



Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

Christ Jesus...
is the head of the body, the church.
 — Colossians 1:15, 18

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



GET READY FOR THE 6TH ANNUAL ST. CLETUS PARISH FALL FEST!

Become a Sponsor

Your Fall Fest sponsorship provides St. Cletus Parish the necessary means to provide an award-winning education program, minister to the parish community, and provide a safe and fun festival environment for all. Please see pages 8-9 for sponsorship opportunities. New this year: \$300 and \$500 sponsorship packages include a raffle opportunity for St. Cletus School or Religious Education.

Donate to the Basket Raffle

We always have great items for our Fall Fest Basket Raffle. We need your help to make that happen again this year. Donations can be brought to the parish center office during normal business hours. Thank you for your generosity! We are in need of:

- Sporting event tickets and jerseys (Cubs, Bulls, White Sox, Bears, Blackhawks)
- Theater tickets
- Hotel packages
- Gift cards (Airlines, Visa, Amazon, Target, restaurants, grocery stores, department stores, home improvement stores, or other gift cards)
- Monetary donations are kindly accepted

Return your Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100 for your chance to win \$5,000. The first \$50 early bird drawing will be held August 11. Tickets can be mailed in or returned to the parish center office during regular business hours.

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of July 15 - 21, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Marilyn Matesevac
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Bob Thomas
Wednesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Heny Maday, Rebecca Becerril
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Evelyn Prevenas, Maria Elena Serrano
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Joe Saban, Stella Kadlec
Saturday	Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Catharine Basile Ken Kakareka, Jim Deslauriers, Joseph Naponiello, Louise Essig, Richard Luce
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	George Duda, Dan Valenti, MaryAnn Luke-Kennedy Stacy Baker, Robert McDonnell Marco & Emilia Rattin, Bill DePasquale, Mary Kennedy Joseph P. Kurcz St. Cletus Parishioners

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

Edward Bonk, Sr.

Rochina (Rocki) Debartolo

Veronica Gonzalez-Lopez

Mario Mungove

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.

June - Roxy Brown, Frank Colonna, Rochina DeBartolo, Don King, Rosario Martinez, Edward J McNamara, Jose Perez, Margaret Pirman, Daniella DeRivera, Leo & Gloria Rivera, Scatena Family, Ann Scheer, Virginia Skibbe, Laura Terrazino, Carol Witkowski

May - Ted Buczek, Johnson Dy, Gene Gajos, Nancy Gibson, Norman Kwak, Kathryn McCord, Jackie Schickel, Nicole Will-Montemagni, Jean Weekley

April - 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.

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

St. Cletus Parish Summer Office Hours for June, July and August will be as follows:

Monday - Thursday	9:00am - 5:00pm
Friday	9:00am - 12:00pm
Saturday	9:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday	8:00am - 12:30pm

ST. CLETUS INDEPENDENCE DAY MASS



Thank you to our presider, Fr. Julio Jimenez, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 1941 - La Grange, Congressman Dan Lipinski, the St. Cletus Holy Name Society, our Independence Day Band and director Justin Sisul, our parish staff and maintenance crew, and especially members/veterans of our military branches who joined us for our annual Independence Day Mass. Thank you for your service!

Also, congratulations to parishioners John Wagner and Ray Streit who were presented with the Fr. Gallagher award which recognizes service to country and church.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

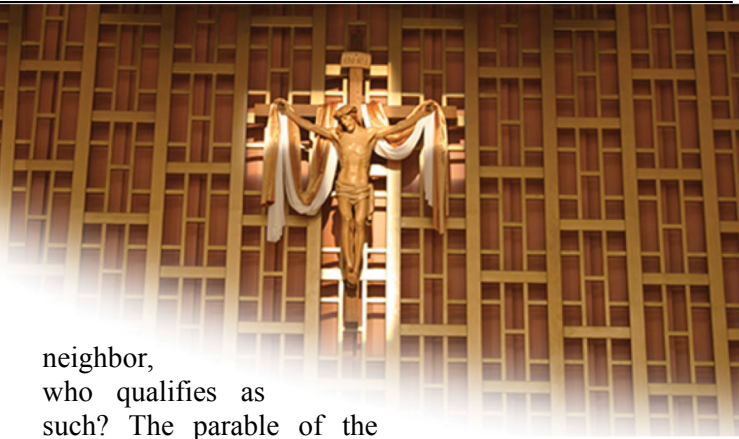
15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I hope I’m old before I die.” The lyrics of Robbie Williams’ hit song reflect the desire of most of us to have a long and full life. A recent scientific survey reported that the secret of a long life is regular churchgoing. The study found that churchgoers have lower blood pressure, suffer less from depression and have stronger immune systems. Apparently, those who regularly attend a place of worship are nearly a third more likely to live longer. No one seems to know quite why this should be so – some think that religious people actually take better care of themselves; others think that the friendship and support which go along with belonging to a church may be part of the reason why religious people live longer. Whatever the reason, it would appear that faith is not only good for the soul but good for the body too.

The lawyer in today’s gospel asks that age-old question: what must I do to inherit eternal life? That’s not just a question about having a long life or life without end, but is also about a certain quality of life. What must we do to lead a full, fulfilled and truly human life? How do we lead a good life, a happy life? How do we achieve our potential? Faced with the reality of death, how can I ensure that my life has lasting meaning and significance?

The people of Israel faced exactly that question during their wanderings in the desert. They had to decide what was important in their life together and in their relationship with God. God offers them commandments and laws to help them – not impossible ideals (“not beyond your strength or beyond your reach”), but practical guidelines to make their community life peaceful and equitable. These laws also ensure that the people can enjoy a rich and fruitful relationship with God – so that the people can live fully, as God intends. God is not imposing arbitrary rules on the people. His laws are not so much prescriptive as descriptive. God is quite simply telling the people what will lead to a happy, human, full life.

So when the lawyer comes up to Jesus with his question, Jesus simply reminds him of what he already knows. If he wants to live the right quality of life – the kind of life which satisfies the human heart’s longing for eternity, for meaning and value – all he needs to do is to follow God’s Law: love God and love his neighbor. “Do this and life is yours”. But although the lawyer knows the right answer intellectually, he obviously has missed the heart of the law. Because his question, “who is my neighbor?”, is designed to seek a restriction: if I have to love my



neighbor,
who qualifies as
such? The parable of the
Good Samaritan reveals that for Jesus, if
we are to receive God’s gift of eternal life, we need to
stop thinking in terms of restrictions and limitations, and
start loving as God loves – in an open-ended way. For
Jesus a neighbor is never an object, always a subject. I am
the neighbor: it is my duty to be a neighbor, to help those
in need. That is the way to eternal life.

In our own lives, it is so easy to have the lawyer’s attitude – to seek to draw boundaries, to exclude, to restrict, to do the minimum. This is true of our relationship with people, with God, even with ourselves and our own bodies. What do I absolutely have to do and what can I overlook? Who do I have to take notice of and who can I safely ignore? What is the bottom line?

Jesus’ answer is simply that the human heart’s longing for love and for eternal life is boundless, limitless, because it is made in the image of God himself. And so the only way we are going to be able to satisfy our “eternal longings” is by loving as God loves – inclusively, generously, and even extravagantly. The hallmark of our love is that it should be “with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our strength and with all our mind”. Not a closed love, but an open-ended love. Such loving may not guarantee a long life on earth, but that is how Christ – the image of the unseen God – loves. That is how Christians – who are the images of Christ on earth – are called to love too, not by way of prescription or command, but quite simply because that is the only way to inherit eternal life.

With Love,



Fr. Bob Clark
Pastor

Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

August 20 Welcome Back Meet and Greet
August 21 Grades 1-8 First Full Day of School

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Tom Chinske, Principal **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**
(708) 352-4820 (708) 352-4820
tchinske@stcletusparish.com cschaefer@stcletusparish.com

SUMMER SERVICE AT GCFD



A group of St. Cletus School incoming 8th graders had worked a repack session at the Greater Chicago Food

Depository this past Wednesday. Thank you to Adrian Llerenas, Michael McQuire, Quinn Mulcrone, Mario Naumovski, Ben Ruiz, Brandon Scanlon, Matthew Shanley, and Thomas Townsend.

SEEKING A RECESS SUPERVISOR!

St. Cletus School is seeking a recess supervisor to work 5 days a week from 11:30- 12:45 for \$12.00 an hour. This person must be willing to be outside with students in all kinds of weather. This person must also have a good sense of management with a firm, but kind mannerism that follows the values of the school – kindness, compassion and understanding.

Please contact the school office if you would be interested in this position at 708-352-4820.

Religious Education

*Teach.
Share.
Inspire.*

The St. Cletus Religious Education program is looking for people to share their faith with our young students!

Catholics are called upon by the Holy Spirit to teach. You will receive training, textbooks, resources, and weekly lesson plans to help our children build their relationship with Christ.

Catechists must be reliable, responsible, a practicing Catholic, and like to work with children. They must have patience and a willingness to learn more about their own faith. All Catechists must attend VIRTUS training and complete required Archdiocesan paperwork.

For more information, please contact Barb Campbell at (708) 352-2383 or bcampbell@stcletusparish.com



Social Concerns Ministry

FOOD PANTRY

Pictured on the previous page were some of our St. Cletus School 8th graders volunteering at Greater Chicago Food Depository! Each volunteer earns the St. Cletus Food Pantry \$15 in food credit to purchase high quality food for clients! Thank you for your service!

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Can't Do Small Talk? Learn to Enjoy Growing your Professional Relationships!

Please join us on Thursday, July 18 from 7-9 pm for an interesting and informative conversation on the importance of nurturing and growing relationships - two of the most important skills you can develop for professional success. Building and maintaining good work relationships makes you more engaged and committed, while opening doors to key projects, career advancements and raises. Join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road in Western Springs and learn the "art" of building rapport and how to utilize a calendar to your relationship building advantage. Discover 5 easy "small talk" topics and how to sustain ANY conversation - with ANYONE. Leave with tried and true tips to build your professional relationships. Our speaker, Elene Cafasso, is a professionally trained executive coach and executive mentor. Elene is passionate about helping others enjoy professional fulfillment while always being positioned for success. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.

OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS

Holistic Riding Equestrian Therapy's mission is to improve the physical, emotional, cognitive and social aspects of the lives of individuals with special needs and veterans.

HRET offers a variety of skill appropriate classes meeting the needs of preschoolers on our ponies to independent riders on program-safe horses. In addition to the physical, emotional, cognitive, and social benefits of equine therapy, riders also bond with their horses and teammates. Our unique farm experience program creates interactive, hands-on experiences with farm chores, agricultural and environmental activities, and caring for animals. HRET's curriculum fosters confident, independent and independent individuals, while stimulating their interest in future educational and career opportunities. HRET now offers a veterans program which includes groundwork, bonding with horses and riders.

We are always looking for more volunteers, especially now since our program has almost doubled in size in the last couple months. Our next volunteer training dates are Saturday, July 13, 2019 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM OR Saturday, August 3, 2019 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Check us out at www.holisticridingtherapy.org or contact us at hretvolunteer@gmail.com

WORD OF LIFE



“To understand more fully how to defend and protect human life, we must first consider who we are, at the deepest level. God creates us in his image and likeness, which means we are made to be in loving relationship with him. The essence of our identity and worth, the source of our dignity, is that we are loved by God.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“How to Build a Culture of Life”



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

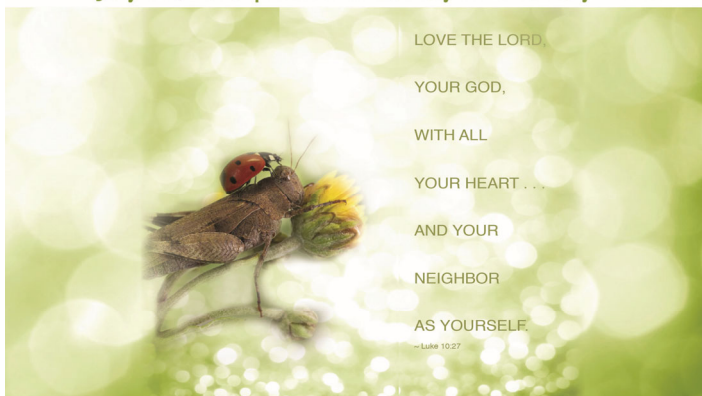
- Canned Fruit
- Dried Pinto Beans (1-2 lbs.)
- Canned Tomatoes
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Tuna/Canned Fish
- Diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6)
- Baby Wipes
- Baby Food
- Dish Soap
- New School Supplies: pencils, colored pencils, pens, crayons, markers, pocket folders, single subject spiral notebooks and loose leaf paper

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).

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

Sunday Notes

July 14, 2019 | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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GOD WANTS TO BE KNOWN

The Old Testament reading from Deuteronomy praises God for inscribing the commandments in our very bodies. God's law is not distant or foreign, but a natural part of us. In his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul echoes Moses, praising God for becoming one of us. The truly human, flesh-and-blood Jesus reminds us that God always wants to be recognizable and familiar to us. Jesus, who is also truly God, wants to be on intimate terms with each of us.

God's passionate desire to be known by us is almost too wonderful to take in. Luke's Gospel helps us understand how to respond. The Good Samaritan parable provides practical advice for those who believe in God's intimate love for them and want to share that love with others.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The word of the LORD is very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts (Deuteronomy 30:10-14).

Psalm — Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69) or *Psalm 19*.

Second Reading — Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God (Colossians 1:15-20).

Gospel — The Samaritan traveler was moved with compassion at the sight of the man stripped and beaten by robbers (Luke 10:25-37).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Bonaventure
Tuesday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Thursday: St. Camillus de Lellis
Saturday: St. Apollinaris; Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 - 11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9; 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

On a summer day, with the windows open, we may hear the sound of church bells. Bells seem to have come into church life in Irish monasteries around the seventh century, and spread around the Christian world by Irish monks on missionary journeys. By the eighth century, bells were standard equipment in even small parish churches. An ancient ceremony, once called the "baptism of the bells," recognizes that the church bell has a voice to call people to awareness and summon them to worship, and even bestows a name on the bell.

In a world without clocks or watches, the bell had an indispensable role. For calling monks in from the fields for prayer, or alerting far-flung visitors, the bell's voice was enhanced by hoisting it high into a tower. Soon it was learned that the sound of several bells clanging together in harmony imparted a sense of joy to great celebrations, and bell towers prospered, some chock full of bells. Different combinations of rings could indicate a death, a Mass, a wedding, a fast day, the curfew at the end of day, and the Angelus. Before electricity, bell-ringing was hard work indeed: the biggest bell in the Catholic world, in Cologne, Germany, weighs twenty-seven tons! There's no substitute for the resonant roar of a mighty bell; electric chimes are not eligible for blessing!

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WISDOM

Wisdom has been defined as knowing the difference between pulling your weight and throwing it around.

—Anonymous

HAPPINESS

Since happiness is nothing else but the enjoyment of the Supreme good, and the Supreme good is above us, no one can be happy who does not rise above oneself.

—St. Bonaventure

Become a Sponsor of the 6th Annual Fall Fest!

st. cletus fall fest sept. 5-8

4 DAY CARNIVAL MEGAPASS SALES BEGIN JULY 15.

Only **\$55** until 8/29/19 or **\$65** at the event for UNLIMITED RIDES VALID ALL 4 DAYS OF THE FEST. Purchase online at www.stcletusfallfest.com or with cash/check in the St. Cletus Parish Center Office, 600 W. 55th St. La Grange

FREE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT • BEER TENT • FOOD VENDORS • CARNIVAL • CASH RAFFLE • THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL



Friday, September 6



Saturday, September 7



Sunday, September 8

LUCKY LEAF RAFFLE

\$20 PER TICKET -OR- 6 FOR \$100

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. DRAWING WILL BE HELD 9/8

GRAND PRIZE \$5,000

SECOND PRIZE \$2,500

THIRD PRIZE WINNER \$1,000

4TH & 5TH PRIZE WINNERS \$500

10 RUNNERS UP \$100 WINNERS

4 EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS FOR \$50 EACH WILL BE HELD AUGUST 11, AUGUST 18, AUGUST 25, AND SEPTEMBER 1



\$ 10,000 DIAMOND SPONSOR (Sponsorship needed by 8/1 for maximum marketing exposure.)

- Overall sponsorship of 2019 St. Cletus Parish Fall Festival on banners, signage, etc.
- \$500 in food and beverage tickets
- Full-year listing of your organization as the “Event Sponsor” in our parish bulletin and school news
- Your organization’s name and logo prominently displayed on event fliers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas festival.
- Business tagged as a sponsor in numerous updates promoting the Festival on our active school and parish Facebook pages
- Name on recognition banner above stage
- VIP area at Parish Fall Fest for all 4 days
- Logo on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Four Carnival MegaPass wristbands

\$7,500 THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SPONSOR (Sponsorship needed by 8/1 for maximum exposure.)

- Reserved seating for 10 for the Thursday Night Football Opening Game.
- \$500 in food and beverage tickets
- Sponsorship of the Main Stage on Side banner of stage
- Your organization’s name and logo prominently displayed on event fliers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas prior to and during the festival.
- Business tagged as a sponsor in numerous updates promoting the Festival on our active school and parish Facebook pages
- Full-year listing of your organization as a “Preferred Provider” in our parish bulletin and school news which is viewed by more than 2,000 parishioners, school families, and community members
- Logo on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Four Carnival MegaPass wristbands

\$ 5,000 PLATINUM SPONSOR (Sponsorship needed by 8/1 for maximum marketing exposure.)

- Sponsorship of the Main Stage on Side banner of stage
- Your organization’s name and logo prominently displayed on event fliers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas prior to and during the festival.
- Business tagged as a sponsor in numerous updates promoting the Festival on our active school and parish Facebook pages
- Full-year listing of your organization as a “Preferred Provider” in our parish bulletin and school news which is viewed by more than 2,000 parishioners, school families, and community members
- Logo on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Four Carnival MegaPass wristbands

(Please see next page for additional sponsorship opportunities and sponsorship form.)



\$ 2500 GOLD SPONSOR (Sponsorship needed by 8/1 for maximum marketing exposure.)

- Your organization’s name and logo prominently displayed on event fliers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas prior to and during the festival.
- Full-year listing of your organization as a “Preferred Provider” in our parish bulletin and school news which is viewed by more than 2,000 parishioners, school families, and community members
- Logo on Sponsor Banner in Beer Tent
- Logo on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Two Carnival MegaPass wristbands
- Sign at a Carnival Ride

\$ 1000 SILVER SPONSOR (Sponsorship needed by 8/1 for maximum marketing exposure.)

- Your organization’s name on event fliers.
- Full-year listing of your organization as a “Preferred Provider” in our parish bulletin and school news
- Logo on Sponsor Banner in Beer Tent
- Logo on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Two Carnival MegaPass wristbands

\$ 500 CARDINAL SPONSOR

- Name on Recognition Banner in Beer Tent
- Name on Fall Fest Shirt, website, flier and other promotional materials
- Two Carnival MegaPass wristbands
- Two white St. Cletus Fall Fest T-shirts. Please use the T shirt order form to indicate sizes.
- School Tuition Raffle Entry – Raffle is for \$1000 towards St. Cletus School 2019-20 Tuition for one student. 2 winners will be drawn.

\$ 300 EDUCATION SPONSOR

- Name on Recognition Banner in Beer Tent
- Two Carnival MegaPass wristbands
- Education Raffle Entry – Raffle is for \$300 towards St. Cletus School or Religious Education 2019-20 Tuition for one student. 2 winners will be drawn.

All Sponsorship forms are due 8/23. Sponsorships received by 8/1 will receive maximum exposure. Make checks payable to St. Cletus. Email logos to: fallfest@stcletusparish.com. Direct inquires to the St. Cletus Parish Center Office, 600 W. 55th St. La Grange. To pay with credit please go to our website www.stcletusparish.com and make your donation online.

Food Vendors interested in this exciting event contact fallfest@stcletusparish.com

Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Donation (\$): _____ I prefer to remain anonymous: (check here)



FALL FEST T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

Fall Fest will be held September 5-8. Show your spirit with these great T-shirts! In order to sell shirts before the event, pre-orders of grey shirts are due July 28. White shirt orders (featuring our sponsors) are due Aug. 24th. If you have any questions email Elizabeth at egoellner@stcletusparish.com.



**Official Event T-Shirt
(with Sponsors on Back)
WHITE SHORT SLEEVE
ONLY \$6!**



**Bella + Canvas
Dark Grey Heather
Short Sleeve T
Blank Back - \$15**



**Bella + Canvas Dark Grey Heather
Women's V-neck T - \$15**



**Bella + Canvas
Dark Grey Heather
Long Sleeve T - \$18**



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

ORDER FORM

*Grey shirt pre-orders due July 28. White Shirt (only) pre-orders due Aug. 23.
Please return all orders to the St. Cletus Parish Office in the new Parish Center.*

	YS	YM	YL	YXL	AXS	AS	AM	AL	AXL	2XL	3XL	TOTAL
White Short Sleeve \$6												
Grey (unisex) Short Sleeve \$15												
Grey Women's V Neck \$15												
Grey (unisex) Long Sleeve \$18												
Grey Lightweight Hoodie \$25												

YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Email: _____

Total Quantity: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to St. Cletus

Check here if you purchased a \$500 sponsorship which includes 2 white shirts. Use this form to indicate sizes.

For St. Cletus School Families Only

Child's Name to send shirt home: _____

Grade: _____

Other Ministry News

FALL FEST KIDS GOT TALENT

St Cletus School and Parish Families - It's that time of year again! Our Parish Fall Festival is around the corner and we need.....your KIDS! We have blocked out the entertainment stage on Sat Sept 7th @ 2 pm to showcase all our talented students in our version of America's Got Talent--St Cletus Kids Got Talent! Please contact me at lbkapusta@sbcglobal.net if your student/s are interested in showing off his or her talent. Students can perform solo acts or get together a few friends for a number! Thanks! -Lauren Kapusta, Fall Fest Entertainment Coordinator

ST. CLETUS YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Cletus Youth Ministry WEEK OF SERVICE

Monday, July 15th – Saturday, July 20th



**GREATER
CHICAGO
-FOOD-
DEPOSITORY.**



Precious Blood
Ministry of Reconciliation

Saint James
CATHOLIC CHURCH
FOOD PANTRY



St. Cletus Food Pantry

Current 8th Graders through Current High School Seniors can join us this summer for a Week of Service here in the Chicagoland area! Each day, we will attend 8:00am mass at St. Cletus, then depart to one of the six ministries we will be learning about and where we will be serving.

REGISTER TODAY: Current 8th Graders through Current High School Students can register our website.

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

ST. CLETUS HEALTH, WELLNESS, FITNESS AND SAFETY FAIR ON AUGUST 11

Save the Date - Sunday, August 11th St. Cletus will host a Health, Wellness, Fitness and Safety Fair.

Know your numbers, take the first steps to better health... Stop by and enjoy valuable interactive stations after all the masses. It's all free!

ST. JOHN'S ABBEY

"Those who believe in God, but without passion in their hearts, without anguish of mind, without uncertainty, without doubt, without an element of despair even in their consolation, believe only in the God idea, not in God himself" (Miguel de Unamuno). That might seem a bit dramatic for some of us Northern believers but the point can still be taken. At some time in the course of our life of faith, there should be some questioning, some wrestling with what it means or does in our life. Whatever else that odd Biblical story about Jacob wrestling with an angel might mean, it can stand for the need for some emotional, if not intellectual, struggle with what it means to believe in God, in Jesus Christ.

Most often this will be triggered by some shaking event: loss of our job, death of a loved one, a treacherous attack on our character, a persistent depression. Or, it might be occasioned by something less immediate and specific: boredom and/or apparently meaningless routine, continual failure or disappointment in love. We only come to a compelling, personal vision of who God is when we let these situations shake up our belief, make us think, question, argue, even struggle with God. Not ever doing this leaves our relation to God on the same level as our relation to people with whom we have only a formal, nodding acquaintance. That would be believing "only in the God idea" rather than in the God who cares for us. We're better off complaining to God or questioning God in prayer, asking why, than keeping God at arm's length by not taking God's presence seriously enough.

Don Talafous OSB

<http://www.saintjohnsabbey.org>

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.

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. We are hoping to have a fall reunion.

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park. To register online and see complete list of our programs visit www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048.

Thomas Berry: A Biography Wednesday, July 24, 7 PM – 8:30 PM Thomas Berry (1914 – 2009) was one of the 20th Century's most profound and forward-thinking "geologians", who sought to replace the modern alienation from nature with a sense of intimacy and responsibility. Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Grim direct the Forum on Religion and Ecology at Yale University. They worked closely with Thomas Berry for over thirty years, and co-authored the first biography of this great man. Cost: \$20

Life-Changers: The Gospel According to Hildegard and Julian of Norwich Saturday, August 3, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Facilitator: Mark Burrows Through the music and art of Hildegard and the "revelations of love" of Julian, our day will immerse us in the gift of these visionary women, life-changers for an unsettled age like ours. Cost: \$75 (includes lunch)

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!

July 20 & 21 - Holy Family, Inverness
Sept 7 & 8 - Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Elmhurst.

For more information contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry - 708-354-7211, joyfulagain7211@gmail.com, www.joyfulagain.org

RUN FOR LIFE 2019 ON SATURDAY AUGUST 3

- St. John the Baptist 0S233 Church St. Winfield, IL 60190
- Registration link: www.raceroster.com/23517
 - On-site registration starts at 6:30 a.m., Race starts at 8 a.m.
 - Performance tees for first 100 registrants!
 - Pancake breakfast for all participants!

All proceeds and sponsorships benefit Waterleaf Women's Center. Questions? Contact Christine Kania 630-532-7813 or christine.kania@gmail.com.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated on Sunday, September 8, 2019 by Cardinal Cupich. The Mass will be at St. John Brebeuf, 8307 North Harlem Avenue, Niles, IL 60714. For more information and to register, please visit <https://cvent.me/DNQ52>.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AT ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Christian Meditation is a contemplative spiritual discipline which is similar to Centering Prayer, or sometimes referred to as "prayer of the heart". This prayer is not new—for centuries it had been lost in our Catholic faith, especially for lay people; but is for all who want to live more fully in the Spirit of God.

How To Meditate:

- Sit still and upright in a quiet place with feet flat on the floor and hands in lap or on knees.
- Let go of any expectations or demands. Just Be.
- Gently close your eyes and silently, interiorly begin to say a single prayer word. The word recommended is Ma-ra-na-tha (Aramaic, the language Jesus spoke), meaning "Come, Lord".
- Continue repeating the word during the entire time of meditation. Whenever distractions come, gently return your attention to the word, without judging or analyzing. It is recommended to meditate 20-30 minutes twice a day.

All are welcome to any of the 4 weekly groups for Christian Meditation in the Parish Center, room 7. Meetings last 45 to 55 minutes, and no experience is necessary.

- Tuesdays 7:30 pm
- Wednesdays 2:30 pm
- Saturdays 8 am
- Mondays 10:30am- Christian Meditation as an 11th Step Practice

For further information contact Betsy at wccmchgo@gmail.com or 708-246-8315.

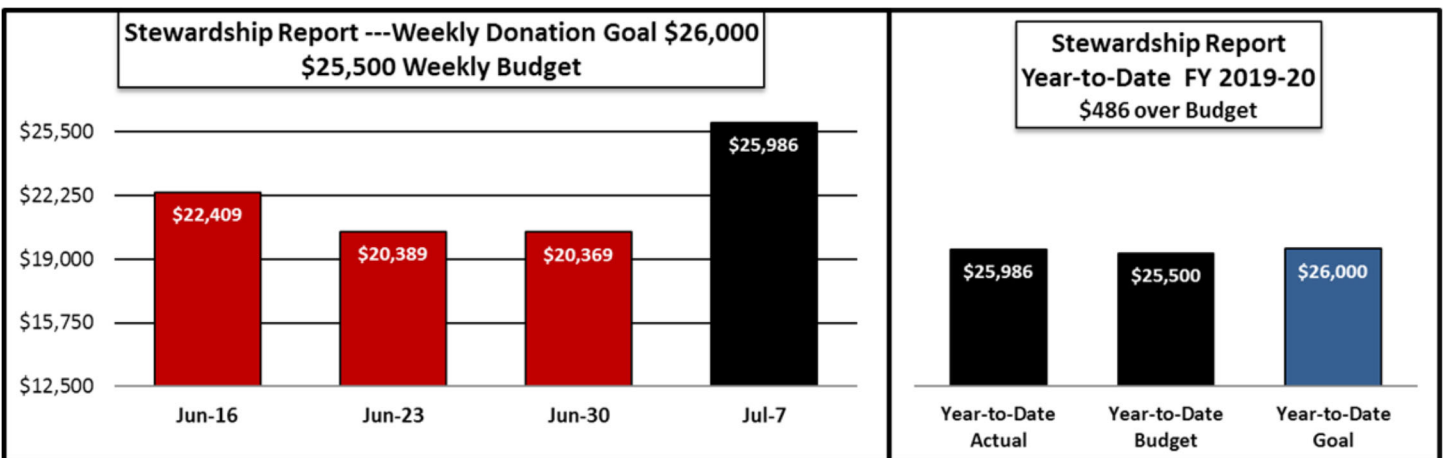
BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, July 14			
Monday, July 15	8:00pm	Parish Center Gym	Men's Basketball
Tuesday, July 16	7:00pm	Church	Spanish Holy Hour
Wednesday, July 17			
Thursday, July 18	6:00pm	Rectory Basement	Food Pantry Distribution
Friday, July 19			
Saturday, July 20			
Sunday, July 21			

Stewardship Report



5th Annual Fall Fest - St. Cletus Parish Preferred Providers

Want to see your company featured here September 2019-August 2020?

Become a sponsor of the 2019 Fall Fest! Forms can be found on pages 8-9.

R.W.S. Landscaping & Lawncare
708-489-6333




Thank you to all of our 2018 Fall Fest Sponsors!

Fall Fest Sponsors at the \$2,500 level and above will be featured in the St. Cletus Canticle as Preferred Providers.

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PARISH CENTER SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

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

Monday-Thursday and Saturday..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MASSES

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

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS

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

WEDDINGS

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

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

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

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

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