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THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

9TH ~ Mon 8:30 AM - Roy Attocchi
10TH ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
11TH ~ Wed 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
13TH ~ Fri 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
14TH ~ Sat 5:00 PM - Roy Attocchi
14TH ~ Sat 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass
15TH ~ Sun 8:30 AM - Ed Krzyston
15TH ~ Sun 11:00 AM - Ronald Meyer

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 11AM ~ NOON

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

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY WEEKEND OF JULY 14 ~ 15, 2018

SATURDAY 5:00PM

Lectors: Suzanne Herrmann
Altar Servers: Volunteers
E Ministers: C. Martikean, J. Juarez, C. Badowski
Gift Bearers: Duke & Debbie Thornton
Ushers: J. Vorst, C. Fox, D. Shrall, D. Thornton

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Erika Smith
Altar Servers: Hunter Long & Rory Bennett
E. Ministers: C. Goetz, D. Courtright, D. Dolniak
Gift Bearers: Bill & Dona Kovach
Ushers: J. Wyrobek, T. Niemiec, J. Dolniak, B. Smith

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Lector: Paul Carlson
Altar Servers: Volunteer
E. Ministers: M. Fagen & Volunteer
Gift Bearers: Volunteers
Ushers: T. Burke, D. Yankauskas, G. Vahl

From the Pastor's desk:

We always seem to be surprised when things go wrong. Many times after the fact we say, "How did we miss the warning signs?" It might be the collapse of a relationship. It might be the collapse of our global economy. It happens again-and-again and still we go on missing the next thing. Most likely it's not that we miss the warning signs. It's that sometimes, we close our eyes to these warning signs, and remain blind to what's going on around us.

God rarely pulls any punches. We usually have a pretty good idea of what we're up against when we let God into the equation. It can be difficult to stay focused on the positive in the midst of all the things that are collapsing around us. And yet, even in bad economic times, we hear story after story of people who lost a secure and comfortable job and turned that into an opportunity to follow a lifelong dream.

The big things, the things that matter, usually inspire a bit of hesitation, trepidation, even downright fear. It takes a lot of courage to speak up when we're pretty sure that the message we need to deliver is not going to be well received. It takes a lot of determination to say "no" to the easy, the comfortable, the path of least resistance; and instead, set out in the direction God has shown us, especially when that path isn't initially as crystal clear as we'd like it to be.

That is exactly what is happening in this weekend's first reading, where Ezekiel is asked by God to deliver a true, but "hard to swallow" message to the rebellious house of Israel. And Ezekiel responds by telling God that his mission will most likely be met with failure. But it's interesting how God affirms Ezekiel's calling.

After his disciples had been with him for a while, he trusted them enough to send them out to share in his ministry. He does the same with us. Living according to the gospel means learning to live with our eyes wide open. It means being so committed to the message of Jesus, that his mercy and forgiveness become second nature to us.

Many of us have been sitting in the pews for years, even decades, hearing God's Word. And God is working through others in our lives, giving us messages. In other words, you could say that there are even prophets in our own lives.

Too often, we sadly recognize the prophets in our midst "only" after it's too late. Today's readings can remind us to open our eyes & ears to the warnings we'd rather ignore. For God is speaking to us in ways we least expect.

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

Fr. Dennis

Back-to-School Backpack Program

Will be held once again in Spencer Park on Aug 4th If you have a student in K ~ 12, and are going to have difficulty purchasing all of the needed school supplies, there will be a backpack giveaway to receive them. The program is sponsored by the churches in DeMotte. St. Cecilia will be supplying the GLUE STICKS. A box is located in the vestibule for your donation for this community wide program.



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

The annual K of C Tootsie Roll Drive was held on Saturday June 30. Six Knights and 4 special citizens assisted in collecting \$880.91 in 3 hours at 7 locations in DeMotte and Roselawn. The charity funds collected are earmarked for the CDC who work with mentally and physically challenged citizens of Jasper Co. Thanks to the Knights and those parishioners who prayed for the Drive's success and who may have donated and obtained a Tootsie Roll candy bar. Ed Habrowski, Grand Knight

*VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DONATIONS
DURING THE WEEK OF VBS
THE CHILDREN AND VOLUNTEERS DONATED
\$233.89 AND OVER 100 FOOD ITEMS
TO SORROWFUL MOTHER FOOD PANTRY.
THEY REALLY APPRECIATE IT.
CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU!!*

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO AID IN THE MASS
AS A LITURGICAL MINISTER?
Please contact Fr Dennis, or call the office.**

*Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Nathan Rose and Megan Davidson
Who were married on Friday, June 29th*

*Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Fernando Dominguez & Yessenia Castillo
Who were married here on Sat., June 30th*

**"BE WHO GOD MEANT YOU TO BE
AND YOU WILL SET THE WORLD ON FIRE!"
SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA**

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.



Have a safe and happy summer....
See you in the autumn!

Received from the Jasper Co Animal Shelter

Dear St. Cecilia Catholic Church,
Thank you for your generous donation of \$100. The staff and the animals are very thankful. We will find an excellent use for this. Again, thank you for thinking of us.
Sincerely,
The Shelter Staff
(Note: This was collected during Penny Wars.)



ST. CECILIA'S ALMOST ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

Will be held on Thurs ~ Fri, Aug. 9 ~ 10.
You may drop off **CLEAN, USABLE** donations starting Sat., July 28 at the NorthWest (Religious Ed.) door.



SIGNED UP FOR FLOCKNOTES?

WANT TO STAY INFORMED?
JOIN THE PEOPLE WHO ARE SIGNED-UP
BY GOING ON TO FLOCKNOTE.COM, OR
SEE THE CHURCH BULLETIN BOARD, OR
CALL THE OFFICE.



**WE ARE REACHING FOR
A THIRD MILLION POP TABS!**
And have a goal of collecting them
By the close of the CCD term in May
So Please Keep the Pop Tabs coming



RECYCLE YOUR RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Do you have religious articles you don't want,
but just don't know what to do with?
There is a basket in the vestibule where you
may leave them to be recycled ~
And if you find one in the basket you would like,
feel free to take it along with you.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes: \$3,275.50 Loose Cash: \$446.00
Building Fund: \$1,032.00 Children's Envelopes: \$4.25
Seminar Fund: \$10.00 Fruitful Harvest: \$2,135.00
Candle Monies: \$57.08

TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$ 6,959.83