

#### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### Fall Fest is Next Weekend!

**Grand Raffle** - Purchase raffle tickets today for your chance to win \$5000 in our Grand Prize Drawing which will be held at 5pm on Sunday, September 11.

**Mega Passes -** Be sure to buy your Mega pass for 4 days of unlimited carnival rides before Tuesday September 6th for \$45. Mega passes will be available at the event for \$55.

**Parking** - Parking restrictions will be in effect until after the fall fest. Please see page 8 for information.

**Live Bands, Local Talent, Food Vendors, Beer Tent, and more -** Don't miss the great entertainment we have lined up for this year's Fall Fest. Check out the complete list of performers on page 9. You won't want to miss it!

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**



SEPT. 8-11: St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest

SEPT. 17-18: First Day of Religious Education Classes

SEPT. 17-18: St. Cletus School Homecoming Weekend

# WELCOME So glad you could join us!

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## Mass Intentions for the Week of Sept 5 - Sept 11, 2016

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Sergio Ramirez
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Diane Niehaus, Mary Haas
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Ray and Joni Pietrzak, Betty Niwa
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Priests, Past and Present
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Lee Chvatal
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Special Intention - John & Sally Baker 56th Wedding Anniversary Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Alfred Mozdzen, George Duda, Marilyn Matesevac
Sunday	Fr. Clark Fr. Baker Fr. Clark Fr. Filbert	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Alex Kunsarvich, John & Frances Kennedy, George Duda, Patrick Mahoney Stephanie Marciszewski, Mary Elizabeth Bauer, Lillian Stopka, Marguerite (Marge) May Frank Skrip, Sr., Michael Boardman, Patsy Walsh First Responders, Gene Kennedy, Aldona Bartz, Beatrice Kabat St. Cletus Parishioners



#### RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY

The St. Cletus Parish Rectory will be closed Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day.

#### **HOLY HOUR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**<sup>TH</sup>



Tuesday, September 6th there will be a Holy Hour from 6-7 p.m. and Hispanic Adoration 7-8 p.m. Holy Hours will be held the first Tuesday of each month.

# PARKING ALERT FOR FALL FEST BEGINNING TUESDAY, SEPT. 6TH

Parking for 8:00 a.m. Mass will be limited to Spring Avenue only beginning Tuesday, September 6. Please see page 8 for details. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to make our Parish Fall Fest a great success.

#### 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 a full week (nine days) before Sunday's publication. Thank you.

# PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Jack Simpson, Anne Bermier, Evelyn Ulfig, Ginny Skibbe, Kim Zwolinkski, Freda Guide, Lane Powell, Helen Borsilli, Dcn. Jim Cozzo, Mirna Cozzo. Daniella DeRivera, Peter DeRivera, Damien Johnson, Patricia Niwa, Lesley Hansen, Kristen Gozdecki, Steve Gozdecki, Barbara Morgan, Lane Powell, Kelly Cook, Frank Ciszek, Nino Scimone, Lee Ascencio, Jean Weekley, Laura Segel, Adrina Castillejo, Otto Stuckman, Patricia Pilleggi, Isaac Musser, Jean Takes, Robert William, Helen Borsilli, Gene Wallace, John Eterno, Vivian Swibel. Jennifer Streit. Julianne Hausknecht, Cynthia Cozen, Eleanor Tolan, Carol Piccolo, Pat Harris, Eleanor Brousil, Allie DeRivera, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Wolak, Christine Bell, Jenna Zimmerman, Rachel Lipman, Mauricio Aguilar, Patricia Krieger, Brian Cabral, Fernando Cabral, Enrique Pacheco, Steve Woynicki, Irina Fursman, Linda Mantey, Marshall Johnson, Diane Bridges, Catherine McCord, Nancy Gibson, Jean Weekly, Gerda E. Dorso, Judy Duque, Carolyn Sharpe, Joanne Stevens, Linda McMahon, Roy Jenkinson, Erin Lively, Ed Barnicle, Glen Peters, Emily Ann Dziedzic, Collette Grisko-Dote, LaVerne Gill, Ed Vokurka, Sr., Joyce Arnold, Jackie Schickel, Loretta Johncola, Denise Rowalka, Sharon Mylan, Mary Jamrozik, Shellye Bolton, Emily Devine, John Duda.

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

## Notes from Fr. Bob...

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

I'm sure, to many people, today's gospel appears a little harsh. It is one of the gospel teachings that is difficult to digest. The whole notion of hating your father or mother would seem to go against the grain of society and gospel teaching.

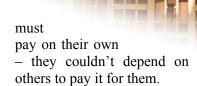
Once upon a time there was a man named Billy who was in his early forties. His job offered no creative, financial, or promotional opportunities. His life was becoming a mess emotionally, and he soon became depressed and sought counseling. In discussion with his doctor it soon became apparent that Billy was a very creative person who had given up hope of personal growth because he felt his first duty was care of his family. Behind that sentiment hid the powerful personality of his domineering mother – a very manipulative woman.

The problem was that Billy did not 'hate' his mother sufficiently. Billy was so emotionally bonded to her that he had never become his own person. Billy had spent most of his life running after his mother without asking himself what he was doing or why he was doing it.

In the Hebrew language 'hate' was a passionate way of expressing on hundred per cent detachment from something. In this context it could mean growing out of dependencies and becoming our own person. So Jesus is inviting us to turn to him for all our needs and give up unhealthy dependencies on others. It's an invitation to look at our lives afresh, with new eyes that are fixed on the life and teaching of Jesus. We are to take control of our lives and know why we are following Jesus Christ, not act out of compulsion. We are being called to stand out from the crowd and be our own person.

In the gospel great crowds followed Jesus. Some had heard that he cured people. The sick followed him because they hoped for a cure. Some heard that he had fed the five thousand. The hungry followed him hoping to be fed. Others heard that the authorities didn't like Jesus and that he stirred up trouble for them. They followed him in the hope that he would be a political leader, freeing them from the oppression of the Romans.

There were so many people following Jesus, all with different reasons, all hoping for their own dreams to become real. Jesus wasn't happy that people followed him blindly and without thinking. He said that if they wanted to be followers, they must break from the crowd. If they wanted to join him, there would be a cost, which they



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Today, there are crowds that follow Jesus. They admire his compassion, his honesty and his miracles. But following Jesus Christ means there must be sacrifice and a cost. The same is true in everything we do: in sport, in exams, in relationships. Whether it's study, or training or discipleship, there is always a price of achieving what we want – 'no pain, no gain.'

One of the best examples is the life of St. Francis. He wanted to follow Jesus, he wanted to commit himself to his faith, but his father refused to allow him. His father took away his money, so that he would depend on him; he took away his freedom, by locking and chaining him in the house. St. Francis chose to leave his family, disown his father, and follow Christ – he took a stance which cost him dearly. He became his own person for Christ.

The price we pay, the cost of our following Jesus, isn't always so drastic. But, we must be careful that we put God above everything else, even our dreams. That's the only true way to be a follower of Jesus Christ. There can be nothing material (things or places), nothing emotional (people or family), nothing spiritual (devotions or prayers), which would stop us saying that God is my all. 'In God alone is my soul at rest.' When we grasp that we are free to be disciples of Jesus. And remember, once Billy was able to break free he also freed his mother.

Free in Christ,

Fr. Bob Pastor

# **Worship Ministry News**

# A WOMAN OF OUR TIME SAINT AND SERVANT



And so she will be proclaimed, by Pope Francis on Sunday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> in St Peter's Square. Born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu in Macedonia August 26, 1910, but better known as Mother Teresa of Calcutta will be "officially" proclaimed, what all who knew her to be, a Saint.

# What is this process that leads to this acclaimed honor?

Originally, in the days of the early church, there was no formal process. Martyrs and those recognized as holy people were declared saints by the church at the time of their deaths. As the church grew, a more rigorous system evolved, requiring the fulfillment of 5 steps:

- A bishop is placed in charge of the initial examination of the proposed person's life to see if he/she showed some form of exceptional, heroic virtue. If a positive determination is made the person is given the title of "Servant of God".
- 2. Additional investigations continue and is placed in the hands of the Sacred Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If all is found to be valid, the person receives the title of "Venerable".
- 3. A miracle must be attributed to the intercession of the candidate. Once proven, the person is acknowledged as "Blessed".
- 4. More studies and another miracle must be verified. Once all information has been thoroughly studied, the Sacred Congregation submits the case to the Holy Father.
- 5. After review by the Holy Father, he will declare the person a "Saint".

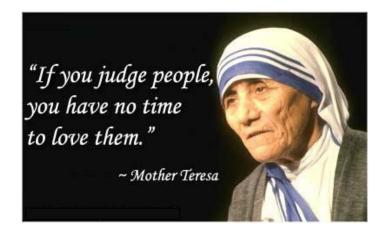
Each step requires considerable evidence and documentation and the entire process can take years to complete.

Usually 5 years must pass from the time of death before an examination can begin. In the case of Mother Teresa, Pope John Paul II made an exception, and the process was begun a year after her death.

Mother Teresa left her home at 18 and went to Ireland to join the Sisters of Loretto. She learned English there and hoped to be sent as a missionary. Her wish became a reality and she was sent to India where she taught in a girls' high school. For over 15 years, then Sister Teresa, witnessed the extreme poverty and injustice of those on the streets she passed daily. It was on a train trip from Calcutta to Darjeeling that she experienced what she later called "a call within a call". That call was to found a community of Sisters whose service was to "the hungry, the naked, the homeless, the crippled, the blind, the lepers, all those people who feel unwanted, unloved, uncared for throughout society, people who have become a burden to society and are shunned by everyone". She dedicated her life to giving the poor, the sick, the lonely, the dying the love that the world denied them.

Her community, the Missionaries of Charity, has grown from a handful of Sisters to over 4500 members serving in orphanages, soup kitchens, homeless shelters and clinics around the world.

While the 2 miracles attributed to her intercession in the sainthood process, (a woman healed from a brain tumor in India and a man in Brazil healed from multiple brain abscesses), the miracles of love that impacted the lives of countless unnamed souls on the streets are Mother Teresa's greatest legacy. It is a legacy that continues to influence people throughout the world. Let us look to her in this Year of Mercy to show us how we might be a "saintly servant".



# **Religious Education**

#### REGISTRATION

# LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER!

Don't miss the opportunity to have your children registered for RE classes this fall! We need all registrations in ASAP in order to ensure we have books, supplies and a Catechist for your child!

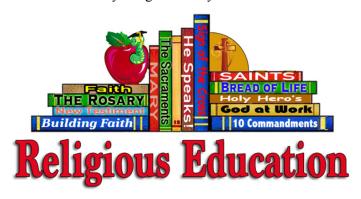
Registration forms can be found online at steletusparish.com under the Religious Education tab, or in the RE Office or Rectory.

We currently offer classes for children in Grades 1-8, as well as for children in Preschool (3 yrs) – Kindergarten. This year we are also beginning a Special Needs program for children in Grades 1-8.

Please keep in mind that Sacramental Preparation is a two year process. This applies to the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades) as well as Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades).

We offer classes on Sunday mornings (9:15-10:45) and Monday evenings (6-7:30) for children in Grades 1-8. Early childhood classes meet on Sundays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

If you are new to our program, please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. Please contact the RE Office at (708) 352-2383 with any questions you may have. Don't delay – register today!



### **RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS BEGINS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2016

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's adult faith formation program which invites adults who have never been baptized, who have been baptized Catholic but not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) or who have been baptized in another faith and wish to become Catholic, to explore their journey of faith in the life of the Catholic Church.



The RCIA gives people on a faith journey an opportunity to "come and see" not only what the Catholic Church and a life of faith in it is all about, but also an opportunity to explore how the Lord may be calling them into his life in a more complete way.

If you are interested in more information or know someone who is or would like to participate in the RCIA, please contact Fr. Ken for participation and registration requirements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION CONTACT FR. KEN AT (708) 352-6209 ext. 205

# **Social Concerns Ministry**

#### **Food Pantry**

Most needed at this time:

- · Canned fruit
- Boxed sides
- Dry beans
- Rice (1 or 2 lb.)
- Pasta
- Cereal
- Paper goods

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.



CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP: 708.485.5254

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 NOTES**

Please note, due to Fall Fest the next Food Pantry Distribution will take place on the **THIRD THURSDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 15** instead of the second Thursday of the month.

Many thanks to the student and adult volunteers who gave so generously of their time this summer to help set up for distribution, as well as to the awesome group of volunteers from CSA Fraternal Life Lodge Brookfield, #475. Their strong presence and cheerful attitude this summer at our monthly distributions was greatly appreciated!

#### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

\*\*\*Due to construction our meeting space and entrance will be changed.

Please contact Kendall or the Rectory for more details if you plan on attending\*\*\*

#### MONTHLY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP

If you or someone close to you is experiencing domestic violence this group may be very helpful. The objective of the group is to provide all a chance to talk about domestic violence and share questions, concerns and experiences with others who are facing - or who have faced - similar situations in confidence. Please contact Kendall Grant (kgrant@stcletusparish.com) or 708.215.5418 for more information.

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 purple box to the left. You are not alone.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We are now collecting recipes for the St. Vincent de Paul Cookbook! Please submit your recipes as soon as possible! We would like to have the cookbook completed in time to sell for the holidays.



The deadline to submit recipes is September 27th.

Please see the recipe forms in the narthex by the food pantry bins.

You can also submit your recipes or download the form via our website: http://cookbook.stcletusparish.com.

Questions? svdpcookbook@aol.com

#### **THANK YOU**

Labor Day is traditionally the day to honor workers in the U.S. and more recently to unofficially mark the end of summer. What a most fitting time to celebrate those workers in our Social Concerns Ministry, who dedicate so many volunteer hours to "labor" for God's kingdom all year long, even during the long, hot summer. Whether you serve on the Social Concerns Commission, volunteer your service for the Food Pantry, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, the Giving Tree, Interfaith Career Network (Employment Ministry), the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Cookbook Committee, Interfaith Community Partners, Respect Life, Mission Ladies, Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry, other special outreaches, or provide fruits of your "labor" by offering financial support, food for our Pantry, or gifts for our Advent Giving Tree outreach, a heartfelt thank you for being models of faith in action! May you and your loved ones have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day

#### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

#### **Get Ready to Interview**

Congrats! They called you back and would like to interview you. Now what? Learn the best way to present your skills and the value you bring to your prospective employer. Join Interfaith Career Network on Thursday, September 15 from 7-9 pm. at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 500.5 S. Wolf Road in Western Springs. Our speaker, Steve Grosskopf, will cover important interviewing skills such as presenting yourself, researching the company, understanding the interview process and what recruiters won't tell you during the interview. Other issues Steve will address include how do you practice interview questions, what to wear to an interview, questions YOU ask during the interview and what do you do after the interview. Steve has over a decade of experience in many facets of human resources including recruiting and finding people jobs. He is the founder of Gobie, a career services firm; it is their passion to assist in your career no matter which stage you are in making a career switch, new grad, young professional, established executive. This meeting is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend.

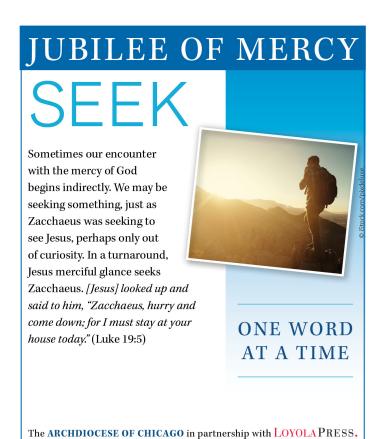
#### SVDP SILENT AUCTION AT FALL FEST

Don't miss your opportunity to get some great items at the St. Vincent de Paul Society Silent Auction table at the 2016 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest. Our St. Cletus branch of the St. Vincent de Paul Society was unable to hold their annual rummage sale due to construction. In order to still serve the members of our community in need we are holding a silent auction during the fall fest.

Check out some of our great silent auction items:



Patrick Kane Autographed Jersey



More on Pope Francis's vision at: www.loyolapress.com/popefrancis

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Chris Sale Autographed Baseball



Ben Zobrist Autographed Jersey

# The 2016 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest is September 8-11!

#### FALL FEST MEGAPASSES - \$45



Fall Fest Carnival Megapasses are available for purchase after our weekend masses. Megapasses are \$45 until Sept. 6th (\$55 at the event) for 4 days of unlimited rides. Purchases can also be made in the Parish Rectory during normal business hours or on our website, www.stcletusfallfest.com

#### FALL FEST RAFFLE INFORMATION

Please return purchased raffle tickets with your check as well as any unsold raffle tickets to the Fall Fest Volunteers after masses or to the rectory. Grand Prize: \$5000, 2nd Prize: \$2500, 3rd Prize: \$1000, Runners Up: 10 \$100 winners.

#### FALL FEST VOLUNTEERS

We need your help to make this event a success! Please visit our website, www.stcletusfallfest.com, to sign up to volunteer at the event. We especially need help with parking and clean up during the event. Thank you for again being willing to give your time, talent and treasure to St. Cletus Parish. We truly appreciate your generosity!



#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

Check out the line up on page 9. You won't want to miss the great local talent and bands we have lined up for this year's fall fest.

#### **FOOD VENDORS**

Our 2016 St. Cletus Fall Fest Food Vendors include: El Patron, Moy Yen, Zacarellis, Adele's Fat Pepper, Jimmy's Italian Ice, Yumz Frozen Yogurt, and El Campeon (the pineapple guy).

# Parking Alert for Fall Fest beginning Tuesday, Sept. 6th



# CHURCH PARKING DURING THE WEEK OF OUR ST. CLETUS FALL FEST TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> THRU SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> IS AS FOLLOWS:

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 6**<sup>TH</sup>: Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue only.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7<sup>TH</sup>:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue only.

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 8<sup>TH</sup>:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9<sup>TH</sup>: Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue, 54<sup>th</sup> Street and

the parish back field.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 10<sup>TH</sup>:** Parking for the 8:00am Mass is limited to Spring Avenue, 54<sup>th</sup> Street and

the parish back field. Parking for Confession at 4:15 and 5:00pm Mass is

limited to the parish back field.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 11<sup>TH</sup>:** Parking for **ALL** masses is limited to the parish back field.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to make our Parish Fall Fest a great success.

Fr. Bob Clark

**Pastor** 



# SEPT. 8-11 FOOD BEER GARDEN FREE LIVE MUSIC CARNIVAL

MEGAPASS
UNLIMITED RIDES
VALID ALL 4 DAYS

\$45 until 9/6/16 \$55 at the door Purchase online by midnight Sept. 6th at \$45 for 4 days of unlimited rides. Megapass will be \$55 during Fall Fest.

# **HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Thursday, September 8th

5-10pm Carnival Rides5pm Mid Knights7-10pm DJ Kosmicsounds

#### Friday, September 9th

5-11pm Carnival Rides
5pm The Millenials
7-10pm Infinity

#### Saturday, September 10th

12-1pm **Kids Event** 12-11pm **Carnival Rides** 12pm **Ashenco** 1-3pm Bingo **SC Kids Got Talent** 2pm 3:30pm **Double Identity** 5pm 40 Hz The Shagadelics 7-10pm

#### Sunday, September 11th

1st Responders Mass 11am 12-9pm **Carnival Rides** Fr. Ken & Friends 12:30 1-3pm Bingo 2pm **Lonesome Eagle** Sean RYAN & RHYAN 3pm Komsthoeft **Professional Development** 4pm **Grand Raffle Drawing** 5pm 6-8pm Maggie Speaks

# First Responders Mass

Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 11 a.m. Outdoor Mass on the Fall Fest Stage

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# Youth Ministry

#### **BONFIRE KICK-OFF**



Our new year of ministry will begin with a bonfire for all high school teens on Sunday, September 25th from 7-8p.m. in the St. Cletus courtyard. Come visit with friends, roast some marshmallows, and hear about what youth ministry can offer you throughout the year ahead!

#### PRAYERS AND ICE CREAM

Join us for our first monthly Teen Prayer Night on Wednesday, September 21st from 7-8:30p.m. in the Church. We will gather together in prayer and then enjoy some ice cream together to catch up after!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Interfaith Community Partners (ICP) is looking for volunteers to help with set up for their annual fundraising event on Friday, September 23rd. Volunteers are needed from 5-6:30pm at William Tell Holiday Inn (6201 Joliet Rd. LaGrange). This is a great way to help support those in need in our community! To sign up please contact Elizabeth Tomasek at etomasek@stcletusparish.com or 708.215.5419. Limited spots available.

#### **KAIROS 24 REGISTRATION IS COMING UP!**



Kairos 24 will take place November 3-6, 2016. This is a joint youth ministry opportunity with St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross Parishes. Our parishes come together to support this peer ministry in action. This experience is open to high school juniors and seniors.

The retreat will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so please do not delay in turning in your registration! The application will be available as of September 6th. Parishioners have the first opportunity to register from

September 6-16. After September 16, we will open registration to the broader community.

#### **ENCOUNTER REGISTRATION BEGINS**

# encounter saint cletus

Now that school has started, it is time to think about how you can fit reflection and rejuvenation into your routine! As plans take shape for the upcoming school year, consider joining Encounter. In the midst of busy schedules and heavy workloads, it can be even more important to take time to stop and reflect about God's role in your life and to share these experiences with others. Encounter small groups will meet monthly to take some time to reconnect with other teens from St. Cletus and to take a look at how life looks through the eyes of faith. Small groups will also have opportunities to join up monthly in prayer or service. Register today with the forms on the website!

#### TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Our next Advisory Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 13th at 7pm, but there are plenty of ways to share your ideas or put your leadership skills to good use before then. Ask Elizabeth for details!

#### CHURCH LEAGUE COACHES NEEDED



It's never too early to start thinking about Church League Basketball! The boys' season begins in November and ends in February, and the girls' season begins in March and ends in May. Though this may

seem far out, we need to make sure we have the coaches we need to open our teams up for registration. Each team needs two coaches who establish full compliance with Protecting God's Children. If you are interested in helping with this fun ministry, contact Elizabeth. Registration for players begins in late September.

#### TEEN MUSIC MINISTRY

The Teen Music Ministry will hold it's next rehearsal Sunday, September 4th from 4-5:15 in church. Email Larry Lalonde at llalonde@stcletusparish.com for more information.

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

# **Other Ministry Notes**

#### **BOOK CLUB MEETING OCT. 11TH**



The St. Cletus Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday evening, October11th at 7:00 PM. We will meet in Room 102, across from the school office.

The book to be discussed is Summit Lake by Charlie Donlea. All interested participants are most welcome.

Gloria Stelmack

#### MISSION LADIES

#### **Eyelet Fabric Request**

The Mission Ladies are in need of White Eyelet fabric so that they can continue to making the Christening Bibs for babies when they are baptized. Also, we can use yarn and fabric. Please mark it for "Mission Ladies" and leave in the Usher's room or bring to the rectory. Thank you all so much!

#### **New Member Request**

We are looking for more ladies to join our Mission Ladies group. All are welcomed. We meet every Wednesday from 9 am to 11:30 am

We do not meet during the months of: June, July, Aug. & Dec. If interested please call: Dolores Scaletta 708-839-9605

#### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL NEWS



This past week, The school community celebrated its back to school Mass with Father Bob. The students focused the mass on "family" to echo the theme of the school year.

Having finished their first full week of school, the staff and students are well into their routine and studies.

We look forward to a short week next week as we get ready to celebrate Fall Fest!

Hope to see you all there!

#### PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK



#### SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>
6:00 p.m. in Morrissey Hall
ST. CLETUS PARISH FAMILY POTLUCK

More details, soon.

#### MINISTRY OF CARE TRAINING

Is God Calling You? Please Listen To
Your Heart...We Need Your Help

We are always looking for new volunteers for the Ministry of Care. Ministers in this ministry provide a compassionate presence, prayer and the Eucharist to those in hospital, homebound, in rehabilitation facilities or nursing homes. Time commitment is by agreement and ranges from 1 - 10 hours per month. St Francis Xavier is offering Archdiocese certified training beginning on Sept 8th for six weeks, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. This is an alternative to the training offered by Jane Schlesser at the Carmelite Center, Darien. If interested or to get more information please contact Deacon Stuart phone (708)215-5407 or email sheyes@stcletusparish.com.

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

"God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world... Comfort and console us, strengthen us in hope, and give us the wisdom and courage to work tirelessly for a world where true peace and love reign."



Pope Francis, "Prayer of Remembrance" Ground Zero Memorial, New York, Sept. 25, 2015

#### MINISTERS OF COMMUNION/LECTORS

CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW? Please call 215-5422 if you would like to become a Minister of Communion or a Lector. A training time can be arranged and the reward is amazing. Schedules are flexible according to your availability. Please don't miss the opportunity to serve at the Lord's table. Contact Paulette Bolton — pbolton@stcletusparish.com.

# **Community Bulletin Board**

#### **JOYFUL AGAIN WIDOWED MINISTRY**



Are you Widowed? Do you need to find a way thru life's changes back to happier times? There will be a retreat/workshop for Widowed Men & Women:

Oct 22 & 23 – Nazareth Retreat Hse. Batavia

**Nov. 5 & 6** – Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer (located in Lemont on Alvernia Manor's campus). Overnight included, no commuters.

Space limited – register early.

Ph: 708-354-7211

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#### SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

Please join the Sisters of St. Joseph for Coffee & Conversation on Saturday, September 25, 2016 from



8:30 a.m.- 9:30 a.m. in Welcome Hall, 1515 W. Ogden Avenue in La Grange Park. The topic is presented by Sister Sallie Latkovich, CSJ: MISSING!!! Women of the Bible Missing in the Lectionary. No RSVP is necessary; this is a drop in event. A free will offering may be made.

The next Coffee and Conversation is scheduled for Saturday, October 29th, presented by Sister Mary Jo Curtsinger, CSJ: Meeting the Indigenous Catholics of Chiapas Through the Eyes of Their Pastors.

Questions? Contact Karen: 708-482-5037, khermandemuro@csjoseph.org.

#### **CRAFTERS WANTED**

Display your "crafty" handmade items at the Fall Craft Show on November 19 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at St. Barbara Parish Center, 4015 S. Prairie, Brookfield. Call Alicia at 485-2502 for application fees and space information.

#### **COMMUNITY NURSE HEALTH EVENT**

Lobster Bake 2016 - Saturday, September 17 6pm – 11pm The Community House 415 W. Eighth Street Hinsdale, IL Cocktails on the Patio with music by Jazz Factory

Traditional Lobster Bake Dinner (with alternate choice of grilled chicken or vegan pasta offered), Wine Pull, Program featuring Community Health Champions Award Teri Goudie, Master of Ceremonies, "Big Claw" Raffle Drawings for 4 night trip to St. Lucia and Private Lobster Bake, Paddle Raise, Whiskey Tasting in the Lobster Trap, Dancing and music by Enough Said. Tickets - \$195 each.

#### **QUEEN OF PEACE H.S. 1966 REUNION**

Queen of Peace is hosting a reunion for the Class of 1966. These wonderful women were the FIRST graduating class! Reunion events include a luncheon at Eddie Merlot's on Sunday, Sept. 25th from 12-3:30pm and Mass at Queen of Peace on Monday, Sept. 26 at 9am. For more information please visit www.queenofpeacehs.org/alumnae/reunions or contact Cindy Kmetty at 708.496.4750.

# DIVORCE AND BEYOND SUPPORT MINISTRY

#### Fri. September 16, 2016 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

The Divorce and Beyond ministry of St. John of the Cross provides support, healing and guidance to the recently divorced or those in the process of divorce. Divorce and Beyond is a faith-based, Christian support ministry that welcomes all faith traditions.

Each session highlights a different aspect of the divorcehealing process. Session topics include: *Managing anger, blame, loneliness, and achieving growth and personal happiness.* Sessions are led by Divorce and Beyond graduates who are committed to fostering the personal and spiritual growth of all participants.

#### Register online:

www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond or call the SJC Pastoral Ministry Office @ 708-246-4404 (x 137)

(A \$10.00 fee for participant manual may be paid at the first session)

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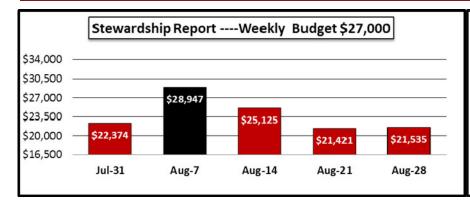
The diocesan Biblical Institute is registering new students for classes being held at **Visitation Parish** in Elmhurst Saturday mornings 9-11a.m. This is comprehensive program covers every book of the Bible with an emphasis on both scriptural scholarship and the faith development of the program's participants. Classes begin September 24. Preview Event is September 10 at Visitation Parish in Elmhurst 9-10:30 am. Register before the September 30 deadline! For more info, including a brochure and registration forms, go to www.dioceseofjoliet.org/reo and click on *The Biblical Institute*.

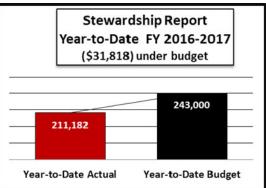
### Week at a Glance

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DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	
Sunday, September 4	All Masses 4:00pm	Narthex S Music Rm	Welcome Committee Teen Choir Rehearsal	
Monday, September 5			All Facilities Closed after 8 a.m. Mass	
Tuesday, September 6	6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Church RB MH S Rm 200 S Rm 213	Holy Hour School Board Meeting Catechist Meeting KAIROS Meeting Social Concerns Commission Meeting	
Wednesday, September 7				
Thursday, September 8	5-10pm		St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest	
Friday, September 9	5-11pm		St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest	
Saturday, September 10	7-10pm		St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest	
Sunday, September 11	11:00am 12-9pm	Stage	First Responders Mass St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest	

# **Stewardship Report**

#### **WEEKLY GIVING REPORT**





# SUPPORT ST. CLETUS PARISH WITH ONLINE GIVING



Many St. Cletus Parishioners have taken advantage of our online giving site to set up their monthly donations to St. Cletus parish. You can make

your donation online by logging onto our website, www.stcletusparish.com and clicking on the "Donate" button. Register using your checking account, debit card or credit card. Questions? Call Mary Zwolinski in the St. Cletus Parish Rectory, (708) 352-6209.



## St. Cletus Parish Information

#### **CONTACT US**

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www.stcletusparish.com	<b>f</b> steletuschurch

#### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Saturday	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
(Please note the office will close at r	noon on Fridays over the summer.)
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

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office.

#### WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

#### HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

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

Holy Hour first Tuesday of the month 6:00-7:00 p.m. Hispanic Adoration continues 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

#### 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.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor

Rev. Kenneth Baker, Associate Pastor Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa, Associate Pastor Rev. Ron Anglim, Weekend Associate

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Rev. Mr. Stuart & Marlene Heyes, Deacon Couple

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