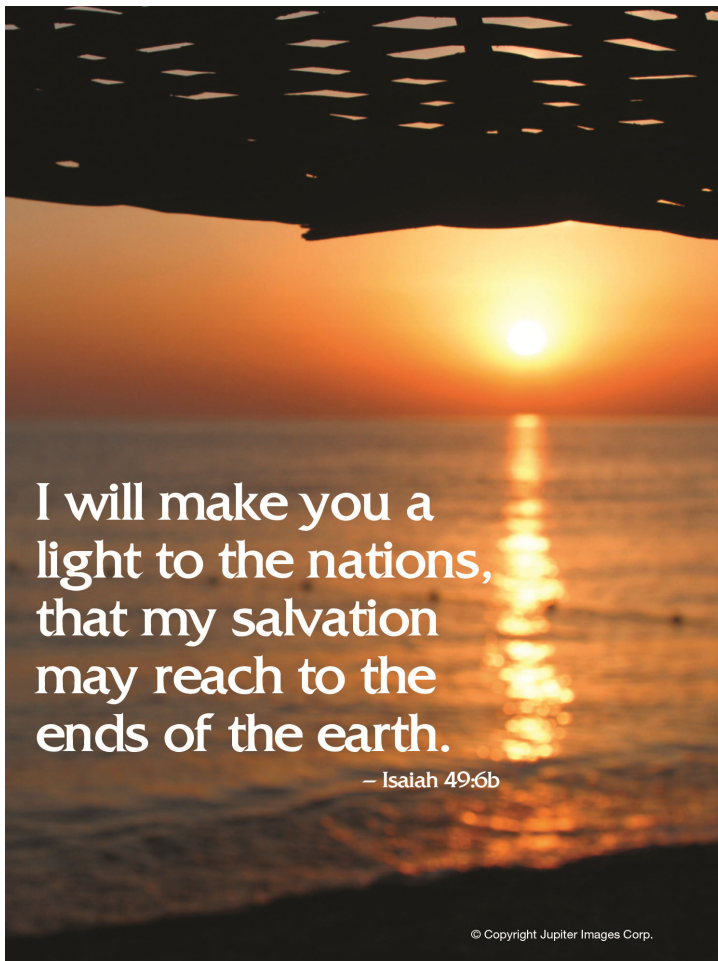


Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



I will make you a
light to the nations,
that my salvation
may reach to the
ends of the earth.

— Isaiah 49:6b

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WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women Meeting

Jan. 17, 2017 - 7:00 pm

Catholic Schools Week Open House

Jan. 29, 2017 - 10:30 am - 12:30 pm



Mass Intentions for the Week of January 16 - January 22, 2017

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	John J. Kurland
Tuesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Bridie C. Heslin, Helen Borsilli
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Frank Baggio, Delphine Marciszewski
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Julie Kerrigan, Anton Mataitis
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Erik Geyer, Joseph Weise Jr., Special Intention - John Pfeffer
Saturday	Fr. Fisher Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners Marie Bruno, Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Georgia Popp, George Benrus
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Fisher Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Thomas Wolak, John Marsala, John & Frances Kennedy, Patrick Mahoney St. Cletus Parishioners St. Cletus Priests, Past and Present Gene Kennedy, Mary D'Amico Jorge Ayala, Damuso Almeudavez, Ma Guadalupe C. de Almeudavez

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

Carlton Richardson

Husband of Loretta Richardson

Jeanne Louise Berglund

Wife of Bruce Berglund

May they rest in peace. Amen.

WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Please welcome to our parish family:

Carl Paeth

Ronald and Anita Fox

Adrienne Herzog

Joe and Jane Rickhoff

Lawrence and Camille Damico

Charlotte Deibert

Robin Julius Family

If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

RECTORY CLOSED MONDAY



Martin Luther King, Jr.
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The rectory office will be closed on Monday, January 16th in recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The office will reopen Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

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

Gail Saban, Robert Stoinski, Amber Taylor

December

Ernest Dufner, Frannie Grybis, Dr. Brigitta Sonnen Kalb, and Theresa Cimaglia

November

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

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

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.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

The Jews have always had mixed feelings about being God's Chosen People. The psalms reveal the depth and variety of exchange that took place between them and God. Every human emotion is displayed. Is God on our side? Why doesn't he show himself more? Why doesn't he get off our backs? What a good God he is! This flavor of intimacy and concern continues in modern Jewish writing, often in humor and wit. Two things remain clear in the Jewish vision down through the ages. One is that we cannot get away from God. The other is that God demands commitment. This is what being chosen by God means. Our modern western ideas of being chosen are wishy-washy by comparison. Advertising suggests it is a matter of luck or fate. "It could be you", proclaims the advertisements for the Power Ball and Lotteries. Many companies send out unsolicited but ornate envelopes informing us that we have been specially chosen to receive a prize. Keep in mind, there is usually some condition attached that lurks in the small print. Being chosen is linked to the idea of reward rather than responsibility. Unfortunately this expectation can affect the most important choices in our lives. Partners may choose to marry for what they expect to receive rather than for what they might give. Or, the commitment required to live with another person day after day, in sickness and health, proves too much of a demand, and they run away.

God's choosing presents a much clearer picture. A special relationship is established with the chosen one, and it is that relationship which empowers the chosen to carry out the assignment that goes with the act of election. In Isaiah the nature of the relationship is defined first of all as that of a servant, but it is a special sort of servant. It is the servant who is honored in the eyes of his Lord and who has God himself as his strength. "Through the servant God is glorified" is a theme explored at length in John's gospel during the farewell discourse of Jesus to his disciples at the Last Supper. Thus energized by God, the servant will not only reconcile the people of Israel but will be a light for all nations so that salvation may be offered to all. Similarly, Paul, in the first line of his greeting to the church in Corinth, refers to the fact that he has been appointed by God to be an apostle. He too has been chosen, and his assignment is that of an apostle, to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. Again, John's account of the beginning of Jesus' public life puts the accent on his special election through the descent of the Spirit. Just as the Spirit hovered over the waters in the



first creation, so he now comes down upon Jesus, in instrument of God's new creation. He will take away the sins of the world and in his turn will baptize with the Spirit, his assignment as the chosen one of God.

We, too, are the chosen ones of God. In baptism the Holy Spirit descends on us and makes us the sharers in God's own life. Our responsibility as chosen ones is to take up the assignments we have just heard of in the life of Jesus, in the life of Paul and in the life of the servant disciple. We are called to take away the sins of the world, to be apostles and to be the light of the nations, bringing salvation to the ends of the earth: all daunting tasks. We may be forgiven for trying to flee them or off-load them on to those we consider to be especially trained for the purpose, the clergy and religious. But through our baptism, we are each called to make unique contributions to these assignments. It helps if we can see how in turn they have been communicated to us. As we have received, so shall we give. How have we been enlightened? What brings clear vision and understanding into our lives? What has our experience of forgiveness been? Have we really forgiven others or allowed ourselves to be truly forgiven? Finally, how have we received the good news? What words or images moved or still move us? It is through our own experience of God that God will communicate his presence to others.

Called, together, to be the present-day apostles,

Fr. Bob

**Fr. Bob
Pastor**

Parish School

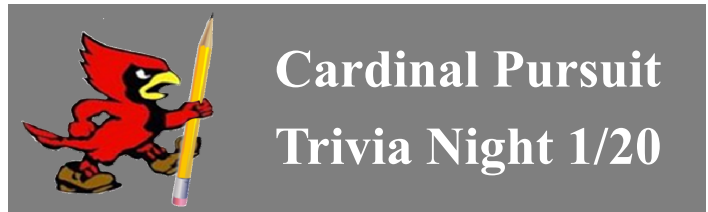
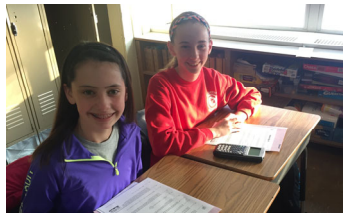
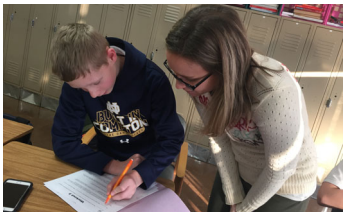
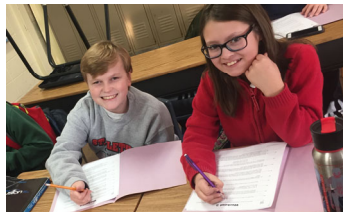
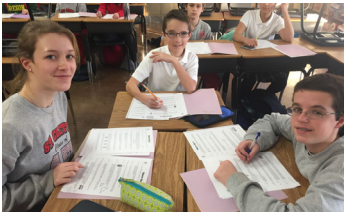


DATES TO REMEMBER

- Cardinal Pursuit Trivia Night Jan. 20
- Catholic Schools Week Open House Jan. 29
- St. Cletus Spring Auction April 1

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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MATHCOUNTS Team

Our Junior high students meet weekly to prepare for the annual MATHCOUNTS competition. During meetings, students work in small groups to expand their minds and share their knowledge of in-depth, multi-step problems. In February, 10 of our 20 club members will come together on a Saturday morning to compete in our local Salt Creek MATHCOUNTS competition at the BP Campus in Naperville.

Question: What is the January event not to miss?

Answer: Cardinal Pursuit on Friday, Jan. 20th

St. Cletus Parishioners are invited to put together teams of 8-12 players and head over to Morrissey Hall on January 20th to test their knowledge (and luck!) as we embark upon the Trivia Challenge of the year!

Doors open at 7:00 p.m., admission is \$15 per person and the trivia will begin around 7:30 p.m.. Mulligans will be available for those needing a little assistance. Bring your own food and beverages to provide brain nourishment throughout the night.

Proceeds benefit the St. Cletus School Athletic Association. Must be 21+ to attend this event.



St. Cletus School

FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

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.

- Faith Based Education from Preschool through Eighth Grade
- Nationally Recognized for Academic Excellence
- Technology Integrated into Classrooms and Curriculum
- Athletic and Extra-Curricular Activities
- Half-day and Full-day options for Kindergarten and Preschool
- Extended Care
- Caring Community



2014 BLUE RIBBON RECIPIENT

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK Open House

Sunday, January 29th
10:30 am - 12:30 pm



Mass for Life 2017

ARCHDIOCESAN MASS FOR LIFE AT ST. CLETUS PARISH

St. Cletus Church was the host church for the 2017 Archdiocesan Mass for Life with Cardinal Blase J. Cupich as the principal celebrant on January 7, 2017. Thank you to our St. Cletus Parish Respect Life Committee, Parish Staff, Music Ministers, and everyone who helped with this event. Thank you also to Sarah Hodak Photography for the wonderful photos. More photos can be found on our parish Facebook page.



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Fr. Bob, Debbie, Bobbie, Mary & Elizabeth

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.

Thank you to all who helped at this month's food pantry distribution! We are so grateful for all of the donations and volunteers that help make this important ministry happen.

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

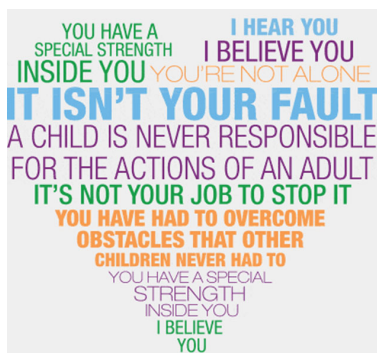
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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.

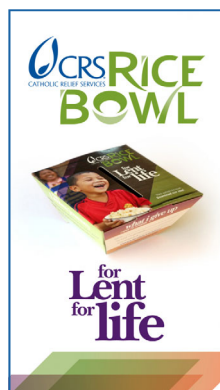
Please contact Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com) or 708.215.5418 for more information.



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

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 above. 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. 15th from 3:15-5:15 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m.

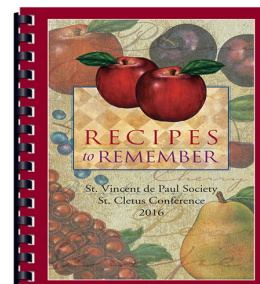
Students must be in at least 6th grade to participate. Adults of all ages welcomed! Please contact Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com or 708.215.5418) to sign up to help. Thank you!

ST. CLETUS PARISH SVDP COOKBOOK IS STILL AVAILABLE!

Purchase them in the Parish Rectory during normal business hours or after weekend masses Feb. 11-12. They make a great Valentine's Day gift!

The cookbook is \$15. Checks should be made payable to SVDP. All proceeds go to the charitable works of our St. Vincent DePaul Society conference, helping individuals and families right here in our neighborhood.

Questions? Call Jerry at 630-849-5857.



INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

New Options for Finding A Job and Promoting Yourself On The Internet

Interfaith Career Network invites you to join us on Thursday, January 19, 7-9pm. Our speaker, Mike Tempkin, will discuss some new ideas you can add into your search to make yourself more visible and interesting to employers looking to add candidates with valued ideas and talent. As Vice President – Strategic Planning and Development at Shaker Recruitment Advertising & Communications, Mike has a keen understanding of how to present new ideas and brand skills that engage and excite his clients. He will share these transferable concepts with us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs. Join us and learn something new you can do to attract and interest employers; and make yourself a candidate that companies want to add to their workforce. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no cost to attend.

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

ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE CHICAGO

**January 15, 2017
2-4 p.m.**

Join us for the Annual March for Life Chicago.

Location: Federal Plaza
50 W. Adams - Chicago

Pre-March Mass & Brunch
at Union League Club

Pre-March Youth Rally at St. Ignatius

*More info can be found at
www.respectlifechicago.org*



WORD OF LIFE



“[God] comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others.”

— Pope Francis, *Misericordiae vultus*,
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**COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD:
CIRCLE THE CITIES WITH LOVE**



We need to begin anew and STAND FOR LOVE!

Our nation has just endured one of the most divisive and hate-filled election seasons in our history. We need to begin anew and STAND FOR LOVE!

We are asking people to gather in silent witness to embody the power of love that brings healing, peace and justice to our cities, our country and our world in locations across the country on the same day and at the same time.

We invite you to join with thousands of others across the country, and world in a special collaborative event taking place.

WHEN: Sunday, January 15, 2017, from 2:00-2:30 pm (Gather at 1:45)

WHERE: Congregation of St. Joseph, La Grange Park Center, 1515 West Ogden, La Grange Park, IL

This is the Sunday before the inauguration of our new president, which takes place the following Friday, January 20. Because of this strong desire, and with the intent to host a non-partisan, no-issue witness for love and peace, Circle the Cities With Love was born. It will be many events organized in many different locations.

HOW: JOIN US and help heal our country by witnessing for love and for peace. To register, log on to: www.circlecitywithlove.com

Caring for Loved Ones At Life's End:
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“IT IS IN THE SHELTER OF EACH OTHER THAT THE PEOPLE LIVE.”

— Irish Proverb

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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!

WEDNESDAY SUNDAES - CANCELLED

Please note that we will not be holding our Wednesday Sundae Prayer Service on Wednesday, January 18th. Instead, we invite all of our Teens to join us for the March for Life Send Off and Gathering on Wed., January 25th.

WASHINGTON, D.C. MARCH FOR LIFE SEND OFF AT ST. CLETUS CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Join us for the National March for Life 2017 Pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. Send-Off Gathering and Prayers at St. Cletus Church on January 25th at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to experience this joyful send off for those embarking on this pilgrimage.

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.

YOUTH RALLY AND MASS 2017



There will be a 2017 Youth Rally and Mass prior to the March for Life Chicago on Sunday, January 15, 2017 at Saint Ignatius College Prep (1076 West Roosevelt Road Chicago, IL.) Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

After Mass all are encouraged to join the bigger rally and march at the Federal Plaza in Chicago, IL. More info at www.respectlifechicago.org.

This event is during our FRETUS retreat so St. Cletus Youth Ministry will not be attending as a group, but we still wanted to provide the information.

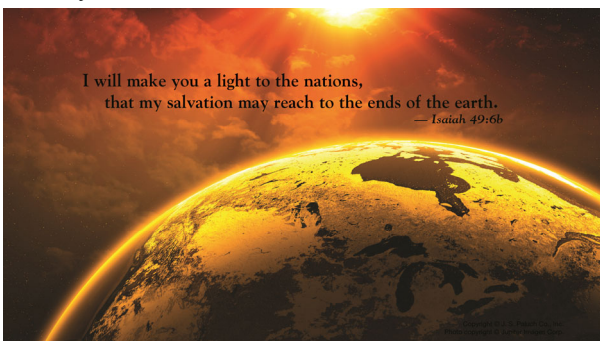
REGISTRATION FOR KAIROS 25 IS COMING UP!

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 will be available on the St. Cletus website as well as at www.stjohnofthecross.org in the next few days!

Elizabeth Tomasek, Youth Ministry Director
etomasek@stcletusparish.com (708) 215-5419
www.stcletusparish.com/youth



SUNDAY NOTES

January 15, 2017

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

THREE MISSIONS

Today we begin with one of the “servant songs” from the book of Isaiah, a song prophetic of Jesus’ ministry of service. Isaiah’s mission is not only to bring back the children of Jacob to gather in Israel; it is also to be “a light to the nations” (Isaiah 49:6). Jesus Christ, as servant, will be the fulfillment of the ancient prophecy and the basis of the new.

This Sunday we begin a series of readings from Paul’s letter to the Corinthians. Here Paul is identified by his mission: he is an apostle of Jesus Christ. The church at Corinth to whom he addresses this letter is also identified: it is part of the universal church of God. The Corinthians are called to holiness, as are all Christians.

Though the feast of the Baptism of the Lord was celebrated last Monday, today’s Gospel also alludes to the importance of that event. The reading emphasizes that Jesus “outranks” John: his baptism in the Spirit will eradicate sin. Jesus accepts John’s baptism, even though it is he himself who is the Lamb of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The glory of the Lord shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

Psalms — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

Gospel — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9-10; Mk 2:23-28
 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
 Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
 Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19
 Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
 Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Tuesday: St. Anthony
 Wednesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
 Thursday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
 Friday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
 Saturday: St. Agnes

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As soon as Christmas ends, people begin planning for Easter! Originally, the source of our Paschal Triduum was but a single liturgy extending from Saturday sundown to sunrise on Easter Sunday. The two days leading up to the liturgy were days of fast, not only for the elect, but for the church preparing to baptize them. A fifth-century pope explained that the church imitated the apostles, who were in hiding with their grief from the arrest of Jesus, and therefore sacraments, even penance, were forbidden.

Inevitably, though, people wanted to come together, and so eventually a Liturgy of the Word developed for Good Friday. This was the first step toward today’s shape of the Triduum, and gradually new ideas were embraced, including the veneration of the cross and a simple Communion service. Interestingly, the Word remained central, since we know that in those days the pope did not receive Communion at this liturgy, even though the faithful had that option. In the other churches of Rome, priests and people received Communion under both species. Although the custom of Communion on Good Friday took hold, it did not endure past the Middle Ages. The central liturgies of the year slowly unraveled and disappeared from parish life. Remember that there were no seminaries in those days, and books were a rare luxury. Most priests could only manage to celebrate a simple “low” Mass, and few parishes could afford the ritual books that would guide a priest through the complex forms. Holy Week remained important in private devotion, but for a time the liturgies virtually disappeared.

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

VISION

Some people see more in a walk around the block than others see in a trip around the world.

—Anonymous

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

MISSION LADIES

We hope everyone had a great holiday. We want to thank everyone who donated supplies so that the Mission Ladies could continue their work.

We were able to deliver 595 handmade items to 6 different charities. Thank you all so much!

Mission Ladies meet on Wednesdays at 9am in the basement of the rectory. All are welcome to join - no skill is required. For more information call Dolores Scaletta (708)839-9605.

P.S. - We are still in need of your yellow, red, brown, black or other colors of fabric and small glue sticks.

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL AUCTION



Saturday, April 1st

Capri Banquets, Countryside

Watch Final Four games on a
HUGE 9x11 screen!

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

auction.stcletusschool.com

UPDATE TO CHURCH HOURS

Please note that beginning on Sunday, Jan. 15th St. Cletus Church will open at on Sundays 6:30 a.m. The doors will be unlocked at that time. That allows for 1/2 hour of prayerful preparation before the 7:00 Mass. Please note that Monday - Saturday the Church will be continue to be opened at 7:00 a.m.

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN MEETING



All Women/All Ages are invited to attend!

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
Information/Planning Meeting
Tuesday, January 17th

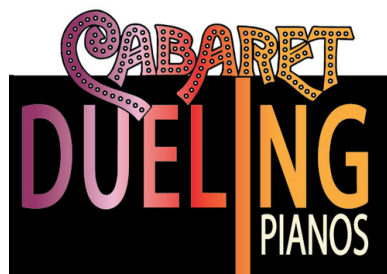
Kindergarten Room/Education Building
Please use the EAST doors; we'll have signs!

7:00 p.m. Hospitality/Refreshments
7:30 p.m. Formal presentation/Q & A Session

More Information/Questions?
Call/text: 708-710-0644

We look forward to welcoming you!

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES - CABARET



Friday, Feb. 3rd

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

Cabaret! Piano Bar Night in Morrissey Hall to benefit the 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!

We are excited to have Andrew Blendermann and Tony Kidonakis back again providing musical fun and entertainment.

Tickets and information are available in the Narthex after Masses this weekend and next.

RSVP online today at www.edwardfas.com.

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Understanding Christ's Presence in the Eucharistic Celebration.

Presented by Jessica DePrizio Cole. Explore Christ's fourfold presence in the Eucharistic celebration and reflect upon your own offering and participation in the Eucharist as a means of transformation and conversion.

January 18, 2017: 6:30 pm \$10

Preparing to Serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Presented by Jessica DePrizio Cole. Learn techniques for preparing yourself both practically and spiritually for your ministry. Reflect upon the task of administering communion and consider the role of prayer and reconciliation in proper spiritual preparation.

February 1, 2017: 6:30 pm \$10

Become What You Receive: Living as a Disciple of Christ

Presented by Jessica DePrizio Cole. The Body of Christ. The Blood of Christ. Contemplate these often spoken words and reflect on what it means

to accept Christ's invitation to embrace the mission of discipleship so that you may truly become what you receive.

February 15, 2017: 6:30 pm \$10

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

FUTURE LECTORS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS - TRAINING JANUARY 19TH

St. Cletus is inviting you: youth, parents, singles, couples, new and no-so-new parishioners to become liturgical ministers.

Lectors proclaim the Scripture readings. Communion Ministers assist in the distribution of Communion. Those who serve in these roles are regular parishioners who are your neighbors and friends. Their gifts are generosity and desire to participate and serve the parish at the table of the Lord. Schedules are flexible and arranged according to your availability. You choose the dates and Mass times you prefer.

Lector training will be Thursday, Jan. 19 in church from 6:30-7:15.

Communion Minister training will be Thursday, Jan. 19 in church from 7:15-8:15.

If you are interested and feel the Spirit is calling you, please contact Paulette Bolton @ 215-5422 or pbolton@stcletusparish.com.

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. The ministers pick wedding dates to fit their schedules. For more info, please contact Bobbie Kallal at (708) 352-6209.

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 submit their name, phone, address and envelope number to the rectory or simply call the rectory at (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email 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.

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be sent to 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.

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, or visit our website www.ReflectRetreat.com for details.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him." Encourage the Holy Spirit to enrich your marriage by taking part in 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. 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

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 or contact Anika Sterling Florez at 708.995.3877 or 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
Presented by: Fr. Kurt Boras and Chris Grano

In this quiet co-ed retreat we will engage our "divine and loving contractor" in prayerful conversation as we discover various pathways that can lead us to spiritual renovation and transformation. Social media is flooded with the topic of makeovers—homes, bodies, faces, finances and the like. However, Christian media, Scripture and Tradition, teaches us that what we are ultimately yearning for is a spiritual makeover. Under all our desires to become more, have more, and be more is a desire to be loved for who we are by the Holy One.

We invite you to take time to honor yourself and your most precious relationship with Jesus as you "Put on God's Mantle of Love."

This year's Healthcare Professionals' Retreat will again be held at the beautiful Carmelite Spiritual Center 8419 Bailey Rd. Darien, IL 60561.

For many years, men and women have come together on retreat from all areas of healthcare to focus on their relationship with Jesus and to support one another in living out that relationship as they care for the lives God has placed in their path.

The retreat will be quiet in nature offering presentations, communal prayer and some personal and communal reflection times and the opportunity to worship at Mass. We invite healthcare professionals to join together to take time to rest in the Lord and in the company of your peers.

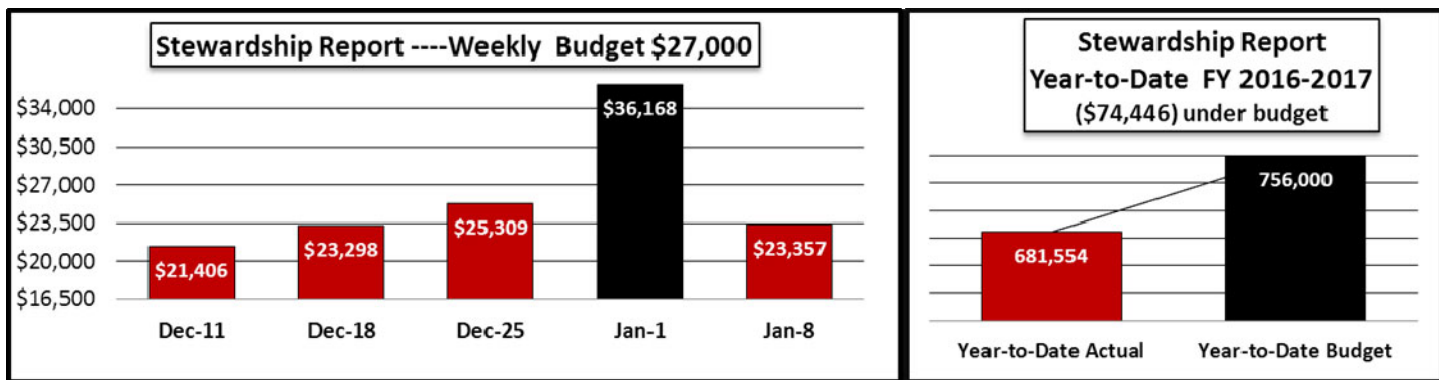
Cost: \$350. Register online: www.mayslakeministries.org or by phone: 630.852.9000

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 15	4:00pm	S Music Rm	Teen Choir Rehearsal	
Monday, January 16	8:00am		All Facilities Closed after 8am Mass	
Tuesday, January 17	7:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm 9:00pm	Rectory S Rm 98 S Rm 207 MH	RCIA St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women Meeting Men's Prayer Group Boy's Church League Basketball	
Wednesday, January 18	9:00am 7:00pm 9:00pm	RB S Rm 98 MH	Mission Ladies CREDO Boy's Church League Basketball	
Thursday, January 19	5:00pm 5:30pm 7:30pm 9:00pm	S Music Rm Church S Music Rm MH	Children's Choir Rehearsal Minister Training Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boy's Church League Basketball	
Friday, January 20	7:00pm	MH	Cardinal Pursuit Trivia Night	
Saturday, January 21	5:00pm 5:00pm	Narthex Narthex	Respect Life Committee Cabaret Ticket Sales	
Sunday, January 22	All Masses All Masses	Narthex Narthex	Respect Life Committee Cabaret Ticket Sales	

Stewardship Report

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT



THANK YOU!

I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to the people of our parish for the wonderful outpouring of the spirit of giving this Christmas season. Thank you for your extremely generous financial support of \$204,410 and your abundance of gifts that were presented to those less fortunate through our Giving Tree Program. The commitment of our parish to the needs of all God's people is inspiring and speaks to the gospel in action.


I personally want to thank each of you for your continued commitment to the work of the Lord and may Christ shower each of you with abundant blessings for your spirit of generosity and love.

Continue to Light Our World with Peace,

Fr. Bob, Pastor

St. Cletus Parish Information

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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.

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PARISH STAFF

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