



## Mass Intentions for the Week of September 16 - 22, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm, BC Collins
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm, Julie Kerrigan, Brendan Cecil
Wednesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Thelma Trail
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm, Karen Gorak
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Wayne Kral
	Fr. Clark	5:00 p.m.	Wayne Kral, Jim Deslauriers, Joseph Naponiello, Louise Callaghan, Ryan Pierce
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m.	George Duda
	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker, Special Intention - Linda Kostuba
	Fr. Gamboa	9:30 a.m.	Sammy Colonna, Roseann Lodato, Al Haddad, John Battistoni, Anthony Perkovich
	Fr. Clark	11:00 a.m.	Blanche Collins
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners

### Marriage Banns



Elizabeth Stekala &  
Mathew Tomala

### 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.*

**September** - Chuck Foerster

**August** - Don King, Frank Colonna, 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

**July** - 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.*

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND



Living Our Faith, Building Our Future  
The Final Phase

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

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

Lee Ascencio

Nora Fox

May they rest in peace. Amen.



## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In the nineteenth century, Karl Marx described religion as the 'opium of the people'. He criticized churches for offering false hope to people by talking about eternal life but not addressing their earthly poverty: the unjust working conditions in which they labored the appalling social conditions in which they lived. The caricature of religion presented by Marx does not recognize the struggle of countless men and women who have tried to live the commandment to 'love God and love neighbor'. At the same time, some presentations of Christianity can suffer from criticism that Marx made. Focus on the joy of eternal life and the victory of resurrection can sound hollow to people who experience pain or suffering in this world. The pain of grief may be ignored or the wounds of violent relationships glossed over. To live the Christian message is to acknowledge and live through the presence of the cross in life. In Mark's account of the scene in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus wept and experienced terror and anguish. He prayed that he would not have to endure the cross but asked only for the courage to do God's will.

Who do you say I am? Jesus caused confusion among the people to whom he preached because he healed and forgave sinners. Some misunderstood him; others thought that he was Elijah or another Old Testament prophet. Peter was able to recognize him as the Christ, the anointed one, the one for whom the Jewish people had hoped and waited. Like many present-day disciples, Peter only half understood the message of Jesus. Like many other Jews, he hoped for an earthly messiah who would liberate Israel from Roman occupation. This messiah would be victorious and clearly revealed as the hope of Israel. Thus, he could not accept that the Jewish leaders would reject Jesus and suffer death on a cross. This was scandalous. He protested against this message. His ways of thinking were very narrow and he was criticized by Jesus for his short-sightedness.

It is comforting for us that Peter, who walked and ate with Jesus and who knew from reading the prophets Isaiah and Jeremiah that the Old Testament prophets were insulted and suffered, could be so mistaken. If he can make such mistakes, then it is not surprising that we can do the same.

However, no matter how often we may get it wrong, what always matters is our integrity. For example in business today we hear the term 'whistle-blower'. It describes the person who goes public about some malpractice or injustice. There comes a point where conscience demands that the harm and injustice be exposed. The price of



honesty  
can be very high,  
but it can also be prophetic.

To stand out in faith for the rights of others can lead to personal suffering, insult and scorn in the workplace. While the feelings are painful, this is the time to trust in God and to pray through the mystery of the cross.

In such situations, people may feel unsupported and distanced from their friends. It can be a lonely place when one knows that the right thing has been done but was not welcome. To try and live through the pain is difficult. By the same token the instinctive response of the friend may be to try and superficially cheer up the one who is suffering. The temptation in this is that we try to bypass the reality of the cross. Sometimes we can only be like John and the women who stood by at the foot of the cross. In this way we give witness together to the pain that living the Christian message entails.

In the early 1960's, Martin Luther King wrote about the suffering that must be endured by the Afro-American before his dream of equality and dignity could be realized. However, he recognized that Good Friday would give way to Easter Sunday. To live through Good Friday is the difficult task. Christians place their hope in the resurrection and the victory of Christ over suffering, sin and death. The image of three days in the tomb offers the hope of victory, but the three days may prove a very long time. Support and reassurance can be a mighty help in the dark days. The love and presence of the neighbor can give a person the hope needed to carry on. Be sure it is the faithful, loving, and authentic witness to the invitation of Jesus to take up the cross.

*Peace,*

*Fr. Bob Clark*  
*Pastor*

# Parish School



## ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

September 20 .....Homecoming Pep Rally  
 September 21 .....Mums Pick Up  
 September 27 .....Grandparents Day Mass

## 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 AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES!

This weekend, the 8th grade class will be selling mums and decorative cabbages from Hinsdale Nursery following all of the masses. There is a limited supply available for \$10 each. The mum colors are white, gold, orange, maroon and purple. Thank you for supporting our 8th grade class!

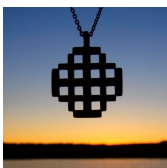


### FALL FEST FUN!

St. Cletus Students and kids from the community all had a great time at the 6th Annual Fall Fest last weekend!

# 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. Questions should be directed to MaryClaire Zurowski.

## 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!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 9/6 - Boy's Church League Registration Opens
- 9/15 - September Social 6-8pm in the 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\*

*\*Register for Freshman Experience & Alpha Youth online.*

MaryClaire Zurowski, Youth Ministry Coordinator  
 mzurowski@stcletusparish.com | 708.215.5419 | youth.stcletusparish.com





## LOST AND FOUND

Welcome to “Lost and Found Sunday”! Just in case being in church makes us proudly consider ourselves especially religious, today’s Gospel suggests that we’d be wiser to admit that we’re sometimes lost. Then we’ll eventually be happily counted among Jesus’ “found,” because today Jesus focuses on a lost sheep, lost coin, lost son. Jesus does so because the Pharisees and scribes, proudly considering themselves especially religious, “began to complain” that Jesus “welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So Jesus warns them—and us—to stop judging others. Marvel instead that God’s amazing grace has found us! Indeed, we should become Jesus’ friends lovingly trying to find others. So Exodus asks, if God “relented in punishment” and pardoned us, shouldn’t we forgive fellow sinners graciously? Even Paul admits his “arrogance” as “foremost among sinners.” We too, happy at being “mercifully treated,” should share with everyone else Jesus’ unflinching patience.

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## TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — “Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt?” (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

**Psalm** — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

**Second Reading** — The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

**Gospel** — There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6;  
Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8;  
Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catechetical Sunday

Monday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

Tuesday: St. Robert Bellarmine

Thursday: St. Januarius

Friday: Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn and Paul Chŏng  
Ha-sang and Companions

Saturday: St. Matthew

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although New Year’s Day has been fixed firmly on January 1 for several hundred years, Labor Day has the feel of a great dividing line between leisure and routine. The pace of life has since picked up, and new schedules and commitments crowd us. In the background is God’s call to consider the third commandment, still life-giving and binding, to make holy the Lord’s Day by worship and rest. Jews see the Sabbath, Saturday, not so much as a day of worship, but as a day of rest, a day of renewing friendship with God by delighting in the beauty of creation and the joy of family and friends. It is a day for contemplating the wonder of God’s creation, but not disturbing it.

For Christians in the first three centuries, the Lord’s Day, Sunday, was not for rest, but worship. It was a regular work day. People met before dawn, and after Eucharist hurried off to daily routines. Today we come to Mass, but many hurry off to essential work, not a day of rest. The Lord’s Day is not the Sabbath, but we can enhance Sunday’s ability to transform us if we consider embracing some Sabbath values: having a family meal, going for a walk in a beautiful place, making room in our lives to open ourselves more fully to holiness of life in Christ.

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## NEEDED

The thing that is most needed in homes today is a family.

—Anonymous

## REMOTELY SPEAKING

Television remote controls encourage couch potatoes to exercise their options while broadening their base.

—Anonymous

## Social Concerns Ministry



### ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- Diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6)
- Cereal
- Baby Wipes
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce

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

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Save the Date for these Upcoming Events:

Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Domestic Violence Survivors Mass at Holy Name Cathedral from 5:15 pm - 7:15 pm. Mass with hospitality following.

Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>: Preventing Violence in Our Communities in the St. Cletus Parish Center from 7 -8:30pm.

*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.***



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[www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org](http://www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org)

### 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



“Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: ‘there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance’ (Lk 15:7).”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After 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.

### INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

**Volunteers Needed** - If you have an interest in supporting job seekers in our community, we'd love to hear from you! Even with the improved job market there are continuing layoffs, and many seeking a better opportunity. We are staffed by volunteers and are seeking new members to join our ICN team ([www.interfaithcareernetwork.org](http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org)). Anyone interested in supporting others during



their search would be welcome. We are in need of volunteers for marketing efforts (including social media, website support, etc.) as well as anyone who could assist with job coaching advice or networking help. A business or HR professional for one-on-one coaching would be a great addition! If you have a warm smile but no related job search experience, we need you as well for greeters at our monthly meetings and quarterly resume reviews. This September is our 11th anniversary of helping others help themselves. You, too can help make a difference! Call Judy Kennedy at 708.352.8943 or Tom Rohan at 708.772.4231 to learn more.

### **PRAY FOR HEALING MINISTRY**

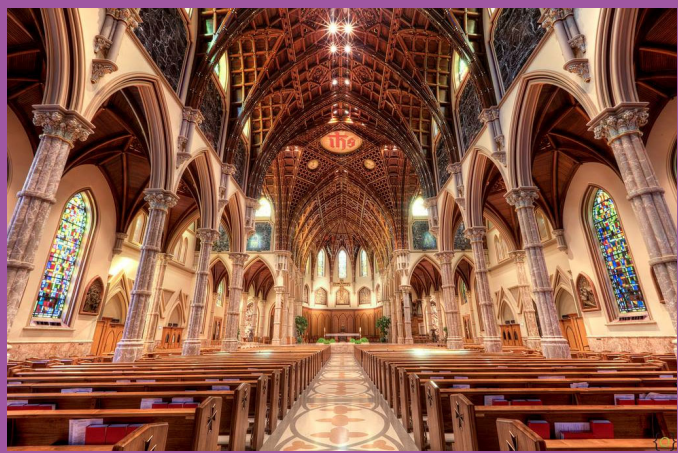
At all Masses this weekend we will be giving you an update on the Pray for Healing Ministry – and a fresh invitation to those of you who have not joined us thus far to come on board!

The ministry is open to all, and all are encouraged to join. You will receive an email once or twice a month, encouraging you to prayer. Each email will contain a suitable prayer for those of us who find words harder to come by. The parish website has a form you need to complete to join – under the 'Ministries & Groups' tab on the home page. No computer? No worries – please give your name and address to the parish center and we will send you each offering via the US postal service.

Questions? Please contact Jerry Mitchell (630 849 5857) at [prayforhealing@stcletusparish.com](mailto:prayforhealing@stcletusparish.com)

### **4TH ANNUAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS MASS**

Please join us Saturday, October 5th at 5:15pm at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. Hospitality will follow the Mass. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!



### **PREVENTING VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITIES**



*An open forum with Phil Andrew, former FBI Special Agent and current Archdiocesan Director of Violence Prevention*

**Monday, October 7th  
7:00-8:30pm  
St. Cletus Parish Center**

- What keeps you up at night? Sending your kids to school? Safety of public places you frequent?
- How can we help someone we are concerned about?
- What can we do to help prevent violence? To keep our communities safe?
- What does our faith call us to? What is the role of the Church?

Violence in all its forms is a learned behavior with roots in the home. Join us for an open forum on violence in communities. Content is appropriate for High School and up.

#### **ABOUT PHIL ANDREW:**

Phil Andrew's career and life have been shaped by a tragic day on May 20, 1988 when a woman barged into his family's home in Winnetka and took his family hostage. Moments earlier, she had shot six children at Hubbard Woods Elementary School, killing 8-year-old Nicholas Corwin. As police closed in on the residence, she shot Andrew in the chest before turning the gun on herself. Since surviving this shooting rampage nearly 30 years ago, Andrew has dedicated his life to fighting gun violence as an FBI special agent, advocate and now, as the Director of Violence Prevention for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

*Sponsored by the St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier & St. John of the Cross Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry.*

### **PEACE IN PALESTINE LA GRANGE**

ELCA Global Mission and Peace in Palestine La Grange present "The Other Side of the Wall: A Palestinian Christian Perspective" with Munther Isaac. Wednesday, September 25 at 7pm at Grace Lutheran Church of La Grange. To RSVP or for more information contact Pastor Ben Sloss at [b.sloss@gracelg.org](mailto:b.sloss@gracelg.org). Join us as we hear a Palestinian Christian perspective on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. Pastor Isaac will take us into the Palestinian Christian community, living behind the wall under occupation and share Palestinian theology in response to Western Christian approaches to Israel.

# St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women



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### MEETING SEPTEMBER 18

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.



**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>  
6:00 P.M.**

**ST. CLETUS PARISH  
FAMILY POTLUCK!  
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

The St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women (CCW) invites you (singles welcome) and/or your family (children welcome) to bring your favorite dish (to serve 8-10 people) and join us for an evening of good food and friendship in the Parish Center/Clark Hall on Saturday, October 5th at 6pm.

Next weekend, September 21-22, yellow "POTLUCK" cards will be available in the narthex/back of church. Please return them to us no later than Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.

To volunteer to help with the event and/or if you have any questions, including options for those who can't bring a prepared dish, please email [ccw@stcletusparish.com](mailto:ccw@stcletusparish.com) or call 708-710-0644.

This won't be a success without you! Come join us!



## 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

### BOOK DISCUSSION

The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on October 8th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. We will discuss *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah. For those who want to look ahead, the book for the December 10th meeting is *The Girl with Seven Names* by Hyeonseo Lee. All are welcome. Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

### WELCOME BACK TO A NEW YEAR IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION!



This weekend marks the start of a new year in Religious Education! We encourage all RE students and their families to attend our Open Houses on Sunday, September 15th and Monday, September 16th during regularly scheduled class times. Take the time to meet your teacher, learn where your new classroom is located, pick up your books and materials, and see what our fun new year will hold! We look forward to welcoming everyone back

### COMPASSIONATE CARE MINISTRY

The **Compassionate Care Ministry** is again badly in need of postage stamps for its notes of sympathy and support during the first year following the loss of a loved one. Each bereaved family receives six cards during that year. This means that if there are ten funerals during a period of one month, 50 stamps are needed in that month alone. Your generous donations have meant so much in the past and we are very grateful. If you are able to contribute to this worthwhile ministry in this way, it will be very much appreciated. Simply put them in an envelope marked **CCM** and drop them off at the parish office—or right into the collection basket on Sunday. Thank you.

### MISSION LADIES

Join the Mission Ladies each Wednesday 9-11:30am making items for poor children and nursing homes. No talent is needed. For more info call Dolores Scaletta at (708)839-9605.

## Put a Little Love in Your Heart



Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m.

St. Cletus Parish Center | 600 W. 55<sup>th</sup> St. La Grange, IL

Tickets \$30. Available in narthex after masses 9/14-15 and online at [www.edwardfas.com](http://www.edwardfas.com)

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## Fall Fest Wrap Up

### RAFFLE WINNERS

*Congratulations to our 2019 Fall Fest Raffle Winners!*

**Grand Prize:** Camilla K

**Second Prize:** Mary P

**Third Prize Winner:** Laura B

**Fourth Prize Winner:** James K

**Fifth Prize Winner:** Katherine K

**Runners Up:** Bill W, Robert C, James K, Jesse E, Geri H, Gary P, Randy L, Roseanne W, Barb K, Toni G, Gina M

**Early Bird Winners:** Jim M, Dave M, Mike F, Mike W

**\$1000 Tuition Raffle Winners:** FCI Construction, McGrogan Family

**\$300 Tuition Raffle Winners:** Koziol Family, Karen and Ron Ziemba

**Grill Winner:** Brian D.

**TV Raffle Winner:** Sean O

#### **Basket Raffle Winning Tickets:**

1) 349202	31) 348938	105) 162466
2) 348007	32) 348318	106) 162122
3) 348907	33) 348551	107) 162408
4) 349111	34) 348961	108) 162561
5) 349193	35) 348259	109) 162229
6) 349340	36) 349391	110) 162304
7) 349246	37) 348998	111) 162016
8) 349503	38) 348226	112) 162261
9) 348117	39) 349433	113) 162504
10) 348104	40) 349194	114) 162223
11) 348816	41) 348619	115) 162191
12) 349311	42) 349483	116) 162336
13) 348694	43) 348105	117) 162532
14) 349303	44) 349055	118) 162169
15) 349438	45) 349048	119) 162252
16) 348299	46) 348826	120) 162292
21) 349526	47) 348530	121) 162225
22) 349050	48) 348912	122) 162161
23) 349411	49) 349093	123) 162357
24) 349472	50) 349092	124) 162001
25) 349452	51) 348637	125) 162077
26) 348981	100) 162148	126) 162388
27) 349057	101) 162333	127) 162055
28) 348897	102) 162170	128) 162339
29) 348748	103) 162384	129) 162143
30) 348519	104) 162091	

All raffle winners have been contacted. Winners should come to the Parish Center Office (in the new building) during office hours (Mon-Fri 9-5) to pick up their prize. Please bring your ticket stub.

Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets and those who donated the amazing items for our baskets.

### THANK YOU

The 6th Annual Fall Fest was definitely a success. We hope to have final numbers in the next few weeks.

Thank you to our 2019 Fall Fest Chairs: Debbie, Bobbie, and Chris!

A big thank you to our wonderful St. Cletus Maintenance staff for their tireless efforts before, during, and after the Fest.

Thank you also to all of our sponsors, listed on the next page, as well as our basket raffle donors. Your support and generosity make this event possible.

Our St. Cletus Parish and School Staff worked countless hours to make this event happen. We thank them and all of our mass sales and fall fest event volunteers, especially our barker boys, Brian and George, and the St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women who ran the pop/water tent. We couldn't have done it without our volunteers!

Special thanks to our St. Cletus Alumni, John, from Windy City for his help with the stage and sound and Sara Hodak for the great photos of the event.

We truly appreciate everyone who helped make the event a success and those who attending. We are excited to start planning the 7th Annual St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest September 10-13 in 2020!

### FIRST RESPONDERS MASS

Thank you to all of the parishioners and first responders who joined us for our Mass honoring first responders last Sunday. The weather may have moved us inside, it was a beautiful Mass and St. Cletus was honored to host.





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## 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*

### NAZARETH HOMECOMING

All graduates from Nazareth Academy are invited to Homecoming 2019, September 27 & 28. We'll be highlighting alumni from classes ending in 4 and 9, but all are welcome. The fun starts with school tours at 5 p.m. and an Alumni Tailgate at 6 p.m. in the Walsh Center overlooking Spirit Field. Stay for the game and cheer on the Roadrunners and alumni performing with the halftime show. Come back Saturday for the 4 Pillars Mass and Reception. Details at [nazarethacademyalumni.org](http://nazarethacademyalumni.org).

### 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.

### LEGACY GUILD GOLF OUTING

Sponsorship Opportunities, Bags Tourney, Tennis, and Dinner tickets are available for The Legacy Guild Fall Golf Outing Sept 26th at La Grange CC. Donation of raffle prizes would also be appreciated! Help provide college scholarships for local students who have lost a parent.

More info: <https://thelegacyguild.com/golf-event>.

Contact Jim Stork 708-606-6262 or Bob Bock 708-646-9047

### NAZARETH ACADEMY PERSON OF THE YEAR

#### **Nazareth Academy Fathers Club Honors Mr. Bob Gray as Person of the Year**

LA GRANGE PARK - "It is with great pride that we honor Bob Gray with this year's Jack Wheeler Memorial Golf Classic Fathers Club Award," announced Deborah Tracy, President of Nazareth Academy.

Bob Gray (La Grange) was one of the founding members of the Nazareth Academy Fathers Club in 2003 and has remained very active with the Club, including a term as President. He has also served on Nazareth's Finance Committee and Board of Trustees. He and his wife Suzanne are the parents of four Nazareth Academy graduates – Steve '06, Christopher '09, Michael '11 and Thomas '13.

Bob will be honored at the annual Jack Wheeler Memorial Golf Outing on Monday, September 30 at approximately 12:15 p.m. The ceremony will take place at the Chicago Highlands Golf Club and is hosted by Nazareth Academy's Fathers Club. For more information, or to register for the event, visit [nazarethacademy.com](http://nazarethacademy.com).

"We are extremely grateful for Bob's support and dedication over these many years. He is truly deserving of this distinguished award," said Mrs. Tracy.

Nazareth Academy, a Catholic, coeducational, college preparatory high school serving families from 55 communities and 115 grade schools in Chicago and the western suburbs, established in 1900 and sponsored by the Congregation of St. Joseph, values scholarship, service, spirit and unity.

For media inquiries, please contact Alena Murguia, Communications Manager 708.387.8536 or [amurguia@nazarethacademy.com](mailto:amurguia@nazarethacademy.com)

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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)

### ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Fall Assembly Breakfast October 19 at 9am at the Carlisle 435 E. Butterfield Rd. Lombard, IL. Visit [accw.archchicago.org](http://accw.archchicago.org).

### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

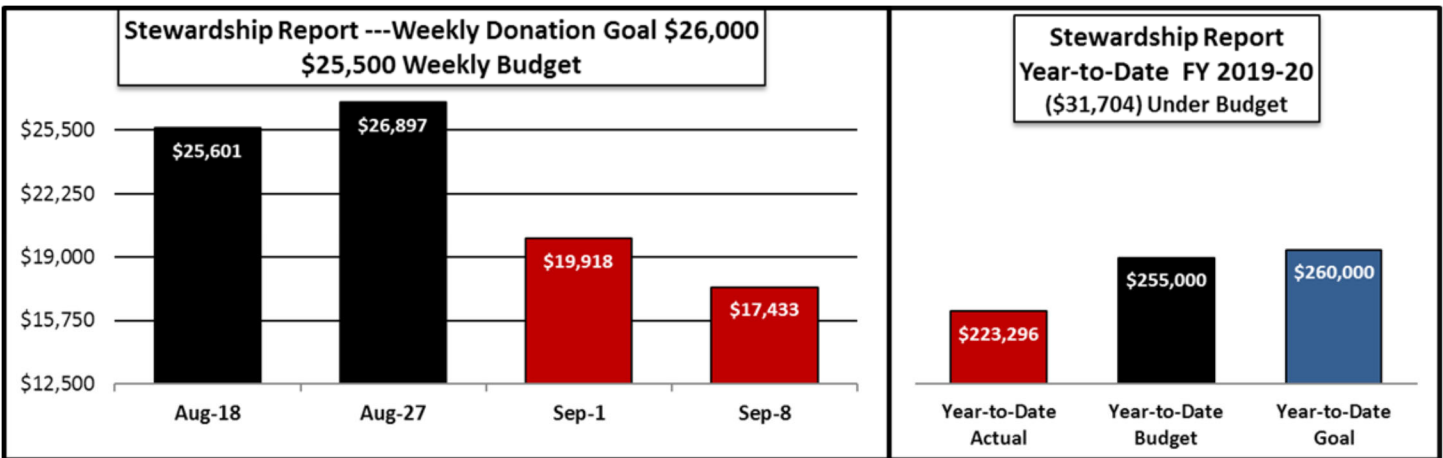
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## Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, September 15	7:00am 9:15am 12:00pm 2:00pm	Narthex RE Classes Begin School Room 200 School Room 200	Mum Sale RE Classes Begin Alpha Youth KAIROS Meeting
Monday, September 16	4:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	School Music Room RE Classes Begin Parish Center Mtg Room Church Parish Center Gym	Junior Choir Rehearsal RE Classes Begin Area Respect Life Meeting Cantor Rehearsal Men’s Basketball
Tuesday, September 17	7:00pm	Church	Spanish Holy Hour
Wednesday, September 18	9:00am 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies SCCCW Meeting
Thursday, September 19	5:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Morrissey Hall Rectory Basement School Music Room	Children’s Choir Rehearsal Little Cardinals Ice Cream Social Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, September 20	7:00pm	Morrissey Hall	Homecoming Dance
Saturday, September 21	5:00pm	Narthex	Mum Sale
Sunday, September 22	7:00am 9:15am 12:00pm 2:00pm	Narthex School School Room 200 School Room 200	Mum Sale RE Classes Begin Alpha Youth KAIROS Meeting

## Stewardship Report




### ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

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Visit [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) and click the “DONATE” button. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at 708.352.6209.

# St. Cletus Parish Information

## CONTACT US

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 www.stcletusparish.com  stcletuschurch

## PARISH CENTER 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-Saturday ..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## MASSES

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

## CONFESSIONS

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

## BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of most months at 11:00 a.m.  
 Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Parish office. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

## WEDDINGS

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

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

**Mission Statement:** St. Cletus is a dynamic Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Good news of Jesus Christ through worship, education, and service.

**Vision Statement:** We welcome all. We encourage all parishioners to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in their daily lives, by sharing their talents and faith with our parish and community.

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

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