



ST. MOTHER THEODORE GUERIN PARISH

St. Celestine and St. Cyprian
stguerinparish.org

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.
- Mk 1:44-45b

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ST. CELESTINE CHURCH and Parish Office

3020 North 76th Court
Elmwood Park, Illinois 60707
Phone: 708-453-2555

MASSES
Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM
11 AM
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
8 AM

Reconciliation Saturday 4—4:45 PM

ST. CYPRIAN CHURCH

2601 North Clinton Street
River Grove, Illinois 60171

MASSES
Saturday 4 PM
Sunday 9 AM
Tuesday and Thursday 8 AM

Reconciliation Saturday 3:30—3:50 PM

ST. CELESTINE SCHOOL

3017 North 77th Avenue
Elmwood Park, Illinois 60707
stcelestineschool.org 708-453-8234



OFFICE HOURS Monday—Thursday: 8:30 AM to noon and 12:30 to 8 PM; Friday: 8:30 AM to 5 PM, Saturday: 8:30 AM—12:30 PM; Closed Sunday.

MISSION STATEMENT: "To do God's will as a unified, vibrant parish, and to foster an intentional relationship with Jesus through worship, witness, service, discipleship, and community."

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, February 10

4 PM St. Cyprian

+Joseph Sweeney

5 PM St. Celestine

+Charles Caporale, Sr.

+Cesar Guerrero, Anniversary

+Anna Retelskyj, Birthday

+Vincent Masi

+Rose Christopher

SUNDAY, February 11

7:30 AM St. Celestine

People of the Parish

9 AM St. Cyprian

+Craig Bastek

+Anna Scaccia

+Pietro Fiorentino

11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk

+Frank Pudlo

+Attilio Manfredini

+Charles Caporale, Sr.

Mary Guidi O'Malley

+Ella Lobodzinski

+Emilia Soyka

MONDAY, February 12

8 AM St. Celestine

+Emily Solomon, Birthday

+Adelina Vena, Birthday

TUESDAY, February 13

8 AM St. Cyprian

Baby Ralph Massey, for Good Health

WEDNESDAY, February 14

8 AM St. Celestine

+Alice and +Bonifacio Bernardi

Michael and Maria Theresa

Medrano, 18th Wedding

Anniversary

+Joseph Sweeney

1:45 PM: St. Celestine

For the People of the Parish

7 PM St. Celestine

Carol Gutkowski, Birthday

+Jean Chlypniaz, Birthday

7 PM St. Cyprian

For the People of the Parish

THURSDAY, February 15

8 AM St. Cyprian

Faithful Departed

FRIDAY, February 16

8 AM St. Celestine

Faithful Departed

SATURDAY, February 17

4 PM St. Cyprian

+Joe Guidi, 1st Anniversary

+Georgene Rumchaks, Birthday

5 PM St. Celestine

+Louis and +Juliana DaPrato and the Deceased Members of the DaPrato Family

+James E. McCarthy

SUNDAY, February 18

7:30 AM St. Celestine

People of the Parish

9 AM St. Cyprian

+Vincenzo Giustino

11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk

+Frank Pudlo

+Mary Kracic

+Charles Caporale

+Mary and +Gabriel Caporale

+Maria Lis

+Janina and +Jozef Zagulski

+Anna Slowinska

+Pedro and +Maria Lim



St. Mother Theodore Guerin

Welcome! If you are new to our churches or just visiting, please introduce yourself. We are happy to share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not home to you, we are open to anyone looking for a spiritual home.

We invite you to become a part of our parish. Register by calling the parish office at 708-453-2555.

Need help? Many services are provided by **Catholic Charities**. Call 312-655-7700 or go to catholiccharities.net.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse

1-800-821-4357

Child Abuse

1-800-252-2873

National Domestic Violence

1-800-799-SAFE

National Sexual Assault

1-800-656-4673

Compulsive Gambling Hotline

1-410-332-0402

Poison Control

1-800-222-1222

Suicide Prevention

1-800-273-8255

Elder Abuse

1-800-252-8966

www.AddictionResource.net

1-844-597-0006

Bulletin Deadlines

Please send in Word or as an editable PDF to Kim at khagerty@stguerinparish.org.

February 24 is due on Wednesday, February 14 at 9 AM

March 3 is due on Wednesday, February 21 at 9 AM

March 10 is due on Wednesday, February 28 at 9 AM



From the Pastor's Desk: Father Paul Cao

Annual Catholic Appeal

Last weekend, we kicked off our Archdiocese of Chicago Annual Catholic Appeal. Many of our parishioners have already received a mailing from Cardinal Cupich.

This weekend, Cardinal Cupich will speak to you through his recorded homily at all the Masses asking you to generously support the Annual Catholic Appeal. Through the Annual Catholic Appeal, we together join Christ in his great work, by helping parishes and schools in need, supporting programs of faith formation, and those that promote justice, peace, and respect for life. But we also reach out to the world, to bring hope to people who suffer natural disasters, famine, homelessness and war. All of this makes a difference because it is the work of Christ.

Our parish goal this year is \$40,843 and after we reach our goal, 100% of any additional funds come back to our parish to help to fund our needs.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back or

bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses this weekend.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response to our Annual Catholic Appeal and your continued support to our parish.

Ash Wednesday This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which is the beginning of the Lenten Season. Ash Wednesday is also a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church. The regulations on Lenten fast and abstinence are:

- Fasting: on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those who are 18 but not yet 60 are allowed only one full meal. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

- Abstinence from meat: Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent.

Another season of Lent begins—so many days—so many weeks—to prepare ourselves to enter again into the mystery of the ultimate act of love. Please

take time this week to attend the services beginning this Ash Wednesday, Stations of the Cross every Friday (check page 8 for more information). Please try to come to Mass at least every Sunday during the Lenten Season to receive the Eucharist and spend some time with God in church.

Lenten Pasta Dinner Friday, February 23 will be our first Lenten Pasta Dinner from 5—7:30 PM in the parish's annex and gym. You can enter through the door at the parking lot. Please plan to bring your family and friends to enjoy a meatless meal with pasta; one from a featured restaurant and one in-house, a great variety of salad bar, and dessert. I hope to see many of you on the three Fridays: February 23, March 8, and March 22. It's a great way to be together and share meals with each other. I would like to thank Laurie, Mary, and our staff and the many other volunteers who work together to make it possible. The Women's Club will be helping at the first Pasta Dinner.

May God bless you and your loved ones and have a prayerful Lenten Season!

In prayer,

Fr. Paul

Tax Letters

If you need a year-end contribution letter for your taxes with your donations to St. Mother Guerin parish for 2023, please call the Pastoral Center at 708-453-2555 to request one. It will be mailed to you in a few days or you can come in and pick it up.

On Being Angry (Jesus and Me)

In my Book (*The New American Bible for Catholics*), Hebrews 13:2 reads like this: “Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.” That’s fine, but when I was first introduced to the passage long ago, the verse was taken from some other biblical translation that I found more poetic: “Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.”

I’ve taken the words to heart ever since. Not that I always *do* stop to entertain strangers, but sometimes I do. And even when I don’t, the passage from Hebrews is often in the back of my head. “Is this some angel in disguise, coming into my life for a reason?” Might be. Heck. May be. The only trouble is that eight times out of ten when these would-be angels come into my life, they come into it asking for money.

Of course, they come into it first with their hard-luck stories, sad tales akin to “My car broke down and I need money for a tow” or “My elderly neighbor needs money for food” or “I need money for bus fare to get home to see my folks.” Once an angel-in-disguise even asked for my address, promising to send the money back to me. I’m embarrassed to tell you I fell for it. About thirty years ago. I’m still waiting.

Another angel wannabe hit me up for cash just a couple of days ago near the Jewel at Central and Lawrence. I was walking toward the south entrance when I saw him— young guy, red sweatshirt— headed the same way. When he looked in my direction, my spidey-sense went off. Seconds later: “Can you help me out with two dollars? I don’t have the money and I need to get a few things at Walgreens.”

My first reaction was anger. I asked him if he knew how many times strangers have asked me for money. I told him I’d been stiffed by people who lied to me. I told him that I was sure *he* wasn’t lying to me, but then I asked him anyway, “Are you?” He stammered “No,” not convincingly. I

gave him a dollar and I steamed into the store. When I exited minutes later, he was still there. I asked him to tell me just one of the things he needed to buy at Walgreens. He stammered again, and I got angry again.

You know. Like Jesus getting angry in today’s Gospel, Mark’s account of a leper who begs to be made clean. Jesus is “moved with pity” before healing the man, but some translations hold that Jesus grows angry first. If so, why? Scholars say that Jesus is angry with a system that makes the leper an outcast (or as the late Fr. Roger Karban put it, Jesus is “... uptight with a frame of mind which created an environment in which such people are officially walled off from everyone else”).

I’d like to say that I grew angry in a larger context, too. In the context, say, of a socio-economic system that prompts some people to beg for money instead of finding legitimate employment. Yeah. I’d like to say that, but I can’t. I was just mad at the guy for hitting me up for cash. As such, Jesus’s anger puts my anger to shame, and therein, perhaps, is the lesson. We hear much about Jesus’s radical love for us. And in his parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus tells us who our neighbor is. Radical for sure. So if I see red sweatshirt guy again, I may or may not open my wallet, but I at least hope to be a bit more neighborly. Besides, I still believe there are angels about.

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself unclean, since he is in fact unclean.
He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."
(Lv 13:8)

Psalm:

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation. (Ps 32)

Second Reading:

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God. (1Cor 10:31)

Gospel:

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand,
touched him, and said to him,
"I do will it. Be made clean."
The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.
(Mk 1:41-42)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

It was pity that moved the heart of Jesus to heal the leper. He worked this miracle because the leper, in his faith, boldly asked him to. Have that same courage in approaching God with your needs. Have that same faith in His power to heal.

Observances for the week of February 11, 2024

Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Valentine's Day

Saturday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent



Saint of the week

Blessed Imelda Lambertini was only 11 when she passed away. Despite this, her profound devotion to the Lord and the miraculous events surrounding her life have inspired generations to embrace the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist with childlike faith.

Prayer for Healing

Dear Jesus,

If you wish it, you can heal these wounds from my past.
If you wish it, you can make me well again. I believe that you do will it. Heal me, in your name. Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of February 11, 2024

Sunday:

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/
1 Cor 10:31–11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Monday:

Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday:

Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday:

Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Ps 51:3-4,
5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday:

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 9:22-25

Friday:

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday:

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday:

Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/
1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside.

This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, "**If you will it, you can make me clean.**" At this, just before the healing, Jesus was "**moved with compassion.**" The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to "his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love." In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it *feels like* to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will *feel what we are feeling*, and thereby heal us.

— Father John Muir

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Sin and Loneliness

When I was in high school, we read “The Metamorphosis” by Franz Kafka. It’s a depressing little novella about a man who (spoiler alert!) turns into a cockroach and dies of neglect, his family gradually ceasing to recognize the creature he has become.

“Never underestimate how badly human beings need touch,” our teacher told us. “Without each other, we curl up and die.”

Our need for communion with each other is written into our biology — breathing and heart rate of newborns regulates when they lie against the skin of their mothers, and we instinctively reach out to embrace someone who has been wounded. But it is also written into our souls. Consider the early days of the pandemic, and the emotional starvation we all experienced, prevented from gathering in groups to worship, to celebrate and to mourn. And when we did encounter other people, we kept a mutual distance. “I feel like a leper,” we grumbled to our families when we returned home, because we finally understood it: the real tragedy of leprosy is not pain and disfigurement. The real tragedy of leprosy is loneliness.

“If you wish, you can make me clean,” begged the leper as he knelt before Christ (Mark 1:40). He wasn’t begging for deliverance from pain and disfigurement. He was begging for deliverance from isolation.

“If you wish, you can make me clean,” we beg God in confession, not because we are physically withering and dying but because we are so desperate to once again be held in His embrace.

*“Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, ‘I do will it. Be made clean.’”
— Mark 1:41*

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is the difference between a “Saint” and a “Blessed”?

Answer:

The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs. However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot.

It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the “canon”) of saints. This is the meaning of the word “canonization.”

Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person’s life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of “heroic virtue.” Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession, they will be beatified and honored as “Blessed.” This means that they can be celebrated by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community. If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the “Blessed” is canonized and honored with the title “Saint,” meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.



LENT AND EASTER SCHEDULE

HOLY WEEK

LABYRINTH in the Gym and Annex; Palm Sunday:
Noon—5 PM, March 25—28: 5—9 PM, Good
Friday, 9 AM—9 PM

ASH WEDNESDAY February 14
8 AM Mass at St. Celestine
Noon Prayer Service at St. Cyprian
1:45 PM School Mass at St. Celestine
4 PM Prayer Service at St. Celestine
7 PM Masses at both churches

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays at 7 PM
February 16 at St. Cyprian
February 23 at St. Celestine
March 1 at St. Cyprian
March 8 at St. Celestine
March 15 at St. Cyprian
March 22 at St. Celestine

MISSION Monday and Tuesday, March 4 and
5 at 7 PM at St. Cyprian with Fr. Dominic
Clemente

Confession for those who speak Polish (Polish-
speaking priest will be there) Saturday,
March 23 3:30—5 PM at St. Celestine

Monday, March 25 7 PM Parish Reconciliation
Service at St. Celestine

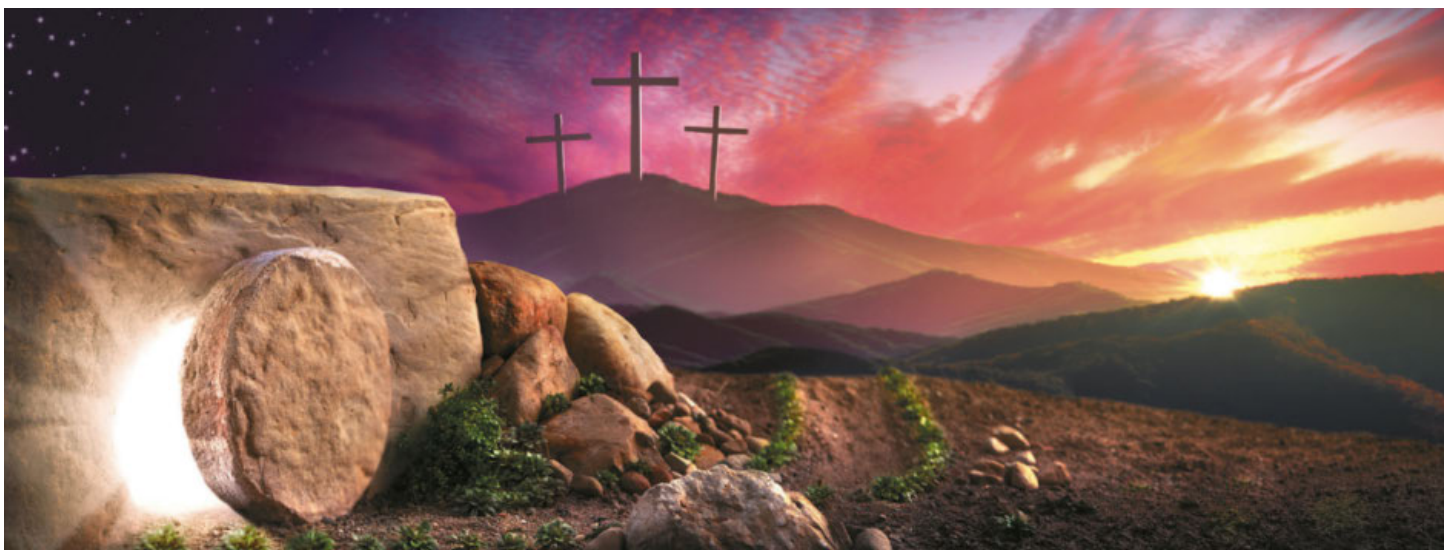
Wednesday, March 27 7 PM Taizé Prayer at
St. Cyprian

Holy Thursday, March 28 8 AM Morning Prayer
at St. Cyprian
7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper at
St. Celestine followed by Church Visits

Good Friday, March 29
8 AM Morning Prayer at St. Celestine
3 PM Service at St. Cyprian
7 PM Shadow Stations at St. Celestine

Holy Saturday, March 30
8 AM Morning Prayer at St. Celestine
11 AM Easter Basket Blessing at St. Cyprian
Noon Easter Basket Blessing at St. Celestine
7:30 PM Easter Vigil at St. Celestine

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31 Masses
7:30 and 11 AM at St. Celestine
9 AM and 11:30 AM at St. Cyprian



Ash Wednesday is February 14



SCHEDULE

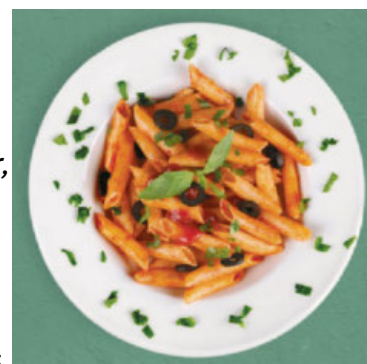
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| 8 AM | Mass at St. Celestine |
| Noon | Service at St. Cyprian |
| 1:45 PM | School Mass at St. Celestine |
| 4 PM | Service at St. Celestine |
| 7 PM | Mass at St. Celestine |
| 7 PM | Mass at St. Cyprian |

Lenten Pasta Dinners and Volunteers

Join us for Lenten Pasta Dinners from 5 to 7:30 PM in the Annex and Gym at St. Celestine on Fridays: February 23, March 8, and March 22.



Dinner includes your choice of one of two pastas, a specialty pasta from a featured restaurant or the house pasta, bread and butter, salad bar, and coffee. Assorted cold drinks will be available for purchase. To go containers will also be available.



Adults: \$10 Students: \$5 Children Preschool and under: Free bowl of in-house pasta

DONATIONS APPRECIATED: We will need baked goods for desserts for the Pasta Dinners. Please drop them off at the Pastoral Center the day before the dinner! We also need: Beverages: 12 oz. cans of Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Diet Sprite and 16–20 oz. bottled waters, and dry goods for salad. Thank you so much!

VOLUNTEERS: The Lenten Pasta Dinners need volunteers to help welcome people, serve the pasta, set up, and clean up. Call the Pastoral Center at 708–453–2555 to sign up. The First Pasta Dinner will be sponsored by the Women's Club.



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will take place on Friday, February 16 at 7 PM at St. Cyprian. Each Friday in Lent we will be praying the Stations; it will alternate at each church.

There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on Jesus's journey to Calvary. The object of the Stations is to help us to make in spirit, a pilgrimage to the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, and this has become one of the most popular of Catholic devotions. It is carried out by passing from Station to Station, with certain prayers at each and meditation on the various incidents.

PLEASE JOIN ST. CELESTINE SCHOOL PARENTS CLUB FOR...



**Saturday
March 2nd**

6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

**Elmcrest Banquets
7370 Grand Ave
Elmwood Park, IL 60707**

It's a night out for St. Mother Theodore Guerin Parish!

Guests 21 years and older will enjoy an **OPEN BAR** and **DINNER**, including appetizers, soup, salad, main course, and a sweets table!

ENTERTAINMENT includes music, classic game show fun, dancing, raffle baskets, split the deck, silent auction, and so much more!

Come as you are OR dress as your favorite game show host or contestant!

TICKETS \$70 PER PERSON

Early Bird Specials before February 15th:
Tickets \$65 per person OR Table of 10 for \$600!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ # of Guest Tickets: _____

Cash or Checks payable to
St. Celestine Parents' Club

Total \$: _____

Teacher Tickets!

Helps us invite the SCS
Faculty & Staff to attend!

Many of our SCS faculty
& staff have donated to
our silent auction, and we
would like to say Thank
You by inviting them to
Game Show Night!

Round up your ticket by
\$10, \$20 or more to
contribute to the
SCS Faculty & Staff
ticket pool!



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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18,
2024**

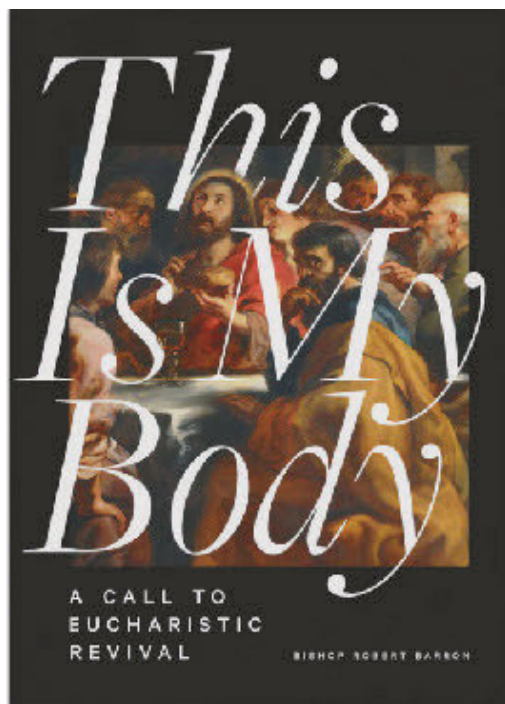
St. Celestine Annex
DOORS OPEN 2 PM—DINNER
SERVED AT 3 PM MUSIC—Raffles—
Split the Pot

TICKETS \$50.00 each

Call WALT GALIGA @ 773-230-2818 for reservations which must be made by **February 12**. Chicken dinner is available in lieu of corned beef; please advise when paying for tickets. Make checks payable to: 49'er Group and mail to Walt Galiga, 5340 W. Pensacola Avenue, Chicago, IL 60641-1308.

**PLEASE BRING A DONATION
FOR THE RAFFLE!**

This is My Body Book Discussion



During Advent we were invited to read Bishop Barron's book *This is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival*. For Lent we would like to invite you to a weekly book discussion led by Lois DeFelice in which we will look more deeply at the Sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood through this book.

This group will meet on Thursdays either after 8 AM Mass at St. Cyprian or at 6:30 PM at St. Celestine in the Fireside Room. Discussions will take place February 22, 29, March 7, 14, and 21. Join us whether or not you have read the book as we will be going over particular passages each week which will be listed in our weekly bulletin.

Books will be available for you with a suggested donation of \$2.00.

Wedding Banns

February 24 Christina Gutierrez and Dustin Oria

You're invited to a
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Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:
St. Celestine Catholic School

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| When: | at the Portillo's located at: |
| February 13, 2024 | 7308 W. Lawrence Ave. |
| 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM | Harwood Heights, IL |

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS46** before checkout in the "Apply Offer" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, curbside, and in restaurant orders.

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Rice Bowl

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through Catholic Relief Services' Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and climate change, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all.

There will be a collection for the Rice Bowl at each weekend Mass in Lent. If you would like a Rice Bowl to put your spare change in during the week, please pick one up at Mass this weekend.

Pray for Them

Sick

Please remember the following people who are seriously ill. If you wish to add or remove a name with the person's permission, please call the parish office. Names remain on the list for 4 weeks.

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| Angelina Alongi | Patty Mackay |
| Therese Anello | Carol Sheahan Marrero |
| Grace Baldessara | Thomas Mayer |
| Paula Biegalski | Amelia Miglio |
| Michael Binder | James Nasti |
| Alexandra Bradish | Larry Nestor |
| Edward Bray | Sister Louise Noesen |
| Ray Brownlee | Mary Guidi O'Malley |
| Natalia Bucko | Brendan O'Brien |
| James Burger | Carolyn Paprocki |
| Iris Cardona | Robert Paprocki |
| Genaro Colin | Manny Perez |
| Betty Corbett | Adrienne Pudlo |
| Mary Daly | Sister Rita Mae Rabito |
| Mary Davister | Marylyn Robertson |
| Elene Dimperio | Richard Robertson |
| Eleanor | Austin Rose |
| Jim Eller | Rock Sarbacker |
| Andrew Engels | Warren Sarbacker |
| Patsy Galecki | Kathy Sassalino |
| Tammy Garcia | Kelly Schlanger |
| Baby Brendan Haro | Morgan Schlanger |
| Grace Hensley | Joseph Serwa |
| Kathy Johl | Judy Virgilio |
| Adele Johnson | Lillian Wardzala |
| Greg Komendanchik | Jim Wazorick |
| Larry Lemanski | Sue Weber |
| Larry Lewis | Joshua Wilmes |
| Karen Lins | *recently added |
| Carmen Lopez | |

Faithful Departed

Philip J. Siwek

Military

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|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Col. Stephen Acosta | Marines |
| Staff Sgt. Lawrence G. Campbell | Air Force |
| Senior Airman Cory McCambridge | Air Force |
| Lt. Col. Peter Anderson | Army |
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Gospel for February 11, 2024

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Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B: No privacy about this cure. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

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| BEGGED | MAKE ME | CLEAN |
| HIS HAND | TOUCHED | LEPROSY |
| LEFT HIM | WARNING | SEE THAT |
| TELL | YOURSELF | OFFER |
| SPREAD | JESUS | ENTER |
| A TOWN | OPENLY | OUTSIDE |
| PLACES | PEOPLE | EVERYWHERE |

TELL NO ONE

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| W | P | E | O | P | L | E | D | M | J | B | N |
| A | O | E | V | E | R | Y | W | H | E | R | E |
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Parish Weekly Events

Monday, February 12

6 PM ST CEL Troop 47130 in the Annex

Tuesday, February 13

4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
7 PM ST CYP Teen OCIA in the Rectory
7 PM ST CEL Knights of Columbus in the Annex

Wednesday, February 14

8 AM ST CEL Ash Wednesday Mass
12:00 PM ST CYP Prayer Service in the Church
1:45 PM ST CEL School Mass
4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
4 PM ST CEL Prayer Service in the Church
7 PM BOTH Ash Wednesday Mass
7 PM ST CEL Boy Scouts in the Lunchroom

Thursday, February 15

3:05 PM ST CEL Troop 45488 in the Lower Meeting Room
4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
4 PM ST CEL Food Pantry
4:30 PM ST CEL Troop 45703 in the Annex
7 PM ST CYP OCIA in the Rectory

Friday, February 16

4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
7 PM ST CYP Stations of the Cross in the Church

Saturday, February 17

10 AM ST CEL Special Religious Education in the Gym and Annex
6:15 PM ST CEL Youth Ministry in the Fireside Room

Sunday, February 18

2 PM ST CEL Knights of Columbus Corned Beef Dinner in the Annex

Women's Club

Soup's on! Mark your calendar for the Women's Club meeting on Thursday, February 22 at 7 PM in the St. Celestine Annex. It's the annual Soup and Chili meeting and we will be celebrating Mardi Gras and the Chinese New Year—this interesting combination will mean an interesting meeting!

Watch for details in next week's bulletin.

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, February 17

4 PM St. Cyprian

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Minister

5 PM St. Celestine

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Moises Navarro
Bev Parylak
Peg Gurnig

Fr. Paul Cao
Lynn Loftus
Bob Broz
Peggy O'Donnell
Pat Strabley
Patricia Rinella
Mary Kay Macchione
Mary Joost

Sunday, February 18

7:30 AM St. Celestine

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Fil Ngwila
Michelle Doyle
Ann Giannini
Bill Lesch
Florence Smith
Maria Mojek
Larry Skelly
Ken Doyle

9 AM St. Cyprian

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Minister

Fr. Paul Cao
Val McCluskey
Michael Wittrock

11 AM St. Celestine

Presider
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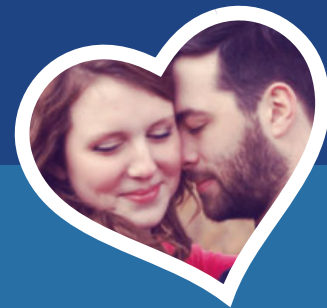
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Saturday, 8:30 AM—12:30 PM Closed Sunday



Holy Hour: First Friday of each month at 3 PM at St. Celestine Church.

Baptisms: To schedule at St. Celestine contact Ruthanne Swiatkowski at rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org or call 708-453-2555 x5017; contact Mary Krewer to schedule at St. Cyprian; mkrewer@stguerinparish.org or 708-453-2555 x5018. Baptisms take place at 12:30 PM on the second and fourth Sundays monthly at St. Celestine and the third Sunday of the month at St. Cyprian. Baptismal Prep classes take place on most first Wednesdays of each month at 7 PM at St. Cyprian; please call the office to sign up for the class.

Masses: See cover.

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30 PM at St. Cyprian and 4:15 PM at St. Celestine.

Weddings: Engaged couples are encouraged to call a year in advance of a preferred date. The couple must talk to Deacon Mike DeLarco before a wedding date can be reserved. Participation in marriage preparation is essential.

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