

SAINT CECILIA PARISH

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This Weekend's Mass Will be Livestreamed Sunday at 10 am on our Face Book Page <u>St. Cecilia Catholic Church</u> You can watch it any time later by going to "Videos" on our Face Book page

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

22nd ~ Tue 7:00 рм - Sp/En - Goeppner Family Confession: 7:30 ~ 8:00 рм 24th ~ Thu 8:30 ам - Frank Hudak Confession: 9:00 ~ 9:30 ам 27^{тн} ~ Sun 10:00 ам - Lorraine Frantz 20^{тн} ~ Sun 12:15 рм - Spanish Mass

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020 10:000AM

Lector: Suzanne Hermann Ushers: Robert Morales, Dom Yankauskas & David Shrall

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020 10:00AM Lector: Catherine Allen Ushers: Tom Burke, Duke Thornton, David Shrall & Jim Pilarski

From Fr. Mike

This week we begin to hear from Paul's letter to the Philippians during the second reading at the Sunday Mass, and he ends this section with this appeal: "...conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ." (Philippians 1:27) We might word this as needing to act in a Christian manner with others, but I find this phrasing from Saint Paul even more helpful because it invites us to consider that our way of responding needs to reflect the good news of Jesus. For example, with all the changes that have occurred recently across our pastorate, one reaction could be that we don't like it or even think it's wrong or ridiculous. But a reaction that is a "way worthy of the gospel" could be that we are excited by the opportunities even though it is difficult to see yet what some of the positive effects of the change will be. Notice that the latter reaction does not deny the challenges of a reduced Mass schedule or the grieving of other aspects of what our parishes were like before, but the starting point is one rooted in the good news that God is doing something wonderful in our communities. I find it more helpful to assume that the Holy Spirit is the driving force of change, especially if it involves something with the church and is led by our bishop and teams of people who have done hours of prayer, research, and deliberation.

I point this out as we are asked to consider our prayerful and financial support of the ministries in our diocese for the Catholic Ministries Appeal. I can report that one of the effects of the Uniting in Heart Pastoral Plan is that I am receiving more support as a priest than ever before. This includes monthly formation sessions, an assigned diocesan consultant who is a resource for me and ten other pastors, and wellness coaching. All good news for making me a better pastor.

While a newborn creates many challenges for a family, it is nevertheless a change that is received with joy. Instead of focusing on the parts of the transition we do not like, perhaps approaching this change like the birth of child can help align our hearts with the generous love of God. Then we can better think, speak, and conduct ourselves "in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ."

PASTORATE MASS SCHEDULE

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday, 4:00pm – St. Augusta, Lake Village Sunday, 8:00am – Sorrowful Mother, Wheatfield Sunday, 10:00am – St. Cecilia, Demotte (English) Sunday, 12:15pm – St. Cecilia, Demotte (Spanish)

Please note that the diocese has granted permission to use the Parish Hall with Mass being Live Streamed for overflow space at all Sunday Masses when needed. Proper distancing will be maintained throughout all areas, and masks should be worn during Mass for everyone's safety.

<u>Weekday Masses</u>

- Tue, 7:00pm St. Cecilia, Demotte Confession 7:30-8:00pm - (Spanish/English)
- WED, 5:30pm St. Augusta, Lake Village Confessions 6:00-6:30pm
- Thu , 8:30am St. Cecilia, Demotte Confession 9:00-9:30am - English
- Fri, 8:30am Sorrowful Mother, Wheatfield Confession 9:00-9:30am





Religious Education Registration

Classes will begin Sunday, October 4th at 11:00 am Cost is \$25 per student.

You can register online at:

https://forms.gle/9bpQQLhFRJ6Ri9XX7

The October **Liturgical Ministers** Schedule is available in the church vestibule. If you would like to be removed or added to the rotation please call the office (987-3511) and let Mary know.

GIVING

Online and Text giving are now available.

The link to Online giving is on the website:

www.stceciliademotte.org

To set up text giving: Text <u>StCecilia</u> to 73256

PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes: ^{\$}2,253.00 Loose Cash: ^{\$}184.00 Building Fund: ^{\$}145.00 Children's Envelopes: ^{\$}10.25 Loose Checks: ^{\$}275.00 Candle Money: \$61.00

ONLINE GIVING Weekly Offerings: \$1,585.00 TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK:\$4,513.25

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would like to thank everyone for your donations during their



recent Red Cross Blood Drive