

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

# Congratulations to the children who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, January 23, 2016

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# WELCOME So glad you could join us!

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#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

JAN. 31: School Open House 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

JAN. 31-FEB. 6: Catholic Schools Week

FEB. 5-7: Erin Potts Invitation Volleyball Tournament

FEB. 9: Book Club

FEB. 13-14: Ministry Weekend

MAR. 5: St. Cletus School Spring Auction

# Mass Intentions for the Week of January 25 — January 31, 2016

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions	
Monday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Pauline Cuttill, Virginia Abugelis	
Tuesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Christopher Pluta	
Wednesday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Laura Jean Nalepka	
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Priests Living & Deceased	
Friday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Phillip C Butkus, Dr. W. James Syms	
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Anna Maria Pastrana-Adkins	
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Dolores Kuchta, George Duda Ernest Blecic Ramona M. Syms, Therese Reilly St. Cletus Parishioners Bertilda Guerrero	

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

#### Virginia Abugelis

Wife of Andrew Abugelis

#### Jorge Luis Villasenor

Husband of Cynthia Saldaña

#### **Agnes Suennen**

#### Cathy Rucinski

Wife of Rob Rucinski

May they rest in peace. Amen.

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

#### Addyson Virginia Awkerman

Daughter of Kelly Collins and Christopher Awkerman

to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.

#### NOTICE REGARDING BULLETIN ARTICLES

Please note that all canticle articles are to be sent to canticle@stcletusparish.com. Please send as text with pictures separate. All articles are due no later than 5 p.m. Friday the week before Sunday's publication. Thank you!.

#### MASS OF ANOINTING 2/13 @ 11 A.M.

On Saturday, February 13th this most Holy Sacrament will be offered for the sick of the parish and community at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

Refreshments will be provided after the mass - if you plan on attending please email Deacon Stuart @ sheyes@stcletusparish.com, leave a message at (708) 215-5407, or a note at the rectory.

# PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Julianne Hausknecht Jen Trenkamp, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Patricia Niwa, Allie DeRivera, Don King, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Alexandra DeRivera, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Peter D. Rivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Bruce Byrne, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, Dave McCoy, LaVerne Gill, Richard Rottinger, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda, Marilyn Matesevac. Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

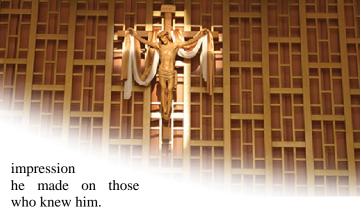
#### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Recently, there was an advertising campaign which I saw that consisted of poster which, on the face of it, didn't make sense. In huge letters, these posters asked questions like: WHO IS YOUR **FAVORITE** ACCOUNTANT? Or: WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE LAWYER? Seemingly daft questions – who - among us has a favorite financial advisor or legal representative? What was the point of these advertisements? Well, in very small letters in the bottom corner of each poster, was the simple statement: "Everyone remembers their favorite teacher". It was a clever campaign: this recruitment drive to encourage people to prepare themselves as teachers appealed neither to money, nor to power, but to the real and lasting impression teachers can make on young people.

Usually, what makes teachers memorable or influential isn't the fact that they're particularly brilliant scientists, linguists, or whatever. Even if we never remember a thing about the subjects our favorite teachers taught, we will always remember the kind of people they were, the values that they lived by, the witness they gave. The readings today reflect something of the power of the teacher's character.

The teacher in the first reading is God himself. It is his teaching, his Law which is read out and explained to the people. Through this Law, God's character is revealed. God teaches who He is, the kind of God he is. This moves the people to tears – perhaps as they realize just how far short of God's Law they have fallen. But God brings joy, not sorrow into our lives. The people are told: EAT THE FAT AND DRINK THE SWEET WINE. The presence of God causes us to rejoice, be happy, to celebrate. That is the fitting response to God. THE JOY OF THE LORD IS OUR STRONGHOLD, the bedrock of our lives.

In the Gospel, Jesus deliberately chooses a scriptural text which reveals the essence of who he is and what his mission is. That passage from Isaiah shows how Jesus understands himself. It also explains the kind of impression Jesus made on the people: he is a man full of God's spirit, a man who brings good news to those in need of it; someone who sets free those who are imprisoned or held in slavery; a man who brings light into the darkness of people's lives; a man who raises up those who are oppressed and weighed down. Even if people never remembered a thing of what Jesus said or taught, this is how they would describe him, this is the lasting



Teachers – like the words they speak or write – can be life -giving or they can deaden, they can actually kill our spirit. We know that we have a genuine relationship with God when we can say – like today's psalm – that God is someone who revives me, whom I can trust; that the presence of Christ in my life gives joy to my heart and light to my eyes. The authenticity of our faith – of our encounter with God – will be seen in the effects that encounter has on our lives.

It is said that we come to resemble the God we worship. Our lives are – to some extent – the book which others will read to learn about God. When people look at my life, what will be the lasting impression they have of God? Are we people who are life-giving? Do we reflect God's peace and joy through our words, our actions, our values? Can we genuinely say that the Lord's spirit has been given to us? Can we say that we too are good news to the poor, that in our lives we are known as people who set others free, and bring light to dark situations and places?

In many ways, the hardest place to bear witness to God is in our daily lives, among people who know us, with are warts and all. Jesus chose his home town of Nazareth to proclaim who he was. Our witness, if it is to be effective, must start with the people of our own community, our own town, our own family. That is where we find God and where we are called to give witness to God – among the people who make up our daily lives now. Anything else is unreal. Jesus said: "this text is being fulfilled... even as you listen." It was being fulfilled through him, through the kind of person he was. The challenge for us is to fulfill that text today, to make it real, and to live it out. Let us try to be like Christ, and bring joy and life to the people we are sent to. May that be the lasting impression we make on the world around us.

Peace and Joy,

Fr. Bob Pastor

### Parish School



#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Catholic Schools Week Open House ...... January 31 St. Cletus School Spring Auction...... March 5

#### FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

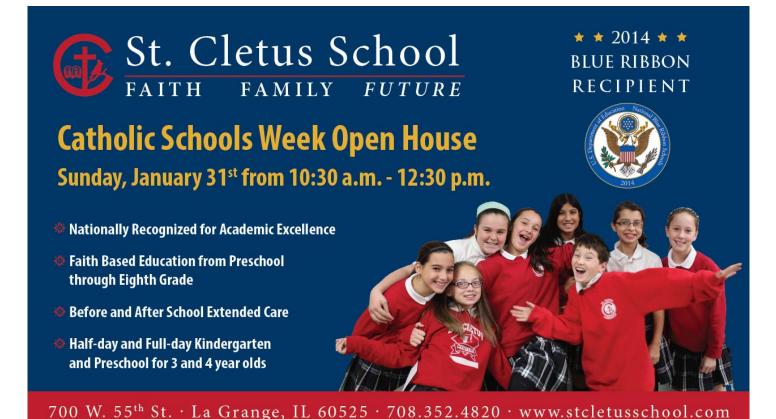
Jolene Hillgoth, President (708) 215-5426 jhillgoth@stcletusparish.com llewandowski@stcletusparish.com

Lauren Lewandowski, Principal (708) 352-4820

#### **Making Blankets for Project Linus**

Recently our third and seventh worked together grades lovingly make blankets for Project Linus. Since 1995 this wonderful organization has delivered over 5.7 million blankets that are given to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need of the sense of security and comfort that a handmade blanket can provide. In addition to helping children through hard times, Project Linus provides a rewarding and fun service opportunity for students to spread God's love in the world one blanket at a time.





# **Ministry of Care**

#### MASS OF ANOINTING

#### Saturday Feb 13th - Mass of Anointing @ 11:00 a.m.

This most Holy Sacrament will be offered for the sick of the parish and community. All are welcome to attend.

Refreshments will be provided after the mass - if you plan on attending please email Deacon Stuart @ sheyes@stcletusparish.com, leave a message at (708) 215-5407, or a note at the rectory.

Peace, Blessings and a Very Healthy New Year to all,

- Dcn. Stuart

#### THANK YOU FROM KOLBE HOUSE COOK COUNTY JAIL MINISTRY

#### St. Cletus did it again!!!

Thank You so much on behalf of the detainees and their families at Cook County Jail for the gift of stamps for their Christmas card mailings.

Your donations provided over 10% of the 7000 stamps that were needed. This community of St. Cletus is very special and Stuart and I are very blessed to be a part of it.

Best Wishes for a Healthy and Happy 2016.

- Marlene Heyes

PS - Stamps are appreciated throughout the year but particularly in Advent for Christmas.

# Deacon Stuart's Trivia Quiz - Imperial (BRITISH) Units of Measure

#### Background information:

Weight: 1 tonne = 20 cwt(a sack of **c**oal - the **wt** of- seriously)

> (the avg wt of a stone used in building stone walls) = 8 stones1 cwt 1 stone = 14 lbs(1lb = std wt of a loaf of bread - Latin Libro Pondo 1 lb = 16 ozs

(1 oz = 437.5 grains!! Don't ask me why!!)

**Distance:** 1 mile = 8 furlongs (1 furlong- the distance a team of oxen could plough without rest)

> 1 furlong = 10 chains(an acre is 1ch wide x 1 furlong long)

(origin of one yard uncertain - possibly 3 Welshmans feet!!) 1 chain = 22 yds

1 yard = 3 ft(1 Welshmans foot??)

and of course 1 ft = 12 inches (one inch = the width of a man's thumb)

**Currency** 1 British Pound = 20 shillings (sh)

1 shilling = 12 pence (d)

#### On Feb 15th 1971 the UK and Ireland converted to Decimal currency!!!!!

The Quiz - using only a pen/pencil + paper (no calculators) and the information above try these math questions, which were typical 5th grade questions from the Math exam in 1965 in England, which along with the English and General Knowledge exams determined which High School you would go to.

Multiply 3 tes, 5cwt, 4st, 10lbs, 5oz by 4 = ?1. Weight:

2. Distance: Multiply 4 miles, 3 furs, 5chs, 11yds, 2ft, 5in by 5 = ?

Multiply 8 pounds, 12sh, 9d by 6 = ?3. Currency:

Divide 10 miles, 5 furlongs, 7 chs, 4 yds, 1ft, 6 ins by 6 = ?4. Distance:

Drop off your answers in a sealed envelope at the rectory with your name for my attention during the next few days. Results and answers will appear in the Canticle in two weeks' time.

# **Youth Ministry**

#### YOUTH MINISTRY SPACE

The Youth Ministry room is undergoing some renovations. The room has been freshly painted a parish volunteer in colors chosen by teens, and improvements and updates will continue to be made. Find out how you can help by contacting Elizabeth!

# STAY UP-TO-DATE ON OUR ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS



"Like" St. Cletus Youth Ministry on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stcletusyouth.

Contact Elizabeth Tomasek at etomasek@stcletusparish.com or (708) 215-5419 www.stcletusparish.com/youth

#### **MISSION TRIP 2016**

The Mission Trip planning is underway for the summer of 2016. St. Cletus will again be



young neighbors in action

taking a group of teens who have completed at least one year of high school through the Young Neighbors in Action service experience the week of July 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> to Detroit, MI. YNIA offers teens a way to grow in faith and join in prayer while also participating in mission and serving those in need. This year's theme is taken from Amos 5:24, "Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." Registration is open now through January 22<sup>nd</sup> or until all spots are taken. For more information regarding cost and for registration, please visit the St. Cletus website. Meetings for team building, mission formation, and fundraising plans will begin this winter. Adult chaperones are needed to make this possible!

## **Other Ministry Notes**

#### LEISURE LOAFERS - FEB. 4

February Meeting will be on Thursday, February 4, 2016. Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at Morrissey Hall.

#### **HOLY NAME SOCIETY - FEB. 5**



Our next Holy Name Meeting will be held on Friday, February 5th at 8:00 p.m. We will discuss the Pancake Breakfast which will be held on March 20th.

The 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass Crew is looking for ushers and anyone interested in bringing up gifts at offertory. If interested, please see a 5:00 p.m. usher. Thank you!

#### **BOOK CLUB - FEB. 9**

The St. Cletus Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, February 9th, 2016, at 7:00 PM in the school. We will be discussing the book, "Outer Banks", by Anne Rivers Siddons.



All interested participants are always welcome!

#### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS



On the weekend of February 13-14<sup>th</sup>, the PPC will host a Ministry Fair in Morrissey Hall where every ministry in the parish will be on display.

Members will be available to describe their work and answer questions. For further information, please call Helen McMahon at 708-579-5913 or Susan Hurley at 708-374-9773.

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

"A sense of deep communion with the rest of nature cannot be real if our hearts lack tenderness, compassion and concern for our fellow human beings. It is clearly inconsistent to combat trafficking in endangered species while remaining completely indifferent to human trafficking, unconcerned about the poor, or undertaking to destroy another human being deemed unwanted. This compromises the very



deemed unwanted. This compromises the very meaning of our struggle for the sake of the environment.

 Pope Francis, Laudato Si, no. 91 © 2015 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.

# **Other Ministry Notes (continued)**

#### SPRING AUCTION



Tickets and Sponsorship info available on our website: http://auction.stcletusschool.com

#### **SCIENCE FAIR - JUDGES NEEDED**

St. Cletus' 2016 Science Fair is just around the corner! We are looking for volunteers to judge the fair this year. The science fair is on Thursday, January 28th from 3:30pm to 5:30pm in Morrissey Hall. We will have a brief meeting prior to judging. Do you need to be a science teacher? No! A science expert? No! All that is required is a bit of analytical strength and a healthy dose of objectivity.

Students have worked diligently and many have truly immersed themselves into their area of study. They will be excited to present their projects to you. Please contact me ASAP if you are interested in being a judge. Your help is greatly appreciated.

- Rob McGahey rmcgahey@stcletusparish.com

#### FINE ARTS SERIES CABARET THANK YOU!



Thank you to everyone who attended the 2016 St. Cletus Fine Arts Series Fundraiser, Cabaret!

Please patronize our local businesses that donated goods and services to make this event a success:

and services to make this ever Baci Hair Salon Blue Nose Brewery Burger Antics Cafe Salsa Emilio's Tapas Friend Investment Group JC's Pub & Ristorante Kennys Irish Pub Mangia Mangia Neat Kitchen + Bar Old Town Restaurant

Pisa Pizza Quincy Street Distillery

Southern Wine and Spirits - Jim Cirese

#### Cabaret Individual Donors:

Bob Blase, Paulette & Bill Bolton, Lisa Dombro, Erin & Jim Doppke, Tom Faldani, Dan Grzegorek, Lauren Kapusta, Elizabeth and Chris McLean, Nicole Power, Karen Provan, Jeanine Rapp, Pat Rotunno, Justin Sisul, Mark Staelgraeve, and Dale & Ed Ward

## St. Cletus Parish Preferred Partners



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# 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



#### LIVING AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Some of Saint Paul's best known and most beloved imagery is contained in the passages from First Corinthians that we have heard last week and this week: the many gifts granted by the one same Spirit and the many members making up the one Body of Christ. Few passages from sacred scripture more accurately sum up how Christian vocations work together.

Unlike some of Paul's other writings, which are a product of the social and religious conventions of his time, these enable us to look at our own lives and the lives of those around us to discern what gifts, what vocations the Holy Spirit has given for the good of all. We can likewise know the joys and sorrows of the other members of the Body and share in them for the strengthening of the whole Body of Christ.

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Ezra read from the book of the law of God to the assembled people. They understood and accepted the law (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

**Psalm** — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** — As the body with its many parts is still one body, so it is with Christ

(1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel — While attending worship in the Nazarean synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah and declares himself to be the fulfillment of the prophecy (Luke 1:1-4: 4:14-21).

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#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18 Monday: Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-18 or 9:1-22; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25 Friday:

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11;

Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 —

13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Sunday:

Catholic Schools Week

The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle; Monday:

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

Tuesday: Ss. Timothy and Titus Wednesday: St. Angela Merici Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As Roman Catholics, our marriage practices have their pedigree in ancient Rome. One of the major players in shaping our practices was the warfare involved in building an empire. Soldiers vanished and sometimes never returned. Women began to manage their lives and to make decisions. The old family values were replaced by patriotic ones, and religion was more attuned to the gore and glory of battle, a religion of the state, not of the family. Weddings were still family celebrations, but had a public face. The bride wore a white toga and a red veil and walked to her new home. There, she and her husband joined their right hands and gave consent to each other, not relying on her father to give consent for her. Religion was optional: a pagan priest might be invited or not, and even without the ceremony, society agreed by common law that a year of living together equaled marriage consent. By the same token, marriage by consent also meant divorce was on the same legal footing, and did not require the courts or civil declarations. This is the worldview the first Christians inherited, and it was up to them to determine what was good and to hold marriage up to the light of the gospel. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

#### PARDON QUICKLY

If you have anything to pardon, pardon quickly. Slow forgiveness is little better than no forgiveness.

—Sir Arthur Pinero

#### **ELUSIVE HAPPINESS**

Happiness will never be ours if we do not recognize to some degree that God's blessings were given us for the well-being of all.

# **Social Concerns Ministry**

#### **Food Pantry**

Most needed at this time:

- Tuna
- Canned/dry milk
- Paper goods
- Juice
- Diapers-size 6
- Pasta sauce, canned tomatoes
- Cereal

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

#### FOOD PANTRY THANKS

Special thanks to a generous financial contribution from St. John of the Cross and to Lupe McKeehan and the St. Cletus FSA for organizing the Winter Fest and having a food donation to the Pantry as the price of admission.

#### SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

We are in need of some helping hands in assembling the rice bowls to be used in this year's parish Lenten Almsgiving Project, which will support Catholic Relief Service's humanitarian efforts throughout the world. This project will take place in St. Cletus Education Building-Room 213 as follows:

Thursday, January  $28^{th}$ , from 3:15-5:15 PM and 6:00-8:00 PM

Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 3:15-5:15 PM and 6:00-8:00 PM

Students must be in at least  $6^{th}$  grade to participate. Adults of all ages welcomed! Please contact Kendall Grant to sign up to help. Thank you!

#### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

How to Fortify Your Job Search Tactics: Please join us on Thursday, February 4 from 7-9 pm for an evening with Mike Vogel, Director of Sales, Agency Relations, with Indeed.com. Mike trains business clients with indeed.com to develop new strategies to attract the future innovators they need to take their business to new levels. Mike will share ideas on utilizing LinkedIn, Indeed, Glassdoor and other sites to improve your chances in the ever-evolving job market. Take this opportunity to learn from an industry professional that develops innovative recruitment strategies for companies how to improve your job search strategies This meeting will be in the St. Cletus School Building, Room 201, 700 W. 55th Street in La Grange. Look for the ICN sign outside and use the flag pole entrance.

Career Transition Boot Camp: Week 2: Tuesday, January 26, 7-9 pm — our keynote speaker, Dennis Hamilton, will provide a special presentation on identifying your skills and quantifying your accomplishments which are the keys to preparing a compelling resume and "elevator speech". Interested in making an entire career change? Dennis will also discuss how to assess your skills and prepare a strategy to make the change you're looking for. Join us for one or all of the remaining consecutive Tuesday sessions and gain new skills that will help you land a new position. This meeting will be at the First Presbyterian Church of La Grange, 150 South Ashland. Please enter on Catherine Avenue. For further information, contact Susan Sedler at sqsedler@aol.com.

**Free Resume Review:** Plan to join us on Saturday, February 6 from 9-11 am. Come in for a helpful 20-minute one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional for some ideas and suggestions that may enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with your elevator speech? This is a terrific opportunity. We hope to see you at the St. Cletus School Building, Room 201, 700 W. 55th Street in La Grange. Look for the ICN sign outside and use the flag pole entrance.

These meetings are open to everyone and there is no cost to attend. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BENEFIT

Sunday, April 17th 11am-3pm at Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace. \$75 per person (or \$725 for a table of 10) includes Champagne brunch, fun games, live auction, choir contest and grand prize raffle. Visit sydphenefit.org for more info.



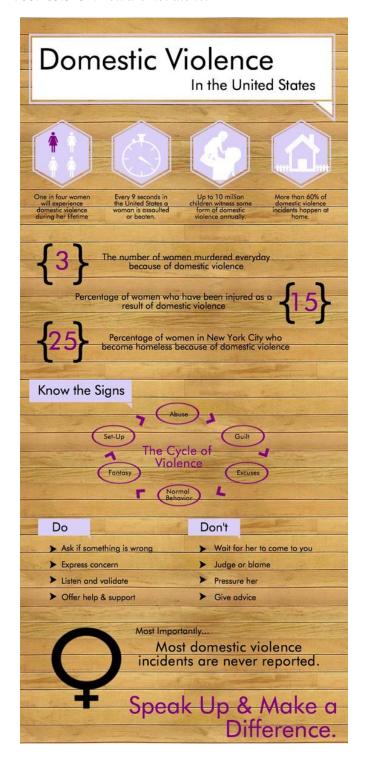


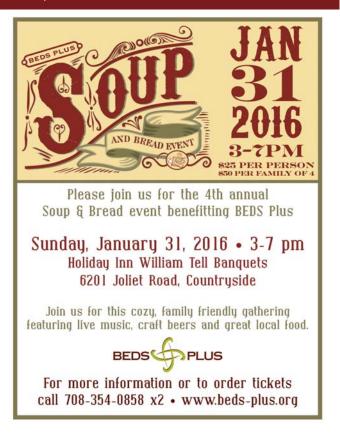
# **Social Concerns Ministry (continued)**

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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

Are you in an unhealthy relationship or are you afraid in your own home? Call the 24-hour phone for help: 708.485.5254. *You are not alone*.





#### **8<sup>TH</sup> DAY CENTER FOR JUSTICE**

With the start of a new year comes a new way to engage in social justice issues with 8th Day Center.

10 Strategies to Counter Islamophobia Wednesday, January 27 5:30-7pm



Imam Malik Mujahid will share the impact of Islamophobia as well as 10 strategies which peace and justice movements can pursue to defeat it. Imam Muiahid the President is SoundVision.com, a 26 year old Muslim not for profit which develops content and does PR on behalf of the Muslim community. He is also executive producer of the daily Radio Islam on WCEV 1450 AM in Chicago. Imam Mujahid was selected five times as one of the 500 most influential Muslims in the world in 2011-2015. He is chair emeritus of the Parliament of the World's Religions. Imam Mujahid also chairs Burma Task Force USA to stop the genocide of Rohingyas in Burma. Scott Please **RSVP** to atscott@8thdaycenter.org calling by 312-641-5151 ext. 116.

#### PRAYER TO OVERCOME INDIFFERENCE



All too often, Lord, we turn away from the world's many problems, which seem too big, too complex, or too far away. Forgive us our indifference.

It is easier, Lord, to see only what is around us: our lives, our

homes, our challenges. Forgive us our isolation.

Help us to see with your eyes: eyes which notice one another and help us understand.

Help us to dream your dream: of communities that reach out and dialogue and where diverse people creatively cooperate.

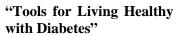
Help us to be people of solidarity and action, so moved by prayer, encounter, and understanding that peace can become a reality.

#### Amen.

- Catholics Confront Global Poverty, Prayer to Overcome Indifference

# AGING CARE CONNECTIONS DIABETES INFORMATION SESSION

The Aging Well Team of Westchester presents...





Do you have Diabetes? Are you Pre-diabetic? Do you have a loved one struggling with diabetes? Join Emi Okano, PharmD from Jewel Osco, for an informative afternoon learning about diabetes and the proper nutrition/ diet and exercise for a healthier you (or loved one). The program is based on the American Diabetes Association Guidelines.

When: Wednesday, January 27, 2016, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Where: Mayfair Recreation 10835 Wakefield, Westchester

~Refreshments will be served ~ Bring a friend!

#### NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.

For more information, please call Aging Care Connections at 708-354-1323, ext. 242.

Aging Well is a program of Aging Care Connections, La Grange

#### **JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY, JANUARY 24**

When he announced this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, Pope Francis highlighted today's Gospel episode, in which Jesus proclaims in his hometown synagogue his Spirit-anointed mission to fulfill the promises of the prophet Isaiah. Jesus' mission then, says Pope Francis, is our mission now as Jesus' disciples this *Jubilee Year of Mercy:* to bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives,

recovery of sight to the blind, freedom to the oppressed, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord, a year of God's mercy. Pope Francis challenges us to translate Jesus' mission to contemporary needs: to console by word and deed those materially or spiritually poor, to liberate those bound by modern society's new forms of slavery, to open the eyes of those blinded by their own self-interest, and to restore human dignity to all those from whom it has been stolen. To act with mercy in a spirit of joy!

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# A YEAR OF MERCY

Welcome THE STRANGER

In his mercy, the Word became flesh and came among us. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. (John 1:11) He was a stranger among them. Now we receive the stranger, and we welcome Jesus. You are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God. (Ephesians 2:19)



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# **Community Bulletin Board**

#### JOYFUL AGAIN MINISTRY RETREAT

Widowed Men & Women -Looking for a way to become joyful again?

There will be a retreat/workshop March 5 & 6, at Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer (located in Lemont on Alvernia Manor's campus). An additional program will be held April 9 & 10 in Desplaines. Being widowed is a special loss, and this program is designed to help the widowed find hope & joy again.

Space limited – register early. Phone: 708-354-7211, joyfulagain7211@gmail.com

#### POOR HANDMAIDS OF JESUS CHRIST

Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ Volunteer Program seeks single, Catholic women 21+ years of age to give long-term volunteer service of 3- PHIC Volunteers 12 months sharing faith community and



serving alongside Sisters in a wide variety of ministries. Contact Sr. Connie Bach, PHJC at connie.ss@att.net or visit phicvolprogram.org.

#### SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP

SCSG Multi Parish Ministry for singles in their 40's and 50's February Events: Saturday, 2/6, 7:30am, Starved Rock Trip: Hiking and Lunch, Illinois Waterway Visitor Center located at 950 N. 27th Road, in Ottawa. Carpool leaves from Panera Bread, in LaGrange Park at 7:30 am. Event is free, lunch is extra, Please RSVP by 2/3. Contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook - Suburban Catholic Singles

#### **VOCATIONS - WWW.CHICAGOPRIEST.COM**

"You are the body of Christ and individually members of it." Are you being called to strengthen His body through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Contact Father Francis Bitterman (312)534-8298, fbitterman@archchicago.org

#### SCHOOL & TUTORS ON WHEELS TRAINING

School and Tutors on Wheels is hosting a training for ESL tutors (for adult students) on February 20<sup>th</sup> February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

If you are interested in becoming a one-on-one tutor, please call Jeanie at 630-217-0396 or Kathy at 630-248-9594.

#### **ERIN POTTS INVITATION FEB 5-7**



The 7th Annual Erin **Potts** Invitational Volleyball Tournament will be held in Morrissey Hall Friday, February 5 through Sunday, February 7 to support an important cause, Cancer Awareness. Everyone is invited to stop by the tournament, support the raffles and concessions,

and catch some great volleyball action.

#### HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS' RETREAT

February 22-24, 2016. Monday-Wednesday the at **Carmelite** Spiritual Center, Darien, IL



We invite healthcare professionals to join together to take time to rest in the Lord and in the company of your peers. Christine Grano will facilitate this retreat. Register online mayslakeministries.org or call 630-852-9000.

#### SHROUD OF TURIN EXHIBIT AT ST. MARYS

"A distinguished relic linked to the mystery of Our redemption" Saint John Paul II

Exhibit will be at St. Mary Catholic Church, Oak Room, 126 Herrick Road, Riverside, IL 60546.

> Sat, Feb. 20: 8 am - 7 pmSun, Feb 21: 7:30 am – 7 pm

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Ketteler Council 1628

#### CRAFTERS WANTED AT ST. BARBARA'S

St. Barbara Spring Craft Show & Bake Sale will be Saturday, March 12, 2016 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Parish Center, 4015 Prairie Avenue, Brookfield. Spaces are 9' wide by 8' deep and are \$30. No vendors please. Call Alicia for an application and info at 708-485-2502 or email amancini@boomboominc.com.

#### RIVERSIDE CHILDREN'S THEATER GUILD



The whole family will enjoy following the musical adventures of Muzette, Mimi & Toulouse.

Performance Schedule: Sunday, January 31st @ 3pm Saturday, February 6th @ 3pm Sunday, February 7th @ 3pm

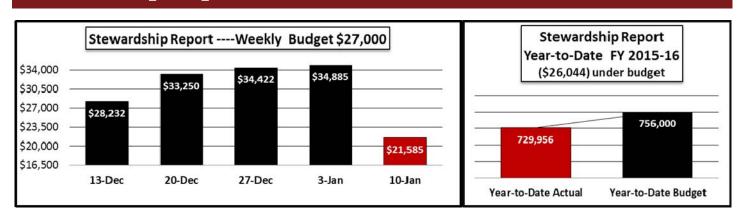
Saturday, January 30th @ 3pm Friday, February 5th @ 7:30pm

Performances are at Hauser Jr. High, 65 Woodside Rd. Riverside, IL. Tickets are \$8 per person. Visit www.riversidetheaterguild.com for more info.

# Week At A Glance

CChurch SSchool (Ed	ucation Building)	NarthexChurch Vo	estibule RBRectory Basement MHMorrissey Hall
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, January 24			
Monday, January 25	8:30pm	MH	Men's Church League Basketball
Tuesday, January 26	7:00pm 8:00pm 9:00pm	Rectory S Rm 202 MH	RCIA Hispanic Ministry Men's Prayer Group Boy's Church League Basketball
Wednesday, January 27	9:00am 9:00pm	RB MH	Mission Ladies Boy's Church League Basketball
Thursday, January 28	5:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm 9:00pm	S Music Rm S Rm 213 S Music Rm MH	Combined Youth Choir Rehearsal CRS Rice Bowl Assembly Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boy's Church League Basketball
Friday, January 29			
Saturday, January 30			
Sunday, January 31	9:30am 10:30am	Church School	Catholic Schools Week Mass Catholic Schools Week Open House

# Stewardship Report



#### YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2015 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the rectory @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email **bkallal@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

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#### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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

#### **MASSES**

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,

11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays: Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.

Evening before Holy Day: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Day: 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

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

#### **BAPTISMS**

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30 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.

#### HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION**

Adoration begins following the 8:00 a.m. Mass and continues during the day until 6:15pm the first Tuesday of the month.

The *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed at 6:15 p.m. followed by Benediction.

Hispanic Adoration continues from 7:00pm until 8:00pm.

#### 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

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Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor

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