“COME AFTER ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN.”

Matthew 4:19
Mon., January 23, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
7:00am † Ted Leverenz
  Presider: Fr. Benz
8:00am † Communion Service
  Presider: Deacon Mark

Tues., January 24, Saint Francis de Sales
7:00am † Tom Hamer
  Presider: Fr. Whitman
8:00am † Frank George, Sr.
  Presider: Fr. Benz

7:00am † Henry Clever, Jr.
  Presider: Fr. Whitman
8:00am † Leo Paquette
  Presider: Fr. Benz

Thur., January 26, Saint Timothy and Saint Titus
7:00am † Ben Carneal
  Presider: Fr. Whitman
8:00am † Anna Rothermich
  Presider: Fr. Benz

Fri., January 27, Weekday
7:00am † Hazel Freber
  Presider: Whitman
8:00am † Janet Simon (all school)
  Presider: Fr. Benz

Sat., January 28, Saint Thomas Aquinas
8:00am † Elizabeth Houska
  Presider: Fr. Whitman

Sat., January 28, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm † Sue Shells
  Presider: Fr. Benz
  Deacon: Walt LaBozzetta
  Servers: M. Nikodem and M. Nikodem

Sun., January 29, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am † Our Parish Family
  Presider: Fr. Benz
  Deacon: Walt LaBozzetta
  Servers: Adult Servers (B. McCauley & J. Rogles)
9:30am † Allan Kohles
  Presider: Fr. Whitman
  Deacon: Frank Olmsted
  Servers: A. Poulter and E. Poulter
11:30am † Martha Baronovic
  Presider: Fr. Benz
  Deacon: Frank Olmstede
  Servers: M. Basler and G. Basler
In this Sunday’s Gospel, we find that Jesus “... went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people.” Through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is able to proclaim the good news of the kingdom to the poor, by assisting families with rent, utilities, food and other bills. Thank You!

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 (live streamed), 9:30, and 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday and 8:00 a.m. Saturday (live streamed) 8:00 a.m. Tuesday thru Friday in the weekday chapel

COMMUNION SERVICE: Monday at 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Monday 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

BAPTISMS:
Please contact Deacon Mark McCarthy to arrange for date and time.

MARRIAGES:
Arrangements must be made six months in advance. Contact Deacon Mark McCarthy

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:
By appointment

HOMILIES:
Sunday homilies can be found at:
www.saintcletus.org

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday thru Thursday: 8:30am - 4:30pm
Friday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

BULLETIN DEADLINE: 10 Days Prior to date
In writing or email to: secretary@saintcletus.org
SEEK23 sponsored by the Fellowship of Catholic University Students-FOCUS

A week and a half ago, parishioners Lori Geisman, Mary Jane Young, Cheryl Borgsmiller, Nancy Hesselbach, Jill Joeckel, Paige Finklang, Jeff Buchholz, Mike Boschert, and I participated in this wonderful event at the America’s Center downtown. We were there with over 17,000 other folks, most of them college students, to deepen our relationship with Jesus and to learn how to be better spread his Good News. SEEK describes itself in this way: Through prayer, sacraments, inspiring keynotes, and more, this event is an opportunity to encounter the Gospel anew and to be revived, equipped and encouraged for the life of faith Christ is calling us to lead.

SEEK does so with these four particular emphases:

**PERSONAL:** Have you heard the call? Spend time with the Lord in prayer, adoration, and the celebration of the sacraments—and encounter the Good News in a way you never have before.

**RELATABLE:** Join with students, friends, neighbors, coworkers, and parishioners to listen, pray, and celebrate in fellowship.

**INSPIRATIONAL:** Learn from a great collective of speakers about the truth, beauty, goodness, and abundance we were all called to seek and experience.

**UNIVERSAL:** Faith formation, service opportunities, further education, religious vocations, and more: Find your next adventure through our sponsors and connect with the universal Church in a greater way.

The nine of us agree that SEEK did all of this and more, and I hope to share a bit more with you about this Conference in my next weekend’s bulletin column, but the first night I was there I walked down to the Arch and came across two very interesting images: the Top Notch Amusement Center billboard and the Stifel Investments bronze of the battling bear and bull. And it struck me that this is often what life is all about and why we need spiritual “shots in the arm” that events like SEEK23 offer in that often in our world there are those who are throwing spiritual axes at us and that there is always the constant battle going on in our lives between the spirit and the flesh, good and evil, virtue and vice. As I mentioned in last weekend’s homily, there was a beautiful yet simple prayer suggested we pray regularly in this foray: Lord Jesus, more of You and less of me.
God wants you to experience the JOY he created you for. So do we. Here’s how. It all starts by following 9 simple rules.

Every success in life is meaningless without joy. Joy is God’s dream for you. Heaven is called a “wedding banquet.” And Jesus’ whole mission was to share that joy with you. He said it himself. “I’ve told you these things so my joy may be in you.” Think about that. The joy of GOD in YOU. The experience of that joy eternal starts now. And it doesn’t start with a change in your circumstances but a change in you.

Chris Stefanik’s book “Living Joy” is intended to help us find the joy for which God has created us.

His nine rules are:
#1 Give Thanks
#2 Practice Silence
#3 Love Yourself
#4 Have Fun
#5 Engage Your Body in the Battle for Joy
#6 Make Friends
#7 Rest
#8 Serve
#9 Frame Your Mind with Faith

Plus Chris has created two short accompanying videos for each rule.

You can hear Chris describe this book and its process learning more about them by going to: https://coaching.reallicatholic.com/living-joy

While this book and its accompanying videos will be beneficial to anyone who reads it and uses the videos, our parish’s Adult Faith Formation Committee would like to invite you to consider using this book and its videos in a more impactful way by doing so in small groups.

You can form your own small group comprised of your friends and/or family members (we will provide you with a small group guide which you can use). However, we would also invite you to become a member of one of our parish’s small groups. Our parish small groups are intended to be a part of our observance of the Season of Lent (the first four rules) as well as our observance of the Season of Easter (the last five rules). Our parish’s small groups will either be in-person or by a Zoom meeting. If you wish to be a member of one of our parish’s small groups, we ask you to complete the following form and return it to our office by Feb. 1:

Name(s): __________________________

Phone number: __________________________

E-mail address if you have one: __________________________

I would like to participate in an in-person small group: _____

I would like to participate in a Zoom small group: _____

I am willing to be a small group leader via Zoom: _____ in-person: _____
For the next two Thursdays, our pastor, Father Jim Benz will be providing the presentations for the RCIA group. On January 26 at 7:00 pm, Father Benz will present "The Sacrament of Reconciliation." Come and join the RCIA group and other interested Catholics in the Duchesne Room for this opportunity to reflect on God's merciful love and forgiveness.

You’re Invited:
Come to the Feast-
The Eucharist as a Meal
Dates: January 26
February 2 & 9
Time: 6:00-9:00 pm
Place: St. Cletus Parish Hall
Please join us for food, fun, & fellowship with Father Mark Whitman sharing how the Mass feeds our souls
Babysitting is available on request
Register via signup genius on the parish website: www.saintcletus.org
Or text/call 314-808-4513
https://www.signupgenius.com/

Three new Stephen Ministers, Joan Bates, Cheryl Borgsmiller, and Claudia Gonzalez having completed 50 hours of training were commissioned last Sunday, joining the St. Cletus Stephen Ministers who provide confidential Christian care to our hurting brothers and sisters.

If you or someone you know needs a companion to journey with during a difficult time, a Stephen Minister is available by calling 636-255-1739

HOLY HOUR, ST. CLETUS
DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN
JANUARY 23, 2023
7:00 PM
THE LEGION OF MARY PRESENTS
A DISCUSSION ON FAITH AND SCIENCE

Location:  St. Cletus Catholic Church
Date:  February 4, 2023
Time:  9:00 AM
Following 8:00 AM Mass and first Saturday devotions
Presenter:  Shawn Mueller

Please join us as Shawn takes us through a discussion on the relationship between our faith and science.

St. Cletus Open House

We would like to welcome families interested in St. Cletus Preschool and Elementary School to attend an upcoming Open House.

Please join us Sunday, January 29, 10:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. or Wednesday, February 1, from 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. or Sunday, March 5, from 10:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
Individual tours are available upon request.

Please join us if you have questions regarding the school program or call Rosann Doherty at 636-946-7756. We look forward to seeing you!!

CYC Golf Registration is now open.
- Registration: 1/3 – 2/6
- Grades 1-4, 7 weeks, $120
- Grades 5-8, 10 weeks, $165
- https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/cyosaintcharlesmo/current-programs
In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or almsgiving.

The USCCB also sponsors an annual, nationwide novena called 9 Days for Life, January 19-27, which encompasses the liturgical observance of the Day of Prayer. Each day for nine days, a different intention is featured, accompanied by a short reflection, suggested actions, and related information as we pray for the respect and protection of every human life. Visit [www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life](http://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life) for more information on the annual campaign.

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, January 19-27. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)

There will also be a few hard copies of the novena in the Gathering Space.

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**St. Cletus Trivia Night**

**DATE:** January 28, 2023

**TIME:**
- Doors open at 6PM
- Trivia Starts 6:30 PM

**PRICE:** $200 for a table of 8

**WANT MULLIGANS?** 12 for $12

**FREE BEER & SODA**
- 50/50, RAFFLE & WINE BINGO

**TO REGISTER**
- Complete online form (scan QR code):

**DONATIONS NEEDED**
- Wine bottles & gift cards, and round sponsors
- Drop off in the school office
- email: saintcletustrivia@gmail.com with questions
St. Cletus cordially invites you to attend the 6th annual

Father Daughter Bows & Boots Dance
Saturday, February 25, 6:30pm - 9:00pm
St. Cletus Church Parish Hall

Tickets—$20 per couple / $5.00 each additional child
Attendees should be Pre-K through 8th grade

DJ, photo booth, balloon animals, snacks and desserts will make this an event you won’t want to miss! Grab your finest western attire and be ready for a line dance or two!

If you would like to help decorate, please arrive at the Parish Hall at 9:00am, Saturday, February 25. If you have any questions, please contact Kortney Morton (314-368-2095) or Lauren Colyer (636-357-2025)

Yes, I would like to attend the Father Daughter Bows & Boots Dance!
Please complete this section of the form and send to the St. Cletus school office along with payment by Friday, February 18

Attendees Names:_________________________________________________

# Attending:____________                        Total $___________

(Please make checks payable to St. Cletus PTO)

St. Charles Senior Care and Home Services is a new all-in-one assisted living service provider whose goal is to help seniors maintain a safe, high-quality of life while living in their own homes. We are a small, Catholic, family-run business that provides many essential services for the elderly of the St. Charles area, such as basic senior care and assisted living services, handyman & home maintenance services, computer and technology help, safeguard visits, downsizing & organizing assistance, and more. Please visit our website at www.saintcharlesseniorcare.com to learn more or contact us at info@saintcharlesseniorcare.com
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:21-35
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

Welcome New Parishioners!

To receive a registration form or indicate an address change or move from the parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket, or call the Parish Office (636-946-6327).

Names:__________________________________________
Adults_______                 Children________
Address:_________________________________________
Phone:__________________________________________
Email:___________________________________________

St. Charles Young Adults: All young adults aged 20-39 are welcome to join us on Saturday, January 29 at 11 am, for the Ice Carving Festival and Lunch on Main Street! We will meet in the parking lot at St. Charles Borromeo. Contact Kristin Jacoby for more details at: scbyouthminister@borromeoparish.com.

Save the Date!
St. Ann Ladies Club of Sts. Joachim and Ann Parish cordially invites you to our
Quilt Social Bingo Event on Saturday, February 4, 2023.
Quilt and Cash Prizes -- Quilt Raffle -- 50/50 Drawing
The Quilt raffle includes a St. Louis CITY SC handmade quilt!

Sts. Joachim and Ann School Cafeteria
4110 McClay Road in St. Charles
Doors open at 9:30 am, Games start at 11:00 am
Food and Drink available for purchase.
No pre-registration required.
Handicap parking available.
Both ladies and men are welcome to play. (Must be aged 16+)
Questions? Contact Laura at 314-369-7631 or LauraLFree@att.net.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest will be held on
Wednesday, February 8, @ 7p at Duchesne High School.
This event is for boys and girls ages 9-14 and is free to participate. Shooters can register at the door.
Please call/text Brian Gould (636) 288-3484 with questions.
NOTE:

Please print **625 copies**

Thank You!