

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

May 28
2017

ASCENSION OF THE

Lord

MEN OF GALILEE, WHY ARE YOU
STANDING THERE STARING AT THE SKY?
THIS JESUS WHO HAS BEEN
TAKEN UP FROM YOU INTO HEAVEN
WILL RETURN IN THE SAME WAY AS YOU
HAVE SEEN HIM GOING INTO HEAVEN.

Acts 1:11



Mass Intentions for the Week of May 29 - June 4, 2017

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Martha Mullaney, Frederick Sager, Dennis Baker
Tuesday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Sebastion & Mary Meyer
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Linda M. Guide, Fred Czachor
Thursday	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention - Lisa Brooks Ruelf
Friday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners
Saturday	Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m.	Mary Madura, Kim Zwolinski
	Fr. Clark	5:00 p.m.	Benjamin Patrick Hyink, Stanley Zagorski, Georgia Popp, Mary Kozlowski, Dennis Baker, Tom Kosik
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m.	Bill DePasquale, Marco & Emilia Rattin, John & Frances Kennedy, George Duda, Patrick Mahoney
	Fr. Baker	8:00 a.m.	St. Cletus Parishioners
	Fr. Clark	9:30 a.m.	Lois Visk, Dolores E. Kuchta, Henry & Anna Pleszka, Bob Thomas, Bernie & Carol Hennessy
	Fr. Baker	11:00 a.m.	Mary Kozlowski, Stacy Baker, Bob Thomas, Gene Kennedy, Dennis Delaney, John Joseph O'Connor
	Fr. Gamboa	12:30 p.m.	Harold Janecek, Helen Janecek, Maria Guadalupe C. de Almendarez, Damaso Almendarez



ST. CLETUS PARISH WELCOMES...

John Downs Weber

Son of Meghan Downs & Christopher Weber

Nora Estelle Burger

Daughter of Maureen Hilton & John Burger

Peter Kenneth Barr

Son of Carolyn Cetera & Chris Barr

Mary Elizabeth Dudak

Daughter of Angela Winkowski & Michael Dudak

to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.



SUMMER RECTORY HOURS BEGIN IN JUNE

Rectory Hours June, July and August 2017

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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.

May

Fernando Cabral

April

Kris Kahn, Peter May and Frank Niwa, Ann Smith-Walls

March

Bonnie Boerste, Emily Devine, Dan Haske, Fr. Charles Payne, Laura Terrazino, John Duda, Ernie and Katarina Dufner, Susan Star

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

RECTORY CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 29



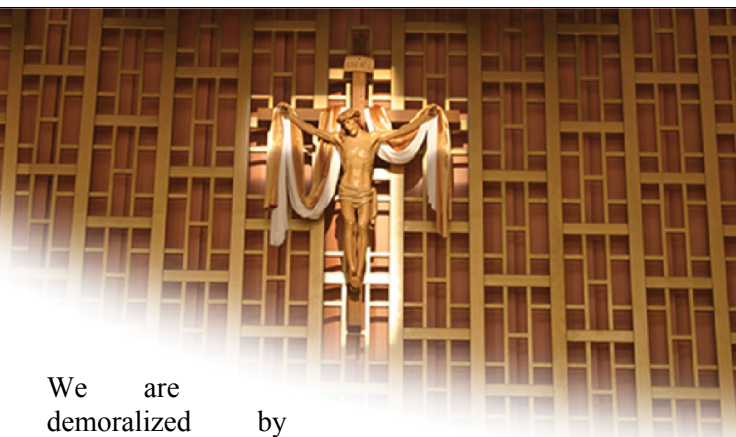
In observance of Memorial Day, all parish facilities will be closed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, May 29. The rectory office will reopen Tuesday, May 30 at 9:00 a.m.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

ASCENSION SUNDAY

Yes, the Ascension is the day of Christ's victorious homecoming. It is the day when the Son returns, having achieved all that the Father had asked of him. But it is also a day for the Church, for it is the infant Church that has gathered on that hillside in Galilee, summoned there by the Risen Lord. It is interesting to note that in Eastern icons depicting the Ascension, Mary is placed among the Apostles. She is pit there not primarily as the Mother of Christ, but as the image of the Church. On that hillside, Christ's followers gather to hear the words of the one on whom God the Father has bestowed divine authority. His words cannot be but momentous, and they are words of commission and of promise. The Church is to bring the gospel and the saving waters of baptism to every nation on earth. To emphasize that very point, the Eastern artist also places Paul, the great missionary, in his Ascension icon. Nor must the Church forget that the last words that Christ spoke on earth were words of promise: "And know that I am with you always; yes to the end of time." (Matt. 28:20). There is more to this feast than the image of the Son's return. In fact, Matthew's Gospel passage is not one of image, for Christ's ascension is not described. It is a gospel of words, final words that point to the very essence of being Christ's Church.

The Church is human; the Church is missionary; the Church is the community of hope. This Feast of the Ascension is a festival of hope for the whole human family. The great theologian, Karl Rahner, described it as a "festival for the future of the world." Humanity without hope becomes less than human, sometimes monstrously so. The Ascension confronts all human hopelessness. Our destiny has been revealed. One of us, Jesus of Nazareth, as truly human as he is divine, has gone ahead and awaits us at God's right hand. This is the hope that must be shared with everyone. Hence we have the mission given to us by Christ. The first reading reminds us that we are not to be an escapist Church, staring into the sky. Nor can we be a Church of narrow agenda, seeking to restore some golden past. We cannot be anything else but a Church with a message of hope for every human being. To achieve this, we ourselves must truly be men and women of hope. Our hope is not just for an ultimate destiny, but for our here and now. In our present circumstances, we can be tempted to hopelessness. While retaining the vision of eternity for ourselves and those dear to us, we can effectively become less than hopeful when it comes to the great mission of the Church. We have become a minority. We are assaulted by bad news.



We are demoralized by scandal. We are simply one voice among many. Religion seems to be privatized, and it is hard to feel the imperative of the great mission. Hopelessness, the temptation of those who think that they are alone and helpless, can so easily set in. Therefore, we must renew our faith in Christ's final promise. The late Pope John Paul made these the very words of Christ the foundation of the Church's program for the new millennium. He called us to a trusting awareness of Christ's presence among us. We also renew our faith in St. Paul's message today: we are the body of Christ; Christ is the head of the Church: that is, the head of our parish, our archdiocese, as well as the universal Church! With such a head, how can we be anything else but a body filled with enduring hope and with all the energy of mission?

Blessings of the Ascension,

**Fr. Bob
Pastor**



Parish School



DATES TO REMEMBER

Eighth Grade Graduation May 31
 Last Day of School..... June 9
 Cardinal Open Golf Outing..... June 23

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

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



Annual Ribbon Ceremony

Eighth grade is a truly special year at St. Cletus full of many traditions focused on bonding and faith as our students head off to high school. Recently our 8th-graders participated in the annual ribbon ceremony. The ribbons, in the school colors of red and white, are a symbol of achievement and are signed by all the 8th-graders as a memento of the friends they made while at St. Cletus. This event has been a unique tradition at the school for over 25 years.

To make the ceremony even more special, the 8th grade teachers choose one vocabulary word from among the list of 300-plus words that the class studies throughout the year to best describe each student. So as a student comes forward to accept his or her ribbon, the teachers announce their carefully selected word, define it and then describe why it is fitting for that particular eighth-grader. The teachers have been doing this for many years and it is another tradition that makes St. Cletus such a special place.



2017 St. Cletus Cardinal Open

Friday, June 23rd



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

\$125 per Golfer
 Includes cart, snacks, beverages on the course, door prizes, lunch, and a buffet dinner with open bar

For More Information:
 golfouting@stcletusparish.com
 golfouting.stcletusschool.com

Young Leaders

This week the school had its Leadership Prayer Service. The service started off with National Junior Honor Society welcoming in new sixth and seventh grade members. To become a member of NJHS a student must meet a high level of academic, community and service goals. To finish off the all school assembly the current student government was recognized for their hard work and leadership over the school year and the new school government was installed.

Our school is blessed to have so many students participating in these opportunities to realize their full potential.

Religious Education



Parents: What are your kids doing this summer?

Have them join us at Maker Fun Factory VBS!

Calling all children in Kindergarten-4th Grade! We invite you to join us on June 19-23rd as we imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God! We will spark creativity with interactive decorations, games, snacks, crafts and experiences!

Hurry! Spots are filling up fast, and we have limited enrollment!

When: June 19-23

Time: 9 a.m. – 12 noon each day

Where: Morrissey Hall in the Parish School building

How to register: complete online registration form at stcletusparish.com/re/, or pick up a form at the Rectory, Religious Education Office or the back of Church. Return the completed form and the \$50 registration fee (fee can be paid online through the Parish website).

Age of kids in VBS: Any child entering Kindergarten – 4th Grade in the Fall is welcome to register!

Can I volunteer? YES! We are looking for volunteers to join our Crew! We are looking for Junior High and High School Students as well as Adults to join us! If you are interested, please contact Barb Campbell at bcampbell@stcletusparish.com or call (708) 352-2383.



Sunday Notes - The Ascension of the Lord

SHARE THE HOPE

The readings for today's celebration of the Ascension of the Lord once again remind us that as Christians we are people of hope. In the second reading Saint Paul eloquently exhorts the Ephesians to enlighten their hearts so that they will know the hope and glory that come from being people who place their trust in the Lord Jesus. In the story of the Ascension, recounted in the first reading, the Lord Jesus assures the disciples that the Holy Spirit's power will come upon them. Finally, in the Gospel, the Lord lets the disciples know that their mission is to spread the hope of the gospel to all the nations. This wonderful feast keeps our eyes focused on the hope in which we were grounded on the day of our baptism.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalms — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).

Gospel — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16;
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or
Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c,
27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord;
Monday: Memorial Day
Tuesday: Shavuot ("Weeks"), the Jewish festival of the giving of the Law, begins at sunset
Wednesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday: St. Justin
Friday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter; First Friday
Saturday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions;

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If you could somehow transport a third-century Christian into your twenty-first-century Sunday Mass, once the initial shock wore off he or she would be more or less at home with the structure of the first part of the liturgy, the Word. The second part might be more difficult to comprehend. The stumbling block would be the book. We have a book, a missal that is set down on the altar with a very precisely prescribed set of words for the priest to say and the people to sing at the Eucharistic Prayer. In the early days of the church, there were no set "formulas" for this prayer. The ancients would have raised eyebrows at our "bookishness" since they preferred to let the prayers roll forth from a gifted leader of prayer. There was a basic shape to the prayer of thanksgiving, and almost general agreement that the words of Christ at the Last Supper ought to be included.

By the second century, Justin Martyr wrote that the presider "gives thanks at some length . . . and when he has finished the prayers and the thanksgiving, all the people present give their assent by saying 'Amen.'" In the world before books, people could memorize long passages of prose and poetry, and so it is easy to see how particular phrases or expressions passed from church to church.

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*He was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.*
— Acts 1:9

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Youth Ministry

VICARIATE AWARDS

“Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence...” (1 Pt 3:15)

Each year the Archdiocese of Chicago seeks nomination of high school teens who have exemplified leadership qualities in a variety of ministries within youth ministry and within the parish at large. This year we recognized two dozen teens who have not only remained committed to their ministry roles but also have gone above the minimum requirements to share their faith the community around them. These individuals have sought out ways to share that the reason for their hope is Christ, and they share their faith with gentleness and reverence.

This past weekend, we recognized these high school teens at the 9:30 mass with certificates of appreciation signed by Bishop Manz. Following the mass, the teens and their families were invited to attend a delicious brunch reception in Morrissey Hall. Thank you to Roger Ketzka of Fat Pepper catering for the wonderful meal. It was a lovely celebration of the vibrancy of teen participation in our parish and in our Church.

This group of teens is not an all-inclusive list of the dozens of teens involved in parish life, and while we cannot recognize every teen individually, our parish is in gratitude for your decision to serve as you do. I also want to thank our pastor, Fr. Bob, as well as Fr. Ken and Fr. Lorenzo, Deacon Stuart and Deacon Jesus, who have supported teens in ministry. I thank other parish staff, who welcome teens to be part of parish life through the Religious Education program, social concerns ministry, as well as liturgical and music ministries. Parents, I also want to thank you! I know it takes encouragement and dedication on your part to coordinate schedules and priorities so that teens can remain active in parish life on top of other commitments, and we are so grateful. Thank you! A few photos from the event are below.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE YOUTH MINISTRY MISSION TRIP JUNE 3-4

There will be a second collection after all masses the weekend of June 3rd and 4th. This collection will support youth ministry to help us with our fundraising efforts for our summer service trip to South Bend, IN. Our funds will help cover the cost of renting vans to reach our destination and travel to and from our service sites as well as to cover the cost of registration for teens and adult volunteers. Thank you in advance to all parishioners for their prayerful support and financial contributions to make it possible for our teens to follow the Holy Spirit’s prompting to respond to the Gospel by serving God’s people through this week-long service commitment.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP ON SPIRITUAL GIFTS- NEW DATE

Join us on **Monday, June 5th** for a mini-retreat focused on Uncovering Gifts! Take some time to discover what gifts may be hiding within you and then discern the ways you can put those gifts to use. All teens welcome who have completed at least one year of high school. Whether you have been a leader in the past in youth ministry and want a capstone to your experience, or plan to be a leader in the future and are exploring the ways you will lead, or have little or no experience in ministry at all, this event is for you! The retreat will be held at St. John of the Cross from 10-2.



RSVP to Elizabeth Tomasek or to Katie Hayes at khayes@stjohnofthecross.org by May 25th.



Social Concerns Ministry

Food Pantry

Most needed at this time:

- 2 or 3 lb. rice
- Dry pinto beans
- Canned/dry milk
- Juice
- Coffee
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- \$10 Jewel Gift Cards

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

Our clients are most grateful to the volunteers they see, as well as those who work behind the scenes—they realize how many people donate grocery items and put in volunteer hours to keep our pantry in operation.

Special thanks to all who keep our food pantry up and running.

Please keep our client families in your prayers.

FOOD PANTRY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES THURSDAY, JUNE 8

1:30

We no longer need volunteers at this time.

6:00-8:30pm

Volunteers to help carry bags and assist during food pantry distribution.

Sign Up for all Summer Dates online

Click on Food Pantry Summer Sign Up at: <http://socialconcerns.stcletusparish.com>. Thank you!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Women in the U.S. are 11 times more likely to be murdered with guns than women in other high-income countries.
- 46 women will be murdered with guns this month by a current or former intimate partner.
- A woman in a domestic violence situation that includes a gun is 500% more likely to be killed, while in states that require a background check for every handgun sale, 38% fewer women are shot to death by intimate partners.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
— ARCHDIOCESE of CHICAGO —
AWARENESS • SERVICES • PREVENTION

The color orange symbolizes the value of human life. Hunters wear orange in the woods to protect themselves and others. In 2013, teens on the South Side of Chicago asked classmates to honor their murdered friend by wearing orange. That simple call to action has grown into a national movement – and orange is becoming the symbol of gun safety. Explore new ways to join the movement, and #WearOrange on June 2 for National Gun Violence Awareness Day!



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

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP:
708.485.5254

Please contact Kendall at 708.215.5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com for more info.

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.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Social Concerns Ministry contact Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com



WEAR ORANGE

NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY ♦ JUNE 2

#WearingOrange

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Come to the Career Resource Center

The CRC is a volunteer staffed resource where job seekers receive assistance with internet usage, resume/cover letter preparation and electronic job search skills including LinkedIn...a powerful tool that will help energize your job search. These services are available at no cost on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month in the First Baptist Church of La Grange, 20 N. Ashland Avenue (across from the west side of the La Grange Post Office). No appointment is needed. Just ring the doorbell at the Ashland Ave. Office entrance. We're here to help you!

ICN offers job support through various programs throughout the month. For further information, please visit our website at www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS



Interfaith Community Partners is a non-profit organization that works together with volunteers to provide rides to older adults

and individuals with disabilities in the Lyons, Proviso, and Riverside Townships. Over 85 volunteers provide escorted transportation to medical appointments, therapies, and life-enhancing errands such as the grocery store, bank, and church. We also take our clients with disabilities to their places of employment. There is no cost to our clients, and we rely solely on private donations, grants, fundraisers, and church support for funding.

We need you! Please consider becoming a volunteer driver.

Contact us at 708-354-9328 for an information packet, or visit us at www.interfaithcommunitypartners.org, and like us on Facebook.

Can you spare an hour a week? We will work around your busy life.

WORD OF LIFE

“The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’”

Every Suicide is Tragic
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
www.goo.gl/KEXpR9



CATHOLIC CHARITIES



Catholic Charities Resources and Information for Immigrants Workshops – May 31 & June 14

These community education workshops incorporate information related to immigrant rights; legal resources available to immigrants including guardianship and powers of attorney; and coping with stress and anxiety. The workshop will be offered; Wednesday, May 31, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Casimir, 2601 W. Marquette St. in Chicago; and Wednesday, June 14, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Agnes of Bohemian, 2651 S. Central Park Ave. in Chicago. For more information and immigration services, visit www.catholiccharities.net.

Catholic Charities 44th Annual Senior Unity Mass – June 1

In celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago, Rev. Monsignor Michael M. Boland invites all senior citizens to Catholic Charities 44th Annual Senior Unity Mass on Thursday, June 1, at 10 a.m. Mass is held at Holy Family Church, 1080 W. Roosevelt Rd. in Chicago. A social gathering, information fair, and free hot luncheon will be held immediately following the service. Free parking is conveniently available for cars and buses. Reservation is required, space is limited. For reservations, contact (312) 655-7425 or keenager@catholiccharities.net

Free Community Health Fair – June 10

Catholic Charities is hosting a free community health fair on Saturday, June 10, at Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 1150 N. River Rd. in Des Plaines. The health fair offers free medical screenings and physical exams for adults and children. There will also be free back to school physicals for children. Registration for all participants runs from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at each location. All health fairs run from 9 a.m. to noon. There is no co-payment and identification is not required to receive services. All of the screenings are done by medical professional volunteers, many of whom are bilingual. For more information, call (312) 655-7441.

Other Ministry Notes

SCCCW NEWS

Save the Date

The next general membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13th at 7:00 pm in Kindergarten Room 98. ALL women between the ages of 18 and 118 are welcome to join!!! We need you! Please contact our membership chair, Nataliya Ligas for information at (708) 870-7878 or broker.nataliya@gmail.com.



WEDDING MINISTRY

IS THE WEDDING MINISTRY CALLING YOU?



Wedding Ministry

All you have to say is "I do"- to accept the call and you are on your way. You would work with a partner in talking and walking the bridal party through their rehearsal (the night before) and being present at the wedding to assist in setting up as needed.

There is an easy guide to follow and you would be trained. It's a great ministry to help ease any anxiety of the happy couple. It is not a large time commitment as weddings occur sporadically and the more ministers we have, your service can be spaced at your preference. Please think about this and give me a call (or send an e-mail) if you have any questions or would like more information. Thank you.

Contact Paulette Bolton at 708 215-5422 or email pbolton@stcletusparish.com

ROSARY MINISTRY

100 Years of Faith in Mary. Will you join us?

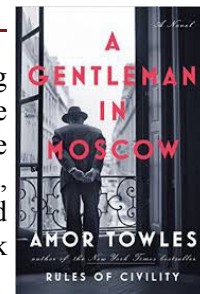
Mary appeared to three little children in Fatima, in 1917, with the message that believers should pray the rosary for peace and an end to war. This message has been handed down through the years. We are children of Fatima and must continue to pray for peace now as much as a century ago.



Please join us to pray the entire Rosary on May 28th at 12:15 in Room 98 of the school. The Living Rosary welcomes new members who pray one decade of the rosary each day, again to pray for peace. Thanks to everyone who donated rosaries over the year and made this Rosary ministry possible.

ST. CLETUS BOOK CLUB

The St. Cletus Book Club will be meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday evening, June 13th. We'll meet in room 102 in the school and will discuss the popular book, "A Gentleman in Moscow". All interested participants are most welcome, so think about joining us for a fun discussion.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY



Past Presidents of HNS (lt to rt): George Popp, Dick Maday, Dan Gibbons, Bill Feeley, Joe Delaloye, Charlie Schiller, Jim Matthews, Bill Wettstein. Current President, Rod Bradford - not pictured.

Our last meeting of the year will be held on Friday, June 2nd at 8:00 p.m.



SUMMER PROGRAM UPDATES

Golf Outing - The 16th Annual Cardinal Open will be held on Friday, June 23rd at Gleneagles Country Club. For sponsorships or more info email us at golfouting@stcletusparish.com.

Independence Day Mass - Join us for our traditional 4th of July Mass with the Independence Band at 8 a.m. on July 4th.

Rummage Sale - We will not be hosting our annual Rummage Sale this June.

Vacation Bible School - Be sure to register your kindergarten - 4th grade kids for St. Cletus Vacation Bible School which will be held June 19-23rd. Complete the online registration form at stcletusparish.com/re. More information can be found on page 5.

CREDO - CONTINUOUS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

CREDO Library - Good News and Bad News

Dear Parishioners,

The CREDO Library just turned six. Generous parishioners have donated 1,921 items to make our library a success. From the last inventory, on May 28, 2016 to this year's inventory on April 1, 2017, 239 items circulated and were returned, and another 343 remain checked out.

The bad news is that of those 343 items that are checked out, 189 were checked out in 2015 or earlier, which leads CREDO to wonder if they will ever be returned. Even worse news is that 204 items are missing – not checked out, likely just taken. So we are missing or have had checked out for a very long time 393 items or 20% of our collection.

The circulation periods are two months for books and two weeks for DVD's or CD's, though CREDO typically waits several more months before calling. We have added green stickers to each book asking people to sign out the books with name and phone number in hopes of cutting down on loss of the collection.

Please help us to keep our parish library strong and vital by returning items promptly. Thank You.

Bible Study Completed!

Seventeen parishioners completed the 23-week Bible study called The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation, fifteen of whom are pictured. This was a very time-intensive Bible study that covered the fourteen narrative books of the Bible that tell salvation history, while dipping into other books, the letters of Peter and Paul, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

CREDO is discussing tentative plans for next year, including a possible study of the book of Revelation and some additional DVD programming by Bishop Barron. We hope you can join us for one or more of our adult faith opportunities next year. Have a great summer!

CREDO

Continuing Religious Education Opportunities



REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES HAS BEGUN!



The St. Cletus Religious Education department has programs to fit the needs of each parish family. Our **Early Childhood Program** provides beginning religious instruction to children ages 3-5.

Songs, crafts and stories are used to instill a sense of community and introduce these young members of our parish to Jesus' word. For families with children in public schools, we have **Traditional Religious Education Classes** and **sacramental preparation** for children in 1st – 8th Grade, where the children have an encounter with Jesus through scripture, service experiences, interactive activities and games, and classroom experiences. These classes occur on Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:45 a.m. or on Monday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. throughout the academic year.

Please take the time to complete the forms to register your children for RE classes for the 2017-2018 academic year! **Registrations are due by June 30, 2017.** Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re, in the Parish Rectory, Religious Education Office, or in the back of the Church.

Please take the time to register today!

To get priority placement, please consider volunteering your time and talents in one of the following ways:

AS A CATECHIST

Catechists receive weekly lesson plans and all resource materials to conduct an interactive lesson.

AS A CLASSROOM AIDE

Aides assist the Catechist weekly in the classroom

AS AN OFFICE VOLUNTEER DURING CLASS TIME

Office Volunteers assume responsibility weekly for assisting with the operations during RE classes

AS A MEMBER OF OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD

Board Members meet monthly with the Director of Religious Education and the Pastor to provide input and feedback on the Religious Education program, and to assist in the implementation of various programs.

AS A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Subs are sometimes needed to cover for a Catechist who cannot attend one of our scheduled classes.

Questions?

Contact Barb Campbell at bcampbell@stcletusparish.com or call (708) 352-2383.

Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN



Joyful Again! Program For Widowed Men and Women

Are you widowed? Have you reached a crossroads? Are you at a turning point? Do you want to move forward with your life, while still treasuring your memories?

The Joyful Again program brings understanding and hope to help you in your life's new journey.

What: Workshop/retreat for Widowed Men and Women

Where: St. Julie Billiart Parish Tinley Park, IL

When: July 1 & 2, 2017

(Also on July 22 & 23, Holy Family, Inverness – near Palatine)

For information or to register call: Joyful Again Widowed Ministry 708-354-7211

THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF POMPEII

Moving On With Grace: A Spiritual Journey for Men and Women Grieving the Death of a Spouse

Saturday, June 3, 2017 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. \$25 Paid Registration by Wednesday, May 31. (Lunch included). If you'd like more information, please contact Susan M. Pudelek, spudelek@ourladyofpompeii.org, 1224 W. Lexington St. Chicago IL 60607.

SUBURBAN CATHOLIC SINGLES GROUP (SCSG)

Multi Parish Ministry For singles in their 40's and 50's

March Events

Saturday, 6/17, 5:30pm join us for Dinner at Palmer's, 56 S LaGrange Road in La Grange. Cost is your dinner. Please RSVP by 6/14.

Friday, 7/21 7:00 pm join us for Dinner and Karaoke at JC's pub 8650 Joliet Rd. in McCook. Cost is your dinner. Please RSVP by 7/18.

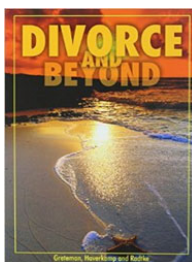
Above events are subject to change. You can contact us at singlesadmin@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook – Suburban Catholic Singles

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSION

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

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS



2017 Divorce and Beyond Support Summer Series

Thursday Evenings 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

July 13, 20, 27 & Aug 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

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. It is a faith-based, Catholic Christian support ministry that also welcomes other faith traditions.

Each session highlights a different aspect of the divorce-healing 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: www.stjohnofthecross.org/divorceandbeyond or Call Steve Weigand @ 708-246-4404. Cost: \$10.00 Participant Manual (may be picked up prior to or at the first session).

2017 Seasons of Hope Grief Support Summer Series



St. John of the Cross Pastoral Ministry will once again host a 'Seasons of Hope' support group this summer. Seasons of Hope is for anyone grieving the loss of a family member or loved one.

'Seasons of Hope' is a six-session series designed to help participants work through the grieving process. Each meeting presents a faith-based topic and includes small and large group discussion, use of Scripture, prayer, journaling and other resources to create an atmosphere of healing, consolation, support and hope.

It is recommended that participants allow 3-6 mo. from time of loss before attending, however no one is excluded.

The summer session runs from Mon. July 10 - Aug 14 (7-8:30 pm) and is facilitated by experienced and caring adults who are familiar with all stages of the grief process.

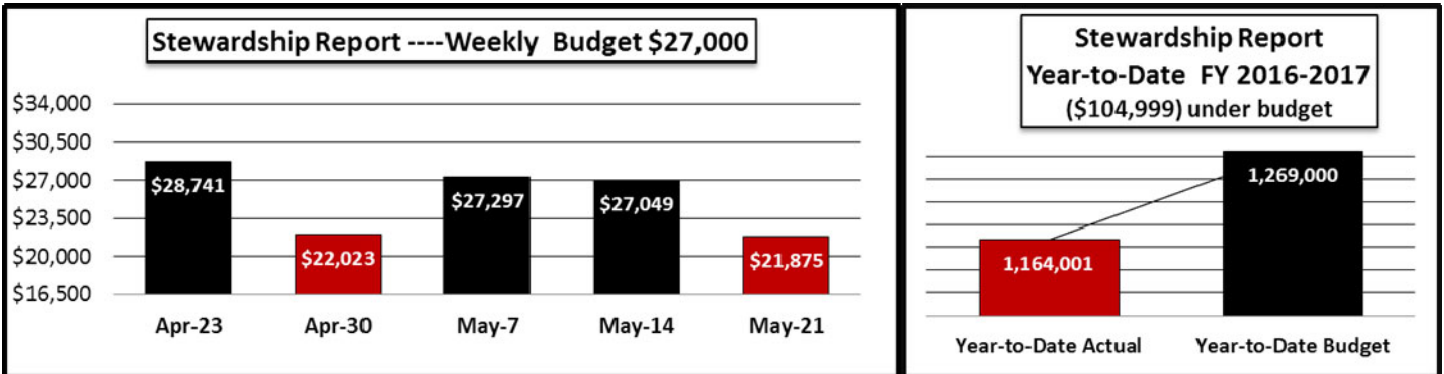
Register online @ www.stjohnofthecross.org/grief-ministry/ or call Steve Weigand (708) 246-4404.

'We know the path on which you are walking because we have walked it too. Our prayers are with you.'

Week at a Glance

C...Church	S...School (Education Building)	Narthex...Church Vestibule	RB...Rectory Basement	MH...Morrissey Hall
DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	
Sunday, May 28	12:15pm	Rm 98	Living Rosary	
Monday, May 29			All Facilities Closed after 8:00am Mass	
Tuesday, May 30	1:30pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	Church MH S Rm 207	St. Cletus School 8th Grade Awards Girls Church League Basketball Men's Prayer Group	
Wednesday, May 31	9:00am 7:00pm	RB Church	Mission Ladies St. Cletus School Graduation	
Thursday, June 1	5:00pm 7:30pm	S Music Rm S Music Rm	Combined Children's Choir Chancel Choir Rehearsal	
Friday, June 2	8:00pm	S Rm 98	Holy Name Society Meeting	
Saturday, June 3	5:00pm	Narthex	Welcome Committee	
Sunday, June 4	All Masses 11:00am	Narthex Church	Welcome Committee Family Mass	

Stewardship Report



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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

MASSES

Saturday Evening 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
 Weekdays Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.
 Evening before Holy Day 7:00 p.m.
 Holy Day 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 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

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

STAFF

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Clark, *Pastor*
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