

# *Saint Cletus Parish Canticle*

Lord, send out your spirit,  
renew the face of the earth.  
-Psalm 104



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## PENTECOST SUNDAY

“Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink.”  
- Jn 7:37b

ALL GAVE SOME,  
SOME GAVE ALL



## Mass Intentions for May 29- June 4, 2023

Day	Time	Presider	Intentions
May 29	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Martha Mullaney
May 30	8:00am	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners
May 31	8:00am	Fr. Romero	BC and Rip Collins
June 1	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Adrian Verhoeven
June 2	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Michael Patrick Ryan, Nan and Bob Rettig, Louie Marasovic
June 3	5:00pm	Fr. Novick	Fr. Charles Watkins, Edward Glowicki, Irene Cooper, Henry Meske
June 4	7:15am	Fr. Romero	John Duda, Kopacz Family, Campbell Family, Marco, Emilia Rattin and Bill DePasquale, John and Frances Kennedy
	8:45am	Fr. Lodge	Anne Marie Nabor, Evelyn Prevenas
	10:30am	Fr. Novick	Nicholas Lodato, Norberto Gonzalez Sr., Martin Gaitan, Rosario Martinez, Frederick Gross Kopf, Stancy Baker, John Baker
	12:30pm	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners

### 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 - Patty Garza, Kathryn Rak, Ignatius DeVeno, Erin McMahon Leddon, Maria Farfan, Nicholas Rodriguez**

**April - Patricia Rodey, Karol Picazo, Joe Orr, Geraldine Osmolak**

**March - Enemorio Cisneros, Galdino Padilla, Juana Garcia, Beto Montalvo, Laura Terrazino, Charlie McCarthy, Denise and Rich Jandura, and Baby Muffy, Francie Smith, Enrique Durán, Donald Hogue**



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

**Rosemarie W. Mochel**

**May she rest in peace....**

### HOSPITALITY THIS WEEKEND!

Join us for hospitality after all Masses this weekend. This month will be hosted by our Liturgical Ministers. We look forward to gathering together for refreshments, conversation, and fellowship. All are welcome!



## Pastor's Note

*“And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim,”*  
Acts 2:4.

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend with faith and gratitude we celebrate Pentecost. We are invited not only to recall the day the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples but also the moment the Holy Spirit was poured into our hearts at our Baptism and Confirmation.

What is the Holy Spirit? According to St. Paul, the Holy Spirit is the love of God poured into our hearts (Romans 5:5). In a sense, He is the Spirit of the Lord; He is the life of God himself, making his home in us. I encourage you to pray, reflect, and share with others the way St. Paul allows us to understand and experience the Holy Spirit at the level of the heart.

How is the Holy Spirit shaping our lives and the lives of those we love? How is the Holy Spirit guiding us in our lives? How is the Holy Spirit assisting us to practice our faith and remain close to God who loves us? How is the Holy Spirit inspiring us to share our blessings with others? Let me share with you some of them.

As a parish we continue to notice our desire to grow in friendship with each other. We want to be with each other. We want to share our joys and blessings with others. We want to those who are new to our parish community to feel especially welcome. I am happy to let you know that some members of our parish community in line with this goal have been working together to offer us a second annual Pig Roast which will happen on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, after our 5:00 PM. I am confident that we all will have a marvelous time together. Please keep our leaders in prayer. In their dedication, leadership, and ministry we can sense the work of the Holy Spirit.

The members of the St. Fiacre Society Ministry continue to enhance our parish. As you come to pray you can notice the fruits of their labors. Each plant receives special care and attention from them. They love gardening. They love making our church look pretty. I am humbled by their service and dedication. They allow the Holy Spirit to influence their hearts. I am grateful for their ministry and the witness they give us. I pray that the Lord continues to fill their hearts with his joy and peace.

On Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Holy Name Cathedral Cardinal Cupich ordained five men priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Each of them walked towards the altar radiating peace and joy. They surrendered everything to the Lord. They allowed God to pour into their hearts his love. The Cathedral was filled with their family, friends, and people that have helped them become a priest of Jesus Christ. Let us keep them in prayer as we continue to pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

May the Holy Spirit poured into our hearts continue to nourish our relationship with God the Son and God the Father.

Fr. Elmer Romero



***Let us pray for Kevin Gregus, Daniel Korenchan, Michael Mehringer, Francisco Javier Pagan Portalatin, and Jesus Raya Custodio***

## Note From Father Mike

### Come, Holy Spirit

There is a great church-hymn called *Veni, Creator Spiritus* (“O Holy Spirit, by whose breath”). The first verse is “O Holy Spirit, by whose breath, life rises vibrant out of death. Come to create, renew, inspire. Come kindle in our hearts your fire.”

The Church, as I stated last week in my homily, is in a state of constant change. The only constant in the Church is Jesus Christ as its head. So why is the Church always changing? Well, that first verse of the above song gives us that reason. “Come to create, **RENEW**, inspire.” This is not a Renew My Church article, but it is simply my way of reminding you of “all that Jesus said and did before He was taken up.” (Acts 1:2) When something is **NEW**, it automatically denotes that something is changing. So, when we hear the word “renew,” it ought to tell us that we are listening to Jesus again and trusting that He would send the Holy Spirit to be our guide. It is the Holy Spirit’s role in the Trinity. He sanctifies – He blesses our souls with the ability to accept change -- to accept something new.

Within the last 15 years or so, I’ve heard many people from different parishes talk about just how much they love the Holy Spirit. I’ve told you in the past about how the Holy Spirit creatively called me to priestly ministry (after about 10 or so tries), and how I was called to be pastor at St. Lawrence O’Toole. I continue to see His hand in various ways around St. Cletus too.

Some 10 years ago, St. Lawrence O’Toole had a parish

mission given by two deacons from the Diocese of Atlanta (I honestly do not recall their names). They told us many stories about their lives before ministry. One of them was a rather large man who I recall had had a stroke while in their classroom days. He was allowed to finish the program and he thrived. One thing I remember was him telling us that while recovering from the stroke which primarily affected his speech, he was inspired to pray three simple words – over and over again “Jesus, Lord Jesus.” He was not simply comforted by those words, but he also knew he was inspired to pray them because of the grace of the Holy Spirit. Beyond that, he would be inspired to take his message of healing on the road with his friend.

As the song verse says, the Holy Spirit inspires.

Many of you have been talking to me after masses and thanking me for the articles I’ve been writing recently. Like some would likely say, “thank the Holy Spirit.” I don’t tend to have articles on my brain that come pouring out of my head. I merely do my best not to let **me** get in the way of the Holy Spirit.

Last comment for the Holy Spirit for this week. There is a eucharistic revival going on around the nation. I hope everyone invested in the Church says thank you to the Holy Spirit for modeling and molding the Eucharist for His Church. Of course we know Jesus is totally cool. He IS in charge. But look and listen – If something is going to happen, then either the Holy Spirit will guide it, or the world will be likely to miss out on what God has in store for us.

Fr. Mike

## Sunday Notes

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

**Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

**Thursday:** Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 10:46-52

**Friday:** Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

**Saturday:** Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mk 11:27-33

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Pentecost Sunday

**Monday:** Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day

**Tuesday:** World Day of Prayer for Vocations

**Wednesday:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Thursday:** St. Justin, Martyr

**Friday:** Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

**Saturday:** St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

**Sunday:** The Most Holy Trinity



# Pig Roast

*St. Cletus Community*

**S E C O N D   A N N U A L**

# **PIG ROAST**



## **SATURDAY, JUNE 10**

**IN THE COURTYARD  
AFTER THE 5:00 PM MASS**

- ★ **FOOD** ★ **BEVERAGES** ★ **LIVE MUSIC** ★
- ★ **GAMES** ★ **BOUNCE HOUSES** ★ **PIÑATAS** ★
- ★ **50/50 RAFFLE** ★ **ENTERTAINMENT** ★

## **EVENT SCHEDULE**

- 5:50 - 6:00 Welcome and Blessing**
- 6:00 - 7:30 Food Service**
- 6:30 - 7:15 Peruvian Dance & Music, Friends of Fr Elmer**
- 7:30 - 8:00 FF Highland Guard of Naperville**
- 8:00 - 8:45 Pinatas and Cake**
- 9:00 - 10:00 Hawaiian Dancers Fire Finale**

# Thank You For Supporting Our FSA!

## ST. CLETUS FAMILY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

### 2022-2023 YEAR IN REVIEW



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

### WHAT WE RAISED

**\$31,638**

### HOW WE RAISED...

HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP	\$5,208
TEACHER GIFT FUND	\$5,181
BINGO	\$3,615
TAFFY APPLES	\$3,480
FSA MEMBERSHIP FEES	\$2,865
VENDOR FAIR	\$2,213
D4D	\$2,144
TRIVIA NIGHT	\$2,010
RAVINIA NIGHT	\$745
SPIRIT WEAR	\$635
OTHER EVENTS.	\$3,541

### WHAT WE SPONSORED...



Back to school bash



Ravinia Night



Halloween and Valentine's Day Parties



Holiday Hoopla



Grandparents Day



Vendor Fair



21+ BINGO



21+ Trivia Night



Family BINGO



GRINCHING!



Little Cardinals



Egg Hunt



Book Fair



Sweetheart Dance



Teacher and Staff Treats



Holiday Shop

D4D'S  
RAFFLE PRIZES  
NEW POPCORN MACHINE

\$6,000 SCHOOL DONATION  
FIELD DAY  
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

BOX TOPS  
NEW CARDINAL COSTUME  
BUS DRILL  
AND MORE!

# School News

## WE MET OUR AUCTION GOALS!

Mrs. Firestone’s preschool class was the first class to reach \$1,000 raised on our auction family pages. As a prize for reaching that goal first they had a Kona Ice Truck come just for them last week! They were SO excited!!! Our entire student body also got to enjoy an assembly with BMX trick rider Matt Wilhelm because we not only hit but surpassed our auction goal! Not only was it a very fun assembly, but it also included lessons on how important it is how we treat people!



## PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY!

Second grader Eila Sloan was lucky enough to be the winner of our “Principal for the Day” auction item! As you can see, Principal Sloan was very busy!! She did a wonderful job!





## TRACK AND FIELD

Congratulations to our Track and Field teams who just completed their season! Our girls Varsity earned a second place finish at their meet on May 13th!



# Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
30 de mayo, 2023	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	Iglesia Church 
28 de mayo 2023	12:30 p.m.	Misa en Español Spanish Mass	Iglesia Church 
Segundo Sábado de cada mes Second Saturday of each month	8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.	Adoración Nocturna Night Adoration	Iglesia Church
Sábados	8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Confesiones	Iglesia

## ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

Cada segundo sábado del mes el Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Adoración Nocturna, comenzando con una Misa a las 8:00 p.m. seguido de la Adoración al Santísimo hasta las 5:00 a.m. Todos están invitados a participar.

## NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Every second Saturday of the month the Hispanic Ministry conducts Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with a Mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 am. Everyone is invited to participate.

## DEVOCIÓN GUADALUPANA

El Ministerio Hispano lleva a cabo la Devoción Guadalupeana rezando el rosario todos los días 12 de cada mes a las 7:00 pm en la iglesia. Todos están invitados a participar.

## GUADALUPE DEVOTION

The Hispanic Ministry holds the Guadalupe Devotion by praying the rosary every 12th day of each month at 7:00 pm in the church. Everyone is invited to participate.

## INTENCIONES DE MISA


Si desea una intención de misa para la Misa de 12:30 p.m., llame a la oficina principal 708 352-6209 o al 708-215-5441. Las intenciones de misa deben solicitarse antes del miércoles si su intención es para ese fin de semana. Las

intenciones de misa deben solicitarse antes del día, la donación sugerida por cada intención es de \$10.

## MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a mass intention for the 12:30 p.m. Mass, please call the main office 708 352-6209 or 708-215-5441. Mass intentions must be requested by Wednesday if your intention is for that weekend. Mass Intentions should be requested prior to the day, suggested donation per Mass Intention is \$10.

## LECTORES Y MINISTROS DE COMUNIÓN

 El equipo de lectores y ministros de Comunión de habla hispana se reunirán para su formación continua el viernes 23 de junio del 2023. Las reuniones serán cada dos meses. Si alguien desea unirse a este grupo y prepararse para ser lector y/o ministro de Comunión lo pueden hacer contactando a Juanita Ávila directora del ministerio hispano. 708-215-5441

## LECTORS AND MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

The Spanish-speaking team of Lectors and Ministers of Communion will meet for their ongoing formation on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. They will be meeting every two months. If anyone wants to join this group and prepare to be a lector and/or Minister of Communion, contact Juanita Ávila Director of the Hispanic Ministry. 708-215-5441

**ST CLETUS PARISH**

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE INSTALLATION of *Mass*

**FR. ELMER ROMERO**  
By the Most Rev. Kevin Birmingham  
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago  
Episcopal Vicar - Vicariate IV

**SAVE THE DATE** Sunday, June 18, 2023  
10:30 AM

600 W. 55th St. La Grange, IL 60525



 **Reserven LA Fecha** ©LPI



# Save The Date

ST. CLETUS PARISH

## CURRENT & NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Formation



### INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Saturday, June 17, 2023  
10:00 - 12:00PM  
Gallagher Room  
Instructor:  
Deacon Santos Gutierrez

### FORMATION SESSION (2)

- July 10th & 12th, 2023  
6:30 - 8:00 PM
- August 7th & 9th, 2023  
6:30 - 8:00 PM  
CHURCH

**SACRISTANS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

## Social Concerns Ministry



### ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY THURSDAYS 4-8PM

#### Wish List:

- Cereal
- Applesauce
- Pasta
- Canned tomatoes
- Jelly
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Personal Care Items
- Cleaning Supplies
- Diapers size 4, 5, and 6
- Baby wipes

#### Follow us on

Facebook:  
@StCletusFoodPantry

Instagram:  
@St.CletusFoodPantry

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

June volunteer sign up is now available at <https://bit.ly/3GuHZoP>

Volunteers help work directly with customers by assisting them with shopping, helping load vehicles and help the pantry with set up or clean up, depending on the shift. Volunteers must be 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up and can come without a parent. Adults welcomed!

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

You Are Not Alone, God Is With You/Tu No Estás Sola, Dios Está Contigo

ACDVO has published a 40-page booklet in English and Spanish to help survivors of domestic violence to recognize and strengthen their faith and spirituality.

Written by Fr. Charles Dahm, O.P. and Patricia Broderick, this booklet is designed for victims of domestic violence still living with abuse as well as survivors free of abuse but still healing. Reflections, prayer and mediation are intended to help you navigate to a new place of understanding, healing and peace. Chapters address trusting in God, discovering one's own strengths, managing forgiveness, knowing one's rights, reflecting on biblical texts to strengthen one's faith, plus exercises in breathing and meditation.

You can order your copy by emailing Fr. Dahm at [cdahm13@gmail.com](mailto:cdahm13@gmail.com) Booklets are free for survivors and \$4.00 for others to cover handling.

### INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

#### Quarterly Resume Review

Join us on Saturday, June 3rd from 9-11 am for a helpful 20-minute, one-on-one conversation with an HR, or other search-related professional. Pick up some new ideas and suggestions that could enhance or refresh your resume. Need some coaching with your elevator speech? Want to brush up on LinkedIn? This is your opportunity to add impact and clarity to your existing resume. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to attend. We look forward to seeing you at St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 W. 55th Street, in La Grange.

#### Knock it Out of the Park as a New Employee

Employers are always cautiously optimistic that new hires will live up to their resumes, and the information they provided during the interview process. Join us on Thursday, June 15th, from 7pm-9pm when Jennifer Kramer will discuss the key attributes employers look for in a new employee and the characteristics or actions that drive them crazy!

Jennifer Kramer, EVP of Employee Benefits and PresidioHR, has over 20 years of experience in operations supporting multi-state for-profit and nonprofit organizations. Jennifer is no stranger to setting goals and performing her best. With 3 marathons and 13 half marathon - finisher medals hanging around her neck, she's living her dreams one mile at a time. Mark your calendar for this informative evening.

We look forward to seeing you at St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5055 Wolf Road in Western Springs. Everyone is welcome! Visit [www.interfaithcareernetwork.com](http://www.interfaithcareernetwork.com) for additional resources

### WOMEN'S CARE CENTER

What incredible effort and involvement of the community! We are always in awe when we see how many items arrive. We want to express our gratitude for your immense generosity and kindness this past Mother's Day. Your donations of baby items and gifts for mothers are extremely appreciated and enables us to continue carrying out our mission of serving moms, families, and babies in our community. Each and every one of these items will be such a blessing to those who receive them. We could not do it without you and your support! Thank you all, and God Bless. With gratitude, Women's Care Center - LaGrange, IL

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

# Ministry News

## INDEPENDENCE DAY MASS



**JULY 04, 2023.  
8:00 A.M.**



Join us for our Annual Tradition as we pray for and honor all military personnel.

We invite any veterans or those on active duty to wear their uniforms (or some piece of their uniforms) and to sit together by branches of service.

**PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT:** The Most Rev. Kevin Birmingham  
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago  
Episcopal Vicar – Vicariate IV

**HOMILIST:** Fr. David Mowry, M.Div., S.T.L.  
Mundelein Seminary  
Instructor in the Department of  
Biblical Studies and Homiletics.

**CONCELEBRANTS:** Fr. Michael Novick, Associate Pastor  
Fr. Elmer Romero, Pastor

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE:** Justin Sisul, Helen McComiskey, Kris Santin,  
Karen Ziembra, Tina Norton, Ryan Rump,  
Fr. Michael Novick, Fr. Elmer Romero

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED - ALL ARE WELCOME!**

St. Cletus Parish / 600 W. 55th St., La Grange, IL 6052

## COMMUNION FROM THE CUP IS RETURNING!



In early May we received a communication from the Vicar General announcing that all covid-related mass restrictions would be lifted, which specifically included the restriction on receiving the Precious Blood at communion. Our current plan is to reinstate the cups the weekend of June 10/11. All are welcome to receive communion in both species, starting that weekend. Please contact our Pastoral Associate, Tina Norton, if you have any questions.

## BOOK DISCUSSION

For the next book discussion we are reading The Dream Daughter by Diane Chamberlain. We will meet on June 13 at 10 AM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.



For those who like to look ahead....

August 8 Christ the Lord out of Egypt by Anne Rice

October 10 The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick

As always, all are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

## ST. CLETUS FIACRE SOCIETY



### Spring History Lesson

While this ministry is not usually involved with researching St. Cletus history, even though many of us have been around awhile and might know, a question was asked by an 8:00a Mass attendee while we were planting this past Tuesday.

While looking at the front of church and the newly planted flowers, I was asked if I knew what the symbols (letters) represented that are on the south facade of our church entrance. See attached photo. I did not know, but felt somewhat better when the parishioner who asked me said she could not get an answer from some priests. I had to do a little research. But thanks to St. Cletus staff members Chris Wagner and Jim Dion, I received a very quick response.

The letters represent an Eastern Orthodox necklace pendant and is in a medal-style. The letters are meant to be read from top to bottom, starting in the left column, below the horizontal arm of the cross. The letters are an abbreviation for “Jesus Christ Conquers.” IC XC is Christogram abbreviation for Jesus and Christ and the right column, NIKA is Conquers. Therefore, Jesus Christ Conquers. We learn something new every day!

Tom Reisel

# Community News

## VOCATION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

We beg you good and holy priests. In every age you call men to follow you as servants and shepherds of your people. Open their hearts to your call and give them the courage to follow you. Be their rock of refuge and their lights as they discern.

Help us to support them on their journey, and to love them as your disciples.

We thank you for all that you are and all that you do. In your name we pray.

Amen.

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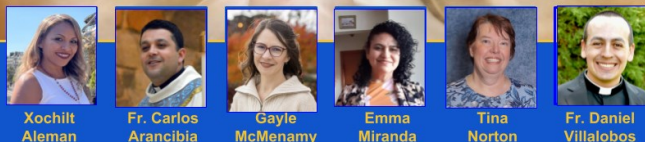
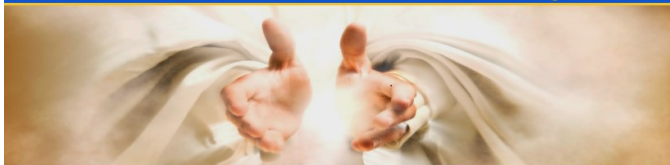
## WORD OF LIFE

“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.” USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis’ “Day for Life Greeting” © 2013 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

## WOMEN’S RETREAT

 Holy Guardian Angels Parish  
Santos Angeles Custodios

Women’s Retreat Retiro de Mujeres



Women Disciples

Saturday  
June 3, 2023

Mujeres Discípulas

sábado  
3 de junio de 2023



Comboni Mission House  
1615 E 31st St., La Grange Park, IL

9 AM - 5 PM



Speakers, Adoration, Confessions,

Healing Mass

Cost: Free  
Register: hgaparish.org  
708-485-2900

Charlas, Adoración, Confesiones,

Misa de Sanación

Costo: Gratis  
Registrese: hgaparish.org  
708-485-2900

## CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH



You’re invited to join us for an hour of prayer, recognition, restoration, celebration, and continuation of Juneteenth.

Monday, June 19, 2023 • 4:30 p.m.

LaGrange Community Center  
200 S. Washington, LaGrange, IL  
Rain or Shine • Refreshments Afterward

Featuring Dr. Bessie Emerson Boyd,  
Host and Moderator

Honoring Minister Lynn Lacey,  
East LaGrange Community Organizer and Resident

Welcome by Mark Kuchler, Village of LaGrange President

The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act (2021) created a federal holiday to commemorate the freedom for black slaves in Texas and Louisiana on June 19, 1865. Though President Lincoln had signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, news of this freedom was obstructed for two more long years of slavery. June 19 has since become a day of restoration and celebration.

*No one is free until everyone is free.*

– Fannie Lou Hamer

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community  
residents and:



## THE WELL SPIRITUALITY CENTER

1515 Ogden Ave, LaGrange Park 708-482-5048 csjthewell.org

### Circle of Light

Tuesday, May 30, 10 – 11 AM

Do you know that all created matter is made of energy? You and I and every species are energy or Spirit slowed down enough to see. Consider joining us in community to collectively and consciously raise our vibration through prayer, meditation, thoughts of gratitude and actions of love, for the sake of our planet. On Zoom only. Suggested donation: \$10. csjthewell.org/programs/circle-of-light-2/

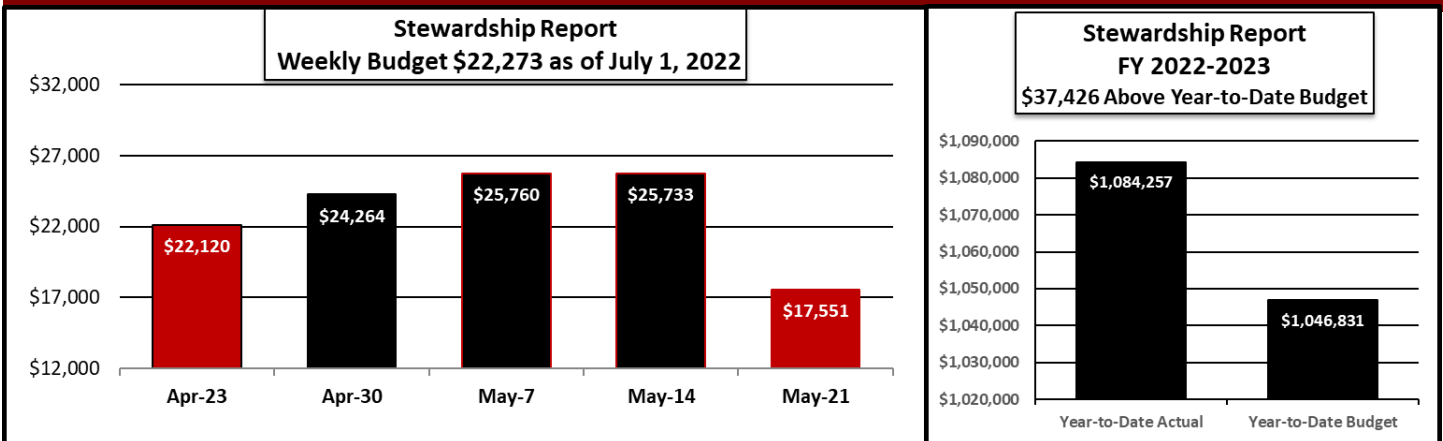
### Summer Guided Retreat, with Option for Direction Sunday, June 4, 7 PM through Friday, June 9, 4 PM

Each morning retreatants will gather for a communal session of prayer and a presentation regarding the themes of Laudato Si’, followed by the option for spiritual direction. In the evenings, gather for a sharing of the graces of the day. Retreatants will also gather communally for an opening session and a closing session. This retreat is a hybrid. Cost: \$600 overnight/\$500 Commuter/\$300 Zoom csjthewell.org/programs/summer-guided-retreat/

## Week At A Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, May 28	8am-2pm	Parish Center	Hospitality
Monday, May 29			Memorial Day
Tuesday, May 30	8am 7-8pm	Church Church	Mass With School Children Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament (Spanish)
Wednesday, May 31	1-1:40pm 7pm	Church Church	Living Rosary Hail, Full of Grace
Thursday, June 1	4-8pm 7pm	Food Pantry Parish Center	Food Pantry Distribution School Sports Awards Night
Friday, June 2	7pm	Gallagher Room	Holy Name Society Meeting
Saturday, June 3	8:30-9:15am	Church	Confessions
Sunday, June 4			

## Stewardship Report



### BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to [canticle@stcletusparish.com](mailto: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. Thank you!

### GIVING YOUR FIRST HOUR TO GOD

Thank you for your continued stewardship of St. Cletus Parish. Parishioners sometimes ask for suggestions about appropriate weekly contributions. When in doubt, consider giving your hourly pay rate at work (“giving your first hour to God”). Whatever you can give will go toward keeping the lights on and supporting the good work of the Parish.

# St. Cletus Parish Information

## CONTACT US

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

## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

*Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office.*

Monday thru Friday ..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday .....Closed

## MASSES

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

## CONFESSIONS

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

## BAPTISMS

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

## WEDDINGS

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

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

## HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

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

## STAFF

### PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Elmer Romero, Pastor**  
**Rev. Michael Novick, Associate Pastor**  
**Rev. Kevin Hays, Senior Priest for Weekend Liturgy**  
**Rev. John Lodge, Senior Priest for Weekend Liturgy**  
**Mr. Ramón Cazales, Deacon**  
**Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor Emeritus**

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Tina Norton, Pastoral Associate** (708) 215-5412  
**Ryan Rump, Music Ministry** (708) 215-5423  
**Kendall Grant, Social Concerns** (708) 215-5418  
**Christopher Wagner, Technology** (708) 215-5420

### HISPANIC MINISTRY STAFF (708) 215-5441

**Juanita Avila, Head of Hispanic Ministry**

### SCHOOL STAFF (708) 352-4820

**Gregory Porod, Principal**  
**Christy Schaefer, Assistant Principal**  
**Mary Lee Krieger, Administrative Assistant**  
**Kate Townsend, Receptionist/Administrative Assistant**  
**Jeannie Scalzitti, Receptionist/Administrative Assistant**  
**Sara Hodak, Marketing/Development**

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STAFF (708) 352-2383

**Lawrence Manetti, Director of Faith Formation for Children**  
**Hector Obregon-Luna, Associate Director of Faith Formation**

### PARISH OFFICE STAFF (708) 352-6209

**Jim Dion, Business Manager**  
**Olga Montalvo, Parish Administrative Assistant**  
**Silvia Castellanos, Parish Secretary**  
**Sara Hodak, Bulletin Editor**  
**Doug Morrissey, Parish Finance Council Chairperson,**  
Email: [finance@stcletusparish.com](mailto:finance@stcletusparish.com)  
**Helen McComiskey, Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson**  
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## ST. CLETUS SCHOOL BOARD

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

### MEMBERS

Kevin Hogan                      Bob Malham                      Stephen Mersman  
Mike Napleton                      Griselda Quintero                      Julio Quintero  
Jennifer Senyard

### LIAISONS

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

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

### Mission Statement

St. Cletus is a dynamic Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Good news of Jesus Christ through worship, education, and service.

### Vision Statement

We welcome all. We encourage all parishioners to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in their daily lives, by sharing their talents and faith with our parish and community.