

St. Cletus Catholic Church
Welcoming Christ in the Face of Others
April 28, 2024



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Twitter: [@saintcletus](https://twitter.com/saintcletus)

Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions for the week

Mon., April 29, Saint Catherine of Siena

7:00am † *Communion Service*

Presider: Deacon Mark

Tues., April 30, Easter Weekday

7:00am † *Special Intention*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Wed., May 1, Easter Weekday

7:00am † *Gary Wibbenmeyer*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

8:00am † *Betty Bruck (living) (all school)*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Thur., May 2, Saint Athanasius

7:00am † *Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Fri., May 3, Saints Philip and James

7:00am † *Dcn. Mark & Liz' 55th Anniversary*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Sat., May 4, Easter Weekday

8:00am † *Communion Service*

Presider: Deacon: Mark

10:00am † *Maurice McDevitt (1st Communion)*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Sat., May 4, Sixth Sunday of Easter

5:00pm † *Michael Graves*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Deacon: Mark McCarthy

Servers: E. Krupich and R. Maples

Sun., May 5, Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30am † *Jim Choinka*

Presider: Fr. Jim Mitulski

Deacon: Mark McCarthy

Servers: A. Poulter and E. Poulter

9:30am † *Ann Krussel*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Deacon: Frank Olmsted

Servers: M. Furlong and E. Hockmeyer

11:30am † *Our Parish Family*

Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

Deacon: Frank Olmsted

Servers: I. Hamer and M. Hamer



- William Autry
- Sue Brockelmeyer
- Charlene Carson
- Cathy Colloton
- Shari Gardocki
- John Kaiman
- Lorraine Lind
- Joe Marzaloes
- Pauline Neeley
- Cheryl Patton
- Jim Pini
- Dave Raley
- Eric Reinholz

Consult not your fears but your hopes and dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do.

POPE SAINT JOHN XXIII

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. Tuesday thru Friday

ADORATION: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

COMMUNION SERVICE: Monday at 7:00 a.m. and Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Thursday 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

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





PARISH COLLECTION April 14, 2024

Regular Offertory.....	\$ 14,493.15
Online Offertory.....	\$ 8,519.00
Matching.....	\$ 595.00



In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Indeed, by helping the poor we can "bear much fruit" and we find that with Jesus we can do everything. Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness, and dread.

GOODBYE APRIL, HELLO MAY.

ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS THIS WEEK

MONDAY, APRIL 29

10:00AM	ELL	BENZ
5:00PM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY	BENZ
6:15PM	PSR CLASSES	SCHOOL

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

8:30AM	SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS	HALL
10:00AM	ELL	BENZ
12:00PM	PRIVATE MEETING	BENZ
4:30PM	ORGAN TRAINING	CHURCH
6:15PM	1ST COMMUNION REHEARSAL	CHURCH/HALL
7:00PM	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	CALLAHAN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

9:00AM	QUILTERS	HALL
12:00PM	PRIVATE MEETING	BENZ
6:00PM	CHOIR PRACTICE	CHURCH
6:15PM	SCHOOL BOARD MEETING	CALLAHAN
7:00PM	STEPHEN MINISTRY MEETING	DUCHESNE

THURSDAY, MAY 2

8:30AM	SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS	HALL
10:00AM	WWP MEETING	DUCHESNE
12:00PM	PRIVATE MTG	BENZ
1:00PM	STAFF MEETING	CALLAHAN
6:30PM	LEGION OF MARY	DAY CHAPEL
7:00PM	FINANCE COMMITTEE MTG	CALLAHAN

FRIDAY, MAY 3

9:00AM	WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP	DUCHESNE
12:00PM	PRIVATE MEETING	BENZ

SATURDAY, MAY 4

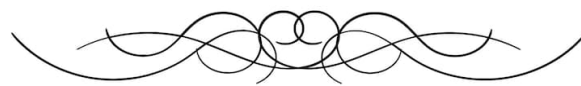
BRIDGE BREAD SALES AFTER MASS

8:30AM	1ST COMMUNION	HALL
10:00AM	1ST COMMUNION	CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 5

**BRIDGE BREAD SALES AFTER ALL MASSES
DONUT SUNDAY**

12:45PM	BAPTISM	CHURCH
2:00PM	YCM REHEARSAL	CHURCH



**AN INVITATION TO
FR. JIM BENZ'
50TH ORDINATION
ANNIVERSARY**

On Sunday, May 19, 2024, our former pastor, Fr. Jim Benz, will celebrate his 50th anniversary as a priest at the 11:30 a.m. Mass at Sts. Joachim & Ann Parish, 4112 McClay Road, St. Charles, MO 63304. He would like you to join him for this Mass and the reception immediately following in the parish's school cafeteria.

So that the people of Sts. Joachim & Ann may sufficiently prepare for this reception, please RSVP at this Sign-Up Genius site, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/frbenz50>, or call the Sts. Joachim & Ann Parish Office at 636-441-7503. Rather than a gift to him, Fr. Benz requests that you make a gift to the charity of your choice.



Light Bulbs

Desmond Tutu once said, “we are the light bulbs and our job is to stay plugged in.” We are to be plugged into Christ. If we aren’t plugged into Christ, we will not shine. Jesus says remain in me as I remain in you. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. I don’t want to be a light bulb that gives off no light. That is meaningless. I want to be a light bulb that gives off light for others to see.

How do we plug into Christ? First, it is prayer. Prayer completes the circuit. We pray, we thank, we ask, we listen. Where are you at? Are you running, always feeling that we have something we need to do before we pray? We call that avoidance. I think one of the things that kept me from praying when I was younger was conflict. I was in conflict with God and I didn’t want to talk to him about it. I would say that conflict is normal. God gave Jacob the name Israel. There are many definitions of the name Israel in Hebrew, but the one I like best is one who wrestles, wrestles with God. The story goes that Jacob wrestled with an angel all night to receive a blessing. In the end, the angel relented. The challenge is to get in the wrestling match. A lot of times the wrestling match is within me and not God. Bring God your problems. I have received many blessings from God in my wrestling. The biggest reward is knowing that I am loved no matter what.

The second way to remain plugged into Christ is my faith family. I need people who I can talk about God with and I can really reveal who I am. In protestant circles, they talk about an accountability partner, someone you can get real with. While I did not call it that in my life; I realize that’s what I had. I had someone besides my confessor, that I could talk to about everything. Beyond my confessor, it was first my spiritual director. He got me talking beyond the surface. I mentioned last week that one of the biggest sins in our society, more beyond our hot button sins, is our superficiality. Many people live on the surface. Many people live just to survive. Survival is good. Thank God you survived, but survival is still substandard living. We were meant to thrive. Spiritual direction can bring about transformation. Spiritual direction can lead us into deeper relations with others, people we can talk to every day about what’s really going on. These are the people we can talk to especially when we are struggling with God.

The goal is to expand our circles. That is the fruit that Jesus is talking about. We find ourselves shining before others. They start to want what we have. You gradually learn how to help your fellow human being on any level. Quoting from AA, “things that used to baffle us will no longer baffle us.”

God bless,
Fr. Chris

P.S. There is a button to click on for spiritual directors on our website.



The Legion of Mary

Saint Cletus Morning Start Praesidium

***“Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word.”
(Luke 1:38)***

Let us have steadfast faith in imitation of our blessed mother.

**Please join us in the day Chapel to pray the Rosary for peace in the world,
30 minutes prior to the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses on Sunday mornings.**

For information about the legion or to submit Rosary requests, please email us at legionofmary@saintcletus.org or call 636-946-6327 Ext. 1733

HOLY HOUR

“So, Could you not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” Matthew 26 40-41



Exposition of the blessed Sacrament Rosary & Benediction

Join the Legion of Mary for an evening with the Lord. The evening will include Exposition, silent prayer, Rosary, and Benediction. Dedicated to our Blessed Mother, we, her children, run to her for refuge.

**Thursday, May 16
7:00 p.m.
St. Cletus Catholic Church
2705 Zumbahl Road
St. Charles, MO 63301**

2024 St Cletus Parish Picnic 50/50 Raffle

Only 200 tickets to be sold @ \$100 per ticket
Potential \$10,000 in winnings if all tickets are sold

Benefiting St Cletus Parish

Tickets available online: www.saintcletus.org & FACEBOOK
Parish Picnic is MAY 18th & 19th

To enter, please fill out this form and return it by mail or stop by
the 50/50 Booth on Saturday or Sunday at the Picnic
Make checks payable to St Cletus Parish

**St Cletus 50/50 Raffle
St Cletus Church Office
2705 Zumbahl Road
St. Charles, MO. 63301**

Buy a ticket for yourself, or get a group together and buy one as a group

The St. Cletus 50/50 Drawing will be Sunday May 19th at the PICNIC

The winner will be notified by phone or mail.

Thank you for supporting St Cletus

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2024 St Cletus Parish Picnic 50/50 Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____





Vascular & Organ Wellness Ultrasound Screenings

St. Cletus Catholic Church

Wednesday, May 8th

Please call 832-437-7355 for your appointment.

Do You Have Any of These Risk Factors?

High Blood Pressure ♦ High Cholesterol ♦ Family History of Stroke, Heart Attack, Aortic Aneurysms or Cancer
Diabetes ♦ Atrial Fibrillation ♦ Obesity

The first symptom of a stroke IS a stroke! Early detection helps to save lives. Manage these controllable risk factors: smoking, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, excessive weight, and alcohol consumption.



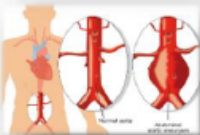
Stroke Risk Screening

Ultrasound of the carotid artery looking for plaque or blocked arteries.



Liver Screening

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as masses or tumors.



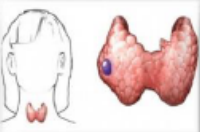
Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening

Ultrasound of the abdominal aorta looking for an aneurysm.



Kidneys (2) Screening †

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as cysts, masses, and stones.



Thyroid Screening †

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as nodules or cysts.



Gallbladder Screening †

Ultrasound looking for physical lesions such as polyps, stones, and sludge.

Total Discounted Package: All 7 Ultrasounds for \$169

Appointments: 832-437-7355; † No substitutions or discounts allowed

Additional Testing Available*

(not included in package cost)

- ♦ A1c (Diabetes) \$25
- ♦ Lipids/Cholesterol \$25
- ♦ VTD (Vitamin D) \$45
- ♦ PSA (Prostate) \$45
- ♦ TSH (Thyroid) \$45
- ♦ CRP (Cardiac/Inflammation) \$45
- ♦ COR (Cortisol/Adrenal Glands) \$45
- ♦ GGT (Liver Enzyme) \$45
- ♦ CRE (Kidney Creatinine Serum) \$45
- ♦ TTE (Testosterone) \$45
- ♦ Bone Density (T-Score) \$25

*Bloodwork may not be available in all regions.



For blood package pricing, open phone camera, hover over QR code and tap the link.

Screening Preparations

- ♦ Wear a two-piece comfortable outfit, no dresses.
- ♦ No food or caffeine 4 hours prior to screening.
- ♦ If you are diabetic, make sure to eat a light snack.
- ♦ No chewing gum before the exams.
- ♦ 8 hours fast if having the cholesterol test.
- ♦ If you are taking medication, continue to take it.

Saving Lives Since 2001!



MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE  **WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT?**



The Pro-Abortion Initiative Petition seeks to amend the Missouri Constitution and legalize abortion throughout ALL stages of pregnancy.

What it does.....

THREATENS PARENTAL RIGHTS

By using “person” instead of adult or woman, anyone under the age of 18 could have an abortion or make any other reproductive decision without their parents’ consent or notification.

PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

Current Missouri laws* require abortion providers to explain procedure risks and ensure access to hospital transfer if needed and to administer medication abortions in person in case of complications for the woman. These health and safety standards could be seen as an “interference” or “delay” and be eliminated, making it even less safe for women seeking an abortion.

ALLOWS FOR ABORTIONS INTO THE SECOND AND THIRD TRIMESTER

The amendment allows abortions at any time to protect not only the physical, but also the mental health of the woman. This means that a health care provider could justify a late-term abortion due to a woman’s “emotional, psychological, [and] familial” concerns**. An abortion provider would decide when a baby could survive outside the womb, leaving no clear protections for preborn children.

IS MISLEADING

Referring to “miscarriage care” promotes a myth that a “right to abortion” is necessary to preserve care for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies. This is false. Catholic hospitals have always provided comprehensive miscarriage care and will continue to do so regardless of the outcome of this petition.

What it says.....

1. This Section shall be known as “The Right to Reproductive Freedom Initiative.”
2. The Government shall not deny or infringe upon a person’s fundamental right to reproductive freedom...including but not limited to prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion care, miscarriage care, and respectful birthing conditions.
3. The right to reproductive freedom shall not be denied, interfered with, delayed, or otherwise restricted unless the Government demonstrates that such action is justified by a compelling governmental interest achieved by the least restrictive means. Any denial, interference, delay, or restriction of the right to reproductive freedom shall be presumed invalid.
4. Notwithstanding subsection 3 of this Section, the general assembly may enact laws that regulate the provision of abortion after Fetal Viability provided that under no circumstance shall the Government deny, interfere with, delay, or otherwise restrict an abortion that in the good faith of a treating health care professional is needed to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant person.
- ...
8. For purposes of this Section, the following terms mean:
 - (1) “Fetal Viability”, the point in pregnancy when, in the good faith judgment of a treating health care professional and based on the particular facts of the case, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus’s sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures.

* Missouri Revised Statutes, Sections 188.010 - 188.375 ** Based on Doe v. Bolton

PROJECT RACHEL DAY OF HOPE AND HEALING

For Women Wounded by Abortion

PRAYERFUL
CONFIDENTIAL
SUPPORTIVE



Saturday, May 18, 2024

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

(Location shared at registration)

Cost \$20 includes lunch and all materials

Hosted by:

Holy Family Hope and Healing Ministry

A Ministry for Women from the Archdiocese

of St. Louis Respect Life Apostolate

Ministry Team: Trained Facilitators,

Priests, Spiritual Directors

Contact hopehealing@archstl.org

or 314.792.7565

RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE



Harvester K of C 2024 Spring Washer Tournament

When: Saturday, May 11, 2024, at Noon, Register 11:00 a.m.

Where: Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service, 4116 McClay Rd, St. Charles, MO 63304

Cost: \$50 per 2-person team, Each team guaranteed 5 games

All ages are welcome. Cash prizes (More teams = larger cash prizes)

Food and beverages available at event. 50/50 Raffle.

Please pre-register with Tim Plawski at timplawski@gmail.com or 314-910-8670 or contact for sponsorship opportunities.

WASHERS
— **TOURNAMENT** —

Back by Popular Demand

St. Cletus Parish Picnic Game Prize Donations

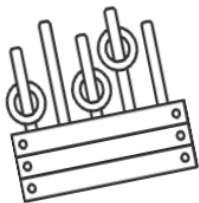
We ask for donations to make our game prizes the biggest and best! Last year our community helped out by purchasing from our wish list. Scan the QR code below and purchase a prize or two from our Amazon Wish List.

For your convenience prizes ship directly to the games coordinator if purchased directly from the list or arrange pickup/drop off.

NEW this Year: Purchase an Amazon gift card from our STP program, arrange to get to the games coordinator, and she will purchase the prizes directly from the list for you!

Deadline: Friday, May 3, 2024

SCAN



Parish Picnic Games Wish List

Tara Florek
Parish Picnic Games Coordinator
314-443-8429
dreamsndw2010@gmail.com

Other great items include leftover party favors from birthday parties or small items!

PICNIC BOTTLE BOOTH

**WE'RE ACCEPTING
DONATIONS OF ANYTHING
IN A BOTTLE: SHAMPOO,
CATSUP, SUNNY D, SALAD
DRESSING, OR THAT BOTTLE
OF WINE
(just a few suggestions).**

**ALL OF THEM ARE MOST
WELCOME FOR THIS FUN
BOOTH WHERE EVERYONE IS
A WINNER!**



**PLACE BOTTLES IN MARKED
TUBS IN THE GATHERING
SPACE BEFORE MAY 17.**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/
Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5,
6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3,
5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7,
16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9,
10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,
3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28,
30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/
Jn 15:1-8

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: _____