cornerstone

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.”

Matthew 21:42AB


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Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions for the week

**Mon., October 9, Weekday**
7:00am † Communion Service
Presider: Deacon Frank

**Tues., October 10, Weekday**
7:00am † Harold Buescher
† Jeanne Zipp
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

**Wed., October 11, Weekday**
7:00am † Edward Colloton
† John Sommerville
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

**Thur., October 12, Weekday**
7:00am † Fr. Schumacher
† Jean Schaeffer
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

**Fri., October 13, Weekday**
7:00am † Michael Andrzejewski
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann
8:00am † Michelle Haines (all school)
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann

**Sat., October 14, Weekday**
8:00am † Communion Service
Presider: Deacon Mark

**Sat., October 14, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00pm † Howard McCarthy
† Marsha Daus
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann
Deacon: Walt LaBozzetta
Servers: L. McLaughlin and L. Pezold

**Sun., October 15, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30am † Iola Wade
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann
Deacon: Frank Olmsted
Servers: M. Lemkemann and C. Schneider
9:30am † Ryan & Cece Stapleton
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann
Deacon: Mark McCarthy
Servers: M. Furlong and M. Warren
11:30am † Our Parish Family
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann
Deacon: Mark McCarthy
Servers: S. Blaha and R. Maples

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Remember to Pray

**Tina Adams**
**Joan Andrzejewski**
**Angie Arnold**
**Pete Balotti**
**Patrick Beckman**
**Jerry Belew**
**Jim Boyle**
**Marnie Boyle**
**Sue Brockelmeyer**
**Dot Browning**
**Carol Buerman**
**Frank Campisi**
**Butch Carr**
**Charlene Carson**
**Kim Choinka**
**Peaches Conoyer**
**Jeff Cook**
**Gene Dallas**
**Dorothy Davis**
**Susan Dauten**
**Jim Doyle**
**Maxwell Dutt**
**Fred Dyer**
**Charlene Edler**
**Charli Elliston**
**Emelia Emke**
**Carole Ermeling**
**Deacon Tony Falbo**
**Therese Flanagan**
**Joe Flood**
**Margie Fortman**
**Mary Gillespie**
**Randy Gravemann**
**Katherine Green**
**Ron Haas**
**Michelle Haines**
**Bella Herman**
**Vi Higgins**
**Jason Hoag**
**Erin Hogan**
**Kathleen Hogarty**
**Kelly Hurley**
**Mary Ellen Jones**
**Jack Kaiman**

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of:
† Bill Godefroid, father of Marissa Steinhoff
May his soul rest in our Lord’s eternal embrace.
PARISH COLLECTION September 24, 2023
Regular Offertory .................. $ 11,822.56
Online Offertory .................. $ 7,124.00
Matching .................. $ 35.00
Disaster Relief (Maui) .............. $ 2,226.00

Wedding Banns
There is a promise of marriage between:
Kyle Stinson & Krista Haslag - I
Please pray for them as they prepare

ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS THIS WEEK
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9
9:00AM CORNERSTONE DUCHESNE/HALL/CALLAHAN
5:00PM MEN’S BIBLE STUDY BENZ
6:15PM PSR CLASSES SCHOOL
6:15PM SCHOOL BOARD MTG CALLAHAN

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10
8:30AM SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS HALL
10:00AM WWP HALL/BENZ/CALLAHAN/DUCHESNE
12:00PM PRIVATE MEETING ENZ
7:00PM WWP HALL/BENZ/DUCHESNE
7:00PM RCIA RECTORY BASEMENT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11
8:30AM QUILTERS/QUILTERS LUNCH-SVDP HALL
12:00PM PRIVATE MEETING BENZ
3:00PM PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES SCHOOL CAFÉ
3:00PM DAISY GIRL SCOUT MEETING DUCHESNE
6:00PM CHOIR PRACTICE CHURCH
6:30PM MEN’S CLUB GENERAL MTG SCHOOL CAFÉ

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12
8:30AM SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS HALL
12:00PM PRIVATE MEETING BENZ
5:00PM PARISH H’APPY HOUR HALL
6:00PM PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES SCHOOL CAFE
6:30PM LEGION OF MARY DAY CHAPEL

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13
9:00AM WOMEN’S PRAYER GROUP DUCHESNE
12:00PM PRIVATE MEETING BENZ
4:00PM PRIVATE EVENT HALL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14
6:30AM SVDP QTRLY BRKFST MTG DUCHESNE
8:30AM PEACE & JUSTICE MTG HALL
9:00AM EUCHARISTIC MNST/LECTOR TRNG DAY CHAPEL
3:00PM PRIVATE EVENT HALL
5:00PM RCIA DAY CHAPEL

BRIDGE BREAD SALES AFTER 5:00 MASS
BRIDGE BREAD SALES AFTER ALL MASSES

The good news of this Gospel is that all we need to do is let God tend us and bring us to produce good fruit. All we need do is be faithful; God will take care of the rest. Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned.

If you want your life to be a magnificent story, then begin by realizing that you are the author and everyday you have the opportunity to write a new page.
- Mark Houlihan
Zero Attribution Error

In the Gospel, a landowner builds this beautiful vineyard with all of its amenities, and he leases it to tenants. Servants of the landowner go out to collect the goods at harvest. It was common knowledge that the tenants would receive a normal portion of the goods they have produced in payment of their work. In the story they choose to take it all and kill the servants. When the son comes out, they kill him too. As we know the story isn’t going to end well for the tenants.

The tenants suffer from a fundamental error. They have forgotten where everything came from and they are under the illusion that they somehow have earned everything for themselves. They didn’t even have to plant the vineyard. It was given to them. They suffer from what is called the zero attribution error. They think that nothing has been attributed to their wealth. They think that everything they have is attributed to them by themselves that they have rightly earned it all themselves.

This is a fundamental error that is rampant in our country today. We are under the illusion that we have earned our place in life. Let’s recount our graces. Did we earn the wealthy country that we were born in? No, we could have been born anywhere. We could be living in a poor country, we could be living in oppression and/or living in war. Did we earn the parents that we were given? Most of us have or have had decent parents. We could have been raised by a single drug-addicted mother. Do we think we earned our cognitive abilities? We could have been born with cognitive disabilities. Did we earn our health? Did we earn the friends that we have or the many people we have benefitted from? Did we earn the learning that was given to us. Did we even earn the breath of life.

We need to realize that everything is grace. We have not really earned a thing. As a saint once said the only thing I can claim is my sin. We are not owners. We are stewards of our life that has been given to us. Growing into adulthood, one of the basic truths of life is that my life is not about me. It’s about us and not just about us when it comes to my family, but about everyone including Cubs fans.

I think what holds us back is that we think that God is a slave driver. No God wants us to appreciate our life and to share what we have, to see it all as gift. Jesus did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. He emptied himself. And yet in the end he inherited everything. That’s what’s crazy about God. We stand to inherit everything in the resurrection, but first we must realize everything is gift and we are to share with everyone.

God bless,
Fr. Chris
Considering becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or a Lector?
Training Sessions: Saturday morning October 14
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at 9:00 a.m.  
Lectors (first of two sessions) at 10:30 a.m.  
(The date of session 2 to be set by the attendees)

Feeling called to serve?  
Join us on our next El Salvador Mission Trip!  
Dates: January 6-13, 2024  
For more information on attending the trip or sponsoring the missionaries, please contact  
Patti Stoltman @ singmamma3@gmail.com.

St. Cletus Monthly H”Appy” Hours  
Second Thursday of the month  
from 5PM-7PM  
Parish Hall

Please plan to come and join fellow parishioners at the monthly H’Appy Hours on the following dates:
- Thursday, October 12
- Thursday, November 9
- Thursday, December 14

Bring an appetizer to share and you favorite beverage to drink.  
We hope to see you there!  
Questions? Please call Sue Schutz at 314-973-8707

Harvester K of C 2023 Fall Cornhole Tournament  
When: Sat, 10/14/2023, Registration 11am, Bags fly Noon  
Where: Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service, 4116 McClay Rd  
St. Charles, MO 63304
Cost: $40 per 2-person team, Each team guaranteed 5 games  
All ages are welcome. 2 flights, 1st and 2nd cash prizes for each.  
Food and beverages sold at tournament. 50/50 Raffle.  
Please pre-register with Tim Plawski at tbonepack@sbcglobal.net or 314-910-8670 or contact for sponsorship opportunities.
To Our Generous Parishioners...

Thank You for your support of “Pack the Pickup” and Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service Food Pantry! Your generosity filled two pickup trucks with groceries and household items.

Michelle Ritter R.N., Food Pantry Supervisor, had this to say...

“Please accept my thanks to {Peace & Justice} and your parish community for your time and effort to coordinate and execute this amazing food drive! The families we serve will sleep with full stomachs, a mother will be able to eat a full meal instead of skipping a meal so her children can eat, and a grandmother can have three meals a day while affording to pay for her heart medication. These are the people we see and the stories we hear every day. These are the people your generosity serves. Thank you so much for being the hands and feet of Christ to those in need in our community.”

Discernment Retreat for Single Women

Single women ages 18-45 are invited to a weekend of personal and communal reflection with the School Sisters of Notre Dame, October 27-29, 2023, in St. Louis, MO. This discernment retreat is an opportunity to learn – through conversation, contemplation, prayer and spiritual guidance – how to recognize God’s invitation for your life. Learn more and register by October 13 at ssnd.org/events/retreat10/.

Questions? Contact Sister Francine at 417-231-5914.
St. Cletus St. Vincent DePaul

QUILT SOCIAL BINGO

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12
1 PM - Doors open at 12 PM

Win a quilt WITH Double Bingo during a Quilt game ~ 2 Raffle Quilts ~ Cash Games 50/50 games ~ Food & drinks available for purchase ~ Attendance prizes ~

St. Cletus School Gymnasium
2705 Zumbehl Rd. ~ St. Charles MO

A benefit to help our Neighbors in Need!

Save the DATE!

Join us for a time of exposition about the realities of human trafficking in America... and what YOU can do to help END it!

Friday, October 20, 2023
10:00am - 12:00pm
Spencer Library
427 Spencer Rd.
Saint Peters, MO 63376

Keynote Speaker:
Meredith Foster
(www.TigerliliResources.org)

Discussion and Q&A session

R.O.A.S.T.
(Reach. Out. And. Stop. Trafficking)
Artisan coffee will be served with fresh doughnuts.

R.S.V.P Here:
ST. CLETUS MUSIC BINGO

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN & GAMES AT THE 1ST ST. CLETUS MUSIC BINGO NIGHT

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18
DOORS OPEN AT 6:30
BINGO TO START AT 7 PM

$25 per person
VENMO, cash, or check to St. Cletus PTO
@SaintCletusComets-PTO

SIGN UP BY SENDING EMAIL TO PTO @ WEARESTCLETUS@GMAIL.COM
ADORATION ADORENEE NEEDED

If you can spend one hour with Jesus in adoration on Tuesdays from 11:00am-12:00pm, please contact Jan DuBray at 636-947-4654.

GINGHAM'S NIGHT
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH | 4-9PM

20% OF ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS ST. CLETUS' MISSION TRIP TO EL SALVADOR

***You must bring this flyer with you in order for your meal to count towards the fundraiser!***

1566 COUNTRY CLUB PLAZA DR. ST. CHARLES, MO 63303

INTERESTED IN JOINING US ON THE TRIP IN JANUARY 2024?

We would love to have you! Please contact Patti Stoltman at singmamma3@gmail.com for more information.
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
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
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

St. Charles Junior Service League annual Card Party/Game Night will be held on
Tuesday, October 24, from 7-10 p.m. at St.
Peters Parish Center. $15.00 includes dess-
tert and coffee. Money raised will be used
to buy shoes for needy children.
For Reservation, call Jeanette 636-947-9677

Desert Day: I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days at the Sanguis Christi
Spirituality Center of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are just that. Come to the qui-
et and beauty of St. Joseph Chapel at 204 North Main St., O’Fallon, MO on October 17,
November 15, or December 20, 2023
from 9:15 am – 3:15 pm. The day will begin
and end with prayer. The remainder of the
day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. The
opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is
also available. Lunch is provided. A free will
offering is requested. For more information or
to register contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson,
CPPS at 636-293-8013 or by email at
mcgunelson@cpps-ofallon.org

Welcome New Parishioners!
To receive a registration form or indicate an ad-
dress change or move from the parish, please
fill out the form below and drop it in the collec-
tion basket, or call the Parish Office (636-946-
6327).

Names: ____________________________________________
Adults _______ Children _______
Address: __________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/
Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/ Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab,
7-8/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/
Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16,
8-9/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/
Lk 11:27-28
Next Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,
5, 6 (6cd)/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10