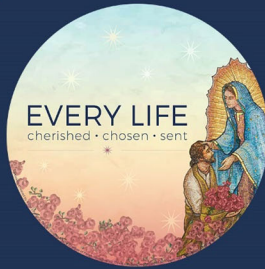


# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle



Respect Life Month  
October 2018

## Born Into Eternal Life Buried from St. Cletus Parish November 2017 - 2018

Alice Thomas  
Elizabeth Pirman  
Catherine Troyner  
Modesta Billenstein  
Richard Schmitz  
Marion Butler  
Lauren M. Haugh  
Leanette Martoccio  
George Lathrop  
Mary Ann Wuchek  
Elizabeth (Bette) Murawski  
Peter May  
Katarina Dufner  
Catherine McMillin  
Shirley Kwilinski  
Ernest Dufner  
Victoria Teska  
Frederick Richard Fahey  
John Thomas Rudak  
Francisco Pastrana  
Mary Vesconte  
Eileen Peters  
Earl George Stumreiter

Edward Nedza  
Ernestine Nedza  
Josephine Krakora  
William Charles Schad  
Marilyn Selig  
Jeanne Carr Horan  
Celine Hoskins  
H. Edward Barnicle, Jr.  
Virginia Bedwell  
Eugene (Gene) Mazurek  
Mary Ann Mezan  
Rosemary B. Courtney  
Loretta Rose Harwood  
James Thomas Treszka  
Joan Brown  
Michael R. Patton  
Barbara L. Barkley  
Lillian Farren  
Clemencia Arenas  
Donald Cuttill  
John Burns  
Patricia Peck  
Teodora C. Quirao

James Coakley  
Louise E. Thorson  
Linda Patrice Bozec  
Paul Edward Baloun  
Mary T. Detman  
Richard Czerniak  
Jane A. Klancir  
Dr. Alexander de los Reyes  
Josephine Madsen  
Filemon Rodriguez  
Aloise Grzelinski  
George Meyers  
Angelina Ricciardone  
Thomas J. Sulek  
Adleta Altman  
Mary Frances (Peggy) Burns  
Cecilia Geraldine Brocken  
Maryann Scalise  
Amado Collazo Colon  
Evelyn T. Ulfig  
Maureen Finnerty  
Patricia (Pat) Maley

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ALL SOULS MASS  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> AT 7:00 P.M.  
WE WILL REMEMBER OUR DEAD WITH A BI-LINGUAL LITURGY

## Mass Intentions for the Week of October 29 - November 4, 2018

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Phyllis Prevanas, Alice Mae Thomas, Karen Trabert Vala
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Robert Ramsden, Tomislav Lisnic
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Walter Johnston
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Donald Kaiser, Michael Lombardo
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Lawrence Vincent MacLean, Frank Wojcik, Angelo Cumbo, Domenica & Domato Frasca
Saturday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Jim Smilor, Joseph & Kay Klemak
	Fr. Baker	5:00 p.m.	Mary Trtol, Stella & Felix Gembala, Sally Ostrego, George A. Popp, Evelyn Ulfig, Pauline Passardi, Ken Kakareka
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m.	Karen Loch, George Duda, John & Frances Kennedy, Marco & Emilia Rattin, Bill DePasquale, Patrick Mahoney, Marilyn Matesevac
	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Stacy Baker, Stella Kadlec, Ricciardone & Calandriello Families
	Fr. Clark	9:30 a.m.	John & Janine Radulski, Alfano & Sorrentino Family, Cecilia Brocken
	Fr. Clark	11:00 a.m.	Gene Kennedy, Jason Osmolak, Jim Zethmayr
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	Armando Almazan

### Marriage Banns



**Erin Walgrave & Matthew Adamski**

**Olga Montalvo & Jose Ramos**

**Michelle Panek & Tim Damrow**

### 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.*

**October** - Kimberly & Tony Fox

**September** - Laura Biesadecki, Frank Colonna

**August** - Lee Ascencio, Mary Benka, Paul De Rivera, Nikki Howell, Ada Medina, Leo Rivera, Bill Tortorello, Joan Clark, Rosario Martinez, Frank Niwa, Laura Terrazino, Rachael Schopp, Nicole Will Montemagni, Bonnie Boerste, Helen Brennan, Dr. Larry Bernstein, Christine DeMaria, Daniella DeRivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Dan Gibbons, Tom Hansen, George Hess, Kathryn McCord, Rosa Nilles, Ayanna Kucera O'Neill, Frank Pastrana, Patricia Rodey, Kathleen Russell, Lucy Schoenecker, Carol Witkowski

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

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

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### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This weekend there are envelopes in the pews for World Mission Sunday. For more information and to donate online, please visit [WeAreMissionary.org](http://WeAreMissionary.org).

A letter from Cardinal Cupich can be found on page 9.

### ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints Day on Thursday, November 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Please join us for Mass:

- Wednesday evening Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday morning Masses at 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.
- Thursday morning School Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday evening Spanish Mass at 7:00 p.m.

### ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls Day will be celebrated on Friday, November 2, this year.


Please join us as we remember our dead with a bi-lingual liturgy on Friday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m.

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

During the gospel readings of the last few weeks we have seen the disciples of Jesus failing to understand the true nature of discipleship. There was the young man who could not let go of his possessions, then the apostles' failure to understand Jesus' third prophecy of his Passion, and finally the sons of Zebedee eager to claim positions of power at Jesus' right hand. At the end of this catalogue of misunderstandings, Mark gives us an outstanding example of true discipleship. It is Bartimaeus, the blind beggar. Bartimaeus recognizes Jesus for who he is, the Son of David, and despite the crowd's attempt to put him off, he shouts out to him for mercy. Jesus stops and calls him to come forward. Bartimaeus throws off his beggar's cloak, his means of livelihood, the only thing he has in the world, and jumps up to go to Jesus. Jesus asks him the same question he has just asked James and John: "What do you want me to do for you?" The sons of Zebedee had asked him for positions of power. Bartimaeus asks for the restoration of his sight. The true disciple asks to see clearly and knows that he needs the power of the master to be able to do this. Jesus acknowledges this plea as the sign of his faith, the faith he has been preaching as the essential prerequisite for healing and insight into the truth. With his sight restored Bartimaeus completes the pattern of discipleship. He follows Jesus along the road to Jerusalem. In other words, he takes up the way of life revealed by Jesus which will lead him to suffering and death. The chapter ends, and in the very first line of the next chapter Jesus begins his approach to Jerusalem.

One of the heresies the Church has always resisted is that of Gnosticism, the claim that closeness to Christ depends on being a member of an elite group with special knowledge. The first step in discipleship is that of not knowing, the simplicity expressed by Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, or the homelessness of the wanderer. True disciples lay no claim to being special. But something special happens to them through their encounter with Jesus. The next step is that we place ourselves under his healing power. Sometimes, like Bartimaeus, we have to fling off even the little we have, our cloaks, our means of livelihood, what offers us fame and fortune in the world. But in the act of healing the great gift we receive is that of freedom. We are no longer bound by the burden of such worldly expectations. Rather we are freed to follow Jesus in his dance along the road, a road of constant challenges. The question Jesus continues to ask on the journey is the one he put to Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" At times we can persecute ourselves with guilt

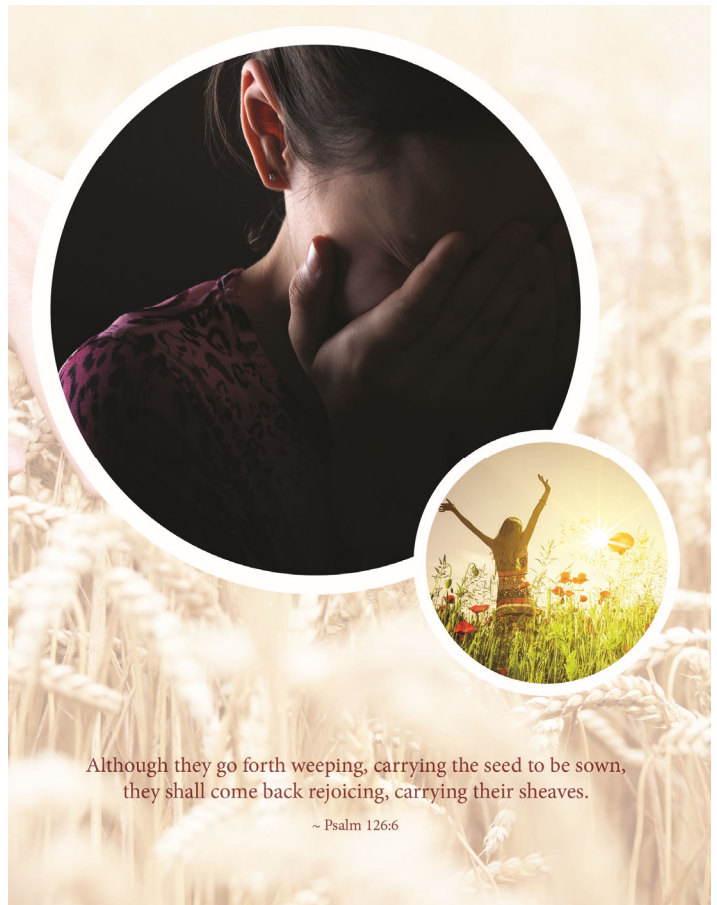


or  
anxiety  
because we  
feel we are not doing  
enough for him. Once again we  
have it the wrong way around. He wants to know what he  
can do for us. Following him along the road is first of all  
allowing him to bind up our wounds. And answering the  
question we hopefully make the same response as  
Bartimaeus and ask that we too may see clearly.

*Peace and Good Health,*



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



Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown,  
they shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.

~ Psalm 126:6



# Parish School



### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

October 29..... Queen of Hearts Drawing  
 November 1..... All School Mass 9:00am  
 November 2..... Early Dismissal

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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 tchinske@stcletusparish.com      cschaefer@stcletusparish.com

**ST. CLETUS**  
*Queen of Hearts*  
**RAFFLE**

**BUY TICKETS DAILY AT  
 KENNY'S IRISH PUB.**

**DRAWINGS MONDAYS AT  
 7PM AT KENNY'S.**

### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL QUEEN OF HEARTS

The St. Cletus Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle continues with the roll over pot sitting at over **\$17,300!**

Visit Kenny's Irish Pub and buy your tickets today for the next drawing which will be 7pm on Monday, Oct. 29th.

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

Come on over to Kenny's any time during their normal business hours to purchase tickets (winner need not be present to win).



### WONDERFUL TOWER OF WATTS PROJECT



First grade students designed and created their own towers after reading the Wonderful Tower of Watts by Patricia Zelver, which tells the true story of Simon Rodia, who used broken tile, bottles, mirrors, shells, and found objects to construct and design the Watts Towers in Los Angeles. By integrating literacy and STEM, students are better able to interpret technical texts, improve content specific vocabulary, think critically, and communicate complex concepts to others both verbally and in writing.

### THANK YOU FROM THE GIRL SCOUTS



When most children enter foster care they carry two trash bags full of their few possessions. Our preschool through eighth grade Girl Scout troops worked to change this by completing a service project for Together We Rise. They collected donations and together filled 75 duffel bags with toiletries and other items to assist children moving into foster care.



OCTOBER 28, 2018

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## THE HOPE AND PROMISE OF REDEMPTION

The prophet Jeremiah prophesies the end of the Babylonian exile. He describes how the weak and sorrowful people now return with joy. These are the scattered people of God: the blind and the lame, the mothers and pregnant women. They shall be led along an easy road so that no one will stumble. The Lord's kindness and mercy are on all these weak and broken people.

Here and in Psalm 126 we find the most lovely poetic images of God's love and care for us. "Those that sow in tears / shall reap rejoicing. Although they go forth weeping, / carrying the seed to be sown, / they shall come back rejoicing, / carrying their sheaves" (Psalm 126:5-6). Although God had to punish Israel for their many sins, God never forgot them, scattered as they were, and brings them all back to the land of their ancestors, there to flourish and be joyful again. We can see in this the hope and the promise of our own redemption, gathered from the far corners of the earth into the great banquet of God.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — I will lead the people to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble (Jeremiah 31:7-9).

**Psalm** — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

**Second Reading** — It was not Christ who glorified himself, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you (Hebrews 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Immediately the blind man received his sight and followed Jesus on the way (Mark 10:46-52).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17  
 Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21  
 Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30  
 Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a  
 Friday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40, or from no.668 or Masses for the Dead, no.1011-1016  
 Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11  
 Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; World Youth Day (U.S.)  
 Wednesday: Halloween  
 Thursday: All Saints  
 Friday: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day); First Friday  
 Saturday: St. Martin de Porres; Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today is the feast of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales, the first representative body of many Catholics who died for their faith between 1535 and 1679 to be beatified or canonized. Almost all of them died at Tyburn, a place of public execution near today's Marble Arch in Hyde Park, London. The first to suffer were Carthusian monks who refused to swear an oath supporting Henry VIII as supreme head of the Church in England, and the last was Saint Oliver Plunkett, the Primate Archbishop of Ireland. The method of execution was particularly vile, since the condemned were hanged and their living bodies quartered to be displayed around London as a horrific warning.

Today, the tree-like gallows provides the design of a religious symbol, the canopy over the altar of the martyrs in Tyburn Convent. There, at the heart of the bustling city, a monastic community of women practices contemplative prayer and "spiritual hospitality" in the Benedictine tradition. Oddly, the community is French in origin; it was expelled from France a century ago when France outlawed contemplative monastic life. England, where the laws against Catholicism had been lifted, invited the community in. In gratitude to their new homeland, and in honor of those who gave their lives for the Catholic faith, the nuns came to Tyburn. In the public crypt, coats of arms stand for each of the 350 martyrs.

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## A SAINTLY DEFINITION

The saint does everything that any other decent person does, only somewhat better and with a totally different motive.

—Coventry Patmore



# Social Concerns Ministry



**St. Cletus  
Food Pantry**

## FOOD PANTRY

**Please note that the St. Cletus Food Pantry will be closed on Thursday, November 1st.**

Most needed at this time:

- Pinto Beans
- Cleaning supplies
- Baby food
- Boxed sides
- Coffee, tea, hot chocolate
- Oatmeal
- Baking goods
- Cereal

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

Follow us on Facebook:  
@StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram:  
@St.CletusFoodPantry

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

## TURKEY BUCKS



This month when you do your grocery shopping at the Jewel store across the street from St. Cletus, **please remember to tell your cashier** that you would like to help St. Cletus Food Pantry by purchasing \$1, \$5, or \$10 in Jewel Turkey Bucks. Your thoughtful donation will help bring a traditional Thanksgiving dinner to a family in our community that otherwise may have gone

without. Thank you!

## Volunteer Opportunity

Jewel Osco raises funds through their "Turkey Bucks" programs that benefit the St. Cletus food pantry. Customers are able to purchase \$1 or \$5 in "Turkey Bucks" which are used to purchase Thanksgiving Meals for our client families. Volunteers are needed to stand at the Jewel Osco doors and invite customers to donate. Various daily opportunities are available from October 27-November 18.

**\*\*Please note...this is an unsupervised volunteer opportunity and an adult is recommended to be present\*\*** This calendar simply coordinates dates/times. Volunteers must check in with Donna (Jewel Manager) or another supervisor when they start their shift. Parents, use your discretion based on your child's age and maturity to decide if they should be dropped off or need a parent present during the volunteer shift. All ages are welcome (with a parent).

## GIVING TREE

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped assemble the Giving Tree tags last week. Please check upcoming Canticles for more volunteer opportunities during this season. Your cheerful participation is what drives this awesome outreach.



## SVDP



Thank you for all of your generous support during our annual second collection for the St. Vincent dePaul Society. Your generosity helped us raise over \$9,000. 100% of these donations go directly to helping our neighbors. We assist with rent, utilities, gas, and other necessities to seniors on fixed incomes, families, and individuals...right in our community.

If you would still like to donate, checks can be made out to "St. Cletus SVDP" and dropped in the collection basket or at the Parish Center. Thank you so much for your generosity!

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH**

National Statistics from National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV) [ncadv.org](http://ncadv.org)

- On average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the United States. During one year, this equates to more than 10 million women and men.
- On a typical day, there are more than 20,000 phone calls placed to domestic violence hotlines nationwide.
- The presence of a gun in a domestic violence situation increases the risk of homicide by 500%.
- 1 in 15 children are exposed to intimate partner violence each year, and 90% of these children are eyewitnesses to this violence.
- Victims of intimate partner violence lose a total of 8 million days of paid work each year.
- Between 21-60% of victims of intimate partner violence lose their jobs due to reasons stemming from the abuse.

**General Contact Information**

*In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars, found in the box below.*

**You are not alone.**



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

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP:  
**708.485.5254**

**PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRY**

The Peace and Justice Ministry carries out the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount; to work for peace and justice in our community, the world and on behalf of all creation; to involve the parish and the broader community in this mission; and to create awareness through education, dialogue and action.

If you're interested in learning more or joining the Peace and Justice committee please join us for the **next meeting on Wednesday, November 7 from 7:00-8:30pm in the SFX Rectory.**

**BABY BOTTLE ENVELOPE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**



Please place the “baby bottle” envelope with your donation in the collection basket the weekend of October 27th and 28th or drop it off at the parish center office. Your help is even more important this year. Women’s Care Center just opened our center on La Grange Road in June and we already have nearly 200 babies expected to our moms, all thanks to YOU! With your help, we will continue to serve more women and save more babies than ever before! For more information, please contact: Katherine Manion, Outreach Director at (574)993-0004 or email [manion.katherine@gmail.com](mailto:manion.katherine@gmail.com)

**CROP HUNGER WALK THANK YOU**



THANK YOU to the record breaking 71 St. Cletus walkers who came out to the CROP Hunger Walk! Nearly 300 people from area churches walked, collected food, and donated funds to help alleviate hunger in our community.

**RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**

Next Meeting: November 14 at 7:00 pm in the St. Francis Xavier Parish Unity Hall. All are welcome! Any questions, please contact Kendall Grant.

**WORD OF LIFE**



“To the survivors of abuse and the families who have lost a loved one to abuse, I am sorry. You are no longer alone.”  
– Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, President of the USCCB  
“President of U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Renews Commitment for Greater Effectiveness and Transparency in Disciplining Bishops,” August 27, 2018

## Domestic Violence Outreach

OCTOBER IS  
NATIONAL  
DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE  
AWARENESS  
MONTH



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We invite you to join us to raise awareness and stand in solidarity with all those affected by violence. Below is a survivor story. **Note that this is**

**intended for adult readers.** All names have been changed for protection.

### TRACEY'S STORY

#### The abuse

I was in my late twenties when I met my ex at the church I attended. We married a year later. He slapped me across the face one time when we were engaged as he didn't like the meal that I cooked. I was dumbfounded but accepted his apologies and excuse of having had a hard day at work. The abuse started a week after we were married and escalated very quickly. Six months into the marriage I asked him for a divorce. He said that if I divorced him he would kill me and kill my parents. I confided in the minister of the church as to what was going on. The minister tried counseling us, but my husband was telling the priest one thing and doing another.

I earned more than him and had to cover all the household expenses. He would also make demands for money from me. If I said no to sex he would force himself on me. He would give me 15 minutes to get home from work. If I were late, he would accuse me of being unfaithful. One time I was late, and an argument broke out. I ran to the bathroom and locked the door. He put his fist through the door. I jumped into the shower recess and he completely smashed it to get to me.

He cut me off from my family and friends and eventually from my church. I became a prisoner in my own home. He destroyed my self-esteem by telling me how worthless I was and continued with the mind games. It got to a stage where I didn't know what the truth was and what was a lie. He stripped me of my dignity and self-respect. My thoughts were scattered and not logical.

I thought: I cannot be free, he will hunt me down; this was his only promise to me. I wondered: Is there nowhere to take refuge and shelter? Must I leave my home that I have purchased and paid for myself? Should he continue to enjoy the benefits his life with me affords him? My thoughts would turn to my baby boys: what would be their fate? I lived in fear for my life.

I saw a movie one day, and it was a real story of an abused woman who shot her husband to escape the abuse. I started entertaining the idea of killing him, but I realized that I wouldn't be successful.

#### How things changed

The change came for me when I made the decision that if I could no longer live like I had been living and if I had to die to be free, then I was willing to pay that price. I decided to succumb to a final beating and present myself to the police and have him charged.

On that day he pushed me and I pushed him back, expecting a belting. He then spat in my face and I spat back at him, expecting a belting. But instead he called the police and cried battered husband – he said I was the one abusing him. Luckily, the police didn't believe him and helped me leave.

The police asked me to pack a bag and they tried for about an hour to get us into a women's refuge, but they couldn't get through as the lines were busy. I then said to my ex that if we had to leave our home, I would disconnect the gas and electricity and get a restraining order to get him out. He then agreed to leave. I gave him two weeks to get out. The boys and I went to my parent's home.

When he left the house, my parents and I went back, packed up and moved my furniture and possessions to their home. We stayed with them for three years. I rented out my home during that time.

He still had contact with my sons with access at the police station. But incidents were still occurring. There was a time when one of my sons had a graze to his forehead. My ex told the police that I was mishandling the boys. The police officer believed my ex and I had to get a doctor's letter stating that he believed that the boys weren't being mistreated.

#### My advice to others

When I was going through this abuse I remained silent about what was going on in my home and I believe that it was my silence that enabled him to continue with the abuse. By remaining silent and not telling others what is happening in our homes, we enable the abusers to continue with the abuse. We need to break the silence and expose those who seek to keep us bound in fear and dread.

At the end of the day, every woman who is killed, injured or harmed through domestic violence is someone's daughter. Call 911 if you feel you are in immediate danger. If you or someone you know needs help, call a 24 hour hotline:

Pillars: 708-485-5254

Family Shelter Services: 630-469-5650

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 800-799-7233



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## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

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October 21, 2018

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In the Gospel reading for World Mission Sunday, Jesus reminds us of His mission “to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mark 10:45). Through *Renew My Church*, we embrace this mission in which He calls us to serve others and give new life in Christ. In celebrating World Mission Sunday, we as members of the Church in the Archdiocese of Chicago proclaim the life-giving presence of Jesus Christ throughout our world.

The World Mission Sunday collection, celebrated worldwide in October, provides vital assistance to over 1,000 economically poor dioceses responding to spiritual and material needs across Africa, Asia, and remote areas of Latin America and the Pacific Islands. It also resources churches and religious congregations that accompany people facing poverty, violent conflict, and displacement in the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe.

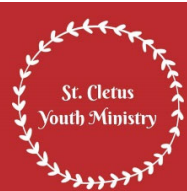
It is my hope that every parish in the Archdiocese of Chicago embraces World Mission Sunday as an opportunity to join with the global Church in making disciples throughout our world, as we are called to do during the *Renew My Church* process. May our witness inspire others in our Chicago community, especially young people, to embrace the call to love and follow Christ. With every good wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Card. Blase J. Cupic".  
Archbishop of Chicago

## Other Ministry News

### JOIN ST. CLETUS YOUTH MINISTRY



*Teens – looking to give back and get involved in your parish community? Look no further!*

#### What is St. Cletus Youth Ministry?

This ministry is provided solely for High School students, in order to help cultivate the faith of our parish teens, and walk with them on their faith journey.

We provide opportunities for:

- Faith-Sharing (Freshman Experience, Sophomore-Senior faith-sharing groups, retreats)
- Service (service projects, mission trips)
- Community (Church League, Teen Advisory Board)

Looking to get involved? Have ideas? Want to learn more? Contact MaryClaire Zurowski.

### YM CHURCH LEAGUE 2018-2019



Boy's Church League - Registration closes TODAY, October 28th!

Registration for this year's Boy's Church League season closes at the end of today! Registration forms can be found in the Parish Center, or on the Parish website under Youth Ministry. Girls registration opens in February. Contact MaryClaire Zurowski with any questions.

### KAIROS 31



Please pray for our Juniors and Seniors who are attending this weekend's Kairos retreat that the experience will help them grow their relationship with God.

Upcoming Kairos Retreats:

Kairos 32 Mar 14-17, Registration opens Jan 2019

Kairos 33 July 11-14, Registration open May 2019

MaryClaire Zurowski, Youth Ministry Coordinator  
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### HOLY NAME SOCIETY



## SAINT CLETUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

#### Turkey Raffle

The Holy Name Society will be selling "chances" for the annual Turkey Raffle in the narthex following masses this weekend. Please consider supporting this major fundraiser. Two dollars will get you one chance to win a turkey; twenty dollars (on one card) will turn CHANCE into REALITY!

#### Meeting Nov. 2nd

The next meeting of the Holy Name will be held on Friday, November 2nd at 8:00 PM in the Parish Center. The primary topics to be discussed will be the Turkey Raffle and the Christmas Party. All men of the parish are invited to attend Holy Name Society meetings!

### BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on December 11th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. The book that will be discussed is **The**

**View from Penthouse B** by Elinor Lipman. All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

### ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...

#### Stella Louise Liedtke

Daughter of Aleksandra Orkiszewska & Steven Leidtke

#### Margaret Catherine Kopp

Daughter of Clare Devine & Dave Kopp

#### Joseph Andrew Serritella

Son of Lisa Benegas & Victor Serritella

#### Emerson Rose Agosto

Daughter of Kathryn Wehrmeister & Robert Agosto

#### Catherine Nancy Yarbrough

Daughter of Megan Dowd & Christopher Yarbrough

**to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.**





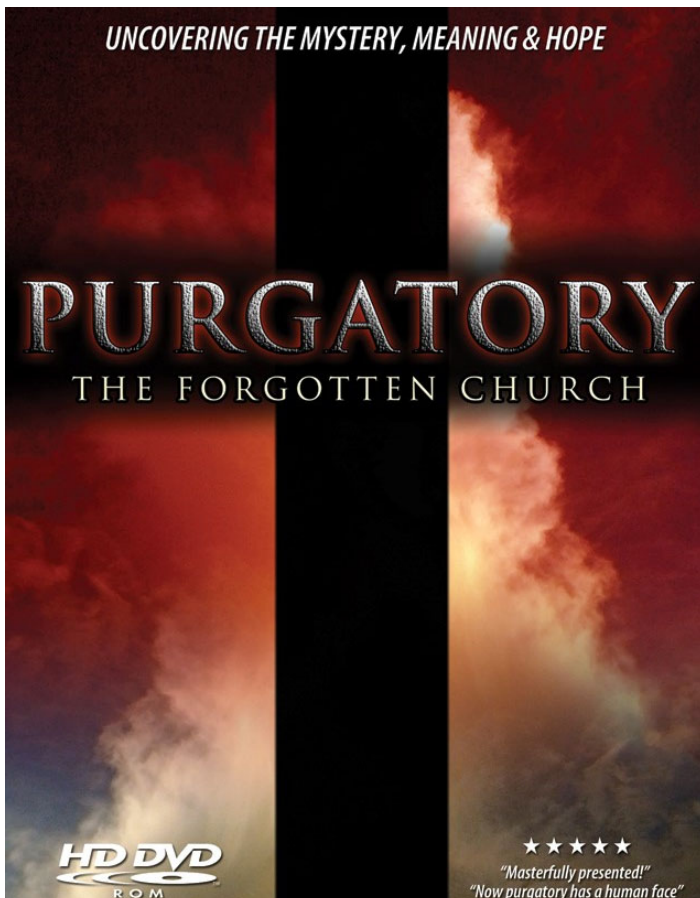
## COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



Mark your calendars for CCW's next general meeting to be held on **Tuesday, November 13th at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center**. All parishioners are invited to attend a special presentation **after the membership meeting at 8:00 pm**. Sr. Rita Ann Teichman CSJ, will share the realities of modern day Human Trafficking.

**Save the Date!!!** Ho-Ho-Holiday Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday, December 2nd. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins!

## CREDO FILM NIGHT NOVEMBER 16TH



Is Purgatory real? Could the Afterlife require suffering? Can the living help alleviate the anguish of the dead? This groundbreaking documentary investigates these compelling life-after-death questions through spiritual, scientific, and cultural perspectives.

Don't miss it! Mark your calendars for **Friday, Nov. 16th at 7pm in the Kindergarten Room**.

## FALL FEST UPDATE



We are excited to announce that St. Cletus Parish raised \$100,000 at the 5th Annual Fall Fest! We hope everyone is planning to join us September 5-8th in 2019!

## AARP TAX-AIDE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2019 TAX FILING SEASON

**AARP**<sup>SM</sup> *Looking for a rewarding opportunity to make a difference in your community?* The AARP Tax-Aide<sup>TM</sup>

Program is now seeking volunteers for the upcoming 2019 tax filing season. It's not necessary for you to be an AARP member or to have a tax or an accounting background to volunteer. However, some knowledge of your own personal tax matters is very helpful. All returns are prepared on computers; thus, volunteers should be somewhat computer literate. Training classes will be held in January, 2019. Minimum time commitment during the filing season is 4 to 5 hours one day per week from early February to mid-April. This income tax preparation and assistance service is offered to low and middle income individuals with special attention to those 60 years and older. Won't you help? For further information about the program and to sign up as a volunteer, please visit: [https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp\\_taxaide/](https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/) or contact John Wagner at 708-352-0170.

## THANK YOU FROM THE ED WARD FAS BOARD



Thank you to everyone who joined us for the concert last Sunday. It was wonderful to see the church so full! Special thanks to our dedicated choir members, parish staff and maintenance staff for making this event possible.

Please consider making a donation to the Fine Arts Series on our website [www.edwardfas.com](http://www.edwardfas.com) or by check to the Parish Center Office so that we might continue to bring performances like these to St. Cletus.

As we say goodbye to Justin Sisul, we will begin our search for a new Artistic Director of the series. Thank you all for your continued support.

## BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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

## Community Bulletin Board

### JOYFUL AGAIN! PROGRAM



#### For Widows & Widowers -

Be with others who understand. Learn coping skills to help with life's changes. Renew hope!

Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry program presents a Retreat/workshop for men & women:

Nov 10 & 11 - Nazareth Retreat Hse., Batavia

Nov 17 & 18 - Our Lady of the Angels Retreat House, Lemont

To register call: 708-354-7211. E-mail us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com. Website: www.joyfulagain.org

### CHICAGO CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE SCHOOL

#### JOIN US FOR A FREE PREVIEW

Wednesday, November 7 from 10am-12pm & 7-9pm

Come join us as we explore Sacred Scripture together! Our academic setting allows for engaged conversation with a qualified instructor and each other as we seek closer relationship with the Lord.

St. John of the Cross Catholic Community, 5005 Wolf Rd, Western Springs, IL is hosting Chicago Catholic Scripture School. Questions? Contact Dianna LaMantia at dlamantia@comcast.net or (708) 288-2143; For further information, a calendar of meeting dates and/or to register for class, please contact Director Kevin Pease at kpease@luc.edu, (312) 915-7485, or visit Loyola University Chicago's website at: <http://www.luc.edu/ips/ccss>

### THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



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

#### Finding Jesus Among Muslims - Nov. 1 & 15 7-8:30 PM

Come join Dr. Mary Jo Curtsinger, CSJ, D.Min., for a presentation and group discussion about a great book *Finding Jesus Among Muslims: How Loving Islam Makes Me A Better Catholic* (available from Sr. Mary Jo [mjcurtsinger@csjoseph.org](mailto:mjcurtsinger@csjoseph.org) for \$19, or from Amazon). Cost: Optional free will offering.

#### Discovering the Potential Within Through Reflection and Art Saturday, November 3 9:30 AM – 2 PM

Come with a heart of curiosity to discover what you are being called to be in this phase of your life. Facilitator Carol Cummins will lead us through a creative process to uncover your heart's desire. Cost: \$40 (includes soup lunch and materials)

#### Trivia Night - Friday, November 9 Games begin at 7 PM

Start watching Jeopardy to prepare yourself for a night of laughter and recall as your team competes against others in a "battle of the brains."

Cost: \$20 through Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>; \$30 on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>

### COMBONI MISSIONARIES

The Comboni Missionaries of La Grange Park Invite You to Join Them at Their 52nd Annual Dinner Dance Honoring Frank Salerno Saturday, November 24th, 2018 at 6pm at Alta Villa Banquets in Addison.



Join us for Cocktails, Dinner, Entertainment, Dancing, Cash Raffle & Silent Auction Celebrating over 150 Years as a Congregation! \$75 Donation per Dinner Ticket.

Please call The Mission Center at 708.354.1999 for tickets or more information. All proceeds to benefit the works of the Comboni Missionaries, both in the Chicagoland area, and around the world.

Comboni Mission Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. More info at [www.combonimissionaries.org/](http://www.combonimissionaries.org/)

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, November 13, 6:30-7:30pm

Hitzeman Funeral Home 9445 West 31st St. Brookfield, IL

We welcome you and your family to join us for our Grief Support Gatherings which will occur the second Tuesday of each month. These groups are intended to be social in nature where we can express our support with others that are experiencing the same feelings.

The holidays are times we set aside to celebrate and spend time with family. After the death of a loved one, this time of the year can be very difficult to manage. Watching others laugh and rejoice in the spirit of the holidays when you might feel sad and overwhelmed can be painful. It's a true reminder of your loss and how much your life has changed. The first holiday season without your loved one can be especially hard. In this discussion you will learn strategies for coping with grief during the holidays. Hopefully these tips will help you or someone you know who is grieving have a better experience.

For more information please visit [www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport](http://www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport). Seats are limited; please R.S.V.P. by November 9, 2018 to [info@hitzemanfuneral.com](mailto:info@hitzemanfuneral.com) or 708-485-2000. We appreciate your continued trust in Hitzeman Funeral Home and we hope that you will be able to join us. Refreshments will follow.

### NOVENA TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

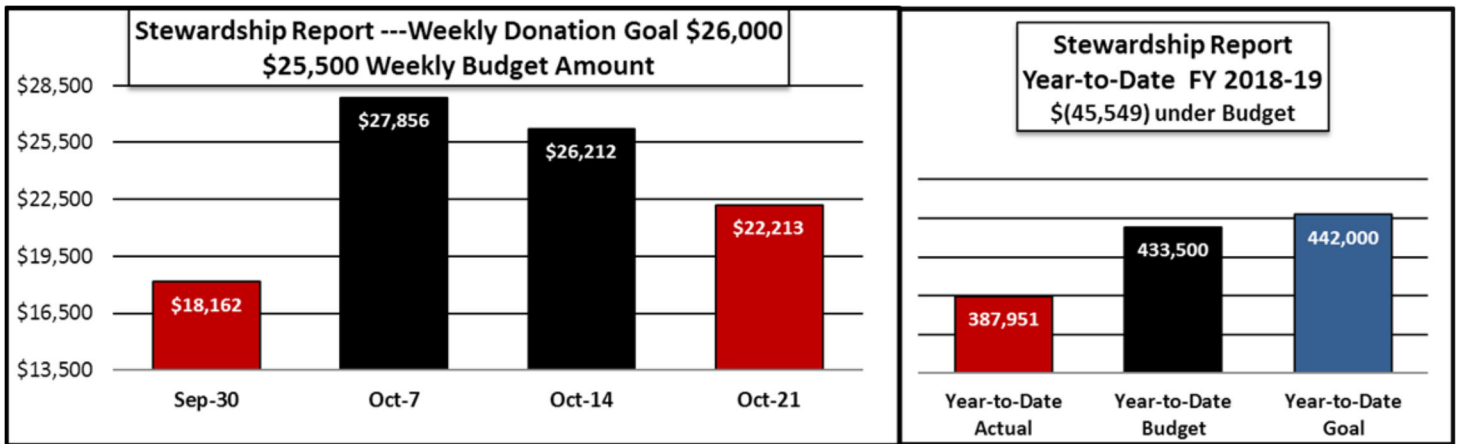
The St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel (7740 S. Western Ave. - Chicago, IL 60620) will be celebrating its November St. Rita of Cascia Novena Mass on Thursday, November 1st at 7:00 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered starting at 6:00 p.m. November's celebrant will be Fr. Ray Flores, O.S.A. Ample, secure parking is available. For more information please contact Josh at (773) 925-6600 or [shrine@stritahs.com](mailto:shrine@stritahs.com).



## Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, October 28	7:00am 7:00am	Narthex Narthex	Baby Bottle Envelope Return Holy Name Society Turkey Raffle Sales
Monday, October 29	4:00pm 6:00pm 8:00pm	School Music Room Parish Center Mtg Rm Parish Center Gym	Junior Choir Rehearsal Speech Team Presentations Men's Basketball
Tuesday, October 30	7:00pm	Church	Spanish Holy Hour
Wednesday, October 31	9:00am 7:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room Church	Mission Ladies Vigil Mass - Feast of All Saints
Thursday, November 1	6, 8 & 9am 5:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	Church School Music Room Rectory Basement Church School Music Room	Mass - Feast of All Saints Children's Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Spanish Mass Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, November 2	7:00pm 8:00pm	Church Parish Center Mtg Room	Mass - Feast of All Souls Holy Name Society Meeting
Saturday, November 3	5:00pm	Narthex	Welcome Committee

## Stewardship Report



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

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




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

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

# St. Cletus Parish Information

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## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish offices have moved to our new location in the parish center. All deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

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

## MASSES

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

## CONFESSIONS

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

## BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of 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

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

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

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

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

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