



Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

— JOHN 3:17



NAMES OF CHILDREN CELEBRATING FIRST RECONCILIATION:

Olivia Acevez	Ben Fitzgerald	Adam McNichols
George Alexa	Brendan Flood	Francisco Mendez
Alan Barrios	Kate Flood	Elizabeth Morales
Emily Becerra	Kayla Fry	Emory Morelock
Gustavo Becerra	Owen Garbe	Nina Musillami
Felix Belcak	Keylin Garcia	Isabella Navarrete
Joseph Beyers	Carlos Garcia-Martinez	Christian Nino
Alexander Bravo	Mayte Garcia-Martinez	Abigail Nunez
Thomas Brennan	Emily Gierut	Natalia Ochoa
Nora Bresnahan	Nina Godinez	William O'Connor
Calvin Brockob	Logan Gonzalez-Ruiz	Jameson O'Farrell
Michael Budde	Estacy Guzman	Michael Olewinski
Hannah Burtelson	Osleidy Guzman	Benjamin Percival
Bradley Buttron	Ellen Hennessy	Maya Pickering
Steven Bylina	Ansel Hernandez	Jayden Ramirez
Axel Campos	Tim Jankowski	Stephanie Ramirez
Paul Carin	Lillian Jimenez	Connor Sand
Juliette Castillo Lopez	Gabrielle Keene	Ann Marie Schaffer
Gabriel Cepek	Bennett Kirchens	Alexandra Schuda
Brianna Cervantes	Jimmy Kopp	Zoey Schuda
Dylan Chowaniec	Erin Kress	Abbie Serritella
Maxwell Cooper	Maeve Kursell	Evan Sladek
Cade Corbett	Santiago Lobos	Emiliano Solis
Nolan Courtright	Madison Machalinski	Benjamin Strozak
Harrison Debre	Lucy Magee	Ava Swanson
Devin Diaz de Leon	Max Magee	Nikhil Tallarovic
Diego Diaz de Leon	Ailin Martinez	Kailey Tapalla
Madelyn DiOrio	Evelyn Martinez	Michael Ticknor, Jr.
Matthew Dixon	Alma Martinez	Mila Tokic
Liam Duffy	Alfonso Martinez Gallegos	Soleil Valverde
Nicole Episcopo	Alexander McComb	Vanessa Velazquez
Nolan Farnsworth	Nicholas McManus	Owen Yarbrough
	Brody McNeil	



THE SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY

7:30 p.m.
Mass of the Lord's Supper

9:00 - 11:00 p.m.
Silent Adoration
(20 minute increments)

GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 p.m.
The Passion of the Lord
Veneration of the Cross
Holy Communion

6:30 p.m.
Way of the Cross,
Via Crucis en Español

HOLY SATURDAY

12:00 Noon
Blessings of Food Baskets

7:30 p.m.
Easter Vigil Mass (bi-lingual)

EASTER SUNDAY

Church:
7:15 a.m.
8:45 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish)

Parish Center:
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Mass Intentions for March 15 - 21, 2021

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
March 15	Fr. Gamboa	8:00am	George Pesut
March 16	Fr. Gamboa	8:00am	Elaine Rys, Dan Coakley
March 17	Fr. Baker	8:00am	Samuel Colonna, Phyllis Prevenas, Bill Schmidt
March 18	Fr. Clark	8:00am	St. Cletus Parishioners
March 19	Fr. Baker	8:00am	St. Cletus Parishioners
March 20	Fr. Clark	5:00pm	George Popp, Gene Gaetano, Ed Stec
March 21	Fr. Clark	7:15am	George Duda, Stacy Baker, Richard Gomez
	Fr. Baker	8:45am	Rachel Schopp, Wanda Kuchta, John Jacobs, Delphine Marciszewski, George Popp, Frank Treski, Rosemarie Gallagher
	Fr. Baker	10:30am	St. Cletus Parishioners
	Fr. Gamboa		

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

Cynthia Goetz

James Jasinski

Husband of Nancy, Brother of Steve

Anthony Malcak

May they 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.

March - Ed Kuchta, Frank Niwa, Elizabeth O'Malley, Tom Valenti, John Zydek

January - Catherine Cosgrove, Virginia Klecka

December - Montana Jennings, Judy McLean, Ginny Skibbe, Mary Ann Vokurka, Sandra Eckrich, Marilyn Kornau, Maria Matayka, Kevin Peck, Patricia Rodey, Laura Terrazino, Patrick Wingert

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Cletus Parish will host English Stations of the Cross Fridays at 3:00 p.m. You must pre-register to attend.

CONFESSIONS

Confession opportunities are available 8:30- 9 :25 a.m. on 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, and 4/10. You must pre-register to attend.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY | April 1

7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

9 - 11 p.m. Silent Adoration (20 minute increments)

GOOD FRIDAY | April 2

3:00 p.m. The Passion of the Lord –

Veneration of the Cross – Holy Communion

6:30 p.m. Way of the Cross, Via Crucis en Español

HOLY SATURDAY | April 3

12:00 Noon Blessings of Food Baskets (curbside blessing like a drive-thru in parking lot)

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass (bi-lingual)

EASTER SUNDAY | April 4

7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. – Church

12:30 p.m. (Mass in Spanish) – Church

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. – Parish Center



Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and on Easter Sunday the 8:45am and 10:30am will be live-streamed.

ONLINE SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR ALL IN-PERSON WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

All worship opportunities require that you pre-register. No walk-ins allowed. The sign up links can be found on our website, stcletusparish.com. If you don't have internet access you can call the parish office for assistance at 708.352.6209. Recordings of masses are available on the St. Cletus Parish YouTube channel.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Stephen Wiltshire became famous when he was just a young boy. Born to West Indian parents who had immigrated to England, he had lost his father, could barely read or write, but was discovered to have an extraordinary gift for drawing buildings and townscapes.

First of all, his art teacher, Chris Marris, and then the literary agent, Margaret Hewson, supported and encouraged him in his special talent. He, himself, was passive about his ability; he just drew but at a highly technical level, even when he was but a young child. Margaret took him on drawing trips, first of all around London and then to Venice, Amsterdam, Russia and the United States. Stephen responded immediately to these new sights, and Margaret got him commissions and sponsorships, arranged and financed exhibitions, and helped him to produce his two best sellers "Floating Cities" and "Stephen Wiltshire's American Dream". She also found him a place at art school and established a trust fund to provide for his future. Her own exuberance and energetic personality seemed to inspire Stephen, as though his creativity took life from what Dr. Oliver Sacks, who accompanied them on some of their journeys, called "the exhilarating, whirlwind atmosphere Margaret seemed to create all around her." Without such support it is doubtful that Stephen would have fully developed his gifts or have become known to the wider world.

We live in a limited and conditional world, whereas God inhabits an unlimited and unconditional world. We are asked to accept that we can share this much more wondrous world of God, despite being dead through our sins. Such a leap can only be brought about through faith, the belief that God is so generous with his mercy that the gap can be bridged between the two worlds. The grace that is offered to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus lifts us up out of sin and failure and gives us a place in heaven with him. It also restores us to the possibility living the good life we were always intended to live. The letter to the Ephesians explores how the mystery of salvation is made available to all. There is a profound conviction that Christ is the lord of the whole of creation and that all is taken up into his saving death and resurrection. We become again what we were meant to be at the world's beginning, God's work of art, but also, made in God's image and likeness, artists in our turn. We can neither fully appreciate nor practice our calling without being constantly in touch with the brush of the painter, the poet's pen, namely the presence of God, which we celebrate in word and sacrament. If the Temple was the symbol of God's presence among his people in the Old Testament, we are now the new temple, the house where God lives in the Spirit, with Christ Jesus himself as

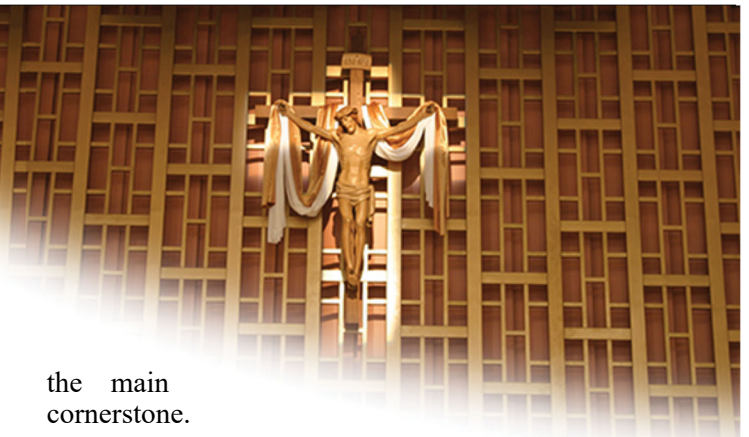
the main
cornerstone.

People sometimes struggle with life problems, we are told, because they suffer from low self-esteem. Coping with life needs a certain resilience, a certain confidence that enables us to ride the ups and downs we encounter. If we don't think we are worth much, we will tend to think others think the same of us. We may even act in a way that gives others that impression and encourages them to ignore us or treat us with disdain. Or we might go to the opposite extreme, becoming bullying or boastful in the attempt to persuade others that we are really worth something. But if we are convinced in our hearts that we are God's work of art, then our perception of life is very different. We are free to use our imagination more. We can explore what is old, what is new and what is different. We can be endlessly curious. The world is not hostile but somewhere we can give ourselves time to stand and stare and wonder. We can delight in others' gifts as well as our own. This is where our real imitation of God begins, when we enable others to see their gifts and use them to the full. It is a sign of God's love for us that we can move beyond our limitations and share in the splendor of creation. Our love is seen in our removing of each other's limitations, allowing our spirits to soar freely in the image and likeness of their creator.

Lenten Blessings,



Fr. Bob
Pastor



Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 6-8PM

Most needed at this time:

- Jelly
- Tuna
- Salad Dressing
- Ketchup

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

Follow us on Facebook:



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@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 - MATCHING GRANT UPDATE

WE DID IT! YOU made it happen! Thank you so much for your generous support. We hit our matching grant goal and turned \$25,000 into \$50,000! WOW!

We are so grateful for all of your support. As we all hit the 1 year mark of this pandemic, it's hard to believe how much has changed. This time last year we were sanitizing and cleaning extra in the food pantry space in the basement, not sure what this "coronavirus" thing was or if it was really coming our way.

Then a couple weeks later we were packing bags, setting up a drive thru, frantically looking to fill our empty shelves, and already seeing an increase in need.

You have been a constant throughout. We could have never done any of these pivots without your support this last year. You have truly fueled us and sustained us, as always. Thank you! Thank you!



LENTEN OUTREACH

TRYING NEW FOODS IN TIMOR-LESTE

Timor-Leste has the highest rate of child malnutrition in Asia, and many children suffer from stunting, which makes a big impact on a child's growth and future. Home gardens and fishponds are helping families provide better nutrition for their children. What do you eat to stay healthy? What can you do to ensure children have enough food to thrive? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



Lidio da Silva with his 3 year old daughter in Libagua village in Timor Leste. The da Silva family are farmers who grow primarily maize and beans. After participating with the CRS nutrition program, they have changed what they eat as a family. In addition to maize and rice, they now buy meat and fish once a month. They have added carrot, eggs, cassava and pumpkin leaf from the market. This is sometimes challenging because they generally eat what they grow. They will only purchase food at the market when they have money. Since the program, they have learned to prioritize their spending toward food. Timor-Leste has the highest rate of child malnutrition in Asia with almost half of children under five stunted (low height for age). Research shows that rates of exclusive breastfeeding vary widely across the country (28-75%) and there is a lack of dietary diversity with only 13% of children under two years consuming a minimum acceptable diet.

On a national level, widespread poor growth is attributed to limited availability of nutritional foods and high child illness burden. In Timor-Leste, subsistence agriculture is the main livelihood strategy for the majority of the rural population. Subsistence in Timor-Leste is predominantly plant-based, with staple crops including rice, cassava, maize and beans. The country is food insecure, thus household nutritional security is difficult to achieve. TOMAK (To'os ba Moris Di'ak, or Farming for Prosperity) is an agricultural livelihoods and nutrition program supported by the Australian Government in Timor-Leste.

CRS is working with local partners and communities to improve production of nutritious vegetables promoting appropriate nutrition for all age groups and increase access to savings and lending through SILC.

Photo by Anny Djahova/Catholic Relief Services

WORD OF LIFE



“We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’. We find ourselves not only ‘faced with’ but necessarily ‘in the midst of’ this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life”

(The Gospel of Life 28).

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Adverse Childhood Experiences and Domestic Violence - Today much attention is given to traumatic experiences children have that cause long-lasting negative effects. These are called Adverse Childhood Experiences, or ACEs. They can be numerous, varied and have a cumulative effect. They might include violence, divorce, death, alcohol/drug abuse, suicide, prison, or a family disaster like unemployment or a tragic accident. Stressful social conditions also cause ACEs, such as living in under-resourced or racially segregated neighborhoods, poverty, frequently moving and hunger. Toxic stress from ACEs can change brain development and affect attention, decision-making, learning and response to stress. About 61% of adults surveyed across 25 states reported they had experienced at least one type of ACE, and nearly 1 in 6 reported they had experienced 4 or more types of ACEs. Children growing up with domestic violence or those experiencing teen dating violence will most certainly suffer some trauma which could easily result in difficulty forming healthy and stable relationships, finding steady employment or avoiding depression. These effects can also be passed on to victims’ own children. ACEs are preventable. Creating and sustaining safe, stable, nurturing relationships and environments for all children and families can prevent ACEs and help all children reach their full potential.

This article was printed in the Winter 2021 Newsletter from the Domestic Violence Outreach of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

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

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP:
708.485.5254



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
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www.domesticviolenceoutreach.org

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Proven Tips for Successful Job Searches

Join us on Thursday, March 18 from 7-8:30 pm via Zoom. Our speaker, Tim Koch will provide helpful tips for landing your next position, applicable across many levels and industries...including the often overlooked not-for-profit sector. Tim has extensive experience in hiring while primarily handling operational responsibilities. During his career he has worked in consulting for a Fortune 100 company and most recently for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Along with his business acumen and hiring manager perspective, Tim also has been a long time volunteer in the job search community sharing these constantly updated tips. Join us for his valuable insight.

The link to this Zoom meeting can be found on our website <http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.org/calendar>.

Everyone is welcome!

MISSION LADIES

St. Cletus Parish received a sweet note and photos in the mail this week from St. Anthony’s Hospital thanking the Mission Ladies for the dolls that they made. The St. Cletus Mission Ladies make dolls for hospitals as well as hats, lap robes, and Christening bibs for babies baptized at St. Cletus. They are currently working independently from home, but if you would like information on future meetings please call Dolores Scaletta, 708-839-9605.

Hello Saint Cletus Parish – Mission Ladies
Thank you very much for the nice footballs, hats, gloves, and assorted handmade dolls that you sent to us at Saint Anthony’s Hospital on the Pediatric Ward this last Christmas. The children that we care for on our ward are very grateful for these items every year.
God bless all that you do, Nurse Stephen



St. Cletus School

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SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support St. Cletus School. Come into the Chipotle at **5801 S. La Grange Rd.** in Countryside on **Monday, March 15th** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone, or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to St. Cletus School.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code MBAKDV3 before checkout in 'promo' field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.



All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted at this time. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.



LENTEN ALTAR

The school has set up an altar near the main entrance as a reminder of our Lenten journey. As we continue to reflect on what it means to be a follower of Christ, may we also continue to focus on our prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

HOME OF THE CARDINALS

CALL TO SCHEDULE A PRIVATE TOUR
OR
TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR ONLINE
700 W. 55th St. - La Grange, IL 60525 - 708.352.4820

Ministry News

SCCCW



Thank you so much for supporting our Highland Queen event on March 6th. The owners of the restaurant & the CCW membership appreciate your time & participation. The food was delicious and others will be helped because of your efforts.

Look here for information in the next few weeks about our April project which is a Pampered Chef Fundraiser taking place from April 8-April 18.

BOOK DISCUSSION



Once a year the discussion group chooses a “classic” to discuss. This year’s choice is **To Kill a Mockingbird** by Harper Lee. We will meet via Zoom on April 13 at 7 PM.

For those who like to look ahead:

June 8, 2021: Saints for All Occasions by J Courtney Sullivan

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

CATHOLIC RESOURCES FOR LENT - 2021

www.Catholic-link.org

www.loyolapress.com

www.ncea.org

www.sadlier.com

www.catholicfamilyfaith.org

www.dynamiccatholic.com

www.wordonfire.org

www.usccb.org

dailyreflections@csbsju.edu

These are some resources to help refresh and connect us as we approach the holy season of Lent. You can also try typing -“free Catholic resources for Lent” and a myriad of possibilities, in addition to these, appear. Some sites haven’t updated all their material but still offer timeless thoughts or suggestions.

During this unusual time when we may feel isolated or even estranged from our faith and one another, it is especially important that we seek ways to strengthen our relationship with God and each other. Our Lenten mantra of prayer, fasting and giving can be experienced in a new and special way this Lent.

WE NEED YOU - JOIN THE TEAM!

As the pandemic and the need for safety continues, we would like to increase our number of our reopening volunteers. This will allow us to continue to be open safely and will lift some of the workload for our current volunteers. We need 10 - 15 volunteers for each of our weekend masses. Fewer are required for other celebrations. We are also in need of daytime volunteers with flexibility, to assist at funerals. The Ushers and Greeters, the Cleaning Team and the Sacristans Team would all welcome additional volunteers. Please send us an email to reopening@stcletusparish.com to volunteer.

COMPASSIONATE CARE MINISTRY

The **Compassionate Care Ministry** is again badly in need of postage stamps for its notes of sympathy and support during the first year following the loss of a loved one. Each bereaved family receives six cards during that year. This means that if there are ten funerals during a period of one month, 50 stamps are needed in that month alone. Your generous donations have meant so much in the past and we are very grateful. If you are able to contribute to this worthwhile ministry in this way, it will be very much appreciated. Simply place them in an envelope marked **CCM** and put them through the slot in the rectory door—or drop them in one of the collection baskets located at each exit in the church building.

THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Please register for programs at The Well Spirituality Center online: www.csjthewell.org or call 708-482-5048. All programs are on Zoom during this time of COVID-19.

From Politics to Love: A Journey from Fragmentation to Wholeness

Saturday, March 20, 10 AM – 12 PM. Facilitator: Glenn Aparicio Parry - Find out how aligning ourselves with the will of Nature is how we will move from division to acceptance, and from politics to love.

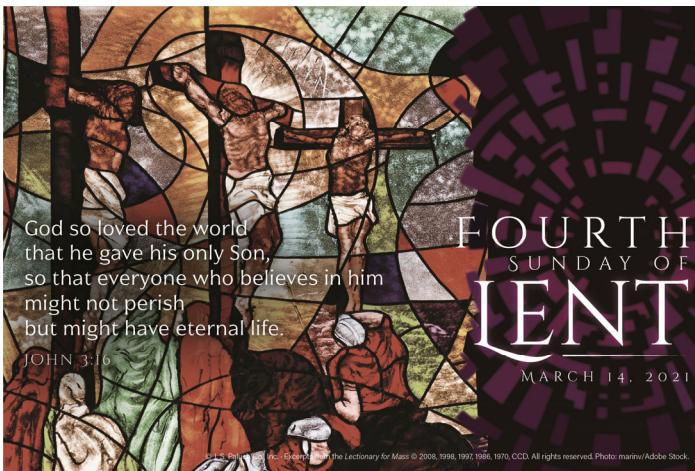
Where Did Jesus Go?

Saturday all-day retreat, March 27, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM. Facilitator: Carolyn Toben - Share questions about the great sacred themes of resurrection, forgiveness, and the meaning of Jesus Christ in our own soul-longings.

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 5p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday’s publication.

Sunday Notes



GOD'S MERCY

Today's reading from the second book of Chronicles contains a sort of "mini-history" of Israel. It highlights God's mercies in choosing Cyrus the Persian to be an instrument of deliverance when the people were in captivity in Babylon. Despite their sinfulness and the deserved punishment they were undergoing, God's mercy was lavished on the people in the form of a miraculous act of liberation.

The Letter to the Ephesians, in much more theological terms, gives a similar account of a God "who brought us to life with Christ—by grace you have been saved." The author stresses that it was when we were "dead in our transgressions" that God saved us, an act of pure grace. He emphasizes that it is not our own efforts that freed us from sin ("this is not from you"); rather, "it is the gift of God." This, of course, is the heart of the entire Pauline corpus, that salvation comes to us by faith in God's mercy, revealed in the death of Jesus.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people

(2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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BLOSSOMS AND FRUIT

Unless a tree has borne blossoms in spring, you will vainly look for fruit on it in autumn.

—Walter Scott

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Rm 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or
Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9;
Jn 12:20-33

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny;
Daylight Saving Time begins

Wednesday: St. Patrick

Thursday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Friday: St. Joseph; Abstinence

Saturday: Spring begins

FEAST OF FAITH

Lent, a Season of the Word

Each year on the First Sunday of Lent we hear one of the Gospel accounts of the temptation of Jesus. In Luke's account, the devil cites the scriptures repeatedly, urging Jesus to interpret them in a false, self-serving way—if God sends angels to protect those whom God loves (as it says in Psalm 91), then prove it! But Jesus resists this insidious temptation by turning to scripture passages that tell of right relationship with God—living by God's word, trusting in God, and worshipping God alone.

Jesus himself listened to the inspired word of God and let it shape and form him. Through the liturgy, we do the same. The readings we hear at Mass can teach us, but that is not their primary function. Rather, the scriptures are meant to reveal the Lord to us, to let us experience his presence, and to form us in our Christian identity. Christ's presence is realized by his spoken word, "since it is he himself who speaks when the Holy Scriptures are read in the Church" (*Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, 7). In the readings proclaimed at Mass, we hear the voice of Christ himself.

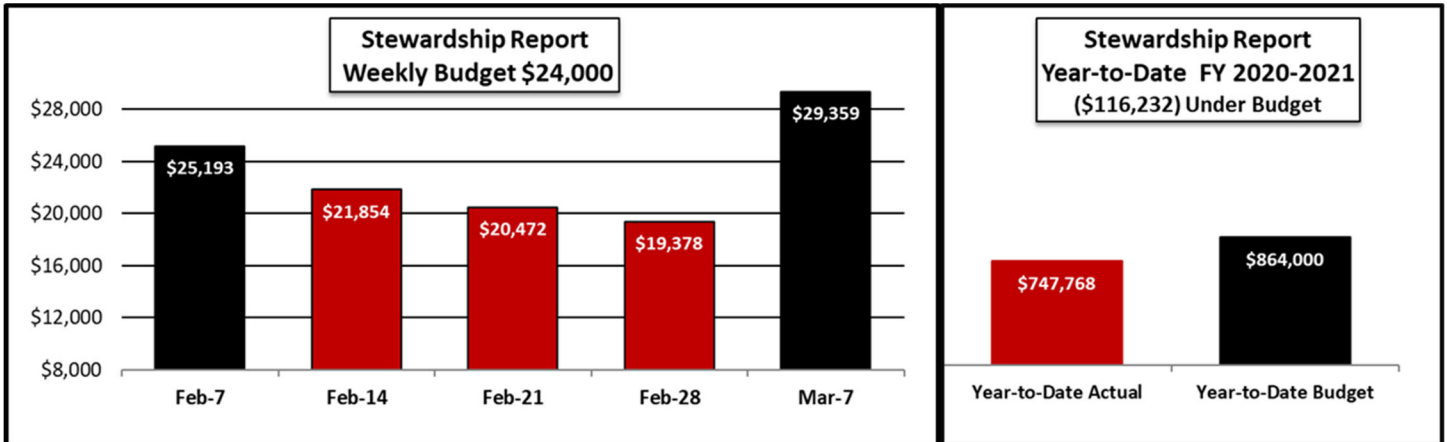
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GOD UPHOLDS ME

I take for my sureties: The power of God to guide me, the might of God to uphold me, the wisdom of God to teach me, the eye of God to watch over me, the ear of God to hear me, the word of God to give me speech, the hand of God to protect me, the way of God to go before me, the shield of God to shelter me.

—St. Patrick

Stewardship Report



WHY ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING?

Online giving is an easy, safe and convenient way to make offertory contributions to St. Cletus. Your contribution is debited automatically from your checking, savings, or credit card account.

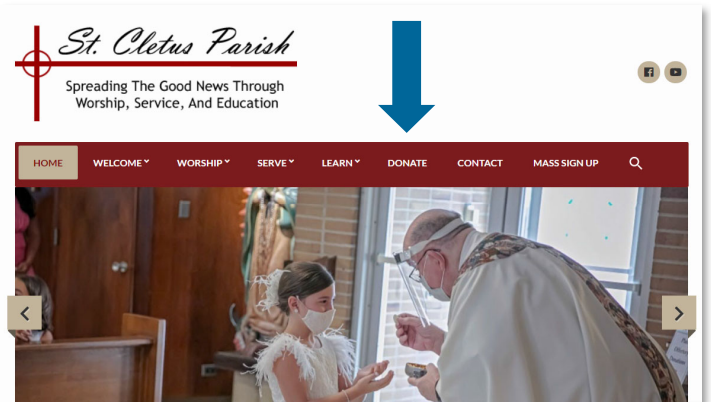
Online Giving makes it easy for you to fulfill your financial commitments to the parish even when you are unable to attend Mass. You can change the timing or the amount of your gift at any time. Giving electronically also helps our staff plan & budget.

Reasons to sign up for Online Giving:

- No need to write checks or bring cash to church.
- Peace-of-mind knowing that the church is receiving your contribution even if you are unable to attend.
- More secure than checks.
- All contributions are recorded for you on your bank statement with date of settlement.

How Do I Get Started?

Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON (pictured below) then click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209



Tax Statement by Request Only

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2020 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket after Mass, or simply call the Parish Office at (708) 352-6209 and leave a message. Please include your name, phone and envelope # or address in your message. 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

CONTACT US

Parish Center.....(708) 352-6209
 Español(708) 215-5440
 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-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Saturday and SundayClosed

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday7:15 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
 12:30 p.m. (SPANISH)
 Weekdays..... Mon. thru Fri. 8:00 a.m.

We continue to offer daily Mass online and our 5pm Vigil Mass is livestreamed each Saturday. Be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the bell icon to be notified of the latest videos. You can also find the link on our website and Facebook page.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions First Saturday of the Month 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. Must call parish offices to schedule a reservation.

BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please make arrangements by calling Bobbie Kallal 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. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

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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.

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