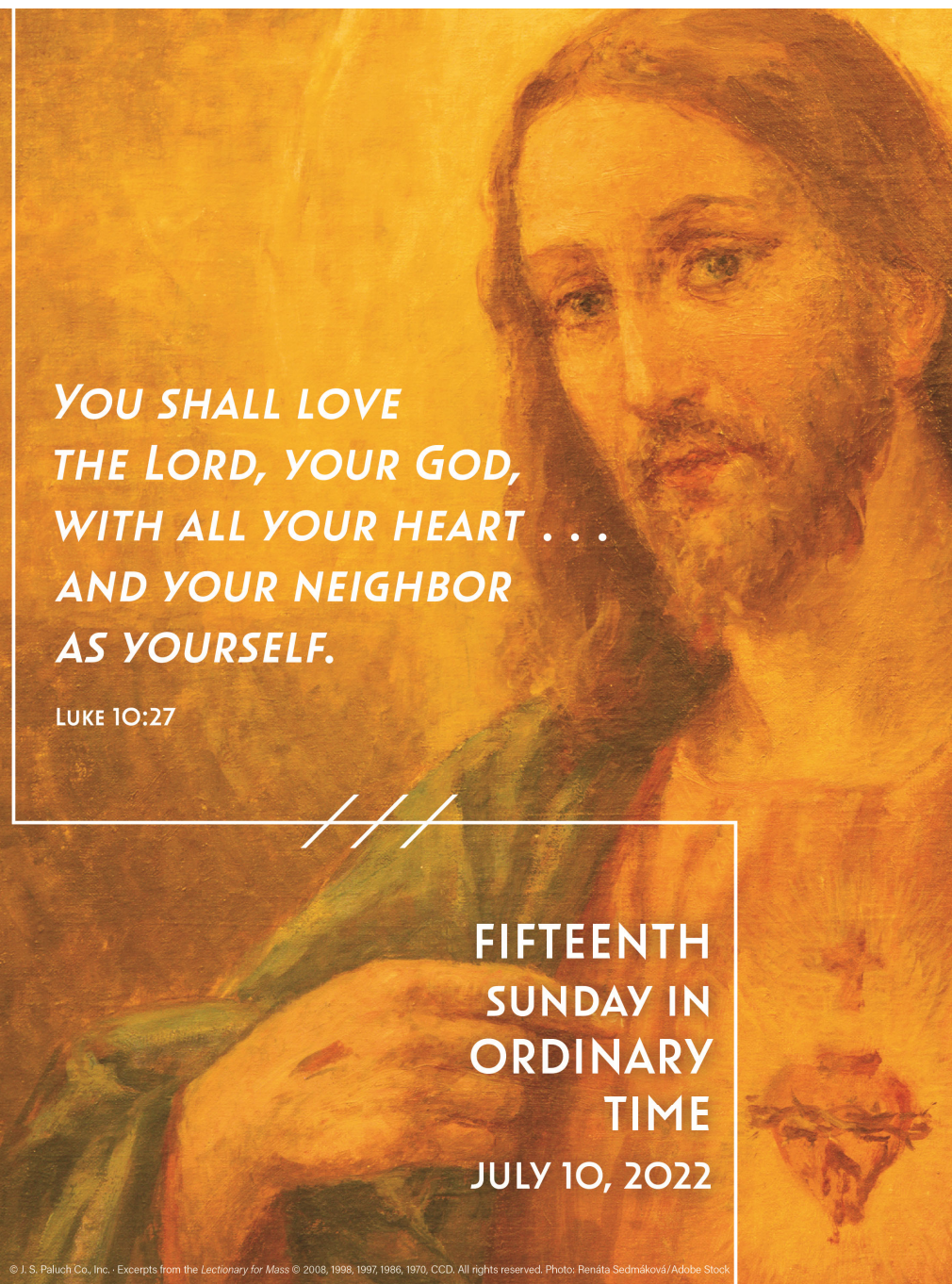




Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

**Christ Jesus . . .
is the head of the body,
the church.**
— COLOSSIANS 1:15, 18



**YOU SHALL LOVE
THE LORD, YOUR GOD,
WITH ALL YOUR HEART . . .
AND YOUR NEIGHBOR
AS YOURSELF.**

LUKE 10:27

**FIFTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY
TIME
JULY 10, 2022**

WELCOME

So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for July 11 - July 17, 2022

Day	Time	Presider (subject to change)	Intentions
July 11	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Joseph & Kay Klemak
July 12	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Joe Saban
July 13	8:00am	Fr. Romero	BC Collins
July 14	8:00am	Fr. Novick	Rosa Nilles
July 15	8:00am	Fr. Romero	Samuel Colonna, Ronald Koch
July 16	5:00pm	Fr. Romero	Cookie Capizzano, Daniel Klepczarek, Ginene Pascua, Robert Gavin, Special Intention of CCW Members
July 17	7:15am	Fr. Novick	Richard Gomez, John Duda
	8:45am	Fr. Romero	Barbara Herron, Harold Church, Rosalie Kruse, Rose & Sam Guardino, Dennis Boles
	10:30am	Fr. Novick	Nicole Hladik, Bill DePasquale, Emilia & Marco Rattin
	12:30pm	Fr. Romero	St. Cletus Parishioners

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

William Jarvis

Shirley Sizemore

Mother of Linda Siebert

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 3 months.

July - Carol Anders, Edward Kwak

June - Rafael Acevedo, Gerald Burns, Gerda E. Dorso, Donald Hogue, Dan Keller, Victoria Lewis, Baby Darcy Michaelletti, Louis Montes, Frank Niwa, Colin O'Brien

May - Sandra Eckrich, Matthew O'Connell, Peter Spizzirri, Peggie Smith

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

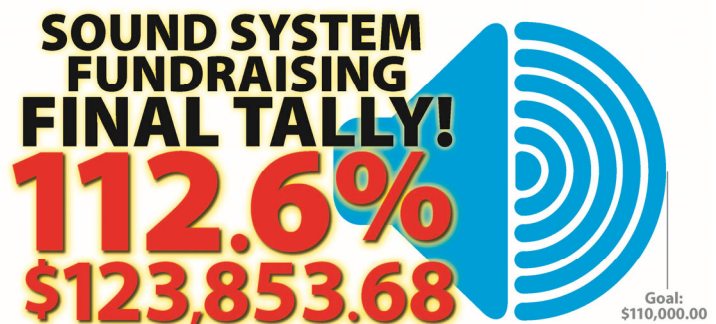
MEET AND GREET THIS WEEKEND

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is sponsoring a "Meet & Greet" for our new Associate Pastor Fr. Michael Novick this weekend after all masses. All Parishioners are invited to come and say Hello to Fr. Mike and welcome him into our St. Cletus Family.

You can also learn more about Fr. Novick on page 5 of this week's Canticle.

SOUND SYSTEM UPDATE

The final tally is in, thank you for your support and generosity!



Pastor's Note

“Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise,’”
Luke 10:37

Dear Parishioners,

With faith in the Lord who continues to walk with us and to guide us, I am pleased to share some updates with you.

First, the annual Fourth of July celebration went well. Seeing our beautiful church with a lot of wonderful and caring people gave me a lot of joy. Bishop Birmingham with his faith-filled joy made us all feel at home and comfortable at Mass. The service and ministry of the all-volunteer band directed by Justin Sisul enhanced tremendously our celebration. The presence and participation of all the veterans and the American Legion made our celebration even more special. I want to express to them my heartfelt gratitude for their service, sacrifice, and special love they have for our country. It is my hope that we continue to recover and to celebrate well the special celebrations that we held at our parish before COVID.

Second, I want to express my special gratitude to the Parish Pastoral Staff along with some volunteers who generously offered their assistance and contributed to the planning, organization, and accomplishment of our noble, rich, and spiritual celebration of the Fourth of July. My special gratitude to each of them for their input, enthusiasm, and willingness to offer us such well-prepared, organized, and celebrated liturgy.

Third, each year as we celebrate with a special Mass the Fourth of July, we also give the Father Gallagher Award to a member of our parish community. The 2022 winner of the award for Service to Church and Country was Rod Bradford. He became an active member of our parish in 2012. He sings in the choir and has been the president of the Holy Name Society for six years. Congratulations Rod! For more information about him, please visit our parish website.

Fourth, our Director of Religious Education, Barbara Campbell, has decided that she is being called in a different direction, and will be leaving St. Cletus Parish effective July 5th, 2022. Barb has served our program extremely well during her time here, and we will greatly miss her. We still intend to have an in-person Religious Education program this fall and we have started to recruit candidates for this position. We are very grateful for Barb's service to St. Cletus and we wish her well in all her future endeavors.

Fifth, as we prayerfully search for a new Director of Religious Education, I kindly ask you to join me by turning to the Lord for help. As our faith experience informs us, every time we turn to the Lord for help and guidance, he always provides. I would greatly appreciate if you could pray the special Prayer for a new Director of Religious Education that is available in our parish bulletin and on our website.

As we journey together, may we continue to hear the voice of the Lord who invites us, “Go and do likewise.”

Fr. Elmer Romero
PASTOR



Statement from Cardinal Cupich

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

Statement of Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, archbishop of Chicago, on the July 4 mass shooting in Highland Park

July 4, 2022

I have been watching the news in horror as at least 6 are dead and many more were wounded after a gunman opened fire as families attended an Independence Day parade in Highland Park. What should have been a peaceful celebration of our nation's founding ended in unspeakable tragedy.

Please join me in praying for the victims and their loved ones, who never imagined a July 4 celebration could become a killing ground. Pray too for the safety of first responders as they pursue the person responsible for this tragedy. They bravely rushed into the danger to treat victims and to protect others from harm.

The parade reportedly had a heavy presence of police and fire vehicles, yet this shooter was able to wound at least two dozen people before he stopped, or was stopped, and fled. Victims ranged in age from 8 to 85. Weapons designed to rapidly destroy human bodies have no place in civil society.

It is barely July, and this year the United States is already experiencing more than one mass shooting a day. Chicago Police reported at least 55 shot and 7 killed since Friday, and the holiday weekend is not yet over. Gun violence is now the leading cause of death for U.S. children.

Whatever one makes of the right to bear arms, there is plenty of room for prudential judgment in interpreting the Second Amendment so as to enact serious, broadly popular gun-safety measures. The Senate finally passed a significant, yet modest, gun-safety bill last month. But clearly more must be done.

The right to bear arms does not eclipse the right to life, or the right of all Americans to go about their lives free of the fear that they might be shredded by bullets at any moment. Gun violence is a life issue. We must continue to pray that all our officials, elected and unelected alike, will redouble their commitment to keeping safe the people they have sworn to serve.

Pope Francis wrote to the people of Chicagoland in 2016: "As Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, humanity 'must evolve for all human conflict a method which rejects revenge, aggression and retaliation. The foundation of such a method is love.' I urge all people, especially young men and women, to respond to Dr. King's prophetic words and know that a culture of nonviolence is not an unattainable dream, but a path that has produced decisive results."

May the Lord of mercy embrace in love those who have died, bring healing to the wounded, comfort to their loved ones, and courage to all of us, so that we may respond to this tragedy united as God's children to build a path to safety and peace.

Note from our Associate Pastor

New Beginnings

I must be honest, my dear new friends in Christ, that when I was called to Saint Lawrence O'Toole 14 years ago, I never truly thought I would be moving again. I guess it was always in the back of my head, but it just never struck me. Why not? When I was leaving Holy Name Cathedral, there were more than a few people who were sad that I was leaving them. I would tell them that moving and sharing our gifts with as many people in the Archdiocese as possible is our charism as diocesan priests, not like the various religious order priests who could be sent anywhere in the world. But my explanation didn't really follow me to O'Toole. That 6-12 years in the future was too far off. The day would never come, right? Well it did.

My call to Saint Lawrence O'Toole was definitely the Holy Spirit working at His best. It was just something no one would ever be able to convince me was merely coincidence. No. It was DEFINITELY the Holy Spirit. You know how I know? Because there is no way I could ever make up a story like it. The Holy Spirit is the Divine Choreographer. Here is the story.

Late in June of 2008, when new assignments had already been assigned and priests were readying themselves to begin at their new parishes, as far as I knew, I would be remaining at the Cathedral. Bishop Joseph Perry from Vicariate VI called and said there was a situation where he needed a pastorate filled. He asked if I would consider becoming the pastor of O'Toole. I didn't know much about it except that it was 15 minutes farther south than my parents' home in Midlothian. I knew the pastor a little bit but not well. So I told the bishop that I would at least look into it. I called the pastor and set up a time to meet. Honestly, the meeting was a little bit rough as he was not scheduled to leave that post at that time either. He loved being there but the bishop needed him elsewhere too. We were in similar circumstances. I truly didn't know if I wanted to accept the position. I got into my SUV, turned off the radio, took out my rosary, and began back to the Cathedral.

Let me first say that my radio is only off about 0.0005% of a calendar year. It's very, very rare. The route from O'Toole to the city uses I-57 North and the Dan Ryan Expressway West, eventually exiting at Ohio St. Also realize that we are talking about 2pm. There is not much traffic at that hour. Just before rush hour. There are four lanes on the Dan Ryan. I was driving in the third lane from the right, keeping up with traffic at about 60 mph. What happened next was the most unbelievable and virtually impossible fact of this story. A car came around my left and merged in front of me with the Illinois license plate **OTOOLE 5**. The odds of that occurrence would be astronomical if it were not true. If that wasn't the answer to my prayer I began back at the parking lot of St. Lawrence O'Toole, then I don't know God. No one at O'Toole has that plate, no one knows WHO has the plate, nor why they were driving on the Dan Ryan at that very time – it was such a peaceful moment. Not only was the OTOOLE piece important as it turned out, but I became only the parish's FIFTH pastor in its history, a history that began in 1958.

When I began relating that story to the people at the Cathedral, people would not only be picking up their jaws from the floor, some would ask how I knew it was the answer to my prayer. I said it was because it evoked a peace I had only experienced back when I knew I was called to priesthood in the first place way back in 1995. It was SO spontaneous. Why was I actually looking at that precise moment? How could I NOT believe? So three months later, I was installed.

So now you know that about me besides my being a Cub fan.

More to come and hopefully a LONG time to go,

Fr. Michael Novick,
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Social Concerns Ministry



**ST. CLETUS
FOOD PANTRY
THURSDAYS
6-8PM**

Wish List:

- Baby Wipes
- Rice in 2 or 3 lbs.
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Flavored rice or noodles
- Boxed potatoes
- Crackers
- Snacks

Please note, our donation bin is now located past the flagpole, near door 4.



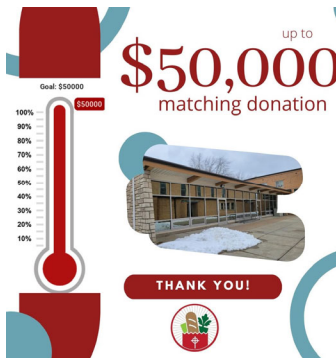
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If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Social Concerns Ministry contact Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for all of your generous donations! **WE DID IT!** We reached the full matching donation of \$50,000.

We are so grateful for your dedication and support as we prepare our new pantry home.



St. Cletus Food Pantry
School Supply Drive

Items Needed:
Washable Markers
24 pack Crayons
Spiral Notebooks
Pens
#2 Pencils
Glue Sticks
Glue
Kid Scissors

All items should be new & unopened
most needed items

Items can be dropped in the Food Pantry Donation bin outside or in church

INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Let's Chat About the Job Search - Thursday, July 21st from 7-9 pm

St. John of the Cross Parish Center, 5005 Wolf Road Western Springs.

Sick of all those presentations on job search where you nod wisely but never get the chance to express your thoughts? In this program, Irishman Speaks Conor Cunneen will solicit your thoughts as to how things are going, and the challenges you face, and will provide down-to-earth advice to help you in your job search. You will leave feeling better and more confident about your search.

Our speaker is a recipient of the President's Gold Medal for Volunteer Service for the work he does with those in job search and as Conor is a Chicago Humorous Speaker of the Year, you can be assured of a fun presentation!

Visit www.interfaithcareernetwork.org for additional resources. These programs are open to all and there is no cost to attend.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Seminarians Prepared on Domestic Violence

In May, Fr. Chuck Dahm, O.P., taught a 90-minute class on domestic violence to all 31 seminarians at St. Mary of the Lake University in Mundelein to be ordained to the priesthood this June. Only six of the students are destined for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Thanks to the excellent leadership of Melanie Barrett, professor of the class on the Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church, a unit on domestic violence will be covered each year shortly before seminarians' ordination.

The students had read the pastoral letter from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, "When I Call for Help," before the class. They responded very positively to the class, with many questions about how to recognize and then relate to victims of domestic violence, their children and those who cause harm. Their interest in responding as sensitive pastoral ministers was evident and encouraging. Unfortunately, few seminaries or schools of theology preparing men for priestly ministry in the United States provide any teaching on domestic violence, a major family problem in every parish.

Archdiocesan Domestic Violence Outreach newsletter, June 2022

In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars.

You are not alone.

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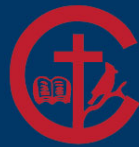
ARE YOU IN AN UNHEALTHY RELATIONSHIP OR ARE YOU AFRAID IN YOUR OWN HOME?

CALL THE 24-HOUR PHONE FOR HELP:
708.485.5254

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St. Cletus School

FAITH FAMILY FUTURE

St. Cletus builds a strong foundation for life-long learning and recognizes the diverse talents and individual learning styles of our students.

Our focus on academics, religious education, and spiritual development balanced with extracurricular activities supports our mission to develop well-rounded students.

- Faith Based Education from Preschool through Eighth Grade
- Nationally Recognized for Academic Excellence
- Technology Integrated into Classrooms and Curriculum
- Athletic and Extra-Curricular Activities
- Half-day and Full-day options for Kindergarten and Preschool
- Before and After School Extended Care
- Caring Community

**ENROLLMENT
FOR 2022-23
IS OPEN**

**Schedule
a Tour Today
by calling
the School
Office at
(708)352-4820**



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Religious Education

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Summer is coming fast
Don't forget to register for Religious Education Classes!

The St. Cletus Religious Education Program 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 10:00-11:30 a.m. or on Monday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. throughout the academic year.

Please take the time to complete the registration forms to register your children for RE classes for the 2022-2023 academic year! **Registrations are due by July 6, 2022. Please be sure to register asap to get the class date/time that is best for your family.** Registration forms can be found online at stcletusparish.com/re, or in the Parish Center and Religious Education Office. ***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.

Please contact the Religious Education Office for more information.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

The St. Cletus Religious Education program is looking for people to share their faith with our young students!

Catholics are called upon by the Holy Spirit to teach. You will receive training, textbooks, resources, and weekly lesson plans to help our children build their relationship with Christ.

Catechists must be reliable, responsible, a practicing Catholic, and like to work with children. They must have patience and a willingness to learn more about their own faith. All Catechists must attend VIRTUS training and complete required Archdiocesan paperwork.

Please contact the Religious Education Office for more information.

PRAYER FOR A NEW DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST. CLETUS PARISH

Gracious God, for every person you have a perfect will and plan and purpose.

We ask you to send the right person to oversee the religious formation of our children, a person who, at this time in his or her life, is the perfect choice to fill the position of Director of Religious Education.

Lord, we seek someone who has the right gifts and talents for this job, but we also seek someone with the right character and personality, the right personal attributes. Send us a thinker. Send us someone who is eager to learn and to take up new duties and responsibilities.

We pray that in the interview process you will show us the right individual for the position.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing Graces & Blessings - Independence Day Mass

Thank you to all who participated in the 4th of July Independence Day Mass and afterwards, the reception in the parish center. This unique celebration, which began in 1976 (yes, 46 years ago!) was celebrated by our Bishop, the Most Reverend Kevin Birmingham, and honored parishioner Rod Bradford who received the Fr. Charles Gallagher Award for Service to Church and Country. With so many veterans present, we gathered as a family to salute all who have so selflessly served and continue to serve our great nation. The mass, which included the all-volunteer band who returned after a brief hiatus due to the COVID pandemic, was a great tribute to the patriotic climate which exists at our parish. St. Cletus is proud to continue this tradition!



Hispanic Ministry

FECHA-DATE	HORA-TIME	EVENTO-EVENT	LUGAR-PLACE
12 de julio, 2022	7:00 p.m.	Adoración al Santísimo Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament	Iglesia Church
10 de julio, 2022	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



CLASES DE FORMACIÓN

Se ofrecerán clases para todos los ministros de Eucaristía los viernes 19 y 26 de agosto, 2022 de 7-9 p.m. Si usted actualmente ya es Ministro de Eucaristía deberá de tomar estas clases de formación para su certificación. Si a usted le gustaría ser Ministro de Eucaristía lo animamos a participar en estas clases de formación. Para mayor información, favor de hablar con Juanita Avila directora del Ministerio Hispano al 708-215-5441.

COMITÉ GUADALUPANO

El pasado 7 de junio el Comité Guadalupano llevo a cabo una junta en donde se eligió la Mesa Directiva la cual les damos la bienvenida. Presidente: Manuel Ortiz, Tesorero: Erasmo Zavala, Secretarías: Beronica Martínez y Marbella Marines. Les damos las gracias por haber aceptado estos cargos en el Comité Guadalupano.

A partir del 12 de octubre, 2022 comenzaremos la devoción Guadalupana cada día 12 de cada mes a las 7:00pm. en la iglesia.

FORMATION CLASSES

Eucharistic Ministers classes will be offered Friday, August 19 and Friday, August 26, 2022 from 7–9 p.m. If you are currently a Eucharistic Minister you will be required to take these formation classes for your certification. If you would like to be a Eucharist Minister, we encourage you to participate in these formation classes. For more information, please speak to Juanita Avila, Director of Hispanic Ministry, at 708-215-5441.

GUADALUPE COMMITTEE

On June 7, the Guadalupe Committee held a meeting where the Board of Directors was elected, President: Manuel Ortiz, Treasurer: Erasmo Zavala, Secretaries: Beronica Martínez and Marbella Marines. We thank them for accepting these Committee positions.

Starting October 12, 2022, we will begin the Guadalupe devotion every 12th of each month at 7:00pm in the church.

10 de julio de 2022

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Escuchen la voz del Señor. Es algo muy cerca de ti, y está en tu corazón; sólo necesitas observarla (Deuteronomio 30:10-14).

Salmo — Humildes, busquen al Señor, y revivirán sus corazones (Salmo 69 [68]) o *Salmo 19 (18)*.

Segunda lectura — Todas las cosas fueron creadas mediante y para Cristo Jesús (Colosenses 1:15-20).

Evangelio — Ser un buen vecino, mostrar amor tratando a otros con misericordia (Lucas 10:25-37).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 1:10-17; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1

Martes: Is 7:1-9; Sal 48 (47):2-8; Mt 11:20-24

Miércoles: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Sal 94 (93):5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27

Jueves: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Sal 102 (101):13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30

Viernes: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8

Sábado: Miq 2:1-5; Sal 10 (9):1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Domingo: Gen 18:1-10a; Sal 15 (14):2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lc 10:38-42

Ministry News

THANK YOU FROM FATHER DAN



“I am full of gratitude for all the kindnesses you have shown me this year. Our farewell celebration last weekend was as lovely as it could have been and I am grateful for the committee who put it all together. I

will be moving to St. Mary of the Annunciation Parish in Mundelein this week and I will miss your goodness! Let’s keep each other in prayer! God Bless you all so very much! Yippee!”

PART TIME MUSIC TEACHER OPENING



St. Cletus School is looking for a part time music teacher for the 2022/2023 school year teaching PreK-8th grade.

Please contact the school office for additional information at (708) 352-4820.

BOOK DISCUSSION



For the next book discussion, we are reading *Have You Seen Luis Velez* by Catherine Ryan Hyde. We will meet on August 9, 2022 at 10 AM in the Fr. Gallagher Room of the Parish Center.

For those who like to look ahead....

October 11: *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr

As always, all are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY!

Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” BUTTON (pictured to the right). Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, contact Jim Dion at jdion@stcletusparish.com or 708.352.6209.

Sunday Notes

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Heed the voice of the LORD. It is something very near to you, already in your hearts; you only need to carry it out (Deuteronomy 30:10-14).

Psalm — Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69) or *Psalm 19*.

Second Reading — All things were created through and for Christ Jesus (Colossians 1:15-20).

Gospel — To be a neighbor, show love by treating others with mercy, as did the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
 Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
 Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
 Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
 Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
 Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
 Sunday: Gen 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Benedict
 Wednesday: St. Henry
 Thursday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
 Friday: St. Bonaventure
 Saturday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel; Blessed Virgin Mary

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honor. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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Ministry and Community News

VOCATION PRAYER

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



VOCATION OFFICE

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.

Vocation Office
750 North Wabash Ave. Chicago, IL
Chicagopriest.com

JOYFUL AGAIN!



Are you, or someone you know, widowed?

If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to get you “over the hump” because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories.

This unique retreat/workshop will be held at St. Mary’s Retreat House, Lemont, Illinois. The Joyful Again! program is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life. All are welcome.

What: Retreat/workshop for Widowed Men & Women
When: August 10 & 11th (2-day program)
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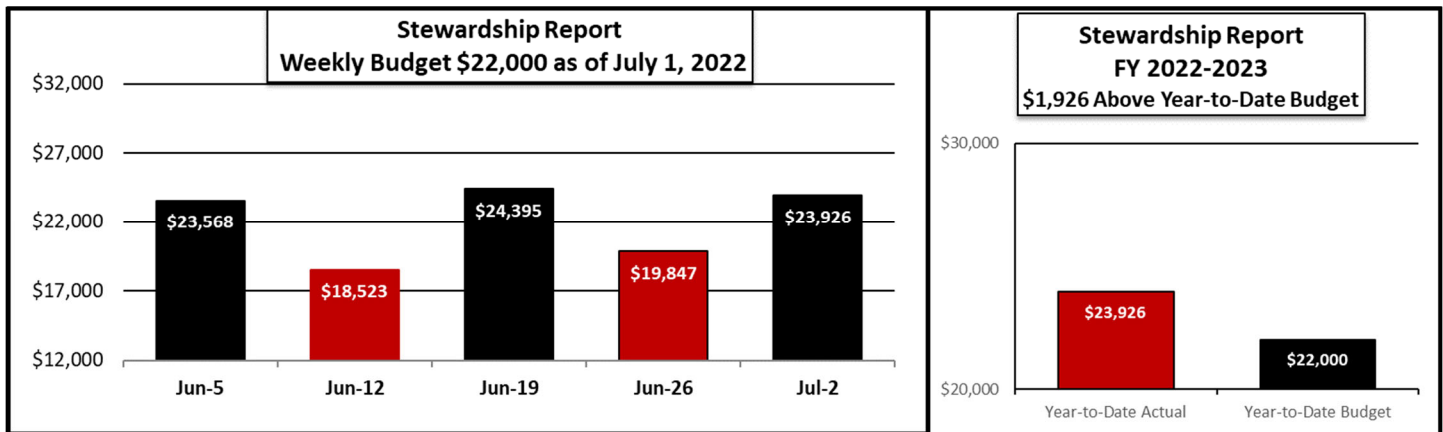
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Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, July 10	7:00am	Parish Center	Hospitality to Welcome Fr. Michael Novick
Monday, July 11	7:00pm	Parish Center Meeting Room	Baptism Prep class (English)
Tuesday, July 12	7:00pm 7:00pm	Parish Center Meeting Room Church	Baptism Prep class (Spanish) Hispanic Ministry Holy Hour
Wednesday, July 13	1:00pm 7:00pm	Church Parish Center	Living Rosary "Come and See" Program
Thursday, July 14	1:00pm 6-8pm	Parish Center Meeting Room Parking Lot	Summer Visio Divina Food Pantry Distribution
Friday, July 15			
Saturday, July 16			
Sunday, July 17			

Stewardship Report

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT




DISNEY RENTAL INFORMATION

Disney+ "Saturdays" is a new TV series that is being filmed on Stone Ave just north of the St. Cletus Parish. Since May, Disney has been renting portions of the St. Cletus parking lots, field, Gallagher room, Parish Center gym, and Morrissey Hall to house their base camp while they are filming. To date, St. Cletus parish has received \$26,000 in rental fees (\$13,000 to the parish, \$13,000 to the school). As a result, the parish was able to fund repairs on two of the flat roofs on the main Church building (estimated cost = \$7125 / actual cost = \$5211.50 / savings = \$1913.50) and the school was able to fund repairs on the flat roof over the Jr. High portion of the school building (estimated cost = \$2720 / actual cost = \$1989.51 / savings = \$730.49). In addition, the school has signed a contract to install inside security doors by the main school office which will provide more secure access to the main part of the school building. The cost of this improvement was quoted at \$7664.75. Due to lead times, the doors will be installed either late August or early September of this year. We estimate that Disney will be renting from St. Cletus three more times before the series is wrapped up (once each in July, August, and September). We will keep you informed as more projects, funded by the Disney rental income, are completed.

St. Cletus Parish Information

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School(708) 352-4820
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Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the parish center office.

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Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
Sunday7:15 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.

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PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

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