

SAINT CECILIA PARISH

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THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

 $23^{rd} \sim Mon$ 8:30 AM - People of our Parish $24^{th} \sim Tue$ 8:30 AM - Poor Souls $25^{th} \sim Wed$ 8:30 AM - Poor Souls $27^{th} \sim Fri$. 8:30 AM - Paul Carlson $28^{th} \sim Sat$. 5:00 PM - Gloria Maretich 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass $29^{th} \sim Sun$ 8:30 AM - Joseph Jaeger

NO RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY, MAY 28TH, DUE TO ORDINATIONS IN LAFAYETTE

11:00 AM - People of our Parish

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 1 ~ 5PM

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY WEEKEND OF MAY 28 ~ 29, 2016

SATURDAY 5:00PM

29th ~ Sun

Lectors: MaryBeth Misiak Altar Servers: Volunteer

E Ministers: C. Fox, C. Davidson, R. Attocchi

Gift Bearers: Duke & Debbie Thornton

Ushers: D. Shrall, D. Thornton, J. Vorst, F. Brodner

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Antonio Franco

Altar Servers: Mitchell Kieres & Rory Bennett E. Ministers: B. Helms, P. Wyrobek, D. Takacs

Gift Bearers: Aaron & Bridget Helms

Ushers: A. Helms, AJ Helms, T. Niemiec, J. Dolniak

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Lector: Angela Sadler Altar Servers: Volunteers

E. Ministers: M. Fagen & Angela Sadler Gift Bearers: Bill & April Hromada Ushers: D. Yankauskas, T. Burke

From the Pastor's desk

Whenever I start preparing for Holy Trinity Sunday, I always get perplexed, thinking to myself, "How am I going to explain the Holy Trinity in a way that the parishioners will understand." I found a good "partial" explanation of the Trinity on EveryStudent.com. They have given me permission to reprint their explanation:

Q: "What about the doctrine of the Trinity, the Holy Trinity?"

You and I live in a three-dimensional world. All physical objects have a certain height, width, and depth. One person can look like someone else, or behave like someone else, or even sound like someone else. But a person cannot actually "be" the same as another person. They are distinct individuals.

God, however, lives without the limitations of a three-dimensional universe. He is spirit. And he is infinitely more complex than we are. That is why Jesus the Son can be different from the Father; and, yet the same. The Bible clearly speaks of: God the Son, God the Father, and God the Holy Spirit. But emphasizes that there is only ONE God.

If we were to use math, it would not be, 1+1+1=3. It would be 1x1x1=1. God is a triune God. Thus the term: "Tri" meaning three, and "Unity" meaning one, Tri+Unity = Trinity. It is a way of acknowledging what the Bible reveals to us about God; that God is yet three "Persons" who have the same essence of deity. Some have tried to give human illustrations for the Trinity, such as H_2O being water, ice and steam (all different forms, but all are H_2O). Another illustration would be the sun. From it we receive light, heat and radiation. Three distinct aspects, but only one sun.

No illustration is going to be perfect. But from the very beginning we see God as a Trinity. Notice the plural pronouns "us" and "our" in Genesis 1:26 ---- Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

Though not a complete list, here is some other Scripture that shows God is one. in Trinity:

- "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!" (Deut. 6:4)
- "I am the LORD, and there is no other; Besides Me there is no God." (Isa. 45:5)
- There is no God but one. (1Cor. 8:4)
- And after being baptized, Jesus went up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon Him, and behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased." (Matt. 3:16-17)
- "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." (Matt. 28:19)
- Jesus said: "I and the Father are one." (John 10:30)
- "He who has seen Me has seen the Father." (John 14:9)
- "He who beholds Me beholds the One who sent Me." (John 12:45)
- If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. (Rom. 8:9)
- "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for that which has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit." (Matt. 1:20)
- And the angel answered and said to her [Mary], "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy offspring shall be called the Son of God." (Luke 1:35)
- [Jesus speaking to His disciples] "And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you, and will be in you." ... "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him, and make Our abode with him." (John 14:16-17, 23)

My door is always open, and you are always welcome. In Christ, Fr. Dennis

ROSARY PRIOR TO MASS

We invite all fathers & grandfathers to bring their families and join the Knights of Columbus to Mass ½ hour early to pray the rosary during May, which is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Rosaries are available in the vestibule.

HAVE AN OLD FLAG TO DISPOSE OF?

Gather together your old, faded, tattered flags
The Knights will soon have a collection box for
them in the vestibule,
so the flags may be properly disposed.

Vacation Bible School!

Vacation Bible School will be held Monday ~ Friday, June 22 ~26th, from 9:00AM ~ 11:30AM. All children entering Kindergarten ~ 5th grade (current 4th graders) Registration is now open & forms are in the vestibule. Also needed are volunteers from middle school age And upwards to help with the children. Forms can be returned in the collection basket. Call Mary Bean (219-314-2686) for information

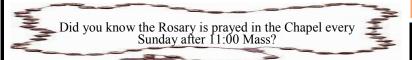
WE HAVE REACHED A MILLION POP TABS!
And we are still collecting ... Our goal is a 2nd Million!
So Please Keep the Pop Tabs coming

PRAYER GARDEN

Spring is here, and the weather is turning nicer. Be sure to visit our new prayer garden! It is located on the north side of the church, between the hall and faith formation doors. It was built by Alex Villalpando with the help of his family, as his Eagle Scout project.

NO PARKING IN THE FIRE LANE!

The fire lane in front of church (painted yellow)
Must be completely open, with No Vehicles parked there
in case of emergency. There are handicap accessible
parking spaces directly across from the front doors,
on the front corners, and by each of the side doors.
Thank you for your cooperation.



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.





I would like to thank the Catechists for their dedication, the parents for bringing their children, and the children for their smiling faces & enthusiasm.

Without you, we would not have a program.

Week after week you turn up to share your faith.

We are truly blessed to have such wonderful people.

Margaret Tuohy

LADIES' SODALITY COOKBOOK

We are putting together a new parish cookbook, and would like to include favorite recipes from ALL parishioners. Recipe may be submitted on forms (found in the vestibule, or on website), or 8½ X11 paper (all writing on 1 side of page only) Please place submitted recipes in box in vestibule.

Only 1 more week to submit your recipes...and certainly you have at least a few you would like included!

Deadline: May 29th. For more info, call Debbie 219-688-1446

Vacation Bible School Supply Donations

A display board with photos of last year's VBS
And donation tickets can be found in the vestibule.

If you wish to help with a donation,
Take a ticket, then fill out and leave half of it.

Purchase your donation item,
and return it by the date specified on the ticket.

Thank you for your help.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Are sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive, Sat., June 4[™]; from 7:30AM until Noon. Please call 1-800– Red Cros (733-2767) To schedule your donation appointment.

PLEASE ~ TURN OFF CELL PHONES BEFORE MASS BEGINS

St. Augusta Rummage and Bake Sale
Sat., June 11 9am ~ 2pm
FILL~A~Bag...\$6 (9 ~ Noon); \$2 (Noon ~ 2)
St. Augusta is at the corner of SR 10 & US 41

PARISH STEWARDSHIP from LAST WEEK

Weekly Envelopes: \$3,258.50 Loose Cash: \$304.35 Maintenance Fund: \$35.00 Children: \$39.50 Good Samaritan: \$45.00 Church in Europe: \$5.00

Candle Money \$96.38

TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$3,783.73