

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



JESUS SAID TO THEM,

“COME  
AFTER ME,  
AND I WILL  
MAKE YOU  
FISHERS  
OF MEN.”

MATTHEW 4:19

JANUARY 22, 2017 • THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME

*So glad you could join us!*

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### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

#### Youth Ministry Encounter Small Groups

Jan. 22, 2017 - 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

#### Catholic Schools Week Open House

Jan. 29, 2017 - 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



# Mass Intentions for the Week of January 23 - January 29, 2017

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	George Duda, Marilyn Matesevac
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Jesse Maldonado, Andrew F. Bultas, Jr.
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	George Duda, Marilyn Matesevac
Thursday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Giovanna Vieceli
Friday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention - John Pfeffer
Saturday	Fr. Fisher Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Rita Sheridan Eugene Sorrentino, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp, Karen Frisbie, Jorge Villasenor, Sergio Ramirez
Sunday	Fr. Fisher Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Fisher	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Dolores E. Kuchta, John & Frances Kennedy, Patrick Mahoney Russ Evans, Buczek Family, Special Intention - John Pfeffer St. Cletus Parishioners Dr. W. James Syms, Gene Kennedy, Helen Borsilli, Salvador Cantu, Jorge Villasenor, Sergio Ramirez Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners

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

### **Shellye Bolton**

Sister-in-law of Bill Bolton

### **Barbara Bolton Gimbel**

Sister of Bill Bolton

### **Maria Soto**

May they rest in peace. Amen.

## **UPDATE TO CHURCH HOURS**

Please note that St. Cletus Church will open on Sundays at 6:30 a.m. The doors will be unlocked at that time. That allows for 1/2 hour of prayerful preparation before the 7 a.m. Mass. Please note that Mon - Sat the Church will be continue to be opened at 7 a.m.

## **COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA NEXT WEEKEND**



Envelopes will be in the pews next weekend 1/28-29 for the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your donations will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation for those who, without your help,

would not have access to these resources. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection as a way to share your faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Thank You!

## **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.*

### **January**

Cynthia Cozen, Jack Falsey, Gail Saban, Robert Stoinski, Amber Taylor

### **December**

Ernest Dufner, Frannie Grybis, Dr. Brigitta Sonnenkalb, and Theresa Cimaglia

### **November**

Donald Price, Eileen Peters, Kathy Zydell, Adriana Pecheo, Enrique Pecho, Armando Pecheco, Fernando Cabral, Maria Cabral, Don Wettstein, Kim Zwolinkski, Jean Weekley, Glen Peters, Nick Lodato, Patricia Krieger and John Duda

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

## **BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION**

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be sent to [canticle@stcletusparish.com](mailto:canticle@stcletusparish.com). Please send as text with pictures separate. All articles are due no later than 5 p.m. Friday a full week (nine days) before Sunday's publication.

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

In August of 1999 there was a total eclipse of the sun. Its flight path crossed the globe from the north Atlantic to the Indian Ocean. All across the this area of the world on the morning of the eclipse, a bright sunny day, with clear skies overhead, thousands of people gathered on beaches and open lands and waited for the world to grow dark. When the time came, the shape of the moon could be seen to encroach on the blazing sun, and gradually the light of day was turned to the darkest of nights. After a few minutes, the bright sunlight began to emerge again as the moon drifted past, and all the people were bathed in light once more. "A people who dwelt in darkness saw a great light."

One observer described the experience as "sacred" or "spiritual". Something very special, something out of the ordinary, a truly great wonder of nature had taken place and the watching crowd had felt united in sharing the experience together.

In this experience, it was the darkness that brought the feeling of closeness and unity to the people. It was the dying of the light which served to remind us how selfishly we abuse the light of day, misusing it for our own delight: how foolishly we forget our common inheritance as children of God. Sometimes we need the shock of the dark to bring us to our senses, to make us concentrate our attention on the unity of humankind, and on the unity of God. There is only one God, and we are all his children.

In the busy seaport of Corinth, Paul, the great apostle and preacher of Christ, came to plant the Christian faith. It was a tremendous place to come to: a thriving commercial center, full of people, full of business, full of life and activity. Religions and philosophies vied with each other for pride of place in this great metropolis. Vice and immorality also found great space and scope for their activities. If the faith could be planted here, it could quickly spread to that whole area of southern Greece.

Paul established a strong community of believers, but it was not long before trouble broke out. It was hard enough to live the Christian life in an environment as complex as Corinth, but even harder when internal dissension broke out. Factions and in-fighting developed as people vied to be truer Christians than others. Dissension such as this casts a shadow over people's lives. Living with arguments and quarrels is like living in darkness and in the shadow of death. Paul has to write to the people and remind them to turn their gaze to the one



person who really matters – Jesus Christ. It is this person, this name, this life that unites us. Let the darkness of our squabbling cease, and let us turn our eyes to the source of our joy, the Lord himself.

On the day Christ died, darkness covered the earth from the sixth hour until the ninth hour. The sun was blotted out, and the day became as black as night. But on Easter day the Son of God rose from the dead, and light returned to this earth. As Paul tells us, no clever philosophy could explain this or understand it. It is God's doing, and we, who live together in the darkness of this world, have experienced the coming again of the light of life.

Our world is dark enough. Everywhere on earth there is dissension and civil war. People turn against each other, shouting their slogans, waving their flags, and breathing death and destruction to the foe.

For the sake of justice and for the cause of peace, we cannot continue to live in the dark. Violence must not provoke us into wrongdoing or hostility with others. Paul tells us today – be united in your belief and in your practice. As the spiritual experience of eclipse and darkness might teach us – there is only one God, and we are all God's children.

*In the Light of Christ,*

*Fr. Bob*

**Fr. Bob  
Pastor**

# Parish School



### DATES TO REMEMBER

Catholic Schools Week Open House.....Jan. 29  
 Second Trimester Ends.....Feb. 24  
 St. Cletus Spring Auction.....April 1

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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### Annual Winter Fest

Our Family School Association (FSA) sponsored the annual Winter Fest for our students in preschool through 3rd grade. This is a highly anticipated event where students play games, taste delicious treats, and enjoy fun filled activities — including making masks – to pass a cold winter evening. The event couldn't happen without our Junior High students who work the craft tables, and run the winter inspired games.



### Tournament Champs

Our 8th Grade Boys Basketball team won the Saint Cyril's and Methodius Basketball Tournament School in Lemont over the past weekend. The Cardinals defeated St. Domain in the championship game on Sunday. Congratulations to the players coaches and a big thank you to all the fans and friends that came out to support them.



### Thank you to our Faculty and Staff

Our teachers nurture each and every child... building confidence and self-image. Children learn to believe in themselves and their abilities and ultimately develop a strong sense of who God intended them to be. We thank our teachers and staff for their dedication and commitment to St. Cletus School.



### Kindergarten Religion Class

Our Kindergarten classes are working on faith formation and kindness using visual cues to show how kind acts grow. We began with "kindness bricks," in keeping with our Wizard of Oz theme. Children put their names on a brick each time they were caught doing something kind. Now we have mittens that the kids are putting a heart sticker on for the theme, "God's love keeps us warm."

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



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January 21, 2017

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As a new year begins, I want to assure you of my prayers for you, your families, and your parish communities. I also want to share some important information about *Renew My Church*.

As you may already know, *Renew My Church* is an archdiocesan initiative that involves all the people of the archdiocese and their faith communities. The goal of *Renew My Church* is to make our parishes more vital and more sustainable. We do this not on our own initiative but in response to the call of Christ, which was first heard by those disciples recounted in today's gospel. The call is the same as it was in those early days of the Church: to be His disciples and take responsibility for carrying on His mission in our time. The place to start is by working together to make our parishes vibrant communities that form missionary disciples of Jesus. This will also mean being realistic about our limited human and material resources and evaluating how our present structures may need to be organized differently to keep pace with changing realities.

A very important part of the process of *Renew My Church* are the parish groupings that will work to plan for the future and discern where God is leading us. After receiving consultation and feedback from you, the priests of the diocese, and parish pastoral councils, we are announcing the groupings today. Your parish will be part of a grouping that will enable you to assess, plan, and discern how best to meet the needs of the future in a way that is both reasonable and in conformity with God's will for us.

Each grouping will have guidance for its process of reflection and discernment. Everything, however, begins with building relationships across parishes in a given grouping. That means getting to know each other and perhaps sharing some common projects or events, such as retreats, lectures, or community service for those in need. With future guidance and facilitation, this will develop in more specific planning and discernment directions. Today, your pastor will share a list of the parishes in your grouping.

*Renew My Church* will undoubtedly involve leaving behind familiar patterns and demand that we move outside our comfort zones. In a word, it will require sacrifice, but that has always been true for the Church whenever we have taken up new challenges. I am convinced that we are up to the task, and willing to do whatever it takes to build our capacity to pass on our faith to future generations. That is what is at stake in the *Renew My Church* process. I encourage you to become involved and pray for its success.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Card. Blase J. Cupich".

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich  
Archbishop of Chicago

## Social Concerns Ministry

### Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Diapers
- Dish Soap
- Canned beans
- Dry pinto beans
- Monetary donations

Donations can be dropped off before or after masses or anytime daily between 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex.



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UNHEALTHY  
RELATIONSHIP  
OR ARE YOU  
AFRAID IN YOUR  
OWN HOME?

CALL THE  
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FOR HELP:  
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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
— ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO —  
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION

*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

#### Monthly Domestic Violence Support Group

If you or someone close to you is experiencing domestic violence this group may be very helpful.

The objective of the group is to provide all a chance to talk about domestic violence and share questions, concerns and experiences with others who are facing - or who have faced - similar situations in confidence.

Please contact Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com) or 708.215.5418 for more information.

#### Archdiocesan Domestic Violence Outreach

##### Who Are the Victims?

<sup>1</sup>Twenty-five percent of American women and eight percent of American men will experience domestic violence at some point in their lives. Children are very often witnesses and victims themselves.

This statistic does not include the vast number of unreported incidents of violence.

There is no evidence that the prevalence of domestic violence is any lower within faith communities.

##### What is Domestic Violence?

<sup>2</sup>Domestic violence (also known as spouse abuse, partner violence, intimate-partner violence, battering, and numerous other terms) is a pattern of coercion used by one person to exert power and control over another person in the context of a dating, family, or household relationship. The spectrum of domestic violence includes much more than physical assault. Domestic violence encompasses a constellation of controlling behaviors that include:

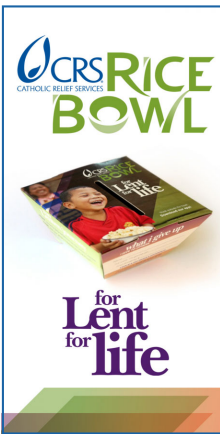
- Actual or threatened physical harm, psychological abuse, and forced sexual contact;
- Economic control;
- Social isolation;
- Destruction of a victim's property, keepsakes, or personal possessions;
- Abuse of animals/pets;
- Misuse of divine beings or religious beliefs, practices, teachings and traditions as well as asserting male superiority and attributing abusive behavior to cultural traditions.

These behaviors can occur in any combination, sporadically or chronically, over a period of up to several decades.

Most victims of domestic violence are women in heterosexual relationships. Men in heterosexual relationships can also be victims of domestic violence, in addition to both women and men in same-sex relationships. Regardless of culture, race, religion, or socio-economic class, approximately 90 percent of reported domestic violence cases involve men who abuse women.

*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 purple box to the left. **You are not alone.***

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**



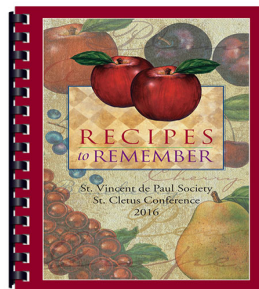
We are in need of some helping hands in assembling the rice bowls to be used in this year’s parish Lenten Almsgiving Project, which will support Catholic Relief Service’s humanitarian efforts throughout the world. This project will take place in **St. Cletus Education Building-Room 213** as follows:

**Wednesday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:15-5:15 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m.**

Students must be in at least 6<sup>th</sup> grade to participate. Adults of all ages welcomed! Please contact Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com or 708.215.5418) to sign up to help. Thank you!

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Cookbooks will be available again for purchase before/after Masses February 11-12! During the weekdays you can still purchase books in the Rectory. Checks should be made payable to SVDP.



All proceeds go to the charitable works of our SVDP conference, helping individuals and families right here in our neighborhood. Proceeds from your purchase of a cookbook literally puts food on tables, keeps the heat and electric running and keeps roofs over heads. Thank you!!

The cookbook is \$15 and contains almost 500 recipes from parishioners, families and friends. The cookbook includes: appetizers, soups and dips, salads, main dishes, vegetables and sides, deserts, cakes, cookies and brownies, breads and rolls and more! The St. Cletus St. Vincent de Paul Society Cookbook makes for a great Valentine’s Day gift! Questions? Call Jerry at 630-849-5857.

**WORD OF LIFE**



“From each tiny child waiting to be born, to individuals nearing death, all are precious and deserve our care and protection. ... Let's ask God to make us channels of his loving mercy.”

— Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan, Chairman USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities  
2016 Respect Life Month Statement

**9 DAYS FOR LIFE STARTS JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>**



The U.S. bishops annual novena 9 Days for Life takes place Saturday, January 21 – Sunday, January 29. Pray for the respect and protection of all human life with new intentions, brief reflections, and more each day.

Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, email, text message or an app. Join at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)!

**A NOTE FROM THE ST. CLETUS PARISH RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE**

January 22nd is the 44<sup>TH</sup> anniversary of Roe vs Wade when the Supreme Court legalized abortion at any stage in the United States.

4,400 babies die EACH DAY from abortion!

ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED AND SIX THOUSAND (1,606,000) each year! Over 54 million babies killed since the Supreme Court decision in 1973.

-United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

**JANUARY 23: DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN**



The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22\* (also the anniversary of Roe v. Wade) as a particular day of prayer and penance in Dioceses of the United States of America, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.”

\*Because January 22 falls on a Sunday this year, the designated observance for 2017 is Monday, January 23.

# Youth Ministry

## MISSION TRIP 2017

Are you being called to “bring good news to the poor?”



young neighbors *in action* ▶▶

Our Mission Trip this summer is organized by Young Neighbors in Action and will take place July 16th-22nd. We will serve the community of South Bend, IN. The exact details of our work are still being worked out, but possibilities include serving at one of many organizations set up to minister to the homeless and centers for at-risk children.

Registration details are available on the website. If you are interested, please submit your application ASAP. Applications are due by February 3rd, but space is limited and does fill up quickly! This is open to high school students who will have completed 9th grade and above.

We are also looking for adult chaperones who are willing to join us. Without you, this opportunity cannot be offered. Contact Elizabeth for details to see if this is something meant for you!

## ENCOUNTER SMALL GROUPS



Our next gathering for Encounter Small Groups is Sunday, January 22 from 4:00 - 5:30 pm!

Join us for conversation and fellowship! All are welcome.

## REGISTRATION FOR KAIROS 25 IS COMING UP!

Kairos 25 will take place March 16-19, 2017. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. This experience is open to high school juniors and seniors.



The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration! The application is available on the St. Cletus website as well as at [www.stjohnofthecross.org](http://www.stjohnofthecross.org)!

## SEND-OFF RALLY FOR MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, DC

This Wednesday, January 25th, all of those attending the National March for Life in DC will gather at St. Cletus to pray and load buses. More than six busloads of people will represent the Chicago archdiocese. All are welcome to gather at St. Cletus to pray for the March and to show our support through a short Rally for Life. This will take place from 7-8 pm, and teens are needed to help greet those arriving. If you are interested in helping, please contact Elizabeth !

Elizabeth Tomasek, Youth Ministry Director  
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[www.stcletusparish.com/youth](http://www.stcletusparish.com/youth)

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# SUNDAY NOTES

## January 21, 2017

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

### LIBERATION AND REFORM

While you might have to reach for an atlas to determine that Isaiah is speaking about Galilee, today’s first reading (part of which was read at Christmas) is prophetic of Jesus’ future ministry in that province. The light that brings salvation and rejoicing is, ultimately, Christ. Liberation is the theme: liberation from both ignorance (“darkness”) and sin (the “yoke”).

As Isaiah identifies a place, so Paul describes an attitude: the attitude that develops, even among good people, of equating their own will with the common good. This always brings dissension, and so it has done in Corinth. Paul will not allow this; we are all members of “Christ’s party.” The gospel is not to divide us.

Matthew quotes from Isaiah in today’s Gospel, presenting Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecies. The theme is “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 4:17). To spread this message, Jesus begins to select disciples, four of whom we meet today: Peter, Andrew, James, and John.

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### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — The burdens that were once laid upon the people have been vanquished (Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

**Second Reading** — Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you. (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

**Gospel** — After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee teaching, proclaiming the gospel, and curing the people (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30,
- Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8, 10-11; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:21-35
- Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
- Tuesday: St. Francis de Sales
- Wednesday: The Conversion of St. Paul; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends
- Thursday: Ss. Timothy and Titus
- Friday: St. Angela Merici
- Saturday: St. Thomas Aquinas

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It’s still months away, but parish ministers, especially if they are involved in the catechumenate, have their eyes on Lent and the Easter Triduum. Until fairly recent times, the last few days before Easter were shaped by an awareness of the Passion, but the faithful were left to their own devices about how to engage with these mysteries. A thousand years ago, the Easter Vigil as a solemn and central moment of initiation had vanished. By the early 1950s it was a minor moment in parish life, celebrated on Holy Saturday morning, usually with only the priests and a handful of invited guests. Most people understood it as necessary only for blessing the paschal candle and preparing the Easter water. People who were children during World War II sometimes remember that the weekly noontime test of the air-raid sirens on Holy Saturday signaled the end of Lent.

Today, of course, we see Holy Saturday as entirely within the paschal fast, and hardly the time for children to be tearing through the plastic grass looking for jelly beans and chocolate eggs. These memories point to a total collapse of the once-central liturgies of the Christian year. This impoverishment of the liturgy was mostly an accident of history. The root cause was the loss of Lent as a time focused on the final formation of catechumens for the Easter sacraments. By 1880, scholars began to piece together a vision of what once had been, and slowly, at first in a handful of monasteries in Europe, pieces of the tradition were rediscovered and celebrated.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Other Ministry Notes

### MASS AT THE LA GRANGE HOSPITAL



Come and Join us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and to pray for the sick every Wednesday at 11:30am in the Chapel of La Grange Memorial Hospital.

Thanks and Blessings for the New Year,

*Fr. Lorenzo*

### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL AUCTION



**Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Capri Banquets, Countryside

Watch Final Four games on a  
HUGE 9x11 screen!

Raffles, DJ, Live and Silent Auction,  
great food & drinks!

[auction.stcletusschool.com](http://auction.stcletusschool.com)

### ST. CLETUS WEDDING MINISTRY

The St. Cletus Wedding Ministry cordially invites all parishioners, male and female, to join this ministry. We work in teams assisting the parish staff with wedding rehearsals and wedding day facilitation. Wedding ministers help to organize and run the wedding rehearsals. On the wedding day, ministers are responsible for setting up the Sacristy and making sure that all things are running smoothly and on time. The ministers pick wedding dates to fit their schedules. For more info, please contact Bobbie Kallal at (708) 352-6209.



*Wedding Ministry*

### ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES - CABARET



**Friday, Feb. 3rd**

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., Entertainment begins 8 p.m.

Cabaret! Piano Bar Night in Morrissey Hall to benefit the Ed Ward Fine Arts Series. Admission is \$40 in advance, \$45 at the door, which includes entertainment, beer, wine and appetizers. There will also be raffles and a split the pot! Must be 21+ to attend. We are excited to have Andrew Blendermann and Tony Kidonakis back on dueling pianos providing musical fun and entertainment.

Tickets and information are available in the Narthex after Masses this weekend and next. Must be 21+ to attend.

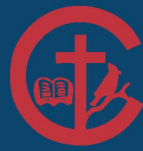
RSVP online today at [www.edwardfas.com](http://www.edwardfas.com).

### VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS



This interactive series of Virtual Workshops™ will explore the theological, practical, and spiritual aspects of serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Workshops are \$10 each.

Visit <http://www.ltp.org/s-47-virtual-workshops.aspx> to register or contact Paulette Bolton at [pbolton@stcletusparish.com](mailto:pbolton@stcletusparish.com) for more information



# St. Cletus School

FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

700 W. 55<sup>th</sup> St. · La Grange, IL · (708) 352-4820 · [www.stcletusschool.com](http://www.stcletusschool.com)

You are invited to our Catholic Schools Week Open House

## Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

St. Cletus builds a strong foundation for life-long learning and recognizes the diverse talents and individual learning styles of our students. We offer certified programs from pre-school through eighth grade. Our focus on academics, religious education and spiritual development balanced with extracurricular activities supports our mission to develop well-rounded students.

Of the many important decisions you'll make in life, few are more significant than the ones that affect your children. And of all those choices, selecting a school may well prove to be the most important.

- ✿ Faith Based Education from Preschool through Eighth Grade
- ✿ Half-day and Full-day Preschool for 3 and 4 year olds
- ✿ Half-day and Full-day Kindergarten
- ✿ Extended Care
- ✿ Nationally Recognized for Academic Excellence
- ✿ Rigorous Curriculum including Spanish, Art, Music, PE, Science Lab, Technology Learning Center and Library
- ✿ Athletic Opportunities and Extra-Curricular Activities
- ✿ Caring Community
- ✿ Technology Integrated into Classrooms and Curriculum

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## Community Bulletin Board

### REFLECT RETREAT FOR SINGLES



Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Looking to start 2017 off with a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Then register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Mundelein, IL (in the northern suburbs), Feb.17-19, 2017. Take a chance and get involved... this is one New Year's resolution you won't regret! Cost is \$197 for meals and a single room. Call (312) 532-8286, or e-mail us at [reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com), or visit our website [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com) for details.

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him." Let us answer God's call to make our marriages the best they can be by attending a WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend on February 17-19, 2017, April 7-9, 2017 or June 9-11, 2017, all at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwme-chicagoland.org>.



### LA GRANGE PET PARADE ART CONTEST



Attention Kids in Grades K-6, the La Grange Pet Parade is having an art contest! Winner to be named this year's Junior Grand Marshal and ride in their own V.I.P. convertible during the parade!

Download the coloring page from [lagrangepetparade.org](http://lagrangepetparade.org). Deadline: January 31, 2017. Coloring page can be mailed to: La Grange Pet Parade at P.O. Box 707, La Grange, IL 60525 or scan your entry and emailed it to: [molly@lagrangepetparade.org](mailto:molly@lagrangepetparade.org)

### PILLARS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Pillars is currently looking for volunteers to become Crisis Advocates. Help provide advocacy and crisis intervention to domestic and sexual violence victims and their families. Attend the 40-hour training beginning February 15.



## Pillars

Training Dates: Orientation will be held Wednesday, February 15, 6 pm-8 pm. Training sessions will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 6 pm-9:15 pm, from February 15-March 22.

Location: 8020 W. 87th Street, Hickory Hills, IL 60457

Cost: \$50 (for training materials)

For more information: Register online at [www.pillarscommunity.org](http://www.pillarscommunity.org) or contact Anika Sterling Florez at 708.995.3877 or [aflorez@pillarscommunity.org](mailto:aflorez@pillarscommunity.org).

### MAYSLAKE MINISTRIES

#### 2017 Healthcare Professionals' Retreat Spiritual Makeover: Putting on God's Mantle of Love

March 6-8, 2017 from 8 pm Monday - Noon Wednesday  
Carmelite Spiritual Center  
8419 Bailey Rd, Darien, IL  
Presented by: Fr. Kurt Boras and Chris Grano



Cost: \$350. Register online: [www.mayslakeministries.org](http://www.mayslakeministries.org) or by phone: 630.852.9000

### THE LEGACY GUILD



#### Scholarship Applications

Do you know a student in LT School District 204 who has lost a parent and is in need of college scholarship help?

The Legacy Guild, a La Grange-area not-for-profit that was formed in 2012, will be accepting applications from 1/10/17 – 3/24/17. Deadline is March 24th for the 2017-2018 school year. See "TheLegacyGuild.com", and select Scholars and see Application section for more details.

#### Spring Event

The Legacy Guild – Feb 25th Spring Event at Fitzgerald's Nightclub in Berwyn.

Help us provide college scholarships for local students who lost a parent. Sponsor the event, purchase tickets to attend, donate auction prizes! All are appreciated!

[www.TheLegacyGuild.com](http://www.TheLegacyGuild.com), Bob Bock at 708-646-9047

### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION

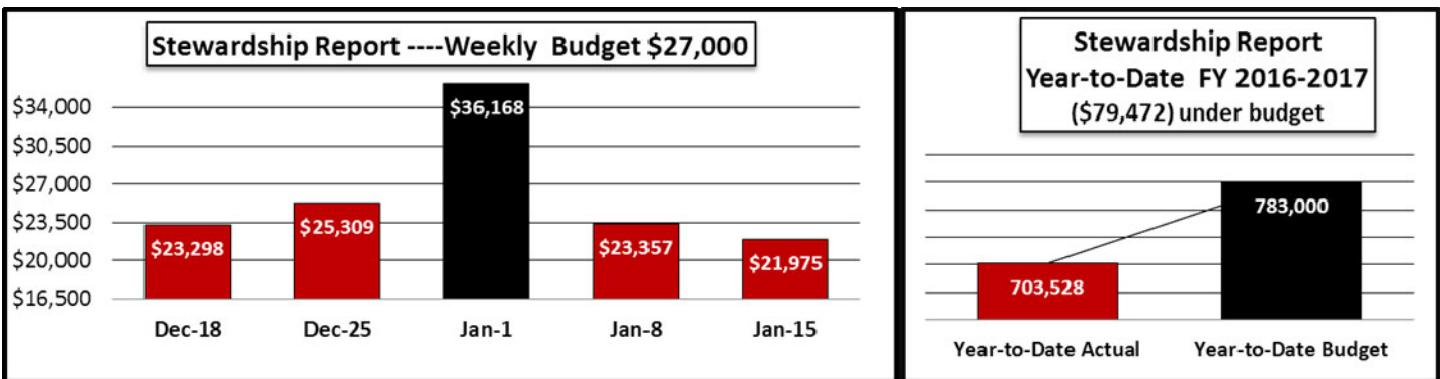
Please note that all Canticle articles are to be sent to [canticle@stcletusparish.com](mailto:canticle@stcletusparish.com). Please send as text with pictures separate. All articles are due no later than 5 p.m. Friday a full week (nine days) before Sunday's publication.

# Week at a Glance

C...Church	S...School (Education Building)	Narthex...Church Vestibule	RB...Rectory Basement	MH...Morrissey Hall
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	
Sunday, January 22	All Masses All Masses 4:00pm	Narthex Narthex S Rm 201/208	Respect Life Committee Cabaret Ticket Sales Youth Ministry Teen Encounter Small Groups	
Monday, January 23	4:00pm 8:30pm	S Music Rm MH	Junior Choir Rehearsal Men's Basketball	
Tuesday, January 24	6:30pm 7:00pm 8:00pm 9:00pm	RB Rectory S Rm 207 MH	PPC Meeting RCIA Men's Prayer Group Boy's Church League Basketball	
Wednesday, January 25	9:00am 7:00pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	RB S Rm 98 Church MH	Mission Ladies CREDO National March for Life Gathering and Send Off Boy's Church League Basketball	
Thursday, January 26	5:00pm 7:30pm 9:00pm	S Music Rm S Music Rm MH	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boy's Church League Basketball	
Friday, January 27				
Saturday, January 28	11:00am 5:00pm	Church Narthex	First Reconciliation Cabaret Ticket Sales	
Sunday, January 29	All Masses 10:30am	Narthex School	Cabaret Ticket Sales Catholic Schools Week Open House	

# Stewardship Report

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT



## YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY


As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2016 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the rectory @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email [bkallal@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bkallal@stcletusparish.com) and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

# St. Cletus Parish Information

## CONTACT US

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 www.stcletusparish.com  stcletuschurch

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru 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 the month at 11:00 a.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

## 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

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

*Holy Hour* first Tuesday of the month 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
*Hispanic Adoration* continues 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

## 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

Rev. Robert Clark, *Pastor*  
 Rev. Kenneth Baker, *Associate Pastor*  
 Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa, *Associate Pastor*  
 Rev. Ron Anglim, *Weekend Associate*  
 Rev. Mr. Jesús & Silvia Casas, *Deacon Couple*  
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