

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

The LORD lifts up all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed
down.

— Psalm 145:14

Born Into Eternal Life Buried from St. Cletus Parish

NOVEMBER 2021 - 2022

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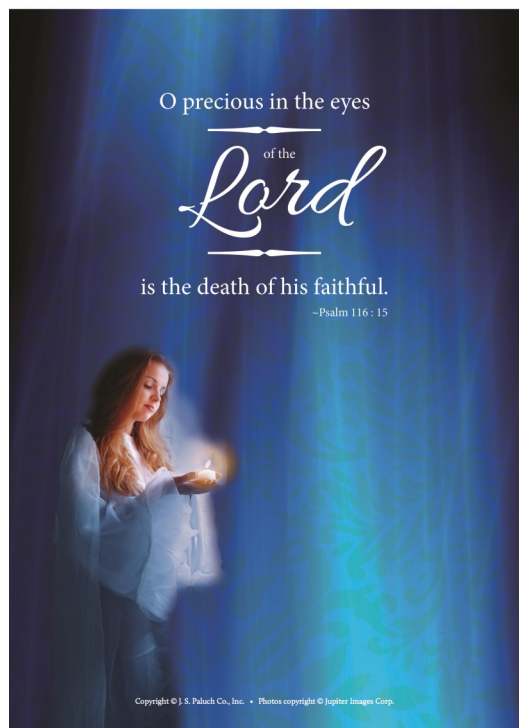
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Marjorie Predan

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Mass Intentions for October 31-November 6, 2022

Day	Presider	Time	Intentions
October 31	Fr. Novick	8:00am	John Jacobs, Special Intention for Louie Marasovic
November 1	Fr. Romero	8:00am	Helen White, Evelyn Prevenas, Michael Lombardo
November 2	Fr. Novick	8:00am	BC Collins, Andrew Wnek, John Jacobs, Michael Lombardo
November 3	Fr. Novick	8:00am	Mary Marino, Special Intention for Josephine Arcivolo
November 4	Fr. Reszel	8:00am	Nan and Bob Retting, Stella Kadlec
November 5	Fr. Romero	5:00pm	Daniel Kepczarek, Darryl Meythaler, John Jacobs
November 6	Fr. Novick	7:15am	Richard Gomez, Jack Drogosz, John Duda
	Fr. Novick	8:45am	Pat Crowley, Joe and Kay Klemak, Alfano Family, Sorrentino Family, Sammy Colonna
	Fr. Lodge	10:30am	Rose Marie Hrzenjak, Jason Osmolak
	Fr. Hays	12:30pm	Jose Juan Martinez, Estela Reyes, Guadalupe Pena, Fidencio Rodriguez

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

Patricia Lavorato
Mother of Mary Degroot

May she rest in peace.

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.

October- Joanne Jungels, Judah Leo Hartl , Matthew O’Connell

September - Daniel Lacey, Joseph Halac, Charles McCarthy, Francie Smith, Laura Terrazino

August - Patricia Rodey

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

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS

Tuesday November 1st is All Saints Day and is a holy day of obligation. **Mass will be at 8am**



Pastor's Note

*“Jesus looked up and said,
‘Zacchaeus, come down quickly,
for today I must stay at your house,’” Luke 19:5*

Dear Parishioners,

With your prayers and witness, daily I am able to acknowledge and notice the presence of Jesus in our parish. He loves being with us. He loves spending time with us. He enjoys getting to know us. He rejoices seeing us growing in friendship with him and one another. He delights blessing our ongoing efforts and desires to see our parish becoming a place that is warm, friendly, and welcoming. He accepts and supports the way we pray and celebrate Mass. He loves staying with us.

Below I share with you some special moments where the presence of the Lord was acknowledged and praised.

First, pilgrimage to Mundelein Seminary on Saturday, October 22nd, 2022, went well. I was blessed to join the 42 pilgrims that took the opportunity to visit one of the largest seminaries in the country which just celebrated its 100 years of forming priests not only for the Archdiocese of Chicago but other dioceses in the USA. Upon our arrival, we were greeted by Elaine LaMarre who works at the seminary. After a brief break, we were given a guided tour of the seminary by Paul Hilliard, Ph.D., who teaches Church History at the seminary. After enjoying the tour, we celebrated Mass at one of the Chapels. Fr. John Lodge concelebrated with us. After Mass, we had lunch in the dining hall where seminarians have their daily meals. Immediately after lunch, we had Fr. Brendan Lupton, who gave us a talk on “Listening to God.” It was so appropriate to end our visit to Mundelein Seminary learning on how to listen to God, who blessed us with such amazing weather. I truly enjoyed returning to Mundelein Seminary for a day with such a lovely group of people.

Second, I am pleased to let you know that the Faith Formation of our Children who are preparing themselves for First Communion and Confirmation is going well. I am encouraged by the generosity and dedication of our catechists to our children. They are helping our children to get to know Jesus, have Him part of their lives, and become his disciples. I am also humbled by the ministry and leadership of Larry Manetti, Director of Faith Formation of Children. Please keep him and our children in prayer.

Third, on Sunday, October 23rd, 2022, after our 12:30 PM Mass, we had an opportunity to get together and share a meal. We were joined by over 200 people. Food was delicious. The weather was marvelous. The sharing, growing in relationship, and friendship with one another was fantastic. I am amazed and humbled by the leadership of those who made the gathering possible. They planned, organized, and executed it in less than three weeks. Watching them how they worked together was a joy and blessing. I felt the presence of Jesus and the action of the Holy Spirit in each of them. Being with them from the beginning all the way to end on Sunday was refreshing. I would like to offer them and all the volunteers my heartfelt gratitude.

Fourth, acknowledging my desire to keep myself up to date and informed, I attended a special conference called: *Church Facilities Conference and Expo* that took place at the Kay Bailey Hutchinson Convention Center in Dallas, TX, last Tuesday and Wednesday. Leaders and pastors from all church denominations attended the conference. 60+ educational sessions and talks were offered. I was able to attend 11 of them. The talk that I enjoyed the most was: Leadership skills and Creative service planning. Almost every presenter reminded us that the source of our ministry must be Christ. This is something that I intend to unpack more with my mentor priests and spiritual director. I very much enjoyed attending the conference, meeting, and chatting with some presenters, leaders, and pastors. It was comforting to become aware of the ways how Jesus continues to touch the hearts of many. It is my prayer that we continue to allow Him to touch the hearts of our children and grandchildren through us.

Fifth, next weekend there will be a second collection taken up to support the coordinated Catholic response for asylum seekers and help the stranger with mercy and hope. In advance I would like to thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Inspired by today's gospel, may our ears be attentive to the voice of Jesus.

Fr. Elmer Romero

Pastor



Note from Father Mike

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS

I don't know about you, but I love looking at pictures. Quite a few of my pictures are of friends and family who have died, as well as a few celebrities. It's not that my memory is SO bad that I wouldn't remember what they looked like, but like many people, sometimes you just need to see their smiling faces so that we try to focus on the good times we share with them while here on the earth. But I have another reason for looking at those pictures – I need to see examples of people I long to see in heaven when at last I die. That, I admit, is a little bit presumptuous that I would be in heaven. Still, the very hope to see my loved ones gives me the drive to keep on doing the things God asks of me.

My father is a prime example of one person I long to see again. While many say that I look like him (and I do), I'm not him. We may have the same sense of humor, body build, and love for baseball, but we are still unique. He had a way of lighting up a room when he walked in. I know he was loved by many people because we stood for practically 5 hours straight at the funeral home greeting people. Being that he died on January 6th and the visitation was on January 8th, temperatures were definitely below freezing, but people stood in a line that extended out into the freezing temps. The police actually had to direct traffic because of the number of cars. And the funeral Mass on January 9th, had nearly 800 people as St. Christopher Church was packed. It is an overwhelming memory even to today. My dad's older brother remarked at the luncheon that followed "14 priests and two bishops in attendance, Mike. Not bad." Their younger brother retorted "Yeah, but Ed's thinking where the rest were." Dad showed love, and he was shown great love in the great attendance in less-than-optimal weather conditions.

Since that day, more than a few of those people at dad's services have joined him, including six of his siblings or their spouses (mostly their spouses) or his in-laws. Plus, there were a few in that category that passed before he did. I THINK dad out lived his aunts and uncles. But with that all being said, there are still more than a few of his cousins still around. Lots of dad's peers have gone to join him too. Still, one thing I tend to be aware of is that generation is not getting any younger. I want to take as much opportunity to spend time with them as possible. I continue to rely on many of those family members and friends for offering wisdom and support.

In terms of celebrities whose pictures I try to keep and look at periodically, I think of Ron Santo and Padre Pio. Yes, many of you know that the actor Raymond Burr has been my favorite for a long time, but Santo and Padre Pio have to be near the top of my list. Ron Santo was one of my first favorite baseball players. He was a great player, but after his playing career, he devoted his efforts to not only to his broadcasting career, as well as being tireless in his philanthropy to the Junior Diabetes Research Foundation. I don't know if you can make a case to make Ron Santo a saint, but he was a great man. I recall one game he was broadcasting on the radio. There was a ball hit to the Cubs' left fielder (who will remain nameless) who dropped the ball. Santo exclaimed with distinctively full voice "NO! NO!" The memory makes me smile every time I think of it.

Padre Pio, on the other hand, is a saint. Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, as he is now known as, was a man who simply blew my mind through his holiness. Some people said he could bi-locate, which I would have a hard time with, but the gift he received that I find fascinating is the stigmata (wound marks that appear in the places where Jesus was crucified). But he received them not only once, but twice as the first time they appeared, they healed. I have seen pictures of these amazing phenomenon. The wounds are not shown as simple scabs, but open and bleeding wounds. He would have to cover them when saying Mass, sometimes even having special gloves to wear so that they would not be immediately focused upon. While we are celebrating Mass, we hope that we do not take people's focus off of the Eucharistic feast. I have to believe that was why he wore the gloves, but there are also pics of him with blood-stained cloths on his hands. His story certainly inspires me. When I am failing, I frequently turn to him for his prayers.

Who are some of the people you long to see again? What was it about them that makes you want to be at least a little bit like them?

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Fr. Mike



Kids Corner

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

In all our words, thoughts, and actions we should strive for something to be accomplished.

find what that is, write the names of the pictures using all capital letter


Then cross out the letters with a check below them.

Write the ones that are left into the box at the end.



Finally, read the boxes top to bottom.


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Sunday Notes

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — LORD, you love all things that exist (Wisdom 11:22 — 12:2).

Psalm — I will praise your name forever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him (2 Thessalonians 1:11 — 2:2).

Gospel — Zacchaeus, a tax collector, considered to be a sinner, is converted to the Lord (Luke 19:1-10).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Wednesday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 — 3:5; Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Halloween

Tuesday: All Saints

Wednesday: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Thursday: St. Martin de Porres

Friday: St. Charles Borromeo; First Friday

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty and merciful God,
by whose gift your faithful offer you
right and praiseworthy service,
grant, we pray,
that we may hasten without stumbling
to receive the things you have promised.
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

What does it mean to offer God right and praiseworthy service?

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Klaimont Collections Party

The St. Cletus Fathers' Club and Fathers' Club Alumni Present:

An evening of Food, Drinks and Rare cars!

When: Saturday, November 12th 2022

Time: 6:00 PM

Where: Klaimont Collections

<https://klaimontcollections.com>

(3117 N Knox Ave., Chicago, IL 60641)

Cost:

\$100 per person

(Including round trip transportation departing St. Cletus at 5PM; returning to St. Cletus at approx. 10PM)

\$80 per person

(Transportation not included)

See Chicago's Largest Collection of Rare, Vintage and Classic Cars!!!

Help raise money for St. Cletus School by joining us for this distinctive reception held at a hidden gem on the northside of Chicago – Klaimont Collections!

Enjoy food, beverages and great music while experiencing Chicago's largest selection of rare

and antique automobiles, as well as an eclectic mix of other unique memorabilia.

This private event promises to be a fascinating and memorable experience for all!

Everyone 21 years or older is welcome to join us for this one-of-a-kind opportunity!

To sign up and for payment options, please contact:

Jim Ludden - (630) 880-2415 (cash, Zelle and Apple Pay)

Ron Scrip - (773) 859-5896 (cash)

John Hodak (cash, Venmo)



School News

THANK YOU LAGRANGE FIRE DEPARTMENT

On October 18th the LaGrange Fire Department came out to do fire safety presentations for our early education students! The kids had so much fun learning all about what fire fighters do and how they keep us safe! Our students even got to check out a fire truck and learn about all the tools that are kept inside!



WAY TO GO LADY CARDINALS

Congratulations are in order to our 8th grade girls who completed their final basketball season as Cardinals last weekend! So proud of you! And of course thank you to Coach Boyle for all of your hard work and dedication to our Cardinals!



WE ARE HIRING!!!

**Full Time Teachers Aide
Needed beginning
November 7th**

Contact the school office for
additional information
(708)352-4820



**We are also looking for additional
substitute teachers!!**

Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
1 de noviembre, 2022	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	Iglesia Church
30 de octubre, 2022	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español Spanish Mass	Iglesia Church
Segundo Sábado de cada mes Second Saturday of each month	8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.	Adoración Nocturna Night Adoration	Iglesia Church
Sábados	8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Confesiones	Iglesia



ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

Cada segundo sábado del mes el Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Adoración Nocturna, comenzando con una Misa a las 8:00 p.m. seguido de la Adoración al Santísimo hasta las 5:00 a.m. Todos están invitados a participar.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Every second Saturday of the month the Hispanic Ministry conducts Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with a Mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 am. Everyone is invited to participate.

DEVOCIÓN GUADALUPANA



El Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Devoción Guadalupana rezando el rosario todos los días 12 de cada mes a las 7:00 pm en la iglesia. Todos están invitados a participar.

GUADALUPE DEVOTION

Beginning Wednesday, October 12, the Hispanic Ministry will be having the Guadalupe Devotion by praying the rosary every 12th day of each month at 7:00 pm in the church. Everyone is invited to participate.

BOLETOS DE RIFA

El Ministerio Hispano y el Comité Guadalupano estará llevando a cabo una rifa para recaudar fondos para las fiestas Guadalupanas. La donación por boleto es de \$5.00. El 20% recaudado de los boletos será el premio mayor, el sorteo será el 12 de diciembre, 2022 durante la fiesta de la convivencia Guadalupana. Para más información pueden comunicarse con Juanita Avila, directora del Ministerio Hispano al 708-215-5441.



RAFFLE TICKETS

The Hispanic Ministry and the Guadalupano Committee will be holding a raffle to raise funds for the Guadalupana festivities. The donation per ticket is \$5.00. The 20% collected from the tickets will be the grand prize, the drawing will be held on December 12, 2022 during the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. For more information you can contact Juanita Avila Director of Hispanic Ministry at 708-215-5441

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the people who made possible the Multi-generational gathering last Sunday. We had an amazing time and mainly blessed with the beautiful weather. The Carnitas (pork meat) were so delicious. We all enjoyed the food and desserts. Thank you so much to the people who prepared the carnitas. Thank you all.

GRACIAS

Agradecemos a todas las personas que hicieron posible la convivencia Multigeneracional el domingo pasado. Pasamos un tiempo increíble, y sobre todo bendecidos con la temperatura. Las Carnitas estuvieron deliciosas. Todos disfrutamos la comida y los postres. Muchas gracias a las personas que prepararon las carnitas. Muchas gracias a todos.

Social Concerns Ministry



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

Wish List:

- Canned Tuna
- Pasta
- Baby Wipes
- Toothpaste
- Jelly
- Soup
- Boxed Potatoes
- Cereal
- Diapers Size 5 and 6
- Laundry Detergent
- Beverages-tea, coffee, cocoa, and juices

Please note, our donation bin is now located past the flagpole, near door 4.

Follow us on Facebook:



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

As I am sure you are all aware, busloads of new Americans have been arriving in Chicago from the US southern border. Since day one, we have been coordinating directly with multiple organizations to help address the most urgent needs of our new neighbors. Including, but not limited to, the local Mayor’s and Village Boards, Greater Chicago Food Depository, Lyons Township, National Guard, IL Emergency Management Agency, IL Department of Public Health, Cook County and Catholic Charities.

Our mission is clear. We serve anyone in need, no matter your country of origin or immigration status, whether you have lived in this country your whole life or arrived last week. We are here for our brothers and sisters, just as Jesus calls us to be.

We have been able to welcome asylum seekers for prayer, offer a safe refuge in our Church, celebrate Mass and join them for fellowship. We have made multiple deliveries of diapers, baby food and formula, personal hygiene items, groceries, toys and winter clothes. As you can imagine, we have been asked to keep much of this information private. Safety and anonymity is an important priority that we respect and value.

Juanita Avila, Director of Hispanic Ministry, and I have been invited to join the Catholic Response Working Group, a newly formed network of 50 priests, religious and lay employees throughout the Archdiocese and Catholic Charities to organize a Catholic Response that meets the short and long term needs of asylum seekers. We will continue to work with all the agencies who are coordinating ongoing support for new Americans and

will share information or send requests for support as we engage in this important response.

One need we are seeking right now is for local gifts cards. \$25 gift cards to: Walmart, Burger King, McDonald’s and Chick-fil-A are the most helpful and accessible. Gift cards can be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish Center. *Please note, we are not accepting donations of clothing or toys at this time. They currently have enough of these items and have limited space for storage. We will continue to update you as needs arise that our community can assist with.

I am so proud of the swift action, resourcefulness, and compassion in providing a warm welcome to our new neighbors. For people who are restarting their lives in a completely new state and country, knowing their needs are being met is a huge relief. Please continue to keep these families and individuals in your prayers.

For questions, you can reach me at kgrant@stcletusparish.com or 708.215.5418.

Thank you,

Kendall Grant
Director of Social Concerns



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WORD OF LIFE



“The mystery of the redemption of the human person is rooted in the loving involvement of God with human suffering. Hope is always possible. To those who care for the sick, the scene of the Cross provides a way of understanding that even when it seems that there is nothing more to do there remains much to do, because ‘remaining’ by the side of the sick is a sign of love and of the hope that it contains. Healed by Jesus, we become men and women called to proclaim his healing power and provide care for our neighbors, until the very end.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice”

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

If you are experiencing problems, especially abuse, in your relationship, talk to a professional counselor. Find professional assistance by calling the National Domestic Violence Hotline, 800-799-7233. Chat with a service provider and find the domestic violence services nearest you. If you are in immediate danger, call 911.



Social Concerns Ministry

THANKSGIVING

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are needed to stand at the Jewel Osco (Countryside) doors and invite customers to donate to the "Turkey Bucks" program to provide a Thanksgiving Meal to a family in need. This is essential to our Thanksgiving Distribution! Various daily opportunities are available thru November 18. Sign Up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094cacac2ea2fc1-turkey>

THANKSGIVING DISTRIBUTION

Free Thanksgiving Dinners will be distributed on Saturday, November 19 from 1:00-4:00 at the food pantry. If you are interested in receiving a dinner for your family, **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** by 10/31! Please sign up by contacting Kendall at 708-215-5418 or kgrant@stcletusparish.com

GIVING TREE

Giving Tree Registration is now available! If you are interested in signing up as a participant of Giving Tree you can do so by calling Kendall at 708.215.5418 or emailing kgrant@stcletusparish.com. Registration must be received by October 31.

Tags will be available for donors in mid-November and we will have plenty of volunteer opportunities in November and December so stay tuned!



Faith Formation News

7TH GRADE COMMITMENT CEREMONY

Our 7th graders took a big step in their Confirmation journey on October 20th by participating in their commitment ceremony. During the ceremony they formally committed to participate in the preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation. We are so excited for them to begin this faith-filled journey together!



CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are still in need of Catechists for our Sunday grades three and four. Also, if any parishioners or high school students would like to assist as a classroom or office helper please contact Larry Manetti at lmanetti@stcletusparish.com or 708-215-5416



CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL FOR BOYS

We have begun our registration for those interested in joining the St. Cletus Boys Church League Basketball. Practices are one weeknight in the parish gym and games are Saturday evenings at area churches and gyms.

Applications can be found on our website. In order to have a season, we do need help. Two coaches for each team are needed and a coordinator to be responsible for the St. Cletus site.. Practices are 9 10:00PM in the St. Cletus Gym School and games are Saturday evenings at area churches and gyms. The cost is \$100 per player.



Even if you are trying out for your high school team, please register and reserve your spot on a team, which we can cancel should you make your school team. **REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 4th!!**

In order to have a season, **we do need some help.** Please consider helping us run the season for our St. Cletus Boys this year! Email Lawrence Manetti at lmanetti@stcletusparish.com to help.

Ministry News

ALL SOULS DAY IS NOVEMBER 2ND

The Commemoration of All Souls takes place each year on November 2nd. It is a day that the Church remembers all of our beloved dead, from centuries gone by to the present day. However many parishes have taken that day as a time to remember those who have died since last year's celebration. We will be having such a celebration at 7pm on November 2nd to remember the many souls God called from our parish. Praying for the deceased is a spiritual work of mercy. Everyone is invited to join us for that special Mass. Even if your loved one died elsewhere, they will certainly be remembered in general petition with us. Light refreshments will be served afterward to be with others who are also grieving. When we gather together, we have a better sense of comfort that we are not alone.



ST. CLETUS PURGATORIAL SOCIETY



A **CREDO** ministry

Enroll your deceased loved ones and join us in prayer for the holy souls.

Special intentions for November anniversaries will be remembered at Mass on Monday, November 7th.

Enrollment forms can be found in the narthex or visit: www.stcletusparish.com/purgatorialsociety

HOLY NAME SOCIETY DONATIONS

Holy Name Society will again be accepting donations in the Narthex on October 29th and 30th and November 5th and 6th for gift cards to be given to St. Cletus Teachers and staff for Thanksgiving. Donations of any size will be more than welcome.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

There will be a second collection next weekend for Asylum Seekers. These funds will allow the Catholic community to welcome these newcomers with respect and dignity. We appreciate your generosity.



ED WARD FINE ART SERIES



BAPTISMAL MINISTRY

We are hoping to start a new Baptism Ministry here at St. Cletus. The Baptism Minister would help set up the font on Saturdays before the baptisms (which are at 11:00 or 11:30, depending), welcome the families and help them find seats in church, and then put the baptism materials away afterwards. No special theological knowledge is required, and you'll get a chance to meet new people and show them that St. Cletus is a welcoming place. Training will be provided. Also, any confirmed teens who might like this ministry can have service hours. If this is interesting to you, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Tina Norton, for more information.

WEDDING MINISTRY

As the pandemic recedes we are having more weddings scheduled at St. Cletus, and we would like to have more Wedding Ministers to help. Wedding Ministers see to the wedding rehearsal, make sure all the paperwork is together, set up for the mass on the wedding day, and oversee the wedding itself. Usually this is done as a team of at least two ministers. It's a chance to welcome families and give them a happy memory of their time at St. Cletus. You can do this as often as you like. For more information, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Tina Norton, at the Parish Office.

Ministry and Community News

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK



Quarterly Resume Review

Join us on Saturday, November 5th from 9-11 am for a helpful 20-minute, one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional. Pick up some new ideas and suggestions that could enhance or refresh your resume. Need some coaching with your elevator speech? Want to brush up on LinkedIn? This is your opportunity to add impact and clarity to your existing resume. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend. We look forward to seeing you at St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 W. 55th Street, in La Grange. Visit us at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org for additional resources

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.

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FALL BAZAAR

Holy Guardian Angels Parish
Fall Bazaar and Bake Sale

When: Saturday November
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Where: St. Louise de Marillac
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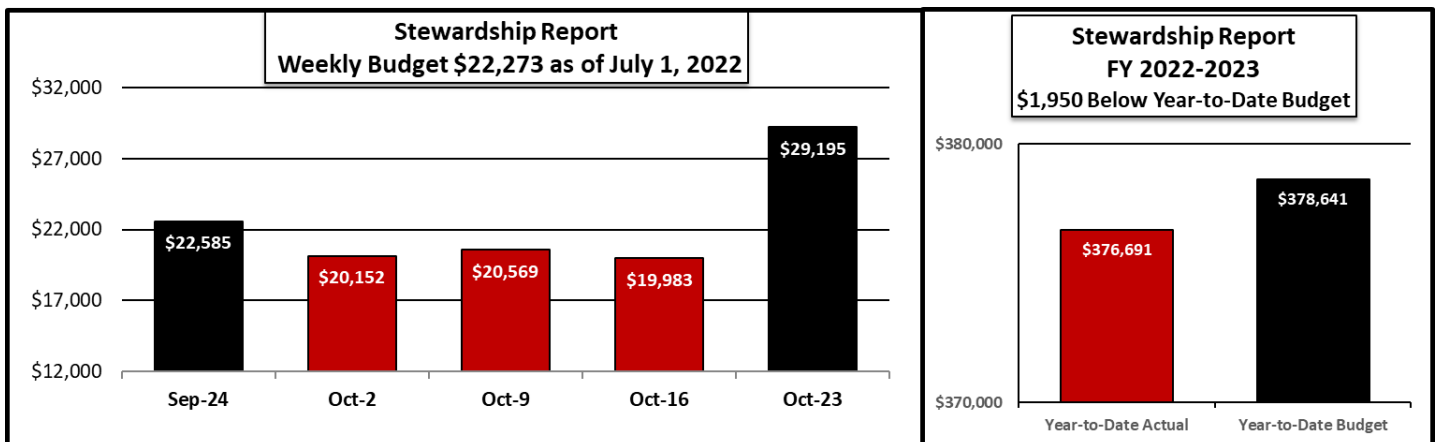
Tickets: www.athenaeumcenter.org/dante or (312) 820-6250.



Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, October 30	8am-2pm	Gallagher Room	Hospitality
Monday, October 31	12:45-3pm	Parish School	Trunk or Treat
Tuesday, November 1	8am	Church	Mass(Holy Day of Obligation)
Wednesday, November 2	9am-12pm 7-8pm	Gallagher Room Church	Mission Ladies All Souls Day Bi-lingual Evening Mass
Thursday, November 3	6-8pm	Food Pantry	Food Pantry Distribution
Friday, November 4	6-9:30pm	Parish Center	Sip n Shop Vendor Fair
Saturday, November 5	8:30-9:15am 9am-12:30pm	Church Gallagher Room	Confessions ICN Resume Review
Sunday, November 6	4-5pm	Parish Center	Ed Ward Fine Art Series Cover Girl Performance

Stewardship Report



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Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday’s publication

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

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School(708) 352-4820
www.stcletusparish.com.....  stcletuschurch

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Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office.

Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday and SundayClosed

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
Sunday7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
..... 12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
Weekdays..... Monday thru Friday 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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