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THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

27TH ~ Mon 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
28TH ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
29TH ~ Wed 8:30 AM - People of our Parish
31ST ~ Fri 8:30 AM - People of our Parish
1ST ~ Sat 5:00 PM - Margaret Copp
1ST ~ Sat 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass
2ND ~ Sun 8:30 AM - People of our Parish
2ND ~ Sun 11:00 AM - People of our Parish

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 11AM ~ NOON

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION
1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 1 ~ 3PM

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY
WEEKEND OF JUNE 1 ~ 2, 2019

SATURDAY 5:00PM

Lectors: Craig Fox
Altar Servers: Volunteers
E Ministers: C. Davidson, N. Narus, Ed Habrowski
Gift Bearers: Patrick & Stacy Kurdelak
Ushers: F Brodner, S. Davidson, D. Thornton, R. Morales

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Jerome Wyrobek
Altar Servers: Rory Bennett & Tessa Sears
E. Ministers: P. Wyrobek, D. Spradlin, B. Helms
Gift Bearers: Dan & Doris Kras
Ushers: D. Medsker, J. Dolniak, A. Helms, A.J. Helms

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Lector: Catherine Allen
Altar Servers: Anne Lindberg
E. Ministers: Jerri Taborski, Volunteer
Gift Bearers: Volunteers
Ushers: T. Burke, G. Vahl, D. Yankauskas

From the Pastor's desk:

How many of us have ever wished, in moments of indecision, that God would send us a clear sign about what we are called to do at that moment – perhaps an angel to tell us exactly what God wants? At times like these, when we're surrounded by turmoil and violence, it can be easy to feel that God has left us alone to fend for ourselves – that we're left on our own with no clear direction.

But the readings this weekend, as we come ever nearer to the great Feast of Pentecost, are reassuring. We are not alone, but we have God, the Church, and the people around us to give us guidance and support when we need it – as long as we're open to the different ways the Holy Spirit operates in our daily lives.

In our first reading, we see the Church, our brothers and sisters in the faith, as a support system to help us understand what is required of us. The earliest Gentile disciples in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia were misled into believing they had to follow the ancient Mosaic law if they were to be saved – if they were to be Christians. But the Apostles, guided by the Holy Spirit in their discussions, realized that Gentile believers were not called to the same strict code of law that the Jewish people had been, and they sent emissaries to encourage the Gentiles, to lighten their load. Sometimes, in this case, the Holy Spirit speaks to us through the word of those around us, the faithful people who listen to the voice of the Spirit and help us to understand.

Jesus assures us in our Gospel that the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, will be with us if we stay close to God, if we listen to God's word and allow God to make his dwelling in us. Even though Jesus is not physically with us any more (in his human form), his Spirit is with us to guide us to the truth – to remind us of the words that Jesus spoke to the Apostles and continues to speak to us through Scripture. The Holy Spirit who dwells in us speaks to us in our heart, during our prayer and when we are open to receiving his message.

How do we know that the Holy Spirit is speaking to us? One way is to stay close to God through daily prayer, Scripture reading and the sacraments. One special type of prayer is the nightly "examination of conscience", in which we review the day past and see how God has been working in that day – where we received special blessings, where we were effective in our discipleship and where we might have failed. Through the daily practice of examining our lives, we can more easily see how God has spoken to us that day – through prayer, for example, or through the words or action of a family member or colleague.

As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost, let us always remember that the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, longs to speak God's word to us and guide us – if we're open.

My door is always open, and you are always welcome.

Fr. Dennis

EUCCHARIST ADORATION & BENEDICTION
FOLLOWED BY ANOINTING OF THE SICK
NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND 1~3 PM

PLEASE NOTE

Fr. Dennis will be out of town
Monday June 3rd ~ Friday June 7th,
At a priests' convocation.
In an emergency, he may be reached at
765-430-3400

YOUTH GROUP

Youth group leaders, Fernando & Yessenia Dominguez and Luis Cazares would like to invite all teens 14 ~ 18 years old to their end of the school year Pizza & Ice Cream Party on Tuesday, May 28th, at 6PM. They will be playing Volleyball (weather permitting). This will be the last meeting before school starts in the fall. For more information, please sign up for Flocknotes. Just text SAINTC to 8456 & specify Youth Ministry.

SEMINARIAN FUND APPEAL:
"ANSWERING GOD'S CALL"
Support those "Answering God's Call".

There will be a special collection on June 8/9 & 15/16 for the education and formation of the seminarians of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana, and the promotion of vocations. (There is a giving envelope in your box dated June 9) This year we have 14 seminarians. This appeal provides a tangible way to give to these 14 men who have chosen to give their lives to the Church.

These young men are "answering God's Call".
Thank you for your generosity as you make your gift.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

This is a biennial 3 day experience of prayer, community, catechesis & empowerment for teens in grades 9 ~ 12 taking place this fall, from Thurs., 11/21 ~ Sat., 11/23 in Indy. Our group will leave Thurs., 11/21 & return Sunday 11/24. The cost is about \$450 per person (which we hope to defray with fundraising). We are asking for a \$50 non-refundable deposit with your registration by August 31st. Call Mary Bean (219-314-2686) for information



LADIES' SODALITY COOKBOOK



Do you have one yet??
Our fabulous cookbook
is on sale now for only \$5!
Or contact Fr. Dennis or Debra Opolski
Be sure to get a copy.

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.



Sunday, May 26th is CCD Closing Day!
There will be a pancake breakfast for all CCD Students and Catechists, followed by a special program!

There is a bulletin based on the current week's gospel reading for children ages 3 ~ 6 available every week. The bulletins can be found next to the regular bulletins.

Thank you to all the Catechists and classroom aides for their continuing dedication to catechizing the children of St. Cecilia's. Without their efforts and presence to teach each and every Sunday, the program would not be what it is today. This year there were 122 students attending. And thank you to all of the parents for bringing your children to learn about our faith. Also a big thank you to the Ladies' Sodality, Men's Club, Knights of Columbus, Father Dennis, and Deacon Joe for all they do to support the Faith Formation program.
Do not think your efforts go unnoticed.



BACCALAUREATE MASS

Honor our graduates at 8:30 Mass
on Sunday, June 9th

Graduates are invited to wear your caps & gowns, and meet in the vestibule at 8:15AM



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP

The Knights are looking for new members.
If you are interested, please see any Knight
Ask for Form 100 (application) or visit kofc.org/joinus



WE ARE REACHING FOR
A THIRD MILLION POP TABS!

And we are close....
Please Keep the Pop Tabs coming

Pop It



& Drop It

CHURCH CLEANING

Please join us to clean the church
every Tuesday at 9:00AM.
Coffee & Donuts are served afterwards.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes: \$4,280.00 Loose Cash: \$219.76

Building Fund: \$10.00 Children's Envelopes: \$4.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$20.00 Candle Monies: \$57.31

TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$4,591.07