



# SAINT CECILIA PARISH

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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**

**THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE**  
18<sup>TH</sup> ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Al Opolski  
20<sup>TH</sup> ~ Thu 8:30 AM - Carol Johnston  
Confession: 9:00 ~ 9:30 AM  
23<sup>RD</sup> ~ Sun 10:00 AM - Myrna Hornback  
23<sup>RD</sup> ~ Sun 12:00 PM - Hispanic Mass

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

**GIVING**  
Online and Text giving are now available.  
The link to Online giving is on the website:  
[www.stceciliademotte.org](http://www.stceciliademotte.org)  
To set up text giving:  
Text StCecilia to 73256

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK**  
Envelopes: \$2,851.00 Loose Cash: \$103.00  
Building Fund: \$570.00 Children's Envelopes: 25¢  
Assorted Envelopes: \$110.00 Candle Monies: \$38.26  
**ONLINE GIVING**  
Weekly Offerings: \$60.00  
**TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$3,732.51**

## From the Pastor's desk:

We have come to the final good-byes; or shall I say so-longs. I am filled with gratitude as I depart St. Cecilia. I would like to thank the paid and unpaid staff, especially Deacon Joe and Winnie, the finance and parish councils, Ladies' Sodality, Men's Club, Knights of Columbus, the Catechists (and all those who have volunteered to help-out in the religious education program, and ALL the good people of St. Cecilia, past and present. Your efforts in making St. Cecilia a warm inviting place to worship our Lord have truly been an inspiration to me. I consider y'all family like I've never known before. Long before I was assigned here, Fr. Fox and Monsignor Sell told me many wonderful stories about DeMotte and St. Cecilia; and once I arrived, I continued to "pinch myself" that God had called me to replace some of the greats, like Fr. Fox, Fr. Wicklum, Monsignor Sell, and Fr. Hellmann.

I request that, if you're not already involved in at least one of the parish's ministries', please get involved to support St. Cecilia and Fr. McKinney. May God bless you and continue to reveal the many gifts and talents He has given you for the building up of the Church – the Body of Christ, here in DeMotte. Thank you again for all your well-wishes and prayers. All of you will be in my thoughts and prayers in the weeks and months ahead. Yes, I'm moving on, but carrying with me many fond memories and moments of my 5 years as the Pastor of St. Cecilia's.

If not before; I will see you in heaven,

*Fr. Dennis*

**GOD IS LIKE OXYGEN... YOU CAN'T SEE HIM,**  
**BUT THERE IS NO WAY TO LIVE WITHOUT HIM!**

**GODSPEED FR DENNIS, WE WILL MISS YOU!**

**NEXT WEEKEND WE WELCOME**  
**FR. MIKE MCKINNEY**  
**AS WE BEGIN OUR NEW MASS SCHEDULE.**

## NEW PASTORATE MASS SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE BEGINNING AUG. 22-23, 2020

### LORD'S DAY MASSES

SATURDAY, 4:00PM – ST. AUGUSTA

SUNDAY, 8:00AM – SORROWFUL MOTHER

SUNDAY, 10:00AM – ST. CECILIA (ENGLISH)

SUNDAY, 12:15PM – ST. CECILIA (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.*

### WEEKDAY MASSES

TUE, 7:00PM – ST. CECILIA (SPANISH W/ ENGLISH)

CONFESSIONS 7:30-8:00PM

WED, 5:30PM – ST. AUGUSTA

CONFESSIONS 6:00-6:30PM

THU, 8:30AM – ST. CECILIA (ENGLISH)

CONFESSION 9:00-9:30AM

FRI, 8:30AM – SORROWFUL MOTHER

CONFESSION 9:00-9:30AM



## COMBINED PARISH BUSINESS DIRECTORY

IS NOW READY

YOU MAY PICK UP A COPY

ON THE TABLE IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP

*The Knights are looking for new members. If you are interested, please see any Knight Ask for Form 100 (application) or visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus)*



## VISIT & LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AT

**"St. Cecilia Catholic Church"**

And check our website,

**[stceciliademotte.org](http://stceciliademotte.org)**



## 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.*



## MANAGING THE NEUTRAL ZONE

In last edition's column, I wrote about "change." A "change" is any event that can shake up our understanding of the world and our old priorities. A "transition," on the other hand, is a three-phase psychological reorientation process that people go through when they are coming to terms with a "change." In a "transition" there is an ending, a neutral zone and a new beginning.

The neutral zone is an area of great discomfort. These are the days after the funeral, the job loss, the resignation, moving from one parish to another or after a divorce. These are the pain-filled days when there is a temptation to want to return to the familiar for relief. The secret of success in the neutral zone is to "stay the course" and "get through" it.

I have spent so much time in the neutral zone phase that I wrote a book about it. Sometimes change simply "happened" to me. Later, realizing there was no rescue party out looking for me, I learned to "induce the labor pains" of change.

One of my very favorite "neutral zone" stories from that book happened a few weeks after my ordination fifty years ago. This "change" was unwelcomed.

All through seminary, after spending years in rural areas, my heart was set on an urban assignment. I had a fabulous chance of seeing that dream come true because newly ordained priests typically became associate pastors in large urban parishes.

When the call came from the Priest Personnel Board, I was told that I was being assigned to the "home missions" of our diocese, in Appalachia, down along the Tennessee border. The area was what the Glenmary Fathers called "No Priest Land."

Unable to change their minds, I went into a depression, angrily packed my bags, bought a map and drove toward my hated assignment. Halfway there, I had a conversion experience. I learned something about all unwanted "changes" - I could change my mind! I started telling myself, "If you don't get what you want, you can always want what your get!" Because of that mind change, it became a great assignment, better than I could have ever imagined.

In the next and final segment of this series we will talk about managing a new beginning.

Father Knott, a priest of the Archdiocese of Louisville, was a weekly columnist for his archdiocesan paper, *The Record*, for fifteen years. He spent fifteen years doing ongoing priest formation in ten countries.



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