

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Thank you to everyone who attended the Dedication and official ribbon cutting ceremony for the new St. Cletus Church Parish Center last weekend. (L-R, Rob Luxem, Fr. Ken Baker, Pete Okkema, Deacon Jesus Casas, Bishop John Manz, Fr. Bob Clark, Chris Wagner, Bobbie Kallal.)

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS



- AUG 22: First day of classes at St. Cletus School
- SEPT 7-10: St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest

Mass Intentions for the Week of August 21 - 27, 2017

Day	Time	Presider (subject to change)	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Baker	Wm. J. Schafer, Timothy Crain, Joseph & Kay Klemak
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Gamboa	Wm. J. Schafer, John Joyce
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Clark	Wm. J. Schafer, Kim Zwolinski, Mary Clare O'Connell
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Baker	Wm. J. Schafer, Delphine Marciszewski, 60th Anniversary - Al & Geri Hinton
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Gamboa	Frank Wojcik, Msgr. Richard O'Donnell
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Gamboa	Margaret and Roger Davisson, Ted Zwolinski Sr., Kenneth Dempsey
	5:00 p.m.	Fr. Baker	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, George Benrus, Irv Pfeiffer, Daniel E. Moore, Rita McClain, Marilyn Shanahan, Patricia A. Gartner, Georgia Popp
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Fr. Clark	Wm. J. Schafer, John Zumpano, George Duda, Dolores Kuchta, Pat Jacobs, Elizabeth A. Lawler
	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Gamboa	St. Cletus Parishioners
	9:30 a.m.	Fr. Clark	Dick & Patsy Walsh, Arnie Salerno, Helen Callaghan
	11:00 a.m.	Fr. Baker	Stacy Baker, Gene Kennedy, Helen Callaghan
	12:30 p.m.	Fr. Ngiwa	Marcos Garcia



SUMMER RECTORY HOURS

Rectory Hours June, July and August 2017

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

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND



This 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.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The collection for the National Shrine will be held next weekend, August 26-27. We apologize for the mistake.

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.

August

Carol Wittowski

July

Ann Smith-Walls, Frank Colonna, Diane O'Rourke, Jenna Zimmerman, Emily Devine, Catherine Troyner

June

Frank Colonna, Patricia Rodey, Alice Katzmarek, Baby William Eric Anderson, Otto Stuckman, Laura Terrazino, Fernando Cabral, Gerda E. Dorzo, Maryann Scalise, Kris Kahn, Peter May, Frank Niwa, Bonnie Boerste, Emily Devine, Dan Haske, John Duda, Susan Star, Ernie and Katarina Dufner

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 emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5:00p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication. Thank you!

Notes from Fr. Bob...

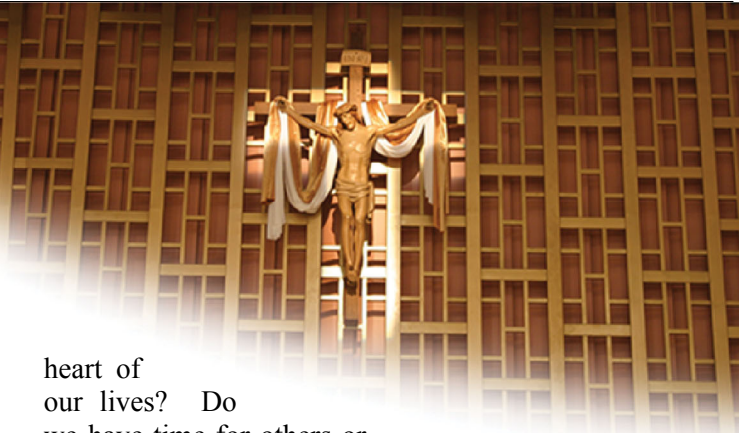
20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Many countries spend millions of dollars on guards and boarder security to keep out illegal immigrants and to monitor refugees and asylum seekers who want to gain access to a better life. These people risk their lives crossing rivers, deserts, and seas, dodging trains or cooped up in containers, boxcars or ship hauls, where lack of air and water can tragically result in death. Throughout the world there are millions of refugees fleeing poverty, violence, and persecution. They dream of getting on the inside – of gaining access to a “promised land” of freedom, prosperity, and security.

The woman in today’s gospel was a foreigner who wanted to have a share in the benefits of the chosen people. She was an alien who wanted to be treated as a citizen – “one of us”, not “one of them”. Why did Jesus seem so unwilling to let her in? There is no doubt that Jesus was very conscious that his mission initially was to his own people, but here he would seem to be making a powerful point for his disciples. He pushes the woman to the limit and in so doing reminds them of how easy it is to reject and dismiss others out of sheer prejudice. She displays extraordinary courage and dignity and as Jesus cures her he draws attention to her great faith. He thereby demonstrates that he had come for men and women of every race and color in every time and place. As so often happens in these encounters between Jesus and an individual person we see that Jesus was profoundly moved by the experience. It is inconceivable that Jesus would have insulted this Canaanite woman. Once again part of the force of the message about the dogs (or more correctly the pups) eating the scraps was for the benefit of the disciples. As we picture Jesus smiling and teasing the woman, we might understand better her chirpy response and Jesus’ delight at it.

It would take a long time for this lesson to be learned even by the disciples. The argument about what was required of gentile people surfaced repeatedly throughout the life of the early church and is recorded in the Acts of the Apostles and the letters of Saint Paul. This is perfectly illustrated in today’s short passage from Romans, where, like Jesus, Paul is hoping that his work for those not of his own race, will prompt his own people to come to their senses.

Today’s gospel challenges us about our priorities in life and the extent to which we treat others as outsiders. Are our priorities all centered on self, on making our own lives comfortable and easy? Or are other people at the



heart of
our lives? Do
we have time for others or
do our priorities mean we ignore their needs?

Charity begins at home. We can ask ourselves about the quality of our relationships – and of the time we spend – with those who are nearest and dearest to us. We might ask if we restrict our love, our time and compassion to our own people. Or can our love extend beyond these narrow limits? Charity might begin at home, but it shouldn’t end there.

This gospel also asks us to see if we are willing to change, to set aside our plans in order to respond to the real needs of people. If we think we are too old or too set in our ways to change, this might mean we have stopped growing, or worse, that we are closing our eyes and ears to the needs of others. It is easy to demonize others, to depict them in ways which deny their basic humanity, so that we can ignore their needs. The gospel challenges us to look beyond labels, to see the common humanity of the person who is different, the stranger, and to respond with generosity.

Have a care for justice and cling to the Lord’s covenant, Isaiah tells us. **HAVE A CARE FOR JUSTICE:** be fair, honest and generous in our dealings with others – not just those close to us, but all God’s children. **KEEP THE LORD’S COVENANT:** acknowledge the Lord in our life. If we act with justice towards others and make room for God in our lives, he promises that he will give us a deep joy; he will hear our prayers and accept not just our sacrifices, but our very selves. Then we will not be foreigners, aliens to God, but rather insiders, members of his chosen people.

In Faith,



**Fr. Bob
Pastor**

Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

D4D (Dining for Dollars) at Tate's August 21
 First Day of School August 22
 Choose Kindness 5K October 21

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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 (708) 352-4820 (708) 352-4820
 tchinske@stcletusparish.com cschaefer@stcletusparish.com



Foundation in Faith

St. Cletus teachers are welcomed back for another great school year. They first gathered together to celebrate a private Mass with Fr. Bob before beginning a week of meetings and preparations. While Faith, Family and Future is an ongoing focus this school year will also focus on "Promoting Acts of Kindness, Hope and Faith" while living the Archdiocese theme of "We Are One Body in Christ."



Welcome Teachers

St. Cletus School is excited to welcome some new staff members to the 2017-2018 school year: Miss Elena Ortiz - Spanish, Miss Andrea Smith - Jr. High, Miss Angelina Rivero - preschool, Mrs Hallie Fahey - Jr. High and Miss Kim Paluch - 2nd Grade.

School begins with class assignments being given out at our Meet and Greet Monday, August 21st from 5:30-7:00pm. Students come in regular uniform for their first half day on August 22nd. "It's A Great Day To Be A Cardinal"!



2-In-1 Chromebooks for Class of 2020

Our incoming 6th graders will be piloting a new form device form-factor with our 1:1 program. The new devices are a combination Tablet and laptop. They are built to be extra rugged with a rubberized coating to make them less slippery and to offer some protection during drops. The Junior High teachers are excited to explore the different ways these tools can be integrated in their lessons.



SC Kids Got Talent

We have blocked out the entertainment stage on Sat. Sept 9th at 2 pm to showcase all our talented students in our version of America's Got Talent---St. Cletus Kids Got Talent!

Please contact Lauren, lbkapusta@sbcglobal.net, if your student/s are interested in showing off his or her talent.

Sunday Notes

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD’S NAME

“Let all the nations praise you!” (Psalm 67:4) today’s psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a “put up or shut up” challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with Behold!” (Matthew 15:22) “Behold!” is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus’ followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the Lord: “Stand firm in justice; do what is right” (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel — Jesus told the Canaanite woman of great faith, “It shall be done as you wish” (Matthew 15:21-28).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
- Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
- Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Monday: St. Pius X
- Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima
- Thursday: St. Bartholomew
- Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

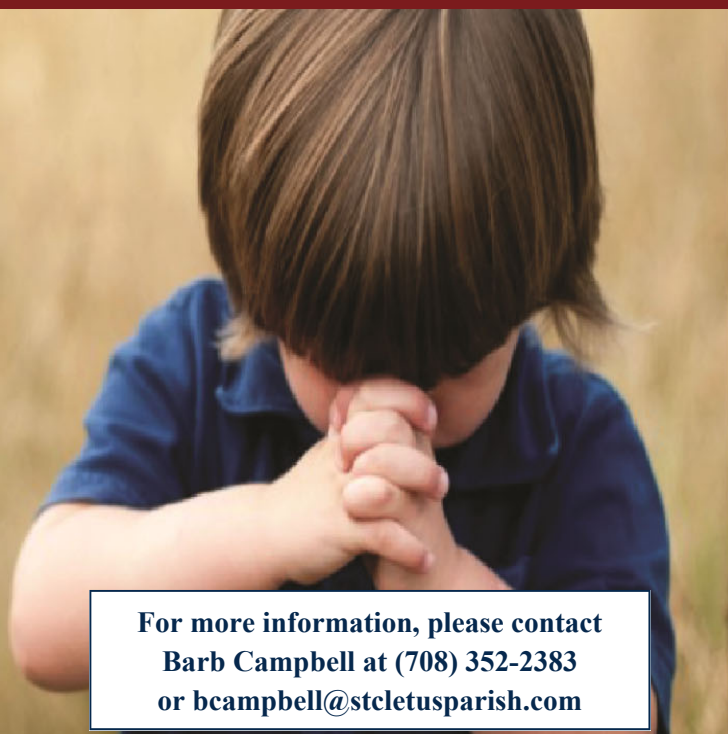
Religious Education

*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

Most needed at this time:

- Cereal
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Cooking Oil
- Boxed Sides
- Pasta Sauce

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.



ARE YOU IN AN
UNHEALTHY
RELATIONSHIP
OR ARE YOU
AFRAID IN YOUR
OWN HOME?

CALL THE
24-HOUR PHONE
FOR HELP:
708.485.5254

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

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

As we approach the fall and winter months, the number of families needing our food assistance increases for many reasons. Among them are higher energy bills, back to school costs, and seasonal jobs coming to an end, leaving less income for food. We are extremely grateful that your support makes this community outreach possible, even as your own families experience the need to “tighten your belts”. Be assured that the monthly supplemental food assistance we provide is greatly needed and appreciated. THANK YOU!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

4 Million Voices: Giving Hope to Survivors of Domestic Violence

I will never forget the first time I answered a phone call on behalf of the National Domestic Violence Hotline. I was covering the lines so that our staff could enjoy our annual holiday party. The call was from a microbiologist who was in an abusive relationship. She kept saying, “How did I get here? I am a smart woman. How could I be so stupid?” I remember wishing I could erase the blame, pain and shame she was feeling. I also remember thinking, “What can I say to give her hope? What can I say to help her see that she deserves better?”



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
—ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO—
AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION

Our trained advocates—those who dedicate their time to answering the calls, chats and texts we receive from people across the country—respond to hundreds of individuals in need each day. From a concerned parent or sister calling on behalf of a loved one, to a teenager asking whether it’s normal for his partner to monitor his phone constantly, each situation is different from the next.

In June, The Hotline answered its four millionth contact, which is one of four million conversations that our advocates have had with victims and survivors of domestic violence in need over the last 20 years. From my perspective, that number represents a large population of people hurting, and it reinforces that there is still work to be done. On the other hand, that number also represents the courage of so many people seeking help and resources.

Since answering our first call in 1996, The Hotline has worked diligently to become the go-to resource for anyone affected by domestic violence to find help and understanding. With the evolution of technology, we have become more than just a hotline. In 2011, loveisrespect, our project for youth and young adults, launched the nation’s first 24-hour text-for-help service with the support of Mary Kay Inc. In 2013, The Hotline partnered with Verizon to create a live chat service, giving people another safe, private way to connect with an advocate. Through these additional services, we have been able to reach thousands of people, serving 326,422 in 2015 alone.

Domestic violence is a crime that does not discriminate. It does not see gender, race, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity or income level. It occurs in every community and can take a variety of forms, and the wounds are not always visible.

But there is hope.

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Whether it’s a safety plan, the number to a local shelter or the first time a survivor hears “I believe you,” The Hotline is here to help shift power back to those affected by relationship abuse—four million times and counting.

If you or someone you know is being abused, please reach out to The Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) or by visiting www.thehotline.org

This article was edited for length and can be found in full, including audio from advocates at The Hotline at www.huffingtonpost.com.

Please contact Kendall Grant by emailing kgrant@stcletusparish.com or call 708.215.5418 for more information.

*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 in the column to the far left. **You are not alone.***

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Interfaith Community Partners is hosting its 15th Annual Fall Benefit on Friday, October 6, 2017 from 7pm-10pm at Capri Banquets in Countryside. Entertainment includes The Nick Pontarelli Band playing favorites from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Frankie Valli, and more! Join us for an evening of music, friendship, and philanthropy. If you would like to purchase tickets and to learn more about ICP, call 708-354-9328 or visit our website at www.interfaithcommunitypartners.org. Ticket price is \$60 per person and includes hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine, silent auction, and paddle raise. Cash bar for other cocktails. For more information or if you would like to donate, sponsor, or volunteer please call our office.

GCFD HUNGER WALK



September 16, 2017
Jackson Park

Join us on September 16th for the 32nd Annual Hunger Walk.

Greater Chicago Food Depository
4100 West Ann Lurie Place
Chicago, IL 60632

Providing food for hungry people while striving to end hunger in our community

Visit <https://www.chicagosfoodbank.org/hungerwalk>

WORD OF LIFE

“The effectiveness of our commitment to peace depends on our understanding of human life. If we want peace, let us defend life!”

— Pope Benedict XVI, Morning Address, September 15, 2012, Apostolic Journey to Lebanon
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CROP WALK



WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.
Sunday, October 15th

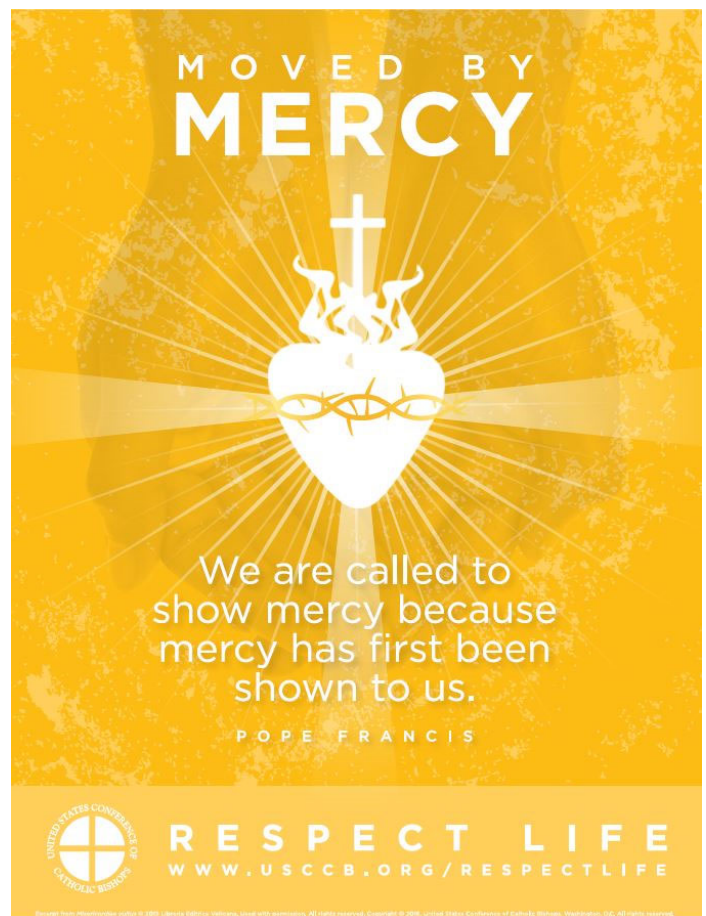
St. Cletus Parish is one of six local food pantries that will receive a share of 25% of the total funds raised. Canned goods for the food pantries will be collected at the beginning of the walk before a brief send-off service.

First Congregational Church, 100 6th Ave. La Grange, IL
October 15, 2017

Registration: 12:30 p.m., Walk: 1:15 p.m.

Walk Distance: 3 miles

Website: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/lagrangeil/>



SAINT CLETUS PARISH FALL FESTIVAL



2017 FALL FEST SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

\$10,000 DIAMOND SPONSOR (1 AVAILABLE)

- Overall Sponsorship of 2017 St. Cletus Parish Fall Festival on banners, signage, etc. Contact us for details.

\$5,000 - \$9,999 PLATINUM SPONSOR

- Sponsorship of our Main Stage area, Beer Tent, Children’s Area, Bingo or other agreed upon Fall Fest Area (based upon availability) on banners and other signage in Fest Area. Contact us for details.

\$2,500 - \$4,999 GOLD SPONSOR

- Your organization’s name and logo prominently displayed on event flyers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas prior to and during the Festival
- A full-year listing of your organization as a “Preferred Provider” in our parish bulletin which is viewed by more than 2,000 Parishioners and community members
- Logo on all promotional materials, flyers and website
- Name on Recognition Banner
- Name and Logo listed on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

\$1,000 - \$2,499 SILVER SPONSOR

- Logo on promotional materials, flyers and website
- Name on Recognition Banner
- Name and logo listed on Fall Festival Shirt
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

\$500 - \$999 BRONZE SPONSOR

- Name on recognition banner at Fall Festival
- Name listed (no logo) on the Fall Festival Shirt
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands
- Name on promotional materials, flyers and website

\$250 - \$499 CARDINAL SPONSOR

- Name on recognition banner at Fall Festival
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

Visit www.stcletusfallfest.com to purchase your sponsorship online or return this form to the Parish Office.
St. Cletus Parish
 600 W 55th St. La Grange, IL.

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Please return sponsorship forms by August 25th to allow sufficient set up time for recognition. Make checks payable to St. Cletus. Email logos to: fallfest@stcletusparish.com. Direct inquires to the rectory 708-352-6209.

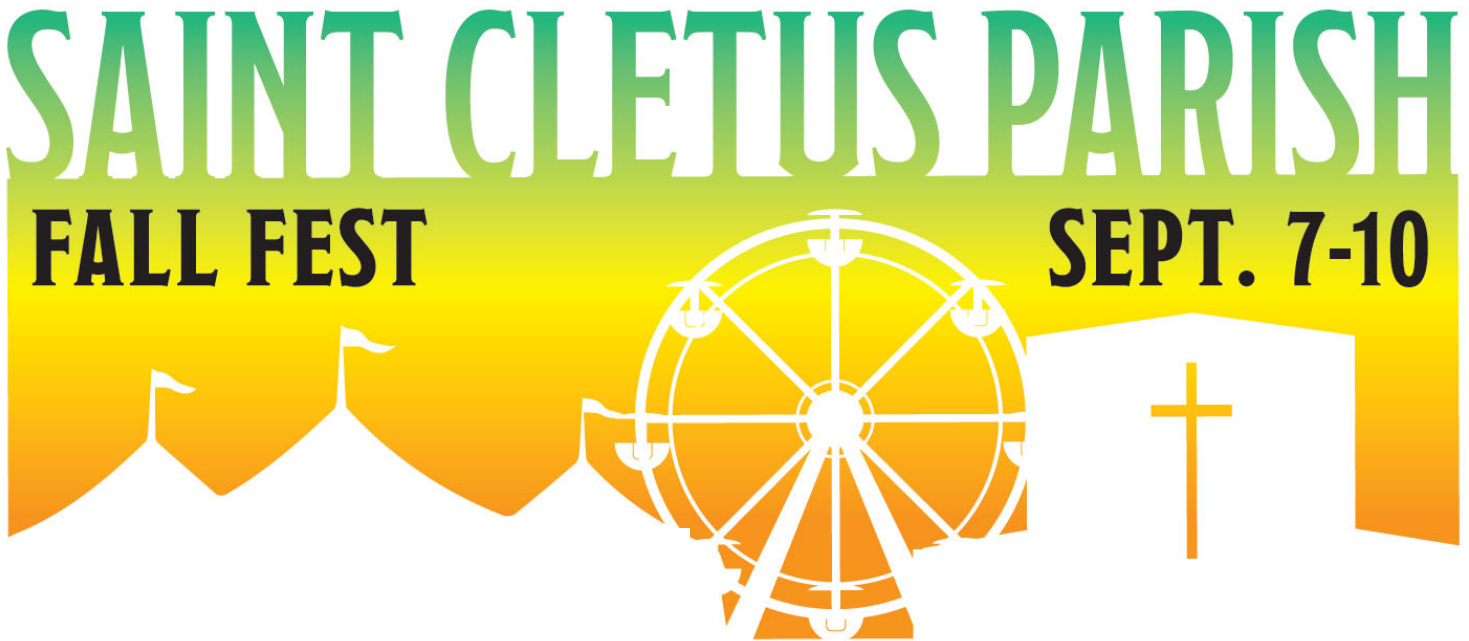
Organization/Name as it should be listed: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Donation (\$): _____ Check here if you would prefer to remain anonymous in all publications.



SPONSORS NEEDED

We are looking for sponsors to make this event a success. Each sponsorship comes with 2 carnival megapasses. Sponsorships at the \$2500 and above will be featured in our parish bulletin each week for the next year.

If you own a business that would like to become a sponsor or if your family can support the fest as a sponsor please stop by the fall fest tent or purchase a sponsorship on our website - www.stcletusfallfest.com.

RAFFLE WINNER

**CONGRATULATIONS
MARLENE CHANEY
OUR FIRST \$100 EARLY BIRD WINNER!**

**NEXT DRAWING:
AUGUST 20TH
GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!**

**LUCKY LEAF
RAFFLE**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES AND IN THE RECTORY.
\$20 PER TICKET -OR- 6 FOR \$100**

FIRST RESPONDERS MASS INVITATION



Join us at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 10th for mass outside on the Fall Fest Stage.

St. Cletus Parish invites everyone to join us as we give thanks and prayers to all active and retired police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

CARNIVAL MEGAPASSES - ONLY \$45

Be sure to get your kids a carnival megapass. These wristbands are only \$45 for 4 days of unlimited carnival rides. Prices go up after September 4th so be sure order yours online or in the fall fest tent today!

BASKET RAFFLE DONATIONS



We have received some great items for our Fall Fest Basket Raffle, but we are still looking for a few more items. Donations can be brought to the parish offices 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.

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TODAY!

We need your help to make our 4th Annual Fall Fest a success! Please sign up to volunteer to help after weekend masses and Sept. 7-10 during the Fall Fest event using the Signupgenius links which can be found on our website, www.stcletusfallfest.com. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer and chair committees for our fall fest!

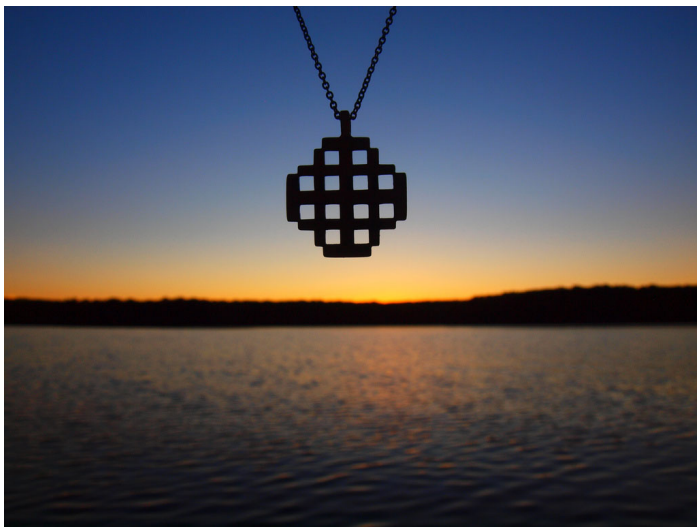
Youth Ministry

ENCOUNTER REGISTRATION BEGINS



Now that school has started, it is time to think about how you can fit reflection and rejuvenation into your routine ! As plans take shape for the upcoming school year, consider joining Encounter. In the midst of busy schedules and heavy workloads, it can be even more important to take time to stop and reflect about God's role in your life and to share these experiences with others. Encounter small groups will meet monthly to take some time to reconnect with other teens from St. Cletus and to take a look at how life looks through the eyes of faith. Small groups will also have opportunities to join up monthly in prayer or service. Register today with the forms on the website !

REGISTRATION FOR KAIROS 27



Kairos 27 will take place November 2-5, 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 will be available as of September 5th. Parishioners have the first opportunity to register from September 6-15.

Please note that after September 15th, we will open registration to the broader community.

CHURCH LEAGUE COACHES NEEDED



It's never too early to start thinking about Church League Basketball ! The boys' season begins in November and ends in February, and the girls' season begins in March and ends in May. Though this may seem far out, we need to make sure we have the coaches we need to open our teams up for registration. Each team needs two coaches who establish full compliance with Protecting God's Children. If you are interested in helping with this fun ministry, contact Elizabeth. Registration for players begins in late September. Registration for teams may not open until coach positions are filled !

PRAYER FOR BEGINNING A NEW SCHOOL YEAR



Lord Jesus,

We ask for Your help as we begin this new school year. Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us. Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open our heart and mind to new friends and new teachers. Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with our studies and courage to accept new opportunities. Help us to be attentive to one another and let us experience Your presence in our new friends. Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year!

Amen.

<http://prayer-resource.blogspot.com/2013/08/prayers-for-beginning-of-school-year.html>

For more information about
St. Cletus Youth Ministry Programs:
Elizabeth Tomasek, Youth Ministry
etomasek@stcletusparish.com
(708) 215-5419 www.stcletusparish.com/youth

Other Ministry Notes

INVITATION FROM DEACON CASAS

Join us for an Hour of Prayer:

*«Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction
with the Holy Sacrament»*

Every Tuesday of the Month

Come to the “Holy Hour” from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

After the “Holy Hour” you are invited to pray with us during
“La Hora Santa en Español”

“Hora Santa” todos los Martes de 7:00 a 8:00 p.m.

«Meditación, Rosario y Bendición con el Santísimo»

SCCCW



The St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women invites you to join them at the Paramount Theatre, Aurora, IL on Sunday, October 15th for the 1:00 p.m. performance of:

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET

Tickets: \$50; with transportation: \$70. **Advance reservations are required.** For more information contact either Donna (dlluczak@aol.com) 708-246-5509 or Madeline (madeline_thornton@yahoo.com)

RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA: COME AND SEE

BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church’s adult faith formation program which invites adults who have never been baptized, who have been baptized Catholic but not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) or who have been baptized in another faith and wish to become Catholic, to explore their journey of faith in the life of the Catholic Church.

The RCIA gives people on a faith journey an opportunity to “*come and see*” not only what the Catholic Church and a life of faith in it is all about, but also an opportunity to explore how the Lord may be calling them into his life in a more complete way.

If you are interested in more information or know

someone who is or would like to participate in the RCIA, please contact Fr. Ken for participation and registration requirements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION CONTACT FR. KEN AT (708) 352-6209 ext. 205

THE LADY OF ALL NATIONS PRAYER



“Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster, and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. Amen.

ST. CLETUS CHOOSE KINDNESS 5K RUN

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Saturday, October 21, 2017

100 Yard Dash: 7:45 a.m. Open to children age 7 and under.

1 Mile Run: Immediately following 100 Yard Dash. Open to children age 11 and under.


5K Run/Walk: 8:15 a.m. Race open to all runners and walkers.

Race starts and ends on Waiola Avenue between 53rd and 54th Streets. For more information and to register please visit www.stcletusschool.com.

\$15 entry fee for each race before October 19; \$20 after. Includes a t-shirt to the first 300 registrants.

D4D FUNDRAISER AT TATE'S

Save the date for another D4D (Dining for Dollars). TATE’S in downtown La Grange is hosting a fundraiser night for St. Cletus School on Monday, Aug. 21st 4-8pm.



25 S. Ashland Ave
LaGrange
708-352-4848

YUM!

St. Cletus

Ice Cream Social Fundraiser!

Monday - August 21

4:00 - 8:00

Bring ONE Coupon with you.....
Share the Others with Friends Before you come!

Please donate a portion of my order towards St. Cletus School

Community Bulletin Board

ANNOUNCING - CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Cusillo is a three day short course in Christianity and spiritual direction. For more information go to jolietcursillo.com or call 708.925.4459

Men's Weekend September 21-24th
Woman's Weekend November 16-19th

Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, 8419 Bailey Road
Questions? Visit us in the narthex after masses next weekend.

JOYFUL AGAIN



**Joyful Again! Program
for Widowed Men and Women**

Widowed? Feeling stuck?

Need help moving on to the life God now sees for you as a single person? Attend our workshop/retreat and see the possibilities.

October 28 & 29

Nazareth Retreat House Batavia, IL
Overnight – no commuters

Space limited – register early.

Ph: Joyful Again Widowed Ministry 708-354-7211
email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com
www.joyfulagain.org (short video on website)

THE TOWNSHIP OF LYONS

The Township of Lyons 6404 Joliet Road Countryside Board of Trustees in conjunction with Jessie White, Secretary of State and Michael Frerichs, State Treasurer will hold Mobile ID and I-Cash on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Renew your driver's license, obtain a state ID card, get your license plate renewal sticker, search for lost & forgotten cash. No reservations necessary.

Join us for coffee and.... Sign up with Mary Jo Noonan, Clerk @ 708-482-8300 x 221

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 Summer Blessings, Fr. Lorenzo

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, September 17, 2017, at 2:45 PM, at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago. Couples married in 1967 interested in attending this celebration should call the St. Cletus Rectory. For further info, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office 312.534.8351 or visit <https://pvm.archchicago.org/>

BELLARMINE JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE

The Spiritual Exercises: "Who am I? Where am I going? How do I get there?" September 22-24, 2017 with Fr. Doug Leonhardt, SJ an Ignatian, Silent Retreat for Men. 420 W County Line Rd • Barrington, IL 60010 • 847-381-1261 • www.JesuitRetreat.org

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples and religious on October 6-8, 2017 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships, and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community. For information on applying, please go to wwme-chicagoland.org and say YES TODAY, to God's call to love one another!

H FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING OCT. 8TH



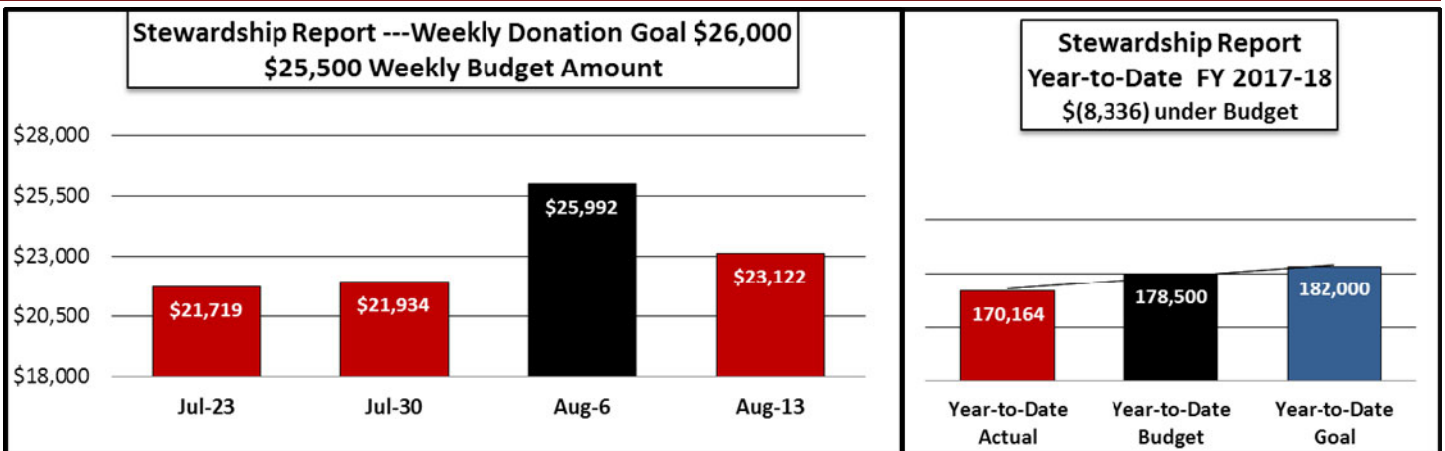
Cancer is personal ... touching each & every family in our community. Join us for a day of golf, & Oktoberfest dinner, at the 8th Annual Tee Off Fore A Cure! Benefiting The H Foundation. Sunday, October 8, 2017 at Village Greens of Woodridge, 1575 W. 75th St. \$125 registration includes cart, lunch, Oktoberfest buffet dinner, 3-hour open bar (beer, wine & soda), certificate for another round of golf.

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/hfoundationteeoff2017>
Early Bird Special \$100 for Golf expires 8/25 or contact: Ed Kuchta, parishioner at eskuchta@gmail.com or 708-269-4993

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, August 20			
Monday, August 21			
Tuesday, August 22	8:00am 6:00pm 6:45pm	School Church Rectory Basement	First Day of School Holy Hour PPC Meeting
Wednesday, August 23			
Thursday, August 24	6:00pm	School	Curriculum Night 6-8th Grade
Friday, August 25			
Saturday, August 26	5:00pm		
Sunday, August 27	After masses	Narthex	Cursillo

Stewardship Report



St. Cletus Parish Preferred Providers

BECOME A ST. CLETUS PARISH PREFERRED PROVIDER

Thank you to all of our 2016-17 Preferred Providers. If your business would like to be featured in our weekly canticle please consider sponsoring the 2017 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest. All sponsors at the \$2,500 level and above will be featured each week from September 2017 through July 2018. If you have questions, please call 708-352-6209.

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RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs/Sat..... 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 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

EUCHARISTIC 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

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