

# Saint Cecilia Parish

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## THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

 $26^{\text{TH}} \sim \text{Mon}$  8:30 AM - People of our Parish  $27^{\text{TH}} \sim \text{Tue}$  8:30 AM - Lorraine Wisniewski

28<sup>TH</sup> ~ Wed 8:30 AM - Poor Souls

 $30^{TH} \sim Fri$  8:30 AM - People of our Parish

31<sup>sт</sup> ~ Sat 5:00 рм - Vivian Boer 31<sup>sт</sup> ~ Sat 7:30 рм - Hispanic Mass

1<sup>ST</sup> ~ Sun 8:30 AM - People of our Parish

 $1^{sT}$  ~ Sun 11:00 AM - People of our Parish

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 11AM ~ NOON

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

#### MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

**Weekend of Aug 31 ~ Sept 1, 2019** 

#### SATURDAY 5:00PM

Lectors: Craig Fox Altar Servers: Volunteers

E Ministers: C. Davidson, N. Narus, Laura Winter

Gift Bearers: Patrick & Stacy Kurdelak

Ushers: F Brodner, S. Davidson, D. Thornton, R. Morales

#### SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Jerome Wyrobek

Altar Servers: Rory Bennett & Ryan Gray E. Ministers: P. Wyrobek, D. Spradlin, B. Helms

Gift Bearers: Dan & Doris Kras

Ushers: D. Medsker, J. Dolniak, A. Helms, AJ. Helms

#### **SUNDAY** 11:00AM

Lector: Catherine Allen Altar Servers: Caleb Linberg E. Ministers: Jerri Taborski, Volunteer

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Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Ushers: T. Burke, D. Yankauskas, G. Vahl

From the Pastor's desk:

The wife of an executive decided to pay her husband a surprise visit. When she opened his office door, she found a glamorous secretary sitting in her husband's lap. Without batting an eyelash, her husband continued his dictation: "... and in conclusion, gentlemen, I simply cannot continue to function in this office with just one chair!"

## Theological Reflection

Telling the truth can be difficult, especially when we have to tell it to ourselves! All of us are tempted at times to re-define reality to fit our own convenience, and to create our own imaginary world where the living is easier, and where anything will do.

Some of us are quite accomplished in persuading ourselves that our version of reality is true. But saying it doesn't make it so, because everything that is has its share of the truth imbedded at its very core. And there's no changing it. There are some ways of living that will never work, will never be right, and will never bring us peace and contentment, no matter what eloquent baloney we feed ourselves.

That's what Jesus is telling us when he says, "If you want to save your life, you have to enter by the narrow door." You not only have to tell the truth, especially to yourself. You have to LIVE the truth, and BE true from the inside out.

Being true and living true, isn't easy. It requires facing up to hard things and doing hard things. (That's why Jesus calls it the "narrow door.") But it's the only way of living that works in the end, because reality and truth always catch up with us.

In this time and culture when high-profile lying and self-deception seems to be rampant....to ignore all this would be easy and even satisfying, but not particularly useful. How do we combat all this? By first of all, looking at our own lies, and do our best to speak and LIVE the truth.

As Jesus said, the truth can set us free, free from illusion and self-deception, free to build lives where the thought of being fully known is no obstacle for us, and where peace and contentment reign. So, enter through the narrow door, and inside we will be set free from all our heartache and problems.

My door is always open, and you are always welcome. *Fr. Dennús* 

EUCHARIST ADORATION & BENEDICTION FOLLOWED BY ANOINTING OF THE SICK NEXT, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1~3 PM

## LADIES' SODALITY

The Sodality does not meet in August. See you in September



## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will be beginning a new series this fall "Saints with a Past"

A Study of Conversion in the Lives of 8 Notorious Sinners" How bad can you be and still become a saint?

Meet an outlaw, and anti-pope, an embezzler, a con-artist, two fallen women, and two mass murders. Learn how God touched their hearts with His grace and they repented.

The series begins on Sunday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>
From 9:30 ~ 10:45AM (between the Sunday Masses)
in the Crying Angels Room

Registration forms a available in the vestibule.

## Thank You Note We Received

Wow! We had another amazing *Back to School Fair*. We just wanted to send a thank you to you for making it such a success. We live in an incredible community, and it's at events like this that our town is at its best. From those who donate supplies, money, or time to those who, with gratitude, come to receive those donated supplies, we are thankful for you all. From the bottom of our committee's hearts, we say thank you, and hope you will continue to partner with us for years to come.

Blessings,

The Back to School Fair Committee

## ANNIVERSARY MASS WITH BISHOP DOHERTY

All married couples of the diocese celebrating significant marriage anniversaries in 2019 are invited to attend a special Mass with Bishop Doherty to celebrate their years of Christian Marriage. The Anniversary Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation and during Mass Bishop Doherty will offer a special anniversary blessing.

Immediately following Mass, Bishop Doherty will greet couples at a reception of light refreshments.

Sunday, September 15, 2019 2:30PM (EDT)
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
1207 Columbia St. Lafayette, IN
Register online at <a href="www.dol-in.org/AnniversaryMass">www.dol-in.org/AnniversaryMass</a> or contact Sandra Santucci at <a href="ssantucci@dol-in.org">ssantucci@dol-in.org</a>

#### **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.





This year's Faith Formation term will begin soon.

Student registration will be
This weekend Aug 24<sup>TH</sup>/25<sup>TH</sup> and Sat Sept 7<sup>TH</sup>
prior to and following Masses

Faith Formation classes will begin Sunday, September 8<sup>™</sup> at 9:35AM

### 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.



THIS IS THE LAST WEEK TO REGISTER!!!

THE FOWLER DEANERY 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF DIOCESE MASS
A MASS TO CELEBRATE THE 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF
THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA



WILL BE HELD AT ST. AUGUSTINE, RENSSELAER ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, AT 5:00PM A RECEPTION WITH BISHOP DOHERTY WILL FOLLOW.

Call Mary Bean (219-314-2686) for information

ALL ARE WELCOME.

## LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULES

September Liturgical Minister Schedules are available on the table in the vestibule

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

## LADIES' SODALITY COOKBOOK

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



## PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes: \$3,834.58 Loose Cash: \$297.30 Building Fund: \$155.00 Children's Envelopes: \$1.25 Assumption of Mary: \$1,273.00

Church in Africa: \$50.00 Candle Monies: \$69.50

TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$5,680.63