

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

Let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.

— 1 John 3:18



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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*Easter*

APRIL 29, 2018

By this is my Father glorified,  
that you bear much fruit  
and become my disciples.

John 15:8

## WELCOME

*So glad you could join us!*

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## Mass Intentions for the Week of April 30 - May 5, 2018

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Jim Zethmayer
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	John Cooper
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, Sharon Smith
Thursday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	John Cooper
Friday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Delphine Marciszewski
Saturday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Joseph & Kay Klemak, William J. Chadwick, Enrique Guzman, Cecilia Lopez, Francisco Garcia
	Fr. Clark	5:00 p.m.	Mary Trtol, Stella & Felix Gembala, Dennis Gabriel, Lisa Gabriel, Shirley Sharkey, Georgia Popp, Pauline Miller, John Cooper, John Zumpano
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m.	Joseph Luke, Stacy Baker, Dolores E. Kuchta, Eva & Stanley Grabowski, John & Frances Kennedy, Kevin Crisham, Patrick Mahoney
	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners
	Fr. Baker	9:30 a.m.	Charles & Florence Straka, Jeannie Perczynski
	Fr. Clark	11:00 a.m.	Gene Kennedy, John Pavula, Joseph Cieczczak, Gail Saban, Jim Zethmayer, Joan Brown
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners



### **WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS**

Please welcome to our parish family:

**Maria Cortez & Frida Antimo**

**Lisa & Matt Freund**

**Elodia & David Garcia**

**Lisa & Victor Serritella Family**

**Mairead O'Riordan & Kevin Thomas Family**

If you have been attending St. Cletus, but have not registered as a parishioner, please consider the commitment of parish membership.

### **ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...**

**Maria Ann Delsino**

Daughter of Lisa Oliverio & Joseph Delsino

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

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

**Clemencia Arenas**

**May she 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.*

**April** - Bonnie Boerste, John Burns, Daniella DeRivera, Tom Hansen, George Hess, Kay Hogue, Kathleen Russell, Christine DeMaria, Frank Pastrana

**March** - Dan Gibbons, Rosa Nilles, Patricia Rodey, Lucy Schoenecker, Frank Colonna

**February** - Gerda E. Dorso, Kathryn McCord, Ayanna Kucera O'Neill, Denis Campbell, Susan Gundrum, John Kwak, Patrick Machroli, Marcelino Oliveros Jr, Jerry Plucienik, Kyle Marsden, Chuck Harwood

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

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Karl Rahner SJ, one of the great theologians of the last century, wrote many books in which he tried to make sense of the Catholic faith for his contemporaries. That's what a theologian has to do. Towards the end of his life he wrote an influential essay on the future of the Christian faith. It began with this provocative statement: "The Christian of the future will either be a 'mystic'...or...will cease to be anything at all."

Did he mean that we must all have visions like St. Teresa of Avila? Karl Rahner thought that the old Catholic culture that he had known as a boy was fast disappearing, eroded by an increasingly secular world. It meant that the average Christian could not depend on a Christian culture that everyone took for granted. So he thought that unless Christians had a deep and personal experience of God they would not be able to keep up the practice of their faith. That is all he meant by saying that each person needed to be a mystic. No matter how big the institutional Church seems to be, if its members do not have in them the life blood of a personal encounter with God, then it will wither away.

Jesus took for granted that his Jewish faith needed laws and institutions like the Temple if it was going to transmit its message to the next generation. And so he knew that his Church must be built on the rock of Peter; then God would preserve it from all its enemies. But in today's Gospel, he tells his disciples at the Last Supper that if they are to survive they must remain close to him. He takes the image of the vineyard, which was used to represent Israel in the Old Testament, and in a sense identifies himself with it by saying: I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser."

If the disciples are to survive then they must be branches of Jesus, the vine. And just as a vine is pruned to make it more fruitful, the disciples will also grow by being tested in their faith. Jesus tells them to remain close to him and have the living sap flowing in their branches, or else they will shrivel up. He insists that at the heart of their faith there is this close personal relationship with him: "Make your home in me, as I make mine in you." As they are united in Christ so they will be united through him to the Father. But this experience is not just for special members of the Church, like the apostles. The Spirit is given to everyone. All are called to have this "mystic" experience of being so close to Christ in their daily life that they produce good fruit.



It is easy to get carried along by externals. The Church is essential to our faith. We cannot say, as some do, that we want Jesus but not the Church. In the Creed we affirm our belief in Jesus Christ and also in "one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church." The institutional Church is a key part of our faith, but there is always the danger of just going through the motions and dying on the vine. The institution will shrivel unless its members have the sap of the living Christ flowing through them.

As Karl Rahner pointed out, it is much more difficult now to be carried along by other people's faith in a society that is both secular and often hostile to our beliefs. How can we produce the fruit that will show that Christ's Church is alive and well? We do not need to be mystics like some of the great saints, but to make sure our practice of the faith, whether it is going to Mass or saying our prayers, is firmly based on a close personal relationship with Jesus. We don't at first have to do anything but rather to be at peace in his presence, to allow him to dwell in us. Then we can share a deep communion with him as we receive his body and blood in the Eucharist. If we change the image from sap, we could say that his real presence in his blood gives us new life. If we do have this close relationship of the branch to the "true vine," then it will produce good fruits especially in the way we love God and one another.

*Alleluia!*

*Fr. Bob*

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



# Parish School



### DATES TO REMEMBER

Sports Awards ..... May 10  
 First Communion ..... May 12  
 Early Childhood Education Open House ..... May 20

### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

**Tom Chinske, Principal**      **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**  
 (708) 352-4820      (708) 352-4820  
 tchinske@stcletusparish.com      cschaefer@stcletusparish.com



### St. Cletus Health Fair

A very successful Health Fair! As part of our life long goals to stay healthy, all students rotated through 10 Stations learning about good habits, relaxation techniques and healthy eating.



### Internet Safety Night For Parents Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. St. Cletus Parish Center

Parenting in today's digital age requires a constant, diligent understanding of technology and internet safety.

Please join us at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15 in the St. Cletus Parish Center as Detective Charles Hollendonor of the Chicago Police Department's Special Investigations Unit will help parents understand issues of technology and internet safety and equip them with tools to help guide and educate their children to use technology safely.

An RSVP is not required, however, to get an accurate gauge of attendees, please email Vice Principal Schaefer at [cschaefer@stcletusparish.com](mailto:cschaefer@stcletusparish.com) to let her know you will be attending.



### STEM

Continuing with our STEM curriculum, students in Science Lab learned about different rocks and minerals with Mr. Jim Hagen, St. Cletus Parishioner and Ms. Julie Hagen, St. Cletus Alum. 1st grade students worked with 4th grade buddies to explore and learn. Students received a small stone to take with them.

**2018 ST. CLETUS  
CARDINAL OPEN**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>**



**Golf Outing Venue:**  
 Glen Eagles Country Club  
 13070 McCarthy Road  
 Lemont

**New Lower Price!**  
**\$100 per Golfer**  
 Includes cart, snacks,  
 beverages on the course,  
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**For More Information:**  
[golfouting@stcletusparish.com](mailto:golfouting@stcletusparish.com)  
[golfouting.stcletusschool.com](http://golfouting.stcletusschool.com)

### Cardinal Open Golf Outing

Mark your calendar for the annual Cardinal Open golf outing. This year's event will be held on Friday afternoon on June 22 at Glen Eagles in Lemont. This St. Cletus tradition is an event focused on community so if you have a handicap of 14 or you don't even know what a handicap is this is an event for you.



# Parish School (continued)

## ALL DAY SUMMER CAMP JUNE 25-29, 2018



Discover and Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math for children grades K-2nd at St. Cletus.

Day - \$195 Full Day - \$350 Before/after care \$6/hour  
Before and after care available from 7:30am to 6:00pm

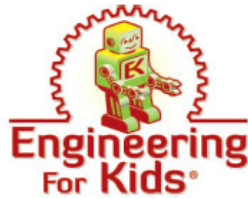
**Magic Beans** - 9am-12pm \$195/wk From Jack and the Beanstalk to the golden touch of King Midas, fairy tales have always engaged and captured imaginations. In Magic Beans, exotic, far-away lands, magical powers and the eternal theme of good versus evil come to life in thrilling engineering, language arts and collaborative communication challenges.

**Lunch Bunch** - 12-1 PM \$30/wk Send lunch and a drink. Your child will meet new friends and enjoy some down time before our art class begins.

**The A in STEAM** - 1-4PM \$195/wk Explore art outside of the classroom through different mixed media projects this Summer! No grades, no homework, all creativity. We'll be completing a new art project each day - show off your latest masterpiece to your family and friends.

Register NOW!  
<https://efkstern.com/2q5dkWU>

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[www.engineeringforkids.com/chicagoland](http://www.engineeringforkids.com/chicagoland)



## FRANK KWAK AWARD NOMINATIONS



Every year the Athletic Association presents the Frank Kwak Award to a deserving individual for emulating Catholic values, hard work, dedication and unselfish service to the students and athletic programs of St. Cletus School.

Nominations are due May 1st. Please submit nominations on our school website <http://www.stcletussschool.com/athletics/kwakaward/> or email [kwakaward@stcletusparish.com](mailto:kwakaward@stcletusparish.com). Be sure to include the nominees name and qualifications for the award in your submission.

## SCHOOL MUSICAL SUCCESS

The 6th, 7th and 8th Graders did a wonderful job in the St. Cletus School Musical, *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* last week. The performers and stage crew were excellent and we are truly blessed to have such an amazing the new lighting and sound system in our parish center.



# Social Concerns Ministry

## FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta sauce
- Canned tomatoes
- Canned fruit
- Coffee
- Juice
- Laundry detergent
- Gently used children's books (English or Spanish)

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).

The screenshot shows a web-based registration form titled "Create New Visit (Jan 18, 2018) - #1941 - Kendall Grant". The form includes fields for "Help Desired" (with checkboxes for Milk Program and USDA Food stamps), "Physical Address" (600 W 50TH ST, LaGrange, IL 60402), "Household Total" (4), "Do you currently receive SNAP benefits?" (radio buttons for NO and YES), "Would you like to receive information on SNAP benefits?" (radio buttons for NO and YES), "Proxy: Name of Designated Delivery Person", "Signature" (with a note "Signature is out of date."), "ID Presented" (with checkboxes for Photo Identification, Multiple Identification, and Address Verified), and "Household Total" (4). There are "Take Quiz", "Clear Visit", "Cancel", and "Request Operation" buttons at the top.

*Screenshot of our new registration training system*

*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 UPDATES



St. Cletus  
Food Pantry

The past few weeks we shared with you some of the exciting changes coming to the food pantry. If you missed the previous updates check out recent Canticles on the St. Cletus website.

### Technology

This month we began switching from our paper registration book to the online registration system Food Bank Manager (FBM), to track clients receiving food assistance. Some of the benefits include:

- Paperless system
- No need to re-register clients, no need for specific food pantry ID's
- Option to designate a proxy to pick up for a homebound client
- Tracks monthly reports for the Greater Chicago Food Depository
- Helps track which clients are eligible for SNAP benefits
- Records ages of children/adults in the household, used for Giving Tree
- Allows for multiple registration check in stations at once
- Easy to update contact information
- Automatically notifies the volunteer if client has already attended the pantry this month (clients are able to attend once a month. This can be overridden in the case of an emergency so the client can receive food again, if needed.)

As with any registration process it will take a little extra time to register each household into the new system. But once they return again they simply have to provide their name to check in. We use iPads for this system. Two of our iPads were provided for free through the Greater Chicago Food Depository (GCFD). Thank you to GCFD for the donation, to our IT Director Chris Wagner for his assistance, and to our awesome registration volunteers!

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



This week St. Cletus staff joined with the leadership of St. John of the Cross and St. Francis Xavier to attend Domestic Violence Training.

A few takeaways to share:

- 1 in 4 women will experience Domestic Violence.
- Statistically about 1,000 registered St. Cletus parishioners are impacted as abusers or victims of domestic violence.
- The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops says:
  - ◇ "As pastors of the Catholic Church in the United States, we state as clearly and strongly as we can that violence against women, inside or outside the home, **is never justified.**"
  - ◇ "Husbands should love their wives as they love their own body, as Christ loves the Church."



- ◇ “No person is expected to stay in an abusive marriage.”
- ◇ “We encourage abused persons who have divorced to investigate the possibility of seeking an annulment.” (Emphasis added. USCCB “When I Call for Help”)

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.**



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

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



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH  
— ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO —  
AWARENESS · SERVICES · PREVENTION  
[www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org](http://www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org)

**SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY**



Do you need a nudge to clean those closets and kitchen cabinets as summer approaches? The St. Cletus Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is hosting a clothing and small kitchen items drive to support the good works of the Society.

The thrift store truck will be in our Parking Lot on  
**Saturday, May 5 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday, May 6 from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM**

Please mark your calendars and spread the word.

**Items we will accept:**

- Clean clothing, including shoes.
- Small kitchen items (i.e. dishes, pots and pans, glassware, flatware, serving pieces)
- Please bag all items

Remember, your donations not only help clothe and provide household goods to those struggling, but the revenue your donations generate may also help prevent eviction, keep the heat and electric on, and food on the table for your neighbors in need.

Thank you for your generosity!

\*Tax donation receipts will be available.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION ON MOTHER’S DAY**



As a senior citizen, Antonia does not have much income left after paying for rent, medications, and daily supplies. She relies on the Catholic Charities Senior Food Nutrition Program for all of her meals. Last year 145,547 food packages were delivered to low-income seniors in Cook and Lake counties. Without the food they receive from us, they would have to choose between a healthy diet and paying for medication and other necessities.

Please give to Catholic Charities on Mother’s Day to help seniors stay healthy. Learn more online at [www.catholiccharities.net](http://www.catholiccharities.net).

“Charity, patience, and tenderness are very beautiful gifts. If you have them you want to share them with others.” – Pope Francis

**ICN CAREER CENTER OPEN HOUSE**

Job Search Tips & LinkedIn Assistance! Career Center - Weekly Open House Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday evening each month from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. These services are available at no cost in the First Baptist Church of La Grange, 20 N. Ashland Avenue (across from the west side of the La Grange Post Office). No appointment is needed. Just ring the doorbell at the Ashland Avenue Office entrance; Interfaith Career Network is here to help you.

**WORD OF LIFE**



IF WE ARE FILLED WITH THE LOVE OF GOD, A CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER AND SOLIDARITY WILL BEGIN TO bloom.

**Serene Attentioness to God’s Creation:**  
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# Fifth Sunday of Easter

## LIVING BRANCHES

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The church was being built up, and grew in numbers (Acts 9:26-31).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth (1 John 3:18-24).

**Gospel** — Remain in me, as I remain in you. I am the vine, you are the branches (John 15:1-8).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4,15-16; Jn 14:21-26  
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;  
 Jn 14:27-31a or (for the memorial)  
 Gn 1:26-2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;  
 Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58  
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14  
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17  
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21  
 Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4;  
 1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter  
 Monday: St. Pius V  
 Tuesday: St. Joseph the Worker  
 Wednesday: St. Athanasius  
 Thursday: Ss. Philip and James; National Day of Prayer  
 Friday: First Friday  
 Saturday: First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In medieval times, one country, Scotland, linked its economy to the liturgy. Four holy days of the church calendar were keyed to the legal year. On these days, rents were due, clergy and servants were paid, and contracts and leases would begin or end. The term days were Pentecost (called Whitsunday), the Feast of Saint Martin on November 11 (Martinmas), the Feast of the Presentation on February 2 (Candlemas), and August 2 (Lammas), a harvest festival. On Lammas day, the first loaf of bread from the summer wheat harvest was given to the village priest. After the Reformation, which swept the Catholic festivals away, the term days were gradually detached from the old feasts. It was only in 1990 that the term days were anchored on the 28th of February, May, August, and November. Today the old Scottish universities are the last hold-outs, still naming their terms or semesters after the old festivals. Scottish students today may not know about the liturgical year, but they still call the fall term Martinmas, and the spring session Candlemas.

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

## SMALL TASKS

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.

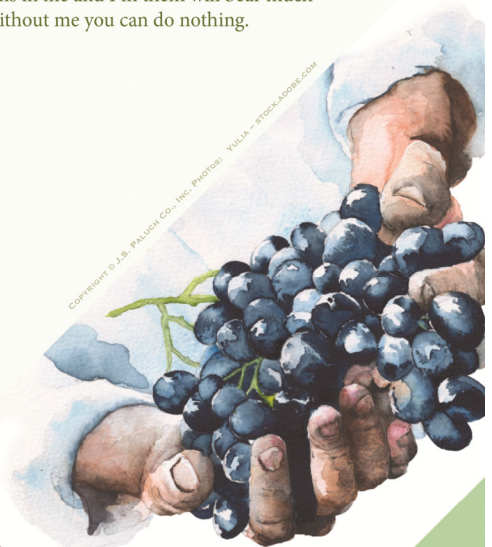
—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

I am the vine,

*you are the branches.*

Whoever remains in me and I in them will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.

~ John 15:5





# Religious Education

## UPCOMING RE DATES:

**April 29/30** - RE Classes in Session

**May 8** - First Communion Practice in Church from 6:30-8 for children in 10:30 a.m. Mass on May 12

**May 9** - First Communion Practice in Church from 6:30-8 for children in 1 p.m. Mass on May 12

**May 12** - First Communion Masses at 10:30a.m. and 1p.m.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT ST. CLETUS JUNE 18-22<sup>ND</sup> 9AM - NOON

**Who:** Children entering Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**When:** June 18-22, 2018

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 12 noon each day

**Where:** Morrissey Hall in the Parish School building

Complete registration form online at [stcletusparish.com](http://stcletusparish.com), or pick up a form at the Parish Center or Religious Education Office. Return the completed form and the \$50 registration fee. Any child entering Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in the Fall is welcome to register!

We are looking for volunteers to join our Crew! We are looking for **Junior High** and **High School Students** as well as **Adults** to join us! If you are interested, please contact Barb Campbell at [bcampbell@stcletusparish.com](mailto:bcampbell@stcletusparish.com), (708)352-2383.

## Ed Ward Fine Arts Series at St. Cletus



Ken Baker Laura Freeman George Howe John B Boss Brian Firmoff Denise McGowan Tracy Cynthia Clarey Jeffery Lyle Segal

*Ken Baker*  
**& FRIENDS**

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FAIR  
LADY**  
IN CONCERT



*Ed Ward*  
**FINE ARTS SERIES**  
AT ST. CLETUS LA GRANGE, IL

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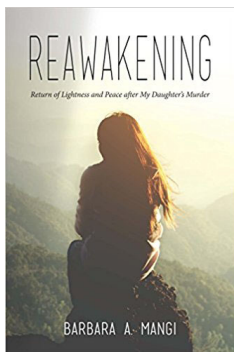
St. Cletus  
Parish Center

Tickets \$35

[www.edwardfas.com](http://www.edwardfas.com)

## Other Ministry News

### FORGIVING THE ULTIMATE TRESPASS



**Tuesday May 8th at 7:00pm  
St. Cletus Parish Center**

During every mass we pray “forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us”. But forgiveness can be hard. Please join CREDO on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Gallagher room of the parish center to welcome speaker Barb Mangi. Barb will share how her faith in Jesus Christ brought her through the murder of her 25-year-old daughter, Dana; and will also share her journey towards forgiving Dana’s killer while healing herself and struggling to keep her marriage together.

You may have seen Barb's story in the Chicago Tribune in the article "Mom forgives the man who murdered her daughter, answers his letters from prison" or seen her recently published book *Reawakening: Return to Lightness and Peace after my Daughters Murder*. Come and meet this inspirational mother who has had to confront terrible loss and learn how her Catholic faith helped her to move forward.

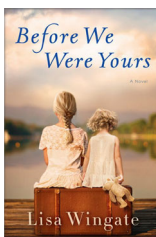
CREDO (Continuing Religious Education Opportunities)

### SCCCW - NEXT MEETING MAY 15TH



Mark your calendars for the next CCW meeting on Tuesday, May 15th at 7pm in church. We will be celebrating Mary with a May Crowning ceremony followed by fellowship & hospitality in the Gallagher room. All ladies are welcome so if you haven't joined us before please consider coming & make a new Parish friend. Note this is not the usual 2nd Tuesday but the third Tuesday for this meeting. Looking forward to praying together & meeting women of the Parish community.

### BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on June 12 in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center. The book that will be discussed is **Before We Were Yours** by **Lisa Wingate**. All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

### LIVING ROSARY



**Take a Step toward Mary this Month**

Did your child get a Rosary to celebrate a sacrament? Do you have a worry or an intention to share with Mary? May is a month of rededication to Mary and the Rosary. Come and join us at the Rosary Table over the weekend of April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Bring a Rosary to have fixed or come and take a Rosary for yourself or a friend. So many parishioners have donated beautiful Rosaries to share; Mary works through them to draw us toward her. We have guides on how to pray the Rosary (in both English and Spanish) and coloring pages for the little ones.

Once you have your Rosary, look for a group to pray with! Group prayer adds a new dimension to praying the rosary and demonstrates faith in action. It is so inspirational to have children lead the prayers, for them as well as for the rest of the group. The Living Rosary will pray the entire Rosary together at 12:15 on May 6<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center Meeting Room. Come, bring an open heart and stay as long as you can.

If you want to go a step further, join the Living Rosary and begin to say one decade of the rosary every day at their convenience. Other prayer partners take the other mysteries and together, the entire Rosary is said each day. Your faith deepens with newer insights as the mystery becomes a part of your life. Talk to Mary Lu at the Rosary Table or call her at 708-579-3987.

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated on Sunday, September 16, 2018 by Cardinal Cupich.

Register online at <https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding> or call the St. Cletus Parish Office at 708.352.6209.

### 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. Thank you!



## Other Ministry News (continued)

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY – PAST PRESIDENTS’ DINNER – MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>



The Holy Name Society’s **Past Presidents’ Dinner** will be held on the evening of **Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** at **Buck’s Pit Stop**, located at 6501 South Kane in Hodgkins. This event begins at 6:00 PM (for cocktails), with dinner at 7:00 PM. All Holy Name members are invited to attend and are encouraged to donate a prize for the raffle. For the first time, members may choose to attend this annual event with their wives or significant others. The dinner cost is \$20 per person; past presidents, free.

**Please sign-up to attend (by May 1<sup>st</sup>) on the Sign-up Sheet posted in the Ministers’ Room where additional information for the event is also posted.** Contact Rod Bradford (708-370-9001) with any questions or to be added to the sign-up list.

### BECOME A LITURGICAL MINISTER

In case you missed the invitation to train for becoming a Lector or Eucharistic minister, another date has been added, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Same place, church, same times, 6:30-Lector; 7:00 Eucharistic Minister.

Please call or e-mail Paulette Bolton: 708.215.5222 or [pbolton@stcletusparish.com](mailto:pbolton@stcletusparish.com)

### YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



**Registration for Kairos 29 is open!** Kairos 29 will take place June 7-10. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. ***K29 is open to high school incoming and outgoing Seniors only.*** Incoming Juniors and Seniors are eligible to sign up for K30 in July (the retreat will be held in early August).

The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration! The application is available online at our website: [stcletusparish.com](http://stcletusparish.com)

### MUSIC MINISTRIES AT ST. CLETUS PARISH

The Music Ministry of our parish consists of approximately eighty five extremely dedicated adults and children. The results of their efforts can be heard each week as they encourage congregational participation in our masses and other special liturgical events. It is both an honor and a privilege to be the leader of such a fine group of individuals and I would like to formally thank them for their efforts and for sharing their time and talents with our parishioners and all visitors to St. Cletus.

Our Chancel Choir sings regularly at the 9:30 a.m. mass; rehearsals are from 7:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. each Thursday. This group focuses more on traditional hymns and classic choral pieces.

Our Contemporary Choir sings approximately two times per month at the Saturday, 5:00 p.m. mass; rehearsals are held immediately prior to the mass at 4:00 p.m. with occasional additional rehearsals as needed. This group, with singers, drums and flute, focuses on a more contemporary sound.

Our Teen Choir sings approximately twice per month at the Saturday, 5:00 p.m. mass with an occasional appearance at the 11:00 a.m. mass on Sunday morning.

Our Youth Choirs....are open to all boys and girls, grades 3rd through 8th, attending either a public school or St. Cletus School. These choirs generally sing at the Sunday, 11:00 a.m. mass approximately one-two times per month and also participate with the other adult choirs in several special masses throughout the year.

Junior Choir is open to students in grades 5 through 8. Rehearsals are held on Monday, from 4- 5 p.m.

Children’s Choir is open to students in grades 3 and 4. Rehearsals are held on Thursday, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Our Good Shepherd Choir is part of the St. Cletus Compassionate Care Ministry. This choir provides music for funerals, memorial services and the annual evening mass in November for those families, who have within the past year, experienced the loss of a loved one. This choir sings on an “as needed” basis, frequently on fairly short notice.

If you are interested in attending a rehearsal, joining a particular choir or just want to know more about our music ministry, please contact: Karen Ziemba, Director of Music Ministries: [kziemba@stcletusparish.com](mailto:kziemba@stcletusparish.com) or call 708-215-5423 or 708-710-0644.

## Community Bulletin Board

### JOYFUL AGAIN! RETREAT



Widowed? Going thru ups and downs? Looking for a more hope-filled future? Attend the Retreat/Workshop for Widowed Men & Women.

**June 23 & 24 St. Julie's - Tinley Park**

For more info or other dates/locations contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry. Phone: 708-354-7211, email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com, web: www.joyfulagain.org  
IMPORTANT: register early, space is limited.

### RIGHT TO LIFE CELEBRATION MAY 18

Illinois Right to Life is celebrating 50 YEARS of changing minds and saving thousands of mothers and babies from abortion at our *Golden Jubilee Celebration* on Friday May 18, 2018 at the Carlisle in Lombard, Illinois. We've invited renowned pro-life comedian and author, Mike G. Williams, to help celebrate not only Illinois Right to Life's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday, but also the birthdays of thousands of babies saved through our work. This is our largest fundraiser of the year, and we would love for you to join us for an evening of joy, celebration, and looking back on the history of the pro-life movement in Illinois. For more details and to purchase tickets, visit [www.IllinoisRightToLife.org/Banquet](http://www.IllinoisRightToLife.org/Banquet) or call 312.422.9300.

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples on August 10-12, 2018 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community. For information, please go to [wwme-chicagoland.org](http://wwme-chicagoland.org) and say YES TODAY, to God's call to love one another!

### FR. PATRICK MARSHALL



Fr. Patrick Marshall will be leaving the St. John Paul II Newman Center for a six month sabbatical, beginning July 1, 2018. **You are invited to join Fr. Marshall on Thursday, May 3rd** for a special reception at UIC Student Center East. RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/marchallrspv> Questions? Please contact David Avignone @ 312.226.1880 or [davignone@jp2newman.org](mailto:davignone@jp2newman.org)

### NO ROOF LEFT BEHIND/LICITRA ROOFING

Licitra Roofing in Brookfield IL is partnering with No Roof Left Behind to give away a FREE ROOF to a deserving family in the cook county area. Nominations are being taken beginning April 23rd. For more info or to nominate visit [www.licitraroofting.com](http://www.licitraroofting.com).

### THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER



1515 Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, IL. To register: online at [www.csjthewell.org](http://www.csjthewell.org) or call 708-482-5048

**Circle of Song Concert: Singing Compassion into the World Friday, May 11 7:30 PM** \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.

**Our Evolving Region: West Beach Dune Succession Trail, Indiana Dunes Saturday, May 12 9:30 AM**  
Cost: \$30 registration required by May 5.

### MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 12, 2018 9:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. (Seating at 8:30 A.M.) The Parish Center St. John the Baptist Church 2302 W. Church Street Johnsbury, IL 60051. For more info visit [MagnificatMcHenry.com](http://MagnificatMcHenry.com)

### VIA BELLA MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Sunday, May 13th 10 am- 3 pm. Adults \$29.95 | Children (6-12 yrs) \$15 | Children (3-5 yrs) \$10. Now Taking Reservations!

Breakfast Station: Omelet Station| Hash Browns| Breakfast Sausage| Bacon French Toast| Mini Muffins

Soup & Salad Station: Bruschetta| Via Bella Salad| Caesar Salad| Pasta Salad

Seafood Station: Shrimp Cocktail| Baked Clams| Fried Calamari| Broiled Tilapia

Savory Items: Carving Station| Sausage & Peppers| Vesuvio Potatoes | Steamed Vegetables| Fried Zucchini| Pasta Romano | Farfalle & Broccoli| Cheese Ravioli in Marinara Sauce Mini Meatballs| Chicken Vesuvio| Chicken Marsala| Barbeque Ribs

Kids Table: Chicken Tenders| Mozzarella Sticks| French Fries | Pizza | Make your own Sundae.

Also Included: Sweet Table, Mimosa Station & Coffee Station

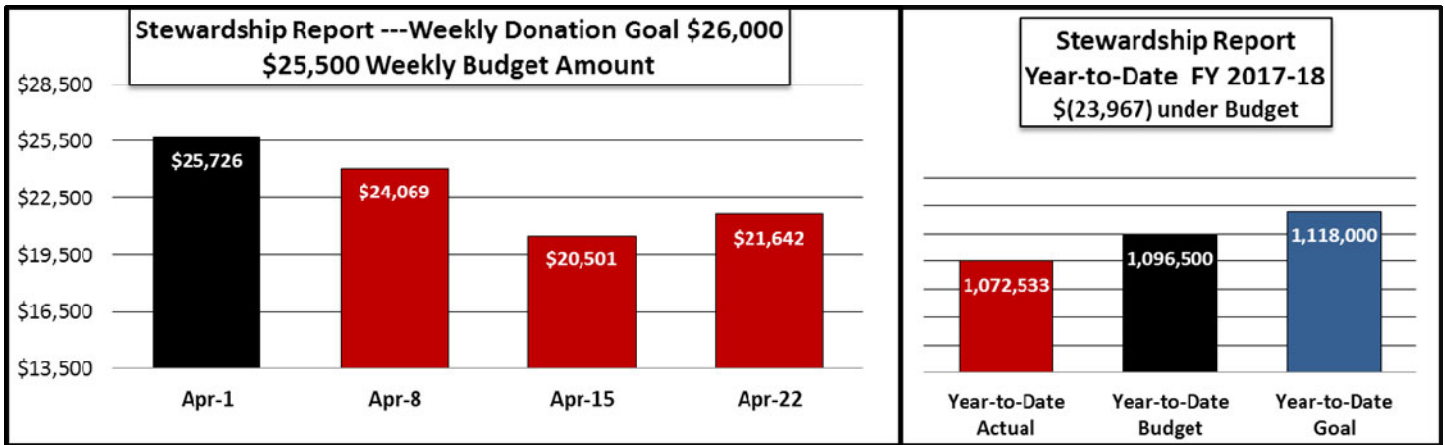
Items are subject to change without notice. Tax & Gratuity not included. Promotional Coupons, Gift Certificates or Discount Cards will not be accepted.



## Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, April 29	7:00am	Narthex	Rosary Table
Monday, April 30	4:00pm 8:30pm	School Music Rm Parish Center Gym	Junior Choir Rehearsal Men's Basketball
Tuesday, May 1	6:30pm	Rectory Basement	School Board
Wednesday, May 2	9:00am 9:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Rm Morrissey Hall	Mission Ladies Girls Church League
Thursday, May 3	7:30pm	School Music Rm	Chancel Choir
Friday, May 4			
Saturday, May 5	10:00am 5:00pm	Parking Lot Narthex	SVDP Drop Off 10-5pm My Fair Lady Ticket Sales
Sunday, May 6	7:00am 8:00am	Narthex Parking Lot	My Fair Lady Ticket Sales SVDP Drop Off 8am-12:30pm

## Stewardship Report



### ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

**Donate Online** Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? Visit [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) and click the "DONATE" BUTTON. Then click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions, call Mary Zwolinski at 708 -352-6209.

## Preferred Providers

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# 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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