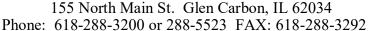


St. Cecilia Catholic Church **SEPTEMBER 5, 2021** TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME





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The Annual Chicken Dinner is just 2 weeks away on

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th

WE NEED EVERYONE TO MAKE THE 2021 EVENT A SUCCESS

If you haven't already signed up to volunteer, please do so on the clipboards in the Portico TODAY or go to the church website, scroll about 1/2 way down, and click the link to Sign-Up! Many slots empty—WE NEED YOU!

Due to Covid, there are a few changes this year:

- We will have *limited* dine-in seating with overflow in the Pavilion.
- Carry-outs will be expanded and located in the front parking lot between the Church and Family Life Center. Please invite your friends and family to come grab a carry-out meal.
- Entertainment will all be outside including a polka band, our St. Cecilia Grace Notes Children's Choir, Karaoke, cake walk, and miscellaneous games. Feel free to bring a lawn game of your own to play with your Church family also.
- The Bounce House and Face Painting have been cancelled for safety reasons.
- Dine-in meals will be served in the serving line, and all servers will be required to wear masks and gloves.
- We are asking each family to donate a DESSERT—Home-made and store bought will be accepted and should be dropped off after the Saturday, 4:30 pm mass, or Sunday before 11:00 am mass.



Mass Times

Saturday (Vigil): 4:30 pm **Sunday:** 8:30 am & 11:00 am

Monday: 6:30 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am 1st Saturday of Month: 8:00 am Reconciliation —

Monday: 6:00-6:30 pm **Saturday:** 3:30-4:00 pm

1st Saturday of Month: 7:30 am

Anytime by Appointment



This week's intentions:

Saturday, September 4

8:00am For Deacon Jerry Cato 4:30pm For Harold Drainer Sunday, September 5

8:30am For St. Cecilia Parish Community

11:00am For Pat Conreaux Monday, September 6 6:30pm For The Reform of the

Clergy

Tuesday, September 7 8:00am For Ruth Scheibal Wednesday, September 8 8:00am For Judy Holmes Thursday, September 9 8:00am For Phil Conreaux Friday, September 10 8:00am For Arnold Hall Saturday, September 11

4:30pm For St. Cecilia Parish Community

Sunday, September 12 8:30am For John Wedel 11:00am For Gary Gorrell

To schedule a mass intention call LeAnne at 618.623.9153

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



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THEN WILL THE EYES OF THE BLIND BE OPENED

the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Isaiah 35:5-6

GOD LIFTS US UP

Our readings this Sunday describe God's work of liberation for those who are vulnerable. Isaiah portrays the coming of God in terms of the healing of the blind, the deaf, and the lame. James notes that God chooses the poor to be rich in faith. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus heals a deaf person who has a speech impediment. The readings remind us of the acute struggles of the disabled, the excluded, and the poor. In the last year and a half, the pandemic has reminded us that we are all vulnerable, that illness and death are near us always. Today we hear that God's presence is revealed when God lifts us up, and when we join God to lift each other up. Our care for others, especially those in greatest need, can be our grateful response to God's healing of us in our own vulnerability.

BLESSING FOR ALL

The story of the deaf man related in today's Gospel is one of several descriptions of extraordinary healings in this part of Mark's Gospel. Mark leads readers to understand that in Jesus, God is fulfilling the divine promises prophesied by Isaiah: "the ears of the deaf (will) be cleared . . . the tongue of the mute will sing." When the deaf can hear and the mute can sing, this sign of the coming of God means that the gifts of sight and hearing are now available, not only for the individuals involved, but for their families and the whole community around them.

There is a "ripple effect" of blessing extending well beyond individual healing. Those isolated by deafness and speech impediments could now fully participate in common life. With their inclusion, the community itself receives healing. In the Gospels, salvation is always inclusive and wholistic. God brings blessing to one small part of creation, so to extend blessing to all of creation.

BOTH LOVE AND CRITIQUE

For those who first heard today's passage from the letter of James, it probably struck a nerve. James challenged the local church's treatment of the poor as compared to the rich. It might strike a nerve for us too, because we live in a society where the wealthy are very much privileged, and the honoring of wealth is deeply ingrained in our cultural value system. James warns the church not to imitate the class distinctions made in the broader society. The Gospel proclaims that we are all equally God's children.

The church typically lives in a particular place and within a dominant culture. The church is always called upon to reflect upon its faithfulness to the Gospel, discerning whether it absorbs cultural values and attitudes that conflict with the Gospel. The church is called

to love and nourish the culture, and at the same time to speak in critique of its idolatries. These challenges continue in our own parish communities, here and now.

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 35:4-7a Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37



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>10:00 am</u>			
		RENEW			

Faith Formation Focus

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time September 5, 2021

GOSPEL – Healing of a deaf mute.

SAINT – St. Peter Claver (Sept. 9)

DOCTRINE - Precepts

SERVICE - St. Cecilia Food Pantry

Spend some time during your week learning about these items.

Articles, videos, online links & activity pages on these topics can be found on STCPARISH.org

YOUTH Religious Education

PSR, 1st Reconciliation, Confirmation & 1st Eucharist

REGISTER NOW

Forms can be found in the portico, FLC & on website.

Adult Study - Sent by the Spirit

Learn about Confirmation in our next adult study beginning the week of Sept. 19, 2021.

Study independently or in class: Sun @ 9:35 am or Mon @ 7 pm or Tues @ 10:30 am

Question of the Week

How can you use your voice to tell others about Jesus?



Faith Formation classes begin soon:

Sun. Sept. 12

9:35 am PSR class

9:35 am PSR parent meeting

1:00 pm 1st Rec. parent meeting

3:00 pm Conf. & 1st Eucharist parent meeting

Sun. Sept. 19

9:35 am PSR class

9:35 am Adult study class

Sun. Sept. 26

9:35 am PSR class

9:35 am Adult study class

3:00 pm Confirmation

parent & student class

Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings

& RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact Fr. Patrick Gibbons 288-3200

Continuing Religious Education

PSR (grades k - 8), Adult Studies, 1st Reconciliation (gd 2), Confirmation & 1st Eucharist (gd 3)

Contact

Paula Raffaelle: 288-5523



Football Raffle

Football raffle tickets are now available. \$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. For more details and to buy tickets visit www.sincrusaders.org.

Steer Raffle

Got beef? In conjunction with our Golf Classic, we are raffling off a half of a steer, generously donated by the Poletti Family! Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Drawing will be held on September 10th at our Golf Classic (need not be present to win.) Tickets can be purchased through any Golf Committee member or on our Golf Classic website: https://sincrusaders.ejoinme.org/SJNGolfClassic. Thank you for supporting SJN!

Are you being called to be a deacon?

There will be an informational meeting at St. Mary's Parish Center, 1215 Milton Rd, Alton, on **September 16, 2021 at 6:30 PM**.

The Diocesan Director for the diaconate, Deacon Dave Sorrell will present the exciting news of a new class for those interested in the Permanent Diaconate Program beginning Fall 2022. Other deacons and their wives will be present and will share their own vocations stories - how they sensed God calling them to this service in the Church.

The Diaconate is open to men between the ages of 32 and 57 who are active in the practice of their faith and who desire to grow in relationship with Our Lord in service to their Parish Community. If interested, and if married, wives are most welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you have questions please feel free to reach out to Deacon Dave at: dserrell@dio.org

FATHER MCGIVNEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



APPLICATION

DAY

ADMISSIONS KEY DATES

SCAN ME

9/1/2021

Opens at 8:00AM
We are now accepting
applications for our 2022-23
school year!

Look for:
"Click Here to Apply"
on the website!

www.mcgivneygriffins.com

10/17/2021

Begins at 1:00pm
Prospective Parents are invited
to join us to learn more about
our Catholic faith-based,
college-prep school with a brief
presentation, guided tour and
meet our teachers and
administrators.

SAVE THE DATE

9/20-12/3/21

Current 8th graders are welcome to "shadow" one of our Griffin Ambassadors for a day beginning 9/20-12/3/21

https://mcgivneygriffins.com/shadow-day-program

11/13/2021

8am - 11am
Incoming Freshman are
required to take a placement
test. An applicant's academic
performance will be based on,
but not limited to placement
test scores, grades &
recommendations.

SAVE THE DATE

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!



Questions? Contact Admissions Director Lisa Rolves at: lrolves@mcgivneygriffins.com



FATHER MCGIVNEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL TAILGATE TRIVIA!

Join us for our 2nd Annual Tailgate Trivia on September 18th at 6 PM in the McGivney Parking Lot! This outdoor event costs \$25 per person. Players are encouraged to BYOB, food and snacks!

- Trivia teams of 8.
- Traditional 10 rounds of 10 questions.
- Each team gets 2 parking spots.
- TAILGATE TIP: guests will use them as such: one spot for a car, one spot to sit as a team! Bring your own lawn chairs, table, and cooler!

Purchase your tickets here: https://

tailgatetrivia2.givesmart.com

Questions? Contact Elizabeth Moody,

at emoody@mcgivneygriffins.com.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we actively participate in worship, faith formation, and community outreach.







Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

92ND ANNUAL CONVENTION

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021

8 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Hamilton's South Ballroom

110 North East Street

Jacksonville, Illinois

Hosted by Catholic Women of the former Jacksonville Deanery with Mass at Our Savior Catholic Church, Jacksonville



Coleen Kelly Mast

Guest Speaker

Featured Talks:

"The 4 Heart Healthy Habits for Holiness" &

"LoveEd"

EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY!

Adult Catholic Refresher

We are offering a series of sessions on the practices and fundamental teachings of the Catholic Church. These sessions are refresher courses for fully initiated Catholics who just need to dust off the cobwebs or gain a new, fresh understanding of "why we do/believe that".

There is an inexhaustible list of possible topics so, we plan to offer them in 8 week segments, with a different pre-planned topic each week. To offer this opportunity for all, we will have both a morning and evening session. You choose which works for you!

Who: All Catholic adults who want to refresh their faith or gain a deeper understanding of the basic teachings and doctrines of the Catholic Church

What: 1 1/2 hr. sessions w/discussion

When: Mondays 9:30-11:00 am OR Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 pm (choose one)

Beginning October 4/5th, 2021

Where: St. Paul Parish Life Center

1420 Ninth Street Highland, IL 62249

Cost: \$15/person, due at registration either in person OR online at:

https://stpaulhighland.weshareonline.org/

Registration deadline: September 15th

Questions: contact Deanna at: (618) 654-2339 x217 or dharlan@stpaulhighland.org

"Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then, the God of peace will be with you". Philippians 4:9





From altar boy to party boy, from non-denominational mega church, dynamic lay evangelist Tim Francis shares the journey that brought him back to the Church with video clips from a documentary

reporting on amazing miracles that ultimately convicted him of the truths of our faith. Tim has presented at hundreds of churches across the country but will conduct a live presentation.

September 6th 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580

12454 IL-143 Highland, IL 62249

September 7th & 8th 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Immaculate Conception Church 991 Baumann Road Pierron, IL 62273

Same Presentation Each Night

WATCH TIM EXPLAIN
WHAT THIS IS ALL
ABOUT ON THIS SHORT VIDEO:
WWW.SCIENCETESTSFAITH.COM/IL

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

Wednesday, September 8, 6-7pm-Guild Center "Question Persuade Refer" (QPR) in-person Suicide Prevention Training

Wednesday, September 8, 7:30pm-Lourdes Grotto "We Remember You" in-person Candlelight Vigil

Register for either or both at snows.org or call 618.394.6281

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 continue to help families with groceries & utilities each week!



ITEMS NEEDED:

Instant Oatmeal, Kleenex, Mashed Potatoes, Hand Soap, Whole Berry Creanberries, Green Beans, Beets, Flour, Tuna in Water, Vegetable Oil

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		eekly Totals	Fiscal YTD	
August 2-15, 2021	\$	12,530.00	\$ 397,452.79	
Online Giving	_	8,009.00	<u>168,136.87</u>	
Total	\$	20,539.00	\$ 565,589.66	
Budget Goal (\$9,800/wk)		19,600.00	578,200.00	
Difference	\$	939.00	\$ (12,610.34)	

Add'l \$615 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special & Restricted

ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

August 28/29: 4:30=102; 8:30=78; 11=95; Total=275 August 21/22: 4:30=118; 8:30=91; 11=94; Total=303 August 14/15: 4:30=114; 8:30=83; 11=98; Total=295 August 7/8: 4:30=110; 8:30=89; 11=110; Total=309

Go GREEN—Give online @ https://
www.osvhub.com/stc-parish/
We are so grateful for your continued support.



MINISTRY SCHEDULER PRO

Effective Ministry Scheduling

Call LeAnne Scheibal at 618.623.9153 if you'd like to volunteer or need assistance with scheduling

SEPT 11/12	Altar Server	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Gift Bearer	Greeter	Reader	Usher
Saturday, 4:30 PM	David Carroll Carter McKaig	NOT FILLED George Petrunich NOT FILLED	Maria & Tom Carroll	Gayle & Alan Schaake	Deborah Kirsch Frank Ley	John Kromray Alan Schaake
Sunday, 8:30 AM	Taryn Trauernicht Ian Trauernicht	John Coulter Susan Samet Jay Stobie	Samet Family	Trauernicht Family	Phil Gonzales Tammy Baima	Tom Dixon Charles Juneau
Sunday, 10:00 AM (Meridian) Moore						
Sunday, 11:00 AM	Alivia Peck Jackson Rodgers	Christine Croghan Ben Maliszewski Kathy Weiss	Richter Family	Richter Family	Sharon Laswell Mike Woolsey	George Gonzalez Russ Marti

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.

Can we Pray for you?

Prayer Requests:

Mark Achenbach, Patricia Aleman, Debbie Armas, Marissa Banovz, Betty Barton, Jan Brogan, Bob Buehler, Maria Carroll, Sara Cleary, Charles Cook, Tanya Craddick, Lisa Frew's friend Rick, Ted Fuehne, Edwin Gajewski, Sandy Gill, Mary Anne Griffin, Angie & Adalyn Hardesty, Mary Ann Hobbs, Mike Hogan, Cynthia Ann Hunter, Esther Kacer, Mary Rose Kobler, Marion Konkel, Joseph Martin, Connor McAleenan, Georgia Miller, Bill & Sue Newman, Mike Pagano, Irene Potthoff, Bruce Rhodes, Sheila Ridenbark, Doris Robinson, Nathan Rozycki, Luke Ryterski, Gayle Schaake, Bob Scheibal, Nancy Schwartz, Marie Weiss, Allison Winkler, JD Wynn, Bob Zellerman,

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

Florence Zielonko, StC Parish & Anonymous Prayers

Also let us know if we should remove anyone



Thank you to God, Father Gibbons, St. Cecilia Parishioners, Family and Friends for the prayers while I was recovering from Covid. God Bless,

God Bless, Mary Karcher

Sunday, September 5

8:30 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

Monday, September 6-LABOR DAY

Office Closed

6:00 pm Reconciliation 6:30 pm Mass

Tuesday, September 7

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Quilters

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, September 8

8:00 am Mass

LIA HAPPENINGS THIS WEE

9:00 am Food Pantry

10:00 am RENEW

7:00 pm Choir

Thursday, September 9

8:00 am Mass

6:30 pm RCIA

6:30 pm Elevator Fundraising Meeting

Friday, September 10

8:00 am Mass

1:00 pm SJN Golf Classic

Saturday, September 11

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, September 12-KC Breakfast

8:30 am Mass

9:30 am PSR

9:30 am PSR Parent Meeting

11:00 am Mass-Grace Notes Sing

1:00 pm 1st Reconciliation Parent Mtg

3:00 pm Confirm/1st Euch Parent Mtg

You're Invited ... Celebration of Life of Phillip Conreaux, Sr. Sunday, September 26, 2021—1:00 pm-4:00 pm

Please join us for the *Celebration of Life of Phillip Conreaux*, *Sr.* on **Sunday**, **September 26th!** We will start with a prayer service at 1:00 pm led by Father Gibbons at Phil & Pat Conreaux's bench at Schon Park across the street (look for the balloons). At approximately 1:30 pm, we shall return to the church hall to continue his celebration until 4:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you. Signed, *The Conreaux Children*

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