

**St. Cletus Catholic Church**  
*Welcoming Christ in the Face of Others*  
**June 2, 2024**



**THE MOST HOLY**  
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."  
- Mk 14:23-25

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**Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions for the week**

**Mon., June 3, Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions**

9:00am † *Communion Service*  
Presider: Deacon Mark

**Tues., June 4, Weekday**

7:00am † *Communion Service*  
Presider: Deacon Walt

**Wed., June 5, Saint Boniface**

7:00am † *Communion Service*  
Presider: Deacon Mark

**Thur., June 6, Weekday**

7:00am † *Communion Service*  
Presider: Deacon Frank

**Fri., June 7, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

7:00am † *Communion Service*  
Presider: Deacon Walt

**Sat., June 8, The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00am † *Communion Service*  
Presider: Deacon Frank

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**Sat., June 8, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00pm † *Walter Blei*  
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann  
Deacon: Walt LaBozzetta  
Servers: K. Ayers and M. Ayers

**Sun., June 9, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30am † *Ryan Stapleton & CeCe Kavadas*  
Presider: Fr. Jim Mitulski  
Deacon: Walt LaBozzetta  
Servers: Adult Servers (J. Groene & S. Groene)

9:30am † *Mary Rothermich*  
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann  
Deacon: Frank Olmsted  
Servers: B. Clem and L. Henderson

11:30am † *Our Parish Family*  
Presider: Fr. Chris Holtmann  
Deacon: Frank Olmsted  
Servers: M. Martin and X. Martin



Sue Brockelmeyer  
Charlene Carson  
Debbie Doering  
Shari Gardocki  
John Kaiman  
Lorraine Lind  
Joe Marzaloes  
Cheryl Patton  
Jim Pini  
Dave Raley  
Eric Reinholz

**Prayer of the True Presence**

My Lord and my Love —  
Bread of Life, nourish me.  
Pascal Lamb, restore me.  
Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament,  
consume me as I consume you.  
Amen.



**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](mailto:secretary@saintcletus.org)





### Your Gifts to God and Parish

#### PARISH COLLECTION May 12, 2024

Regular Offertory.....	\$ 8,528.00
Online Offertory.....	\$ 11,235.00
Matching.....	\$ 2,935.00



Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished, and starving. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (636-255-1750) so that together we can help those who are hungry.



#### ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS THIS WEEK

<b>MONDAY, 3</b>		
5:00PM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY	BENZ
6:30PM	ELL	BENZ
<b>TUESDAY, 4</b>		
8:30AM	SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS	HALL
10:00AM	ELL	BENZ
12:00PM	PRIVATE MEETING	BENZ
4:00PM	ORGAN TRAINING	CHURCH
6:30PM	ROSARY FOR HEALING & HOPE	DAY CHAPEL
6:30PM	SMALL CHURCH COMM.	RECTORY BASEMENT
6:30PM	SMALL DISC CHRIST GROUP	DUCHESNE
<b>WEDNESDAY, 5</b>		
9:00AM	QUILTERS	HALL
12:00PM	PRIVATE MEETING	BENZ
7:00PM	STEPHEN MINISTRY MEETING	DUCHESNE
<b>THURSDAY, 6</b>		
8:30AM	SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS	HALL
12:00PM	PRIVATE MTG	BENZ
6:30PM	LEGION OF MARY	DAY CHAPEL
<b>FRIDAY, 7</b>		
9:00AM	WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP	DUCHESNE
12:00PM	PRIVATE MEETING	BENZ
<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 8</b>		
10:30AM	FUNERAL	CHURCH
11:30AM	FUNERAL LUNCHEON	HALL
<b>SUNDAY, JUNE 9</b>		
12:00PM	PRIVATE EVENT	HALL
12:30PM	BAPTISM	CHURCH



Soccer registration is now open. Sign up before the June 14 deadline.

<https://teamsideline.com/sites/cyncnorthwest/home>

It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end.

URSULA K. LE GUIN

## *Our Pastor's Message*



### Are You Crushed?

Are you crushed by life? There is so much to be crushed by in life. Anxiety can really crush us. We can reach a point in our anxiety that we can't even move. Maybe it's a feeling that we are so different that we can't connect to others. Maybe we are crushed by shame. We can feel so ashamed. Maybe we are anxious about the country or the climate. Maybe it's not anxiety, maybe we are crushed by a pattern or habit we are stuck in and maybe it's been years. Maybe you keep finding yourself working too much. Maybe you have your limit in gambling, but you keep going over it. Maybe you are not getting enough sleep or you sleep too much. Maybe when you drink, you just always seem to go overboard. Maybe can't stop shopping or collecting things. Maybe we are crushed by depression. We all have our issues don't we. You know the Hebrews wandered in the desert for forty years.

One last thing that I want to say that can crush us is betrayal. Maybe a best friend betrayed us, maybe a spouse has betrayed us. Maybe we have been betrayed by a number of people. Maybe we are being picked on because of who we are. We don't feel we can trust anybody anymore.

If you live life, you are going to be crushed at some point, but I think about the solution. Think about the bread and the wine that are used. The crushed grain on its own is nothing, it is dead. But when it comes together with other crushed wheat, we have flour. When that flour is mixed with water and baked it becomes something greater than itself. On its own, the crushed grape is nothing; but when it's brought together with other crushed grapes, we have grape juice. When it is fermented it becomes something greater, wine. Notice without the baking it is just the flour or without the fermenting it's just grape juice. When we are brought together, crushed by life, and come before God the great baker, the great fermenter, we become healed and transformed into a greater community, the community of God. This all takes place in the Eucharistic Prayer, all is transformed, the bread and wine that become the body and blood that we partake and become the body and blood of Christ. As Paul says we become the one great loaf.

The Eucharist shows us that things can change. This is how people change. The ones who bring themselves together and seek God experience healing. Many people are healed of their anxiety because they realize they are not alone. Other people are with them and God is with them. They learn to surrender to God. God has a plan and you are a part of that plan. He will not forsake you. Sometimes healing is just learning to cope better. People who bring their issues together with those who have similar issues and seek God often experience freedom. They learn how to break free of their habit. These things take time. The baking and the fermenting is a process. If we have been betrayed, we find that coming together with people who seek God, we find the power of relationship once again. One day you realize, you are not alone anymore and you are truly connected to something bigger.

The Eucharist is the invisible reality made visible that we are all connected. It's all about coming together in God that we find the answers. Trying to face these things on our own we will never succeed. People try to pray away their problems on their own. Isolation never works. This is why even the most prayerful person is never healed when they live in isolation.

God bless,  
Fr. Chris

**JUNE IS GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

Gun violence devastates individuals, families, and communities in the United States and the St. Louis Archdiocese EVERY DAY. As Archbishop Rozanski noted at last summer's Gun Violence Summit, "Gun violence is a human life -- a quality of life -- issue. Those who are threatened by gun violence are not living the fullest potential of their lives."



As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ this weekend, we are reminded of the institution of the New Covenant through Jesus Christ, part of which is that He is the final sacrifice, and sacrifices are no longer needed. So may we become aware of the useless sacrifices of human lives every year to gun violence.

More than 43,000 Americans are killed with guns, and approximately 76,000 more are shot and wounded. In Missouri, more than 1,300 people die by guns every year. Missouri has the 7<sup>th</sup> highest rate of gun deaths in the country.

**Wear Orange will be taking place June 7-9, 2024.**

Join us in honoring survivors and building community with those working to end gun violence.

*Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life*

**15th Annual Benefit Dinner**


**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sunday, October 13, 2024**


Orlando's Garden South  
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 4:00 pm  
Followed by Cocktails and Dinner

**Keynote Speaker**  
**Bishop David Konderla**  
*Bishop of Tulsa, Oklahoma*


Also joining us will be:



Fr. Anthony  
Wieck, SJ




Zip Rzeppa



Scott Kennebeck

More information to come!  
[ourladyforlife.com](http://ourladyforlife.com)



## Care for Creation

Can you recycle plastic garden pots?



Unfortunately,  
NO.

The mix of plastics resins used to make the plastic pots, trays, and cell packs includes some of the lowest-value types of plastics and not suitable to

remanufacture into next generation of useful items.

Most garden plastic containers are black. The Material Recovery Facilities that sort and process the items accepted in our home use sophisticated optical scanning equipment to efficiently sort the huge volumes of mixed plastics we send to them from our single-stream bins. Optical scan beams can't "see" through the black plastic, so this equipment can't sort the garden plastic items in the same way it sorts bottles, jugs, and other household plastic items we recycle at home.

Information taken from the Discover + Share Blog of the Missouri Botanical Garden



**PLEASE MAKE NOTE**

The installation of the new dimmer system and LED lights is scheduled for this week, June 3 - 7. The church will be closed Monday through Thursday, and we are planning on being back in by Friday afternoon. Fr. Chris will be gone, so there will be Communion Services only in the Day Chapel Monday through Friday and there will be no Rush Hour Reconciliation on Thursday.



It's almost time for **SCUBA** Vacation Bible School! Join us June 10-14 from 9:00 a.m. till noon each day. \*\*It's not too late to register a camper or volunteer. Go to <https://vbspro.events/p/saintcletus63301> and reach out to Erin with any questions [airbear41@hotmail.com](mailto:airbear41@hotmail.com)



Thanks to everyone who contributed to the picnic bottle booth. Your generosity made this popular booth a big success. Nearly 500 bottles were collected and "won."

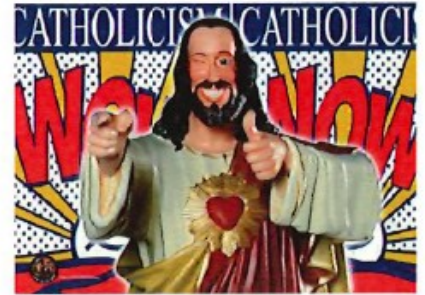


**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Jesus is the Passover Lamb come to fulfillment, and his sacrifice washes our hearts in the blood of the new covenant. He is passing us the cup of salvation. Let us take it and call on the name of the Lord.

# Life Teen – Ultimate Summer 2024

## Let's Do This!!



June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ultimate Summer Kickoff 6pm (McNair Park Shelter #4)

June 9<sup>th</sup> – Hoots Game 6:35pm vs. Cape Catfish

June 16<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day (No Life Night )

June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Ultimate Frisbee w/Impact YM

June 30<sup>th</sup> – Ultimate Life Night (Parish Hall 7pm)



July 7<sup>th</sup> – Ultimate Slip n'slide Kickball w/Impact YM

July 14<sup>th</sup> - No Life Night (Steubenville Retreat)

July 21<sup>st</sup> – Steubenville Reunion

July 28<sup>th</sup> – Ultimate Hide and Seek

August 4<sup>th</sup> – Senior Sendoff Night

August 11<sup>th</sup> – Paintball

August 18<sup>th</sup> – Ultimate back to school Life Night

August 25<sup>th</sup> - Ultimate Adoration and Praise Night



Sunday Life Teen mass every week at 11:30am

Mass and Breakfast every Wednesday at 7am

Float Trip June 19<sup>th</sup>

Steubenville Retreat July 11-15 (Several spots remaining)

Follow us on Instagram @cletusyouth

Join our Groupme chat to stay up to date and for any last minute changes

Find more information on our website [www.saintcletus.org](http://www.saintcletus.org)





# HELP WANTED

The Parish School of Religion is looking for teachers in multiple grades for the 2024-2025 school year. No experience necessary- just a love for your faith and children. Classes are on Tuesdays from 6:15-7:30.

Contact Laura Henderson at  
636-255-1717 or  
lhenderson@saintcletus.org.



God doesn't call the qualified, he qualifies the called.

## Endowment Requests

Requests for Endowment funds by ministries are now being accepted. If your ministry would like an application, please contact the parish office. The deadline for submission of requests is June 30th.

**REFLECT RETREAT**  
for mid-life singles

**Mid-life Singles:** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose and belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Pallottine Renewal Center, Florissant, MO (30 min from downtown St. Louis), on July 19-21, 2024. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$265 including meals. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.stlouis@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.stlouis@gmail.com), or call (630) 222-8303 for details.



**"PLEASE SEE AN USHER OR DEACON TO OBTAIN A DEVICE"**

*Care 4 the Caregivers*  
**WORKSHOP**

*Care for the Caregiver* is a workshop at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center Saturday, August 3, 8:30-3:30. Cost \$30; lunch included. Register by July 26 at [mercycenterstl.org](http://mercycenterstl.org)

The workshop will focus on exploring support for persons caring for those with dementia. Presenters will include a gerontologist and a licensed social worker, both with expertise in dementia; a mindfulness teacher certified in dementia care; and a representative of an organization that works with families of persons with dementia. Ample resources will be provided.



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16/Mk 12:1-12  
 Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16/Mk 12:13-17  
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef/Mk 12:18-27  
 Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Mk 12:28-34  
 Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Ps 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37  
 Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 2:41-51  
 Next Sunday: Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7bc)/2 Cor 4:13-5:1/Mk 3:20-35

**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: \_\_\_\_\_