**Gospel** — Jesus asked the disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16:13-20).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22  
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29  
 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32  
 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51  
 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13  
 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30  
 Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Augustine  
 Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
 Friday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; First Friday  
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer II is a popular choice for Mass since it is both simple in structure and short. It is written with a preface, which is the section after the dialogue "The Lord be with you . . . Lift up your hearts . . . Let us give thanks," which introduces all the Eucharistic Prayers. The preface states the reason for the eucharistic assembly on that occasion, and there are dozens of them covering almost every imaginable gathering for prayer, some specific to feasts, others for Masses for the dead or for other needs. The preface attached to the second Eucharistic Prayer may be dropped in favor of a more appropriate choice, especially one of the prefaces for weekdays. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* says that Eucharistic Prayer II is best suited for weekdays or "special circumstances." In practice, however, it has become the common Sunday prayer because of its brevity and its comfortable familiarity. It also includes an optional phrase for adding the name of a deceased person remembered in the Mass, and therefore is often prayed at funerals. Article 50 of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* specified that the rites are to be simplified and restored "to the vigor they had in the tradition of the Fathers." The rebirth of this ancient Roman prayer is a worthy response to this call.

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### ONLY ONE

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.

—St. Augustine



## Social Concerns Ministry

### Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- Spaghetti
- Cereal
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Dry Pinto Beans
- Juice

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

Please note that the Saint Cletus Food Pantry can only accept food items. We can not accept clothing or other household items.



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

CALL THE  
24-HOUR PHONE  
FOR HELP:  
708.485.5254

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

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for all your support of the Food Pantry. In addition to food and monetary donations, helping to bag and distribute food, another way to help is by volunteering at the Greater Chicago Food Depository. As a member agency of the GCFD we purchase food at a low cost each month to help supplement the food needed in our pantry. We also receive free produce and other perishables each month to distribute.

On the fourth Wednesday of each month, we send a group of 10-15 volunteers to earn credit for us by volunteering/working at the GCFD. At these sessions, we earn \$15.00 worth of food per volunteer. Please check your calendar to see if you might be able to join our volunteer team on one or more of these evenings. A few things you should know:

- Volunteers need to be 14 years old to volunteer at the Food Depository during regular sessions.
- GCFD is located at 4100 W. Ann Lurie Place, Chicago, IL 60632, which is a few blocks from I-55 and Pulaski.
- If you are interested, please contact Jerry Mitchell, who coordinates the St. Cletus volunteers jerryconverses@gmail.com
- If you volunteer at the Food Depository on your own, please designate the St. Cletus Food Pantry as the recipient of your volunteer credits. Our Agency Code is A01336.

Again, thank you for your overwhelming generosity.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**If you or someone close to you is experiencing domestic violence** this group may be very helpful.

The objective of the group is to provide all a chance to talk about domestic violence and share questions, concerns and experiences with others who are facing - or who have faced - similar situations in confidence

Please contact Kendall Grant by emailing kgrant@stcletusparish.com or call 708.215.5418 for more information.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
—ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO—  
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION

*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 purple box in the column to the far left. **You are not alone.***

### INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Interfaith Community Partners is hosting its 15th Annual Fall Benefit on Friday, October 6, 2017 from 7pm-10pm at Capri Banquets in Countryside. Entertainment includes The Nick Pontarelli Band playing favorites from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Frankie Valli, and more! Join us for an evening of music, friendship, and philanthropy. If you would like to purchase tickets and to learn more about ICP, call 708-354-9328 or visit our website at [www.interfaithcommunitypartners.org](http://www.interfaithcommunitypartners.org). Ticket price is \$60 per person and includes hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine, silent auction, and paddle raise. Cash bar for other cocktails. For more info please call our office.

## GCED HUNGER WALK



September 16, 2017  
Jackson Park

Join us on September 16th for the 32nd Annual Hunger Walk.

Greater Chicago Food Depository  
4100 West Ann Lurie Place  
Chicago, IL 60632

*Providing food for hungry people while striving to end hunger in our community*

Visit <https://www.chicagosfoodbank.org/hungerwalk>

## CROP WALK



**WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.**  
**Sunday, October 15th**

St. Cletus Parish is one of six local food pantries that will receive a share of 25% of the total funds raised. Canned goods for the food pantries will be collected at the beginning of the walk before a brief send-off service.

First Congregational Church, 100 6th Ave. La Grange, IL  
October 15, 2017

Registration: 12:30 p.m., Walk: 1:15 p.m.

Walk Distance: 3 miles

Website: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/lagrangeil/>

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES

### Brighter Futures Golf Outing – September 11

The 17th Annual Brighter Futures Golf Outing returns to the beautiful and historic Oak Park Country Club, 2001 N. Thatcher Ave. in River Grove. Register and enjoy access to the outstanding practice facilities beginning at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served, followed by a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. sharp! This fun event benefits Catholic Charities Homeless Services in the West Region. After the round of golf, there will be a reception, dinner and raffle. For more information [www.catholiccharities.net/brighterfutures](http://www.catholiccharities.net/brighterfutures) or contact Esmeralda at (708) 329-4022.

### St. Vincent's Orphanage Mass and Reception – September 24

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago Maternity/Adoption Department is hosting a Mass and Reception on Sunday, September 24 for adopted persons who were placed from St. Vincent's Orphanage in Chicago. Come and help us celebrate Catholic Charities

“Century of Hope” and 100 years of Adoption and Maternity services. Registration is required. For details, please contact Lisa Francis at (312) 655-7093 or [lholmes@catholiccharities.net](mailto:lholmes@catholiccharities.net).

### Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago is looking for volunteers to serve throughout our more than 150 locations helping improve the lives of the people we serve. For more information, visit us at [www.volunteerbridge.com](http://www.volunteerbridge.com), email [volunteer@catholiccharities.net](mailto:volunteer@catholiccharities.net) or call the Volunteer Relations department at (312) 655-7322.



## RESPECT LIFE

### Memorial Service for Aborted Children Queen of Heaven Cemetery, in Hillside.

On Saturday, September 9, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the fifth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 59 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in our community:

### National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

When: Saturday, September 9, 2017 – 2 pm

Where: Queen of Heaven Cemetery –1400 Wolf Road at Roosevelt, Hillside

Special Guest: His Excellency Bishop Joseph Perry

Together let us remember the victims of abortion and pray for a final end to this injustice in our land during the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

More info:

Call Wayne or Marianne Hamilton

(708) 525-7458

St. Cletus Parish Committee for Respect Life Activities

## WORD OF LIFE

“May the infinite depth and breadth of Christ’s Divine Mercy remind us that no wound is too great for God to heal.”

— Pray for Life: April 2016, <https://goo.gl/rgX7jH>.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Monthly reflections at [www.usccb.org/prayforlife](http://www.usccb.org/prayforlife)







**\$10,000 DIAMOND SPONSOR (1 AVAILABLE)**

- Overall Sponsorship of 2017 St. Cletus Parish Fall Festival on banners, signage, etc. Contact us for details.

**\$5,000 - \$9,999 PLATINUM SPONSOR**

- Sponsorship of our Main Stage area, Beer Tent, Children’s Area, Bingo or other agreed upon Fall Fest Area (based upon availability) on banners and other signage in Fest Area. Contact us for details.

**\$2,500 - \$4,999 GOLD SPONSOR**

- Your organization’s name and logo prominently displayed on event flyers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas prior to and during the Festival
- A full-year listing of your organization as a “Preferred Provider” in our parish bulletin which is viewed by more than 2,000 Parishioners and community members
- Logo on all promotional materials, flyers and website
- Name on Recognition Banner
- Name and Logo listed on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

**\$1,000 - \$2,499 SILVER SPONSOR**

- Logo on promotional materials, flyers and website
- Name on Recognition Banner
- Name and logo listed on Fall Festival Shirt
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

**\$500 - \$999 BRONZE SPONSOR**

- Name on recognition banner at Fall Festival
- Name listed (no logo) on the Fall Festival Shirt
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands
- Name on promotional materials, flyers and website

**\$250 - \$499 CARDINAL SPONSOR**

- Name on recognition banner at Fall Festival
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

Visit [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com) to purchase your sponsorship online or return this form to the Parish Office.  
 St. Cletus Parish  
 600 W 55th St. La Grange, IL.

**SPONSOR INFORMATION**

Please return sponsorship forms by August 25th to allow sufficient set up time for recognition. Make checks payable to St. Cletus. Email logos to: [fallfest@stcletusparish.com](mailto:fallfest@stcletusparish.com). Direct inquires to the rectory 708-352-6209.

Organization/Name as it should be listed: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation (\$): \_\_\_\_\_  Check here if you would prefer to remain anonymous in all publications.



# Fall Fest Updates

## RAFFLE WINNER

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**ANN KUCHTA**  
**OUR 2ND \$100 EARLY BIRD WINNER!**

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**NEXT DRAWING:**  
**AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup>**  
**GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!**

**LUCKY LEAF**  
**RAFFLE**

*TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES AND IN THE RECTORY.*  
**\$20 PER TICKET -OR- 6 FOR \$100**

## PARKING ALERT BEGINNING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH



**CHURCH PARKING DURING THE WEEK OF OUR ST. CLETUS FALL FEST TUESDAY, SEPT. 5TH THRU SUNDAY, SEPT. 10TH IS AS FOLLOWS:**

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 5:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue and the parish back field.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 6:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue and the parish back field.

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 7:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue and the parish back field.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 8:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue, 54th Street and the parish back field.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 9:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue, 54th Street and the parish back field. Parking for Confession at 4:15 and 5:00pm Mass is limited to the parish back field.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 10:** Parking for ALL masses is limited to the parish back field.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to make our Parish Fall Fest a great success.

## FIRST RESPONDERS MASS INVITATION



Join us at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 10th for mass outside on the Fall Fest Stage.

St. Cletus Parish invites everyone to join us as we give thanks and prayers to all active and retired police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

## SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TODAY!



We need your help to make our 4th Annual Fall Fest a success! Please sign up to volunteer to help after weekend masses and Sept. 7-10 during the Fall Fest event using the Signupgenius links which can be found on our website, [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com). Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer and chair committees for our Fall Fest!

## CARNIVAL MEGAPASSES - \$45 UNLIMITED RIDES ALL 4 DAYS OF THE FEST



Be sure to get your kids a carnival megapass. These wristbands are \$45 for 4 days of unlimited carnival rides. Prices go up after September 4th so be sure order yours online or in the fall fest tent today!

## BINGO!

We've expanded the BINGO at this year's Fall Fest. The new schedule will be:

**Friday 6-8 p.m.**

**Saturday 1-3 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.**

**Sunday 2-4 p.m.**



Saturday don't miss the Grand Prize Bingo game for your chance to win \$500. There will be a minimum number of cards that must be sold for this game and a maximum number of cards available. We hope you'll join us and invite your friends for some Bingo fun at this year's Fall Fest.

## BASKET RAFFLE



We are very excited about this year's Basket Raffle. Tickets will be sold at the event and there are some great baskets available. We are still accepting donations of: Sporting event tickets, Sports Team jerseys (Cubs, Bulls, White Sox, Bears, Blackhawks), Theater and Concert tickets, Hotel packages, Gift cards (Airlines, Visa, Amazon, Target, restaurants, grocery stores, department stores, home improvement stores, or other gift cards). If you have items to donate to the Basket Raffle please bring them to the parish rectory during normal business hours. Thank you for your generosity!

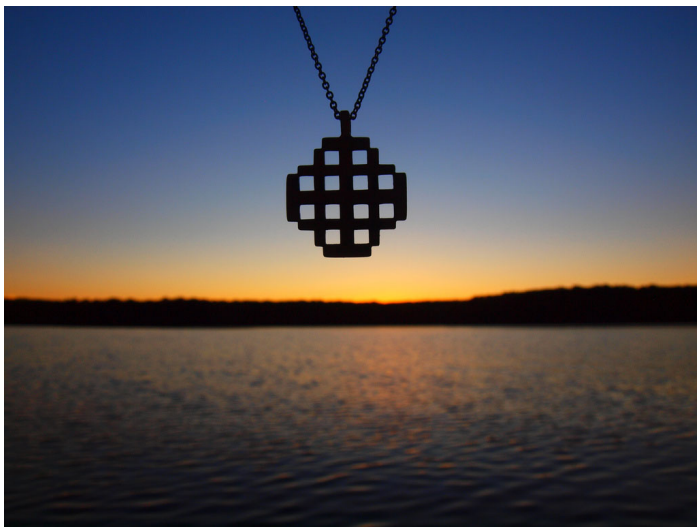
## Youth Ministry

### ENCOUNTER REGISTRATION BEGINS



Now that school has started, it is time to think about how you can fit reflection and rejuvenation into your routine ! As plans take shape for the upcoming school year, consider joining Encounter. In the midst of busy schedules and heavy workloads, it can be even more important to take time to stop and reflect about God's role in your life and to share these experiences with others. Encounter small groups will meet monthly to take some time to reconnect with other teens from St. Cletus and to take a look at how life looks through the eyes of faith. Small groups will also have opportunities to join up monthly in prayer or service. Register today with the forms on the website !

### REGISTRATION FOR KAIROS 27



Kairos 27 will take place November 2-5, 2017. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. This experience is open to high school juniors and seniors.

The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration! The application will be available as of September 5th. Parishioners have the first opportunity to register from September 6-15.

Please note that after September 15th, we will open registration to the broader community.

### CHURCH LEAGUE COACHES NEEDED



It's never too early to start thinking about Church League Basketball ! The boys' season begins in November and ends in February, and the girls' season begins in March and ends in May. Though this may seem far out, we need to make sure we have the coaches we need to open our teams up for registration. Each team needs two coaches who establish full compliance with Protecting God's Children. If you are interested in helping with this fun ministry, contact Elizabeth. Registration for players begins in late September. **Registration for teams may not open until coach positions are filled.**

### NCYC: NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE



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Every other year, Catholic young people and their chaperones come together to pray, to learn, and to grow in their faith. In addition to opportunities to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and penance, National Catholic Youth Conference participants attend general and breakout sessions on topics relevant to living as a disciple of Christ in today's world, spend time in personal and communal prayer, and engage in service to others. Crossroads will be bringing a contingent of teenagers to NCYC in Indianapolis, November 16-19. Contact Katie Hayes ([khayes@stjohnofthecross.org](mailto:khayes@stjohnofthecross.org)) or Katie Nicholson ([knicholson@stjohnofthecross.org](mailto:knicholson@stjohnofthecross.org)) at SJC Parish for details!

For more information about  
St. Cletus Youth Ministry Programs:  
Elizabeth Tomasek, Youth Ministry  
[etomasek@stcletusparish.com](mailto:etomasek@stcletusparish.com)  
(708) 215-5419 [www.stcletusparish.com/youth](http://www.stcletusparish.com/youth)



# Other Ministry Notes

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY MTG. 9/1



The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be Friday, September 1st at 7:30 p.m. Meet in front of church for prayers.

## CCW MTG. 9/12

NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, September 12th, 7 p.m.

Program: Fun Fall Fashions. All ladies are invited to join us!



## RCIA



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

## Journey of Faith

**BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's adult faith formation program which invites adults who have never been baptized, who have been baptized Catholic but not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) or who have been baptized in another faith and wish to become Catholic, to explore their journey of faith in the life of the Catholic Church.

The RCIA gives people on a faith journey an opportunity to "come and see" not only what the Catholic Church and a life of faith in it is all about, but also an opportunity to explore how the Lord may be calling them into his life in a more complete way.

If you are interested in more information or know someone who is or would like to participate in the RCIA, please contact Fr. Ken for participation and registration requirements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION CONTACT FR. KEN AT (708) 352-6209 ext. 205

## THE LADY OF ALL NATIONS PRAYER



"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster, and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. Amen.

## ST. CLETUS CHOOSE KINDNESS 5K RUN

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**



100 Yard Dash: 7:45 a.m. Open to children age 7 and under.

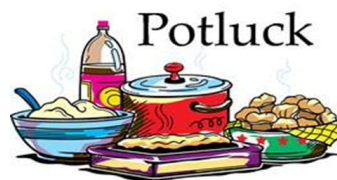
1 Mile Run: Immediately following 100 Yard Dash. Open to children age 11 and under.

5K Run/Walk: 8:15 a.m. Race open to all runners and walkers.

Race starts and ends on Waiola Avenue between 53rd and 54th Streets. For more information and to register please visit [www.stcletusschool.com](http://www.stcletusschool.com).

\$15 entry fee for each race before October 19; \$20 after. Includes a t-shirt to the first 300 registrants.

## ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK



### Potluck

Save the Date

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center

Details to follow soon!

## SUMMER RECTORY HOURS

### Rectory Hours June, July and August 2017

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

## WEDDING MINISTRY

Our parish Wedding Ministry is looking for a few folks who would like to join them in celebrating this joyous sacrament. Help with wedding rehearsals and the actual wedding service is needed. It involves pairing with another minister and walking the bridal party through the wedding rehearsal (about 1 hr.) and then setting up and being present to assist the day of the wedding (about 1½-2 hrs.). Simple training is provided including a binder with guidelines and instructions. Since weddings are scheduled throughout the year, your service is based on your availability. Please consider being a part of this joyful ministry. Contact Paulette Bolton for more info at 708.215.5422 or [pbolton@stcletusparish.com](mailto:pbolton@stcletusparish.com).

## Community Bulletin Board

### ANNOUNCING - CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Cusillo is a three day short course in Christianity and spiritual direction. For more information go to [joliectursillo.com](http://joliectursillo.com) or call 708.925.4459

Men's Weekend September 21-24th  
Woman's Weekend November 16-19th

Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, 8419 Bailey Road  
Questions? Visit us in the St. Cletus Church narthex after masses this weekend.

### JOYFUL AGAIN



#### Joyful Again! Program for Widowed Men and Women

Need help moving on to the life God now sees for you as a single person? Attend our workshop/retreat and see the possibilities.

**October 28 & 29, 2017 - Batavia**

**November 11 & 12, 2017- Lemont**

Being widowed is a special loss, and this program is designed especially to help the widowed find hope & joy again. Incls. overnight and meals. Space limited – register early.

Ph: Joyful Again Widowed Ministry 708-354-7211  
email: [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com)  
[www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org) (short video on website)

### MASS AT THE LA GRANGE HOSPITAL



Come and join us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and to pray for the sick every Wednesday at 11:30am in the Chapel of La Grange Memorial Hospital.

Thanks and Summer Blessings, Fr. Lorenzo

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 17, 2017, at 2:45 PM, at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago. Couples married in 1967 interested in attending this celebration should call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office 312.534.8351 or register on their website at <https://pvm.archchicago.org/>

### BELLARMINE JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE

The Spiritual Exercises: "Who am I? Where am I going? How do I get there?" September 22-24, 2017 with Fr. Doug Leonhardt, SJ an Ignatian, Silent Retreat for Men. 420 W County Line Rd • Barrington, IL 60010 • 847-381-1261 • [www.JesuitRetreat.org](http://www.JesuitRetreat.org)

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples and religious on October 6-8, 2017 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL. For information on applying, please go to [wwme-chicagoland.org](http://wwme-chicagoland.org)

### H FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING OCT. 8TH

Cancer is personal ... touching each & every family in our community. Join us for a day of golf, & Oktoberfest dinner, at the 8th Annual Tee Off Fore A Cure! Benefiting The H Foundation. Sunday, October 8, 2017 at Village Greens of Woodridge, 1575 W. 75th St. \$125 registration includes cart, lunch, Oktoberfest buffet dinner, 3-hour open bar (beer, wine & soda), certificate for another round of golf. Register: <https://tinyurl.com/hfoundationteeoff2017> Early Bird Special \$100 for Golf expires 8/25 or contact: Ed Kuchta, St. Cletus parishioner, at [eskuchta@gmail.com](mailto:eskuchta@gmail.com) or 708-269-4993

### THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

A NOTE FROM THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER AND FROM JOSEPH'S CORNER GIFT SHOP

We begin our fall 2017 semester in our new home in the three-story ministry building located on the east side of our campus just north of the Chapel. Our new entrance faces Nazareth Academy High School. Look for the balconies. Underneath you will find the new entrance. The parking lot is in front of the chapel and wraps around the east side of the building. Of course parking is still available on the ring road. We look forward to welcoming you into our new space and our new program year. Visit our website [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) for details.

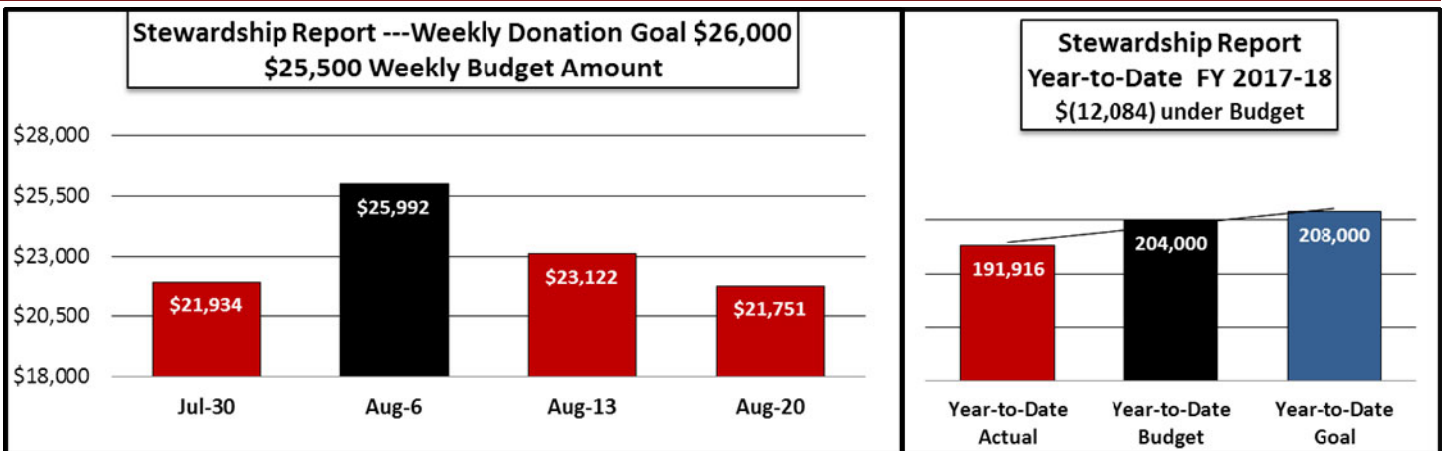




## Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, August 27	After Masses 12:00pm	Narthex School Rm 200	Cursillo Kairos Meeting
Monday, August 28			
Tuesday, August 29			
Wednesday, August 30			
Thursday, August 31	6:30pm	Parish Center Gym	Religious Education Catechist Orientation
Friday, September 1	8:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Rm	Holy Name Society Meeting
Saturday, September 2	5:00pm	Narthex	Welcome Committee
Sunday, September 3	After Masses	Narthex	Welcome Committee

## Stewardship Report



## St. Cletus Parish Preferred Providers

### BECOME A ST. CLETUS PARISH PREFERRED PROVIDER

Thank you to all of our 2016-17 Preferred Providers. If your business would like to be featured in our weekly canticle please consider sponsoring the 2017 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest. All sponsors at the \$2,500 level and above will be featured each week from September 2017 through July 2018. If you have questions, please call 708-352-6209.

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# St. Cletus Parish Information

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 www.stcletusparish.com  stcletuschurch

## RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs/Sat..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Friday..... 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
 Sunday..... 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## MASSES

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

## CONFESSIONS

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

## BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

## WEDDINGS

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

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

*Holy Hour* first Tuesday of the month 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
*Hispanic Adoration* continues 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

## 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.

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Clark, *Pastor*  
 Rev. Kenneth Baker, *Associate Pastor*  
 Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa, *Associate Pastor*  
 Rev. Mr. Jesús & Silvia Casas, *Deacon Couple*  
 Rev. Mr. Stuart & Marlene Heyes, *Deacon Couple*

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