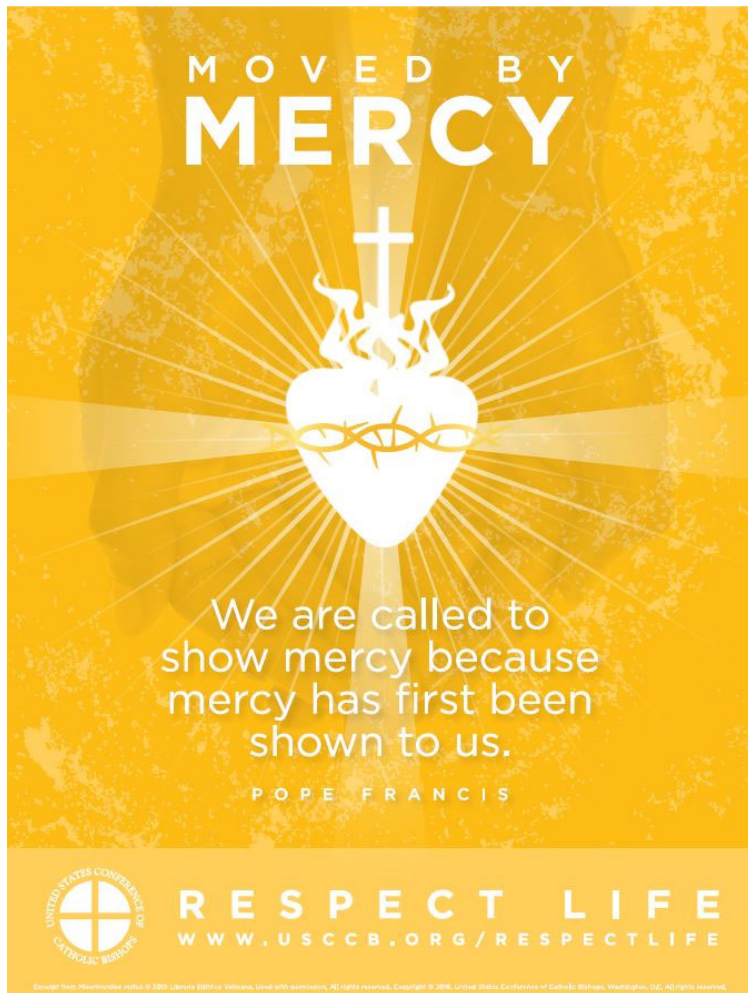


Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of October 3 - 9, 2016

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	George E. Rockwood Sr., George Duda, Marilyn Matesevac
Tuesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Mark Callaghan, Frank Baggio, George Duda, Marilyn Matesevac
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Bruce Byrne, Morgan Finley
Thursday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Benjamin Patrick Hyink
Saturday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Charles Mills, Joseph & Kay Klemak, Edward Doyle St. Cletus Parishioners
Sunday	Fr. Clark	7:00 a.m.	George Duda, Dolores E. Kuchta, Eva & Stanley Grabowski, Marco & Emilia Rattin, William P. Burns, Special Intention - Mike Baker
	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Ralph Sauer, Steven & Robert Firestone
	Fr. Gamboa	9:30 a.m.	Bridie Heslin, Betsy Pearce, Mary Alice Gregorchuk, Noreen Smith, Larry Luxem
	Fr. Baker	11:00 a.m.	Gene Kennedy, Freda Natalie Guide, Edward Vokurka, Sheila Delaney Santori, Bridie Heslin
	TBD	12:30 p.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners



Marriage Banns
Paige Suva & Alex Fisher
Natalie Farnsworth & John Fecarotta
Gina Gianfrancisco & Jimmy Piccirillo

SECOND COLLECTION 10/1-10/2

This weekend there will be a second collection for the St. Vincent de Paul conference. Members from St. Cletus will be speaking at all masses this weekend about the many ways we help our fellow parishioners and others in our community.

The St. Vincent de Paul conference helps those in need with necessary living expenses like rent, utilities, transportation, clothing and other daily living needs. They are able to do this by fund raising and many generous contributions from our parishioners. Your generous donation will help us meet their needs.

HOLY HOUR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH



This Tuesday, Oct. 4th there will be a Holy Hour from 6-7 p.m. and Hispanic Adoration 7-8 p.m. Holy Hours will be held the first Tuesday of each month.

NOTICE REGARDING BULLETIN ARTICLES

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rob Semsey, Johnny Sipek, Lonnie Rott, Fran Kruse, Nick Lodato, Jack Simpson, Anne Bermier, Evelyn Ulfig, Ginny Skibbe, Kim Zwolinski, Lane Powell, Helen Borsilli, Dcn. Jim Cozzo, Mirna Cozzo, Daniella DeRivera, Peter DeRivera, Damien Johnson, Patricia Niwa, Lesley Hansen, Kristen Gozdecki, Steve Gozdecki, Barbara Morgan, Lane Powell, Kelly Cook, Frank Cizek, Nino Scimone, Lee Ascencio, Jean Weekley, Laura Segel, Adrina Castillejo, Otto Stuckman, Patricia Pilleggi, Isaac Musser, Jean Takes, Robert William, Helen Borsilli, Gene Wallace, John Eterno, Vivian Swibel, Jennifer Streit, Julianne Hausknecht, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Allie DeRivera, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahon, Erin Lively, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, LaVerne Gill, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Denise Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda.

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

Notes from Fr. Bob...

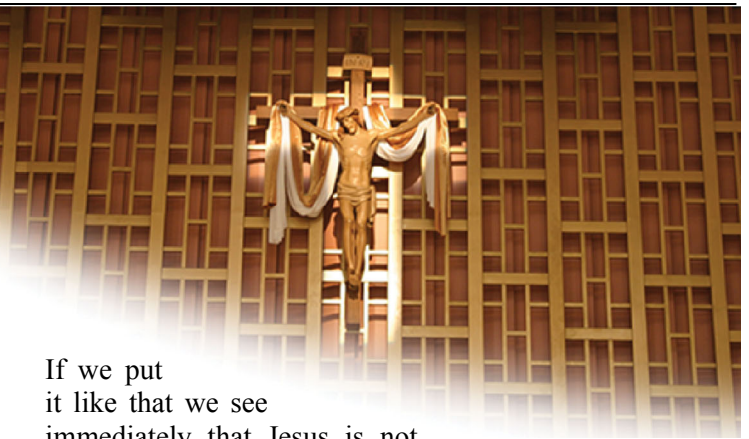
27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Imagine a world in which no one had faith in anything. What would it be like? Could such a world function? We seldom reflect on the fact that so much that happens in our lives depends upon our having faith in a whole host of institutions and individuals. If no one had faith in governments, in doctors, in air-line pilots, in spouses, in parents, in friends, in employers, in football teams, and so on, life would simply grind to a halt. Our lives would be characterized by cynicism, despair and anarchy. A world in which no one had faith in anything would be a hell on earth.

But suppose we narrow the question down a bit and ask: what would a world be like in which no one had religious faith? The answer to that question might seem more problematic. Would it really make all that much difference if no one had any religious faith? Life would still go on, surely? It's just that there'd be no churches, no mosques, no synagogues. But a moment's thought will make us realize that much more would be lacking. There would be no prayer, no worship, no religious ceremonies, no believing communities. There would be no holy books like the Bible, no holy people, no notion of holiness at all. There would be no appreciation of life as a journey, or a search, or a quest; no appreciation of life as a gift. These things are so much part of what we are that a world without religious faith would be a world we would hardly recognize as human.

Strangely we don't often think of faith like that. We think of it as a very private thing: something I have as an individual; something I must preserve; something going on inside me. We also tend to think of it as something a bit precarious, something we could lose if we're not too careful. And so we have a lot of sympathy with the apostles in today's gospel when they make that appeal to Jesus: "Increase our faith".

The Lord's reply seems very odd. We almost get the impression that he thinks faith can be tested by working unlikely wonders. But perhaps we can get a better idea of what Jesus is saying if we take the liberty of inserting one extra word into the first paragraph of the gospel. See what happens when we put in that additional word: "The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord laughed and replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.'"



If we put it like that we see immediately that Jesus is not making a profound pronouncement. Still less is he challenging his followers to pepper the sea with trees. He is using exaggeration to make a point and to make the apostles think.

What is the point? Surely that faith is not the kind of thing you can measure. It's not the kind of thing you can have more of or less of. Faith is a way of being; a way of seeing; a way of journeying. It's not something we have, it's rather something we're caught up in. Of course, there is a private and personal dimension of faith. But essentially we're not isolated individuals who have to grit our teeth and hang on to our faith through thick and thin. We're part of a community of believers; a community who lead a life of faith and support each other in that life of faith. That's one reason we pray at Mass: "Look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church."

As followers of Christ everything we do is informed by faith. Faith surrounds us; faith carries us; faith is our way of being. And we manifest our faith in simple and obvious ways: by coming together for Mass, by praying, by celebrating the sacraments, by reaching out to one another in gospel love. It might not seem very spectacular to us. It's certainly got nothing to do with performing amazing feats. But faith really does change the world. A world without religious faith would be an impoverished world, for it would be a world in which the deepest aspirations of the human heart could have no place.

In Faith,

Fr. Bob
Pastor

Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

Catholic High School Night in Morrissey Oct. 5
 Grandfriends Day Oct. 7
 No School..... Oct. 10

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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 tchinske@stcletusparish.com

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Staff Development through Service

St. Cletus faculty spent the September 23rd staff development day at Feed My Starving Children in Aurora. Together with other volunteers we packed 204 boxes of potato soy mix to send to Haiti. This mix will feed infants and special needs children.

Catholic High School Night

Wednesday, October 5, 2016
 7-8:00 p.m.

St. Cletus School - Morrissey Hall

Parents and students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades are invited to talk to representatives of seventeen area Catholic high schools. Learn about each schools' curriculum, tuition costs, entrance requirements, extra-curricular opportunities, and much more.

Coed Schools

- Benet Academy
- Fenwick
- IC Catholic Prep
- Marist
- Montini
- Nazareth
- St. Ignatius
- St. Joseph
- La Lumiere

Women's Schools

- Mother McAuley
- Queen of Peace
- Trinity

Men's Schools

- Brother Rice
- De La Salle
- Mount Carmel
- St. Laurence
- St. Rita

A Request from Deacon Stuart

The deacons of Chicago will gather this year on October 9 to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis and their ministry. This St. Francis Day Dinner provides an opportunity for our community to come together in fellowship and an opportunity to raise the necessary funding to support the work and mission of the Diaconate Council, the association of all of Chicago's deacons and wives.

Monies raised at the dinner provide an education fund for deacons and wives, provide a mutual aid fund for deacons in need, provide funding for various charities supported by our community and provide operating funds for the council.

The Council's primary sources of income are the St. Francis Day dinner cash raffle and the event's ad book.

Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$5 each or six tickets for \$25. Cash prizes: one \$1,000 winner, one \$500 winner, two \$100 winners and six \$50 winners. Tickets can be purchased by mailing a check to the Diaconate Council, 816 Marengo, Forest Park IL 60130. Check should be made payable to the "Diaconate Council." If possible, please also include address labels so we can put them on your ticket stubs. Your raffle tickets will be mailed to you, or—if you like—contact me and I will get you the raffle tickets.

The cost of a full page in our event ad book to promote your business or ministry is \$100. Other ad costs: a half page is \$60 and a quarter page is \$30. If you are interested in taking an ad or would like more information, please contact the Diaconate Office at 708.366.8900.



Another source of income at the event are our basket raffles, silent auctions and live auctions. We are in need of both large and small items for our raffles and auctions.

If you have any items to donate, please contact me by leaving a message at the Rectory or calling me directly at (708) 215-5407

Please know it is our privilege to serve the people of the Archdiocese of Chicago. I know that all deacons appreciate your prayers and support.

Blessings - Deacon Stuart

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Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Canned tomatoes
- Dry pinto beans
- Canned corn
- Mac & cheese
- Tuna
- Cereal
- Pasta/pasta sauce
- Canned fruit

Donations can be dropped off before or after masses or anytime daily between 7:45 a.m. and 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

CAR SEAT ASSISTANCE

Thank you for your faithfulness and support of this important ministry! Over the summer it came to our attention that many of the families at the food pantry did not have proper car seats for their children. We spent the past few months collecting information on the age, weight, and height of each child, the number of kids in the family's vehicle; as well as the make/model/year of their car. We partnered with a local certified Car Seat Tech (CPST-Child Passenger Safety Technician) to help determine the safest, longest-lasting, cost-effective seats. Once we determined which seats were needed we partnered with Babies R Us to purchase them with a large discount.

At the September food pantry night our Car Seat Tech helped install 8 brand new seats! She also did safety checks for a number of other kids with seats that currently meet the legal requirements.

So far we have purchased 8 car seats for a total of \$420.24. We found a few more families in need of seats and anticipate purchasing at least 5 more (around \$300). This was clearly an unexpected item in our budget this year but we felt it was important to help these families keep their children as safe as possible. Please consider a donation to help this important cause. If you're able, checks can be made to "St. Cletus Social Concerns" and dropped in the collection basket or at the rectory. Please write "Car seats" in the memo. THANK YOU!!!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

*****Due to construction our meeting space and entrance will be changed.**

Please contact Kendall or the Rectory for more details if you plan on attending***

PLEASE JOIN US: Monday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m.
St. Francis Xavier Church-124 N. Spring

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The Domestic Violence awareness and support ministries of St. Cletus, St. John of the Cross and St. Francis Xavier invite you to join us on Monday, October 3, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. (in St. Francis Xavier Church) for a Mass of healing and prayers for an end to domestic violence. The homily speaker is a survivor of domestic violence. Resource information will also be available.

In the United States, it is estimated that one in every four women experience domestic abuse from an intimate partner at some point in their lifetimes. Often, children witness violence and abuse in their homes, and most incidents go unreported. The statistics shock and numb us.

Domestic violence takes many forms. It is *never* justifiable. It is *never* excusable. Most importantly, it is *never* the fault of a survivor. ***Everyone deserves to be in healthy, violence-free and abuse-free relationships.***

May we lift our voices to God as one community, offering support and comfort to all who suffer and to all who long for a violence-free life, filled with the dignity bestowed upon us by our Creator?

BECOME INVOLVED

INCREASE AWARENESS

JOIN IN MASS AND PRAYERS

OBTAIN RESOURCE 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 to the left. You are not alone.

CROP WALK



Sunday, October 16th
Registration 12:30
Walk begins 1:15

Please mark your calendars and gather with friends, family, and neighbors to join in the annual La Grange area CROP Hunger Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) on Sunday, October 16. The walk begins at First Congregational Church (100 6th Ave, La Grange, IL 60525)

If we have walkers our food pantry benefits directly from this walk, receiving canned goods and a generous check. Please help us make this year's CROP Walk successful! Online registration and donation info will be made available soon. Please contact Kendall with any questions.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

We will be speaking at all masses this weekend telling you of the many ways we help our fellow parishioners and others in our community. We help them with necessary living expenses like Rent, Utilities, transportation, clothing and other daily living needs.

We are able to do this by Fund raising and many generous contributions from our parishioners. Please we need your financial help.

The second collection today is for our St. Vincent DePaul conference. Please use the envelopes in the pews. Your generous donation will help us meet their needs.

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Career Transition Boot Camp

Tuesday, October 4, 7-9 pm. Being able to articulate and tell your story is one of the most critical elements of a job search. WEEK 3 our speaker, Dennis Hamilton, will help you craft that all important "Elevator Speech". Time will be allowed to practice your personal statement with fellow attendees. Join us for one or all of the five consecutive Tuesday sessions and gain new skills that

will help you land a new position. First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland Avenue. Please enter church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at [sqsedler@aol.com](mailto:sqedler@aol.com).

Optimize Your Resume for Applicant Tracking Systems

October 6, 7-9 pm. Our speaker, Denis Curtin, will offer specific recommendations for formatting your resume in the form of Do and Don't examples. You'll learn how to format your resume to be ATS friendly; avoid common formatting errors that will send your resume into a Black Hole; use Word Clouds to select the best keywords/skills... and more. Wouldn't it be nice if there were a tool that would analyze your resume before you submit it and tell you if your resume is a good match for the job you are seeking? The resume robot for job seekers now exists and will be discussed at St. Cletus School.

Free Resume Review

Saturday, October 15, 9:30-11:30 am. Come in for a helpful one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional for some ideas and suggestions that may enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with your elevator speech? This is a great opportunity for you or someone you know in a job search. Join us at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs.

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

WOMEN'S CARE CENTER OF LA GRANGE

New and Gently Used Baby Clothing and Items Needed

The Women's Care Center of La Grange, a local pro-life pregnancy care center, is in need of various items for our clients and their babies. At this time our clients could use boys' and girls' fall and winter clothing sizes newborn to 2T. We are also in need of small toys, bibs, notions, unscented wipes, washcloths, long- sleeve onesies sizes 3 mos. - 24 mos., and boys and girls sleepers sizes 3 mos. to 24 mos. We could also use socks up to size 12 mos., baby shoes and baby books.

If you have any of these items in either new or gently used condition, please call Laura or Lea at (708) 352-5000 to arrange a time for drop off. Thank you so much for your support. Our clients appreciate your generosity.



Potluck

Come join us!
ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK
Saturday, October 22nd, 6:00 p.m.
Morrissey Hall/St. Cletus Education Building

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is sponsoring an old fashioned potluck to celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the founding of St. Cletus Parish. The idea of the potluck came from the wish to recognize the diverse ethnic backgrounds of our parishioners. We are expecting people from all aspects of the parish. It will be a great way to meet your fellow parishioners and put a name to that face who sits down the pew from you.

Singles, couples, families with children, ALL are invited to attend this event. We will provide the main dish (chicken) but we'd like you to bring your favorite side and join us for an evening of good food and friendship; an informal gathering to acquaint and re-acquaint yourself with fellow parishioners.

We'd like to know how many to plan for and also make sure we'll have a well-rounded meal, so we are asking you to RSVP. If you have a dish that is a family favorite, a recipe that was handed down from grandma, or your reliable "company's coming" meal, please bring it to share. If you are "culinary challenged" there are other items you could bring to round out the potluck; just ask for a suggestion. Questions or concerns? Please contact The Potluck Crew at: 708-710-0644 or email: stcletuspotluck@gmail.com. DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH BUT PLEASE RESPOND EARLY AS SEATING WILL BE LIMITED!

NOTE: Your food (enough to serve 8-10 people) may be delivered to Morrissey Hall after 4:30 p.m. on the 22nd. It should be "ready to serve" (especially hot foods), in containers that are disposable or clearly marked with your name. That day, please provide a brief description of your dish and include ingredients which may induce allergic reactions (i.e. nuts, shell fish, onion/garlic, etc.)

Please respond with the following information by:

- Placing your response in one of the boxes located in the narthex
- Dropping off your information at the Rectory
- Sending your information via email to: stcletuspotluck@gmail.com

St. Cletus Parish Family Potluck Reservation Information

NAME(S) OF ALL ATTENDING: _____

CONTACT INFO: EMAIL _____ TELEPHONE: _____

PLEASE INDICATE SPECIFICALLY WHAT YOU WILL BE BRINGING TO SHARE:

___ SALAD (TOSSED GREEN, PASTA, FRUIT, ETC.): _____

___ VEGGIE SIDE DISH: _____

___ DESSERT: _____ OTHER: _____

___ GLUTEN FREE: _____

Youth Ministry

KAIROS 24 REGISTRATION



Kairos 24 will take place November 3-6, 2016. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. This experience is open to high school juniors and seniors.

The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration. The application is available on the parish website.

ENCOUNTER SMALL GROUPS STARTING SOON

encounter saint cletus
youth ministry

Encounter small groups will begin meeting on Sunday, October 2nd. All groups will meet for the first time from 4-5:30 on the second floor of the education building. 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!

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 is open now, but only teams with two coaches may join the league.

SAVE THE DATE: CROP WALK 10/16

**CROP
HUNGER WALK**
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

The annual CROP walk takes place on Sunday, October 16th at 1 p.m. to support the food pantries of La Grange, Western Springs, and Brookfield. All area churches will work together to raise awareness and funds to support the hungry. Bring your friends and join us as we walk to raise awareness about those who are hungry and raise funds to support the hungry both locally and globally. Stay tuned for details!

BONFIRE KICK-OFF

Our new year of ministry began with a bonfire for all high school teens last Sunday. More than twenty-five teens came to enjoy an hour catching up together on a beautiful September night. Thank you to all who came! Looking forward to seeing you again soon.

TEEN MUSIC MINISTRY



The Teen Choir did a great job singing at Mass last weekend. Thank you to all of our musicians for being a part of this new ministry.

We are still looking for more musicians to join our Teen Choir. We will sing at 5 p.m. Mass every other Saturday. Contact Larry Lalonde for more information at llalonde@stcletusparish.com.

Contact Elizabeth Tomasek at
etomasek@stcletusparish.com (708) 215-5419
www.stcletusparish.com/youth

Respect Life Committee



OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Throughout the month of October the St. Cletus Parish Respect Life Committee is offering a number of opportunities to get involved.

October 1-2 Visit our table in the Narthex

October 2 Annual Life Chain on Ogden Ave.

October 8-9 Baby bottle distribution

After all the Masses next weekend, baby bottles will be passed out for Women's Care Center of La Grange, a local pro-life crisis pregnancy center. When you take home a bottle and fill it with change and dollars you may have spent on treats or entertainment during the following three weeks, you will be helping to save babies from abortion.

When young women face unexpected pregnancies, they need positive answers from people who care. Women's Care Center of La Grange provides pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, confidential counseling, maternity and baby clothing, medical and housing referrals—all free of charge. Your generosity makes this possible. Since October is Respect Life month, it is the perfect time to show we care!

October 29-30 Baby Bottle Return

The baby bottles will be collected before Mass 10/29-30. Thank you for being a life saver!

If you have questions or need more information please call Marianne & Wayne Hamilton at (708) 579-0118.

LIFE CHAIN OCTOBER 2ND

L I F E C H A I N

October 2nd 2016

Sunday 2:30-3:30 p.m.

What is "Life Chain"? It is that spectacular event that annually draws the attention of hundreds of thousands of Americans.

The concept is simple, the effect stunning.

People of all ages and faiths stand reverently in silent prayer, for one hour along a major street or highway, holding signs that proclaim the importance of human life.

Always held the first Sunday in October, The Life Chain is a visual statement by the Christian community that it supports the sanctity of human life. Uniform signs (no graphic depictions) are provided for participants, so the overall impression is one of solidarity in belief and purpose.

This Sunday in Illinois there are dozens of chains. The Saint Cletus Chain begins at LaGrange Road & West on the South Side of Ogden. Saint Francis Xavier begins in front of their church. Saint Barbara chain begins at Prairie and Ogden. The Saint John of the Cross Chain begins at Wolf Road, St. Isaac Jogues at York Road, all along Ogden Avenue.

So, joining us are parishes in Brookfield, La Grange, Hinsdale, LaGrange Park, Western Springs, Riverside, and many parishes all over metropolitan Chicago and 1800 parishes across the USA.

For more information check on chain sites at LifeChain.net. or call Marianne & Wayne Hamilton at (708) 579-0118.

*Please come and join us for one prayerful hour,
all you have to do is show up,
signs provided.*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2nd 2016

WORD OF LIFE

"We are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us."

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RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS BEGINS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2016

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.

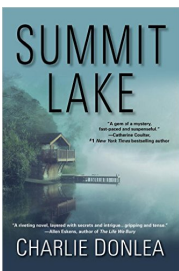
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION CONTACT FR. KEN AT (708) 352-6209 ext. 205



Come and See

Other Ministry Notes

BOOK CLUB MEETING OCT. 11TH



The St. Cletus Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday evening, October 11th at 7:00 p.m. We will meet in Room 102, across from the school office.

The book to be discussed is Summit Lake by Charlie Donlea. All interested participants are most welcome.

Gloria Stelmack

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

The next meeting will be held October 7th at 8:00 p.m. in the regular room. Please enter from the door between the school and church.

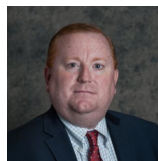


MINISTERS OF COMMUNION/LECTORS



Please call 708-215-5422 if you would like to become a Minister of Communion or a Lector. A training time can be arranged and the reward is amazing. Schedules are flexible according to your availability. Contact Paulette Bolton – pbolton@stcletusparish.com.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, TIM O'BRIEN



Tim O'Brien has been a parishioner and school parent at St. Cletus since 2002 and joins us this year as our new Development Director on a part time basis. Tim is a graduate of Nazareth Academy and Purdue University with a BS. He has held a variety of sales roles for over 20 years. Tim and his wife Jen have two children currently at St. Cletus and one graduate. They reside in LaGrange. Tim has been an active member of the school and parish for the last 14 years while also serving as School Board Chairman from 2009-2013 with a primary focus on fundraising.

MONDAY NIGHT BASKETBALL

There will be open gym for all men in the parish age 30 or older. We play most Mondays from 8:30-10 p.m. October to April. Our first two nights will be Oct. 3rd & 17th. Good sportsmanship and a desire to stay in shape are all that is required. New teams are picked each week. All players are asked to bring one white and one dark shirt each week. Please email John at johnfjacobs@yahoo.com to be added to the email list

Community Bulletin Board

BENEDICTINE SISTERS RETREAT



DISCOVER THE BENEDICTINE WAY OF BALANCE: In the midst of life's busy pace, do you long to spend more time with God? "Ora et labora" translates as "prayer and work." This Benedictine phrase reflects a way of living with balance. Join single, Catholic women ages 18-50 for a day at the monastery. Experience Benedictine life with time for quiet prayer, simple work, and community with other women of faith. October 22nd, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. St. Scholastica Monastery. Learn more or register www.osbchicago.org/discernment or contact Sister Belinda at 773.338.7063, vocation@osbchicago.org.

VOCATIONS OFFICE - CHICAGOPRIEST.COM

"God did not give us a spirit of cowardice." Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you beyond your fearful hesitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Francis Bitterman (312) 534-8298, or write: fbitterman@archchicago.org

MAYSLAKE MINISTRIES

Dealing with Difficult People

Presented by: Deacon Joe Ferrari

Date: October 6, 2016 7pm-8:15pm

Location: Mayslake Ministries

Cost: \$20



In this interactive presentation, Dn. Joe Ferrari presents examples from Biblical Scripture. We explore five (5) ways Jesus handled difficult people during His three years of ministry. Further examples from St. Vincent dePaul and St. Theresa of Calcutta are included.

NEW Fall Bible Study

Presented by Sr. Mary McNulty Wednesday Mornings in October, 10:00 am-Noon

Cost: \$20 per session -or- \$75 for the Series of 4

To register please visit our website at www.mayslakeministries.org or call our offices at 630-852-9000.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



"We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do." Have we really done all that we could do to realize the promise of our marriages? Explore more by participating in one of the next WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekends on October 7-9, 2016 or December 9-11, 2016,

both at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. Call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwme-chicagoland.org>.

FENWICK OPEN HOUSES

Thursday November 10th 2016 7-9 pm

Sunday December 4th 2016 1-3 pm

Fenwick High School 505 Washington Blvd, Oak Park



NAZARETH ACADEMY INFORMATION

N On Tuesday, October 4, 2016, Nazareth's administration, business office and current parents will discuss the scholarships, awards, financial aid and third party opportunities that can assist with Catholic high school tuition. Parents of 6th, 7th and 8th grade students are invited to attend.

Nazareth Academy Romano Theatre (please use west entrance) 1209 W. Ogden, La Grange Park.

RSVP to Mrs. Kristen Stojetz at 708.387.8505 or kstojetz@nazarethacademy.com

THE WOMEN'S CENTER IN CICERO

5116 North Cicero Avenue, Chicago, IL 60630 (773)794-1313
BRANCH OFFICES: 9730 S. Western, Ste. 318, Evergreen Park, IL and 2720 S. River Rd., Suite 234, Des Plaines, IL

October is a month in which we honor our heavenly mother, Mary, in a special way, especially by saying the Rosary. October has also been designated Respect Life Month. Please honor Mary and also help The Women's Center by praying your rosaries for the mothers who come to us for help during their pregnancies.

Open Positions: Seeking certified Sonographers to conduct limited OB ultrasounds. Multiple shifts available in our Cicero Avenue (northside) office and Evergreen Park office. For more information please call Mary Strom at 773-794-4775.

Are you a stay at home mom, a retiree, or a servant-hearted person with weekday availability who wants to give back? 1) We are looking for bi-lingual in Spanish volunteers to help our volunteers and clients. 2) We are looking volunteers to learn to be occasional "on-call" Lobby Desk subs some Mondays-Fridays 1-4pm. 3) We are looking for new Lobby Desk volunteers Wed/ Thurs 1-4pm to greet guests and help with projects. 4) We have a weekday opp to clean, tag, and box bottles for our Spare Change Campaigns (great for friends or service hours!). For more info, reach out to Paige at 773.794.8807 or pscarlett@womens-center.org.

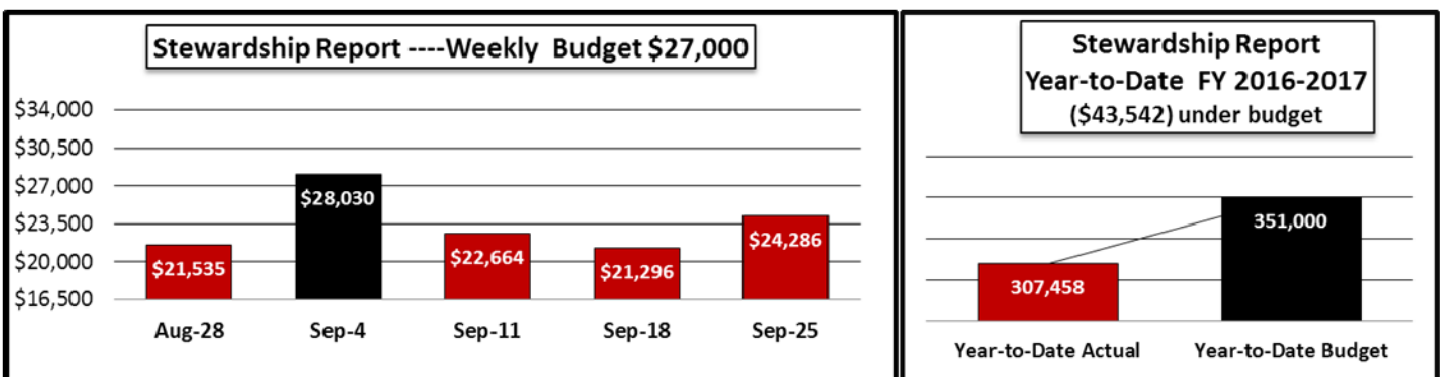
Week at a Glance

C...Church S...School (Education Building) Narthex...Church Vestibule RB...Rectory Basement MH...Morrissey Hall

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, October 2	All Masses All Masses 12:00pm 4:00pm 4:00pm	Narthex Narthex S Rm 200 S Choir Rm S Rm 201/208	Respect Life Committee Welcome Committee KAIROS Meeting Teen Choir Rehearsal Youth Ministry Meetings
Monday, October 3	8:30pm	MH	Men's Church League Basketball
Tuesday, October 4	3:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Front Lawn Church Church S Rm 208	Pet Blessing Holy Hour Hispanic Adoration Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 5	6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	S Rm 201 MH S Rm 98 S Choir Rm	VIRTUS Training Catholic High School Night CREDO Bible Study Course Contemporary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 6	6:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	MH S Rm 213 S Choir Rm	Giving Tree Registration ICN Meeting Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 7	1:15pm 8:00pm	Church S Rm 98	School Grandfriends Day Mass and Celebration Holy Name Society Meeting
Saturday, October 8	5:00pm 5:00pm	Narthex Narthex	Respect Life Committee Baby Bottle Distribution Welcome Committee
Sunday, October 9	All Masses All Masses 12:00pm	Narthex Narthex S Rm 200	Respect Life Committee Baby Bottle Distribution Welcome Committee KAIROS Meeting


Stewardship Report

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



St. Cletus Parish Information

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
(Please note the office will close at noon on Fridays over the summer.)
 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

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