



Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**"I have made you a light to the Gentiles,
that you may be an instrument of
salvation to the ends of the earth."**

— Acts 13:47b

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Mass Intentions for the Week of May 13 - 19, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention - David Biagi, Mary Cranny
Tuesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	David Mock
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Joe Saban, Louis Kadlec
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Frank Lesh
Saturday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Marilyn Matesevac
	Fr. Baker	5:00 p.m.	Marcie & Walter Johnston, John Brooks, Ken Kakareka, Jim Deslauriers, Patrick O'Connell, Al & Agnes Hinton
Sunday	Fr. Clark	7:00 a.m.	George Duda, Ken Baetzel, John & Frances Kennedy, Margaret Gohsman, Patrick Mahoney, Marilyn Matesevac
	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker, Ted Gajos, Ann Smith
	Fr. Baker	9:30 a.m.	Myron Wroblewski, Eileen McMillin, Alice Kutta, Frank Skrip Sr.
	Fr. Baker	11:00 a.m.	Jozef Pabin, Anthony Perkovich
	Fr. Flores	12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners

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

David Mock

Son of Tony and Louise Mock

Sharon Smilanich

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.

May - Roxy Brown, Frank Colonna, Robert Gavin, Rosario Martinez, Helene Novalich, Margaret Pirman, Leo & Gloria Rivera, Ann Scheer, Laura Terrazino

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

March - Joan Clark, John Duda, Alice Dunkovich, Ola Maveety, Rachael Schopp, Ronald Kruczek, Daniella DeRivera, Dr. Max Scheyerer, Eleanor Artemenko, Gerda E. Dorso, Cherie Franzen, Patricia Rodey, Ron Ramsey, John Sheil, Michael Stoinski, Virginia Gebka, Yesenia Guzman, Jean Weekley

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

SECOND COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES ON MOTHER'S DAY

There will be a second collection after Masses this weekend. Thank you for giving to Catholic Charities today to help the mothers, children, and seniors from our community who are struggling. You can also contribute online at www.catholiccharities.net/donate or mail your check directly to Catholic Charities at 721 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60454.



Light the Way



SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND



Living Our Faith, Building Our Future
The Final Phase

Next weekend there will be a second collection to support the Living our Faith, Building our Future Capital Campaign. Thank you for your continued generous support.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

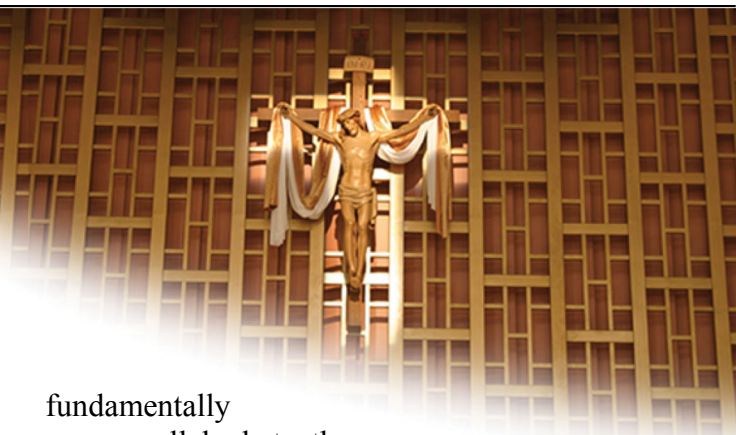
St. Paul had been a senior Pharisee and the local Jews might have first thought of him as a visiting celebrity. Imagine their horror to find him preaching about Jesus and preaching to the pagans too. Paul makes clear that he has come not to his fellow Jews but to all who will accept Jesus. The whole book of the Acts of the Apostles charts this move away from the idea of the Good News being for the people of Israel alone, and towards a global Church of believers of all nations. We are so familiar with the idea of a global Church that it can come as a surprise to remember that this was such a radical idea. St. Paul paid for his radical ways over and over again as he was repeatedly ejected from places where he preached, was imprisoned multiple times and was finally executed.

Our second reading, from the book of the Apocalypse, describes John's vision of the great crowd of the saved from all nations. Again this reinforces the idea of Jesus as the savior not just of the Jews but of the whole world.

Jesus' words in today's Gospel are a bit more subtle. In other parts of the Gospels, Jesus welcomes those who are not Jewish – Romans, Samaritans and those rejected by Jewish society. But in today's passage he uses the metaphor of sheep and their shepherd. It's an image we frequently find in the Bible: King David had been a shepherd boy, the psalm "The Lord is my Shepherd" talks of God's care for us, and Jesus tells the parable of the lost sheep. In today's Gospel reading Jesus promises that his sheep will be cared for; and that these sheep will not just be cared for in this life, but will have eternal life and can never be lost.

We are lucky enough to be part of that great flock of sheep. Through the actions of the apostles and their successors, God's word has been made available across the world. And over the centuries it has spread to people of all nations. All these people are part of the great flock who look to Jesus as their shepherd and who listen to his voice.

This global family of Christians does not just provide us with the community we have here on earth. More

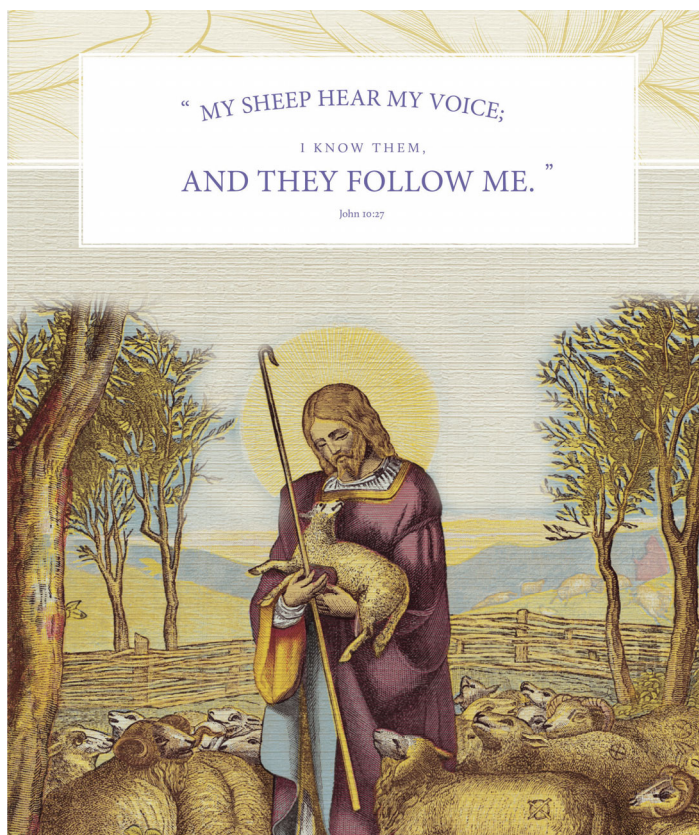


fundamentally we can all look to the promise of salvation, which Jesus offers us in today's Gospel. We are promised the greatest gift of all: not just a level of love and mercy in this world which is beyond our deserving, but the promise of eternal life. All we are asked to do is to listen to the word of Jesus our shepherd.

Easter Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Bob

Fr. Bob Clark
Pastor



Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

May 139am School Mass - May Crowning
 May 178th Grade Ribbon Ceremony
 May 21 9am School Prayer Service

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Tom Chinske, Principal **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**
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INSPIRATION LEADS TO GENEROSITY

St. Cletus School presented a check for \$5,000.00 to Sister Rosemary Connelly, RSM Executive Director of Misericordia on Wednesday, May 8th. Our student council raised these funds by hosting \$1 Dress down days throughout the school year. Their inspiration for this event was Patrick Clancy the son of our former 5th grade teacher, Joanne Clancy.

Misericordia which is operated by the sisters of Mercy under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Misericordia, Heart of Mercy, supports more than 600 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Visit their website, www.misericordia.com.



HISTORY FAIR

Earlier this year our 7th graders participated in the History Fair. This annual project encourages students to immerse themselves into the historical research process and develop research and historical analysis skills. This year the students looked at a historical event through the lens of this year's theme, Triumph or Tragedy. After participating in the school-level event, students were selected to go to the regional fair in Chicago. From there four students had the chance to travel to Illinois History Day, the state level of competition in Springfield! Our students did a magnificent job and achieved the accolades listed below:

- Michael M.:** *The 1968 West Side Riots* - Excellent Ribbon
- Morgan B.:** *The Chicago Freedom Movement* - Superior Ribbon
- Colleen R.:** *The Julia Lathrop Homes: From Triumph to Tragedy to Triumph?* - Superior Ribbon
- Julia L.:** *Danger in the Mines* - Outstanding Ribbon

CARDINAL OPEN GOLF OUTING



NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

April 23-24 our St. Cletus School Teachers spent two days of prayer and professional development at the NCEA conference in Chicago.



Religious Education

FINDING EASTER JOY WITH YOUR FAMILY

We survived the 40 days of Lent. How are you spending your 50 days of Easter joy? Remember, Easter is not just a single Sunday; it is a season that lasts 50 days. Here are some ideas for things that we can do to increase our Easter joy in our families:

1. Spend time together. Relationships are the heart of our families, and bring us happiness and joy. Spending time with those people that you love, is a sure fire way to increase joy. Don't forget to spend time with God in prayer or at Mass each week!
2. Hug. Showing your love for each other brings about a burst of joy, and increases the brain chemicals that promote bonding and positivity.
3. Spend time in nature. Nature is food for the soul. Nature inspires us to be grateful, active, respectful and in awe. Reflect on God's gift to us!
4. Serve. As a family, find people to serve. Do "good deeds" for fun. Cook a meal or visit with someone who is struggling. Sign up as a family to volunteer at our Food Pantry. Doing acts of service strengthen your family and make more grateful for the blessings we have.
5. Be grateful. When we appreciate the blessings we have, our sense of wellbeing and joy increases. As a family, take the time each day to say out loud something we are grateful for.
6. Slow down. As a family, put down the phones and hand held devices, turn off the television, take a time out from our hectic schedules and be with each other – fully attentive to each person, their feelings and their needs. Make room in our hectic lives for each other.
7. Play. When we play, we communicate, bond, and laugh. Make the time to play with each other.

During these weeks of Easter joy, I pray you can find the time to do some of these ideas to increase joy in your families.

REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR'S RE CLASSES!

Registration has begun for the 2019-2020 academic year. Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re or in the RE Office at the School or in the Parish Rectory. Classes for grades 1-8 are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:45 a.m. or Monday evening from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Early Childhood classes for

Pre-3 to Kindergarten are held on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Special Needs classes are held two Sundays a month from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

VBS IS BACK!



Please join us for a fun week this summer at our Vacation Bible School! We are hosting ROAR! the week of June 17-21, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. each day! Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re or in the Religious Education Office or Parish Center Office.

VBS LEADERS



Once again St. Cletus Parish is looking for special volunteers who will help us to host a week of Summer Fun! **Adult leaders** facilitate the sessions and **Jr. High** and **High School** age students lead our groups of children during the Vacation Bible School. It is a *great opportunity for service experiences* as well. The dates and hours are: **June 17-21, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** Please consider joining us.

For more information, please contact Barb Campbell,
Director of Religious Education
bcampbell@stcletusparish.com | 708.352.2383

Social Concerns Ministry

ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- Flavored Rice or noodle sides
- Cereal
- Dry pinto beans (1-2 lb bags)
- Baby food and formula
- Extras: jello, pudding, cookies, crackers, salad dressings, sauces
- Kitchen Items: aluminum foil, waxed paper, plastic wrap, food storage bags, etc.

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).

Thanks to everyone who stopped by the Food Pantry Open House last weekend! It was great to meet so many new faces! If you are interested in volunteering, you can view slots and sign up at: <http://bit.ly/2GrgAWt>

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

CELEBRATING A FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEER



We were thrilled to celebrate Marilyn Chopp at the Aging Care Connections GEM awards today. Marilyn is 82 years young and started volunteering at the pantry almost a year ago. You may know her as "the bagel lady" as she works the bagel table on Thursday nights making sure each family gets the exact flavors of bagels they would like. We love her welcoming smile, intentional interactions, and genuine interest in both clients and volunteers. She even helps "after hours" delivering surplus bagels to the local firehouse and other neighbors in the community. Thank you, Marilyn!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH



One Love Film and Workshop for High School Teens

When: Thursday, May 23 7:00pm

Where: St. Cletus Parish Center

Description: One Love Escalation Workshop for teens.

What is it? A film and discussion about how to recognize unhealthy relationship behaviors that may lead to violence.

Why? We believe the more people know about how to recognize and navigate healthy relationships, the less likely abuse will occur in relationships.

Sponsored by the St. Cletus Domestic Violence Outreach Committee and the La Grange Celtics Soccer Club.

For more information: <https://www.joinonelove.org/about/>

DV Support Group

If you or someone close to you is experiencing domestic violence, this group may be very helpful. Contact Kendall Grant for more information.

Domestic Violence General Contact Information

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 purple box to the right.

You are not alone.



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www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org



INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Winning the Interview: Tools and Strategies for Your Success

Your great resume, active networking, and positive persistence earned you a fantastic interview opportunity. BE READY! Join us in supercharging your interviewing skills with the tools, resources, and strategies that will make "selling yourself" easy, natural, and maybe even fun. Your ability to identify and articulate your strengths and

achievements is mission critical in helping your next employer feel GREAT about bringing you on board. Our speaker is Jody Eriksen, a Certified Advanced Career Coach. Spend some of your valuable time with us on Thursday, May 16, 7-9 pm at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs. You will leave energized, informed and motivated!

Quarterly Resume Review

Join us on Saturday, May 18 from 9:30-11:30 am for a helpful one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional. You'll leave with new ideas and suggestions to enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with your elevator speech? Looking for updates and tips on LinkedIn? This is a terrific opportunity to add impact and clarity to your existing resume. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost for this service. We look forward to seeing you at the St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 W. 55th Street in La Grange.

Interfaith Career Network (ICN) offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

MOTHER'S DAY BABY SHOWER

This weekend the Area Respect Life Ministry is hosting the 28th annual Mother's Day Baby Shower and Carnation Sale in the Church Narthex after all Masses.

All gifts collected will be distributed to mothers and babies in need in our own parish community and the Women's Care Center right here in LaGrange.

Most needed Items: Newborn onesies (boys/girls), 3T/4T/5T summer clothing (boys/girls), Desitin, Baby wash, shampoo, lotion, Swaddle blankets, Muslin blankets, Fitted crib sheets, Diapers (size 3-6), and Breastfeeding pillows.

All items should be new. Please do not wrap gift donations. Thank you!

WORD OF LIFE



“If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple. Seek his guidance, and let the healing power of prayer, a conversation in which ‘heart speaks unto heart,’ strengthen you.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility”

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Thank you to everyone who donated items to the SVDP donation collection. We filled the truck in record time this year! We are so sorry if your donation was turned away or if you loaded up your car only to find out that the truck was full. We know so many of you intentionally cleared our closets and extra spaces just for this event and we regret that we were not able to accommodate the overwhelming amount of donations. If you still have items you would like to donate, we recommend utilizing the SVDP drop off bin in the St. Francis Xavier parking lot or Goodwill. Thank you!

A LITANY FOR MOTHER'S DAY

We remember Sarai who was taunted by others in the household because of her inability to have children. All-encompassing God we pray for those who feel excluded when we emphasize one kind of family as normal.

We remember Esther, who was adopted and raised by her cousin. God who embraces us all, we pray for those who cannot be raised by their parents, for a short time or permanently.

We remember the mother of Moses, who placed him into a raft on the river. Saving God, we pray for parents who struggle to raise their children in oppressive circumstances.

We remember Hannah, who loved her child so much she handed him over to another to raise. Loving God, we pray for parents who have placed their child in another family.

We remember Naomi, who grieved the death of her sons. God, who grieves with us, we pray for parents who mourn the death of a child.

We remember Ruth, who gave up her family to be family to another. Inclusive God, we pray for those who choose to be family to those isolated by culture or language or distance.

We remember Elizabeth, who had a child in old age and we remember Mary, who had a child as a teenager. Ageless God, we pray that as a community we accept people of varying life stages and responsibilities and relationships.

We remember Rachel, crying for her children. God of justice and hope, we pray for those whose children are killed, and look to a time when children can live safely in their communities.

We remember Lois and Eunice, who taught Timothy faith by example. Faithful God we pray for those who teach us faith by their lives, may we remember that we also teach about you in the way we live.

We remember other people, not named in the Scriptures, like the mother of the prodigal son. Companion God, we pray for those who wait for a phone call or a visit, cut off from family and friends by distance and disagreement.

Nurturing God, we give thanks for those who enrich our lives by their presence who teach us about your abundant love who encourage us to journey in faith.

~Rev. Patty Lawrence

Sunday Notes

May 12, 2019 | Fourth Sunday of Easter



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SHEPHERDS LIKE JESUS

Each year this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrates Jesus the Good Shepherd. Today's Gospel seems especially timely, for as Christians worldwide suffer persecution like Paul and Barnabas, Jesus promises his sheep enduring, invincible safety: "They shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." But we who are free to live our faith peacefully sometimes take our membership in Jesus' flock for granted, wandering astray to seek our own pleasure and prosperity. The simple cross that Pope Francis always wears seems to show us how Jesus responds to that. Francis's cross features an image of Jesus, who has sought and found a lost sheep, then joyfully set it on his shoulders to carry it gently home. May Good Shepherd Sunday inspire us, so often lost and found ourselves, to assist Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home our fellow precious lambs.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

Psalm — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

Second Reading — I had a vision of a great multitude (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

Gospel — My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

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MOTHER BLEST

Though she was the Mother of the Lord, yet she desired to learn the precepts of the Lord, and she who brought forth God, yet desired to know God.

—St. Ambrose

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Monday: Our Lady of Fatima

Tuesday: St. Matthias

Wednesday: St. Isidore the Farmer

Saturday: St. John I; Armed Forces Day

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The reception of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass is such an expected feature of the Mass these days that it is surprising to realize that for many centuries, receiving Communion was a relatively rare event in the life of a faithful Christian. "Easter duty" means that Catholics must celebrate reconciliation if aware of serious sin, and receive Holy Communion during the Easter season. For a while, this was a requirement of Easter week, and later extended to the whole season of fifty days, and even beyond that by a few weeks. For the majority of people long ago, this meant Communion was a once-a-year moment. A rather complex bureaucracy grew up around this rule in the Middle Ages. Amazingly, people received a kind of token at confession admitting them to Communion in their home parish, which then kept careful records and reported them to the bishop.

Surviving records can tell us a great deal about our ancestors. In fact, people were encouraged to journey to the church of their baptism in order to fulfill their duty, and therefore the Easter duty includes in its origins a grateful pilgrimage to the font in which you were first embraced by Christ. If your "Holy Mother Church" is within a drive, why not make a pilgrimage to that font a feature of your Easter celebration of these fifty days?

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Youth Ministry News

St. Cletus Youth Ministry WEEK OF SERVICE

Monday, July 15th – Saturday, July 20th

Current 8th Graders through Current High School Seniors

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 serving that week.

Those ministries include:



Precious Blood
Ministry of Reconciliation



Saint James
CATHOLIC CHURCH
FOOD PANTRY



St. Cletus
Food Pantry

REGISTER TODAY:

Current 8th Graders through Current High School Students can register for the 2019 Week of Service on the Youth Ministry Page of the St. Cletus Parish Website.

QUESTIONS:

Contact MaryClaire Zurowski, Youth Ministry Coordinator, with any questions.

ADULTS OF ST. CLETUS PARISH:

Looking to give back this summer?
Consider being a chaperone during our Week of Service!

Volunteer with us for one day, two, or all six!

Must be VIRTUS trained to be an adult chaperone

Other Ministry News

MINISTRY OF ALTAR SERVER

We would like to extend an invitation to all current 5th graders and any 6th or 7th graders who are not already involved in this ministry, to consider becoming an Altar Server at St. Cletus Parish. The ministry of Altar Server is an important ministry and part of our regular Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. In addition to serving at weekend liturgies, altar servers assist at weddings and funerals as well as at other liturgical celebrations throughout the year.

This ministry is vital and as such, requires a true commitment. It requires a generous spirit, a prayerful attitude and a decorum that reflects both respect and holiness. It is a public ministry which not only enhances ones spiritual growth, but it also gives greater glory to God and invites others to come to know the Lord more fully at the Eucharistic table.

New servers will be asked to attend two training sessions, which will take place in church.

Session I will take place Monday, May 13, 2019 from 3:30 – 5:15. THIS FIRST SESSION IS MANDATORY. All new servers must attend this session.

Session II will take place on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 and Wednesday May 15, 2019 from 3:30 – 5:15. **(For the second session, servers only attend one day. Attendance at one of these dates is MANDATORY.** We will ask for your preferred date on the registration form.)

An email with an electronic form for registration has been sent to families of all 5th, 6th and 7th grade students who attend our parish school or who are registered in our religious education program. If you have not received this email, please contact Fr. Ken. We look forward to welcoming our new altar servers in the coming weeks.

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH MARY ON MAY 19



The Living Rosary will meet in Room 98 in the school building at 12:10 on Sunday, May 19th to pray all 20 decades of the rosary. It takes about 90 minutes but is a very moving journey with Mary and Jesus. Stay for whatever time you can spend, but join us in celebrating Mary's Month of May. Many, many thanks to everyone who stopped by the Rosary table last weekend. It is so amazing to see how present Mary is in the life of our

parish and how she comforts those who are open to her love. Join us on the 19th if you can or pray the Rosary at 7:20 in the morning before the 8 am Mass in church or at 12:15 on Sundays in the Children's Room. If you want to join the Living Rosary, call Mary Lu at 579-3987 for more information. However you choose to say the Rosary, Mary is always listening.

VICARIATE IV MINISTER TRAINING



Vicariate IV Ministry Commission invites you to:

MINISTRY FORMATION

Training for NEW Lectors and Communion Ministers
Saturday, May 18, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
St. John of the Cross Parish Center
5005 Wolf Rd. Western Springs, IL 60558

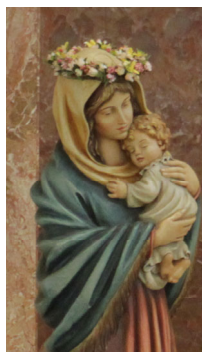
PRE-REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY & INCLUDES LUNCH. Registration Deadline: Tue. May 14

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vicariate-iv-eucharistic-ministry-formation-tickets-59504748304>

NO WALK-IN REGISTRATIONS ALLOWED.

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

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Next CCW Event: May Crowning on Wednesday, May 15th in church at 7p.m.

We will share some prayers & a special moment with The Blessed Mary then head to the Gallagher room for meeting and refreshments. All ladies are welcome, so come check us out & show your devotion to Mary in the month of May.

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Save the Date: Saturday, June 22nd - Women's Spiritual Retreat at St. Cletus!

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on June 11th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. The book we will discuss is The Charm

School by Nelson DeMille. All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

THANK YOU FROM DEACON STUART

SOLES 4 SOULS

WEARING OUT POVERTY®

Thank you to everyone who donated shoes to Soles4Souls last weekend. We had a wonderful response and truly appreciate the generosity of our St. Cletus Parishioners.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
MAY 12, 2019**



GOD OUR FATHER, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus

Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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SECOND COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"I encourage you to keep in mind all those people around us who are trapped in the cycle of poverty. They too need to be given hope."

– Pope Francis



Mother's Day Collection

MAY 12, 2019

Light the Way

Your gift to Catholic Charities on Mother's Day will help mothers children, and seniors from our community who are hungry, homeless or hurting and empower them to rebuild their life.

www.catholiccharities.net

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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.

Wildflowers and Carnivorous Plants at the Indiana Dunes Monday, May 20, 8:15 AM – 5 PM Facilitators: NPS Ranger Kim Swift and Mary Fishman. Celebrate Spring with a ranger-guided leisurely walk in a dunes forest blanketed with flowers. After a picnic lunch by the lake, experience a hidden bog, which happens to be an incredible habitat for unique, carnivorous plants. Cost: \$35 (includes transportation). Advance registration required.

JOYFUL AGAIN!



Retreat for Widowed Men and Women. All are welcome. Family and friends can't even imagine how different your life is now. Joyful Again! is a program designed to help the widowed sort out these changes and learn to find joy in living again while treasuring memories of their spouse. **Dates/locations:** June 22 & 23 St. Julie's in Tinley Park, July 20 & 21 Holy Family in Inverness, August 10 & 11 Mary Queen of Heaven Parish in Elmhurst. For info or to register call 708-354-7211 or email joyfulagain7211@gmail.com. Website: www.joyfulagain.org.

AGING CARE CONNECTIONS



SAVVY CAREGIVER PROGRAM, New Evening Session Added - Savvy Caregiver is an educational program

for family members caring for someone with Alzheimer's disease or another dementia at home. **When/Where:** Thursdays, May 23 - June 27, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center La Grange, Dixon C Classroom, 5101 S. Willow Springs Rd, La Grange **Registration:** Free, but Class size is limited. Contact Susan Bertuglia at sbertuglia@agingcareconnections.org or 708-245-8087.

IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS



Retired? Semi-retired? Open the Doors of Your Heart!

Founded in 1995 by two Jesuit priests, the Ignatian Volunteer Corps offers men and women, age 50 and older, the opportunity to engage in direct, hands-on service with the materially poor while growing in their Christian faith through personal and shared reflection.

IVC members commit to service for 2 days/week, September-June and participate in a spiritual formation program in the Jesuit tradition including monthly community meetings, individual spiritual reflection, and retreat experiences.

Currently, 60 IVC Chicago members are serving throughout Cook, Lake, Will and DuPage counties in a wide variety of

volunteer settings. Consider using your talents to experience making a difference with the Ignatian Volunteer Corps. Please visit www.ivcusa.org/chicago

Learn more and meet current IVC volunteers. Attend an information session at St. Francis Xavier Rectory (Courtyard Room) on Wednesday May 15 at 2pm, 124 North Spring Avenue, La Grange, Illinois. Register by contacting Jacqueline Fitzgerald 312-961-6206 or jffitzgerald@ivcusa.org

ST. DANIEL THE PROPHET CLASS OF 1969 REUNION

This year marks 50 years since our graduation and we are planning to meet and celebrate on Saturday, June 8th with Mass at 5:00PM and a school tour to follow. Buffet dinner at the European Chalet beginning at 6:30PM. Please contact: stdans1969reunion@gmail.com for more information.

CATHOLIC HOME SCHOOL GROUP

Catholic Schoolhouse, a local homeschool program, is currently registering students for the 2019-2020 academic year for a new group in the Oak Lawn area. More than an academic co-op, Catholic Schoolhouse is a structured program which meets weekly and includes prayer, chorus, memory work, science experiments, art projects, and opportunities for socializing after class. Please join us for an information meeting at the Oak Lawn Public Library, basement meeting room C, at 7pm on Tuesday, May 14th or contact Susan Jones at 708-203-2992, southwestchicagoil@catholicschoolhouse.com for more info. More about our program is available at <https://southwestchicagoil.catholicschoolhouse.com/> (Meeting not sponsored by the Oak Lawn Library.)

BACK DOOR THEATER

If you are entering the 6th through 10th grade in the fall of 2019 and looking for a creative summer experience in theater and stage production, Back Door Theater is looking for you! The Back Door Theater is a co-operative drama ministry of Grace Lutheran and St Francis Xavier Churches that offers teens and pre-teens a casual opportunity to explore the theater arts. Entering its 19th season this summer, the plays are faith based but always include modern references and are written in the language of teens. Workshops are held 2 nights a week for 6 weeks. This year's performance is called Game of Old Testament Thrones and will take place on July 13, 2019. Check out our Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/backdoortheaterlg/>) For questions, a registration packet or further information please call Becky Hayes at 708 878-2790 or email at bechayes@sbcglobal.net

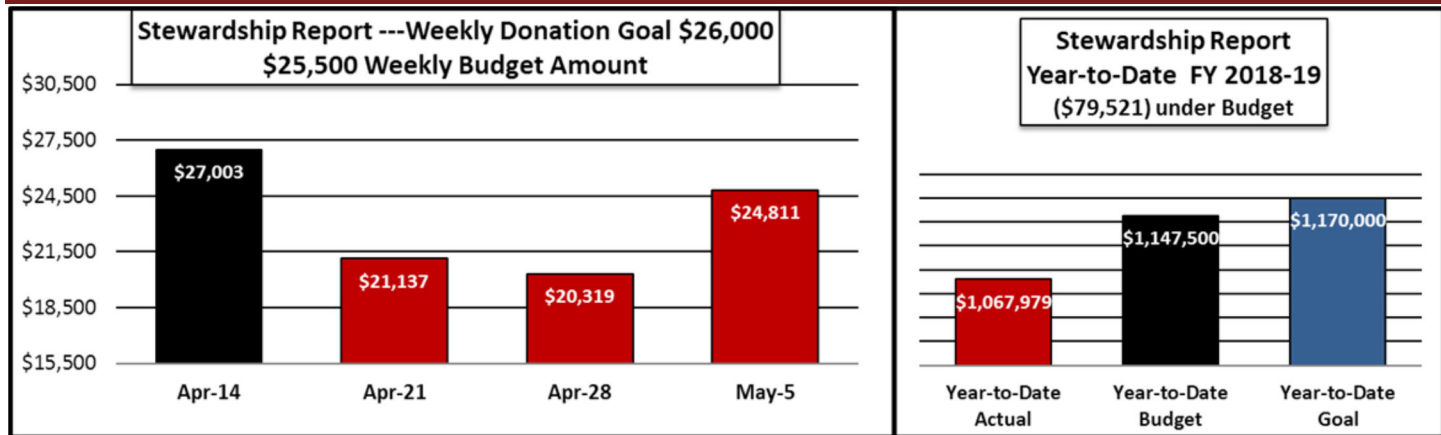
BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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, May 12	7:00am	Narthex	Mother's Day Baby Shower & Carnation Sale
Monday, May 13	9:00am 3:30pm 4:00pm 8:00pm	Church Church School Music Room Parish Center Gym	School Mass - May Crowning Altar Server Training Session 1 Junior Choir Men's Basketball
Tuesday, May 14	3:30pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	Church Church Morrissey Hall	Altar Server Training Session 2 Spanish Holy Hour Girls Church League Practice
Wednesday, May 15	9:00am 3:30pm 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Church Church	Mission Ladies Altar Server Training Session 2 Women's Council May Crowning
Thursday, May 16	5:00pm 7:30pm	School Music Room School Music Room	Children's Choir Chancel Choir
Friday, May 17	2:00pm	Church	8th Grade Ribbon Ceremony
Saturday, May 18	9:00am 9:30am	Off Campus Parish Center Mtg Room	Vicariate IV Ministry Formation ICN Resume Review
Sunday, May 19	11:00am	Parish Center Mtg Room	Youth Awards Brunch

Stewardship Report



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

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Thank you to all of our 2018 Fall Fest Sponsors!

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PARISH CENTER 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 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 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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