

SAINT CECILIA PARISH

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THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

10TH ~ Mon 8:30 AM - No Mass or Service
11TH ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Communion Service
12TH ~ Wed 8:30 AM - Communion Service
14TH ~ Fri 8:30 AM - No Mass or Service
15TH ~ Sat 5:00 PM - Dan & Marlene Darner
15TH ~ Sat 7:30 PM - No Mass or Service
16TH ~ Sun 8:30 AM - Shana Medsker
16TH ~ 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 SEPTEMBER 15 ~ 16, 2018

SATURDAY 5:00PM

Lectors: Suzanne Herrmann
Altar Servers: Volunteers
E Ministers: L. Winter, C. Fox, C. Davidson
Gift Bearers: Joe & Judy Buchholz
Ushers: S Davidson, R. Morales, D. Medsker, F. Brodner

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Paul Mihalich
Altar Servers: Kim Wyrobek & Anne Lindberg
E. Ministers: P. Wyrobek, D. Takacs, D. Courtright
Gift Bearers: Don & Helen Cooper
Ushers: D. Cooper, T. Niemiec, A. Helms, AJ. Helms

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Lector: Catherine Allen
Altar Servers: Volunteer
E. Ministers: Maria Fagen & Volunteer
Gift Bearers: Volunteer
Ushers: T. Burke, D. Yankauskas, G. Vahl

From the Pastor's desk:

The famous Helen Keller was born deaf and blind. When at last she learned to communicate in her teenage years, her teacher decided it was time for her to learn about Jesus. So she called the local minister. And with the teacher interpreting, the minister talked to Helen Keller about Jesus. At first, he wasn't sure she'd understand. But before long, a wonderful smile lighted Helen's face, and through her interpreter Helen spoke to the minister, "Reverend, I've always known about God, but until now, I didn't know his name."

Helen Keller was born blind and deaf, but she always knew how to see and to hear what really matters. If only "we" could do the same. So much of the time, the best parts of life rush past us all unnoticed, especially in our current culture of busyness. In so many ways, our eyes/ears/hearts are like drains that are all stopped up: Nothing can get through; none of the best of life can get through. And that's surely not what God wants for us.

God wants to say to us what he said to the deaf man in this weekend's Gospel, "Be opened!" But before God can speak that powerful word to us, we have to ask for it and desire it deeply. It would be wise for us to ask (with all our hearts), "I want to hear, Lord, and I want to see. I'm ready for whatever you want to show me, and for whatever you want me to do."

But the problem is, that speaking those words to God is impossible, if we don't know we're missing something, if we don't know we're not hearing, or not seeing something important. And that's the purpose of this weekend's Gospel: To raise in our hearts the crucial question: What are we missing? In what parts of our life are we deaf and blind to?

That's what God is urging us to do today: Ask that question as best we can, and then ask his help in listening to the answer. God always answers those kinds of prayers and will always say "yes".

So in the silence of our hearts, let us speak those words to him now:

"Open our eyes and ears, Lord, that we may see all things you do. And open our hearts, Lord, that we may give and do our very best, in each moment of life, just as You always do. Amen."

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

Fr. Dennis

PLEASE NOTE
Fr. Dennis will be out of town
Friday, Sept. 7 ~ Friday, Sept. 14
In an emergency, please contact
Fr Paul (Sorrowful Mother) at 956-3343.

GLENMARY HOME MISSIONERS

We welcome **Father Donald Tranel** of the GLENMARY HOME MISSIONERS who will speak at all the Masses this weekend on behalf of the home mission work of Glenmary priests, brothers and coworkers. Fr. Don is originally from Menominee, IL and was ordained as a Glenmary priest in 1988. He has served as pastor in Glenmary mission parishes in Georgia, Mississippi, West Virginia, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. His most recent assignment is Director of Development at our Headquarters in Cincinnati. A fun fact about Fr. Don is that he is a master tomato-grower. He recently took 1st in Glenmary headquarters' annual tomato contest for best tasting tomato.

This special collection is our opportunity to support evangelization in the home missions.

MENS' CLUB

There WILL NOT be a meeting this month.

BILL HROMADA UPDATE AND ADDRESS

Many of you know our former parishioners Bill and April Hromada. Bill is losing his brave fight against cancer. And on top of that his wife April is undergoing her own health challenges. They love reading cards of support. Their address is:

11636 Roberts St., Unit #2, Mokena, IL 60448.

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See what is happening here at church
And check our website,
stceciademotte.org



*Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Steven Gable and Elva Hernandez
Who were married here on Sat., Sept 1st*

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.



Faith Formation (Religious Education)
Classes start Today, Sunday, September 9th

Sunday, Sept 16th is Catechetical Sunday.
All Catechists are asked to be present
At 8:30 am Mass.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Will begin a new series on Sunday Sept. 9th
"Acts of the Apostles"
It is being held between the Sunday Masses
(9:30~10:45AM)
Please join us in the Crying Angels Room

ST. CECILIA CHURCH 40TH BIRTHDAY

We're just about ready! Are you?
The annual Parish Hog Roast is set for
Sunday, Sept. 16.
In addition we will celebrate the 40th Birthday of the current Church building as the corner stone was laid in 1978. Below is the program for this special event.

11:00 Mass with Hispanic choir
12:15 Hog Roast meal with other dishes and Birthday cupcakes
1:30 Special Speakers who will talk about the building of the present Church
1:30 Outdoor games for kids
2:30 Magic Show for young and old in church hall
3:15 Closing Prayer and Blessing of the Church and Attendees

All Parishioners and Friends of the Church are invited.
Wear your special St. Cecilia T-shirts if purchased.

Parishioners are asked to bring a dish or cupcakes:

Those with last names beginning A-K: sides and salads;
those with last names from L-Z: birthday cupcakes.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes: \$3,458.75 Loose Cash: \$343.00
Building Fund: \$1,178.82 Children's Envelopes: \$4.25
Candle Monies: \$79.80

TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$ 5,064.62