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NOVEMBER 8, 2020

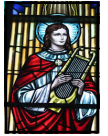
THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.*

Psalms 63:2

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 anything, please
call to schedule an
appointment:

**PARISH OFFICE
618.288.3200**

**LEANNE SCHEIBAL
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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 —
Monday: 6:00-6:30 pm
Saturday: 3:30-4:00 pm
Anytime by Appointment



This week's intentions:

Saturday, November 7
 8:00 am For Pat Conreaux
 4:30pm For St. Cecilia Parish Community
Sunday, November 8
 8:30am For Mary Jo Peck
 11:00am For Joseph Twombly
Monday, November 9
 6:30pm For The Reform of the Clergy
Tuesday, November 10
 8:00am For John Wedel
Wednesday, November 11
 8:00am For Arnold Hall
Thursday, November 12
 8:00am In Honor of the Holy Spirit
Friday, November 13
 8:00am For Doris Hall
Saturday, November 14
 4:30pm For Pat Conreaux
Sunday, November 15
 8:30am For John Wedel
 11:00am For St. Cecilia Parish Community

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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CONSEQUENCES

Actions have consequences. As children, we were often told that if we would do something, then we would receive a present or a reward. If we didn't, it might result in a punishment. Geometry also uses the "If-Then Statement." That is what our scriptures are like this Sunday. In each reading, there is a suggested action on our part, which will result in a desired outcome. There is a feminine personification of God as Wisdom, Psalm 63 and the intimate thirsting for God, the letter to the Thessalonians on believing in Christ, and Matthew's parable of the wise and foolish virgins. In the world of instant everything, we are not good about being patient, and our follow-through can be terrible. But each reading in its own way promises us that if we diligently seek God, we will be blessed and rewarded, and that it is worth the work and the wait!

KEEP YOUR LAMPS

In the old spiritual, "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" we hear the imperative to wait and be ready, and while there are many variations, it usually ends "The world is nearly done." "The time is drawing near." or "The day is dawning nigh." The liturgical year is near its end, and we begin to feel that tension of "already but not yet" as the readings become more eschatological (about the end-times) in nature. We are called to wait patiently. Yet, like the wise and foolish virgins, we run the risk of falling asleep, and or running out of oil. Waiting for God, preparing for God, requires much hope, much preparation and discipline, and at times it is counter-intuitive. We must put aside impatience or the desire for immediate gratification and keep the end in sight. In running terms, it is not a sprint, but a marathon.

TRIMMED AND BURNING

So how do we do this? Whether we are sitting in the pew or one of those involved more intimately in liturgical ministry, this is a call for spiritual self-maintenance. None of our scriptures today is passive. Seeking and waiting for God requires work. Presence and participation in the liturgy are among the easiest and most natural ways to provide fuel for our spiritual lamps. But like a car, we need to do more than just put in gasoline. There are other needs to attend to for upkeep. Just read the opportunities in this bulletin! Perhaps you may want to attend a parish scripture class or find a spiritual book to read. Sign up online to receive the daily readings or some sort of daily reflection. Find a spiritual podcast to listen to on your commute home from work or turn off the news and music and drive in morning silence. Share simple, regular prayer times as a family such as at meals and bedtime. Experience the sacrament of Reconciliation. Or maybe you do too much, and the call is to let go of something. Do not become burned out or lose heart. Take courage and remember, "The day is drawing nigh!" Amen.

TODAY'S READINGS

Wisdom 6:12-16
 Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]
 Matthew 25:1-13



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!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<u>9:35 am</u> PSR Adult Study		<u>10:30 am</u> Adult Study	<u>10:00 am</u> No RENEW due to Veterans Day	
<u>7:00 pm</u> Adult Study ZOOM	<u>7:00 pm</u> Adult Study			<u>7:00 pm</u> Prayer & Action

Faith Formation Focus

32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Nov. 8, 2020

GOSPEL – Parable of the 10 virgins.

SAINT – St. Pope Leo the Great (Nov. 10)

PRAYER – Act of Contrition

SERVICE – Blessing Bags

Spend some time during your week
learning about these items.

Articles, videos, online links & activity pages
on these topics can be found on our parish website:

STCPARISH.org



GospelWeeklies
Parish Faith Formation Program

The Eucharist. . . is the gift of the real presence of Jesus the Redeemer, in the bread which is his body given up for us, in the wine which is his blood poured out for all.

– Saint John Paul II

Box of Joy

Please return filled Boxes of Joy to the church portico or FLC before Nov. 16.

Life Question: What is something foolish you have done that forced you to learn the hard way?

Gospel Question: What do you find is necessary to fuel your spiritual life as oil is to ancient lamps or gas to cars? What keeps your spirit alive?

Adult Study - Watch & discuss episode 4 of SYMBOLON this week on FORMED.org.

Baptisms & Weddings & RCIA
(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Contact
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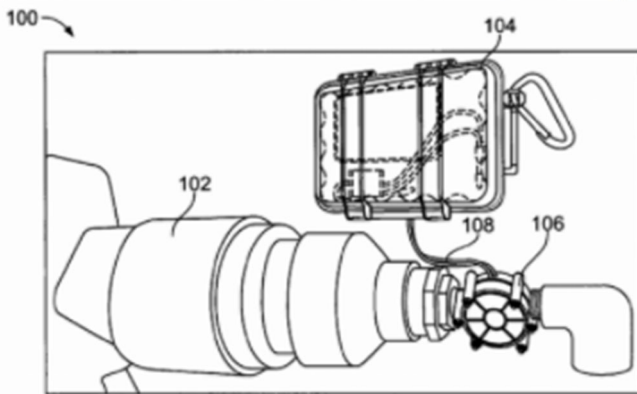
Youth Ministry
Grades 5-12
(5-7 pm on 2nd & 4th Sun.)
Contact

Continuing Religious Education
(PSR, Bible Studies, Renew,
1st Reconciliation, Confirmation, 1st Eucharist)
Contact
Paula Raffaele: 288-5523

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



ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC SCHOOL



SCRAMBLED GEARS PATENT

Our Scrambled Gears Robotics Team researched and worked with professionals to develop a solution to reduce the amount of water pollution generated by coal power plants. The team created the WaterSpark to capture energy everytime it rains. The WaterSpark is a hydroelectric generator that charges portable batteries when rain flows through the downspout. The batteries can then be used to charge cell phones. This results in less water pollution by coal power plants because it reduces the demand for electricity. With the WaterSpark, pollution free energy is being created from nature. The Scrambled Gears filed for a patent back in 2018 and it was finally approved! You can find their patent on our website: www.sjncrusaders.org. Congratulations Crusaders!!!!

CONQUER

ADVENTURE CLARITY CONNECTION

**FOR
young
ADULT
AGES 19-39**

A CONQUER EVENT FOR: YOUNG ADULTS
WHAT: ROCK CLIMBING
WHERE: CLIMB SO ILL - 1419 CARROLL ST., SAINT LOUIS, MO 63104
WHEN: NOVEMBER 14, 2020 1:30 PM
ADVENTURE AWAITS
COST: \$30
SIGN UP AND SEE SCHEDULE AT: BENOTAFRAID.DIO.ORG/EXPERIENCE

40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

The Fall 40 Days for Life campaign has ended. Thank you for all your prayers during the campaign.

Our prayers made a difference!

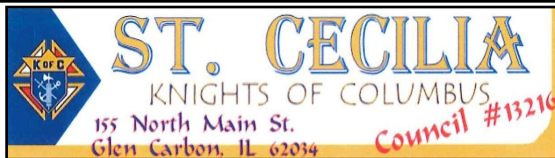
We know of 6 babies that were saved during this 40 days for Life campaign.

Thank you to those who prayed at the abortion business on Nov. 1.

Our presence made a difference!

On Sunday, we had 2 women, one in the morning and 1 in the afternoon, approach our prayer warriors and ask to get an ultrasound. We were able to connect them with the ultrasound van.

Stand up for life & help bring an end to the demand for abortion through prayer, fasting and community outreach.



**ST. CECILIA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 13216 SPONSORING THIS EVENT
PLEASE PLACE ALL DONATIONS IN THE CRIB
LOCATED IN THE CHURCH PORTICO**

A Beacon of Light (ABL) Pregnancy Help Center

Donated Items Policy

★ We gratefully **ACCEPT NEW** baby items for distribution to clients, such as:

- Clothing
- Baby Food
- Formula
- Diapers
- Wipes
- Pacifiers
- Bottles
- Baby Wash
- Baby Shampoo
- Tylenol
- Room Humidifiers
- Infant Thermometers (unopened packages for ear or forehead)
- Infant Nail Clipper/Manicure Sets (unopened packages)
- Books
- Car Seats*
- Toddler Beds*
- Swings*
- Bouncers*
- Strollers*
- Cribs*

★ We also **ACCEPT GENTLY USED BABY/TODDLER CLOTHING**, in good condition with no stains, **up to size 2T**. We will also accept maternity clothing* in good condition.

★ We **CANNOT ACCEPT** the following **USED** items for distribution to clients due to potential liability issues:

Car Seats/Booster Seats
Cribs
Toddler Beds
Walkers

Swings
Bouncers
Strollers
High Chairs

Note: Some retailers, including Target, run a program once or twice per year in which they accept used car seats in exchange for a coupon for a 20% discount, usually for a new car seat or baby item. Other places will recycle used larger baby items.



**Great Marriages Don't Just Happen,
Couples Make Them!**



December 4-6th, 2020

"Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you."
Strengthen, rekindle and renew your marriage sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend virtually in your own home! <https://stl-wwme.org> or for more information call 314-649-7317.

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ST. CECILIA CHURCH—SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP 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

PARISH GENEROSITY REPORT

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

Weekly Generosity	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD
October 12-25, 2020	\$ 9,425.23	\$ 94,860.57
Online Giving	<u>5,140.00</u>	<u>44,431.87</u>
Total	\$ 14,565.23	\$139,292.44
Budget Goal	<u>19,600.00</u>	<u>166,600.00</u>
Difference	\$ (5,034.77)	\$ (27,307.56)

Add'l \$633.50 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special & Restricted

ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

Oct 31/Nov 1: 4:30=54; 8:30=66; 11=77; Total=197

October 24/25: 4:30=59; 8:30=60; 11=62; Total=181

October 17/18: 4:30=53; 8:30=73; 11=61; Total=187

October 10/11: 4:30=56; 8:30=63; 11=79; Total=198

Go GREEN—Give online @ <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1030>

We are so grateful for your continued support.

The Season of Stewardship

YOUR STEWARDSHIP RESPONSE WILL IMPACT OUR PARISH FAMILY! THANK YOU FOR SAYING YES TO CONTINUING YOUR SERVICE, GROWING IN OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE AND SHARING YOUR GIFTS WITH US!

THERE IS STILL TIME TO RESPOND. PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMMITMENT CARD BY MAIL TO THE PARISH OFFICE.



Thank You!

The Season of Stewardship

**ROOTED IN FAITH
GROUNDED IN LOVE
ALIVE WITH THE SPIRIT**

Stewardship—The Way to Live

This week's stewardship of Time and Talent Salute: In gratitude for God's gifts of time and talent to us, we gratefully acknowledge and salute:

**ALL ADORERS AT FIRST SATURDAY
MASS AND ADORATION**

Thank you St. Cecilia Parish Faithful Stewards!

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, Betty Barton, Brian & Jan Brogan, Maria Carroll, Linda Cato & Family, Sara Cleary, Charles Cook, Teresa Donnay Family, Lisa Frew's friend Rick, Ted Fuehne, Edwin Gajewski, Angie & Adalyn Hardesty, Mary Ann Hobbs, Mike Hogan, Cynthia Ann Hunter, Mary Rose Kobler, Joseph Martin, Connor McAleenan, Tom Miller, Mary Mucho, Gary Newton, Irene Potthoff, Luke Raffaele, Sheila Ridenbark, Doris Robinson, Nathan Rozycki, Luke Ryterski, Weiss Family, Allison Winkler, JD Wynn, Bob Zellerman, St. Cecilia Parish & Anonymous Prayers

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



A Prayer for Veterans

Proud of our nation,
they answered her call -
Defending the freedom
and safety of all.
On land or on sea,
or in jets high above,
They went out of duty
and honor and love.
But however they served, Lord,
wherever they went,
Please bless them
and help them
to know what it meant!
And help us to thank them
on Veterans Day -
For we owe them far more
than we ever could say.

ST. CECILIA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!

We are so excited that many St. Cecilia activities and groups are able to once again meet in person (safely social distancing) or online when necessary.

Sunday, November 8

8:30 am Mass
9:30 am PSR
9:35 am Adult Study
11:00 am Mass
7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM

Monday, November 9

6:00 pm Reconciliation
6:30 pm Mass
7:00 pm Adult Study

Tuesday, November 10

8:00 am Mass
6:30 pm SJN School Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 11

Veteran's Day—Office Closed
8:00 am Mass
9:00 am Food Pantry
7:00 pm Choir ZOOM

Thursday, November 12

8:00 am Mass
7:00 pm Prayer & Action

Friday, November 13

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, November 14

3:30 pm Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, November 15

8:30 am Mass
9:30 am PSR
9:30 am Adult Study
11:00 am Mass
7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM

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