



SAINT CECILIA PARISH

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Bulletin Notice Deadline: Noon Thursday

This week's Mass Schedule

8th ~ Mon See below for Holy Day Masses
9th ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Ed Gobert
12th ~ Fri. 8:30 AM - Frances Kaminski
13th ~ Sat 5:30 PM - People of our Parish
13th ~ Sat. 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass
14th ~ Sun 8:30 AM - Vivian Boer

Feast of Immaculate Conception Masses

7th ~ Sun 6:00 PM - At St. Augusta
8th ~ Mon 8:00 AM - At St. Augusta
8th ~ Mon. 12:15 PM - At St. Cecilia Poor Souls
8th ~ Mon. 6:00 PM - At St. Cecilia Poor Souls

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Ministers of the Liturgy

Weekend of December 13 ~ 14, 2014

Saturday 5:30PM

Lector: Mary Beth Misiak
Altar Servers: Volunteers Needed
E Ministers: C. Davidson, E. Habrowski, C. Fox
Gift Bearers: Marion & MaryBeth Misiak
Ushers: R. Attochi, S. Davidson, M. Misiak, Volunteer

Sunday 8:30AM

Lector: Marion Paskash
Altar Servers: Jessi Tobias & Elizabeth Torbit
E. Ministers: D. Takacs, C. Goetz, L. Renz
Gift Bearers: Bill & Dona Kovach
Ushers: J. Wyrobek, C. Kieres, T. Burke, D. Allen

Dear Parishioners,

*This week the Advent theme is "Prepare the way of the Lord." What must we do to prepare the way. What obstacles must be cleared? What within us creates resistance...our pride, our selfishness, our will, our fear to trust, or refusal to acknowledge our sins? This week we have two Marian Feasts- the major one of the Immaculate Conception- that Mary was conceived without sin- and Our Lady of Guadalupe -the Patroness of Mexico and the indigenous peoples of Central America. How she spoke to a people oppressed by the foreign invading power and restored their dignity. How does this guide us in our understanding of immigration issues—a people clearly loved & shown compassion by the very Mother of Jesus, whom we claim to be Lord & Savior? Do you stand in solidarity with Mary, the Mother of God? If the Rosary is important to you, in your prayer as Mary to reveal to you her thoughts about the plight of the children being held in detention centers. Her approach is that of a mother. What is behind yours? The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is an obligatory Holy Day. Mass will be offered at 12:15 & 6 pm on Dec. 8th.
Fr. Dave*

For your Spiritual Growth:

I. Instruction of the Apostles ~

The letter of James, most probably "the brother of the Lord" who was also the head of the early Christian community in Jerusalem. His letter calls us to seriously examine the use of the tongue. He is also very emphatic on faith being more than words ~ it must be a faith that shows itself in love for the poor; and encourages "the anointing of the sick" by the priest ~ our sacrament of anointing of the sick.

II. Breaking of the Bread ~ (Basic Outline of Mass)

(1 Cor:11:33-34) Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body & blood of the Lord. Therefore, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for one another...so that your meetings may not result in judgment.

III. Communal Life ~

The God we profess is a community of persons; "Father, Son, & Holy Spirit." As we are created in God's image, community is an essential element of our very being, of our person. Without "community" we are not truly "human". To be in community is critical for being human.

IV. Prayer ~

"...and forgive us our trespasses" To pray this prayer, we must acknowledge our own sinfulness. Only if we recognize that we have sinned, that we have injured others, do we recognize that we need forgiveness. There is always the danger that our focus is on how we have been injured ~failing to recognize that we have injured others.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP from LAST WEEK

Weekly Envelopes: \$2,671.50 Loose Cash: \$215.00
Maint./Expansion Fund \$30.00 Children's Envelopes \$5.00
Special Collections \$75.00 Candle Money \$49.44
TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK : \$3,045.94

WAYCOOL Sunday School

The Religious Education Classes will present
A Christmas Program in the church
On Sunday, Dec. 21st at 6:00 PM.
Everyone is welcome to join with them.

Dec 21st (Sunday) CCD Mass (All Classes)
Kindergarten through grade 10 are asked to be in the hall no later than 8:15AM, to begin the joyful celebration of Mass with their classmates and Catechist. Students will be the Lectors & Ushers, and Grade 4 will be the Gift Bearers. Parents are asked to please promote this outreach.

There will be a meeting for all Catechists following CCD on Dec. 21st.

The Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce the winners of the
Parish Christmas Card Drawing Contest:
1st Place(\$25): Barbara Dominguez, 2nd Grade
2nd Place (\$15): Katia Fedor, 9th Grade
3rd Place (\$10): Diego Ortiz, 6th Grade

MENS' CLUB

There will be a meeting in the church hall on Tues., Dec 9th at 7PM

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

On Fri, Dec 12th, we will celebrate with Mass at 7PM. Prior to the mass, there will be a reenactment of the apparition and traditional Aztec dancing. A Fiesta with live music by a Mariachi Band will be held following mass. All are welcome.

OPLATKI

Envelopes containing traditional Oplatki wafers for you to share this Christmas can be found in the front vestibule. A donation of \$1 per envelope is asked.

Advent Penance Services

15th ~ Mon 7:00 PM - At Sorrowful Mother
16th ~ Tue 7:00 PM - At St. Augusta
17th ~ Wed 7:00PM - At St. Cecilia

Need Prayer Intentions?

Parishioners of St Cecilia will pray for you and your special intentions.
Call Gen Mestrich 956-3020
You do not have to give your name.
Call Gen if you can help with the prayer line.



YOUTH GROUP

Upcoming Events:

Dec. 7th Caroling to the Shut-Ins at 5pm
Dec 21st No Meeting
Dec 29th (Monday) After Christmas Party
2~4pm at Mary's home. Please bring a "White Elephant" Gift, and a snack to share.

GOSPEL OPEN MIC Night

Every Friday Night
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Come to perform or listen
St. Cecilia Catholic Church
334 15th St. SW
DeMotte, IN
For More Information Contact: Duke Thornton 219-688-9304

HAPPENING HERE THIS WEEK!

Mon, 12/8 ~RCIA/Inquiry At 7PM
Tues, 12/9 ~Bible Study At 9AM
Tues, 12/9 ~ Men's Club Meeting At 7PM
Fri, 12/12 ~ Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass & Fiesta At 7PM

Please remember to return your unwrapped Angel Tree gift to the tree no later than Sunday, December 14th.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

I am now working on the schedule that will begin in January. If you do not currently participate in a ministry (Lector, Gift Bearer, Usher, Altar Server, or Eucharistic Minister), but would like to / or no longer wish to be on the schedule, please let me know. There is a sign up sheet in the vestibule, or please call the office, or email me. Thank you much. Debra Opolski

Stay close to home for New Year's Eve

We will be "Ringin In The New Year" with a New Year's Eve Dinner ~ Dance here at St. Cecilia's, with dinner, dancing, an open bar, and a midnight champagne toast. The tickets are \$40/single or \$75/couple and are all inclusive. It is not too early to make plans and get your tickets! Contact Margaret Tuohy (987-4874), Debra Opolski (987-4674), Sarah Kritlow (987-7263), or Ann Myers (208-0861).

St. Augusta Mass Schedule

9th ~ Tue 6:30 PM
10th ~ Wed 8:00 AM
13th ~ Sat 4:00 PM
14th ~ Sun 8:00 AM - (Fr. Gross)
14th ~ Sun 10:30 AM

