

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

*“Behold, I am with you always,
until the end of the age.”*


Matthew 28:20



BE NOT
Afraid

Mass Intentions for the Week of October 2 - October 8, 2017

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Helen Callaghan
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Nick Fedyn, Special Intention - Robert Stafford
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Nathaniel F. Taber, Jessica Rufa
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Vieceli, Austin Cichy
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Les Zaczek
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Frank Wojcik Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Dan McGrath, Daniel E. Moore, Bill Magee, Georgia Popp, Mary Trtol
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Bill DePasquale, Marco & Emilia Rattin, Eva & Stanley Grabowski, John Zumpano, Dolores E. Kuchta, George Duda, Joseph & Kay Klemak St. Cletus Parishioners Marilyn Matesevac, Bernie & Carol Hennessy, Casimer & Cecelea Staszak, Stacy Baker Gene Kennedy, Amparo Silva, Jim Zethmayr, Tom Moran Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners



Marriage Banns
Elizabeth Martinez & Rodrigo Zalazar
Amanda Rodriguez & Jose Calzada

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE ST. CLETUS SVDP CONFERENCE



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

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BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION

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

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

Kathryn Ann Wilson
Wife of Evan Wilson

Michael P. Savage
Father of Kevin Savage

May they rest in peace. Amen.

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.

September

Fernando Cabral, Charles (Chuck) Hardwood, Connie Monzel, Renee Olano, Elizabeth Pirman, Jeanine Rapp, Maria Elena Serrano, Ginny Skibbe

August

Carol Wittowski

July

Ann Smith-Walls, Frank Colonna, Diane O'Rourke, Jenna Zimmerman, Emily Devine, Catherine Troyner, Frank Colonna, Patricia Rodey, Alice Katzmarek, Baby William Eric Anderson, Otto Stuckman, Laura Terrazino, Gerda E. Dorzo, Maryann Scalise, Kris Kahn, Peter May, Frank Niwa

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

Notes from Fr. Bob...

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

One Sunday morning a young mother skillfully managed to steer her brood through the organized chaos of breakfast, washing and dressing. The transfer from house to car took even more determination, but eventually in the face of opposition from the smallest member of the household, she got the family to Mass in one piece. As usual, her face reddened on entry into the pew. Why did they always have to be the family that arrived late despite all her good intentions? On leaving the church she got chatting with an older couple who were selling raffle tickets for the church fund raiser. They casually suggested that she might like to impress upon her children the importance of the day by arriving just a little bit earlier. They went on to suggest that perhaps even saying a prayer with them in the car ensuring that the little darlings enter the church with the appropriate reverence.

Managing to bite her tongue she quickly left and vowed never to return to that particular church of old fogies who clearly were out to make life difficult for her and would not accept her children. It was obviously family unfriendly, and anyway, when was the last time they dealt with three of these little terrors? Yet as the week wore on she began to reflect on why she made such great efforts. The answer was that she needed Jesus in her life. She thanked him for the gift of faith, a gift she wanted to pass on to her children. Some of the congregation might get on her nerves now and again but that should not stop her from coming to the Lord's table. Arriving late the next Sunday she felt embarrassed. Yet somehow that familiar feeling reminded her that she was back in God's house and among friends.

Someone (Socrates) once said that a life not reflected on is no life at all. In today's gospel, Jesus is asking us to reflect on our lives and see if we have been trying to build up his kingdom. We will know this by the lack of conceit among us. We walk in his kingdom when our actions lead others to believe that living in love is possible. The author of the letter to the Philippians lets us know what the kingdom might look like. In a normal grouping of people there will always be personality clashes, petty rivalries and a certain degree of ambition. The task of any Christian community is to gradually overcome those initial differences, building up trust by the love we share among us. If we rely only on our resources this will be impossible. Any progress we make in virtue will not be of our own making but is gained for us by the cross of Christ. The proper attitude then is not one of pride but

one
of gratitude
and humility.

Jesus welcomes sinners into his kingdom, saving his condemnation for the Pharisees in their hardness of heart. They are too stubborn to see that they are being called to conversion. In their arrogance they believe they have the fullness of the truth and have no need of any new prophets, or messiahs for that matter. But to those who know their need for forgiveness, those who have fallen but are trying to turn their lives around, Jesus offers the possibility of redemption from past mistakes.

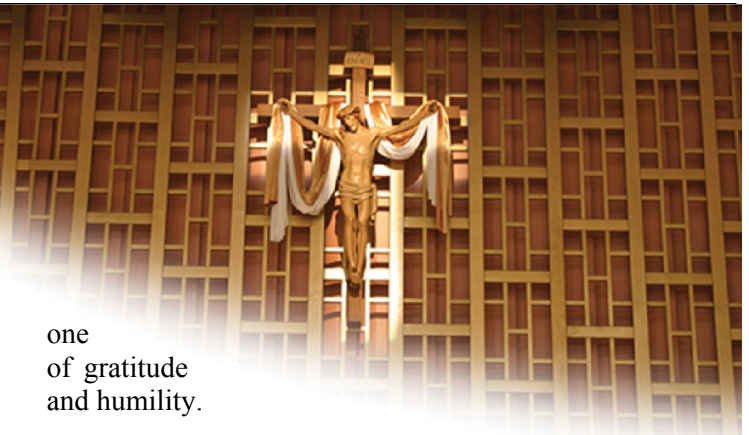
We all spend much of our lives looking after those who have been given to us, our spouses, and our children. It is through this self-giving that we follow the example of Jesus. We come together in the Eucharist, to share our faith, and to draw strength from God and each other. Of course, it can sometimes be difficult to admit that we are in need of help. But by reflecting on our lives we could all say, like the young mother in our story, that we need the strength of Jesus. She came to understand that her initial feelings may not have been the right ones and was open enough to change if we are to be faithful to the example of Christ?

We often fail each other and fail ourselves in word and deed. But we can take courage from the message of Jesus that the first in the kingdom are those we might consider to be last. It is never too late. Saint Augustine, who spent many years far from Christ, finally admitted his need for forgiveness. He later penned the words: "Late have I loved thee, O beauty so ancient and so new." No one is beyond the power of Jesus and his redeeming love. He proves that love by pouring his life out for us on a cross.

Peace,



Fr. Bob
Pastor



Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

D4D at Chic-fil-a.....October 10
 All School Mass 9am.....October 12
 Choose Kindness 5K.....October 21

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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St. Cletus Homecoming was a Weekend Packed with Celebrations!

St. Cletus School homecoming kicked off with a pep rally on Friday at school, followed by a dance for the 7th and 8th graders that night. Sunday we gathered for a parade before the JV and Varsity football games. It was a fun-filled weekend!



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LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 1st 2:30-3:30 p.m.

[Ogden at LaGrange Rd]

What really is it?

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.

The Sunday of October 1st in Illinois there are dozens of chains. The Saint Cletus Chain begins at LaGrange Road & West On the South Side of Ogden, 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. Joining us are parishes in Brookfield, La Grange, Hinsdale, LaGrange Park, Western Springs, Riverside, and many parishes all over metropolitan Chicago and **2000 across the USA.**

For more information check on chain sites at LifeChain.net. or call Marianne & Wayne Hamilton at 708 525-7458. Please come and join us for one prayerful hour. All you have to do is show up--- signs provided.

LIFE CHAIN 2:30-3:30
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st 2017

[And there is no Bear’s game Sunday October 1st... so come & join us]

Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- Boxed Potatoes
- Crackers & Snacks
- Pasta Sauce
- Spaghetti
- Diapers (size 4 and 6)
- Dry Pinto Beans

Donations can be dropped off before or after masses or anytime daily between 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex.

Please note that the Saint Cletus Food Pantry can only accept food items. We can not accept clothing or other household items.



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

CALL THE
24-HOUR PHONE
FOR HELP:
708.485.5254

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

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you to Nazareth Academy for donating 300 boxes of cereal to the food pantry! Students attending the homecoming dance are each asked to bring a box of cereal to donate to St. Cletus and St. Francis Xavier food pantries. We also want to thank Gurrie Middle School Student Council for their generous food pantry collection that was also delivered this week! We're so grateful for our partnership with area schools.

Volunteers Needed - It's almost time for the October food pantry already! We're looking for volunteers to help on Thursday, October 12th from 6-8:30pm in the Church. Able-bodied volunteers are also needed to help carry bags at that time. Sign up here, under food pantry: <http://stcletusparish.com/ministries/social-concerns/>

THANK YOU

On May 31st my husband Chris and I, along with big brother Colin, welcomed Nathan Leigh to our family. This smiley little guy has brought a lot of joy and new adventure into our lives! Last week we welcomed Nathan into the Church with his Baptism at St. Cletus.

Thank you so much to all of our faithful volunteers that helped cover the many areas of Social Concerns while I was on maternity leave this summer. I'm so grateful to all of our regular, returning, and brand new volunteers that were able to connect their faith with action through our various ministries. I especially want to thank Jim McLamore, Maureen Soldat, Deacon Jesus and Silvia Casas, Pauline Szabelski, Karen Rogers, Vivian Swibel, Elizabeth Goellner, Wayne and Marianne Hamilton, our food pantry baggers, and the Rectory Staff for going above and beyond this summer! Thanks for all your thoughts and prayers!



SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE ST. CLETUS ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CONFERENCE SEPT 30/OCT 1

OUR NEIGHBORS NEED OUR HELP - This weekend there will be a second collection to help support our neighbors through the work of the St. Cletus St. Vincent DePaul Conference.

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WORD OF LIFE

“The Church’s teaching on marital sexuality is an invitation ... to receive the gift of God’s love and care, and to let this gift inform and transform us, so we may share that love with each other and with the world.”

- USCCB, “Married Love and the Gift of Life,” © 2006, <https://goo.gl/eKhtav>



GIVING TREE

Registration for this year's Giving Tree Project begins on October 5. As we approach Christmas, there will be many volunteer opportunities, such as the one featured above, as we prepare for this event. Also, both Gift and Food Basket Request tags will be available for you on the trees in church on November 11-12. Please watch the Canticle and the parish website for further details!

Volunteer Opportunity

Volunteers needed to help assemble the tags for this year's Giving Tree Project. This is a great service opportunity for all ages, from junior high on up to older adults. We will be working on **Tuesday, October 17, in Room 201 in the Education building, from 3:15-6:00pm**. Enter the building at the apple door/#2. Please contact me to let me know if you can help or with any questions. Sign up here, under Advent Giving Tree: <http://stcletusparish.com/ministries/social-concerns/>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Prayers to End Domestic Violence

The Domestic Violence ministries of St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross parishes invite you to join us in an ecumenical prayer service for victims and families who have been impacted by domestic abuse. Prayer and song will be highlighted by a survivor story. The service will be held Tuesday, Oct 3 at 7:00pm in St. Francis Xavier Church. All are welcome.

Don't Look Away: How to Respond to Troubled Relationships

Tuesday, October 24, 2017 from 7:00 pm-8:30 pm.

North Riverside Commons, 2401 Des Plaines Ave., North Riverside.

The Domestic Violence Prevention Ministry of St. Mary Parish in Riverside is gathering multiple co-sponsors, including St. Cletus, for a west suburban forum on responding to troubled relationships. Our objectives include: heightening awareness of available resources for individuals in challenging relationships; educating and enabling the community to respond to these health and safety issues; and providing sponsors with an opportunity to share their commitment and involvement in promoting relationship safety. Presenters include Charles Dahm, OP, Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach; Miriam Ramirez, RN, MacNeal Hospital Trauma Coordinator; and Kathleen Detwiler, MD, a community physician.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
— ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO —
AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION
www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org

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

CROP WALK

Sunday, Oct. 15

Registration 12:30

Walk begins 1:15



Please join us and gather with friends, family, and neighbors to join in the annual La Grange area CROP Hunger Walk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty). If we have walkers our food pantry benefits directly from this walk, receiving canned goods and a generous check. We will walk to First United Methodist Church in Western Springs and end back where we started at First Congregational Church. The total walk is 3.2 miles.

Go to www.crophungerwalk.org/lagrangeil/stcletus to register and find the St. Cletus team! All ages are welcome; each participant needs to register separately. Kids under 14 must be accompanied by an adult. You do not need to fundraise to participate in the CROP walk. However, we do suggest a minimum donation of \$10. St. Cletus school and Religious Education students can count this as a service experience. Please talk directly with your teacher about any further questions. Please help us make this year's CROP Walk successful!

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Career Transition Boot Camp - Week 3

ICN invites you to join us on Tuesday, October 3, 7-9 pm at The First Baptist Church of La Grange, 20 N. Ashland Avenue. Being able to articulate and tell your story is one of the most critical elements of a job search. This week Dennis Hamilton 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. Missed weeks 1 and 2, come anyway. It's never too late to begin a successful job search! For further information, please contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

MISSION LADIES NEWSLETTER

News of our starting up Missions after a long summer of 4 months hiatus, and moving into our new quarters. It is said we could be in by Wednesday Oct 4, 2017. Many thanks, for the ladies who did Mission work at home during the summer. We are on our way now. For more info please contact Dolores Scaletta 708-839-9605.

Youth Ministry

BONFIRE KICK-OFF



Our new year of ministry will begin with a bonfire for all high school teens on Sunday, October 1st from 6:30-7:30pm in the St. Cletus courtyard. Come visit with friends, roast some marshmallows, and hear about what youth ministry can offer you throughout the year ahead!

REGISTER NOW FOR FRETUS IDENTITY RETREAT

This year, St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross will all combine efforts to offer a retreat to all freshmen and sophomores! This retreat takes place January 12-14th, 2018 and is sure to be a fun-filled time of games and outdoor winter fun as well as a time of deep reflection and connection with peers to allow teens to become more aware of the way God is working in their lives! Registration is now available on the parish website.

ENCOUNTER REGISTRATION CONTINUES



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. Groups will gather to serve our local communities in various ways throughout the year as a way to live out our faith. Stay tuned for details, and contact Elizabeth to get on the email list for regular updates!

CHURCH LEAGUE COACHES NEEDED



Church League basketball allows high school students to play competitive basketball against other area churches. Registration for boys' teams typically begins in early October. So far, we only have one of eight coaches needed. Each team needs two coaches who establish full compliance with Protecting God's Children. If you are interested in helping with this fun ministry, contact Elizabeth. Registration for players begins in late September. Registration for teams may not open until coach positions are filled!

SAVE THE DATE : CROP WALK



The annual CROP walk takes place on Sunday, October 15th at 1 pm to support the food pantries of LaGrange, 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 who hungry and raise funds to support the hungry both locally and globally. Contact Elizabeth for registration details!

GIVING TREE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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

Sunday Notes

GOD'S WAYS

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time one week's texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week's concluded. The sentiments expressed in today's first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week. In that Gospel, the landowner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, "The LORD's way is not fair!" (Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God's way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God's mercy and love.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

Psalm — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).

Gospel — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;
Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37;
Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20;
Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Respect Life Sunday

Monday: The Holy Guardian Angels

Wednesday: St. Francis of Assisi; Sukkot
(Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset

Thursday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

Friday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher;
First Friday

Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary;
First Saturday

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer IV is, like Eucharistic Prayer III, a fresh composition from the 1960s, based on a prayer from the tradition of the ancient church of Alexandria. It has an interesting structural feature. The new prayers all nod toward the East with the *epiclesis*, or calling down of the Spirit, over the gifts. In this prayer the Spirit is asked to come down again, after the consecration, to make holy the communicants who "partake of this one Bread and one Chalice that, gathered into one body by the Holy Spirit, they may truly become a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your glory." This beautiful phrase is well worth meditating on. What is the goal of your reception of Holy Communion today?

The preface for this Eucharistic Prayer is firmly attached to the prayer, and the directives for using the prayer anchor it to Ordinary Time. It is not intended to be an option if the Mass has a proper preface of its own, like a funeral, a Lenten weekday, or a great feast. It is not often used these days, in part because of these limitations. At first, it was suggested that this prayer was better suited to small groups of people who were well educated in scripture. This was kind of an odd stipulation, especially since its images are so beautiful and worthy of attention.

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

ANGELIC

The reason angels can fly is because they take themselves lightly.

—G.K. Chesterton

PEACEFUL HEART

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart.

—St. Francis of Assisi

Other Ministry Notes

A NOTE FROM DEACON STUART

Dear Parish Family,

Every year, the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago come together to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. We do this with a dinner and a fund-raising event. This is our sole fundraiser of the year and it will take place on October 8.

Monies raised at the St. Francis Dinner support the following activities: several charities that serve the poorest and most marginalized (orphans, the mentally ill, the homeless, and the recovering), continuing theological and ministerial education for deacons and wives, a mutual aid fund for deacons in need, and operating funds for the Diaconate Council.

This year, I am asking if you'd be interested in purchasing a raffle ticket, or booklet. The tickets are \$5 each, or 6 for \$25. The first prize is \$1,000. There is also 1 \$500 winner, 2 \$100, and 6 \$50 winners.

If you'd be interested in taking a chance (winner need not be present!) and purchasing a ticket (or book), please let me know. I have raffle tickets and will either get them to you – or you can mail me a check, and I will complete the raffle ticket information for you.

We also host a silent auction and are always looking for donations. Perhaps you have tickets to a sporting event or play you'd be willing to donate. We are a nonprofit organization and, accordingly, donations should qualify as a charitable donation.

Thank you for your support of the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago. We truly are blessed to be part of the St Cletus Community.

Please call me at 630.842.3967 or e-mail me at sheyes@stcletusparish.com if you are interested.

Thank you again! God bless you all!
Deacon Stuart & Marlene Heyes

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Ushers – Ministers of Hospitality

Lectors – Proclaimers of the Word

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – Assist with the distribution of the Eucharist

Altar Servers – Assist the priest at Mass

Learn more about serving in any of these roles. Schedules and training are flexible. Contact Paulette Bolton at 708.215.5422 or e-mail pbolton@stcletusparish.com.

INVITATION FROM DEACON CASAS

Join us for an Hour of Prayer:

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

Every Tuesday of the Month

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

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

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

«*Meditación, Rosario y Bendición con el Santísimo*»

Especialty during Respect Life Month, all are welcome to join in these Holy Hour prayers for LIFE.

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Saturday, October 21, 2017

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

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

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

Race starts and ends on Waiola Avenue between 53rd and 54th Streets.

For more information and to register please visit www.stcletusschool.com.

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

BOOK DISCUSSION



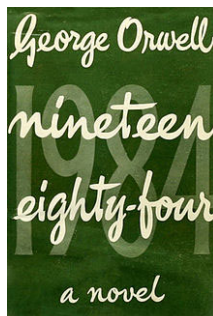
The next book discussion will be at 7 p.m. on October 10 in Room 102 of the education building. The book that will be discussed is **1984** by **George Orwell**.

For those who like to plan ahead, here is the book list for the coming few months:
December 12 – *The Good Girl* by Mary Kubica

February 13 – *The Lilac Girls* by Martha Kelly

April 10 – *Colony* by Anne R. Siddons

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294



MASS AT THE LA GRANGE HOSPITAL



Come and join us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and to pray for the sick every Wednesday at 11:30am in the Chapel of La Grange Memorial Hospital.

Thanks and Blessings, Fr. Lorenzo

ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK

Saturday, October 21

6:00 p.m.

Parish Center



The St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women (CCW) invites you (singles welcome) and/or your family (children welcome) to bring your favorite dish (to serve 8-10 people) and join us for an evening of good food and friendship in the new Parish Center. We are looking for salads (tossed green, pasta, fruit) "side dishes" (veggies including potatoes), desserts, gluten free dishes, or whatever you think would go well with a main dish, which we will provide.

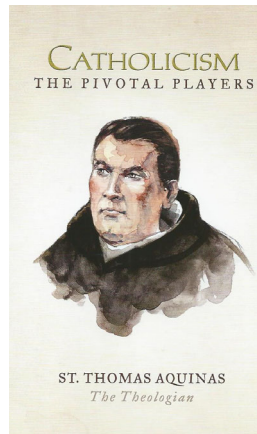
We'd like to know how many to plan for and also make sure we'll have a well-rounded meal, so we are asking you to contact us with the following: your name, names of other family members accompanying you, what you have selected to bring, and either your email or telephone number. To make your reservation, be sure to take one of the yellow cards available after church and complete all the information. Return the cards to the box provided in the narthex or bring the completed card to the rectory. You may also make your reservation by using the email or telephone listed below. To volunteer to help with the event, ask questions, including options for those who can't bring a prepared dish, please call 708-246-5509 or email stcletuspotluck@gmail.com. This won't be a success without you! Come join us!

FLU SHOTS OCTOBER 8TH



Flu season is here and Osco Pharmacy will hold a flu clinic in Morrissey Hall on Sunday Oct 8th from 7:30 to 12:30 so feel free to stop in before or after mass to get your flu shot. Medicare part B covers the vaccine at no charge. Pneumonia vaccine will also be available if you are not up to date on this immunization. As an incentive a 10% Jewel grocery coupon will be given to everybody who receives immunization. For more information stop by Osco drug across the street and speak with Presley.

PIVOTAL PLAYERS



The second influential person in Bishop Robert Barron's *Pivotal Players* is St. Thomas Aquinas. We will hear about the huge contributions St. Thomas made to the Church and the Western culture. **We will meet Wednesday, October 18 at 7 pm in room 98 of the educational building.** The DVD runs about an hour and there will be a short discussion after it. Please use the side doors of the school next to the church. There is

no charge to attend, nor will there be registration.

CREDO (Continuing Religious Education Opportunities)

ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES

On Saturday, October 14th at 7pm and Sunday, October 15th at 4pm we will present the inaugural musical performance in Fr. Clark Hall at the brand new St. Cletus Parish Center! We are thrilled to christen this space with "Ken Baker and Friends presents HEART AND MUSIC."

This concert will be free of charge and will feature our parish musicians, singers and choir members alongside professional guests. Although this is not a ticketed event, we ask that you reserve your seats on our website, <http://www.edwardfas.com/>

Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN

Joyful Again! Program for Widowed Men and Women



There will be a retreat/workshop

October 28 & 29, 2017 - Batavia

November 11 & 12, 2017- Lemont

Feeling “stuck”? Need something to help you as you try to become whole again after the loss of your spouse? Come and see how to make inroads into your new life. Incls. overnight and meals. Space limited - register early.

Joyful Again Widowed Ministry 708-354-7211
joyfulagain7211@gmail.com www.joyfulagain.org

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Seasons of Hope Grief Support

Monday Evenings (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)
Oct 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27



‘Seasons of Hope’ is a six-session support ministry designed to help participants navigate the grieving process facilitated by experienced, caring adults who are familiar with the grief process. Registration www.stjohnofthecross.org/grief-ministry (708)246-4404 ext. 137

Divorce and Beyond Support

Thursday Evenings (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.)
Oct 26, Nov 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec 7, 14, 21

The Divorce and Beyond process provides emotional and spiritual support to those who have experienced divorce or those in the dissolution process. Register online at www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond. Cost: \$10

Disclaimer: ‘Seasons of Hope’ and ‘Divorce and Beyond’ support groups are not intended to provide or replace professional counseling or individual therapy.

Information is also available in the St. Cletus Narthex.

St. John of the Cross Parish Center - 5005 Wolf Rd. Western Springs

BELLARMINE JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE



BELLARMINE
Jesuit Retreat House

“Sitting with Christ’s Message”

October 13-15, 2017*

with Fr. David Shields, SJ, an Ignatian, Silent Retreat for Men. *Optional Day of Quiet beginning Oct. 12

420 W County Line Rd •
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www.JesuitRetreat.org

LOYOLA HOSPICE BEREAVEMENT GROUP



JOURNEY TOWARD HEALING

Grief & Bereavement Support Groups

Spouse/Partner Grief Group

Mondays: Sept 11th – Oct 16th 7 - 8:30 PM Location: Gottlieb Professional Building, Lower Level, Rm C, 701 W North, Melrose Park

Day Grief Group

Wednesdays: Sept 13th - Oct 18th 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Divine Infant of Jesus Rectory, 1601 Newcastle, Westchester

Evening Grief Group

Mondays: Oct 30th – Dec 4th 7 - 8:30 PM

Parental Loss Grief Group

Mondays: Jan 8th – Feb 12th 7 - 8:30 PM

To register or if you have questions, contact our Bereavement Coordinator Chaplain Dave Melzer at 773-570-6606 damelzer@lumc.edu

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL

Open House for Junior High Girls will be on Thursday, Oct. 12, 2017. Tours will begin at 6:30pm. Trinity is located at 7574 W. Division Street in River Forest. For more information, please call 708-453-9374.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT TO SUPPORT KITS FOR KIDS

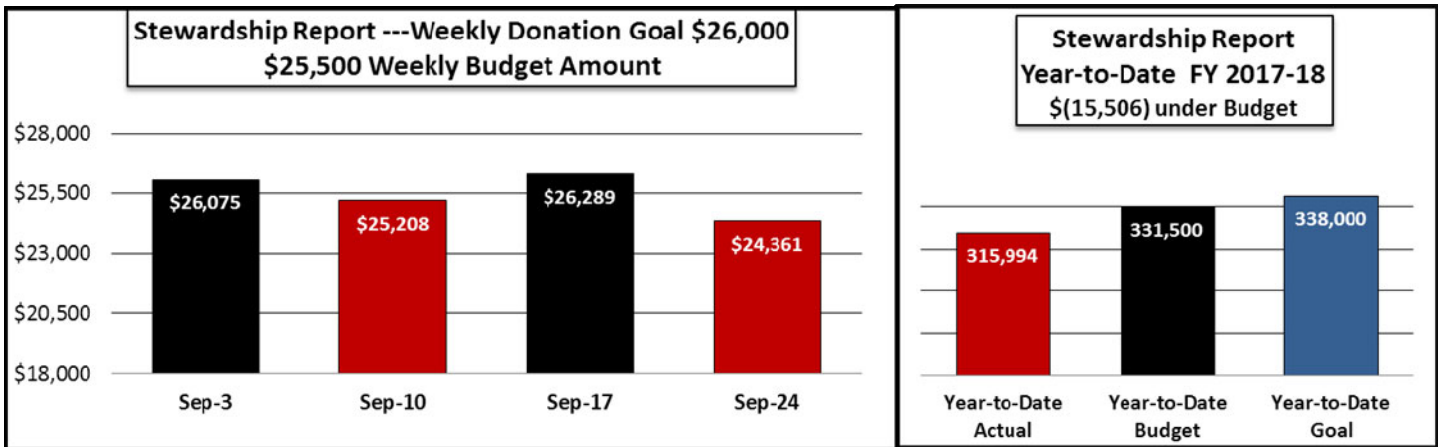
Hello, my name is James Ramicone and I am a St Cletus Alum from the class of 2014. I am currently working on my Eagle Scout project which involves collecting first aid and personal toiletry items for children in developing countries. The initiative is called Kits for Kids, which is run by the charity Project C.U.R.E. I will be placing collection bins in the Narthex for this weekend and next, in hopes of collecting the items need for each kit. Needed items are as follows: Acetaminophen OR Ibuprofen (Jr. or 200 mg. tablets), Box of Adhesive Bandages, Triple Antibiotic Ointment, 1% Hydrocortisone Cream, Toothbrushes (min. 4), Hand sanitizer (travel-sized), Elastic Bandage, Comb, Facial Tissues (travel-sized), Blunt Scissors, Tweezers, Bar Soap, Nail Clippers (no manicure sets please).

Parents of St Cletus students: I will have a contest to see which class can collect the most items for my project. The winning class will receive a special treat at lunch. Details to be sent home in Wednesday envelope.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, October 1	7:00am 7:00am	Narthex Narthex	St. Vincent De Paul Society Respect Life Committee
Monday, October 2	4:00pm	School Music Room	Junior Choir
Tuesday, October 3	6:00pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Church Parish Center Rm 1 School Rm 102 Rectory Basement Church Parish Center Rm 2	Holy Hour, English RCIA RCIA for Children School Board Hora Santa, Español Social Concerns Commission Meeting
Wednesday, October 4	9:00am 7:00pm 7:00pm	Parish Center Rm 1 Parish Center Rm 1&2 School Rm 117	Mission Ladies Kairos Parent Meeting RE Teen Seekers
Thursday, October 5	5:00pm 5:00pm	Morrissey Hall School Music Room	Giving Tree Registration Children's Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 6	8:00pm	Parish Center Rm 1	Holy Name Society Meeting
Saturday, October 7	5:00pm	Narthex	Welcome Committee
Sunday, October 8	7:00am 7:30am	Narthex Morrissey Hall	Welcome Committee Flu Shots

Stewardship Report



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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

MASSES

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

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

WEDDINGS

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

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Holy Hour each Tuesday 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Hispanic Adoration continues 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

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

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

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