

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

I will give thanks to you, O LORD,  
with all my heart,  
for you have heard the words  
of my mouth.  
— PSALM 138:1



“Put out into deep water  
and lower your nets for a catch.”

Luke 5:4



**Fifth**  
Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 6, 2022

**The Miraculous Draught  
of Fishes**  
c. 1520  
Attributed to Ugo da Carpi  
(Italian, c. 1480–after 1525)  
after Raffaello Sanzio, called  
Raphael (Italian, 1483–1520)  
Art Institute of Chicago

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# Mass Intentions for February 7 - 13, 2022

Day	Time	Presider <small>(subject to change)</small>	Intentions
February 7	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Elizabeth O'Malley, Theresa Podwika, John Rohan
February 8	8:00am	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners
February 9	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Joe & Kay Klemak, Anton Mataitis
February 10	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Frank Wojcik
February 11	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Laura Soto, BC Collins
February 12	5:00pm	Fr. Romero	Elizabeth Stange, Nancy Bator, Special Intentions of CCW Members
February 13	7:15am	Fr. Romero	Robert Spyrison, Richard Gomez, Ola Maveety, Walter Maveety, Ethel Maveety, Thomas Birks
	8:45am	Fr. Costello	St. Cletus Parishioners
	10:30am 12:30pm	Fr. Romero Fr. Hays	Robert Seliga, Ola Maveety, Walter Maveety, Ethel Maveety, Thomas Birks Guadalupe Valtierra, Vincente Jaramillo, Josefina Loza

## **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.*

**February** - Peter Spizzirri

**January** - Larry Anders, Debbi Pach, Steve Romanowski, Laura Terrazino

**December** - Gerda E. Dorso, Steve Hubona, Edward Kwak, Nora McKeehan, Joseph Busta, John Duda, Sandra Eckrich, Howard Eggert, Marlene Heyes, Joan Klemak, Marian Mozden, Patricia Rodey, Jean Tomazin

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

## **MASKS ARE REQUIRED**

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY TO THIS FACILITY**



Masks are required indoors for all clergy, staff, volunteers and parishioners inside archdiocesan facilities in Suburban Cook County and in the City of Chicago, including Masses, liturgies and all activities/ events within our parishes.

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

**Stephen Scaramuzzo**  
Husband of Sandy

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

## **SOUND SYSTEM COLLECTION**

Please return your envelopes for the "The Sound of St. Cletus" fund to support this important facilities upgrade. You can also donate on our website at <https://stcletusparish.com/news/sound-video-system-update/>. Alternatively, donations can be made by sending a check to the parish office at: St. Cletus Parish, 600 W. 55th Street, La Grange, IL 60525. If donating by check, please write the words "Sound System" in the memo line.

## **BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS**

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 5p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication.

## Pastor's Note

Dear Friends,

It is with joy and gratitude that I inform you that the St. Cletus School Open House went well last weekend. There was excellent leadership offered by everyone involved. Students who gave us their testimony did a fantastic job. The children's choir at our 10:30 AM Mass with their voices and joy allowed us to experience the presence of each other and of God in a unique way which was uplifting. Students, parents, and teachers worked together to offer a warm and friendly welcome and tour to all visitors. By the way, the entire school looked amazing. As always, I am encouraged by the dedication and witness of our teachers, staff, and administrators. We are lucky to have such generous, talented, and dedicated people helping us with the education of our children. My sincere gratitude to all who make our parish school such a wonderful place for our children.

I am pleased to let you know that our collaborative and working relationship with our Principal, Gregory Porod and Assistant Principal, Christy Schaefer is going well. They have such kind and generous hearts. They are passionate about what they do. They love our children. We are blessed to have them as the leaders of our school.

Recently, Principal Gregory Porod and Jim Dion, business manager, brought to my attention that the main fire alarm panel in our school needed to be upgraded as soon as possible. Today, I am pleased to let you know that the St. Cletus School Fire Panel has been upgraded to a higher state of the art detection system. The total cost was \$13,020.00 which was paid by the repair funds we have (orange envelopes). Thank you for your generosity. Please notice that we are very blessed to have Jim Dion, Business Manager, who worked on the completion of this needed project. Both the additional engineering background and previous parish business experience that he brings to his position is very much appreciated.

In today's second reading we hear St. Paul boldly saying, *"But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective."* As I continue to walk with you, this is something that I notice more and more in each and one of you. You are good at allowing God to share His grace with you. As a result, you are kind, gentle, and generous.

May the grace of God continue to touch and change our hearts.

Fr. Elmer Romero  
Pastor

## Sound System Updates

Dear Friends,

How often have you heard, thought, or said: “What did he say?” or “I didn’t understand what was just said or read” when attending Mass?

We gather in church to celebrate the liturgy and to hear the word of God.

But as we all know, for the past couple years it has been increasingly difficult to understand what is being said inside our church at St. Cletus Parish. And it is becoming increasingly worse.

The simple explanation of the current situation is that the sound system that we have relied upon for so long has finally met its expiration date. Our sound equipment has outlived its expected longevity despite all efforts to keep it working. Complete failure could take place at any moment.

Major components have failed. Consequently, we have been limping along with borrowed components that are underperforming relative to our needs, do not have the power and are not capable of the necessary calibration to provide the clear sound that would allow us all to enjoy and hear the Word of God.

After a complete analysis of the needs that the sound and video systems require and after careful vetting of several proposals for a replacement system, we are raising the necessary funds to fulfill those needs.

We have begun to receive donations from members of the St. Cletus community toward achieving our goal. The expected cost of the new sound and video systems is \$110,000. As of this week we have raised \$21,265. Thank you to all those whose generous contributions have gotten us started.

As you can see in the graphic below, we have attained approximately 19% of the funds needed. A good start, but far from enough to acquire the remedy we so desperately need.

Please consider a donation toward meeting the challenge of making our facilities truly meet our needs and expectations.

Your donations can be made electronically through the parish website at <https://stcletusparish.com/news/sound-video-system-update/>. Alternatively, donations can be made by sending a check to the parish office at:

St. Cletus Parish  
600 W. 55th Street  
La Grange, IL 60525

or by dropping your donation into the collection basket at Sunday mass. If donating by check, please write the words “Sound System” in the memo line.

Your generosity will be deeply appreciated.

God bless you.

Fr. Elmer Romero  
Pastor





## Sunday Notes



### THEOPHANIES

Today's readings recount three theophanies, or particular manifestations of God's presence. The prophet Isaiah is caught up in a dramatic scene of heavenly worship, with a royal throne, burning embers, and seraphim singing, "Holy, holy, holy." Isaiah is overwhelmed. In the responsorial psalm, the assembly adds its own worship to that of the seraphim: "In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord" (Psalm 138:1).

Paul reminds the Corinthians of his own experience of a post-Resurrection appearance of the Lord, making him an apostle, but one "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), since he had no acquaintance with the earthly Jesus. The first of those who did know the earthly Jesus were surprised by fishing advice from the teacher who had commandeered Simon's boat, resulting in an extraordinary catch. Although less colorful than those of Isaiah or Paul, this theophany was just as overwhelming.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — In a vision Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the LORD of hosts. Isaiah responds, "Send me!" (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

**Psalm** — In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

**Second Reading** — Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

**Gospel** — Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. Simon and his partners leave all to follow Jesus (Luke 5:1-11).

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Scouting Sunday  
 Tuesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking  
 Thursday: St. Scholastica  
 Friday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick; National Shut-in Visitation Day  
 Saturday: Lincoln's Birthday

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13  
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Ps 81:10-15; Mk 7:31-37  
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10  
 Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 138: 1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

#### Reflection question:

How can I come to rely more on heavenly grace?

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### WHERE GOD IS

We cannot go where God is not. And where God is, all is well.

—Anonymous

### TESTED LIKE GOLD

God wishes to test you like gold in the furnace. The dross is consumed by the fire, but the pure gold remains and its value increases.

—St. Jerome Emiliani

## Social Concerns Ministry



**ST. CLETUS  
FOOD PANTRY**  
THURSDAYS 6-8PM  
CHURCH PARKING LOT

### FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST:

Thank you so much for your generous donations! We are blessed to have many, many holiday food drives going on right now to support the pantry. Please consider holding food donations for a few weeks. Thank you!

Follow us on Facebook:  
@StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram:  
@St.CletusFoodPantry

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

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Pleasantdale Girl Scouts joined us recently! They helped repackage large items and break them down into more manageable sizes for distribution.

Thank you!



### AREA RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

#### REFLECTION FROM THE USCCB SECRETARIAT OF PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES

Fatherhood has its origins in God, who chose to reveal Himself to us as Our Father, sending his only Son for the sake of our salvation. Fathers therefore have a special role “in revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God” (Familiaris consortio 25). Fathers are called to exhibit “generous responsibility for the life conceived under the heart of the mother” (FC 25). They are uniquely entrusted with the protection and defense of both mother and child and, in this way, in safeguarding the sanctity of human life.

As evidenced in our world today, the role of the father “is of unique and irreplaceable importance” (FC 25). Often women choose abortion because they do not have the support of the child’s father, or—even worse—the father of the child pressures her to make the decision to abort. At the same time, it is important to acknowledge with compassion that men can also be overwhelmed by an unexpected pregnancy and that society increasingly tells them that they should have no say in their children’s lives. In the face of these false messages, we pray that expectant fathers will find courage in the example of Saint Joseph—who embraced the role of father amid difficult circumstances—and offer loving, life-affirming support to the mothers of their children.



### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

#### Executing The Pivot

Looking to undertake a career change but challenged in how to begin? Be sure to join us on Thursday, February 17 from 7-9 pm for some creative ideas. Pivoting mid-career to a different profession, while potentially rewarding, can be difficult to execute. Join us as Nicole Magats, recruiter and career coach, walks us through how to successfully stand out when trying to pivot careers. We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, in Western Springs. This is a Hybrid meeting, both in-person and via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting ID: 437 092 1248  
Passcode: 960531

Interfaith Career Network offers FREE assistance-open to all! If you attend in person, masks are required. Everyone is welcome.

Visit [www.interfaithcareernetwork.org](http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org) for additional resources. These programs are open to all and there is no cost to attend.

## Religious Education

### A MESSAGE TO OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES



I want to congratulate all the candidates as we near our confirmation date of Feb 19th. I hope you are all excited to be sealed with the Holy Spirit. I have been reading your saint reports and your service logs these past months and I can say with rich certainty that I've been touched by your words and actions. Before this position, I was a catechist for the early grades. I was a seed planter. I often wondered if I had made a difference myself in young hearts and if I would ever see the bloom. I am sure all the other catechists thought the same at one point whether they would see the bloom as they watered, fertilized and taught Jesus's love. As I went thru all of the reports and Red books, many words sprang from your pages that I would like to share with you now. I read and heard "I was changed", I learned to use my voice for others, I became more social, I made friends, I AM a bigger part of all this life, I see within myself worth, value and I am inspired to be more, to do more. Thinking of all this I can't help but say YOU GOT IT!! Yes, you are all those things and wait...you will be and do so much more!

I also saw "I see". I see the abundance in my life, my many blessings, the truth of what is enough, the importance of sharing and to give of talents, skills, time and treasure. I read about your realization that it doesn't take much to make something better for others and of the impact you make. You showed others that Jesus is very much present and loves those you met when you feed, clothed, visited, helped, gathered, gave, and shared. I am so honored to see this class of wonderful young adults receive the sacrament of confirmation. The world is going to be okay, because these young people got it and they are going to do wonders for Christ and the world. Thank you candidates for your words, your work, your inspiration.

Please continue to pray for these young people. Everyone... come see the garden for it is in FULL BLOOM!! Congratulations!!!

With joy.... Griselda Rahman

### REMINDER TO ALL 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS



Remember to come to Love Day on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> in Morrissey Hall in the Education Building from 9-10:30 a.m. We ask each 4<sup>th</sup> Grader to bring someone they love with them as their special honored guest. We will have a *lovely* time!

### CONFIRMATION REMINDERS



All Confirmation Candidates and their Sponsors must attend our Confirmation practice on Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Church. If your Sponsor is not available to attend, a parent must go in their place.

**Confirmation will be held on Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.** with Bishop Kevin Birmingham. All students and their Sponsors must be present in the Parish Center no later than 12:20 p.m.



# St. Cletus School

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**Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**  
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## HAPPY 100 DAYS OF KINDERGARTEN!



The children celebrated with centers and activities throughout the day—they stacked 100 cups, dabbed a gumball machine 100 times, licked a lollipop 100 times, played would you rather, colored, sang and more! Such a fun celebration!

## 3RD AND 5TH GRADE PROJECTS



Last week our 3rd and 5th graders were busy presenting their technology and invention projects! Third grade did such a wonderful job researching the subjects they chose for their tech projects. They learned so much and taught their classmates all about the changes in their technology throughout history, all the way from roads and telephones to pencils and typewriters! Every year it is so much fun to see what our 5th graders come up with for their inventions! This year we saw everything from new types of can openers to a new cleaning supply system to a gaming table!

## ST. CLETUS SPRING AUCTION



Save the date for a fun, night celebrating our school at the St. Cletus Spring Auction 2022

WHEN: Saturday, April 2nd

TIME: 6-11pm

WHERE: St. Cletus Parish Center Fr. Clark Gym

Be Ready for Raffles, Live & Silent Auctions, Fun!

Ticket information coming soon.

Please email [auction@stcletusparish.com](mailto:auction@stcletusparish.com) for information on becoming a sponsor or making a donation

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2022

Thank you to everyone who stopped by our Open House last Sunday, it was a huge success. The students and staff enjoyed celebrating Catholic Schools Week with fun daily activities.

<p><b>SUNDAY</b> Celebrate Our Faith</p>	<p><b>MONDAY</b> Celebrate Our Community</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b> Celebrate Our "Souper" School</p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Celebrate Our Students</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b> Celebrate Our Teachers &amp; Staff</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b> Celebrate Our School Spirit</p>



# SUPPORT ST. CLETUS SCHOOL

## St. Cletus School Cardinal Raffle

**Grand Prize: \$1000**  
**Second Prize: \$500**  
**Third Prize: \$500**



**\$10.00 per ticket**  
 Buy Tickets January 30th - February 8th  
 Drawing held on February 9th, 2022

### Attention St. Cletus Parishioners & Catholic School Alumni

This year, Catholic Schools Week takes place January 30 to February 5, and St. Cletus School needs your support. Please consider purchasing tickets for our annual Cardinal Raffle. Tickets can be ordered using the form below. We hope that you can join us in continuing to provide a quality Catholic education.



*It's a great day to be a Cardinal!*

**Proceeds will go towards our Fine Arts Programs at St. Cletus School**

For more information, please contact Emily Wasik at 630-229-7720 or [virgoekw@gmail.com](mailto:virgoekw@gmail.com)



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

- \$10.00 per Raffle Ticket
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ We would like to donate to help St. Cletus School.

Please send raffle fees and donations back to St. Cletus School: **600 W. 55th Street, La Grange, IL 60525.** Tickets may also be purchased from current student families. Entry tickets will be emailed back to purchaser. No email? No problem, just leave your phone number and we will contact you about your tickets. Thank you!

Please make checks out to: St. Cletus School

*We hope that you can contribute to the success of our St. Cletus students!*





## Youth Ministry

### ARE YOU READY FOR FAT TUESDAY?

Worried you will have to wait in long lines for your paczki? **Youth Ministry has you covered!**

Join us after all masses on **Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** to purchase your freshly made strawberry or custard filled paczki from Kirschbaum's Bakery. We will be selling them four to a box for \$10. All proceeds go towards our Mission Trip in June of this year. Don't delay – we have limited supply, so when we sell out, you will need to wait on long lines at the bakery!



Thanks so much for your support of our Youth Ministry program!

### TEEN SLEDDING EVENT

## Teen Sledding Event



All High School students are invited to join us on Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at Robbins Park in Hinsdale for some fun sledding from 1-3 p.m. Grab your sled, tube or snowboard for some outrageous outdoor fun! We will bring the hot chocolate! No need to sign up – just drop in and join us! Hope to see you there! (This picture is for illustration purposes only. Sharing sleds is not recommended.)

## Ministry News

### BOOK DISCUSSION



For the next book discussion, we are reading **The Patron Saint of Liars** by Ann Patchett. We will meet on February 8, 2022 at 10 AM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center. Please note, this is a time change from previous discussions.

For those who like to look ahead....

April 12, **What Alice Forgot** by Lianne Moriarty

June 14, **Lincoln Highway** by Amor Towles

As always, all are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL FATHER'S CLUB



SAVE THE DATE!!!

### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Father's Club Lenten Fish Fry

Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the St. Cletus Parish Center

All Parishioners and their families and friends are welcome!

Please contact Jim Ludden at (630) 880-2415 if you are interested in helping out!.

### VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

We beg you good and holy priests.

In every age you call men to follow you as servants and shepherds of your people.

Open their hearts to your call and give them the courage to follow you.

Be their rock of refuge and their lights as they discern.

Help us to support them on their journey, and to love them as your disciples.

We thank you for all that you are and all that you do.

In your name we pray.  
Amen

Vocation Office | Bishop Quarter House  
750 North Wabash Avenue | Chicago, IL 60611 | Chicagopriest.com

### HISPANIC MINISTRY

Habr  una reuni n para todos los Ujieres el Domingo 13 de febrero a las 1:45 en el Gallagher Room en el Centro Pastoral. Esperamos poder saludar a todos para compartir nuestras experiencias y talentos. Si tienen cualquier pregunta, se pueden comunicar con Juanita Avila directora del Ministerio Hispano al n mero (708) 352-6209.

Juanita Avila estar  disponible en la oficina del Centro Pastoral todos los s bados de 9:00AM a 12:00PM.

### WORD OF LIFE



“A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned.”

Pope Francis, Message for the 29<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Sick 2021.   2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

### NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK



The upcoming observances of National Marriage Week (February 7-14, 2022) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 13, 2022) are opportunities to focus on building a culture of life and love by supporting and promoting marriage and the family. More information can be found at <https://www.usccb.org/topics/marriage-and-family-life-ministries/national-marriage-week>

### 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 [stcletusparish.com](http://stcletusparish.com) and click the “DONATE” BUTTON (pictured to the right). Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, contact Jim Dion at [jdion@stcletusparish.com](mailto:jdion@stcletusparish.com) or 708.352.6209.



# Community News

## THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



Please register/find out about more about programs at The Well Spirituality Center online: [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048. All programs are currently on ZOOM.

### RE-EMERGING IN A POST-PANDEMIC WORLD First Thursdays, Feb 3—May 5, 10—11:30 AM

**Facilitator: Bridget Spurduto** The pandemic has lasted far longer than we ever imagined. Let us gather, process and unpack how the pandemic has affected us and how we want to consciously move forward, considering “which parts of normal are worth rushing back to.” \$15/session.

## 2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes, and schools that 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 the call “Making all things new ... God’s promise and our responsibility.” 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 what you can to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal.



## ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES

Our annual "Cabaret" dueling pianos evening featuring Tony Kidonakis was originally scheduled for February 4th but with the current COVID spike, and the

Archdiocesan restrictions currently in place, we are looking to postpone to a later date. Stay tuned for our new date and more information.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 20th at 4:00 pm, we will present "Sing!" Join us for an afternoon of songs you love to sing along with! From folk to pop, rock to jazz and more - this concert will be led by faces familiar to the Fine Arts Series and will encourage not just enjoying the music, but singing along from the audience too!

## CHESS TOURNAMENT INVITATION



Date/Time: Saturday, February 12th, 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Schedule: Check-in 9:30-9:45 a.m. 1st round begins at 10:00 AM. Tournament is complete at 2:30 PM. You can leave your child with us and come back at 1:30 PM. (We require a guardian to be present for all contestants 11 and under)

Location: Parish Center/Oak Room, St Mary School; 97 Herrick Rd, Riverside, IL 60546

Price of Tournament: \$45

Grades: 2 divisions: K-3 and 4-8

To sign up for the Chess Tournament, please visit <https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup>. You will need to enter the class code SMR2.12.22 in order to register.

Please register by 2/12 for the price of \$45.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Chess Scholars at [registration@learningmeansfun.com](mailto:registration@learningmeansfun.com) or call 847-482-9999.

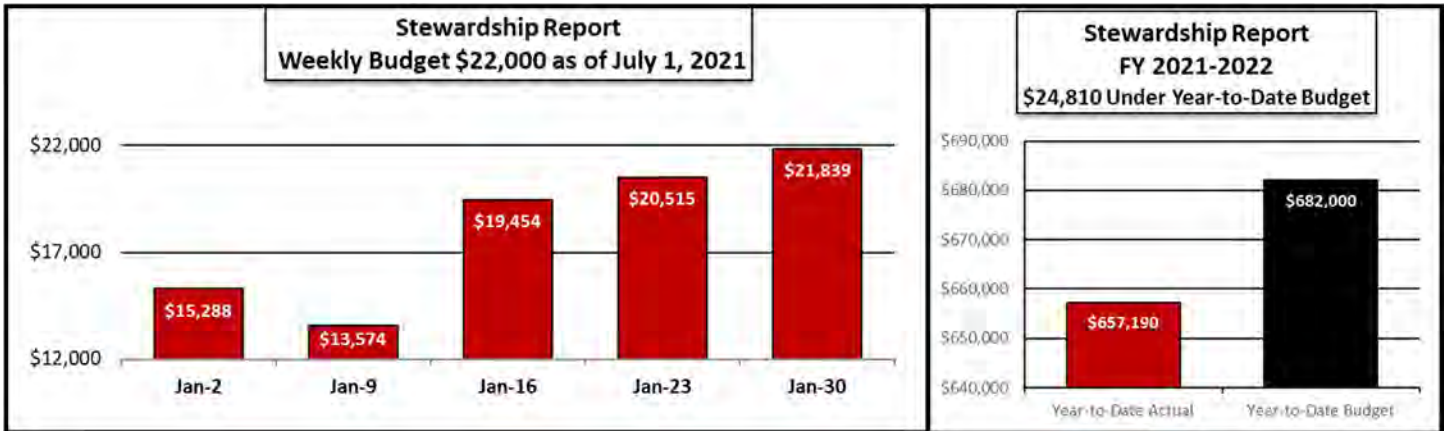
NO REFUNDS will be made due to illness or other circumstances, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No admittance allowed with signs of illness (cough, fever, etc.). Masks must be worn at all times with the exception of eating while in the Skittles Room. It’s the parents’ responsibility to remind the children to attend the tournament.

# Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 6			
Monday, February 7			
Tuesday, February 8	7:00pm	Church	Spanish Holy Hour
Wednesday, February 9	9:00am 7:00pm 7:30pm	Parish Center Meeting Room Parish Center Meeting Room Parish Center Gym	Mission Ladies FSA Meeting Church League Practice
Thursday, February 10	6-8pm 7:30pm	Parking Lot School Music Room	Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, February 11			
Saturday, February 12	4:00pm	Parish Center Gym	Church League Games
Sunday, February 13			

# Stewardship Report

## WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



## YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY


As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2021 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the office @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email [jdion@stcletusparish.com](mailto:jdion@stcletusparish.com) and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

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# St. Cletus Parish Information

## CONTACT US

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School .....(708) 352-4820  
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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 thru Friday ..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday .....Closed

## MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday .....7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,  
12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)  
Weekdays..... Mon. thru Fri. 8:00 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

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

## BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

## WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date.

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## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Elmer Romero, Pastor**  
**Rev. Dan Costello, Associate Pastor**  
**Rev. John Lodge, Weekend Associate**  
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**Tina Norton, Pastoral Associate** ..... (708) 215-5412  
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**Kendall Grant, Social Concerns** ..... (708) 215-5418  
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**Barb Campbell, Director of Religious Education**  
**Griselda Rahman, Coordinator of Religious Education**

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**Silvia Castellanos, Parish Secretary**  
**Elizabeth Goellner-McLean, Bulletin Editor**

## ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

Pastor ..... Fr. Elmer Romero  
Chairperson ..... Bob Wasik

### MEMBERS

Bob Malham  
Mike Napleton  
Kevin Hogan

### LIAISONS

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Athletic Association ..... Tina Pryor

## 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

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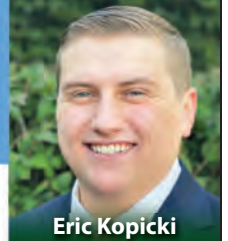
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