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THIS WEEKEND'S MASS
WILL BE LIVESTREAMED SATURDAY AT 5 PM
ON OUR FACE BOOK PAGE
ST. CECILIA CATHOLIC CHURCH
YOU CAN WATCH IT ANY TIME LATER
BY GOING TO "VIDEOS"
ON OUR FACE BOOK PAGE

PLEASE NOTE: RECONCILIATION
SATURDAY 11:00 ~ 11:45 AM

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS SCHEDULE

7TH ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Sophie Habrych
9TH ~ Thu 5:00 PM - Murphy Family
11TH ~ Sat 5:00 PM - Nick Statviske
11TH ~ Sat 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass
12TH ~ Sun 8:30 AM - Ed Kryston
12TH ~ Sun 11:00 AM - People of our Parish

GIVING

Online and Text giving are now available.

The link to Online giving is
on the website:
www.stceciademette.org

To set up text giving:
Text StCecilia to 73256

PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

Due to vacations,
there is no stewardship report
this week.

From the Pastor's desk:

Now It's OUR Turn

In one of his novels, Franz Kafka tells the story of a man who has been instructed to enter a kingdom through a specific gate. He finds the gate, but sees a soldier guarding it. So he sits down and waits for the guard to give him instructions or grant permission to enter.

The guard does nothing and says nothing. So the man continues to sit, waiting for something to happen. For a whole lifetime he sits. Finally the guard closes the door and says to the man, "This door was made for you, and for you alone. But because you chose not to enter it, it is being closed forever."

----- Theological Reflection -----

In every generation, countless numbers of people sit on their hands for a lifetime, waiting for someone else to do something. It has always been so. But what we celebrate in this long Fourth of July weekend is that in every generation there have also been many good people who haven't sat around waiting but have done what was needed - with all their hearts.

A dozen generations of Americans, each in their turn, have handed this nation on to their children and finally to us. And each time, they paid a great price to pass it on whole. Since the time of Jesus, a hundreds of generations of Christians have passed the faith to their children. A day at a time, they've spent their life's blood to pass it on alive and whole.

One break in the chain, a single missing link, a single generation just sitting and waiting for someone else to do something, and there would have been nothing for the next generation to pass on, and ultimately, nothing for us to receive. How blessed we are that so many good people - most of whom never knew us - were willing to spend themselves and not count the cost!

Now it's OUR turn to spend ourselves on behalf of those who are here and those who will follow. It's OUR turn to create (in this time and in this place); families, neighborhoods, and a nation where God's goodness can be felt, and where everyone knows what it means to be sisters and brothers in Christ.

That's our mission and it's what we should want to do, but it's also exhausting. It takes so many days and years to make a family, to become a friend, to create anything of real value. It takes so much effort to keep things together and moving forward.

Handing on faith, family, and country takes all we've got, and more. We will surely fail if we try to do it alone. But God doesn't ask us to work alone, as He tells us, "Come to me, all you who labor and are weary and I will refresh you." That is his promise. He won't take away our work or our pain, but neither will he let us be crushed by it. He will make it possible and doable for us if we let him in.

Trust him, let him in, and you will know his peace and his power.

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

Fr. Dennis

PARISH COUNCIL

Will be meeting Wednesday, July 8th at 7 PM
in the Parish Hall

Welcome to our Faith Family

those newly Baptized

Michael Enrique Canabantes

Ximena Morales

Bryce Russel Mathas



Congratulations on receiving Confirmation

On Sunday, June 28th, 2020

Claira Ontirveros



Congratulations to those who through RCIA

Received their 1st Holy Communion

And were Confirmed

On Sunday, June 28th, 2020

Jessica Lee Audette

Itzel Hernandez Figueroa

Bryce Russel Mathas



LADIES' SODALITY COOKBOOK



Need a new idea for something to

Prepare for dinner or desert?

Check out our cookbook.

It has many great recipes and is
on sale now for only \$5!

Please remember in your prayers the soul of
Terry Huppenthal



Who passed away following a long illness.
Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord, and
let Perpetual Light shine upon her. Amen.

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.



Over the past three months our community has struggled amid a great pandemic, and now we carefully make our way toward re-opening the Church. There are many challenges and risks ahead. But as followers of Christ, we have faith and courage knowing He is with us until the end of time (Matthew 28,20).

In addition to navigating the choppy waters of a pandemic, our community has also been preparing for changes related to our diocesan *Uniting in Heart* initiative. *Uniting in Heart* is not merely a process to make organizational and personnel changes for a better future. It is about being *One Body in Christ*, through the power of the Spirit, in all of our various vocations.

In Baptism we have all been mystically united as *One Body in Christ*. Through His Church and the Holy Spirit, we receive a share in His priestly, prophetic and kingly offices (CCC 1267-68). Or as St. Peter said, "you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession..." (1 Peter 29).

In addition to sharing in Christ's Body and mission, we have also been given leaders to follow as "Christ the head", guiding and serving us toward perfection in wisdom and truth. (Matthew 5, 13-16). All of us, no matter what our vocation in the Church, is called in this *One Body* to be like Him—holy, humble servants offering spiritual and corporal works of mercy to help lift up God's people to heaven. (James 2, 14-26) May we always fulfill this divine mission entrusted to us, so that we can join the communion of saints, united as one with the Most Blessed Trinity, for all eternity.

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BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW
- REV 21:5

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stceciademette.org



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Beloved, let us love one another,
Because love is of God;
everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God...
No one has ever seen God.

Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us,
And His love is brought to perfection in us...
God is love, and whoever remains in love
remains in God and God in them.

1 John 4:7-16