

# St. Cletus Parish Canticle

Spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ  
Through Worship, Education and Service

600 W. 55th St, La Grange, IL 60525



October 13, 2024 | Twenty - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Mission and Vision Statement

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

Mt 28:19-20

### Parish Office

(708) 352-6209  
Monday - Friday  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



[stcletusparish.com](http://stcletusparish.com)



St. Cletus Parish



St. Cletus Church

### St. Cletus School

(708) 352-4820  
[stcletusschool.com](http://stcletusschool.com)  
700 W 55th St, La Grange, IL 60525



## Directory

### Pastoral Staff

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## Parish Information

### **Weekday Masses**

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. Mass

### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday Vigil, 5 p.m. (English)

Streamed live: <https://www.youtube.com/@stcletusparish/streams>

7:15 a.m. (English)

8:45 a.m. (English)

10:30 a.m. (English)

12:30 p.m. (Español)

### **Confessions**

Saturdays, 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

### **Baptisms / Bautizos**

Contact the parish office  
(708) 352 - 6209

### **Religious Education For Children Educación Religiosa Para Niños**

Contact / Comuníquese con  
Norma Hernandez (708) 968 - 6474

### **O.C.I.A**

Contact the parish office.

### **Weddings**

Please contact the parish office 6  
months prior to the wedding date.

### **Quinceañeras y Presentaciones**

Comuníquese con Juanita Avila al  
(708) 215 - 5441.

### **Funerals**

Contact the parish office.

### **St. Cletus School**

(708) 352 - 4820

stcletusschool.com

700 W 55th St,

La Grange, IL 60525

## Mass Intentions

Saturday October 12	Rev. Alexander Garcia	5 p.m.	† Kurt Klecan † Ellen Benrus † Hunter Richards	† Lydia Danielewicz † James Chiostri Janet Boyer (Special Intention)
Sunday October 13	Rev. Michael Novick	7:15 a.m.	† Matt Wilson	† Rose Hammer
	Rev. Ron Kalas	8:45 a.m.	Health Blessing for John Prusko, Sr. (Living) † Phyllis Prevenas	† Gerald Dudek † James Moles † C. Rodger Brown
	Rev. John Lodge	10:30 a.m.	† Sylvia Pesut † Harold and Margaret Mau † Annette Marie Penrod † Eleanor Maday	† Julio and Agustina Medrano † Kenneth "Ken" Raymond Hickey
	Rev. Elmer Romero	12:30 p.m.	† Lupe Padilla † Francisco Parra † Jose Luis Parra † Jaime Adalberto Camacho Mariscal	† Consuelo Parra † Jesus Parra † Esperanza Gutierrez Escobedo Camila Nevarez (Special Intention) † Jose Hernandez Campos
Monday October 14	Rev. Elmer Romero	8 a.m.	† Baby Noah A. Saban † Levitico V. Sarmiento † Leobardo Montoya † Jaime Adalberto Camacho Mariscal	† Jaime Adalberto Camacho Mariscal Lisa Hulett (Living)
Tuesday October 15	Rev. Alexander Garcia	8 a.m.	† Fran Nikolic	
Wednesday October 16	Rev. Elmer Romero	8 a.m.	† B.C. & Rip Collins	
Thursday October 17	Rev. Michael Novick	8 a.m.	For St. Cletus Parishioners	
Friday October 18	Rev. Alexander Garcia	8 a.m.	† Louie Marasovic † Maria Chavez	† Joseph Vieceli For the health of Baby Andrew Sica
Saturday October 19	Rev. John Lodge Deacon Franco Foti	5 p.m.	† Benjamin Patrick Hyink † David Trzesniewski † Ellen Benrus Nancy Tituaña(Special Intention)	† Peggy Druggan Janet Boyer (Special Intention) Barry Welenc (Birthday)
Sunday October 20	Rev. Elmer Romero	7:15 a.m.	† Marco, Emilia Rattin & Bill De Pasquale † John and Frances Kennedy	† Patrick Mahoney For the health of Baby Andrew Sica
	Rev. John Lodge	8:45 a.m.	† Delphine Marciszewski Health Blessing for John Prusko, Sr. (Living)	† Joseph P. Kurcz (Birthday) † Tom Suttie † Teresa Quinones
	Rev. Elmer Romero	10:30 a.m.	† Ralph Kriho & Daughter, Laura † Joanne and Elmer Courtney	† Joseph P. Kurcz (Birthday) Caroline Mhley (Living)
	Rev. Alexander Garcia	12:30 p.m.	† Esperanza Gutierrez Escobedo † Anthony Frivaletti	† Manuel Martinez

### Please remember our sick in your prayers:

Caroline Mhley | Diana McHale | Dr. George Schein  
Claire Caueney | Ann Kuchta | Cynthia Gosse |  
Denise & Rich Jandura | George & Barb Zykan | June  
Matasic | Richard Madsen | Asis Gonzalez | Frank  
Orrico

### Please remember our dead in your prayers:

† Robet Rodak , Husband of Peg Rodak  
† Mary Ann Battaglia, Mother of Marilyn Magafas

## A Note from the Pastor's Desk

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*"Jesus, looking at him, loved him."*

Mark 10:21a

Dear Friends,

Today's gospel tells us a story of a man who was lucky to speak with Jesus, the Son of God. He "ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, 'Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'" Can you feel the heart of this man? Can you see yourself in him? He wants eternal life. How about you?

We, too, want eternal life. We want God. We want life with him after our time on this planet. We also want our children, grandchildren, and people that we love to inherit eternal life. That is why we practice our faith, pray, and go to Mass. That is why we love to share our blessings with others, and specially the poor. In doing so, we affirm our love and loyalty to God. We also let him free us from any obstacle that can block or break our desire to be with him forever. Ponder on how you are living your life.

This weekend, through our parish bulletin, I am happy to share with you our 2024 Fall Festival Financial report. We were blessed to have such event. We had more people join us than last year. The Lord granted us amazing weather. If you were there, you know that everyone had a great time. Our Co-Chairs, Sara and John Hodak, offered marvelous leadership. I am happy to tell you that Sara and John will continue to be our Co-Chairs for the 2025 Fall Festival. I was also humbled and encouraged by the dedication and witness of the special committee and all volunteers. I was inspired by your participation, contribution of time and talent, and the warm hospitality you extended to our guests. It was a special celebration of friendship, fraternity, and love. Thank you.

Faith Formation for our children is going well. On Sunday morning (10/06), I was at the main entrance

door greeting and welcoming children to their faith formation classes. They were excited as they walked towards the school building and to their classrooms. I sensed in them the heart of the man who ran up to Jesus. I would like to thank to their parents for partnering with us in our hope to lead them closer to Jesus Christ. We all want our children to have God in their lives through a relationship with Jesus Christ who offers us eternal life.

The Annual Pets blessing on Friday, October 4th, 2024, went well. We had close to 100 pets who were brought to our parish to be blessed. We all felt and celebrated the influence and spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi who teaches us to appreciate God's creation.

Next week I will be holding my usual Parish Pastoral and Finance Council meetings in the Parish Center. As a parish, we are blessed to have both councils that are not only active but genuinely interested and seeking the good and wellbeing of the parish. They have good hearts. They have a good relationship with Jesus Christ. I enjoy praying, discerning, and learning with them. Please hold them in prayer.

May we always be attentive to the gaze and love of Jesus.

Fr. Elmer Romero



## A letter from the Associate Pastor's Desk

We may be in the middle of Respect Life Month, but November isn't far away. While we are praying about re-gaining the dignity we were originally given by being made in the image and likeness of God, there will always be plenty of opportunities for us to celebrate our loved ones who go before us in death with Jesus' promise of Resurrection.

Several years ago, St. Cletus had begun a ministry known as Compassionate Care. It was a team of men and women who were trained as representatives of St. Cletus who would attend visitations, help plan funerals while offering comfort to those who were grieving, and even lead prayers at funeral homes. Some learned the art and ministry of serving at funeral masses as sacristans and gushers. A small group of choir members formed and created the Good Shepherd choir, which is a very special ministry as they are strictly volunteers offering their talents to help comfort families through song. The whole ministry is volunteers, not just the choir.

There are still a few people who have been dedicated to continuing to offer their time and compassion for those who are grieving; however, we simply have not had to use some of the pieces we offered like leading the prayers at the funeral

home. Still, in prayer, I am very aware that there will indeed be a time when the Compassionate Care Ministry will indeed need to be resurrected (no pun intended), and that planning needs to start now.

I will be having a meeting on November 14th at 6:30pm in the Gallagher Room for anyone interested in being trained in any or all aspects of this very special ministry. You see, having a heart doesn't need training, but using our empathy and compassion skills are gifts from God that need to be honed and refined. We draw upon our own experiences of having been the recipients of others' compassion, and then share that compassion and love that even Jesus showed Martha and Mary when their brother Lazarus died. Remember? He wept. But what does he offer with his heart? Hope.

That is the calling of every baptized person who follows Jesus Christ – to offer hope when things seem hopeless, to offer light in times of darkness, and to renew the hearts of others who need to know God has not left them. Details of the hopeful November 14th meeting should be finalized soon. I hope we get a good showing for this information evening.

Fr. Mike



**SCAN ME**   
TO REGISTER

**Sponsored By:**

ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF  
CATHOLIC  WOMEN

# ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH, 6:00 P.M.**

**PARISH CENTER**

**RESERVATION REQUESTED**

**PICK UP CARD IN THE NARTHEX OR SIGN UP ONLINE**

**FOR QUESTIONS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:  
CCW@STCLETUSPARISH.COM OR CALL 708.710.0644**



Potluck

## Parish Life

Date	Time	Events	Location
Monday, October 14	All Day	School & Office Closed– Columbus Day	Parish Center & School
Tuesday, October 15	6 p.m.	Pilot Alpha (English)	Gallagher Room
Wednesday, October 16	9 a.m. 1 p.m. 7 p.m. 7 p.m.	Mission Ladies Living Rosary Parish Finance Council Meeting Teen Seekers Classes	Gallagher Room Church Gallagher Room Room 201 and 213
Thursday, October 17	4 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 7 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Food Pantry Distribution Kids Choir Rehearsal 1st Communion Parent Meeting Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Food Pantry Music Room Morrissey Hall Music Room
Friday, October 18	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Funeral Mass– Angela Dunning Alpha Piloto (Spanish)	Church Gallagher Room
Saturday, October 19	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Vicariate V Training for Ministers of Care (Spanish) English Baptisms Parish Pot Luck	Gallagher Room Church Parish Center
Sunday, October 20	11:30 a.m.	Living Rosary Prayer	Gallagher Room



*The Parish Office and the School will be*

**CLOSED**

*on  
Columbus Day*



### Readings of the week

**Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 (14)/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27  
**Monday:** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32  
**Tuesday:** Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/ Lk 11:37-41  
**Wednesday:** Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3 and 6/Lk 11:42-46  
**Thursday:** Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/ Lk 11:47-54  
**Friday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9  
**Saturday:** Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12  
**Next Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, (22)/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-4

### Saints and Special Observances

**Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr;  
Columbus Day  
**Tuesday:** St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church  
**Wednesday:** St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin  
**Thursday:** St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr  
**Friday:** St. Luke, Evangelist  
**Saturday:** Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs;  
St. Peter of Alcantara  
**Next Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Mission Sunday



Electronic Giving: Good bye, GiveCentral. Welcome, Pushpay!

If you give electronically regularly, you may have already received an e-mail message from **Pushpay** inviting you to close your account with GiveCentral and open a new one with them. As we have been anticipating, **Pushpay** is our provider of choice for e-giving. They offer a platform that is not only very user-friendly but also comes with several applications that are incredibly useful for the Parish

Office and ministries. We are now introducing the e-giving solution with **Pushpay**, a platform designed to make your giving experience as smooth and easy as possible. We will eventually share how we all benefit from the many available features.

Our website has been updated to process your electronic donation with **Pushpay**. GiveCentral will eventually be completely phased out. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 708-352-6209. We will be happy to assist you.

## How will you Pray the Rosary this Month?



Pray a decade each day for peace in our families and the world.



Join us every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in church to pray the Rosary.



Pray the entire Rosary on Oct. 20th in the Parish Center with the Living Rosary. This is a very moving walk with Mary through her life and the fulfillment of God's Plan.



**Come to the Parish wide Rosary on Wednesday, Oct 23rd at 7:00 p.m.**



### **A Very Successful Rosary Table!**

Thank you for making our rosary Table last weekend so successful. Many Rosaries were given out, were fixed and Mary was just celebrated at all of the masses. It is kind of like this was her birthday party and items from the table were our take home gifts. The faith and devotion of many parishioners was so apparent. This was just the right outreach at the right time for many. Thank you for your donations of rosaries and devotional items and making the start of Mary's Month of October so memorable.

Keep it going. Join Mary in prayer:

- Every Wednesday in the church at 1:00 to pray the Rosary.
- On Sunday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center to pray all 20 decades, following Mary and Jesus' lives of love and salvation.
- On Wednesday, Oct. 23th at 7:30 in church to pray the Rosary as a parish.

## Social Concerns



### St. Cletus Food Pantry

Thursdays  
4-8 p.m.

#### Wish List:

- Diapers
- Cereal
- Baby Wipes
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Shampoo
- Body wash
- Hand Soap
- Boxed Potatoes
- Crackers

Follow us on

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@St.CletusFoodPantry

If you have questions or would like to volunteer Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

# THANKSGIVING & GIVING TREE REGISTRATION

## OCTOBER 1-31

AVAILABLE AT FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION & BY PHONE 708.215.5418

## Holiday Volunteer Opportunities

**NOW AVAILABLE**

Sign up for Thanksgiving & Giving Tree Volunteer opportunities available below or at [stcletusfoodpantry.com/givingtree](http://stcletusfoodpantry.com/givingtree)

Thanksgiving

**CONTACT**

[foodpantry@stcletusparish.com](mailto:foodpantry@stcletusparish.com)

Giving Tree

# CLOSED

# OCTOBER 31

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# CERRADO

# 31 DE OCTUBRE

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH**  
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION

### Domestic Violence Outreach

#### How do I know if My Relationship is Unhealthy?

You are in an unhealthy relationship if you...

- Feel pressure to change to meet your partner's standards
- Are afraid to disagree
- Constantly must justify what you do, where you go
- Find yourself making excuses for your partner
- Feel isolated from friends and family
- Care for only your partner and neglect yourself.

You are also in an unhealthy relationship if these signs apply to your partner...

- Constantly criticizes you and your ideas and actions
- Makes all the decisions
- Controls everything
- Never listens to you
- Blames you for bad things or events in his/her life
- Calls you names or yells at you
- Shoves, pinches, hits, punches, kicks or otherwise hurts you
- Does not respect sexual boundaries and physical space

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. For more information, please visit [www.dvrc-or.org](http://www.dvrc-or.org)



## Ministerio Hispano

Fecha	Hora	Evento	Lugar
Domingo, 13 de octubre	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español <i>Spanish Mass</i>	Iglesia
Martes, 15 de octubre	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo <i>Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Iglesia
Segundo sábado de cada mes	8 p.m. - 5 a.m.	Misa, Confesiones, Adoración Nocturna <i>Mass, Confessions, Nocturnal Adoration</i>	Iglesia
Sábados	8:30 - 9:15 a.m.	Confesiones	Iglesia
Cada 12 del mes	7:00 p.m.	Devoción Guadalupana / Guadalupe Devotion	Iglesia

### Agradecimiento Especial

Gracias a todas las personas que asistieron a la convivencia que tuvimos el domingo pasado para todos los líderes del Ministerio Hispano. Pasamos un rato muy agradable conociéndonos un poco mejor. Gracias a todos por compartir sus postres favoritos, frutas, pasteles, etc., etc. Todos disfrutamos de la deliciosa comida. En especial muchas gracias a las personas que amenizaron la convivencia con la hermosa música. Muchísimas gracias.

### Special Thanks

Thank you to all the people who attended the gathering we had last Sunday for all the leaders in the Hispanic Ministry. We had a very enjoyable time getting to know each other a little better. Thank you all for sharing your favorite desserts, fruits, cakes, etc., etc. We all enjoyed the delicious food. Especially many thanks to the people who livened up the gathering with the beautiful music. Thank you so much.



## CENA FAMILIAR DE LA PARROQUIA DE SAN CLETO

SÁBADO, 19 DE OCTUBRE, 6:00 P.M.

CENTRO PARROQUIAL

SE RECOMIENDA RESERVA

**RECOJA SU TARJETA EN LA PARROQUIA O INSCRÍBASE ONLINE**

SI TIENE PREGUNTAS O DESEA MÁS INFORMACIÓN, PÓNGASE EN CONTACTO  
CON: CCW@STCLETUSPARISH.COM O LLAME AL 708.710.0644

Para registrarse, escane el código QR

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Potluck



# School News

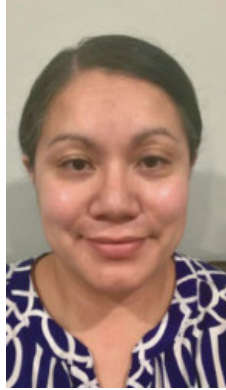
## Meet one of our School Board Members: Griselda R. Quintero

Griselda joined the school board in the fall of 2021.

Griselda has served as the Charter Committee Chairperson for the St. Cletus Cub Scouts Pack 83.

Currently, she is serving on the "Read Like a Cardinal" Committee.

Griselda's professional experience includes 21 years as an educator at the high school level teaching English at various levels. She is also a literacy specialist- Kindergarten thru 12th grade.



She has been married for 18 years, has one St. Cletus graduate ('23), and one son entering 7th grade at St. Cletus School. Both have taken part in the St. Cletus Band, Cub Scouts, chess team, athletics, and serve as altar servers.

Griselda and her family have been parishioners since 2014 and attend Mass on Saturdays at 5:00 pm or on Sundays at 10:30 am or 12:30 pm depending on their family's schedule.

**Last week, following our 8am mass, we inducted our new student council members! There's something special about watching new members step into their roles, eager to learn and collaborate. The excitement is contagious as they brainstorm ideas, share their passions, and engage with their peers. It's not just about leadership; it's about building friendships, creating memories, and working together toward a common vision. Here's to a great year!**



From left to right  
Teagan Byrne - Treasurer, Ava Robles - President, Charlotte Wasik - Vice President, Alana Hamilton - Secretary



**Thank you Math Club for representing St Cletus at the Nazareth Academy Math Contest last week. Go Cardinals!**

## St. Cletus Couple Receive 2024 Archdiocesan Christifideles Award



Jim and Pat McLamore were recently honored for their generous service in various parish and Archdiocese organizations since they became members of St. Cletus parish 40 years ago. The Christifideles Award celebrates the inspiring stories of faith that arise from our continued devotion to Christ, especially with regards to how our faith is expressed within our everyday actions toward our neighbors. The McLamore's were recently honored at a special Mass at Holy Name Cathedral on September 29, where they were joined with Fr. Mike and their family.



Jim served as the President of the St Cletus School Athletic Association for five years. He was also an active member of the St. Cletus Monthly Food Pantry when it was located in the church. Since 2008, he has served as President of the St. Cletus Conference of St. Vincent dePaul. Our conference is dedicated to helping our neighbors in need with financial help for rent, utilities, healthcare, transportation, etc. He has led a number of various fundraisers for the organization. After COVID Jim and Pat both became gushers.



Pat has helped Jim with his mission, but also served St. Cletus in other ways. She led a Moms' Prayer Group at St. Cletus School and chaired several Parish Mission Committees and also wrote for the St. Cletus Quarterly Canticle Newspaper. Recently, she has been both Co-Spiritual Director and Co-President of the St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women. She is currently the Historian for the CCW.

Jim and Pat have been married for 52 years, have two daughters (who are St. Cletus graduates) and six grandchildren. They love following Jesus as disciples and are so thankful for all the friendships and love from the clergy and fellow parishioners. They ask that you continue to support their efforts with St. Vincent de Paul and the Council of Catholic women.

## Book Club

Come join us on October 8th for a discussion of *The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those Who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl* by Timothy Egan. This book is a National Book Award Winner. We meet at 10 a.m. in the Gallagher Room. If you have any questions, please e-mail [book\\_club@stcletusparish.com](mailto:book_club@stcletusparish.com). For those who like to look ahead, our December book is *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics* by Daniel James Brown.



## Fall Fest 2025 Update

Dear St. Cletus Family,

It's hard to believe it's already been five weeks since from Fall Fest! Or, if you are thinking like me, only 47 weeks until Fall Fest 2025.

I want to extend my gratitude to the school families, parishioners and our committee for making this year's event such a success. Although Sara and I didn't have much time to sit down, we were truly inspired by the music, dancing, laughter, and the sense of community that filled the air.

We were quick to let Father Elmer know that we'd love to return next year as chairs to help make Fall Fest even bigger and better. To achieve that, we'll need your support. We plan to focus on expanding sponsorships next year. If you own a business or have close family who does, we'd love to highlight them. If you have any suggestions for next year please email [fallfest@stcletusparish.com](mailto:fallfest@stcletusparish.com).

Father Elmer often emphasizes the importance of community, and Fall Fest is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the amazing community we have.

Thank you once again for all your support, and let's continue to come together and make St Cletus a special place.

God Bless,

Sara and John Hodak

### VICARIATE V MINISTRY COMMISSION

Is offering

#### MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING

A Minister of Care visits the homebound in the parish to bring Eucharist to those who are unable to attend Mass. We offer to our homebound a way to remain connected to the parish and as Pope Francis said, "to be an instrument of God's mercy."

St. Gregory Parish Life Center  
6707 W 175th St  
Tinley Park

**Lunch will NOT be provided**

Presenter: Jeanne Lassandrello



Participation in these two sessions meets the mandated requirements of the Office for Divine Worship of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Preparation as a Minister of Care includes such topics as spirituality of ministry, ministry to the aged and homebound, the experience of suffering, dying and death, pastoral listening skills, prayer and Eucharist, as well as the theological and practical dimensions of ministry. Participants must be approved by a member of their Pastoral Team.

## Fall Fest 2024 Financial Results

Category	Income	Expense	Net	Comments
Entertainment		20,300.00	-20,300.00	Bands
Marketing		7,290.20	-7,290.20	Advertising, mailings and banners
Miscellaneous Income	856.70		856.70	Dunk tank, football squares, cash found on ground
Miscellaneous Expenses		1,418.33	-1,418.33	Fall Fest team appreciation dinner
Tip Jar for Food Pantry	927.25	927.25	0.00	Funds sent to a disabled parishioner in need.
Sponsorship's and Donations	41,300.00		41,300.00	
Bingo	2,589.00	1,629.45	959.55	Profit after taxes
Pull-Tabs	3,058.00	2,620.80	437.20	Profit after taxes
Lucky Leaf Raffle	22,830.00	9,533.00	13,297.00	
TV Raffle	2,600.00	990.00	1,610.00	
Basket Raffle	4,420.00	357.20	4,062.80	
Carnival Ride ticket funds collected by St. Cletus	75,860.50	59,307.88	16,552.62	
Mega-Pass sale funds collected by St. Cletus	39,074.00		39,074.00	
Beverages	37,611.80	10,532.95	27,078.85	Beer, wine, soda, water and coffee
Food (Vendor spot rental and direct food sales)	4,413.00	556.25	3,856.75	
Infrastructure – Purchases		1,521.58	-1,521.58	Janitorial, electronics, hardware, striping paint, caution tape
Infrastructure – Rentals		44,646.48	-44,646.48	Stage, sound, tents, tables, chairs, lights, security, toilets, dumpster
T-Shirt Sales	3,604.00	3,235.36	368.64	
Children's Bracelet Booth	325.00	59.37	265.63	
Bank and Credit card processing fees		2,482.77	-2,482.77	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>239,469.25</b>			
<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>167,408.87</b>		
<b>Profit before carnival scholarship donation is deducted</b>			<b>72,060.38</b>	
<b>Carnival donation (restricted funds) to school</b>			<b>7,000.00</b>	Part of the profit was a donation from the Carnival to the schools scholarship fund
<b>Net Profit after scholarship transfer to school</b>			<b>65,060.38</b>	

## October is the Month of the Rosary

Please join us and fellow parishioners in praying the rosary.

October 23rd  
7:00 PM

"To pray the rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of Christ and His mother."



St. Cletus Parish

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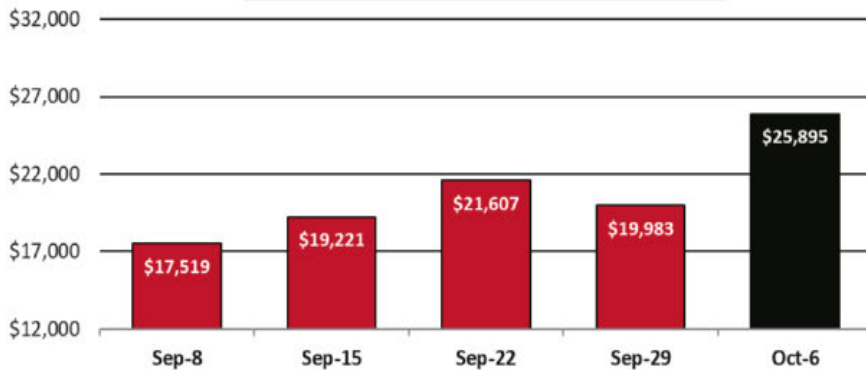
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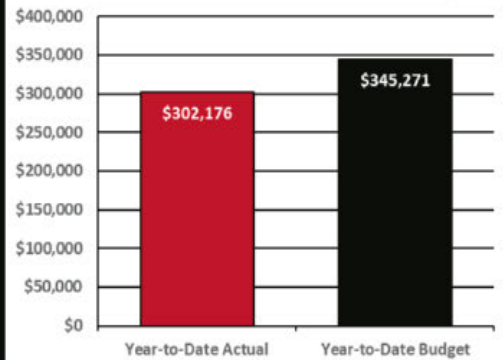
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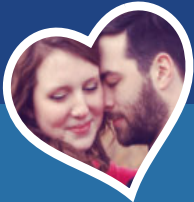
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