









St. Cletus Parish

"COME HOLY SPIRIT
FILL THE HEARTS OF
YOUR FAITHFUL AND
KINDLE IN THEM THE
FIRE OF YOUR LOVE"













Mass Intentions for March 18 - March 24 2024

Day	Time	Presider	Intentions
March 18	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Leonard J. Timpone
March 19	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Joseph Vais, Kay and Joe Klemak, Anthony Perkovich, Joseph Kulikowski
March 20	8:00am	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners
March 21	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Anthony Serritella, Mary Dybas
March 22	8:00am	Fr. Kalas	Louie Marasovic, Phyllis Prevenas, Irene Nelsen
March 23	5:00pm	Fr. Romero	Fred Grosskopf, James J. Quinn, Diane Madsen
March 24	7:15am 8:45am 10:30am 12:30pm	Fr. Novick Fr. Romero Fr. Novick Fr. Romero	Mary Dybas, Julia Kopacz, Marco and Emilia Rattin, Bill De Pasquale, John Doyl, Bob and Helen Callaghan Serafin A. Hernandez Stacy and John Baker, Mary Ellen Kursell, Anthony Perkovich, Mary Buchler Por las benditas almas del purgatorio

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

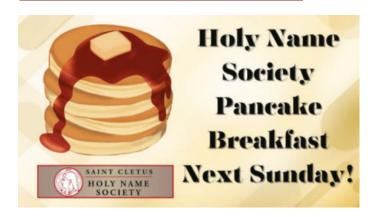
We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 3 months.

March - James Phelan, Brandon Babinsky

February -

January - Mary Ann Bamberger, Eugene Bastedo
Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are
homebound unable to attend Mass.

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY!

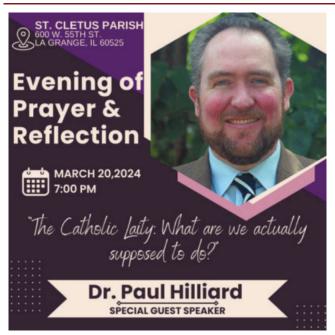


PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THEIR FAMILIES...

Sylvia Martinez

May she rest in peace....

JOIN US WEDNESDAY!



Pastor's Note

"A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me." Psalm 51: 12.

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to let you know that Confirmation Mass went well last weekend (03/09). Our children were confirmed by Most Rev. Daniel Turley, O.S.A. He took his time with each of our children as he anointed them with the holy Chrism. Allowing himself to be the instrument through whom the Lord shared His Holy Spirit with our children, he was gracious, kind, and very prayerful. We give thanks to the Lord for Bishop Turley, his ministry, and witness.

Our children participated and prayed well in Mass as they received the Sacrament of Confirmation. They were ready and engaged the liturgy with faith. They prayerfully processed towards the bishop accompanied by their sponsors to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit as they were anointed with the Holy Chrism. It was a special moment for them as it was for us all. I would like to thank each of them for their faith, their witness, and for having God as part of their lives. We will continue to hold them in prayer.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the parents, sponsors, family members, and friends for giving the support and encouragement needed to all those who were confirmed last weekend. Your faith, love, and influence was noticed and greatly appreciated. I encourage you to continue to pray for and lead your child to Jesus every day.

In a special way, I would like to offer my sincere gratitude to Mr. Lawrence Manetti, Director of Faith Formation for Children, for preparing our children so well for the Sacrament of Confirmation. As a man of faith and a good leader, he worked closely with catechists and teachers from our Parish School to ensure that our children were well prepared. He also worked closely with members of our Parish Staff preparing well the special Mass of Confirmation. Please join me in holding Mr. Manetti in prayer.

The beauty of our church's sanctuary for the special Mass of Confirmation last weekend was possible thanks to the generosity, dedication, and care of the new Art and Environment Committee our parish is blessed to have. They met and worked together on Friday afternoon, March 8, 2024. The following day, after the Confirmation Mass, they returned to prepare the sanctuary for the Fourth Sunday of Lent. They worked closely with our maintenance team. I am humbled by their faith and the love they have for the Lord. I offer them my heartfelt gratitude.

A week ago (03/04 and 03/05) our children from Faith Formation and Parish School had the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Each of them, accompanied by their catechists and teachers, prayerfully experienced the mercy and love of God. We were blessed to have 14 confessors for our children. My special thanks to our caring and dedicated leaders for preparing our children to experience God as mercy and love.

How is God preparing your heart for Easter?

God continues to heal, shape, nourished, and renew my spirit and priesthood through the many specials events that continues to take place at our vibrant and caring parish, St. Cletus.

Blessings,

Fr. Elmer Romero



Note From Father Mike

Covenant part 5

"You will be my people and I will be your God."

This weekend's first reading from the prophet Jeremiah is not very subtle in talking about God's covenant with His people. Actually, he is extremely direct in his thoughts about just what will happen to those who are disobedient to keeping humanity's end of the covenant. "It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke my covenant, and I had to show myself their master, says the LORD." (Jeremiah 31:32) Instead, Jeremiah tells the people "I will place my law within them, and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. They will no longer teach their friends and relatives, "Know the LORD!" Everyone, from least to greatest, shall know me for I will forgive their iniquity and no longer remember their sin." (Jer 31:33-34)

But where do we find the sign that we've been noting in previous weeks? If the stories of the covenant are always accompanied by signs, what about today?

Sometimes in order to find the signs, we need to keep listening, for today's real sign is in the gospel. It's God's voice saying "I have glorified it and I will glorify it again." (John12:28b) How do we know this is the sign? Simple. Jesus tells us directly "This voice did not come for my sake, but for yours." (John 12:30)

How many times is God going to need to remind humanity to keep our part of the covenant He made for us so many moons ago? What other signs do we need? Well, next weekend (Passion Sunday), we reach the pinnacle of signs of God's covenant as we participate in the Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, AND, for the first time this year, we will hear of Jesus himself becoming that fulfillment and ratifying of the covenant made with Abraham.

What other signs of God's covenant might we see in the world today? As I've mentioned many times, they happen every day and at every minute of the day.

Just a few years ago, this past week was the anniversary of the Church being told to shut its doors because COVID had begun its reign of terror on the world. It was an unknown enemy and one like no one had seen in the previous 100 years. And there was no discrimination of whose life it would take. COVID was not the sign from God. I remember two signs distinctly – the dedication of so many health care professionals putting themselves in harm's way to care for others, and the Church closing its doors in order to help protecting God's flock from spreading the horror.

I know there are many people who were very critical of the Church for shutting her doors. And I could sort of see that viewpoint, but I believe it was the best thing for everyone in the end. We found new and innovative ways to bring Christ to many more people than anyone might have thought. Technology made it possible for people to attend Mass via websites or YouTube. Many years ago, Bishop Fulton Sheen grabbed the hearts of many through television, as did other Catholic priests in smaller venues. Many Christian preachers were using it too.

Technology was all well and good then, and it still is for those who are ill and are unable to attend Mass in person. Some people were thrilled to come back to church as soon as the dispensation was lifted. Many decided that celebrating Mass via technological means was enough for them. We continue to pray for many who still live in fear of COVID or any other disease that keeps them from being with others. Human beings are relational. We need other human contact in order to make us feel alive and loved. That is God's way of saying "I am your God."

Fr. Mike

Sunday Notes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb

5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-6

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 2

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55,

56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-

56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the

Church

Tuesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy

Week begins

Eucharistic Revival

What's the Need for Eucharistic Adoration?

On the evening of Wednesday, March 6, we hosted Eucharistic Adoration in the church. I'd estimate over 50 people attended to pray, though I can't be certain given everyone's attention was on the altar, not the pews. It was a beautiful, simple opportunity to pray.

We're busy people. We don't spend our precious time on something unless we know the value, the purpose behind it. So, what's the need for Eucharistic Adoration? After all, doesn't God have everything He needs?

As I prayed before the Eucharist on March 6, these questions swirled in my mind. I offered them to the Lord and came away with three main ideas.

God is worthy of eternal praise. Throughout the Old Testament we are reminded of the need to keep God at the center of our lives. The fundamental Israelite prayer, still prayed daily by the Jewish faithful, affirms, "Hear O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is One" (Deuteronomy 6:5). Rephrased for my modern ego: "God is God, and I am not!" Adoration before the Eucharist is a concrete reminder of the sanctity (the "otherness") of God; it is an act of humble worship before God who is the very essence of being itself.

We are meant to take a break. Just as the Lord rests on the seventh day of creation (Genesis 1), we are instructed to keep holy the Sabbath. I struggle at times to stop being either productive or self-indulgent. If I'm not working, taking care of the kids, or getting stuff done around the house, I'm often listening to a podcast, watching football, or scrolling news headlines. Our society is more anxious than ever before. Jesus invites us, "Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). I needed this rest, and an hour of adoration was a welcome opportunity to find it.

Listening takes time and effort. We all understand that there's a difference between hearing and listening. We also recognize that no worthwhile relationship was ever sustained without spending quality time together. When I'm busy (or lazy, admittedly) my prayer turns to me running my mouth, asking God for this, thanking God for that. But God wants a relationship. Father Mike has been writing and preaching all Lent about God's covenant with us, where He is ours and we are His. He wants to share divine life with us, but we need to open our ears, minds, and hearts to receiving it. I sometimes think of Eucharistic adoration as date night—putting in the quality time and listening with trust and focused attention.

If you have experiences or questions to share on the Eucharist and our monthly adoration, please email a member of the parish staff. We look forward to having you join us the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

God Bless Our Confirmandi



Graces, Blessings, and Holy Moments at Confirmation

"My Holy Moment was when we prayed at the beginning that the bishop would get St. Cletus on time to Confirm our young people and seeing Bishop Turley arrive just in time to Confirm." -Larry Manetti

"My holy moment from Confirmation was simply to have met another bishop, Most Rev. Dan Turley, who was beaming with joy from the moment he walked into the church. He connected to the confirmandi immediately. I found even more joy myself in standing with him holding his crozier while he confirmed, seeing the looks not only on the bishop's face, but the faces of the confirmandi and their sponsors as they approached the bishop. They say our eyes can play tricks on us, and mine did that day in that time of anointing. It was as if I was holding the crozier; however, i could practically see through it. I believe God didn't want me to miss anything that day. Thank you, God." - Fr. Mike

"I must admit that I was a bit sad when I found out Bishop Turley was coming late to the Confirmation mass. I had mixed feelings since I didn't know what would happen next. I thought to myself, what a way to start the day! Nonetheless, the grace of God is bigger than we can imagine. This experience was a palpable instance of the love and mercy of God. Without a doubt, the presence of the Holy Spirit was there with us every single minute. I sensed a peaceful atmosphere and the joy of the families and kids. How you handled the situation showed your professionalism and willingness to serve God's people. The love of God through your service as a pastor makes the St Cletus community feel safe and cared for as children of God." - Norma Hernandez

Lenten Reflection

One of the best parts of Lent for me is the culmination of our adult initiation programs, when people are welcomed into the church. As the Archdiocese turns its attention to evangelizing, I have been thinking a lot about this process. This process is referred to now as the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)—it used to be called the "Rite" of Christian Initiation of Adults. The Rites themselves have not changed, but ideally it involves discernment and a lot of reflection on the part of the candidates and the community.

I always interview people who are interested in becoming Catholic as to why they want to do this, because I want to hear their stories, and they definitely run a gamut. I have had people say they were walking their dog past the church and they liked the architecture of the building. Some people are intrigued by Catholicism and would like to find out more about it. Some people have strongly held conservative political beliefs and they would like to be part what they think is a monolithic institution that will validate those beliefs (I try politely to disabuse them of this). Some people want to marry a Catholic, and they (or their fiancé) believe it is important to share a common religious tradition. Some people were brought up in another tradition and have already married a Catholic and are bringing up children as Catholics and want to be able to answer their children's questions. Some people were brought up Catholic but for some reason they missed a sacrament, or two. There are as many stories as there are candidates. Some of this shapes how we do catechesis—the person walking their dog might need different formation that an ordained Episcopal deacon—but whoever they are, the candidates are always interesting and I love to hear their stories.

My favorite participants are the ones who say "I know a Catholic, and they have something special that I'm pretty sure is because of their Catholic faith, and I want that too." (Somebody said that about me once! It's one of the nicest compliments I've ever received.)

You may know that St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier and St. John of the Cross conduct a joint RCIA process, with each catechumen (baptism candidate) and candidate (baptized person who needs the remaining sacraments of initiation) being received into the church at their own parish. We start in September (this is the old-fashioned way; the current preference is now for a year-round process where people start when they can and then are received into the church on the second Easter after they start, so they have time to see an entire liturgical year), and meet each Tuesday evening until Lent, learning specific topics about Catholicism. Once Lent starts (this is officially called the "Period of Purification and Enlightenment"), we do the Scrutiny rites, each in our own parishes, and the Tuesday presentation is a deep dive into the gospels of the week. We also have a half-day retreat. By the time the Easter Vigil is upon us, they will be ready to enter our community.

This year, St. Cletus has one adult catechumen, who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil, as well as one participant in our Teen Seeker program who has never received any sacraments. We also have one baptized Catholic who has never received any more sacraments and one confirmand from our regular program who was not able to come to Confirmation on March 9. Our catechumens are both married to Catholics and have children at St. Cletus School. It has been a great privilege to walk with them on their faith journey to this point and I look forward to going along with them as they mature in their faith. If you like, please come to the Easter Vigil mass and welcome them into the faith!

And—if you know someone who would like to become Catholic, or you yourself have not completed your sacraments, as we say, we would love to have you in our Catholic family. And if you are a fully initiated Catholic and you want to show people that "something special," we would love to have you on the team. Contact me for more information.

Blessings,
Tina Norton
Pastoral Associate

Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 4-8PM

Wish List:

- Canned meats
- Cereal and oatmeal
- Detergent and soap
- Pasta and pasta sauce
- Diapers size 4, 5, 6
- Baby wipes

Follow us on Facebook:

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Sign up is now available through the end of June! Volunteers are needed on Thursdays from 3:15-5:30 and 5:15-8:15. Volunteers must be 6th grade and up. Adults are needed too! Sign up available at: https://www.signupgenius.com/

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Gift Cards for Easter

FOOD PANTRY

We are currently seeking donations of \$25 gift cards to Jewel or Walmart. Donations can be dropped in the weekly collection basket or at the Parish Center (please do not put gift cards in the donations bins). Or you can make an online donation to the food pantry. Please write (gift cards) in the memo/notes.

Each year, during the month of Easter, we distribute \$25 gift cards to Jewel/Walmart to each household. Thank you for your support!

Embodying the Love of Christ by Caring for One Another

Reflect on your Lenten journey thus far: What have you learned from our global family members in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia? How does the Eucharist unite us with our sisters and brothers around the world? Consider how Christ is present in Adolf and Florence, Sandra and Santos, and Evita. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope.

IS THERE SUCH A THING AS JOB SECURITY?



Join us on Thursday, March 21 from 7-9 pm for the answer. Depending on who you are chatting with on any given day, you will come to find that job security does not exist. And yes, it is debatable. In this session, Dr. Peter A. James will provide some insights into how/why we should reframe this "job security"

framework, but also how we need to approach it moving forward. Be prepared to utilize and apply it for your career, business and life beginning today! Dr. Peter A. James is a Professor of Business & Entrepreneurship and a certified business and leadership coach who partners with individuals and organizations as they seek to realize their potential. His career has taken him from an officer in the U.S. Army to sales and marketing in the corporate world and, higher education. He holds an M.B.A., a Ph. D., and has launched several business ventures. We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, Western Springs. Everyone is welcome! Visit http:// www.interfaithcareernetwork.com for additional resources

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

School News





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Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
19 de marzo, 2024	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	Iglesia Church
17 de marzo, 2024	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español Spanish Mass	Iglesia Church



Segundo Sábado de cada mes 8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m. Adoración Nocturna Iglesia Second Saturday of each month 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Night Adoration Church

INTENCIONES DE MISA

Si desea una intención de misa para la Misa de 12:30 p.m., llame a la oficina principal 708 352-6209 o al 708-215-5441. Las intenciones de misa deben solicitarse antes del miércoles si su intención es para ese fin de semana. Las There will be a meeting for all Lectors in the Hispanic Minnación sugerida por cada intención es de \$10.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a mass intention for the 12:30 p.m. Mass, VIA CRUCIS VIVIENTE please call the main office 708 352-6209 or 708-215-5441. Mass intentions must be requested by Wednesday if your Estaremos realizando el Vía Crucis viviente en español el Intention is \$10.

ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

Cada segundo sábado del mes el Ministerio Hispano Ileva las 5:00 a.m. Todos están invitados a participar.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Every second Saturday of the month the Hispanic Ministry conducts Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with a Mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 am. Everyone is invited to participate.

REUNIÓN DE LECTORES HISPANOS

Habrá una reunión para todos los Lectores del Ministerio Hispano el lunes 18 de marzo, 2024 a las 7:00pm en el salón Gallagher. Compartiremos nuestras experiencias como

lectores y tendremos reflexión teológica e histórica sobre la liturgia y el ministerio. Se les anima a todos los lectores a participar en esta reunión.

HISPANIC LECTORS MEETING

intenciones de misa deben solicitarse antes del día, la do- istry on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Gallagher Room. We will share our experiences as Lectors and have theological and historical reflection on liturgy and ministry. All Lectors are encouraged to participate.

intention is for that weekend. Mass Intentions should be Viernes Santo, 29 de marzo de 2024 a las 11:00 a.m. en el requested prior to the day, suggested donation per Mass Centro Pastoral. Por favor haga planes para ese día y únase a nosotros para recordar la crucifixión y muerte de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Todos están invitados.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

a cabo la Adoración Nocturna, comenzando con una Misa The living Stations of the Cross in Spanish will take place a las 8:00 p.m. seguido de la Adoración al Santísimo hasta on Good Friday, March 29, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the Pastoral Center. Please plan for that day and join us in remembering the crucifixion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Everyone is invited



Ministry News

CCW PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE



Breakfast.)

The CCW will be accepting baked/bought donations for in the narthex or visit: our sale on Saturday: drop off times to 2pm-7pm and Sunday: drop off times of 7am to 10:30 am

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

"The three essential joys of purgatory are these: First, the certainty of their salvation. The holy souls know they are confirmed in grace, unable to sin or to be lost. The second joy of purgatory consists in expiation of one's faults. Sin constitutes a loathsome filth in the soul, a sort of spiritual leprosy. If the cleansing of festering wounds brings relief, how much more must the souls in purgatory feel, who, CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL having passed into eternity, now knows the ugliness of sin. Sin is insult, offense, injury to the majesty and holiness We wish to congratulate our Frosh-Soph Boys' Churfch



of God. The third joy is love of God. Love Leagued affection - and love desires sacrifice and im- fine season. molation." ~ Blessed James AlberioneTassone, Susan, Day by Day for the Holy Souls in Purgatory: 365 Reflections, Our Sunday Visitor 2014

The St. Cletus Purgatorial Society currently has 54 prayer warriors praying for 555 holy souls. Enroll your deceased After 5 pm. mass on Sat. March 23 and loved ones AT NO COST, become a member of the purgaafter all masses on Sunday, March 24 (in torial society and join us in prayer for the holy souls! May conjunction with the Holy Name Pancake purgatory be emptied!!! May no soul be forgotten!!!

> Information pamphlet and enrollment forms can be found https://stcletusparish.com/ purgatorialsociety/

PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY!

The Holy Name Society is having their yearly pancake breakfast on Palm Sunday, March 24. Please plan on attending before and after each Mass (7:15 am, 8:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.). Final seating is 12:00 p.m. We will be preselling tickets after all Masses on March 9/10 and 16/17. Any questions contact Mark Kursell 708-207-5634 or mkursell@stcletusparish.com.

Basketball Team on advancing in makes every sacrifice easier. The souls in playoffs. They play on Saturday at 6:00 p.m. for the Champurgatory love God with the most intense pionship. We wish them luck and thank their coaches for a

Anointing of The Sick



Community News

BOOK CLUB

Come join us on April 9th for a discussion of *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray. . We meet



at 10 a.m. in the Gallagher Room. If you have any questions, please e-mail book club@stcletusparish.com.

For those who like to look ahead, our June book is *The Widows of Malabar Hill* by Sujata Massey.

VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

We beg you good and holy priests. In every age you call men to follow you as servants and shepherds of your people. Open their hearts to your call and give them the courage to follow you. Be their rock of refuge and their lights as they discern.

Help us to support them on their journey, and to love them as your disciples.

We thank you for all that you are and all that you do. In your name we pray.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Amen.

WALK WITH JESUS

Friday, March 22, 2024 at 10:30 am.

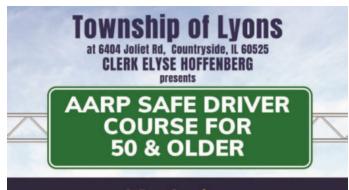
Meditation Garden next to the Carmelite Spiritual Center

Mass following at 11:30 am

National Shrine of St. Therese, Holy Week talk at 12:45 pm

Society of the Little Flower 8419 Bailey Rd.

Darien, IL 60561 Call 800-621-2806 for more information.







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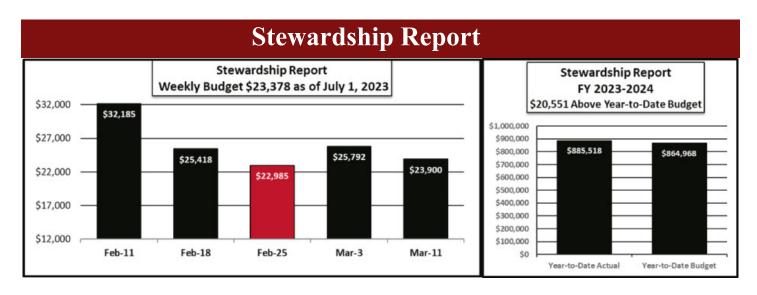








Week At A Glance			
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, March 17			
Monday, March 18	7pm 7pm	Church Gallagher Room	Area Parishes Lenten Reconciliation CREDO Chosen Discussion Group
Tuesday, March 19	8am 6:30pm 7pm 7pm	Church Parish Center Gallagher Room Church	Mass With School Children Athletic Association Meeting Bible Study Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-Spanish
Wednesday, March 20	8:30-9am 9am-12pm 1-1:45pm 7pm 8-10pm	Gallagher Room Gallagher Room Gallagher Room Church	Breakfast with Parishioners Mission Ladies Living Rosary Lenten Evening of Reflection School Fathers Basketball
Thursday, March 21	4-8pm	Food Pantry	Food Pantry Distribution
Friday, March 22	7-8pm	Church	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 23			
Sunday, March 24	After all masses	Parish Center	Holy Name Society Pancake Breakfast



YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2023 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the office @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email **jdion@stcletusparish.com** and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

Name	Phone #
Address	Envelope #

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

Parish Center	(708) 352-6209
School	(708) 352-4820
www.stcletusparish.com	stcletuschurch

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office.

Monday thru Friday .	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday	Closed

MASSES

Saturday Evening	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
	12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
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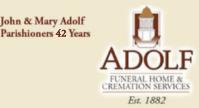
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