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THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

23RD ~ Mon 8:30 AM - Roy Attocchi
24TH ~ Tue 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
25TH ~ Wed 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
27TH ~ Fri 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
28TH ~ Sat 5:00 PM - Alice Main
28TH ~ Sat 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass
29TH ~ Sun 8:30 AM - Betty Spradlin
29TH ~ Sun 11:00 AM - Darlene Letko

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 11AM ~ NOON

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

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

WEEKEND OF JULY 28 ~ 29, 2018

SATURDAY 5:00PM

Lectors: Ed Habrowski
Altar Servers: Volunteers
E Ministers: C. Badowski, L. Winter, J. Juarez
Gift Bearers: Volunteers
Ushers: D. Shrall, D. Thornton, J. Vorst, S. Davidson

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Bridget Helms
Altar Servers: Emma Helms & Valarie Tyrka
E. Ministers: B. Kovach, D. Takacs, D. Opolski
Gift Bearers: Joe & Donna Dolniak
Ushers: A. Helms, A.J. Helms, J. Dolniak, J. Wyrobek

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Lector: Paul Carlson
Altar Servers: Volunteer
E. Ministers: Jerri Taborski & Volunteer
Gift Bearers: Greg & Peggy Mitchelin
Ushers: T. Burke, G. Vahl, D. Yankauskas

From the Pastor's desk:

Plans. All of us are familiar with plans. There are family plans, school plans, plans at work, travel plans, game plans and all sorts of other plans. Our days are lived-out with plans in mind. Even our fun times are planned – sometimes over-planned.

In this weekend's Gospel, we heard about the Apostles who had been out preaching and had come back to Jesus to report about all they had been doing. The apostles rejoined Jesus, and told him all they had done and taught. Then Jesus said to them, "You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while"; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. They obviously needed a break, so Jesus decided it was time to get away and get some rest. We all can identify with that, can't we?

It must have been a lovely scene. They all get into a fishing boat and begin rowing out across the lake, the boat gliding along the smooth waters with only the sound of the oars dipping in the water and perhaps a screeching gull or two swooping overhead. Peace at last, along with the prospect of finding a quiet place on the other side where they could unpack their food, sit and talk, and quietly have time to share stories and listen to what Jesus had to say.

But then, as they approached the opposite shore, they saw a large crowd and heard the noisy voices of people. You can imagine how those Apostles felt. No doubt they were more than annoyed. Their plans were being disrupted. Life is like that, isn't it? Our best-laid plans, and our cherished moments, are too often stolen from us.

How do we react when our plans are either interrupted or completely disrupted? How do we react when people get in the way of our goals? Do we get resentful and make life miserable for those around us? Do we lash out at those around us?

When you stop and think about it, Jesus endured many setbacks in his earthly life, and turned these moments into blessings for all. He answered a lawyer's tricky question by giving us the wonderful story of the Prodigal Son. On the cross, dying in agony, he asked his Father to forgive those who had nailed him to that cross. And now here, in today's Gospel account, he got out of the boat even though he was weary and needed a break, waded into the crowd, and then gave them beautiful lessons and teachings about life. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length. He did not send them on their way. Instead he gave them his tender and caring love.

We must remember that God's agenda and our own agenda might not be the same. God, after all, has his plans for us, and when they come to bear in our lives we might have to make some adjustments to our own plans. After all, where is it written that we are entitled to live an easier and more problem-free life than Jesus? Where is it written that our plans are never to be changed?

God is a God of surprises, just as he is a God who gives us unplanned opportunities to show what we're made of and respond to him in patience/humility, and with love.

We all have plans. At the same time we must remember that God has his, too. Take my word for it...it's best to go along with his plans. 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.



ELIZABETH MINISTRIES

Will be hosting a family fun day at Deep River Water Park on Sunday August 5th. Admission will be \$18.95 per person for anyone over 46" tall. This is a savings of \$7. per person. Advance purchase tickets will be required for this price. To order advance tickets or for further information please call Mary Bean 219-314-2686

CHURCH CLEANING

Please join us to clean the church every Tuesday at 9:00AM. Coffee & Donuts are served afterwards.

VISIT & LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AT

"St. Cecilia Catholic Church"

See what is happening here at church
And check our website,
stceciadiemotte.org



40th BIRTHDAY PARTY

St. Cecilia Church 40th Birthday
Celebration T-Shirts are on display in the vestibule along with order forms. Shirts are \$20. for adult & child sizes. Payment is due at the time of order. Orders will be taken until August 19th.

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.



Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Colby Mason & Alexa Schiavone
Who were married here on Sat. July 13th



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



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 ONLINE!

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO AID IN THE MASS AS A LITURGICAL MINISTER?

(Ushers, Gift Bearers, Lectors,
Altar Servers, & Eucharistic Ministers)
Please contact Fr Dennis, or call the office.

LARGE PRINT MISSALETTES

Do you have trouble seeing the print in our missalette?
There are a number of large print missalettes
That can be found in the sacristy for use during Mass.
Just remember to return them afterwards.

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: \$3645. Loose Cash: \$383.78
Building Fund: \$25. Children's Envelopes: \$.25
Candle Monies: \$59.15
TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$ 4,113.18