

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

The word is near you,  
in your mouth and in your heart.  
— Romans 10:8




MARCH 10, 2019  
*First Sunday of Lent*

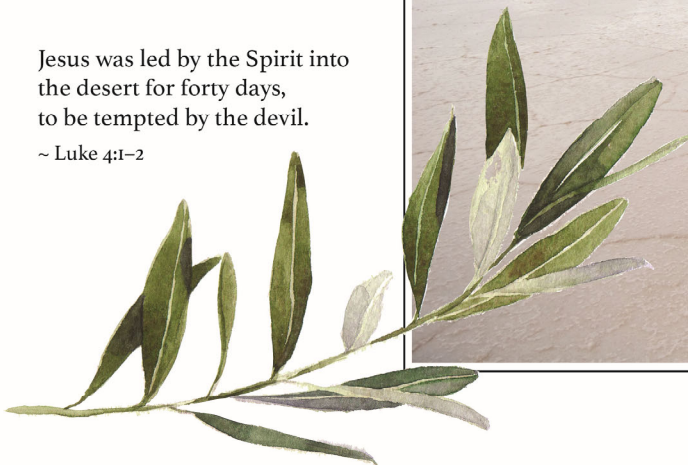
## WELCOME

*So glad you could join us!*

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Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.  
~ Luke 4:1-2



# Mass Intentions for the Week of March 11 - March 17, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper, Fr. Richard Jozwiak
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, John E. Cooper, Robert Thomas
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Helen Piemonte, Michael Perry
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Angelo Cumbo
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Stanley Zagorski
	Fr. Baker	5:00 p.m.	Ken Kakareka, Patricia McKillip, Jim Deslauriers, Carol Nelson, George Pesut
Sunday	Fr. Clark	7:00 a.m.	Evelyn Ulfig, John McTigue
	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker
	Fr. Baker	9:30 a.m.	Patrick O'Connell, Frank Dunbar, John Battistoni
	Fr. Clark	11:00 a.m.	Maveety Family, Nathan J. Egert
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners

## JOIN US FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Please note that the Taizé Prayer Service has been moved to Friday, March 29. Please join us for Stations of the Cross in the Church this Friday, March 15, at 7:00 p.m. An updated calendar of Lenten events can be found on page 9 of the Canticle.

## COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

This week there are envelopes in the pews to support the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation today helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 20 countries still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection help support reconstruction, education, formation, and outreach to alleviate poverty.



Please be generous to the collection today.

For more information, please visit their website [www.usccb.org/ceec](http://www.usccb.org/ceec).

### Marriage Banns

**Alexandra Lopez & David Pawlak**

## 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.*

**March** - Ted Buczek, Gene Gajos, Nancy Gibson, Kathryn McCord, Dave Sipek

**February** - Joan Clark, John Duda, Alice Dunkovich, Ola Maveety, George Sedlacek, Rachael Schopp

**January** - Frank Colonna, Ronald Kruczek, Daniella DeRivera, Gloria Rivera, Dr. Max Scheyerer, Eleanor Artemenko, Gerda E. Dorso, Cherie Franzen, Patricia Rodey, Ron Ramsey, Anne Scheer, John Sheil, Michael Stoinski, Charles Fiipek, Virginia Gebka, Yesenia Guzman, Sharon Smilanich, Jean Weekley, Kimberly & Tony Fox, Susan Grace, Laura Biesadecki, Lee Ascencio, Mary Benka, Paul DeRivera, Nikki Howell, Ada Medina, Leo Rivera, Bill Tortorello

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



## Notes from Fr. Bob...


### 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

#### ON GOD'S TERMS

Temptation is a part of life. Because we are human, we are subject to various temptations, some of which can be subtle and even appear as good and desirable ends in themselves. Jesus, too, was tempted. That fact should reassure us. What can we learn from him?

The Deuteronomy reading was originally part of the Jewish festival of First Fruits. It contains one of the most important creedal formularies of the law. The offering of the first fruits of the harvest acknowledged God's supremacy over creation; the land and its produce were gifts of God. Moses solemnly declares the saving events which constitute Israel's history: its humble origins, its deliverance from Egypt, and the giving of the Promised Land. Like's account of the Lord's temptation in the desert contains many elements which connect Jesus to the history of God's chosen people. The wilderness was not an inviting place. In it, Jesus, like Israel, was tested. However, unlike the people, Jesus did not fail his test. His forty days in the wilderness also evoke Israel's years of desert wandering. The identity of the people was shaped by their desert sojourn just as Jesus' messianic identity was shaped by his desert experience. In the second reading, the apostle Paul emphasizes the centrality of Christ in the plan of salvation and the need to accept the Gospel in order to receive God's free gift of redemption.

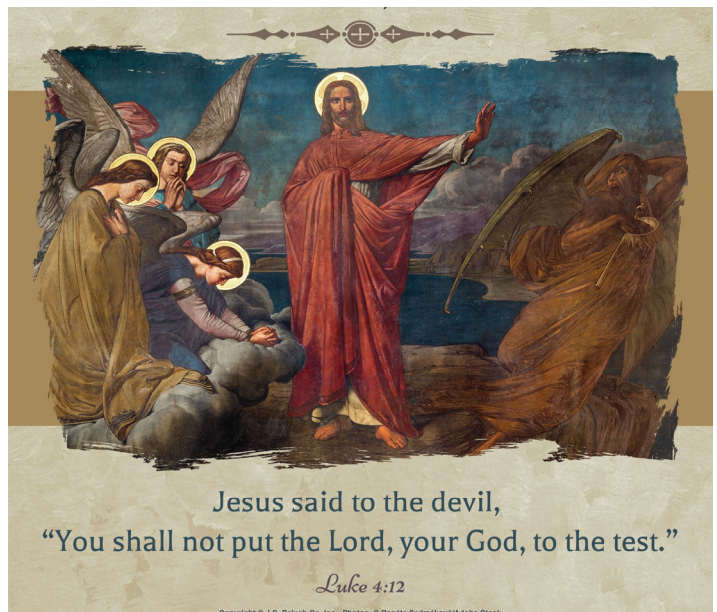
The temptations of Jesus are the same ones we face when we are inclined to believe that we are in control. The goals of the temptations are praiseworthy—feeding the hungry, subjecting the world to good, trusting in God's power to protect us from evil. But to accomplish these, writes Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA, "We try to perform the extraordinary so that what we do reflects favorably on us. We use brute force in order to achieve control. We put God to the test rather than live peacefully with God's plan as it unfolds within and around us. We seek to become the super-hero, the super-minister, the super-Christian ON OUR OWN." Lent is a time to "let God be God" and open ourselves, as Jesus did, to the Spirit's guiding and preserving influence in our lives.



Let us strive, with God's grace, this Lent to avoid the temptation of always being in control and allow the work of God to flow through us on His terms. These next forty days are a perfect opportunity for each of us to recognize and experience the Spirit of God that dwells within us and allow it to work through us freely.

*Have a Spirit and grace filled Lent,*

*Fr. Bob*  
**Fr. Bob Clark**  
**Pastor**



# Parish School



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### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

March 11 ..... Queen of Hearts Drawing  
 March 14-15 ..... School Play  
 March 30 ..... Spring Auction

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

**Tom Chinske, Principal**      **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**  
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 tchinske@stcletusparish.com      cschaefer@stcletusparish.com



### TAKE A LOOK TUESDAY MARCH 12

Want to take a peek into our St. Cletus Early Childhood Pre-school and Kindergarten programs? You are welcome to visit these classrooms the Second Tuesday of every month, with or without your child, to see all the great things our parish school has to offer! We are open between 10-11am the second Tuesday of every month!

Interested? RSVP to: [mbentley@stcletusparish.com](mailto:mbentley@stcletusparish.com) so we can expect you! These grade levels fill up quickly, come and see why your child would benefit from these wonderful programs! Hope to see you there!

### WIZARD OF OZ MARCH 14-15

Follow the yellow brick road over to Parish Center stage for a performance of "The Wizard of Oz", Young Performer's Edition, staged by the junior high students at St. Cletus School. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased online under the "Donate" tab of the St. Cletus parish website. Performances are Thursday, March 14 at 7 p.m. and Friday, March 15 at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. We may not be in Kansas anymore, but we're sure to take a memorable trip over the rainbow! If you have any questions, call St. Cletus School at 708-352-4820.



### D4D AT PORTILLOS ON MARCH 20 AND 27

Portillo's will donate 20% of proceeds to St. Cletus School on March 20 and 27 from 5:00pm - 8:00pm if you use the flier found online at [stcletusschool.com/parents](http://stcletusschool.com/parents)

March 20: Portillo's 7195 Kingery Hwy. Willowbrook  
 March 27: Portillo's 5532 S. Harlem Ave. Summit



### FIRST GRADE SCIENCE LAB

Our budding space explorers in first grade were given a set amount of materials to use to build lunar rovers. Their challenge -- using marshmallows for astronauts, they had to design the rover to keep the astronaut from falling out of the rover when dropped.



## Religious Education



### FAITH WILL CONQUER FEAR!

Twice a month, we have a gathering of some amazing people in the Gallagher Rooms on Sunday morning. It is a class of 10 phenomenal students in our Special Needs Adaptive Program, along with 10 amazing High School teens as their one-on-one aides, and three outstanding Catechists. What do you get when you combine all of these people? One wonderful, faith-filled community! The theme for this year in Special Needs is Bible Heroes! Each time we meet this year, we are learning and exploring about a different hero from the Old Testament. Last weekend, we learned about Daniel and how his faith in God conquered his fear, even when he was put into the lion’s den! The picture above shows some of our students dressed as lions, and even King Darius!

On Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Monday evening class will lead us in the Living Stations of the Cross in Morrissey Hall at 6:50 p.m. On Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday morning class will lead us in the Living Stations of the Cross at 10:10 a.m. in Morrissey Hall. What a terrific way to start off Lent!

### A LOOK AHEAD...

- March 10-11 Regular RE Classes in session  
ECRE in session  
Monday evening Living Stations of the Cross
- March 13 Teen Seekers in session
- March 17-18 Regular RE Classes in session  
ECRE in session  
Special Needs in session  
Sunday morning Living Stations of the Cross
- March 20 Teen Seekers in session
- March 24-25 NO Classes due to Spring Break
- March 31-April 1 NO classes due to Spring Break

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**Are you ready to roar?** Head out on an African adventure and create a stampede of fun at this year’s vacation bible school (VBS).

Experience jaw-dropping discoveries and run wild with high energy activities. VBS runs June 17-21.

Sign up at <https://stcletusparish.com/vbs>

For more information please contact Barb Campbell,  
Director of Religious Education  
[bcampbell@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bcampbell@stcletusparish.com) | 708.352.2383

## Queen of Hearts Raffle for St. Cletus School



**Visit Kenny’s Irish Pub and buy your tickets today for the next drawing at 7pm on Monday, March 11.**

**Raffle Details:** In cooperation with Kenny’s Irish Pub, St. Cletus is running a 50/50 raffle to benefit St. Cletus School. Tickets can be purchased at Kenny’s Irish Pub on 55<sup>th</sup> Street in Countryside for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The raffle draw will take place every Monday night at Kenny’s until the Queen of Hearts is found. The tickets do not roll over week to week, but the Pot DOES! Get your tickets at Kenny’s today! (Winner need not be present to win.)

## Social Concerns Ministry



### ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Tomatoes
- Mac & Cheese
- Dry pinto beans (1-3 lb. bags)
- Diapers (sizes 5 & 6)
- \$10 Walmart cards (distributed at our April food pantry nights for Easter)

Donations can be dropped off before or after Masses or anytime daily between 7:45am-4pm in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex (at the back of church).



*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

We are partnering with the Greater Chicago Food Depository and the Retirement Research Foundation to learn more about the needs of senior clients. To be eligible you must be 65+, have 15-20 min to complete a survey (English or Spanish) with a volunteer, and open to sharing your experience with food, how you obtain and prepare it, and your interest in additional services like prepared meals. Limited surveys available. Small thank you gift included. This input will help area pantries like St. Cletus and the Greater Chicago Food Depository craft programs to best meet the needs of seniors in Cook County. We're grateful to have been chosen by GCFD to participate and look forward to continued work with our senior clients and these organizations!

### ENCOUNTER LENT



*Encounter Norma* - In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother, supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more information.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

#### 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 708.215.5418 or [kgrant@stcletusparish.com](mailto:kgrant@stcletusparish.com) for more information.

**Break The SILENCE**  
Against Domestic Violence

**General Contact Information** - *In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars, found in the purple box to the left. **You are not alone.***

### WORD OF LIFE



“Maya discovered she was pregnant six months into her freshman year of college. When her son was born, she placed him with a very kind adoptive family; she ‘just knew they were the right choice.’ Now, years later, Maya emphasizes the importance of offering ongoing support to expectant mothers considering adoption.” Learn how at [www.usccb.org/women-consideringadoption](http://www.usccb.org/women-consideringadoption).

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption”

### AREA RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

**Respect Life Ministry Meeting March 25** - Parishioners from St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross will gather to continue discussing ways we can partner together on a Respect Life Ministry, jointly advocating for a world that

joyfully sees God in every human person in all stages and in all conditions. Save the date for our next meeting on Monday, March 25th at 7pm in the St. John of the Cross Parish Center. All are welcome! Any questions, contact Kendall Grant.

**Illinois Bishops Warn Against Pending Abortion Legislation in General Assembly** - As Illinois faces so many pressing issues involving human life and dignity, our elected officials have decided the pressing issue of the day is to enhance the chances that the lives of the most vulnerable and voiceless will be taken. We are encouraged to become aware of House Bills 2495 and 2467, and Senate Bills 1942 and 1594. Opposition to these bills does not require one to assume a pro-life political position. We encourage you to contact your representatives and ask for your prayers and support as you certainly have ours.

**IL Catholic Conference-Life Advocacy Day 2019** - April 3, 2019, is our Life Advocacy Day. We will be taking coach buses to Springfield, IL at 6:00 a.m. and returning by 6:00 p.m. The Cost is \$10, which will provide a lunch and training/education by Illinois Catholic Conference. We will also have a chance to pray the rosary as a group in front of the Capitol Building. The pick-up and drop-off site is St. John of the Cross in Western Springs. Please register and sign up now at <http://bit.ly/2ThLrvw>

**INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

**Volunteer drivers needed to transport older adults**  
 Can you spare an hour or more a week to drive an older adult? Interfaith Community Partners is a non-profit organization that works together with volunteers to provide rides to older adults in the Lyons, Proviso, and Riverside Townships. Volunteer drivers provide accompanied transportation to medical appointments, therapies, and life-enhancing errands such as the grocery store, bank, hairdresser, and church. Contact us at 708-354-9328 for a volunteer application, visit us on the web at [InterfaithCommunityPartners.org](http://InterfaithCommunityPartners.org), and like us on Facebook.

**INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK**

**Career Search and Development Boot Camp**

Please join us on Tuesday, March 12 from 7-9 pm at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 15 South Ashland Avenue. Being able to articulate and tell your story is one of the most critical elements of a job search. This week co-facilitator, Jim Peterson, will help you craft that all important "Elevator Speech". Time will be allowed to practice your personal elevator speech with fellow attendees. There is no cost to attend the Boot Camp. However, everyone is encouraged to attend every session to make the most out of the training. Please enter the church on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at [sqsedler@aol.com](mailto:sqedler@aol.com).

*Everyone is welcome to ICN meetings/workshops and there is no charge to attend. For further info, please visit: [www.interfaithcareernetwork.org](http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org).*

**PRAY FOR HEALING MINISTRY**

St. Cletus has started a ministry to pray for healing in the church – healing from the wounds resulting from the sexual abuse scandal. The ministry is open to all, and all are encouraged to join. You will receive an email once or twice a month, encouraging you to prayer. Each email will contain a suitable prayer for those of us who find words harder to come by. The parish website has a form you need to complete to join – under the 'Ministries & Groups' tab on the home page. No computer? No worries – please give your name and address to the parish center and we will send you each offering via the US postal service. Questions? Please contact Jerry Mitchell (630 849 5857) at [prayforhealing@stcletusparish.com](mailto:prayforhealing@stcletusparish.com)

**ST. JOSEPH ADOPTION NOVENA**

Leading up to the Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 19, join us in praying the St. Joseph Adoption Novena. Invoking the intercession of St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, we will pray the Lord blesses all who travel upon the path of adoption Visit [usccb.org/adoption-novena](http://usccb.org/adoption-novena) for the novena which begins March 10.



**St. Joseph Adoption Novena**  
*Praying For All Who Travel Upon the Path of Adoption*  
**March 10-18**


[usccb.org/adoption-novena](http://usccb.org/adoption-novena)

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## LENTEN REGULATIONS

(from Ash Wednesday, to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meats is to be observed by all Catholics 14-years-old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

**Psalm** — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** — The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** — Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days (Luke 4:1-13).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;  
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;  
Mt 7:7-12

Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;  
Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election;  
Rite of Calling the Candidates to  
Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending;  
Daylight Saving Time begins;

Monday: Julian Calendar Lent begins

Friday: Abstinence

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life's journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities.

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three "pillars" of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death's darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life's journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven.

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## ST. JOHN'S ABBEY :: TODAY'S REFLECTION

Asking people who face anywhere from a half-an-hour to an hour or more of commuting in bumper-to-bumper traffic only to arrive at a very trying job, asking them to add something in the way of penance during Lent seems callous or the rumination of someone living in an unreal world. I'm tempted to think that such suggestions about adding some penance during Lent were thought up by people living lives devoid of the ordinary stresses involved in making a living. Their placid lives may have needed the seasoning of some humanly devised and artificial struggle.

In any case, most of us, it seems to me, should not look upon Lent as a time for some unusual practice but for either patience with what we must do or a more generous fulfillment of what family, work and world already require of us. In other words, brightening up, tightening up, cleaning up, improving the way we do what God requires of us.

— Don Talafous OSB [www.saintjohnsabbey.org](http://www.saintjohnsabbey.org)



# LENT

2019

## ST. CLETUS PARISH

*Join us during Lent*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>MARCH 10</b> CRS Rice Bowl Distribution	<b>MARCH 11</b>	<b>MARCH 12</b> 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	<b>MARCH 13</b>	<b>MARCH 14</b> 2:30pm School Stations of the Cross	<b>MARCH 15</b> 7pm Stations of the Cross	<b>MARCH 16</b> 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions
<b>MARCH 17</b> St. Patrick's Day 	<b>MARCH 18</b>	<b>MARCH 19</b> 9:00am School Mass 10:00am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction 7:00pm SCCCW Meeting and St. Joseph's Table	<b>MARCH 20</b>	<b>MARCH 21</b> 2:30pm School Stations of the Cross	<b>MARCH 22</b> 7pm Stations of the Cross	<b>MARCH 23</b> 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions 7:30pm Fr. Ken Baker & Friends Concert in Parish Center 
<b>MARCH 24</b>	<b>MARCH 25</b>	<b>MARCH 26</b> 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	<b>MARCH 27</b>	<b>MARCH 28</b> 2:30pm School Stations of the Cross	<b>MARCH 29</b> 7pm Taizé Prayer 	<b>MARCH 30</b> 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions Spring Auction
<b>MARCH 31</b>	<b>APRIL 1</b> 7pm Parish Reconciliation Service	<b>APRIL 2</b> 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	<b>APRIL 3</b>	<b>APRIL 4</b> 2:30pm School Stations of the Cross	<b>APRIL 5</b> 7pm Stations of the Cross 8pm Holy Name Society Meeting	<b>APRIL 6</b> 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions 5pm Welcome Committee
<b>APRIL 7</b> Welcome Committee in Narthex	<b>APRIL 8</b>	<b>APRIL 9</b> 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	<b>APRIL 10</b> 9:00am School Prayer Service, Washing of the Feet 	<b>APRIL 11</b> 2pm & 7pm Living Stations presented by the 8th grade students 	<b>APRIL 12</b> 7pm Stations of the Cross	<b>APRIL 13</b> 4:15pm-4:45pm Confessions CRS Rice Bowl Collection this weekend
<b>APRIL 14</b> Pancake Breakfast	<b>APRIL 15</b>	<b>APRIL 16</b> 8:30am Adoration 6:00pm Holy Hour with Benediction	<b>APRIL 17</b>	<b>APRIL 18</b> No 8am Mass No Food Pantry 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper	<b>APRIL 19</b> No 8am Mass 3:00pm Passion of the Lord in Church 6:30pm Passion of the Lord in Spanish in the Parish Center 	<b>APRIL 20</b> No 8am Mass No Confessions No 5:00pm Mass 12:00pm Blessing of Food Baskets in Parish Center 7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass
<b>PLEASE NOTE:</b> CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD DURING HOLY WEEK OR ON HOLY SATURDAY						
<b>APRIL 21</b> 	<b>Easter Sunday Services:</b> 7:00 am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, and 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)					

## SCCCW Meeting March 19

SAINT  
JOSEPH'S  
DAY

MARCH  
19  
7:00PM

Come join the women of CCW as we celebrate St. Joseph's day with our do it yourself St. Joseph table. Bring a finger food to share along with a donation to the food pantry & spend some time making friends & munching together!

Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. with our St. Joseph table to follow. Come learn about CCW & help the food pantry too!

The date is Tuesday, March 19th in the Gallagher room of the parish center. See you there!

SAVE THE DATE: April 14th for the CCW Bake Sale at the Pancake Breakfast.



## Cardinal Cupich's Rome Meeting Reflection

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Office of the Archbishop



Dear Friends,

Thank you for keeping me in your prayers during the recent Meeting on the Protection of Minors in the Church, convened by the Holy Father in Rome. Your support gave me great hope and encouragement, and I would like to provide you with an update on what was accomplished and our next critical steps.

This meeting set the direction of the entire global Church on the question of child safety. Our firm resolve and the actions we will take are a direct result of hearing the testimony of victims/survivors throughout the meeting. Their unflinching witness moved the hearts of the participants and the world and led us to recommit to a common mission of making the Church a safe place for all, achieved by taking personal responsibility, holding bishops accountable, and practicing transparency.

The nine talks over three days were given by presenters approved by the Holy Father. Each of the speakers pointed out the failures of bishops to act responsibly and described the damage done by their lack of accountability and transparency. Pope Francis built on what was said in the various talks by making it clear at the end of the Mass on Sunday that the Church's agenda in protecting children must be proactive not reactive or defensive. He insisted that the Church will spare no effort to hold abusers accountable and will not tolerate cover-ups.

The all-out effort for which the pope has called will continue to build over time and will be marked by a commitment to ongoing learning and improving, particularly by listening to victims/survivors of abuse.

Four concrete steps were announced at the end of the meeting.

1. The imminent publication of a motu proprio by the

pope, providing rules and regulations to safeguard minors and vulnerable adults within the Vatican City State;

2. The distribution of a "vademezum" (or rulebook) to bishops around the world, standardizing guidelines so church leaders everywhere take on this task in a united way and explaining their juridical and pastoral duties and responsibilities regarding protecting children;
3. Recognizing that the global Church is marked by great culture diversity and unique regional challenges, task forces of competent experts that are culturally sensitive and regionally representative will be organized to assist bishops' conferences that may lack the necessary resources or expertise to fully address the issue of safeguarding minors and dealing with abuse;
4. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith is responsible for approving the norms of each bishops' conference.

With this letter, I invite you to view the major talks, prayer services with testimonies of victims/survivors, the penitential ceremony and Mass, all of which were streamed live so the entire world could follow this event. The videos and talks are posted on the Vatican's dedicated website at [pbc2019.org](http://pbc2019.org).

You can be sure of a place in my prayers, and I ask that you keep victims/survivors, our Church, and our community in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ

Archbishop of Chicago



# Spring Auction March 30



## 2019 ST. CLETUS SPRING AUCTION

**Saturday, March 30th, 2019**

5:30pm Registration, 6pm Games start, 7pm Auction begins

Capri Banquets, 6240 Joliet Road, Countryside

\$75 per person includes food, entertainment, live & silent auctions!

Information and purchase options available at: [auction.stcletusschool.com](http://auction.stcletusschool.com)

**Just 4 weeks until the auction! Don't forget to...**

Purchase Auction Tickets online/RSVP to event

- \$75 per ticket

Become a Family Sponsor

- Family Sponsorship includes 2 event tickets
- "Family Plus" option includes \$125 in raffle tickets

Register to play in our "RED and WHITE GAMES" Cornhole Tournament

- \$20 per person

Win 50 bottles of wine in our Instant Wine Cellar Raffle!

- Buy a cork for \$50
- Donate a bottle of wine or make a monetary donation to the office

Purchase Specialty Auction Glasses!

- Pint or Rocks Glass
- \$15 each pre-order, \$20 at event
- Upgrade your beverage options at the event! (limited number available; while supplies last)



# Ken Baker & Friends Concert March 23

When your friend, ROBERT SIMS is headed to Lincoln Center to give a concert and invites you to direct the concert, you have to celebrate! Don't miss ON THE ROAD TO LINCOLN CENTER, presented by KEN BAKER & FRIENDS. KEN BAKER will be joined onstage by lyric baritone Robert Sims, Gold Medal winner of the American Traditions Competition, in a send-off celebration of music from Broadway to Spirituals. Joining Ken and Robert onstage will be the award-winning duo of BECKIE MENZIE AND TOM MICHAEL, the phenomenal CYNTHIA CLAREY and the classically trained dynamic trio, TreDiva Sopranos (JONITA LATTIMORE, ANISHA MCFARLAND & ELIZABETH NORMAN). Join us Saturday, March 23, 2019, 7:00 - 9:30p.m. Tickets: \$35.00 – General Admission.

Purchase Tickets in the Parish Center Office or online: [KENBAKERSINGS.BROWNPAPERTICKETS.COM](http://KENBAKERSINGS.BROWNPAPERTICKETS.COM)



Ken Baker



Robert Sims

**KEN BAKER & FRIENDS**  
Presents  
**ON THE ROAD TO LINCOLN CENTER**

Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 7pm

St. Cletus Parish Center in Clark Hall  
600 W. 55<sup>TH</sup> St. La Grange, IL

TICKETS \$35 at [www.kenbakersings.com](http://www.kenbakersings.com)

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**& FRIENDS**



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## Community Bulletin Board

### CATHOLIC MENS CONFERENCE 2019



**MARCH 16, 2019  
9AM-5PM  
DOMINICAN  
UNIVERSITY**

Today's men can live out their masculinity, fatherhood, and brotherhood as Christ has taught us. We invite men to deepen their faith and renew their commitment to being the best man they can be. Our engaging speakers were selected to remind us of our responsibility, the power of

conversion, and the impact a good man can make.

Speakers: Richard Lane Jr., General Maryanne Miller, Fr. Richard Simon, Chris Stewart, Bishop Thomas Paprocki

Registration is required prior to the event. Please register at [www.amanamongmenchicago.com](http://www.amanamongmenchicago.com)

### JOYFUL AGAIN



**Widowed and feeling stuck?** Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life. Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry Program presents a Retreat/workshop for men & women March 30 & 31 at the Holy Family Med. Ctr., Des Plaines. To register call: 708-354-7211, e-mail [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com). Website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org) (incls.video)

### SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SOCIAL GROUP

The Suburban Catholic Social Group (SCSG) is welcoming new members. We are a Catholic faith based group for ages 40's and up meeting monthly for social and spiritual activities. For more information you can email [scsgillinois@gmail.com](mailto:scsgillinois@gmail.com) or find us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/suburbancatholicingsingles>. We look forward to meeting you!

### THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



The Well Spirituality Center, 1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park. To register online and see complete list of our programs visit [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048.

#### Scriptures in Song Thursday

March 14, 7PM, repeated Friday, March 15, 10AM. Facilitator: Kathy Sherman, CSJ - This presentation will give you the opportunity to reflect and to sing original music composed for some familiar and beloved Scripture passages, taking you deeper into your heart and into the heart of the matter. \$20

#### Earthy Mysticism

Thursday, March 21, 7-8:30 PM. Facilitator: Marci Madary - Simply said, a mystic is a person fully in love and in divine

union with God. Since the mystic sees God in all things, all of the earth becomes God's reflection. Spend an evening contemplating God through the senses by reflecting on the sensual poetry of the mystics. Cost: \$15

### AGING CARE CONNECTIONS

The Memory Café is a casual time for individuals with memory loss and their caregivers to enjoy food, socialization and activities in a supportive and fun environment. There is no cost for the program.

Date: Third Tuesday of each month at Salerno's Pizzeria & Sports Bar 9301 W. 63rd Street, Hodgkins

Second Friday of each month at Young at Heart Adult Day Services Center, 6504 Joliet Rd., Countryside

Time: Program 10:00am-11:30am  
Lunch provided 11:30am-12:30pm

Transportation assistance available. Call for information. RSVP Required to Jessica Haines at 708-603-2260 or [jhaines@agingcareconnections.org](mailto:jhaines@agingcareconnections.org).

### DAN SCHUTTE AT ST. BARNABAS

Sunday, March 31 at 3 pm at St. Barnabas parish, 10134 S. Longwood Dr., Chicago, IL 60643

Corazon a Corazon, a Sponsored Ministry of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, is hosting a Benefit Concert with special guest, Dan Schutte. Join us for a Lenten Reflection in Song!

For more information/tickets, please contact Mayra Pimentel at 708-377-7761 or [mpimentel@corazon-chicago.org](mailto:mpimentel@corazon-chicago.org)

### HITZEMAN GRIEF SUPPORT

We welcome you and your family to join us for our Grief Support Gatherings which will occur the second Tuesday of each month. These groups are intended to be social in nature where we can express our support with others that are experiencing the same feelings. For more information please visit [www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport](http://www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport)

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019  
Place: Hitzeman Funeral Home  
9445 West 31st St. Brookfield, IL 60513  
Time: 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Seats are limited; please R.S.V.P. by March 8, 2019 to [info@hitzemanfuneral.com](mailto:info@hitzemanfuneral.com) or 708-485-2000. We appreciate your continued trust in Hitzeman Funeral Home and we hope that you will be able to join us. Refreshments will follow. Next forum will be Tuesday, April 9th: Grief Resources

### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

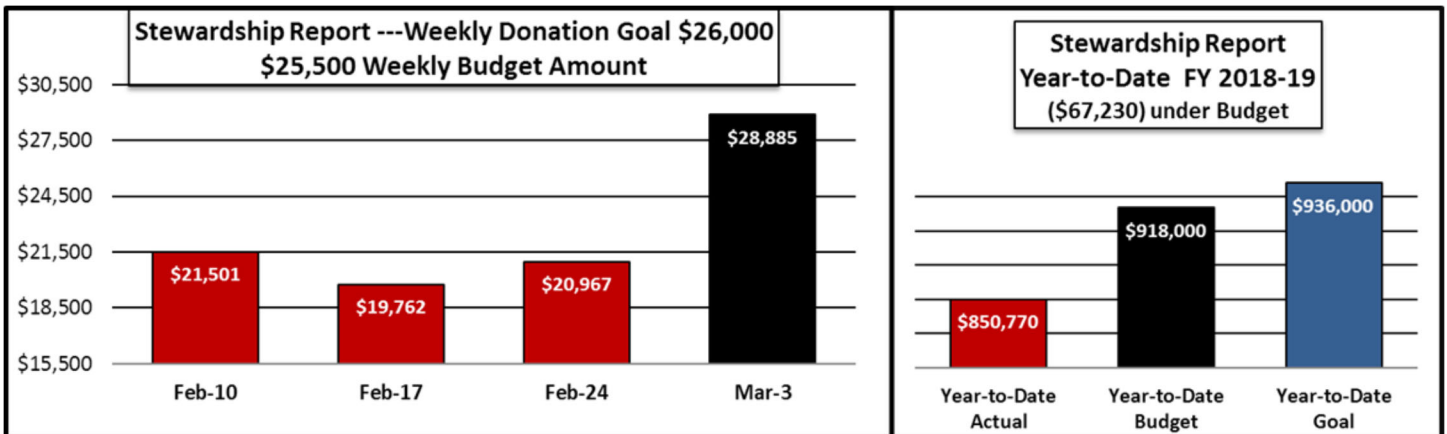
Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to [canticle@stcletusparish.com](mailto:canticle@stcletusparish.com) as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday's publication.



## Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, March 10	7:00am	Narthex	CRS Rice Bowl Distribution
Monday, March 11			
Tuesday, March 12	8:30am 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Church Church Rectory Church	Adoration Begins Holy Hour with Benediction RCIA Spanish Holy Hour
Wednesday, March 13			
Thursday, March 14	7:00pm	Parish Center	Wizard of Oz Performance
Friday, March 15	4 & 7pm 7:00pm	Parish Center Church	Wizard of Oz Performance Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 16			
Sunday, March 17			

## Stewardship Report



### ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

*Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY!* Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) and click the “DONATE” button. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski at 708.352.6209.

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

**R.W.S. Landscaping & Lawncare**  
708-489-6333




*Thank you to all of our 2018 Fall Fest Sponsors!*

*Sponsors at the \$2,500 level and above will be featured in the St. Cletus Canticle as Preferred Providers.*

# St. Cletus Parish Information

## CONTACT US

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 www.stcletusparish.com  stcletuschurch

## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

*Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new parish center office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.*

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

## MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,  
 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
 Weekdays..... Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.  
 Evening before Holy Day ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Holy Day..... 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday..... 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

## BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of most months at 11:00 a.m.  
 Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Parish office. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

## WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office ..... (708) 215-5407

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

**Mission Statement:** St. Cletus is a dynamic Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Good news of Jesus Christ through worship, education, and service.

**Vision Statement:** We welcome all. We encourage all parishioners to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in their daily lives, by sharing their talents and faith with our parish and community.

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor**  
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