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# st. cletus **fall fest** sept. 5-8

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## THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 5

5-10pm Carnival Rides  
7:20pm Thursday Night  
Football Opening Game

- \*Game on the Big Screen\*
- \*Bears Giveaways\*
- \*Raffles\*
- \*Games of Chance\*
- \*\$3 Miller Lites\*

## FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 6

5-11pm Carnival Rides  
5:00pm Mid Knights  
7-10pm ARRA

**BINGO**  
Saturday & Sunday  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7

12-11pm Carnival Rides  
12:00pm Bosco  
1:00pm Adam Stasica  
2:00pm St. Cletus  
Kids Got Talent  
2-4pm BINGO  
4:00pm Strange Lama  
7-10pm Mike and Joe

## SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8

11am 1<sup>st</sup> Responders Mass  
12-9pm Carnival Rides  
12:30pm Ken Baker  
& Friends  
2-4pm BINGO  
2:00pm Mr. Nice  
4:00pm Double Identity  
6-9pm Maggie Speaks  
7:30pm Raffle Drawing



**\$20** PER TICKET  
-OR-  
**6 FOR \$100**  
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. DRAWING WILL BE HELD 9/8

GRAND PRIZE **\$5,000**  
SECOND PRIZE **\$2,500**  
THIRD PRIZE WINNER **\$1,000**  
4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE WINNERS **\$500**  
10 RUNNERS UP **\$100 WINNERS**  
4 EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS FOR \$50 EACH WILL BE HELD  
AUGUST 11, AUGUST 18, AUGUST 25, AND SEPTEMBER 1



**GRILL RAFFLE**  
**\$10 TICKETS**  
DRAWING WILL BE HELD  
SUNDAY, SEPT. 8  
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT

## Mass Intentions for the Week of September 2 - 8, 2019

| Day       | Presider<br>(subject to change)   | Time  | Intentions  |
|-----------|---|---|---|
| Monday    | Fr. Baker   | 8:00 a.m.   | Patrick O'Connell, Robert McDonnell   |
| Tuesday   | Fr. Gamboa  | 8:00 a.m.   | Jimmy Tavolino, Shirley Flamm   |
| Wednesday | Fr. Clark   | 8:00 a.m.   | Virginia Rachford, Shirley Flamm, B.C. Collins  |
| Thursday  | Fr. Gamboa  | 8:00 a.m.   | Jerome Wisner, Shirley Flamm, Andrew Wnek   |
| Friday    | Fr. Clark   | 8:00 a.m.   | Irene and Tom Cecil, Shirley Flamm  |
| Saturday  | Fr. Baker<br>Fr. Clark  | 8:00 a.m.<br>5:00 p.m.  | James Vonesh, Joseph & Kay Klemak, Chris Wickstrom<br>Ray & Joni Pietrzak, Jim Deslauriers  |
| Sunday    | Fr. Gamboa<br>Fr. Baker<br>Fr. Baker<br>Fr. Clark & Fr. Baker<br>Fr. Gamboa | 7:00 a.m.<br>8:00 a.m.<br>9:30 a.m.<br>11:00 a.m.<br>12:30 p.m. | George Duda, John & Frances Kennedy, Patrick Mahoney, Anne Smith<br>Stacy Baker, Blanche Collins, Brone Maleckas<br>Sam Colonna, Shirley Flamm, Blanche Collins<br>Louise Callaghan, Gail Saban, Dale Fisher<br>St. Cletus Parishioners |

### Marriage Banns



Roxana Mtz & Evelio Garcia

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

St. Cletus Parish Office Hours for the week of Fall Fest will be as follows:

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Monday             | Closed for Labor Day |
| Tuesday - Thursday | 9:00am - 5:00pm      |
| Friday             | 9:00am - 12:00pm     |
| Saturday           | 9:00am - 5:00pm      |
| Sunday             | 8:00am - 12:30pm     |
| Monday             | Closed               |

### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available this weekend, August 31 and September 1, after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses.

Please stop by the back of church, say hello, and become members of St. Cletus Parish.

### 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** - Don King, Frank Colonna

**July** - Roxy Brown, Rochina DeBartolo, Rosario Martinez, Edward J McNamara, Jose Perez, Margaret Pirman, Daniella DeRivera, Leo & Gloria Rivera, Ann Scheer, Virginia Skibbe, Laura Terrazino, Carol Witkowski

**June** - Ted Buczek, Johnson Dy, Gene Gajos, Nancy Gibson, Norman Kwak, Kathryn McCord, Jackie Schickel, Nicole Will-Montemagni, Jean Weekley, Joan Clark, John Duda, Alice Dunkovich, Ola Maveety, Rachael Schopp, Ronald Kruczek, Dr. Max Scheyerer, Eleanor Artemenko, Gerda E. Dorso, Cherie Franzen, Patricia Rodey, Ron Ramsey, John Sheil, Michael Stoinski, Virginia Gebka, Yesenia Guzman

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



Please see the cover and pages 4-5 of the Canticle for details and parking restrictions regarding our 6th Annual Parish Fall Fest. More information can be found online at [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com).

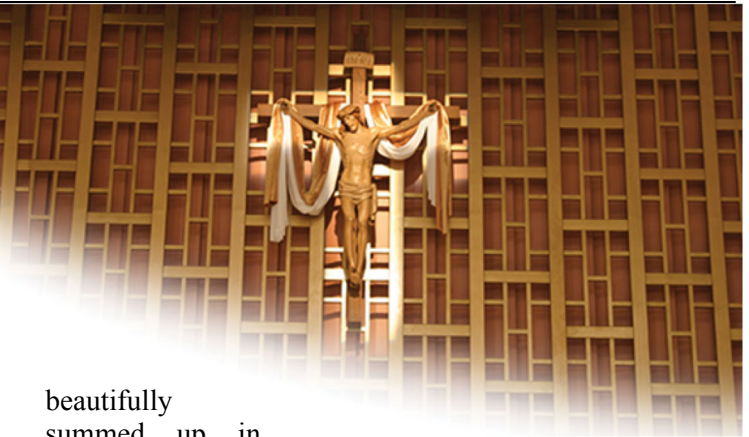
## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### **22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

There was panic in the airport because many flights had been cancelled. A slow-moving line of passengers were waiting to book on another plane. One man was getting increasingly annoyed at the long wait. Finally he marched to the counter and demanded a first-class ticket on the next available flight. "Sorry" said the girl at the counter "but I must serve the people in line by turn". The irate customer banged his fist on the counter: "Have you any idea who I am?" he roared. Without a moment's hesitation, the girl picked up the P.A. microphone and announced: "There's a gentleman here who does not know who he is. If anyone in the airport can identify him, please come to the counter." The people waiting in line burst into applause, while the line-jumper experienced one of the most embarrassing moments of his life.

In today's gospel Jesus tells a similar story and I suspect he does so with a smile. He shows that when people try to become the heavy, to give the impression of being far more important than others, they often come very unpleasantly noticed. He is at a banquet at the time and has noticed how some of the guests have been commandeering the "places of honor". From a common sense point of view it is an extremely foolish thing to do. Just imagine yourself ensconced on the top table and the embarrassment you would feel if your host had to explain that you were occupying someone else's place. Of course the converse is true: take the lowest place yourself and then there's every chance that your host will come along with the invitation "Friend, go up higher". And then you will win the admiration of all who are present.

I need hardly say that Jesus didn't come to give us lessons in etiquette, much less to show us how to get to the top by cunningly pretending we are worthy only of the lowest place. The gospel specifically says that he was using a parable. His purpose was to lead his hearers on towards a profound spiritual truth. He wanted to teach them-and us-the paramount importance of humility. Quite simply, "Everyone who exalts him (or her) self will be humbled" and "those who humble themselves will be exalted." The banquet he has in mind is the 'festival' of heaven, where, as our second reading explained, everyone is a first-born son or daughter of God. And among God's true children there is that utter honesty which is at the root of humility: honesty about self, which includes a recognition of gifts and talents, but also honesty about where the gifts and talents come from; in other words, a recognition that everything is sheer gift from God. It's an attitude



beautifully summed up in Mary's prayer, the MAGNIFICAT. She boldly declares that "all generations will call me blessed", but equally boldly she insists: "he that is mighty hath done great things for me; holy is HIS name." I am blessed among all God's creatures, but to him (not me) give the glory.

The truly humble don't pretend to know everything, they are aware of their limitations, they have respect for everyone. I suspect it was his patent humility that specially endeared Pope John XXIII to so many people. It shone in the gentle way he treated others: among the first engagements of his pontificate was a visit to the inmates of Rome's largest prison.

Jesus himself suggests that humility is linked with the way we treat other people, especially the marginalized; hospitality is to extend to those who are unable to offer a return invitation. He's not so much laying down a precise rule as posing a challenge. In God's eyes, we all belong to "the lowest place", we are all equally indebted to him for all we have and are, we are all in some way maimed or blind or lame. Our treatment of others, then, is a good indication of whether or not we are truly humble. If we are not, we don't know the truth about ourselves or about them. And without that basic knowledge, we are in a worse position than the irate man in the airport – we're suffering from a serious identity crisis.

*Humble Blessings and Prayers Always,*

**Fr. Bob Clark**  
**Pastor**



# The 6th Annual Parish Fall Fest



### WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

Visit [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com) to sign up to volunteer at weekend mass sales and during the event. It's always fun volunteering at this event and our volunteers receive a drink ticket to show our appreciation for their time.

### MEGAPASSES ARE STILL ON SALE

Purchase a Mega Pass for unlimited rides all 4 days of the fest for just \$55 in the Parish Center office or at the Fall Fest Tent this after Masses. We accept cash or check until Tuesday, Sept. 2.



Mega Passes are now \$65 online and at the Fest. Daily passes and individual ride tickets will also be available for purchase at the Fest.



### BEARS VS PACKERS

Join us Thursday, September 5 for the Bears Home Opener against the Green Bay Packers at 7:20pm.

We'll have TV screens by the stage and in the beer tent showing the game as well as Bears giveaways, games of chance, raffles, football squares, snacks and \$3 Miller Lites during the game.

We hope you'll join us for this fun watch party to kick-off 100 years of Chicago Bears Football!

### FALL FEST T-SHIRT UPDATE

Grey Fall Fest Shirts have arrived. Pre-orders can be picked up in the Parish Center Office. Shirts are also available for purchase after masses in the fall fest tent and in the parish center office during regular business hours.

White Fall Fest Shirts will arrive on Thursday. Please pick them up at the Fall Fest Info Tent during the Fest. Email [egoellner@stcletusparish.com](mailto:egoellner@stcletusparish.com) with any questions.

LUCKY LEAF RAFFLE

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| <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">\$20</p> <p>PER TICKET<br/>OR<br/>6 FOR \$100</p> <p>NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN<br/>DRAWING WILL BE HELD 9/8/19</p> | <p>GRAND PRIZE \$5,000</p> <p>SECOND PRIZE \$2,500</p> <p>THIRD PRIZE \$1,000</p> <p>FOURTH PRIZE \$500</p> <p>FIFTH PRIZE \$500</p> <p>10 RUNNERS UP \$100 WINNERS</p> |
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Congratulations to our Third Early Bird Winner  
**Mike Foss**  
Next Early Bird Drawing is Sunday, Sept. 1!

## WIN A FANTASTIC GRILL! RAFFLE TICKETS - \$10 EACH

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**Bella + Canvas**  
Dark Grey Heather  
Lightweight Hoodie - \$25

Visit [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com) for more information

# Parking Alert for Fall Fest beginning Tuesday, Sept. 3rd



## CHURCH PARKING DURING THE WEEK OF OUR ST. CLETUS FALL FEST TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> THRU SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> IS AS FOLLOWS:

- TUESDAY, SEPT. 3:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue only.
- WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue only.
- THURSDAY, SEPT. 5:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue.
- FRIDAY, SEPT. 6:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue, 54<sup>th</sup> Street and the parish back field.
- SATURDAY, SEPT. 7:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue, 54<sup>th</sup> 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. 8:** 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.

Fr. Bob Clark, Pastor

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## Social Concerns Ministry



### ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

#### THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- Diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6)
- Cereal
- Instant Oatmeal
- Boxed potatoes
- Chicken soup

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).



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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

Please note there will be NO FOOD PANTRY Thursday, September 5 due to Fall Fest. We will be open the remaining Thursday evenings in September. Thanks!



Follow us on facebook: @StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram: @St.CletusFoodPantry

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

#### Monthly Domestic Violence Support Group

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 for more information.

*In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars, found in the box to the lower left. **You are not alone.***

### RESPECT LIFE

SAVE THE DATE: Monday, September 16 at 7:00pm  
St. Cletus Parish in the Fr. Gallagher Room (in the new Parish Center)

The St. Cletus/St. John of the Cross/St. Francis Xavier Respect Life Ministry is committed to a culture of life: a world that joyfully sees God in every human person in all stages and in all conditions. We seek to encourage others to see the divine nature of all human life through prayer, education and charity.

We will use this time to discuss upcoming opportunities and share ideas for this year.

Please contact Kendall Grant with any questions.

### WORD OF LIFE



“The Church has consistently taught that every human life is precious and worthy of protection.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Another Look at Abortion”

### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Join us on Thursday, September 19 from 7-9 pm. Stephani Peterson, Sr. Manager of Careers in Nonprofits, will offer her insight on the nonprofit sector. Stephani will address the various types of nonprofits, advantages of working in the nonprofit sector, how to tailor your resume while showcasing transferable skills for your next position, and how to best succeed in this candidate driven market. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.

We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs.



**THANK YOU**

Labor Day is traditionally the day to honor workers in the U.S. and more recently to unofficially mark the end of summer. What a most fitting time to celebrate those workers in our Social Concerns Ministry, who dedicate so many volunteer hours to “labor” for God’s kingdom all year long, even during the long, hot summer. Whether you serve on the Social Concerns Commission, volunteer your service for the Food Pantry, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, the Giving Tree, Interfaith Career Network (Employment Ministry), the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Interfaith Community Partners, Respect Life, Mission Ladies, Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry, other special outreaches, or provide fruits of your “labor” by offering financial support, food for our Pantry, or gifts for our Advent Giving Tree outreach, a heartfelt thank you for being models of faith in action! May you and your loved ones have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend!

**INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

**PEACE AND JUSTICE MEETING**

All Are Welcome!  
 Wednesday, September 4, 2019 7-8:30pm  
 St. Francis Xavier Rectory Courtyard Room  
 Refreshments will be served

RSVP:  
 Mary Freeman mfreeman@sfxlg.org or (708) 352-0168

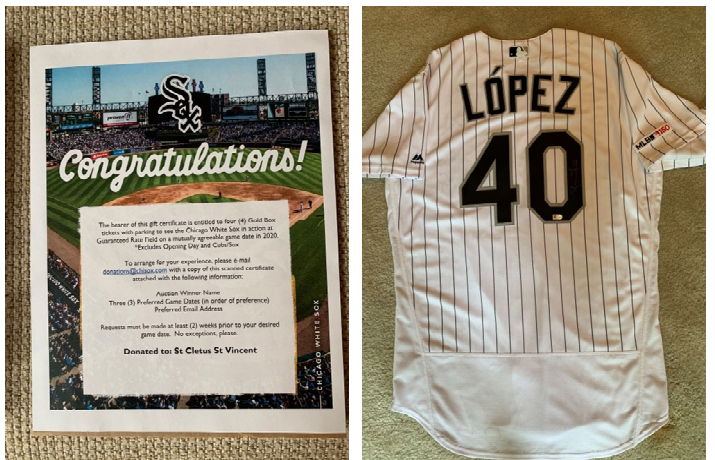
Group meets first Wednesday of each month to discuss and share information about P&J events in community and Chicagoland. Topics include: *Climate Change, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, Gun Violence, Incarcerated Youth, Immigrants and Refugees.*

*If you want peace, work for justice.* Pope Paul VI

**FALL FEST/SVDP**

Please make sure to stop by the Fall Fest Silent Auction Area. We will have a number of great items up for auction. Proceeds will benefit the St. Cletus St. Vincent DePaul Society and go directly towards helping those in need. Items include:

- Chicago Cubs – Baseball Ball Autographed by Pitcher Cole Hamels VALUE = \$150.00
- Chicago White Sox – Autographed Jersey by Pitcher Reynaldo Lopez - VALUE - \$ 250.00
- Chicago White Sox – 4 Golden Box Seats for One Game during the 2020 Season – VALUE \$ 275.00
- Chicago Blackhawks – Hockey Stick Signed by the 2018- 2019 Team - VALUE - \$ 400.00
- Chicago Bears – Framed Picture Autographed by the 2019-2020 Team Members shown - VALUE - \$ 250.00
- VIE Restaurant of Western Springs – A Gift Certificate – VALUE - \$50.00
- An Irish Tea Set with a variety of Teas – VALUE - \$80.00



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**Friday, October 4, 6:30 pm | \$65 Per Person**  
 Capri Banquets, 6240 Joliet Rd., Countryside, IL 60525  
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**RSVP by September 27**  
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**phone:** (708) 354-9328

Scan me to buy tickets!

*All proceeds benefit Interfaith Community Partners*

# Parish School



### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

September 5-8 ..... Fall Fest  
 September 11 ..... All School Mass  
 September 22 ..... Homecoming

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

**Gregory Porod, Interim Principal**      **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**  
 (708) 352-4820      (708) 352-4820  
 gporod@stcletusparish.com      cschaefer@stcletusparish.com

# MUMS THE WORD!

The St. Cletus 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class invites you to purchase mums to help offset the cost of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade events and activities.

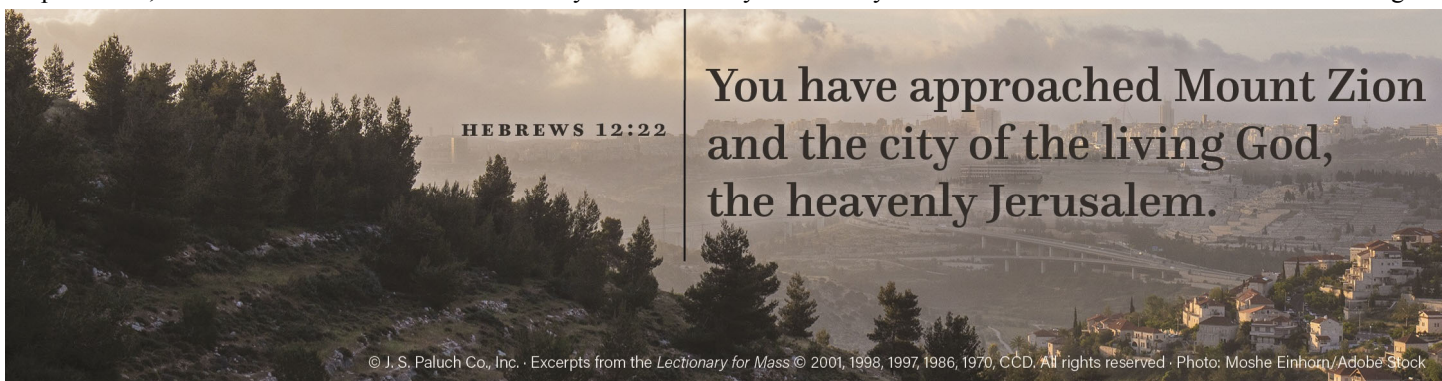
- Write in the number of each color you would like per line on the form below.
- \$10 each - Hinsdale Nursery 2 Gallon Mum Container or Ornamental cabbages
- Enclose Cash or Check payable to St. Cletus School.
- Orders Due to St. Cletus School office no later than Friday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Order Pick-Up at St. Cletus back field between 1-4pm on Saturday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>

| Buyer's Name, Address, Phone #                               | Gold | Maroon | Orange | White | Purple | Ornamental Cabbages | Total # | Total Price |
|--|------|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------------------|---------|-------------|
| <i>Sample Name<br/>Sample St, La Grange<br/>708-123-4567</i> | 2    | 2      | 1      |       |        |                     | 5       | \$50        |
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**If you have any questions, please contact:**  
 Deya Ruiz deyaruiz21@gmail.com, 773-405-2208  
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*Thank you for your support!!!*





HEBREWS 12:22

You have approached Mount Zion  
and the city of the living God,  
the heavenly Jerusalem.

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## HUMILITY

Humility is a virtue we don't see much in our times. It seems that bragging, swaggering, and arrogance dominate our fashion for everything and our Internet conversations. Who hasn't been irritated by the "trolls" who try (usually with bad grammar and poor spelling) to start an online fight with those whose opinions do not align with theirs? Our stores, catalogs, and online shopping sites are full of useless items geared in use and price to the very rich, as ordinary, useful things seem to fade off the sales scene. As the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class is fading away. What is the antidote to this? Humility is a good place to start. Devotion to God is worth more than riches. "The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; [God] leads forth prisoners to prosperity."

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Conduct your affairs with humility (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

**Psalm** — God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).

**Second Reading** — You have approached the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

**Gospel** — Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;

Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;

Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17;

Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Monday: Labor Day

Tuesday: St. Gregory the Great

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The readings today center on mindfulness, awareness of where we stand in God's plan. The mountain of Sinai carries a message of the majesty and distance of God, while Jesus' presence as host of the banquet speaks of intimacy and mystery. September's shadow calls us all to mindfulness as we prepare to return to life outside of summer. The Christian life holds these two places of knowledge of God in careful balance. Even in the accounts of the Passion we see the table of the upper room in balance with the Mount of Olives.

*Altar* means "high place," yet it is also a table. The former liturgy of the Latin Rite began with the priest bowing at the foot of the altar's three steps, chanting *Introibo ad altare Dei*, or "I will go to the altar of God," followed by the altar servers' response, "The God who gives joy to my youth." Many parishioners can recall and recite this scene by heart. As with so many things in liturgy, there are layers of meaning in our worship. The altar table evokes memories of the high places once reserved for encounter with the holy, and the intimacy of the table where hospitality draws us to share food and drink.

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## WORKERS

The workers are the saviors of society, the redeemers of the race.

—Eugene V. Debs

## NO SURPRISES

We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures.

—François Fénelon

## Religious Education

### REGISTRATION

**LAST CHANCE  
TO REGISTER!**

**Don't miss the opportunity to have your children registered for RE classes this fall! We need all registrations in ASAP in order to ensure we have books, supplies and a Catechist for your child!**

Registration forms can be found online at [stcletusparish.com](http://stcletusparish.com) under the Religious Education tab, or in the RE Office or Rectory.

We currently offer classes for children in Grades 1-8, as well as for children in Preschool (3 yrs) – Kindergarten. This year we are also beginning a Special Needs program for children in Grades 1-8.

Please keep in mind that Sacramental Preparation is a two year process. This applies to the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades) as well as Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades).

We offer classes on Sunday mornings (9:15-10:45) and Monday evenings (6-7:30) for children in Grades 1-8. Early childhood classes meet on Sundays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

If you are new to our program, please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. Please contact the RE Office at (708) 352-2383 with any questions you may have. Don't delay – register today!

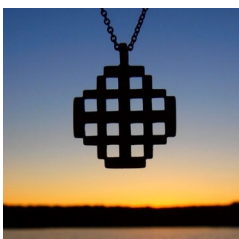
## Youth Ministry

### SEPTEMBER SOCIAL

**Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-8:00pm**

All High School teens are invited to the **St. Cletus Parish Center Gym** on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> for open gym, snacks, and to pick up information about upcoming opportunities through St. Cletus Youth Ministry!

### REGISTER FOR KAIROS 34!



**Who:**  
High School Juniors & Seniors

**When:**  
November 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**What is Kairos?**  
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 teens 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.

### How do I register for Kairos?

The registration form can be found on our Parish Website, on the Youth Ministry page. Contact MaryClaire Zurowski, [mzurowski@stcletusparish.com](mailto:mzurowski@stcletusparish.com), with any questions.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:



9/6  
Boy's Church League Registration Opens

9/15  
September Social – 6:00-8:00pm, St. Cletus Parish Center

9/25  
Freshman Experience – Monthly Formation for High School Freshman\*

10/6  
Alpha Youth Series – Formation for High School Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors\*

\*Registration for Freshman Experience & Alpha Youth can be found on our Parish Website, on the Youth Ministry page.



## Ministry News

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

#### **RCIA: Come and See**

BEGINS TUESDAY, OCT. 1

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's adult faith formation program which invites adults and teens 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

### MISSION LADIES

The Summer time is almost ending and Mission Ladies will be just beginning to start up. I hope the Mission Ladies had a nice summer in spite of the weather. We will be starting up a week later than usual due to the Fall Fest at St. Cletus.

**Mission Ladies will start up on Wednesday, Sept. 11th, 2019 from 9:00-11:30 a.m.**

Please mark your calendar to be sure of the date. I will try to run this to remind you again.

As you already know we are a small mighty & dedicated Mission Ladies group. We are looking for more young and not so young ladies to join our Mission. No special talent is require to participate. Extra helping hands are still in need to sew, knit, crochet, and make hair for our dolls. We meet every Wed. - we do not meet in June, July, Aug. & Dec....Also, work can be done at home. There are no dues - invitation is open to all - "Come Join Us".



*Come and See*

We are still in need of 4 ply & baby yarn. We can also use Fiber fill, Velco (any size or color), white Eyelet fabric and small crosses - at least 1 inch high (no higher) for Baby Bibs.

For more information you can call me. Thank you. Dolores Scaletta - 708-839-9605

### ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



Ladies of St. Cletus please join us on Wednesday, September 18th at 7pm for mass & fellowship to kick off our programs this year. We will begin in church with mass celebrated by Fr. Tom Unz the Vicariate IV moderator of Chicago Archdiocese Council of Catholic Women. Followed immediately by an installation/recommitment ceremony officiated by Mrs. Evelyn Getty, president of CACCW.

Reception in the parish center Gallagher room including a short business meeting to follow preceding our program titled Spirit Filled Leadership by Dr. Mary Amore. She is the director of Mayslake Ministries Downers Grove. She will help us explore the ways our relationship with Jesus empowers us to lovingly serve others with His grace & joy.

Come pray with other women of our parish family & spend an evening enriching your faith with Dr. Mary Amore.

### ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES AT ST. CLETUS



Join us on Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m. in the St. Cletus Parish Center for a wonderful concert of great pop songs which will benefit the Ed

Ward Fine Arts Series at St. Cletus and the glenhagen farm retreat. Tickets are \$30 each at [www.edwardfas.com](http://www.edwardfas.com).

The music will be an array of family friendly tunes from the pop music world, including artists such as Josh Groban, Jason Mraz, James Taylor, Stevie Wonder and Sarah Bareilles, and songs such as Peace, A Time for Healing, and Put a Little Love in Your Heart.

## Community Bulletin Board

### CALLING ST. CLETUS GRADUATES FROM THE CLASS OF 1974!

This year marks our 45th year since our graduation and the perfect time to get together for a reunion. However, we need help locating our classmates. If you have a son or daughter, brother/sister, or friend that graduated in 1974, please contact Joanne Lattal Clancy at [jmlclancy@hotmail.com](mailto:jmlclancy@hotmail.com). We are hoping to have a fall reunion.

### JOYFUL AGAIN!



Retreat/workshop for widowed men/women - It's important to be understood, to treasure your memories, to move toward new life after your loss. All are welcome!

Oct. 12 & 13 – St. Hubert Parish, Hoffman Estates (No overnight availability.)

Nov. 2 & 3- (Overnight only) Nazareth Retreat Hse, Batavia

Nov 16 & 17- (Overnight only) Mt. Assisi Center, Lemont

For more information contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry - 708-354-7211, [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com), [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org).

### ANNUAL TROOP 19 PANCAKE BREAKFAST



SUNDAY, SEPT. 22  
7:30AM UNTIL NOON

\$5 per person  
Robert E. Coulter Post  
American Legion

900 S. La Grange Rd. La Grange, IL

*Pancake Breakfast*

### NOVENA TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

The St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel (7740 S. Western Ave. - Chicago, IL 60620) will be celebrating its next monthly St. Rita of Cascia Novena Mass on Thursday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. The celebrant will be Fr. Jim Halstead, O.S.A. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered starting at 6:00 p.m. Ample, secure parking is available. For more information please contact Josh at (773) 925-6600 or [shrine@stritaahs.com](mailto:shrine@stritaahs.com).

### ENGLISH LITERACY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help adult immigrants learn English at Aquinas Literacy Center! Volunteer as a one-on-one tutor for just 90 minutes per week at 1751 West 35<sup>th</sup> Street in Chicago. You do not have to speak another language; all tutoring is in English. Join us for our upcoming next tutor training 2-day workshop: Friday, September 6th (6-9pm) and Saturday, September 7th (9am-4pm). Register in advance and come both days to begin tutoring.

For more information, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at [sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org](mailto:sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org) or (773) 927-0512. Aquinas Literacy Center is sponsored by the Adrian Dominican Sisters.

### ADOLF FUNERAL HOME NIGHT OF HEALING

Night of Healing - Heal your Soul III: Join us Thursday, September 19 from 7-9pm at 7000 S. Madison St. Willowbrook, IL 60527. RSVP to Donna 630.325.2300.

### WOMEN'S CENTERS WALK FOR LIFE

The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland would like to invite your parish to our annual "Walk for Life."

Meet new friends, walk the beautiful 5k trail, grab a hot dog, play some competitive wiffleball, and maybe take home the winning tournament trophy! Fun for the entire family while supporting the lifesaving mission of The Women's Centers! Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> – Kickoff rally begins at 9:45am followed by picnic and wiffleball tournament. Find more information through our website [www.GoTWC.org](http://www.GoTWC.org)

### ROSARY HILL BIBLE STUDY

#### **Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance**

Mondays beginning September 23, 2019 at 7:00 pm. - 8:30 p.m. An Eight-Part Bible Study Featuring Jeff Cavins (Presenter) and Thomas Smith. Paul's letter to the Ephesians reveals many remarkable gifts that we as Christians are given in the Church. This letter tells us about the nature of the Church—as a body, as a household, as a mystery, as a communion, as a bride, and as an army. It shows us the great inheritance that awaits us as sons and daughters, adopted fully into the family of God. It reveals how God's great love for us can transform our daily lives—if we allow it. Ephesians will enrich your faith—and show you how to live it out.

More Info: Contact Sharon Bal at (708) 458-3040 or email [Sharon@rosaryhillhome.com](mailto:Sharon@rosaryhillhome.com). Rosary Hill Home | 9000 W 81st St. Justice IL 60458

### HITZEMAN FUNERAL HOME, LTD.

Complimentary Seminar with Catholic Cemeteries  
Understanding Your Final Wishes: Your Options for Funeral Pre-Planning, Estate Legalities and Your Final Resting Place Dates:

Wednesday, September 18, 2019 2 P.M.

Wednesday, September 18, 2019 7 P.M.

Location:

Hitzeman Funeral Home, Ltd.

9445 West 31st St. Brookfield, IL 60513

No Obligation. Space is limited; please RSVP by Monday, September 16, 2019. Light Snacks and Cocktails will be provided. 708-485-2000 or [Info@HitzemanFuneral.com](mailto:Info@HitzemanFuneral.com)

### 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.



## Week at a Glance

| DAY/DATE               | TIME               | LOCATION                | EVENT                               |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sunday, September 1    | 7:00am<br>7:00am   | Front Lawn<br>Narthex   | Fall Fest Tent<br>Welcome Committee |
| Monday, September 2    |                    |                         | Facilities Closed after 8am Mass    |
| Tuesday, September 3   | 7:00pm             | Church                  | Spanish Holy Hour                   |
| Wednesday, September 4 | 7:00pm             | School Room 213         | FSA Meeting                         |
| Thursday, September 5  | 5:00pm             | Parish Grounds          | Fall Fest                           |
| Friday, September 6    | 5:00pm             | Parish Grounds          | Fall Fest                           |
| Saturday, September 7  | 12:00pm            | Parish Grounds          | Fall Fest                           |
| Sunday, September 8    | 11:00am<br>12:00pm | Stage<br>Parish Grounds | First Responders Mass<br>Fall Fest  |

# FIRST RESPONDERS MASS AT ST. CLETUS

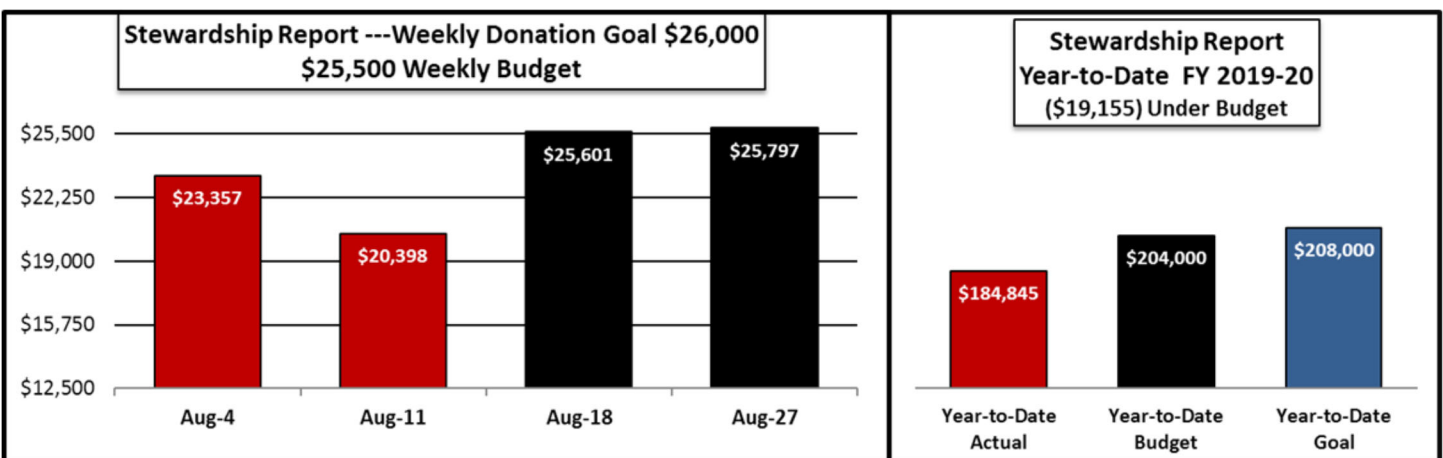
## Sunday, September 8th at 11:00 a.m.



In commemoration of the 18th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 we will honor First Responders at an outdoor mass at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 8.


St. Cletus Parish will give thanks and prayers to all active and retired police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services.

## Stewardship Report



## St. Cletus Parish Information

### CONTACT US

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 www.stcletusparish.com  stcletuschurch

### PARISH CENTER SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

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

Monday-Thursday and Saturday..... 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 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.

### STAFF

#### PARISH STAFF

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