

# Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

As for me and my household,  
we will serve the Lord.  
— Joshua 24:15b



## SEPT. 6<sup>TH</sup>-9<sup>TH</sup>



### 5TH ANNUAL ST. CLETUS PARISH FALL FEST

## WELCOME

*So glad you could join us!*



**ON SALE NOW!**  
**\$55 Mega Pass**  
**4 Days of Unlimited  
Carnival Rides**

- Purchase via credit card online until Wednesday August 29th.
- Purchase in the Parish Center Office via cash or check until September 4th.
- Mega pass will be \$65 at the event.

### DONATE TO THE Basket Raffle

- Sporting event tickets
- Sports jerseys
- Theater tickets
- Hotel packages
- Restaurant gift certificates
- Store gift cards



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**LUCKY LEAF  
RAFFLE**

**GRAND PRIZE - \$5000**  
**\$20 PER TICKET -OR- 6 FOR \$100**  
**NEXT \$50 EARLY BIRD DRAWING IS AUG. 26TH!**

More information and online sales • [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com)

## Mass Intentions for the Week of August 27- September 2, 2018

Day	Time	Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Jack Gaggini
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	John Zumpano, Eric Karlson, Gloria Karlson, Ed Mielkus, Rosemary Jerik, George Pappas
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Rebecca Becerril, Kevin Keys
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Sharon Smith, Laura Brooks
Saturday	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Joseph & Kay Klemak, Armando Almazan Mary Trtol, Stella & Felix Gembala, Ken Kakareka, Lisa Gabriel, Joseph & Beth Salvitti
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	George Duda, Marilyn Matesevac, Grandparents of Alicja Ghera Stacy Baker, Ricciardone & Calandriello Families, Virginia Rachford, Angelina Ricciardone St. Cletus Parishioners Gene Kennedy Deceased St. Cletus Parishioners

### EARLY BIRD RAFFLE WINNER



Congratulations to Steven Muscolino, our third \$50 Early Bird Drawing Winner!

Be sure to turn in your raffle tickets today to be entered into the August 26th drawing!

### 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.*

**August** - Lee Ascencio, Mary Benka, Frank Colonna, Paul De Rivera, Nikki Howell, Ada Medina, Leo Rivera, Bill Tortorello

**July** - Joan Clark, Rosario Martinez, Frank Niwa, Laura Terrazino, Rachael Schopp

**June** - Nicole Will Montemagni, Bonnie Boerste, Helen Brennan, Dr. Larry Bernstein, Christine DeMaria, Daniella DeRivera, Gerda E. Dorso, Dan Gibbons, Tom Hansen, George Hess, Kay Hogue, Kathryn McCord, Rosa Nilles, Ayanna Kucera O'Neill, Frank Pastrana, Patricia Rodey, Kathleen Russell, Lucy Schoenecker, Carol Witkowski

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

### STOP BY THE FALL FEST TABLE AFTER MASSES THIS WEEKEND!

Don't miss your chance to get in on the fun of the St. Cletus Parish 5th Annual Fall Fest.

- Turn in your Raffle Tickets for your chance at \$5,000 and get entered for the next \$50 early bird drawing on August 26th. If you are unable to purchase or sell the tickets that were mailed to you please return them as soon as possible to the Parish Center office.
- Purchase your Carnival Mega pass (\$55 for 4 days of unlimited rides) via cash or check.
- Pick up a Sponsorship Form. Each sponsorship includes 2 Mega passes! Please return sponsorships asap so we have time to properly recognize our sponsors.
- Buy a Fall Fest T-Shirt and help us promote the event.
- Pick up a Fall Fest Sign for your yard.
- Drop off Prizes and Gift Cards for our Basket Raffle. See page 8 for a full list of Basket Raffle needs.

If you can't make it to the tent this weekend you can always stop by the Parish Center Office during regular business hours to make purchases via cash or check. You can also visit our website, [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com), to purchase mega passes and sponsorships via credit card.

# Notes from Fr. Bob...

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings present us with choices. Joshua offers the people of Israel a clear choice. They have conquered the land God promised them and now stand on an important threshold. Joshua realizes that this is a time for decision, and that the decision they make now will affect their whole future. The people look to the past and choose the Lord as their God – not out of any sense of mere traditionalism or conservatism, but because God has proved himself to be faithful, their redeemer, their liberator and protector. They make a decision to face the future based on their past experience of God's goodness.

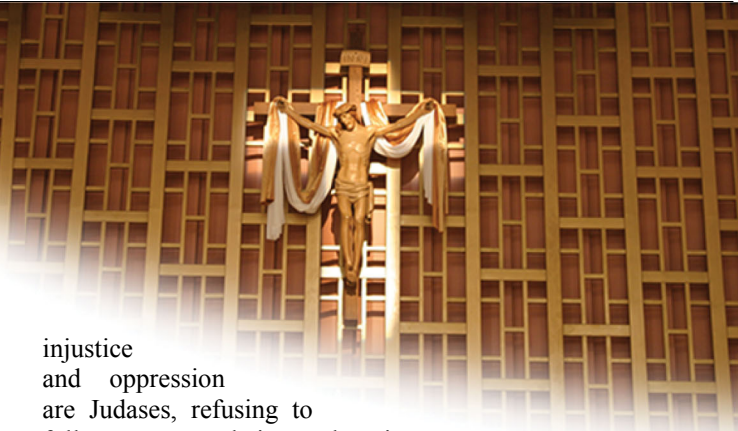
Jesus also gives his disciples a choice: "Do you want to go away too?" Peter gives an answer based on experience. The disciples have spent time with the Lord, listened to his words, seen him perform miracles, watched how he dealt compassionately with people. They have come to know him – to know that he is the "Holy One of God", to know that he brings hope and healing into people's lives – that he has the message of eternal life. They have come to have faith in him: "we believe". Their faith is not certainty: Jesus knows that, like those who walked away, the disciples who stayed would have doubts, questions, many things they simply did not understand. That is why he asks if they too will leave. But although they do have questions, his disciples make a decision based on experience, based on their experience of the Lord. It is a gamble – they had no guarantees about how their lives would turn out or what hardships they would have to endure if they remained with Christ.

Why were so many of Jesus' disciples put off, so that they couldn't make that decision to remain his disciples? They too had heard and observed Jesus. But they chose what they already had rather than take the risk of following him. They opted for safety and security, rather than being open to the message of Jesus.

Choosing whether or not to follow the Lord is a choice we all have to make each day, as the changing circumstances of our life requires us to decide whether to risk trying to live by his teaching or to walk away and remain safe in our old securities. The doctrine which provoked people to leave Jesus was his teaching that we should eat his body and drink his blood, if we are to have life within us. The presence (body and blood) of Jesus is not confined to the Eucharist.

Christ also promised that he would be found among the poor, the weak, the sick and imprisoned, the lonely and the hungry – among the people who make us feel uncomfortable or who make implicit or explicit demands on our time, our concern, our money, our friendship.

Do we recognize Christ's presence – his life-giving body and blood – among these people, or do we prefer to remain safe and comfortable by closing our eyes and ears to the needs and demands of the poor? Liberation theologians tell us that disciples of Christ who do not feel called to fight against



injustice and oppression are Judases, refusing to follow Jesus. Their conduct is a denial of Jesus and a betrayal of his message of life. It is easy for us to stay with what we have, to walk away from any risk. The challenge of real faith is to follow the Lord and to seek his presence in the needy faces of our neighbor. That is a choice which will lead to the greatest prize of all for us: ETERNAL LIFE.

*Blessings and Peace,*

*Fr. Bob*

**Fr. Bob**  
**Pastor**

*Cardinal Cupich's Letter regarding the Pennsylvania Grand Jury Report can be found online at [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org). Please join us in praying for victims of abuse.*

## PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love,  
ever caring, ever strong,  
always present, always just:  
You gave your only Son  
to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,  
join to your own suffering  
the pain of all who have been hurt  
in body, mind, and spirit  
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

Hear our cries as we agonize  
over the harm done to our brothers and sisters.  
Breathe wisdom into our prayers,  
soothe restless hearts with hope,  
steady shaken spirits with faith:  
Show us the way to justice and wholeness,  
enlightened by truth and enfolded in your mercy.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,  
heal your people's wounds  
and transform our brokenness.  
Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and grace,  
so that we may act with justice  
and find peace in you.  
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# Parish School



### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

September 3.....No School  
 September 6-9 ..... St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest  
 October 6 .....St. Cletus Choose Kindness 5K

### 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



### ST. CLETUS SCHOOL QUEEN OF HEARTS

The St. Cletus Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle continues with the roll over pot sitting at over \$6000!

Visit Kenny's Irish Pub and buy your tickets today for the next drawing at 7pm on Monday, August 20th!

**Raffle Details:** In cooperation with Kenny's Irish Pub, St. Cletus is running a 50/50 raffle to benefit St. Cletus School. Tickets can be purchased at Kenny's Irish Pub on 55<sup>th</sup> Street in Countryside for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The raffle draw will take place every Monday night at Kenny's until the Queen of Hearts is found. The tickets do not roll over week to week, but the Pot DOES! Come on over to Kenny's any time during their normal business hours to purchase tickets (winner need not be present to win).

### 50TH REUNION

A great time was had by the class of 1968 who attended their 50th year reunion at St. Cletus on Saturday, August 11th. Alumni came from around the country to celebrate with their class. The group was excited to tour the school and shared many fun stories of their time at St. Cletus.



### SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION!

Our students returned on August 22, once again filling our halls with renewed energy and a desire to learn. Our motto for this year is Faith to Move Mountains. What better way to breath life into that motto than by celebrating Mass together as a school family on the first day of school. It's going to be a wonderful year!

# MUMS THE WORD!!!

**PRE-ORDER YOUR MUM'S BY SEPTEMBER 14TH**

The St. Cletus 8th Grade Class is selling mums to help offset the cost of 8th Grade events and activities.

We have teamed up once again with Hinsdale Nurseries to sell 2 gallon mums and ornamental cabbages for \$10 each.

The mums are available in 5 colors – gold, maroon, orange, purple and white.

Cash or Check payable to St. Cletus School.  
 Orders due to St. Cletus School Office no later than Friday, Sept. 14th. Pick up Saturday Sept. 22nd 1-4pm.

## 8th Grade Mums Pre-Order Form

Instructions: Write in the number of each color you would like.

Send Cash or Check payable to St. Cletus School.

Return this form to the St. Cletus School office no later than Friday, Sept. 14.

Order Pick-Up will be in the St. Cletus parking lot between 1-4pm on Saturday, Sept. 22

\$10 EACH - HINSDALE NURSERIES' 2 GALLON MUM CONTAINER OR ORNAMENTAL CABBAGES	GOLD	MAROON	ORANGE	WHITE	PURPLE	ORNAMENTAL CABBAGES	TOTAL ORDERED
YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE #	QTY.	QTY.	QTY.	QTY.	QTY.	QTY.	\$

**TOTAL ORDERED X \$10 = TOTAL PRICE \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

If you have any questions, please contact: Nikki Gorman at [suzi\\_cue@hotmail.com](mailto:suzi_cue@hotmail.com) / 301-529-3418  
 or Karen Mulcrone at [kkmulcrone@yahoo.com](mailto:kkmulcrone@yahoo.com) / 312-981-9266

## Social Concerns Ministry

### FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Diapers
- Baby wipes
- Baby food, baby cereal
- Pasta
- Snacks (chips, cookies, pudding cups, crackers)

Donations can be dropped off before or after Masses or anytime daily between 7:45am-4pm in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex (at the back of church).



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

CALL THE  
24-HOUR PHONE  
FOR HELP:  
708.485.5254

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATES

Please note there will be NO FOOD PANTRY Thursday, September 6 due to Fall Fest. We will be opening the remaining Thursday evenings in September. Thanks!

Follow us on Facebook: @StCletusFoodPantry

Now on Instagram: @St.CletusFoodPantry

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

St. Alexander Domestic Violence Ministry invites you to attend a free presentation to learn about domestic violence.

Learn:

- How to identify different types of abuse
- Recognize early warning signs of abuse
- Understand the cycle of abuse
- Discover community resources available to victims
- Learn ways a parish can help

Location: St. Alexander Parish Lounge  
7025 West 126th St. Palos Heights, IL 60463

Date: Monday, September 10, 2018 from 6:30 - 8pm

Cost: Free

Lite refreshments will be served. For more information, contact St. Alexander Parish Office at (709) 448-4861

*In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars, found in the box on the left. You are not alone.*

### WORD OF LIFE



“Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother. Not sure how to help or what to say?” Learn more at [www.usccb.org/support-her](http://www.usccb.org/support-her).”

“10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting”  
2015-16 Respect Life Program, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

### LIFE AND JUSTICE CONFERENCE

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The Office of Human Dignity and Solidarity is excited to host this year's Life and Justice Conference entitled *Building a New Reality Together!*

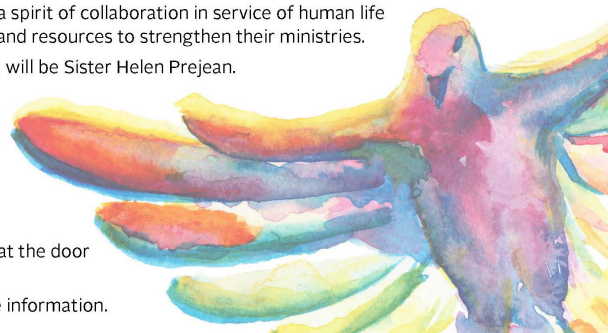
The Life and Justice Conference is a gathering for Catholic social ministers and justice advocates in the Archdiocese of Chicago. that promotes a spirit of collaboration in service of human life and dignity and equips participants with tools and resources to strengthen their ministries.

The keynote speaker for this year's conference will be Sister Helen Prejean.

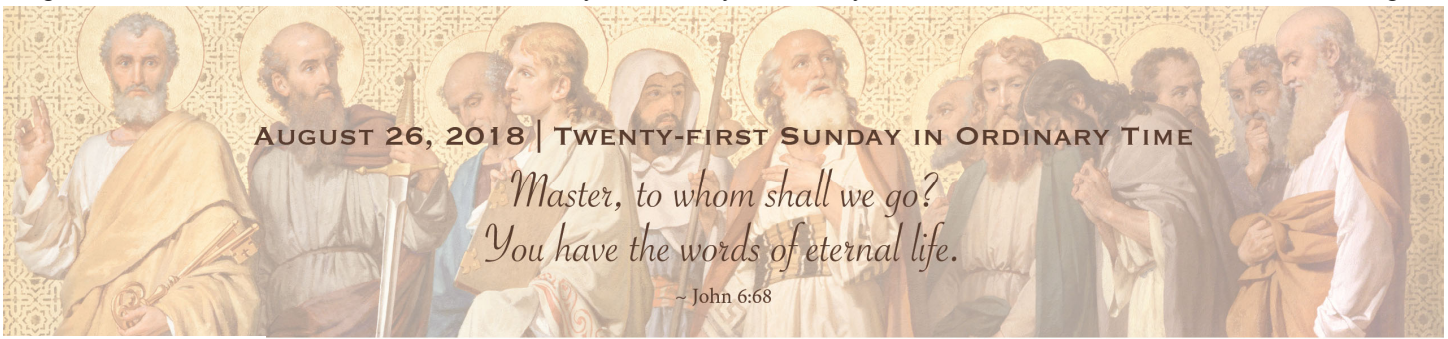
**Saturday, September 15**  
**9 a.m. – 3 p.m.**  
**Mount Carmel High School**  
**6410 South Dante Avenue**  
**Chicago, IL 60637**

\$20 until August 1 | \$25 after August 1 | \$30 at the door

Please visit [pvm.archchicago.org](http://pvm.archchicago.org) to register or our Facebook page @ohdschicago for more information.



*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)*



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## HOUSEHOLDS IN GOD'S SERVICE

In the ancient world, “household” was a wide-reaching concept. When Joshua today speaks of his household serving the Lord, he meant not just those people who lived inside his walls or those related to him by blood or marriage; he meant slaves or servants and their families, and anyone indebted to him in any way. Even his livestock and other possessions would be consecrated to service of God. In our world, we value allowing individuals their freedom to choose how they live, and wouldn't think of offering our pets to the service of God. But, as we discern our vocation as disciples baptized into Christ, we can come to realize how far-ranging the “households” of our lives still are: how we act toward our spouses, children, roommates or anyone we live with; our behavior with neighbors; or in public as we encounter many “strangers” every day in stores or traffic who suddenly are “next door” to us. How can we use our time, our resources, or gifts for selfless reasons rather than personal gain? No matter what life our witness to the Good News calls us to, we all have a “household” that must be consecrated to service of the Lord our God.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD, our God, protected us along our entire journey (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

**Psalm** — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

**Second Reading** — Christ nourishes and cherishes the church because we are members of his body (Ephesians 5:21-32 [5:2a, 25-32]).

**Gospel** — We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God (John 6:60-69).

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. Monica  
 Tuesday: St. Augustine  
 Wednesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22  
 Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26  
 Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mk 6:17-29  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51  
 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mt 25:14-30  
 Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This is the height of vacation season, but as anyone who has ever been to Rome in the summer knows, no time to visit there! The city is sweltering, and in a pre-air-conditioned world long ago, Romans figured out that they needed a break in the surrounding hills. Even the pope clears out. His destination is usually Castelgandolfo, a lovely little hill town southeast of Rome, overlooking a tranquil lake. It has been a papal possession since about 1600, and in 1929, when most of the papal states were finally lost, the papal dwelling was given “extraterritorial rights,” meaning that it is an extension of Vatican City and not under Italian rule. The Vatican observatory maintained telescopes here for decades, far from the glare of the city lights of Rome, but although the observatory offices remain here year round, the telescopes are in Arizona. Pope Francis spends less time here than his predecessors, though he still slows down the pace of his work in Rome.

Vacations can help us visit friends and relatives, and revive those human contacts that the pace of our lives keeps us from cultivating. The pope needs a break, and so do you. Vacation comes from a word meaning to empty oneself. There's still time to clear the calendar for at least one golden summer day even if you don't have a personal castle in the hills!

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## TRUST

I may trust Jesus too little, but I can never trust him too much.

—Anonymous

## 2018 St. Cletus Parish Fall Fest

### **BASKET RAFFLE DONATIONS NEEDED!**

We always have some great items for our Fall Fest Basket Raffle. We need your help to make that happen again this year. Donations can be brought to the parish offices during normal business hours. Thank you for your generosity! We are in need of:

- Sporting event tickets and jerseys (Cubs, Bulls, White Sox, Bears, Blackhawks)
- Theater tickets
- Hotel packages
- Gift cards (Airlines, Visa, Amazon, Target, restaurants, grocery stores, department stores, home improvement stores, or other gift cards.)
- Monetary donations are kindly accepted.

### **MEGA PASSES ARE ON SALE NOW!**

Purchase your carnival Mega Pass online via credit card at [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com) until Wednesday, August 29th. Mega Passes can also be purchased for \$55 via cash or check, payable to St. Cletus, in the Fall Fest Tent after weekend Masses and in the Parish Center Office during regular business hours until Sept. 4th.

During the event, the 4-day unlimited ride Mega Pass will be \$65. Daily and 4 hour passes will also be available for purchase at the event.

### **LAST CHANCE FOR FALL FEST SPONSORSHIPS**

All Sponsorship forms are due by Sunday, August 26th to the Parish Office. Please note that all Fall Fest sponsorships include 2 Mega passes. We invite all St. Cletus Families to show their support as sponsors of the 5th Annual Fall Fest. Sponsorships start at \$275.

Sponsorships can be made via cash or check payable to St. Cletus Parish in the Fall Fest tent or in the Parish Office. Sponsorships can also be paid by credit card on our website [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com).

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We need your help to make our 5th Annual Fall Fest a success! Please sign up to volunteer to help after masses and for each day of the event using the Signupgenius links which can be found on our website, [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com). Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer and chair committees for our fall fest!

### **SIGN UP FOR ST CLETUS KIDS GOT TALENT**

Our Parish Fall Festival is around the corner and we need... your KIDS on stage on Saturday, Sept. 8th @ 2p.m. to showcase all our talented students in our version of America's Got Talent---St Cletus Kids Got Talent! If your student sings, dances, plays a musical instrument or has another talent we would love them to participate! Students can perform solo acts or get together a few friends for a number! A sound system, mics and keyboard will be available for use. There is an option for live accompaniment as well if you supply the sheet music. There will also be a dress rehearsal the day before Friday, Sept. 7th @ 3:00 p.m. Please contact Lauren at [lkapusta@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lkapusta@sbcglobal.net) if your student/s are interested in showing off his or her talent and invite anyone else you think may be interested! The more the merrier! Thanks! - Lauren Kapusta, Fall Fest Entertainment Coordinator

### **\$5,000 GRAND RAFFLE**

We are excited to announce that this year's raffle will have more winners than ever with 27 chances to win! Purchase tickets at the Fall Fest table this weekend after Masses. Please return any unsold tickets to the Tent or Parish Office.

**LUCKY LEAF RAFFLE**

**\$20 PER TICKET -OR- 6 FOR \$100**

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. DRAWING WILL BE HELD 9/9

**GRAND PRIZE \$5,000**

**SECOND PRIZE \$2,500**

**5 THIRD PRIZE WINNERS \$500**

**15 RUNNERS UP \$100 WINNERS**

**5 EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS FOR \$50 EACH**





**\$10,000 DIAMOND SPONSOR (1 AVAILABLE)**

- Overall Sponsorship of the 2018 Fall Fest. Please call for details.

**\$5,000 - \$9,999 PLATINUM SPONSOR**

- Sponsorship of the Main Stage on side banner of stage. Please call for details.



**\$2,500 - \$4,999 RIDE SPONSOR**

- Your organization's name and logo prominently displayed on event flyers that will be distributed in the La Grange and surrounding areas prior to and during the Festival
- A full-year listing of your organization as a "Preferred Provider" in our parish bulletin which is viewed by more than 2,000 Parishioners and community members
- Name on recognition banner at a Carnival Ride of the Festival and on sponsor banner in Beer Tent.
- Logo on all promotional materials, flyers and website
- Name and Logo listed on Fall Fest Shirt and website
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

**\$1,500 - \$2,499 SILVER SPONSOR**

- Logo on promotional materials, flyers and website
- Name on Recognition Banner
- Name and logo listed on Fall Festival Shirt
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

**\$500 - \$1,499 BRONZE SPONSOR**

- Name on recognition banner at Fall Festival
- Name listed (no logo) on the Fall Festival Shirt
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands
- Name on promotional materials, flyers and website

**\$275 - \$499 CARDINAL SPONSOR**

- Name on recognition banner at Fall Festival
- Two Carnival Mega Pass wristbands

If making an "in-kind donation" to the event or basket raffle, please indicate the approximate value of your donation for purposes of sponsor recognition.

**SPONSOR INFORMATION**

Please return sponsorship forms by this Sunday, August 26th, to allow sufficient set up time for recognition. Make checks payable to St. Cletus. Email logos to [fallfest@stcletusparish.com](mailto:fallfest@stcletusparish.com). Direct inquiries to the Parish Office at 708.352.6209. More information and payment by credit card available on our website [www.stcletusfallfest.com](http://www.stcletusfallfest.com).

Organization/Name as it should be listed: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation (\$): \_\_\_\_\_  Check here if you would prefer to remain anonymous in all publications.

# Other Ministry News

## ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS PLANNED



If you are an adult, 19 years of age or older, who received your First Communion, regularly attends Mass, but was never confirmed, this class is for you!

All preparation meetings and the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place at Ascension Parish in Oak Park. Meetings will be held on consecutive Tuesday evenings beginning September 4 through October 4. In addition, one Saturday meeting on September 22 will be held beginning at 3:15 p.m. and continue through 5 p.m. Mass. There will be a \$70 fee to cover the cost of books and materials. There will be reading assigned in preparation for each class. A maximum of 1 class can be missed. Sponsors are encouraged, but not required, to attend.

Registration will close on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Please email [mc.meek@ascensionoakpark.com](mailto:mc.meek@ascensionoakpark.com) for more information or to register. Website: <http://ascensionoakpark.com/parish/adult-confirmation>

## STARTING UP FOR MISSION LADIES

All good things must come to an end and so does Summer. Mission Ladies will be starting up on Wednesday, Sept. 12th, 2018 in the Parish Center at 9am.

In about 9-10 weeks or so we will be distributing our handmade items. We are still in need of yellow, red, black brown and white. Other colors can also be used. We are

no longer accepting Stuffed Animals (small or big) - so please do not leave any at the Rectory or the Ushers Room. New members are welcomed to join our Mission Ladies, no talent is needed. For more info please call Dolores Scaletta 708-839-9605

## ST. CLETUS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

**Volunteers Needed** - CCW is in need of volunteers to staff the newly-created "water/soda" table at our 2018 Fall Fest. Time slots are still available for Sept 6th thru the 9th. No pouring - No spilling!!! Call or email Geri Hinton to sign up, 708-579-0999 or [buszi7@hotmail.com](mailto:buszi7@hotmail.com).

**Save the Date** - BUNCO BASH  
September 28th 7-10 p.m.

## INVITATION

The Lord is looking for some folks who would like to share their gifts by proclaiming the Word of God or offering the Eucharist at Mass as a liturgical minister. Scheduling is flexible as you state your Mass time and date preferences.

Training will be offered Wed., Aug. 29th or Thurs., Aug. 30th in church for those wishing to become:

Eucharistic Ministers – 6:30-7:45pm

Lectors - 7:45-8:15pm

Please give Paulette Bolton a call if you have any questions or wish to accept the invitation: 708 215-5422.



## KEEP IN TOUCH WITH ST. CLETUS WHILE AWAY AT COLLEGE!

While it hardly felt like summer got started, here we are saying goodbye and good luck to our college students. We'd like to ask our college students (or their family) to fill in the blanks below so we can keep in touch! We will mail or email the Canticle to our kids away from home each week. So... students, parents, siblings... please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Center Office. Your college student will appreciate it!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_

(Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior)

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Address (please include the dorm name and room number or apartment number):  
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(City)

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(Zip)

## **RCIA**

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

## **RCIA: COME AND SEE**

**BEGINS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2018**

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

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

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

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

### **BIBLE STUDY CLARIFICATIONS FROM CREDO**

CREDO has been getting some questions about the Bible Study at St. John of the Cross. This is not a CREDO event but is a chance to take Bible Study with a live teacher rather than with a DVD. Currently one CREDO member is going to register for the first unit to see how it goes and if St. Cletus people attend. Another CREDO member has registered for the online version of the class. CREDO assisted with the informational table a few weeks ago to help parishioners become aware of this opportunity in our neighborhood but is not running this event.

If you want to attend, you need to register online here: <https://tinyurl.com/sjcbiblestudy>. You can also go to <https://www.luc.edu/ips/ccss> and navigate to the registration page. You cannot register through St. Cletus. Be sure to pick the session that costs only \$75 and not \$175, unless you want official credit from Loyola. You must buy the student workbook on your own. The ISBN is 978-0809195848. The title is *Old Testament Foundations: Genesis Through Kings Year One Student Workbook (Catholic Biblical School Program)*. Books are available for online orders from the Loyola Bookstore,

Pauline Books and Media, Paulist Press, and Amazon.

Given that the class is having trouble getting enough members, you may want to hold off on purchasing the book until you know that your preferred session will take place. One option if the in-person class does not run is to transfer to the online class.

CREDO has learned that if you register for the in-person class, there is no way to make up missed sessions. If you register for the online class, lectures are recorded, and you can make up missed sessions. Also, please note that each 10-week unit of the class costs \$75, so the cost for a year is \$225.

If you have further questions, contact Kevin Pease [kpease@luc.edu](mailto:kpease@luc.edu) or Dorothy Jonaitis [djonaitis@luc.edu](mailto:djonaitis@luc.edu). If you have registration questions contact Mirta Garcia, [mgarcia29@luc.edu](mailto:mgarcia29@luc.edu). We hope we have answered some of the questions you have. Please note that filling out an expression of interest form at the informational table after mass DID NOT register you for the class.

CREDO (Continuing Religious Education Opportunities)

### **INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

Join us for our 16th Annual Fall Benefit on Friday, September 28 at 6:30 pm at Capri Banquets, 6240 Joliet Rd., Countryside, IL 60525. \$60 per person. RSVP by September 21 online at [ICP.gesture.com](http://ICP.gesture.com), by phone (708) 354-9328 or email us at [interfaithcommunitypartners@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithcommunitypartners@gmail.com). All proceeds benefit Interfaith Community Partners.

### **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!

### **ED WARD FINE ARTS SERIES AT ST. CLETUS**

Mark your calendars for our next concert on Sunday, October 21st at 4pm in the Church.



## Community Bulletin Board

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



**MARRIED IN 1968?** The Annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place at Holy Name Cathedral, 730 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611 on Sunday, September 16th. Cardinal Blase J. Cupich will preside over this special Mass. Go to <https://pvm.archchicago.org/> to register to attend by 9/1.

### TEAM RUSSEL RIDERS



Please help support Team Russell Riders who are riding 100 miles September 16<sup>th</sup> in the Susan G. Komen "Ride for the Cure". Team Russell Riders was formed to honor Kathleen Russell, St. Cletus parishioner and mother who is battling breast cancer. Team Russell Riders consists of St. Cletus parishioners, Joe Noga, Karen Mulcrone, Megan Wenstrup and Brad Dorchinez who will ride 100 miles on their bicycles to bring awareness and raise money to fight breast cancer. Visit the <http://chicagoland.info-komen.org/goto/RussellRiders> page to donate to the team to help find a cure! Thank you.

### LIGHTS OF HOPE FOR PETER MAY



The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) will be honoring those who have been touched by cancer and remembering those lost, during the national Lights of HOPE ceremony in Washington, D.C. this Fall. St. Cletus Parish has been asked to remember/honor St. Cletus parishioner, Peter May, at the upcoming Lights of HOPE Ceremony. Donate online before 9/16 at [www.acscan.org/hope](http://www.acscan.org/hope). Questions? Call Maggie at 847-317-0209.

### TALLER DE JOSE 10TH ANNIVERSARY



Join us Sunday, September 23rd at 3pm for a mass of Thanksgiving celebrating 10 years of Accompaniment at Taller de José! All are welcome for this free event commemorating all of the people, organizations, and supporters that have made an impact on this thriving Chicago ministry. Kolbe Assumption Catholic Church, 2434 S California Ave, Chicago. Reception immediately following the Mass. Your RSVP to 773-523-8320 or [info@tallerdejose.org](mailto:info@tallerdejose.org) is appreciated!

### AMITA HEALTH

Become a Hospice Volunteer with AMITA Health, Adventist St. Thomas Hospice. Join us for a 2-week intensive Volunteer Hospice Training Program Mondays, Wednesday & Fridays from September 10-21, 9:00 am-12:00pm. Location: 119 E. Ogden Ave., Ste. 111, Hinsdale. If interested, please RSVP: Sophia Foley, Volunteer Coordinator 630-856-6998 or [Sophia.Foley@amitahealth.org](mailto:Sophia.Foley@amitahealth.org)

### ADOLF FUNERAL HOME

Night of Healing - Heal your Soul II  
Adolf Funeral Home, 700 S. Madison St. Willowbrook  
Thursday, September 20, 2018 7 - 9 p.m.

Meditation and Letting Go of Grief with Anne Quigley, LMT - Let Anne help you relax by removing negative influences that affect your energy and well-being to relieve pain and stress.

Garden of Yoga with Kathleen M. Wright, Director - Kathleen is a nationally certified Iyengar Yoga teacher.

Karen Schultz, LCSW - Karen's expertise as a spiritual teacher and healer will help you find strength to overcome obstacles and adversity by developing your inner resource.

RSVP to Donna 630.325.2300.

### HITZEMAN FUNERAL HOME

We welcome you and your family to join us for our Grief Support Gatherings which will occur the second Tuesday of each month. These groups are intended to be social in nature where we can express our support with others that are experiencing the same feelings.

For more information please visit [www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport](http://www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport)

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Hitzeman Funeral Home, 9445 West 31st St. Brookfield

Seats are limited; please R.S.V.P. by September 7, 2018 to [info@hitzemanfuneral.com](mailto:info@hitzemanfuneral.com) or 708-485-2000. We appreciate your continued trust in Hitzeman Funeral Home and we hope that you will be able to join us. Refreshments will follow.

Next forum will be Tuesday, October 9th, Grief Resources

### JOYFUL AGAIN! PROGRAM



For Widowed Men and Women -

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 your life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories.

All are invited. The Joyful Again! retreat/workshop is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to again find hope and new joy in life. This unique program will be held at these dates/locations:

Oct 6 & 7 - St. Ann's, Channahon

Nov 10 & 11 - Nazareth Retreat Hse., Batavia

Nov 17 & 18 - Our Lady of the Angels. Retreat Hse., Lemont

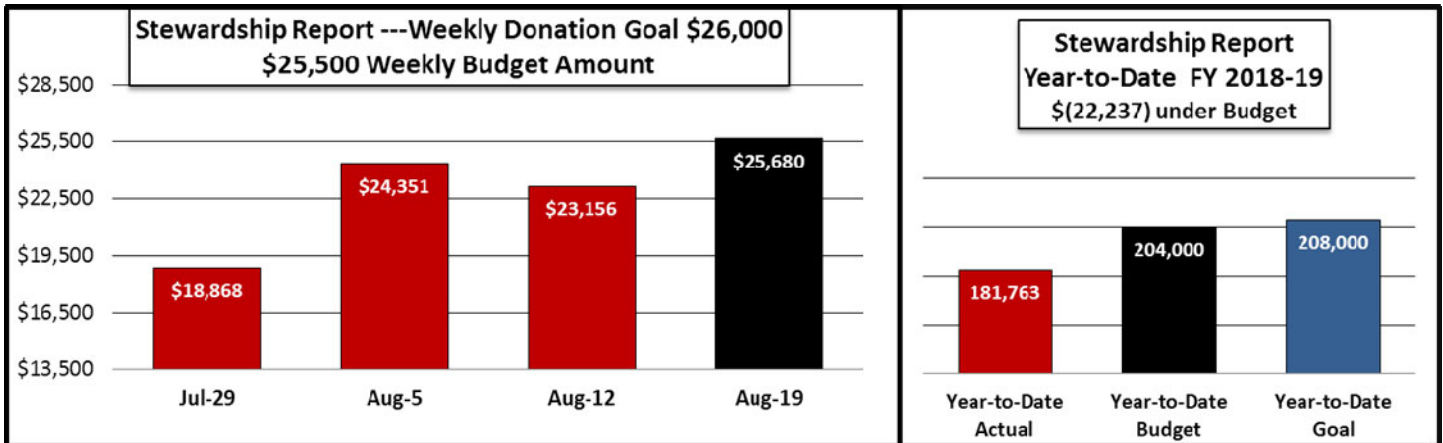
Call: 708-354-7211. Email us at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com) website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org) (incls.video). Register early, space is limited.

## Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, August 26	7:00am 7:00pm	Narthex/Tent Parish Center	Fall Fest Ticket Sales Fine Arts Series Concert Rehearsal
Monday, August 27	8:00pm	PC Gym	Men's Basketball
Tuesday, August 28	6:30pm	Rectory Basement	PPC Meeting
Wednesday, August 29			
Thursday, August 30	6:00pm 7:00pm	Rectory Basement Parish Center Meeting Rm	Food Pantry Catechist Meeting
Friday, August 31			
Saturday, September 1	5:00pm 5:00pm	Narthex Narthex/Tent	Welcome Committee Fall Fest Ticket Sales
Sunday, September 2	7:00am 7:00am	Narthex Narthex/Tent	Welcome Committee Fall Fest Ticket Sales

## Stewardship Report

### WEEKLY GIVING REPORT



### ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING

**Donate Online** *Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY!* Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at [www.stcletusparish.com](http://www.stcletusparish.com) and click the "DONATE" BUTTON. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions or need help, call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209.

## 2017 St. Cletus Fall Fest Preferred Providers

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## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish offices have moved to our new location in the parish center. All deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

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

## 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

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