

The LORD keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.

— PSALM 146:7



Jesus observed how the crowd
put money into the treasury.
Many rich people put in large sums.
A poor widow also came
and put in two small coins
worth a few cents.

MARK 12:41-42

THIRTY-SECOND
Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 7, 2021

© J.S. Paluch Co., Inc. - Excerpts from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 2008, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD. All rights reserved. Illustration: Tony Ward for J. S. Paluch.

WELCOME

- 2 Mass Intentions
Important Notes
- 3 Pastor's Note
- 4 Sunday Readings
- 6 Religious Education
- 7 Parish School
- 8 Youth Ministry
- 9 SCCCW Retreat
- 10 Social Concerns
- 12 Ministry News
- 12 Community News
- 13 Stewardship Report
Week at a Glance
- 14 Parish Information

Mass Intentions for November 8 - 14, 2021

Day	Time	Presider (subject to change)	Intentions
November 8	8:00am	Fr. Costello	Bill Bolton
November 9	8:00am	Fr. Baker	Joseph Vieceli, Samuel Colonna
November 10	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Paul Budvitis, Louie Pesut
November 11	8:00am	Fr. Baker	Sylvia Pesut, Dan Linklater, BC Collins
November 12	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Sylvia Pesut
November 13	5:00pm	Fr. Romero	Delphine Marciszewski, Elaine Rys, Special Intentions of CCW Members
November 14	7:15am	Fr. Baker	Stacy Baker, Richard Gomez, Ola Maveety, George Duda, Patrick Mahoney, John & Francis Kennedy, Sean McPartlin, Eugene Hickey
	8:45am	Fr. Costello	Marie Scepkowski, Frank Attento
	10:30am	Fr. Lodge	Amalie Morovec, Thomas Hanna, Collet Gillin, Denis Rahilly
	12:30pm	Fr. Romero	Deacon Mario Avila, Ricardo Zuniga and Natalia Temblar, Rosy Paz-Jaramillo, Karina Jaramillo

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 - Steve Hubona, Gerda E. Dorso

September - Joseph Busta, John Duda, Sandra Eckrich, Howard Eggert, Marlene Heyes, Joan Klemak, Marian Mozdzen, Patricia Rodey, Jean Tomazin

August - Catherine Cosgrove, Mary Depasquale, Laurie Stewart, Laura Terrazino, Ed Kuchta, Frank Niwa, Joanna Polanski, Gladys Vaci, Tom Valenti, Patrick Wingert

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

MASKS ARE REQUIRED

**MASKS ARE
REQUIRED FOR
ENTRY TO
THIS FACILITY**



Masks are required indoors for all clergy, staff, volunteers and parishioners inside archdiocesan facilities in Suburban Cook County and in the City of Chicago, including Masses, liturgies and all activities/events within our parishes.

PARISH EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS



The parish is aware of scammers creating fake email accounts in the likeness of employees. St. Cletus staff will only correspond using their official @stcletusparish.com email address. Staff will NEVER ask for gift card numbers over email or text.

INSTALLATION LITURGY POSTPONED

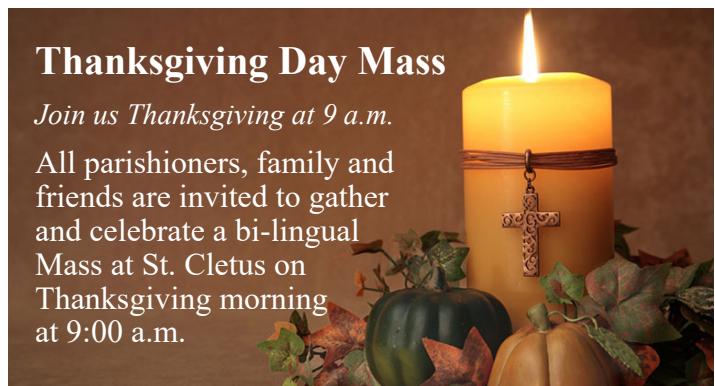
The Liturgy of Installation of our new pastor, Fr. Elmer Romero, has been postponed. Our new Vicar, Bishop Kevin Birmingham, has a scheduling conflict and is unable to attend. A new date will be set by the Bishop's office.

JOIN US FOR THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Join us Thanksgiving at 9 a.m.

All parishioners, family and friends are invited to gather and celebrate a bi-lingual Mass at St. Cletus on Thanksgiving morning at 9:00 a.m.



Pastor's Note

Dear Parishioners,

The Lord continues to heal, nourish, and warm up my heart constantly.

On Friday, October 29, 2021, I traveled to Oaxaca, Mexico with Humberto and Sandra Mejia and their three children: Oriana, Ximena and Angel. I met this kind family at my first parish assignment back in 2003. Since then, we have been intentional in staying connected which has helped us to grow in friendship and fraternity. Two years ago, we made a trip to Peru to visit Machupichu. They love to travel and explore the world which is something that I also enjoy.

There were many highlights from our visit to Oaxaca, Mexico, but I would like to share with you one particular experience and encounter that touched my heart deeply. The encounter took place on Sunday morning, October 31st, 2021, as we were walking to the Cathedral of Oaxaca for Mass. A block away from the Cathedral, we made a stop to appreciate how the streets and the doors of businesses were so nicely decorated to celebrate and commemorate the life of our loved ones. As we were chatting, we noticed that the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Oaxaca was walking towards the Cathedral. For unknown reasons, he approached us and said hello to us. Notice that I was not wearing a Roman collar. After introducing ourselves to him, we let him know that we were also on our way to the Cathedral for Mass. He said, "Welcome and see you us at Mass." At that moment, I mentioned to him that I was a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He said, "Then come and concelebrate Mass with me."

My friends and I were touched by the closeness, joy, and hospitality of Archbishop Pedro Vazquez Villalobos. I am delighted to let you know that I accepted the invitation and concelebrated Mass with Archbishop Vazquez. At the beginning of Mass, he welcomed and introduced me and my friends to the Cathedral community. He wanted me to actively participate in Mass by allowing me to proclaim the Gospel and do the prayers of the faithful. At the end of Mass, he invited me to say a few words, which I did.

I have been and attended Mass in many cathedrals in different cities and countries, but never concelebrated Mass with an Archbishop by his own invitation. This was a new and unique experience for me. It was like being in the presence of God. I felt like Archbishop Pedro knew and understood the longings of my heart. Perhaps that is why he approached us and invited me to concelebrate Mass with him. I confess to you that my heart was healed, nourished, and encouraged by the Lord through the gesture of His shepherd Archbishop Pedro Vazquez Villalobos in Oaxaca, Mexico.

My hope and prayer is to learn more about the art of hospitality and grow in friendship with the Lord so that I can offer you a hospitality the way it was offered to me by Archbishop Pedro Vazquez Villalobos.

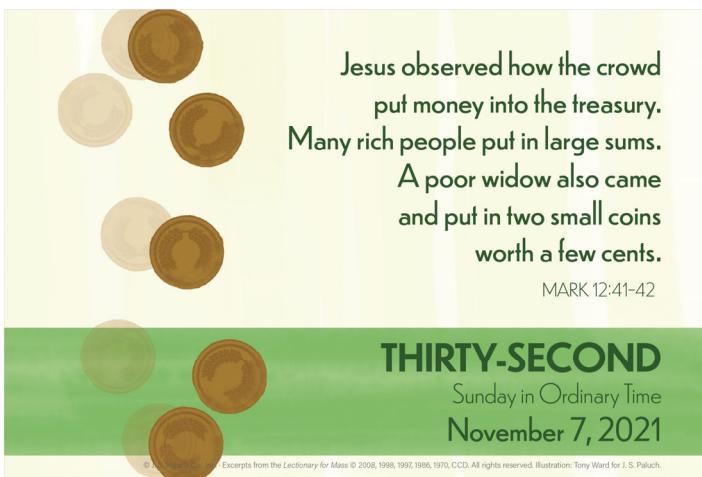
Enjoy the photos I share with you about my uplifting experience and encounter with Archbishop Pedro Vazquez Villalobos in Oaxaca, Mexico.

May the Lord continue to touch and warm our hearts through shepherds like Archbishop Vazquez.

Fr. Elmer Romero, Pastor



Sunday Readings



READING I

1 Kgs 17:10-16

In those days, Elijah the prophet went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the entrance of the city, a widow was gathering sticks there; he called out to her, "Please bring me a small cupful of water to drink." She left to get it, and he called out after her, "Please bring along a bit of bread." She answered, "As the LORD, your God, lives, I have nothing baked; there is only a handful of flour in my jar and a little oil in my jug. Just now I was collecting a couple of sticks, to go in and prepare something for myself and my son; when we have eaten it, we shall die."

Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do as you propose. But first make me a little cake and bring it to me. Then you can prepare something for yourself and your son. For the LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'"

She left and did as Elijah had said. She was able to eat for a year, and he and her son as well; the jar of flour did not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, as the LORD had foretold through Elijah.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Praise the Lord, my soul.

The LORD keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets captives free.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul.

The LORD gives sight to the blind.

The LORD raises up those who were bowed down;
the LORD loves the just.

The LORD protects strangers.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul.

READING II

Heb 9:24-28

Christ did not enter into a sanctuary made by hands, a copy of the true one, but heaven itself, that he might now appear before God on our behalf. Not that he might offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters each year into the sanctuary with blood that is not his own; if that were so, he would have had to suffer repeatedly from the foundation of the world. But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. Just as it is appointed that human beings die once, and after this the judgment, so also Christ, offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to take away sin but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.

ALLELUIA

Jn 14:23

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mk 12:38-44

In the course of his teaching Jesus said to the crowds, "Beware of the scribes, who like to go around in long robes and accept greetings in the marketplaces, seats of honor in synagogues, and places of honor at banquets. They devour the houses of widows and, as a pretext recite lengthy prayers. They will receive a very severe condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them,

"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

XXXII Domingo Ordinario



PRIMERA LECTURA

I Rey 17, 10-16

En aquel tiempo, el profeta Elías se puso en camino hacia Sarepta. Al llegar a la puerta de la ciudad, encontró allí a una viuda que recogía leña. La llamó y le dijo: "Tráeme, por favor, un poco de agua para beber". Cuando ella se alejaba, el profeta le gritó: "Por favor, tráeme también un poco de pan". Ella le respondió: "Te juro por el Señor, tu Dios, que no me queda ni un pedazo de pan; tan sólo me queda un puñado de harina en la tinaja y un poco de aceite en la vasija. Ya ves que estaba recogiendo unos cuantos leños. Voy a preparar un pan para mí y para mi hijo. Nos lo comeremos y luego moriremos".

Elías le dijo: "No temas. Anda y prepáralo como has dicho; pero primero haz un panecillo para mí y tráemelo. Despues lo harás para ti y para tu hijo, porque así dice el Señor de Israel: 'La tinaja de harina no se vaciará, la vasija de aceite no se agotará, hasta el día en que el Señor envíe la lluvia sobre la tierra'".

Entonces ella se fue, hizo lo que el profeta le había dicho y comieron él, ella y el niño. Y tal como había dicho el Señor por medio de Elías, a partir de ese momento, ni la tinaja de harina se vació, ni la vasija de aceite se agotó.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL

Salmo 145, 7. 8-9a. 9bc-10

R. El Señor siempre es fiel a su palabra.

El Señor siempre es fiel a su palabra,
y es quien hace justicia al oprimido;
él proporciona pan a los hambrientos
y libera al cautivo.

R. El Señor siempre es fiel a su palabra.

Abre el Señor los ojos de los ciegos
y alivia al agobiado.
Ama el Señor al hombre justo

y toma al forastero a su cuidado.

R. El Señor siempre es fiel a su palabra.

A la viuda y al huérfano sustenta
y trastorna los planes del inicuo.
Reina el Señor eternamente,
reina tu Dios, oh Sión, reina por siglos.

R. El Señor siempre es fiel a su palabra.

SEGUNDA LECTURA

Heb 9, 24-28

Hermanos: Cristo no entró en el santuario de la antigua alianza, construido por mano de hombres y que sólo era figura del verdadero, sino en el cielo mismo, para estar ahora en la presencia de Dios, intercediendo por nosotros.

En la antigua alianza, el sumo sacerdote entraba cada año en el santuario para ofrecer una sangre que no era la suya; pero Cristo no tuvo que ofrecerse una y otra vez a sí mismo en sacrificio, porque en tal caso habría tenido que padecer muchas veces desde la creación del mundo. De hecho, él se manifestó una sola vez, en el momento culminante de la historia, para destruir el pecado con el sacrificio de sí mismo.

Y así como está determinado que los hombres mueran una sola vez y que después de la muerte venga el juicio, así también Cristo se ofreció una sola vez para quitar los pecados de todos. Al final se manifestará por segunda vez, pero ya no para quitar el pecado, sino para salvación de aquellos que lo aguardan y en él tienen puesta su esperanza.

ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO

Jn 14, 23

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Dichosos los pobres de espíritu,
porque de ellos es el Reino de los cielos.

R. Aleluya.

EVANGELIO

Mc 12, 28-34

En aquel tiempo, Jesús estaba sentado frente a las alcancías del templo, mirando cómo la gente echaba allí sus monedas. Muchos ricos daban en abundancia. En esto, se acercó una viuda pobre y echó dos moneditas de muy poco valor. Llamando entonces a sus discípulos, Jesús les dijo: "Yo les aseguro que esa pobre viuda ha echado en la alcancía más que todos. Porque los demás han echado de lo que les sobraba; pero ésta, en su pobreza ha echado todo lo que tenía para vivir".

Religious Education

We had a wonderful time with our little BOO-lievers this past Saturday as we celebrated Halloween and All Saints Day with our youngest RE students. Our children and their parents got to venture through games, activities and obstacle courses which informed them about different Saints and our Christian roots in Halloween (All Hallows Eve). Everyone had a great time!

Yesterday we got to gather with our 8th Graders and Teen Seekers for their Confirmation retreat. Look for photos in next week's bulletin!



St. Cletus School

Greg Porod, Principal
708) 352-4820 | gporod@stcletusparish.com

Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal
708) 352-4820 | cschaefer@stcletusparish.com

ST. CLETUS SIP N' SHOP

Join us to Shop, Sip and Support our school!

Entry is \$5, includes a glass of wine and a raffle ticket!

Come shop for holiday gifts or for yourself!

Vendors Include: Color Street, Lillia Rose Accessories Tastefully Simple, Pampered Chef, Pink Zebra, Norwex, homemade cards, Ornaments, Nativity sets, Jewelry, Baked goods & More!



Friday, November 12th
6:00pm – 9:00pm
St. Cletus Parish Center
600 W. 55th St.
La Grange, IL 60525

Sponsored by: St. Cletus FSA

JOB OPENINGS

AFTERCARE WORKER

5 days a week from 3pm until 6pm or until the last student leaves. Pay is \$15 an hour.

Looking for a reliable, caring individual. College and High School Jr's and Sr's welcome to apply.

Must be VIRTUS Trained.

Please contact the school office if interested at 708-352-4820



St. Cletus School
FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS

Our fourth graders led us in a beautiful All Saints Day mass this morning. Thank you fourth grade for all of your hard work and thank you also for everyone who attended!



DAY OF THE DEAD ALTAR

"To live on in hearts we leave behind is not to die." Thank you Father Elmer for joining our 8th graders in a beautiful blessing of our Day of the Dead Altar last week!



Youth Ministry

It would be SWEET of you to support the Teen Mission Service Trip



Our teens are selling Kringle Danish to help reduce their overall trip costs. **What is a Kringle?** Made in Racine, WI., each Kringle takes 3 full days to make, resulting in 36 delicate layers for a truly flaky and flavorful pastry. The finest ingredients combined with scratch made fillings results in 11 different flavors. You are certain to find one suited just for you. All Kringle can be frozen in the package that they arrive in for up to six months. Consider ordering an extra Kringle to donate to the Food Pantry as a special Thanksgiving treat. **Each Kringle is \$16.**

Order your Kringle Danish by 11/8 and you can pick it up at St. Cletus Parish Center on Sunday 11/21 between 12-3pm.

How can I order my Kringle by 11/8?

- You can visit the Parish website to place your order and pay online.
- You can use the hard copy order form in the church bulletin and pay with cash or write a check made payable to St. Cletus and turn it into the parish office.
- You can order after all masses during Halloween weekend in the Parish Center.

The teens of St. Cletus thank you for your support!

MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER: O&H DANISH BAKERY KRINGLE ORDER FORM

Name _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Parish you would like to pick up at (circle one): St. Cletus St. Francis Xavier

Type of Kringle	Quantity	Amount (each Kringle is \$16)
Pecan		
Raspberry		
Almond		
Apple		
Wild Blueberry		
Cherry		
Cherry Cheese		
Cinnamon Roll		
Cream Cheesecake		
Turtle		
Wisconsin (cranberry, cherry and cheese)		
	TOTAL QTY:	TOTAL AMOUNT:

Check or Cash: Check # _____ Cash

St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women

LADIES OF THE PARISH, THE ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN INVITES YOU TO OUR ADVENT RETREAT

"WALKING TO BETHLEHEM WITH THANKSGIVING AND WONDER"

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, 2021

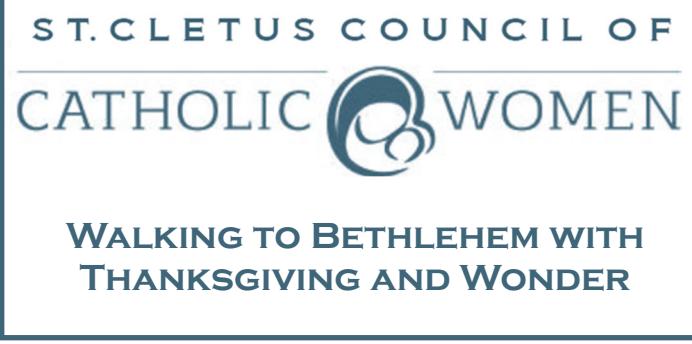
TIME: 11:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

DONATION: \$10 PER PERSON (INCLUDES LUNCH)

Details: Join with the women of our parish and take some time for prayer, lunch, discussion, and community service. Our project is making gift bags of full-sized toiletries for the local BEDS shelter. Participants are requested to bring shampoo, conditioner, comb, brush, body wash, bath soap, bath puff, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, deodorant, and shaving cream. The BEDS residents include women, men, and children. Please consider this in your selections. Please bring a few items or consider purchasing an entire set of toiletries if you are able. On the day of the retreat, we will assemble the gift bags. Bags and tissue paper will be provided.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

11:00A	Registration
11:30A	Meditation
11:45A	Fr. Elmer's Presentation
12:30P	Discussion and Lunch
1:15P	Brief Idea Sharing from discussion
1:45P	Bag Assembly for BEDS
2:15P	Closing Prayer



RESERVATIONS: Please return the slip below with your donation to the church office in the parish center or Karen Ziembra at church by Sunday, November 7th.

"WALKING TO BETHLEHEM WITH THANKSGIVING AND WONDER" REGISTRATION

NAME _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Donation may be with cash or check payable to St. Cletus Council of Catholic Women or SCCCW.
For questions or help with your reservation contact: Ann at amkuchta@uic.edu | Pat at 708-205-9678

Social Concerns Ministry



**ST. CLETUS
FOOD PANTRY
THURSDAYS 6-8PM
CHURCH PARKING LOT**

Most needed at this time:

- Pasta Sauce
- 2-3 lb Rice
- Boxed Potatoes
- Canned Chili

Please look for the FOOD PANTRY DONATION bin near the Rectory door, it will be checked daily.



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

FOOD PANTRY UPDATES

Thank you Dr. Multack from Advanced Healthcare for Women, for your incredibly thoughtful words and donation. We are so grateful to have community partners and physicians in the area that truly care for ALL aspects of their patient's health.

"I am a physician in the neighborhood area. I recently was speaking to one of my patients who is currently experiencing a hard time. She told me how helpful & wonderful your food pantry has been to her. Here is a donation to keep up the good work." Dr. Scott Multack, D.O., FACOOG

GIVING TREE UPDATE

Our annual Advent Giving Tree Project--a St. Cletus tradition—begins next weekend, November 13-14! Our trees are filled with names of individuals in need from our community. We also ask you to remember your special person(s) in your family's prayers throughout this holy season. Last year our parish made Christmas brighter for over 1,800 people!

We will have many ways for donors to get tags for the Giving Tree this year, including no-contact options as well. One of the opportunities to get tags will be with trees in the Church Narthex. These trees will be available every weekend starting November 13-December 10 (or until all the tags are taken). We also make tags available over the phone or by filling out an online form as we did last year.

SHOP WITH SCRIP

For your convenience during the weekends of **November 13-14 and 20-21** we will have the St. Cletus School Shop with Scrip available in the Narthex. This is a gift card purchasing program via the school that allows the school to get a percentage of the proceeds as a fundraiser. It does not cost you anything extra to participate. We accept cash, check or credit card. These will be for the Grocery Gift Card white envelopes.

We invite you to stop in the narthex next weekend to take a tag or two from one of the Giving Trees. We are thankful for your past generosity in purchasing many gifts for the individual(s) you choose. Thank you! Your generosity will provide hope and make a difference in someone's life. God bless you on your Advent Journey!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

- Hang Tags: Volunteers are needed to help hang tags on the trees Thursday, November 11 from 3:00-3:45 in the church. All ages are welcome. Sign up is required.
- Gift Card Sales: Adult volunteers are also needed to help sell grocery gift cards on November 13-14 and 20-21. Volunteers must be comfortable using a tablet and credit card swipe (will be trained and have a staff member with you).

Sign up for these opportunities is available here: shorturl.at/xGS58

THE GIVING TREE COMMITTEE

Answers to frequently asked questions can be found on the parish website: www.stcletusparish.com/socialconcerns. For further details, you can also contact: Kendall Grant, kgrant@stcletusparish.com



Ministerio de Justicia Social

ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

Gracias al Dr. Multack de Advanced Healthcare for Women, por sus increíbles palabras atentas y donación. Les estamos muy agradecidos a nuestros asociados comunitarios y médicos en el área que realmente les interesan TODOS los aspectos de la salud de los pacientes.

“Yo soy un médico en el área de la comunidad. Recientemente estaba hablando con uno de mis pacientes que actualmente está pasando por un mal momento. Ella me habla sobre la gran ayuda que recibió de la despensa. Aquí una donación para continuar con el gran trabajo.” Dr. Scott Multack, D.O., FACOOG.

ÁRBOL DE DONACIÓN

Nuestro Proyecto Anual del Árbol de Donaciones – una tradición en St.Cletus – comienza el próximo fin de semana. También les pedimos que recuerden llenar las tarjetas con nombres de personas con necesidad en nuestra comunidad. También les pedimos que recuerden a esa(s) persona(s) especiales en su familia en sus oraciones. ¡El año pasado nuestra parroquia hizo que la Navidad de 1,800 personas fuera más brillante!

COMPRE CON SCRIP

Para su conveniencia durante los fines de semana de **Noviembre 20-21** aquí en la Tienda de la Escuela de St. Cletus con Scrip tendremos disponible en el Narthex. Esta es una tarjeta para compras por medio de la escuela que permite a la escuela recibir un porcentaje de las ganancias como recaudación de fondos. No le cuesta nada participar. Aceptamos efectivo, cheques o tarjetas de crédito. Esto será para los sobres blancos de Tarjeta de la Lista de Comestibles.

Les invitamos a que pase al narthex el próximo fin de semana para marcar uno o dos artículos para uno de los Arboles de Donaciones. Estamos agradecidos por su generosidad en el pasado en la compra de regalos para los individuos que usted selecciono. ¡Gracias! Su generosidad proveerá esperanza y hará la diferencia en la vida de alguien. ¡Dios los bendiga en su Jornada de Adviento!

EL COMITÉ DEL ÁRBOL DE DONACIONES

Respuesta a las preguntas más frecuentes las podrá encontrar en la página de la parroquia: www.stcletusparish.com/socialconcerns.

Para más detalles, también podrá contactarse con Kendall Grant, (708)215-5418. kgrant@stcletusparish.com

ÁRBOL NAVIDEÑO DE DONACIONES 2021 CALENDARIO

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| Octubre 1-31: | Registro del Cliente |
| Nov. 13-Dec. 10: | Tarjetas disponibles para los que van a donar |
| Diciembre 11 & 12: | Los regalos necesitarán ser entregados |
| Diciembre 18 & 19: | Distribución a los Clientes |

PALABRA DE VIDA



“Sabemos que la muerte no es el fin, sino más bien la puerta para pasar a la vida eterna. La fe y esperanza en la Resurrección nos permiten enfrentar la muerte preparados y sin temor. ... Nos preparamos para la vida eterna amando y obedeciendo a Dios ahora y en las decisiones cotidianas”.

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB

“Consideraciones católicas para nuestra partida a la otra vida”
respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations



DEPÓSITO DE COMIDA DE LA PARROQUIA DE SAN CLETO JUEVES 6-8PM

Lista de deseos para la Despensa de Aliment:

- Salsa para pasta
- 2-3 libras de arroz
- Papas en caja
- Chili de lata

Para los que gustan donar alimentos, pueden dejar sus donaciones en el contenedor que se encuentra enfrente de la puerta de la recotoria.

Siganos en Facebook:
[@StCletusFoodPantry](https://www.facebook.com/StCletusFoodPantry)

Siganos en Instagram:
[@St.CletusFoodPantry](https://www.instagram.com/St.CletusFoodPantry)

Si tiene preguntas o quiere ser voluntario en nuestro ministerio de Justicia Social contacte a Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

Ministry News

BOOK DISCUSSION



For the next book discussion, we are reading [The All-girl Filling Station's Last Reunion](#) by Fannie Flagg. We will meet on December 14, 2021 at 7 PM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.

At this gathering we will also select the books to read in the coming months. If there is a book that you would like to read and discuss please come and join in. As always, all are welcome. Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY THANKSGIVING GIFT CARDS



As an alternative to the annual Turkey Raffle, the Holy Name Society has decided NOT to hold a raffle for turkeys for reasons detailed in last week's Canticle. As we did last year, we will again forego the traditional fundraising for our treasury and concentrate on the more meaningful expression of THANKS to the hard-working school and parish staff at St. Cletus.

Specifically, we will **purchase food store gift cards with donations from HNS members and other interested parishioners, and offer the cards to school and parish personnel before THANKSGIVING.** Last year \$25 cards were distributed to the teachers and office staff for the school, various parish staff members, and the parish Food Pantry. This year we are hopeful to at least equal – and possibly exceed – last year's effort. To reach for that goal, we will again solicit donations at masses this weekend and the next (**November 6/7 and 13/14**). For accounting purposes, we would **prefer to receive donations by check.**

If interested in helping to fund this show of THANKS to staff and Food Pantry clients, please consider stopping in the narthex on these weekends where **Holy Name members will THANK-fully accept checks from parishioners for this worthy effort.** [Checks should be made out to: St. Cletus HNS.](#) THANK YOU!

Contact Rod Bradford (708-370-9001) or Bill Wettstein (708-227-0642, wwettstein@gmail.com) with any questions/concerns.

THE WELL



Register/find out about more about programs at The Well Spirituality Center: www.csjthewell.org or 708-482-5048.

CARRYING GRIEF AT THIS UNIQUE TIME - Thursday, November 11, 10 – 11:30 AM. Facilitators: Ann Letourneau, CSJ, PsyD and Colleen Narbone, MAPC, LPC

Grief is an inevitable part of life because loss is a part of life. Most recently, however, losses of all kinds have been on the increase. How do we go about grieving when loss is so pervasive? Give yourself the gift of a morning reflection to "name" and "honor" your losses and explore some ways to carry them. Cost of this program: \$20.

ADVENT AT HOME DIRECTED RETREAT
Nov. 29 through Dec. 14. Facilitators: Pat Bergen, CSJ, Diane Pfahler, SND, and Bridget Sperduto. Thomas Merton says, "Advent is the beginning of the end of everything that is not Christ." In addition to gatherings on Zoom on the evening of Nov. 29 and Dec. 14, each participant promises to spend a half-hour a day in prayer and to meet with a retreat director 5 times for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour during the 16-day retreat. Cost of this retreat: \$125

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS WITH MUNDELEIN SEMINARY

Join us for a Holy Hour at St. John of the Cross Parish on November 10 at 7:00 p.m. to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and celebrate Mundelein Seminary's centennial. Seminary staff will be bringing a beautiful historic monstrance that was used at the 1926 International Eucharistic Congress held on the seminary grounds. This will be a great opportunity to come together in prayer and learn more about the vital mission of Mundelein Seminary in forming your future parish priests.

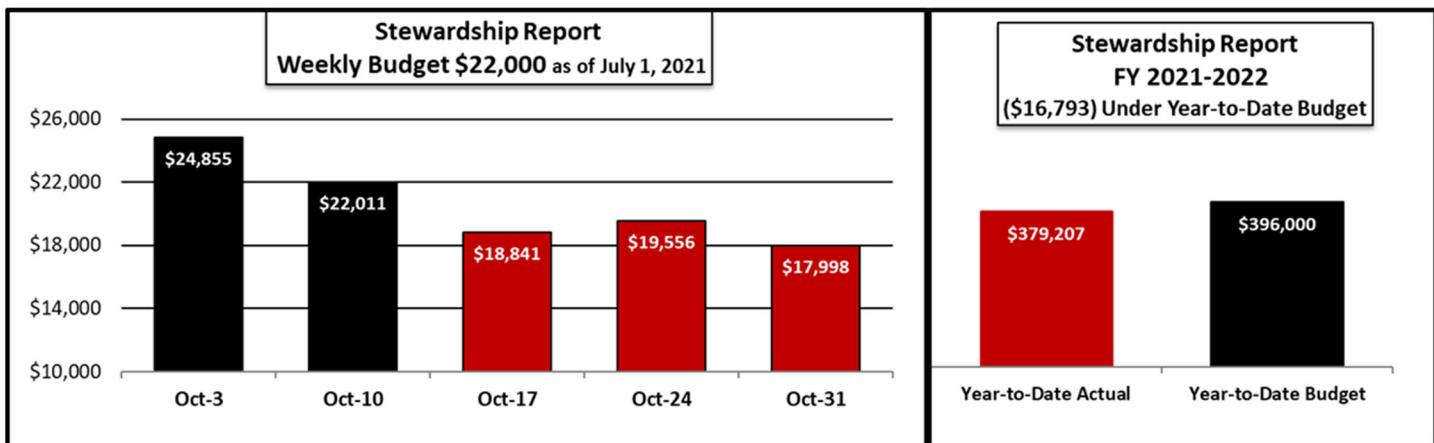
INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Mid-Career Job Search Techniques for Success— Looking for a new job? Are you over the age of 50? Be sure to join us on Thursday, November 18 from 7-9 pm. Many mid-career job seekers have concerns of age bias when in search for new opportunities. There are ways to enter the competition with more confidence when you overcome some of your natural concerns. Panelists Eileen Paliakas and John Fix are two mid-career professionals who have recently successfully landed great new jobs. They will share their experiences including obvious suggestions, the less obvious and what may potentially waste your time. We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road, in Western Springs. This will be a Hybrid meeting both in-person and via Zoom. The link to the Zoom meeting can be found at <http://interfaithcareernetwork.org/calender>. If you attend in-person, masks are required. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend.

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

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

Stewardship Report



ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically?

Visit stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON. Then click Sunday donations. If you have questions, call Mary Zwolinski at 708-352-6209.

RETIREMENT PLAN GIFTS FOR OUR PARISH

A tax-wise way you can make a gift from your retirement funds is to name St. Cletus Parish as a beneficiary of your retirement account. By naming St. Cletus Parish as a beneficiary, you'll provide crucial financial support to our parish and the entire value of your gift will be transferred to us free from federal estate and income tax. It costs nothing to change the beneficiary on your retirement plan and will mean everything to our future parish community.

It is very simple to name your parish and/or the Archdiocese of Chicago as a beneficiary. Start by requesting a change-of-beneficiary form from your account administrator or download the form from your provider's website. Make your desired changes and return the form to your account administrator to establish your gift.

Please consult with your account administrator for more information, or contact Mary Zwolinski at 708-352-6209 or mzwolinski@stcletusparish.com or contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, November 7	7:00am	Narthex	Holy Name Society Table
Monday, November 8	4:00pm 7:00pm	School Music Room Parish Center Mtg Room	Junior Choir Rehearsal Baptism Preparation
Tuesday, November 9			
Wednesday, November 10	9:00am	Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Ladies
Thursday, November 11	5:00pm 6-8pm 7:30pm	School Music Room Church Parking Lot School Music Room	Children's Choir Rehearsal Food Pantry Distribution Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, November 12	6-9pm	Parish Center Gym	Vendor Fair
Saturday, November 13	5:00pm	Narthex	Holy Name Society Table
Sunday, November 14	7:00am	Narthex	Holy Name Society Table

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

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

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday thru Friday	9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday	Closed

MASSES

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

CONFessions

Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date.

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office (708) 352-6209

STAFF

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Elmer Romero, Pastor
Rev. Kenneth Baker, Associate Pastor
Rev. Dan Costello, Associate Pastor
Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor Emeritus

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Baker/Paulette Bolton, Worship (708) 215-5422
Karen Ziomba, Music Ministry (708) 215-5423
Kendall Grant, Social Concerns (708) 215-5418
Debbie Lestarczyk, Business Manager (708) 215-5405
Christopher Wagner, Technology (708) 215-5420

HISPANIC MINISTRY (708) 352-6209

SCHOOL STAFF..... (708) 352-4820
Gregory Porod, Principal
Christy Schaefer, Assistant Principal
Mary Lee Krieger, Administrative Assistant
Jeannie Scalzitti, Receptionist/Office Assistant
Kate Townsend, Receptionist/Office Assistant

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STAFF (708) 352-2383

Barb Campbell, Director of Religious Education
Griselda Rahman, Coordinator of Religious Education
Paulette Bolton, Director of Adult Faith Formation and Assistant Director of Worship

PARISH OFFICE STAFF (708) 352-6209

Mary Zwolinski, Parish Accounting
Olga Montalvo, Parish Assistant
Elizabeth Goellner-McLean, Bulletin Editor

ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

Pastor	Fr. Elmer Romero
Chairperson.....	Bob Wasik

MEMBERS

Bob Malham
 Kevin Hogan
 Mike Napleton

LIAISONS

FSA President	Rhonda Aumann
Athletic Association.....	Tina Pryor

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.

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS

St. Cletus Church #9238
600 W. 55th Street
La Grange, IL 60525

TELEPHONE

708-352-6209

CONTACT PERSON

Elizabeth Goellner/
Debbie Lestarczyk (Bus Mgr)

SOFTWARE

MSPublisher 2016
Adobe Acrobat XI
Windows 10 ltsc

PRINTER

HP Laserjet 1022

SUNDAY DATE OF PUBLICATION

November 7, 2021

NUMBER OF PAGES SENT

1 through 15

Wednesday 3pm

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

PRINT 600 PLEASE!!!