

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

God ...wills everyone to be saved
and to come to knowledge of the truth.
— 1 Timothy 2:4



LUKE 16:13

No servant can serve two masters.

*Twenty-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of September 23- 29, 2019

Day	Presider <small>(subject to change)</small>	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Viecele, Apolonia Zagrondik, Frank & Norma Muscarello
Tuesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Russ Evans, Alice Lihosit
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Shirley Flamm, Louise Callaghan
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm, Joseph Viecele
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm, Frank Wojcik, Beverly Gutierrez
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Shirley Flamm, Adrian Verhoeven
	Fr. Gamboa	5:00 p.m.	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Jim Deslauriers
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m.	George Duda; Raymond, Margaret & Martin Shaughnessy
	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker, BC Collins, Emmet Neary, Theresa Mierzynski, Special Intention - Linda Kostuba
	Fr. Clark	9:30 a.m.	Charles & Florence Straka, Sammy Colonna, Louise Callaghan, Mary Emerson Fry
	Fr. Clark Fr. Gamboa	11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Raymond Swiderski, Fran & Ed Grybas, BC Collins St. Cletus Parishioners


SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Seminarian Education Fund. The monies collected during this annual appeal provide support for the training and education of men studying for the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Chicago as they proceed through the various stages of formation. You can also contribute online at www.archchicago.org/seminarianfund. Thank you for your generosity.

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SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND

**The archdiocesan collection for the
education and formation of its future priests**



Marriage Banns



**Lauren Ward &
Sean Sebastian**

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, Stella Fabian
- 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.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The fourteenth century was a time of frequent wars and bloodshed in the city states of Italy. It was so bad that a nobleman, Bernardo Tolomei, withdrew to an isolated mountain, Monte Oliveto, together with other like-minded men, to found a monastery. There, the community spent its time in prayer and religious life, far removed from the violence and evils of the world. However, in 1348, the Great Plague swept through the nearby city of Sienna, and the community faced a choice of whether to stay in the security of their religious life, or to come down from their mountain sanctuary. They decided they could not stand by, watching people suffer and die, without attempting in some way to alleviate their suffering. They came down from their monastery and, despite the risks to themselves, spent their time ministering to the sick and dying. The whole community of eighty monks was wiped out by the plague – a danger they had been only too aware of.

There is always a cost involved in service; just as there is always a need for us to come down from our “spiritual mountain”. On the mountain which Jesus and his disciples had just left, they had seen Jesus transfigured – they had glimpsed his divinity as God’s Son, and they had wanted to remain there on the mountain – to build three tents, three shrines to prolong that marvelous religious experience. But they had to come down – to leave that experience behind. Jesus wanted to explain to his disciples the nature of his mission – to be a servant to all, and that this would inevitably lead to him paying the cost of his life: he would be a ransom for many. Three times after that mountain top experience, Jesus explained that his mission would lead to his passion, death and resurrection, and that his disciples would have to make that same journey in their own lives. But the disciples are slow to understand, even though Jesus specifically takes them away from the crowds to teach them.

They are afraid to ask him what he means. Perhaps they don’t ask because the last time Jesus spoke of his impending death: Peter had protested that this must not happen, and for his pains, Jesus had called him “Satan”, accusing him of thinking as man thinks, not as God thinks. But perhaps too, the disciples simply prefer not to know what Jesus is talking about. He keeps referring to suffering and death, but they are obviously more interested in who is the greatest. They wonder which of them will get the important jobs, the key positions, in the kingdom which they are sure Jesus, as the Messiah, is about to establish in Jerusalem. The real news hasn’t



sunk in
about the true
nature of discipleship.

They think it is about glory, prestige and power. Jesus speaks simply in terms of service – and of the cost of service. It is as if the disciples are still up there on their religious mountain, refusing to come down to face the consequences – and the cost – of their faith in Christ.

What does Jesus’ teaching about the need to be “servant of all” and to “welcome little children” mean for us today? A child is someone of no legal status – in a sense, an unimportant person. Anything done to or for a child is done simply for the sake of the child, without hope of reward or advantage. They provided an opportunity to show genuine, disinterested love, unfeigned respect. This is to be the hallmark of Christ’s disciples: that they will love without hope of profit or reward; that we will respect the intrinsic dignity and worth of others, no matter what their position, power or wealth. God loves unconditionally. When we love like that, then we do not just love like God, we love God himself. In welcoming the lowest and the least important, we are – in a very real way – welcoming and worshipping God. We are coming down from our religious mountain and really putting our faith into practice. There is always a price to be paid for true service – love is not cost-free, even though that is an illusion which we – like the disciples – like to maintain. But Christ’s teaching about the need to be prepared to suffer and die also contains the promise that this road leads to the glory of the resurrection. Like the monks of Oliveto, we have to decide if we want the illusion of pure, unsullied religion, or whether we are ready to get our hands dirty in serving real people in real situations, no matter the cost. That is the only way to offer real love to God, and the only way to enter real, eternal life.

Peace in Service,

Fr. Bob Clark, Pastor

Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

September 26D4D Night at Aurelio’s Pizza
 September 27Grandparents Day Mass
 October 8 Catholic High Schools Night

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Gregory Porod, Principal **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
4:00 - 8:30 P.M.

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL D4D NIGHT

Enjoy a night out while raising funds for St. Cletus School!

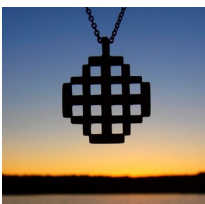
Join us at Aurelio’s Pizza on Thursday, September 26 from 4-8:30 p.m. for our next D4D Fundraiser.

Aurelio’s is located at 11 Calendar Ct. La Grange. 708-579-0900. Valid for Pick Up, Delivery and Dining Room orders. If dining with a party of 6 or more, please call ahead for a reservation.

Please present this page or download the flier from our website, <https://stcletusschool.com/parents/> and mention the St. Cletus School Fundraiser at time of order and a portion of the proceeds will be given to St. Cletus School.

Spread the word to family, friends and neighbors!

Youth Ministry



REGISTER FOR KAIROS 34!

Who:
High School Juniors & Seniors

When:
November 14th – 17th, 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 themselves and their 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.

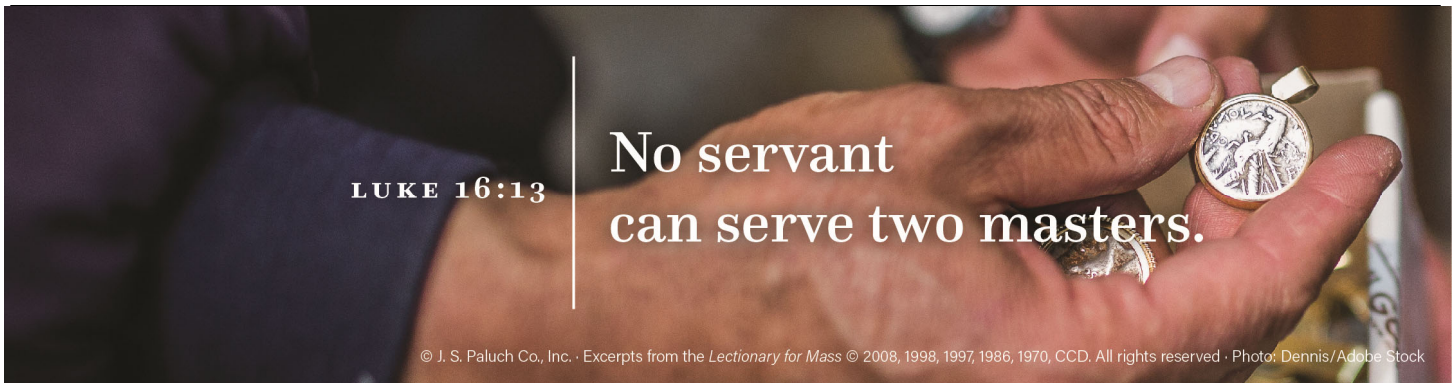
UPCOMING EVENTS

Boy’s Church League Registration is Open
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.*





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GOD IS ON THE SIDE OF THE POOR

Two of today's readings make it quite clear that God is on the side of the poor. Amos describes in detail the exploitation of the poor and needy. The psalm repeats that God acts to benefit the poor and lowly. But Luke turns things upside down, telling a tale of a conflicted steward, about to be fired, who demonstrates his cleverness and is rewarded. Like the community to whom Paul writes in Timothy, these readings are personal, directed to believers, members of the Jewish and Christian communities, who struggle to deal with personal choices about how to conduct their lives. They offer an outline for how God wishes us to live in a world as complicated and as confusing as our own.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).

Psalms — Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).

Second Reading — God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).

Gospel — The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5;
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16;
Lk 16:19-31

TIMING

It is never the wrong time to do the right thing.

—Anonymous

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio);
Autumn begins

Thursday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian

Friday: St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday: St. Wenceslaus; Blessed Virgin Mary
St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although June is the month most associated with weddings in the United States, September has become more popular in recent years. Wedding celebrations always require some savvy planning, and people who have a talent for hospitality in the mix. At the wedding feast at Cana, the mother of Jesus was recruited to deal with some of the details of the banquet, and when a very understandable crisis arose, she did what she could to rescue the party. Anyone who has ever run out of ice, dessert, or table settings knows the stress!

Slowly, the memory of Jesus Christ's blessing of this marriage feast led the Church to form a way to bless marriages. A thousand years ago weddings migrated from the family home to the doors of the church, where the celebration was held in public view. From this practice came a prayer called the "Nuptial Blessing," one of the most solemn prayers in our tradition. It is very much like the prayers by which baptismal water and chrism are consecrated, the ordination prayer over a priest, and the Eucharistic Prayers over bread and wine. Four hundred fifty years ago, weddings moved inside the church building. All of this gives married couples good reason to celebrate their anniversaries well, especially with the clinking of glasses filled with good wine.

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RE-DIRECTION

Love does not consist in gazing at each other, but in looking outward in the same direction.

—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).

Follow us on facebook:
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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

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Save the Date for these Upcoming Events:

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

Monday, October 7th: 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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CROP HUNGER WALK

Sunday, October 27th
12:30 Check In, 1:15 Walk Begins

Location: The walk begins and ends at First Congregational Church of Western Springs (1106 Chestnut St. Western Springs)

Our food pantry benefits directly from this walk, receiving canned goods and a generous check.

Please help us make this year's CROP Walk successful! Online registration and donation info can be found at: crophungerwalk.org/lagrangeil/stcletus



INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

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). 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 708.352.8943 or Tom 708.772.4231 to learn more.

PRAY FOR HEALING MINISTRY

Our profound thanks to everyone who donated to the ministry at last weekend's Masses. If you took Bishop Barron's book we do encourage you to read it! We have heard back from several people already who have finished the book and say they got a lot out of it.

Join the pray for healing ministry. It 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


RESPECT LIFE

Thank you to all who attended our recent Respect Life Info meeting. If you weren't able to attend the meeting but would like to be added to our email list or would like more information, please contact Kendall Grant.

Photos from the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children, Queen of Heaven Cemetery, September 14, 2019.



WORD OF LIFE

 “Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Every Suicide is Tragic

PEACE IN PALESTINE COMMITTEE OF 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. 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.

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.

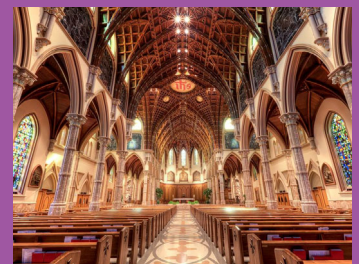
Since surviving this shooting rampage nearly 30 years ago, Andrew has dedicated his life to fighting gun violence as an FBI special agent, advocate and now, as the Director of Violence Prevention for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

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

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!



St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women Pot Luck

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF
CATHOLIC  WOMEN

ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH 6:00 P.M.

ST. CLETUS PARISH CENTER CLARK HALL

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; an informal fun gathering to acquaint and re-acquaint yourself with fellow parishioners in the Parish Center/Clark Hall on Saturday, October 5th at 6pm.

We'd like to know how many to plan for and also make sure we'll have a well-rounded meal, so we are asking you to RSVP using the form below. Cards are also available in the narthex.

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 or call 708-710-0644 or 773-576-0812 .

ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK RESERVATION



NAME(S) OF ALL ATTENDING: _____

CONTACT INFO: EMAIL _____ TELEPHONE: _____

PLEASE INDICATE SPECIFICALLY WHAT YOU WILL BE BRINGING TO SHARE:

SALAD (PASTA, FRUIT, ETC.): _____

VEGGIE SIDE DISH: _____

DESSERT: _____ OTHER: _____

GLUTEN FREE: _____

NOTE: Your food (enough to serve 8-10 people) may be delivered to the Parish Center after 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 5th. It should be "ready to serve" (especially hot foods), in containers that are disposable or are clearly marked with your name. We also ask that you provide a brief description of your dish and include ingredients which may induce allergic reactions (i.e. nuts, shell fish, onion/garlic, etc.) This card may be handed to an usher/greeter, placed in the box in the narthex or returned to the Parish Center Office no later than Tuesday, October 1st.

Ministry News

A NOTE FROM DEACON STUART

Dear Parish Family,

Every year, the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago come together to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. We do this with a dinner and a fundraising event, which will take place on October 6.

Monies raised at the St. Francis Dinner support the following activities: several charities that serve the poorest and most marginalized (orphans, the mentally ill, the homeless, the incarcerated and the recovering), continuing theological and ministerial education for deacons and wives, a mutual aid fund for deacons in need, and operating funds for the Diaconate Council.

This year, I am asking if you'd be interested in purchasing a booklet of 6 raffle tickets for \$25. The first prize is \$1,000, second is \$500 winner, with two \$100 winners, and six \$50 winners.

If you'd be interested in taking a chance (winner need not be present!) and purchasing a book, see directions below.

We are a nonprofit organization and all donations qualify as a charitable donation.

Thank you on behalf of Marlene and me and the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago for your support.

Thank you again! God bless you all!

Deacon Stuart

TO BUY THE TICKETS PLEASE WRITE A CHECK PAYABLE TO THE "DIACONATE COUNCIL" AND PROVIDE 6 RETURN ADDRESS LABELS FOR EACH BOOK PLUS ONE ON AN ENVELOPE.FOR THE RETURN OF THE STUBS.

PUT ALL IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED FOR MY ATTENTION.AND LEAVE AT THE PARISH CENTER.

I WILL AFFIX THE LABELS AND LEAVE THE TICKET STUBS AT THE PARISH CENTER OFFICE FOR YOU TO PICK UP AT YOUR CONVENIENCE AND ENSURE THE STUBS ARE ENTERED IN THE RAFFLE

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 Hyeonseon Lee. All are welcome. Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

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.



Come and See

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS BACK IN SESSION!

We are excited to get into the swing of a new year in Religious Education! We ask that you kindly watch out for our children on Sundays as they enter and exit the building while Sunday Masses are going on. The safety of our children is our utmost concern, so please drive with caution around the campus on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings.



Here is a look at the Class Schedule coming up:

September 22 and 23	Early Childhood, Grades 1-8 meet
September 29 and 30	Special Needs, Early Childhood, Grades 1-8 meet
October 6 and 7	Special Needs, Early Childhood, Grades 1-8 meet
October 13 and 14	NO CLASSES due to holiday weekend

Ministry News (continued)

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 in the Parish Center making items for poor children and nursing homes. Our small group welcomes ladies young and not so young to join us. We are a friendly group & we work & socialize. No talent is needed. "Come join us!"

For more info call Dolores Scaletta at (708) 839-9605.

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES AT ST. CLETUS

Join us **Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m.**, in the Parish Center for benefit concert for the Ed Ward Fine Arts Series at St. Cletus and the glenhagen farm retreat. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased at the door.

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. Preliminary set list: Sing Sing Sing, Honeysuckle Rose, Midnight Train to Georgia, Still The One, Peace, Fatso, A Time For Healing, Sir Duke, When Will I Be Loved, Many the Miles, You Raise Me Up, How Sweet It Is, I Won't Give Up, and Put A Little Love In Your Heart. We hope to see you there!

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Seminarian Education Fund

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September 2019

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This weekend we come together to support and celebrate the seminarians of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Our annual second collection benefits the forty-six seminarians currently preparing for lives of service as priests in our Archdiocese, and their generosity is inspiring.

The Church needs pastoral, compassionate and well-trained priests today more than ever. Your prayers and financial support help to make possible the education and training these seminarians need to shepherd parishes, celebrate the sacraments, and teach the faith. Contributions towards this collection have made a significant impact on each seminarian and I ask you to join me again this year in contributing to the Seminarian Education Second Collection.

Funds collected through this second collection alleviate monthly expenses such as tuition and fees, room and board, and health insurance for each seminarian and will be used solely for the formation of new priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please utilize the remittance envelopes provided to your parish, or you are welcome to contribute online at www.archchicago.org/seminarianfund.

On behalf of current and future archdiocesan seminarians, thank you. May God continue to bless you abundantly. Please know that I keep you in my daily prayers and intentions, and I ask for yours in return.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Card. Blase J. Cupic".

Archbishop of Chicago

Community Bulletin Board

CALLING 1974 ST. CLETUS GRADUATES!

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. We are hoping to have a fall reunion.

JOYFUL AGAIN!

Welcome! All widowed men & women looking to ease their sense of loss and move into a more joyful part of life are invited to attend a Joyful Again! retreat/workshop. Fall 2019 Schedule:

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, www.joyfulagain.org.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Join Deacon Rich Voytas (St. John of the Cross) on a spectacular trip to Portugal, Spain, Morocco ~ September 7-18, 2020! Twelve fabulous days visiting: Lisbon, Fatima (including the sight where the Blessed Virgin appeared on May 13, 1917), Barcelona, Costa Del Sol, Madrid and much more! For a complete itinerary and pricing information, contact Deacon Rich at 773.537.8834. An information meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 22nd at St. John of the Cross Parish Center (5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs 60558) ~ 7:00 PM to preview more details on this marvelous trip! All are invited to attend.

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

BOY SCOUT 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.

NAZARETH ACADEMY

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. Details at nazarethacademyalumni.org.

Parents and community members are welcome to join the conversation at Nazareth Academy's Parent Speaker Series. At 7pm on **Thursday, October 3**, hear from Dr. John Duffy, author of *Parenting the New Teen in the Age of Anxiety*. This is a free event. More information can be found at nazarethacademy.com.

Nazareth Academy, 1209 W. Ogden, La Grange Park

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Our Fall Programs are out! Please see our website for a full listing and to register: www.csjthewell.org 708-482-5048.

Journey of the Universe. Monday, Sept. 30, 7 PM Mary Evelyn Tucker and Brian Swimme weave a tapestry that draws together scientific discoveries in astronomy, geology, and biology with humanistic insights concerning the nature of the universe.

Overcoming Spiritual Myopia: Nurturing Healing & Hope Through a Unitive Worldview Saturday, October 5, 9AM – 3:30 PM. Margaret Placentra Johnston, O.D. and Pat Bombard, BVM, D. Min. Explore how overcoming spiritual myopia – divisiveness among people of different faiths – offers hope for the human future. Participants will learn how to cure spiritual myopia by seeing what is common to the spiritual wisdom in all traditions. Cost: \$75, includes lunch

The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL. A Member of the Congregation of St. Joseph Mission Network.

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.



The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women

Cordially Invites you to the

88th Annual Fall Assembly Breakfast

Honoring 2019 Scholarship Recipient

Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Vicariate I, **George J. Rassas**

Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Vicariate II, **Francis J. Kane, D. D.**

Cost:
\$35 per
person

RSVP by **October 4, 2019** to: ACCW, 3525 S. Lake Park Avenue, Chicago, IL 60655-1402

For more information visit <https://accw.archchicago.org> or contact Evelyn Getty, ACCW President at (312) 534-8325.

**Saturday
October 19**

The Carlisle

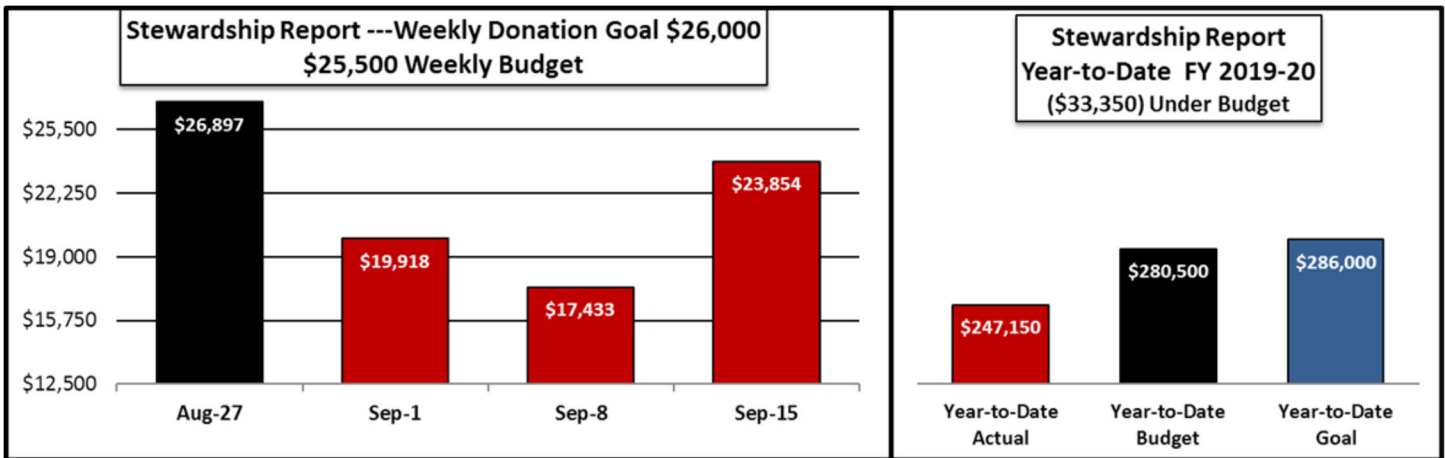
435 E. Butterfield Rd.
Lombard, IL

9:00 AM

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, September 22	9:15am 12:00pm 2:00pm 4:00pm	School School Room 200 School Room 200 Parish Center	RE Classes Begin Alpha Youth KAIROS Meeting Ed Ward Fine Arts Series Concert
Monday, September 23	4:00pm 6:00pm 8:00pm	School Music Room RE Classes Begin Parish Center Gym	Junior Choir Rehearsal RE Classes Begin Men’s Basketball
Tuesday, September 24	6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room 2 Church Parish Center Mtg Room 1	PPC Meeting Spanish Holy Hour St. Vincent DePaul Meeting
Wednesday, September 25	9:00am	Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies
Thursday, September 26	5:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Rectory Basement School Music Room	Children’s Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, September 27	1:30pm 2:30pm	Church Parish Center Gym	Grandparents Mass Grandparents Reception
Saturday, September 28			
Sunday, September 29	9:15am 12:00pm 12:00pm 2:00pm	School School Room 102 School Room 200 School Room 200	RE Classes RCIA Teens Alpha Youth KAIROS Meeting

Stewardship Report



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING




Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically?

Visit 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

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

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-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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Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Stuart & Marlene Heyes, Deacon Couple

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