



St. Cecilia Catholic Church

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MATTHEW 15:28



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**— Mass Times —**

**Saturday (Vigil):** 4:30 pm  
**Sunday:** 8:30 am & 11:00 am  
**1st Saturday of Month:** 8:00 am

**— Reconciliation —**

**Saturday:** 3:30-4:00 pm  
*Anytime by Appointment*

**This week's intentions:**

**Saturday, August 15**  
 8:00am Pat Conreaux  
 4:30pm For Hamilton/Decker Family  
**Sunday, August 16**  
 8:30am For St. Cecilia Parish Community  
 11:00am For Louis "John" Aleman III (bdy 8/17)  
**Monday, August 17**  
 6:30pm For The Reform of the Clergy  
**Tuesday, August 18**  
 8:00am For Joe Decker  
**Wednesday, August 19**  
 8:00am For Rev. Monsignor Thomas P Holinga  
**Thursday, August 20**  
 8:00am For Dee Decker  
**Friday, August 21**  
 8:00am For Robert Sedlacek  
**Saturday, August 22**  
 4:30 For Suzanne Scheibal & her brother Paul Sternitzke  
**Sunday, August 23**  
 8:30am For St. Cecilia Parish Community  
 11:00am For Marie Drainer  
 To schedule an intention, call or email the Parish 288.3200 office@stcparish.org

After hours or end of life emergencies, call Fr. Gibbons at 618.946.4518



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MATTHEW 15:28

## THE LORD WELCOMES ALL

All of us who ache to be accepted find lavish comfort in today's readings. Rich in mercy, the Lord welcomes all of us—no exceptions. Isaiah extends God's invitation to all nations, even to foreigners who often arouse suspicion from the "in crowd." Saint Paul takes advantage of these fearful suspicions by provoking the Israelites' jealousy: if even Gentiles can offer acceptable worship to the one true God, then God's chosen people should surely do the same. In a similar way, Jesus provokes his disciples in today's Gospel from Matthew. Bantering with a Canaanite woman, Jesus draws out her tremendous faith, which endures despite the typical rejection she faces from scornful Israelites. Whether we identify more with the privileged disciples or the marginalized Canaanite woman, we cannot mistake God's universal invitation to believe in the One who saves us.

## REJECTED

At one time or another, we have all been rejected or ridiculed, left out of a conversation, or not invited to a party. It hurts to be excluded. God makes all things new, though, and our scriptures today invite us to turn over our aching hearts to the Lord. Some of us might feel reluctant to give our hearts to the Lord, especially if our suffering somehow involves God or the Church. Why pour out hearts to God, after all, if God seems to be the cause of our troubles? A tragic loss, a painful death, or an unavoidable catastrophe can disrupt or destroy our life plans. When people clumsily console us then, saying, "It's God's will," we can easily become suspicious of God and the almighty will. If we suffer from the sinful structures or actions of God's representatives and ministers in the Church, we might look with skepticism at the prayers of that same Church.

Even so, our Canaanite woman today persuades us not to lose hope. The disciples scorn her, complaining that she "keeps calling" out for help. Like irritable children, the disciples ask Jesus to "send her away." And just when we might expect Jesus to take her side, to scold the disciples and reward the woman's persistence, he shocks us by implying she is a dog. Undaunted, the woman accepts Jesus' remark and parlays its aggression into her own forceful plea: "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters."

## ACCEPTED

The woman's faith is irresistible—to Jesus, and to us. Jesus grants her heart's desire, healing her daughter from that very moment. We too are won over by her indomitable confidence in the Lord. Truly, this woman is one of the heroes of the New Testament. When difficulties suffocate us and we feel turned away like a stray dog, we can recall the Canaanite woman's simple words: "Lord, help me."

## TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 56:1, 6–7  
 Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8  
 Romans 11:13–15, 29–32  
 Matthew 15:21–28



# Faith Formation



Life-long catechetical formation is needed to prepare us to be disciples of our Lord and stewards of His creation. We offer programs for all ages—please join us!

## Faith Formation Focus

**Aug 16, 2020 ~ 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**GOSPEL** – The Canaanite woman and the dog scraps.

**SAINT** – St. John Eudes (Aug 19)

**PRAYER / DOCTRINE** – Prayer

**SERVICE** – St. Cecilia Pantry Drive

Spend some time during your week learning about these items.

Use resources in your home, check the (online) library, or explore them on the web. Articles, videos, online links & activity pages on these topics can be found on our parish website:

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

## **Faith Formation classes to resume in September!**

Details and registration information can be found in your email and on our website.

### **FORMED - coming in September!**

Thanks to the generosity of the people of the Diocese of Springfield, we have received a grant from the *Harvest of Thanks, Springtime of Hope Capital Campaign* to help fund a 1-year FORMED subscription for our parish.

FORMED is an online platform with a vast library of life-changing, trustworthy Catholic movies, eBooks, faith formation studies, audio talks, and great children's videos.

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We will begin our subscription in September!

#### **Baptisms & Weddings & RCIA**

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact

**Fr. Patrick Gibbons 288-3200**

#### **Youth Ministry Grades 5-12**

(5-7 pm on 2nd & 4th Sun.)

Contact

**Deacon Jerry Cato: 447-0826**

#### **Continuing Religious Education**

(PSR, Bible Studies, Renew,  
1st Reconciliation, Confirmation, 1st Eucharist)

Contact

**Paula Raffaelle: 288-5523**

St. Cecilia is dedicated to sharing the Catholic faith to the next generation & community!



ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Class of 2021

There is no doubt that the 2020-2021 school year will look much different than any other before. SJN has taken many safety precautions in hopes that we can make in person learning work for the entire school year. However this school year turns out, we hope our class of 2021 enjoys their last year at St. John Neumann!



## Golf Classic

Our 28th Annual Golf Classic will be held on Friday, September 11th at the Spencer T. Olin Golf Course. Register a team or become a sponsor online at [www.sjncrusaders.org](http://www.sjncrusaders.org). Come join us in supporting Catholic education and have a fun time too!!

## Football Raffle

Football raffle tickets are now available. We realize there may be potential complications to the football season brought on by Covid-19. If the season is cut short, we will still hold our raffle and payout winnings for all 17 weeks. In place of scores, numbers will be randomly drawn from a hat each week and the totals for each ticket will be computed using these figures. \$500 in prizes are awarded each week for: highest total points, second highest, third highest, fourth highest, fifth highest, and lowest. Each ticket has its own three digit code to assign the teams each week. Tickets are \$20 each. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.sjncrusaders.org](http://www.sjncrusaders.org).



## SIUE COUGAR CATHOLIC FALL SCHEDULE CHANGE

Welcome students, faculty, staff, and friends to SIUE Cougar Catholic Newman Community!

No doubt, this semester will look and feel different than any previous semester. When the semester begins, there will be many changes to our way of proceeding so we can continue to share our faith, friendship, and community while students and staff members remain healthy and connected. Our theme this year comes from our Patron Saint Therese of Lisieux, "Everything is a Grace."

Of the changes will be our Mass and location. Due to social distancing and growth in the last few years, we are unable to meet in the Center for Spirituality and Sustainability (Fuller Dome). We will have weekly Sunday Mass at St. Boniface in Edwardsville at 4:15 pm. We will offer rides at 3:45 from Parking Lot B (all virus protocol will be followed). After Mass, we will gather as a community and share a meal at St. Boniface outside on the plaza and inside only if the weather requires it. Fr. Robert Johnson remains our chaplain and will be our presider at Mass.

During the week, we have many ways in which you can participate. Mass/Reconciliation at noon in Morris University Center (MUC) Dogwood Room. Campus Ministries will be available to talk 11:00 to 2:00 M, T, Th, F, and by appointment. We will also be offering volunteer service days, retreats, small groups, Bible studies, and faith formation events and resources.

Two major additions for Cougar Catholics this year is the addition of a FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) missionaries and our Catholic Studies Program that offer college credit through St. Louis University. It will be an exciting year!

Below you will find a staff list with contact information as well as the names of our FOCUS missionaries. Please email, call, or text if you have questions or want more information about us. We can't wait to see you!

*Peace & Blessings,  
Robin Black-Rubenstein, Director of Campus Ministry*

### SIUE Cougar Catholic Newman Contact List

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**FOCUS Team Members:**  
Maria Jansen, Logan Duncan, Rachel Duncan, Mallory Smarto, Alyssa Milner

# ST. CECILIA CHURCH—TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

As a Diocese, we are committed to discipleship & stewardship.  
We recognize that everything we have comes from God and that He has given  
us gifts not just to use for ourselves but also to share with others!

## GOOD DEEDS HERE!

### ST. CECILIA FOOD PANTRY

As a Parish family we provide direct service to those who are less fortunate.

We continue to help **families with groceries & utilities each week!**

#### Items Needed:

**Canned fruit: peaches, pears, mandarin oranges, fruit cocktail, apple sauce**

**Canned vegetables: baked beans, corn, green beans, peas, carrots**

**Other: Vegetable Oil, laundry soap, dish detergent, shampoo, conditioner, tissues, and toilet paper.**

#### **Your Generosity is Appreciated!**

If you would like to be a Pantry Volunteer, please contact Bernie Guy-Marshall at 618.344.9950 or [guymarshall60@yahoo.com](mailto:guymarshall60@yahoo.com)



### A Beacon of Light (ABL) Pregnancy Help Center

We are reopening and getting ready to provide free ultrasounds to our clients. We need Reception/office volunteers to answer phones, file and do general computer and office tasks. We are looking for individuals with a loving heart to help us in our mission. If you or someone you know, could offer 3-5 hours one day per week, please contact Judi Schutzenhofer at [mkjudi13@gmail.com](mailto:mkjudi13@gmail.com) or 618-593-3622 (phone, voicemail or text). Looking forward to working with you as we serve our clients.

## PARISH GENEROSITY REPORT

### FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 (July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021)

Weekly Generosity	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD
July 20-Aug 2, 2020	\$ 10,431.00	\$ 25,444.11
Online Giving	<u>5,129.04</u>	<u>12,958.62</u>
Total	\$ 15,560.04	\$ 38,402.73
Budget Goal	<u>19,600.00</u>	<u>49,000.00</u>
Difference	\$ (4,039.96)	\$ (10,597.27)

Add'l \$457.50 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special & Restricted

### ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

August 8/9: 4:30=38; 8:30=75; 11=47; Total=160

August 1/2: 4:30=74; 8:30=66; 11=44; Total=184

July 25/26: 4:30=83; 8:30=64; 11=37; Total=184

July 18/19: 4:30=72; 8:30=67; 11=52; Total=191

### *How To Give During This Time?*

Ways to give:

- Go GREEN—Give online @ <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1030> or download the APP @ OLGApp.com
- Set up through your bank as an ACH or Auto -Pay
- Mail your envelopes to: St. Cecilia Church, 155 N. Main St, Glen Carbon, IL 62034 (don't mail cash)
- Drop them in the Offertory Box when entering the Church for Mass.

We are so grateful for your continued support during this time.

**DUE TO COVID SAFETY REGULATIONS  
AT THIS TIME, OUR OFFICE STAFF IS  
AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. IF YOU  
NEED TO COME TO THE OFFICE FOR ANY-  
THING, PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE  
AN APPOINTMENT:**

**PARISH OFFICE—618.288.3200**

**LEANNE SCHEIBAL—618.623.9153**

St. Cecilia is a fervent community of intentional and dedicated missionary disciples of the Risen Lord.  
We serve, especially those in need, with prayer, participation, and charity.

### Prayer Requests:



Patricia Aleman, Marissa Banovz, Brian & Jan Brogan, Deacon Jerry Cato, Sara Cleary, Charles Cook, Teresa Donnay Family, Lisa Frew's son, Elliott, and a friend Rick, Ted Fuehne, Edwin Gajewski, Angie & Adalyn Hardesty, Mary Ann Hobbs, Mike Hogan, Cynthia Ann Hunter, Mary Rose Kobler, Dee Konkel, Connor McAleenan, Mary Mucho, Gary Newton, Paulauskis & Lockwood Families, Irene Potthoff, Luke Raffaelle, Sheila Ridenbark, Doris Robinson, Nathan Rozycki, Luke Ryterski, Weiss Family, Allison Winkler, Bob Zellerman, St. Cecilia Parish

If you like to add yourself or a loved one to the bulletin Prayer List, contact LeAnne 618.288.3200 office@stcparish.org

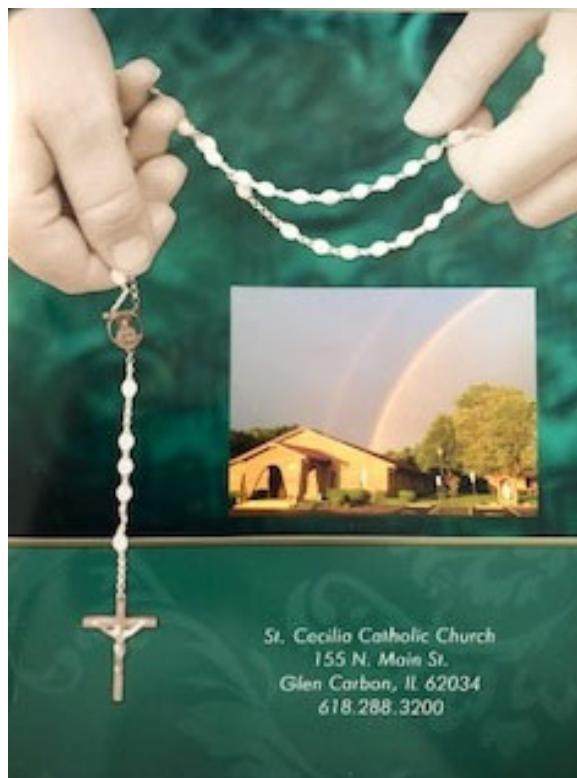


**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020  
9:45 AM**

**Are you a Lector/Reader and  
need a refresher?**

**Are you interested in becoming  
a Lector/Reader?**

**If you answered Yes to either of  
the above questions, please join  
Father for this brief training  
at 9:45 am next Sunday!**



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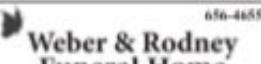
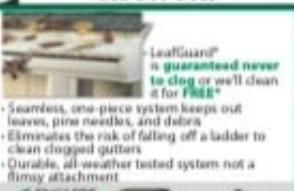
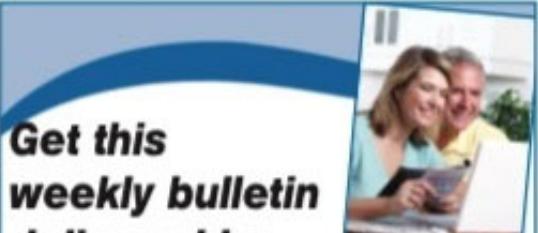
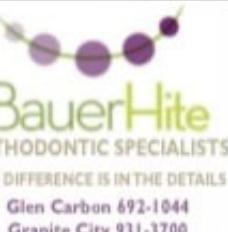
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