

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for August 3 - 9, 2020

Day	Time	Presider (subject to change)	Intentions
August 3	8:00am	Fr. Baker	Frank Wojcik
August 4	8:00am	Fr. Clark	Kevin Szerzaga, Sue T. Schiller
August 5	8:00am	Fr. Baker	Virginia Rachford, David Hanna
August 6	8:00am	Fr. Clark	Bob Thomas
August 7	8:00am	Fr. Gamboa	St. Cletus Parishioners
August 8	8:00am 5:00pm	Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	St. Cletus Parishioners Daniel Linklater
August 9	7:15am 8:45am 10:30am 12:15pm	Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Gamboa	George Duda, Richard Gomez, John & Frances Kennedy, Patrick Mahoney Eleanor Mlot, Stacy Baker, Delphine Marciszewski Bill DePasquale, Emilia & Marco Rattin, Andrew Wnek, John Warman St. Cletus Parishioners

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

Maria (Lupita) Lopez

Mother of Elias Lopez

Nicole Lyn Hladik

Wife of Daniel Zaborowski

May they rest in peace. Amen.

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.

July - Carol Reckwerdt, Bill Bolton, Karen Rogers

June - Frank Colonna, Alice Dunkovich, John Zydek

May - Annette Bonvillian, Mary Ann Doornbos, John Paul Granger, Virginia Klecka, Frank Niwa, Waclaw Berdysz, Mary Duckett, Wayne Hamilton, Christine Wolosewicz, Joyce Arnold, John Collingwood, Jeanie Hills, Charles (Bud) Howe, Mark Radulski, Mary Ramirez, Rose Serrano, Ludwig Stoiber, Joseph Gregory Stroude, Laura Terrazino, Grace Yamamoto, John Duda, Hermelinda Nevarez, Linda Stoinski, Judy Halvorson, Emily Malec, Gerda E. Dorso, Kim and Tony Fox, Deborah Krueger, Patricia Rodey, Michael Stoinski, Robert Stoinski

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

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES - BY RESERVATION ONLY

St. Cletus Parish is currently welcoming back parishioners, with a limit of 65 for each Mass. We are also offering private prayer, confession, and a Spanish prayer service. All of these worship opportunities require that you pre-register.

The sign up link can be found on our website, www.stcletusparish.com. If you don't have internet access you can call the parish office at 708.352.6209 for assistance.

Please remember that masks are required to enter the church and we ask that you maintain social distancing guidelines.

JOIN US FOR MASS ONLINE

We will continue to offer Mass online from the St. Cletus altar on a daily basis and on Sunday. Be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the bell icon to be notified of the latest videos. You can also find the link on our website and Facebook page.

Website - www.stcletusparish.com Facebook - www.facebook.com/stcletuschurch YouTube - www.youtube.com/stcletusparish





St. Cletus Parish Lucky Leaf Raffle

Dear St. Cletus Parishioner,

Each year at this time we send you a letter regarding the Annual Parish Fall Fest to be held in September. Normally, we would be hard at work finalizing plans and looking forward to gathering with our parish family for four days of carnival rides, entertainment, food vendors, beverages, bingo, basket raffles, outdoor Mass, and of course the chance to win the annual parish raffle! Unfortunately, due to the uncertainty of the coronavirus pandemic, the decision was made to cancel the Fest this year.

The Parish Fall Fest – along with our Annual Parish Raffle – has been a major fundraising event over the past 6 years for both St. Cletus Parish and School. Each year we have begun the Lucky Leaf Grand Raffle in July leading up to the exciting drawing the last night of the Fest with 10 cash prizes, including the Grand Prize of \$5,000!

We have decided to go forward with the raffle this year in the hopes it will help us fill the gap in the Parish budget that the cancellation of the Fall Fest will cause. We hope that you will all support this effort.

Enclosed with the letter that each parishioner should receive in the mail will be a packet of 6 tickets. We hope you will consider purchasing them yourself or selling them to family and friends. Individual tickets are \$20 each. If you buy five for \$100, you receive the sixth one for free! Please contact the parish office at (708) 352-6209 if you can help sell additional tickets.

2020 Lucky Leaf Raffle Prizes:

Grand Prize: \$5,000

2nd Prize: \$2,500 4th Prize: \$500 3rd Prize: \$1,000 5th Prize: \$500

We will also have 5 Early Bird Drawings:

August 2nd, August 9th, August 16th, August 23rd, and August 30th for \$100 each!

Please return ticket stubs with payment by mail, at Mass or in the rectory door mail slot. The drawing will be held on **September 13, 2020**.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and help in offsetting the financial impact the pandemic has had on the Parish finances.

We are grateful for all who work so hard and sacrifice so much to keep us safe and well. We are sensitive to all who are experiencing hardship and economic uncertainty. Until we are together in person may we be one in the spirit of service and generosity.

Sincerely,

Fr. Bob and the Fall Fest Committee



NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Grand Prize \$5,000
2nd Prize \$2,500
3rd Prize Winner \$1,000
4th & 5th Prize Winners \$500
5 EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS FOR \$100 EACH
RETURN TICKETS BY MAIL TO ST. CLETUS PARISH
600 W. 55TH ST. LA GRANGE, IL 60525
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Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- School Supplies
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Canned Tomatoes
- Cereal
- Jelly
- Boxed Sides (hamburger helper, rice a roni, etc)

Please look for the FOOD PANTRY DONATION bin near the Rectory door, they will be checked daily.

Follow us on facebook: @StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram: @St.CletusFoodPantry



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

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



Recent food pantry distribution, cars lined up waiting for us to open.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We need your help! We are partnering with local Scout, Kristina Findley, as she prepares for her Eagle Scout Award. She will be helping us coordinate our School Supply Drive and Distribution this year. We are SO happy to have her help!

Please see the needed items to the right. They can be dropped off in the 'Food Pantry' Donation bin outside the Rectory at any time.



WORD OF LIFE



"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local 24 hour hotline for Pillars, found in the box to the right.

You are not alone.





Other Ministry News

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. August 11th via Zoom. We will discuss <u>The Silent Patient</u> by Alex Michaelides. For those who like to look ahead in October we will discuss

<u>Olive Again</u> by Elizabeth Strout. Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

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FACE MASKS SALES CONTINUES

Thank you to all who have purchased a "Cardinal Red and White" mask from the CCW. A limited supply are still available by phone or email. Help us generate some funds for scholarships and other council outreach in the parish while staying healthy and letting others know WE ARE St. Cletus! To order yours, email: ccw@stcletusparish.com or give us a call at 708-710-0644 or 773-576-0812. Thank you all for your support!

DRIVE-BY BABY SHOWER

Pandemic or not, plans for a very special baby shower continued!

Katie Rufa, one of our CCW Secretaries is expecting her 5th child! Prior to all the "self distancing" and "stay at home" mandates, the CCW Board planned to host a shower for her. Well, we were not to be deterred! Recently fourteen cars participated in a "Drive-By Baby Shower" during which cars were decorated, horns were honked, and gifts "hand delivered" to the entire Rufa family. Husband Peter was in on the surprise; all of soon to be born "Baby Emma's" siblings were involved. It was such a fun experience; a bright spot during these most unusual times. Pictures speak louder than words... enjoy! May God bless this family as they prepare to welcome the newest Rufa!

New Prayer / Rosary Opportunity!

Starting on 7/22 at 1pm and continuing every other week, you have an opportunity to recite the rosary in church, sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women. You must pre-register using the sign up link on the parish website, www.stcletusparish.com.











Religious Education

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RE?

The church teaches us that the family is the "domestic church", a cell that makes up the larger church. The family is almost like a miniature parish. When a child is baptized, parents take a vow to be the "first and best teacher of the faith" to their children. Never has this been more brought to life than in the last few months of this pandemic. We found ourselves quarantining at home, helping our children through e-learning of school subjects, family religious education lessons, and mass on television or streaming it from YouTube. These have certainly been unprecedented and challenging times.

Now we look to the Fall and the reopening of schools and Religious Education programs. We have been studying CDC, state, and archdiocesan guidelines for the safe reopening of schools. The safety of our children has always been the primary factor in decisions we make regarding our programs. It is with this in mind, and a preponderance of caution, that we announce that next year's Religious Education program will be done as a Family Catechesis program, at home.

Schools in Illinois plan to keep children safe in their reopening plans by keeping them in cohorts or small groups that do not mix with other groups. In our Religious Education environment, we cannot ensure that same safety within the cohort because we have children mixed in classrooms that are feeding from 7 or more different schools. We believe the risk of contagious infection would be too high, especially during this ongoing pandemic. Furthermore, the archdiocese is mandating a strict limit to the number of volunteers we bring into the program. To follow the guidelines for maximum child safety, we would need to utilize 4x the number of volunteers we currently have to man doors, take temperatures, screen children, and sanitize for their protection. Many of our Catechists also fall into the most vulnerable population, and we would be putting their health at significant risk as well.

We know that we have a unique opportunity to partner together this year. We believe that our Family Catechesis model will provide our families with lesson plans that are **downloadable**/online, **engaging** and **fun**, **easy to follow** and not burdensome, and **relational** allowing families to bond together with each other and Christ and his Church. We will do this together, and we are here to support you every step of the way.

Our Family Catechesis model will provide two family lesson plans each month, along with weekly mass discussion cards and activities, and fun zoom calls! We will also send out a packet with a Saint of the month, as well as provide monthly service opportunities for our families. We also are planning to gather together in person for each grade level during the year for prayer and a special activity. For students preparing for Sacraments, we will have additional online lessons for sacramental preparation.

An email was sent from Barb Campbell with details about our plan for the fall and how to register. Please check your inbox or spam folder for this important email. Registration forms are also available online at steletusparish.com/re/ or you can email Barb Campbell (beampell@steletusparish.com) for the registration materials or with any questions you may have.

We are asking all families to please register by August 24, 2020. We look forward to supporting our families as we come together to keep our faith at the center of all we do in these challenging times!

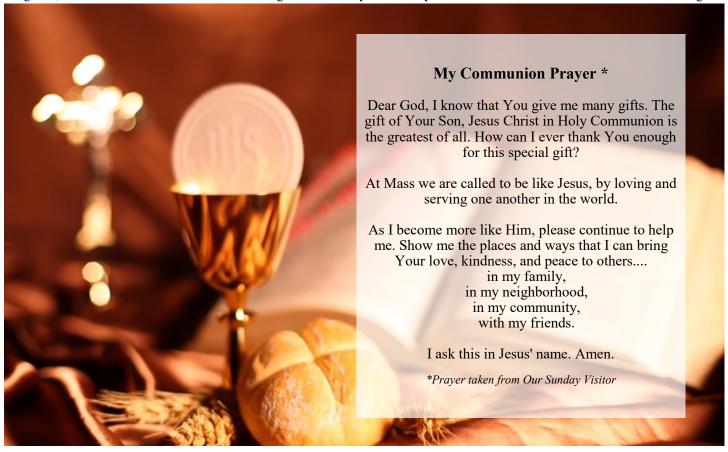
CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

In August, we will be celebrating the sacrament of First Holy Communion with over 100 of our parish children and their families. After waiting over three months, it will soon be the day that they have prepared for, longed for and are anxious to celebrate – their First Holy Communion at St. Cletus Parish.

Our faith teaches us that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. In Greek, Eucharist means Thanksgiving, and this sacrament is an act of thanksgiving to God. We give thanks to our parents and teachers who have journeyed with these children over the years to prepare them for this special sacrament. The Eucharist is essential to our faith life, and it is the nourishment that enables us to remain spiritually strong and healthy.

Each family of a First Communicant should have received an email from Barb Campbell on Friday, July 17th with more details on how to sign up for a First Communion mass in August. If you did not receive that email, please check your spam folder, or contact Barb Campbell at bcampbell@stcletusparish.com

We will be celebrating these First Communions at six different masses over the last three weekends in August. Please be sure to make your mass reservation no later than July 31, 2020 using our online system. We are so excited to join with these children at the table of the Lord in August!



Barb Campbell, Director of Religious Education bcampbell@stcletusparish.com | (708) 352-2383 re.stcletusparish.com

Archdiocese of Chicago

A CALL TO PRAYER

Providing a Light in the Darkness: Prayer can help to strengthen our bonds with one another and with God, regardless of our faith identities. By turning to prayer, we call forth a light in the darkness.

Who we are: Volunteers from across the Archdiocese of Chicago who feel called to accompany anyone feeling the need to pray during this time of uncertainty and isolation.

What we offer: A phone line staffed from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, as well as 24-hour voicemail and e-mail connections. Our prayer partners are here to pray with you - opening our hearts to God, asking for his blessings and peace.

We are available at: 312.741.3388

English:

PRAYWITHME@CALLEDTOPRAYER.ORG

Español:

REZACONMIGO@CALLEDTOPRAYER.ORG

Polski:

POMODLSIEZEMNA@CALLEDTOPRAYER.ORG

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunities

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

St. Cletus School

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Greg Porod, Principal (708) 352-4820 gporod@stcletusparish.com

Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal (708) 352-4820 cschaefer@steletusparish.com

2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR NOTES

Open House is scheduled for August 18th and will look a little different than previous years. We will have staggered times for families to come to school. A schedule will be coming in the future weeks.

August 19th will be our first day of face to face classes. Students and teachers will need to wear masks! New student designated drop off procedures will be announced in the coming weeks!

We are looking to utilize more of the air conditioned spaces for our classrooms! With the need for masks and the warm temperatures, we realize the need to move some classes. Gym uniforms will also be allowed for the first month of school because of the expected warm temperatures. We are still working on our plans and have established a Health and Safety committee to finalize them

An Academic Committee has also been formed to establish the best practices for this unprecedented start of the school!

Just a reminder that PreK - 4th students will need two clear plastic shoebox size tubs to keep individual supplies and individual manipulatives.

The Staff of St. Cletus is working hard to make sure we are ready for a safe start to the school year. As always, we will follow the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Chicago, The State of Illinois and the CDC.

May God Bless you all in the coming weeks and may God Bless the start of our school year! It's a GREAT Day to be a Cardinal!

SCHOOL OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

August 1st until Start of School: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE GREAT PROGAMS AT ST. CLETUS SCHOOL:

- Before and After Care Availability
- Early Childhood Programs: 3-4 yr PreK, Jr. Kindergarten, and Kindergarten
- Technology integration across curriculum including 1:1 devices for grades 3-8
- No-cut sports programs encourage teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun regardless of skill level
- Volunteer opportunities including Athletic Association, Family School Association, Father's Club, School Board, Scouts, and more!

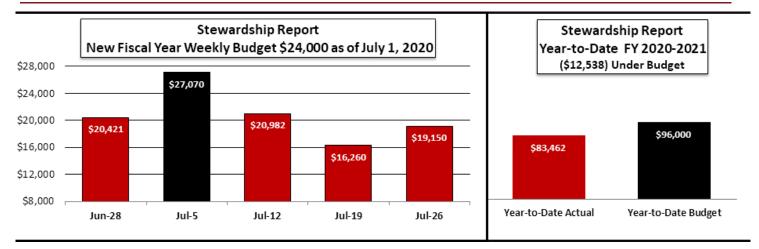




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Stewardship Report

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY! Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at www.stcletusparish.com and click the "**DONATE**" BUTTON. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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.









ALL AROUND AMUSEMENT





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Jeffrey R. Tobolski Cook County Board Commissioner-16th District LG Celtics Soccer Club Unique Plumbing WATRA Church Goods Thank you to our 2019 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest Major Sponsors. These businesses will be listed in our Parish Canticle for one year as preferred providers.

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

Parish Center	(708) 352-6209
Español	(708) 215-5440
School	
www.stcletusparish.com	

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

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

Monday-Friday	9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday	Closed

MASSES

Saturday Evening	5:00 p.m.
Sunday7	:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
•	12:15 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......8:45am to 10am Must call parish offices to schedule a reservation.

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

STAFF

PARISH STAFF

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Rev. Mr. Stuart & Marlene Heyes, Deacon Couple

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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.

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS

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