St. Cecilia Catholic Church

NOVEMBER 27, 2022 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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- Mass Times -

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

Monday: 6:30pm

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

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

1st Saturday of Month: 7:30am

Anytime by Appointment

Readings #991/(year A)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Weds.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
DECEMBER 2022 Black=CHURCH; Blue=FLC; Green=HALL; Purple=Church Conf Rm; Red=Off Site & Holiday				8 Mass 6:30 Penance @ Immaculate Conc., Pierron	2 1st Friday 8 Mass 9-3 1st Friday Home Visits	3 1* Saturday 7:30 Reconcil 7:30 Rosary 8:00 Mass 9:00-3:30 Adoration 3:30 Reconciliation 4:30 Mass
Advent 2 8:30 Mass 9:35 Adult Study 9:35 PSR 11Mass 1:00 Reconcil Class 3:00 1st Euch Class	6 Reconciliation 6:30 Mass 7:00 Cmas Choir	8 Mass 8:30 Quilters 7 Penance @ St. Lawrence, Greenville 7 KC Meeting	Fr. Gibbons Ordination Anniv 8 Mass 9 Food Pantry 10 RENEW 6 Reconciliation 6:30 Vigil - Immaculate Conc	Relation Beautiful Day Immaculate Conception 8 Mass 10:30 Eden 6:30 Cmas Choir	9 8 Mass	3:30 Reconc 4:30 Mass
Advent 3 8:30 Mass 9-12:30 KC Breakfst 9:35 Adult Study 9:35 PSR 11:00 Mass-Grace Notes 1:00 Reconcil Class 2:00 Penance @ St. Boniface, Edwardsvl 3:00 1st Euch Class 4:00 Christmas Carol 6:30 Penance @ St. Jerome, Troy	6 Reconciliation 6:30 Mass 6:30 SJN Advent Concert 7:00 Cmas Choir	13 8 Mass 8:30 Quilters	8 Mass 9 Food Pantry 10 RENEW 6:00 Penance @ Sts. Peter & Paul, Collinsville 6:30 Penance @ St. Paul, Highland 7 Choir	15 8 Mass 10 Penance @ St. Paul, Highland 6:30 Penance Service @ St. Cecilia	16 8 Mass 6 Penance @ St. Elizabeth, Granite City	17 _{o Wisdom} 3:30 Reconc 4:00 Rosary 4:30 Mass
18 Advent 4 O Adonai 8 & 10:30 Rosary 8:30 Mass 9:35 Adult Study 9:35 PSR 11:00 Mass 1:00 Reconcil Class 3:00 1st Euch Class	19 O Root of Jesse 6 Reconciliation 6:30 Mass 7:00 Cmas Choir	20 O Key of David 8 Mass 8:30 Quilters 7 Penance @ St. Lawrence, Greenville 7 KC Officers' Mtg 27	21 O Radiant Dawn 8 Mass 9 Food Pantry 10 RENEW 7 Choir	22 O King of All Nations 8 Mass 10:30 Meridian	23 O Emmanuel 8 Mass 8:30Decorate Church	3:00 Reconc 3:30 Christmas Carols 4:00 Mass 11:30 Christmas Carols 12 Midnight Mass
9:30 Christmas Carols 10:00 Mass 1:00 Meridian	6 Reconciliation 6:30 Mass	8 Mass 8:30 Quilters	8 Mass 9 Food Pantry 7 Choir	8 Mass	8 Mass	3:30 Reconc 4:30 Mass 6:00 Recon-Mary, Mother of God 6:30 Holy Day Vigil



Office Information

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This week's intentions:

Monday, November 28

6:30pm For the Reform of the Clergy

Tuesday, November 29

8:00am For Ruth Scheibal & Robert Scheibal, Sr.

Wednesday, November 30

8:00am For Gilbert Gibbons

Thursday, December 1

8:00am For Ray & Rose Leach

Friday, December 2

8:00 am For Gayle Schaake

Saturday, December 3

8:00am For Andrew Range 4:30 pm For Nick Scheibal

Sunday, December 4

8:30am For St. Cecilia Parishioners 11:00am For Ray & Rose Leach

1st Saturday Devotion



Saturday, December 3, 2022

7:30 am - Reconciliation & Rosary

8:00 am - Mass

9:00 am - 3:30pm - Adoration *

All are welcome to come for all the portions of the devotion, or stop in during the day to spend time in adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

* SIGN UP

We cannot leave the exposed Blessed Sacrament alone.

- We need 7 adorers to SIGN UP during the hours the Blessed Sacrament is exposed.
- All others do <u>not</u> need to sign up for any part of the 1st Saturday devotion.

Sign Up available in the portico.

MINISTRY SCHEDULER PRO

Call or email LeAnne if you would like to volunteer/be scheduled for a ministry - office@stcparish.org or 618.623.9153

Dec. 3-7	Altar Server	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Gift Bearer	Greeter	Reader	Usher
Sat 4:30pm	Vincent Skenderi Myles Spillers	Frank Ley George Petrunich NOT FILLED	Skenderi Family	Michelle & Mike Spillers	Phyllis Werner- Fuehne Chad Boeving	Bill Cobb John Kromray
Sun, 8:30am	Nate MacLaughlin Ian Trauernicht	Phil Gonzales Frank Luitjohan Marlene Luitjohan	Charles & Trauernicht Kate Juneau Family		Carol Winans Kevin Winans	Tom Dixon Charles Juneau
10:00am	Tim Raffaelle					
Sun 11:00am	Anna Moore Alivia Peck	Ben Maliszewski Nathan Moore Jen Moore	Ben Maliszewski NOT FILLED	Peck Family	Mike Woolsey Michael Skasick	Russ Marti Nathan Moore



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

1st Sunday in Advent Nov. 27, 2022

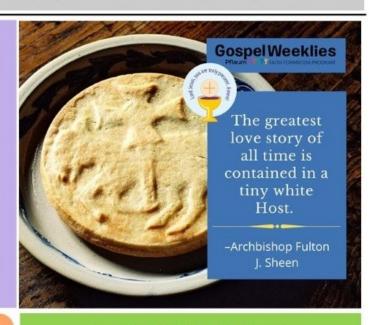
GOSPEL - Stay awake!

SAINT - St. Andrew (Nov. 30)

DOCTRINE - Advent (CCC 524)

SERVICE - Christmas Crib

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



Question of the Week

How do you stay attentive to God's presence with us on a daily basis?

Be Christ to Others:

Give LOVE by buying for the Christmas Crib.
Bring JOY by singing Christmas Carols.
Send HOPE by making a Christmas Card.

Join in these studies beginning this Sunday.

FORGIVEN

The Transforming Power of Confession

Adults are invited to watch & discuss this 3 episode series on the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Watch on your own or join us in person:

Sundays @ 9:35 am

2nd & 3rd Grade families:

Parent & Student
Sacrament Prep Classes:

Sunday afternoons:

- 1:00 pm 1st Reconciliation
- 3:00 pm 1st Eucharist

Faith formation is a life-long process. Join us as we learn about our faith.

This Week's Schedule

Sun. @ 9:35 am - PSR & Adult Study

1:00 pm - 1st Reconciliation Class

2:00 pm - 1st Eucharist Class

Wed. @ 10:00 am - RENEW 4:30 pm - OCIA

Scheduled As Needed

Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings Call office to schedule.

1st Reconciliation, Confirmation & 1st Eucharist
See website for schedule.

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

St. John Neumann Catholic School 142 Wilma Dr, Maryville, IL 62062 www.sjncrusaders.org 618.345.7230 Father McGivney Catholic High School 7190 Bouse Rd, Glen Carbon, IL 62034 www.mcgivneygriffins.org 618.855.9010 SIUE Newman Catholic Community www.siuenewmancatholic.com 618.402.3107



Happy Thanksgiving!

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at St. John Neumann! Miss Deckard's PreK-4 class recently made turkeys using their handprints and footprints! Everyone loved playing in the paint, and they only got a little messy!





Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. The next three IN-PERSON weekend experiences are listed below.

Sign-up now!

For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

Dec 2-4, 22 Courtyard Marriott, St. Peters **Feb 3-5, 2023** - Courtyard Marriott, St. Peters **Mar 17-19, 2023** - Villa Maria Retreat Center, Springfield, IL

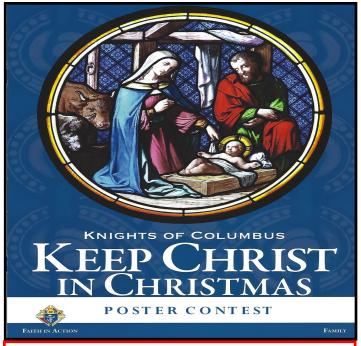
Father McGivney Catholic High School— Driver's Education Program!



We are in the process of developing a Driver's Education Program and are seeking assistance from our families and the community to help find a safe and reliable car for this program.

If you know anyone at a local auto dealership or someone who has a good used car for sale please let me know. A donation would be ideal. The donor would benefit from a tax break for the donation and would be a hero to so many future drivers! The car would be needed by January 1st, 2023. Please contact Principal, Mr. Joseph Lombardi by phone 618-855-9010 or email @

<u>jlombardi@mcgivneygriffins.com</u> if you can assist. Thank you and GO GRIFFINS!!!



The St. Cecilia KC Council is once again sponsoring the **Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest!** Children ages 5-7; 8-10; and 11-14 submit your creations to the office by **Sunday, December 4th.** Winners and gifts will be announced and distributed **Sunday, December 18th!**

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



Have you ever been caught off guard? The first Sundays of Advent often have an ominous quality to them. Jesus reminds his listeners today about how many people who lived at the same time as Noah were caught off guard when the deluge came. Of course, we can end up being complete nervous wrecks if we spend each day in paranoia, looking for signs of impending doom. A healthy readiness is called for, one that keeps us alert so we can find signs of God's reign – soon to be made manifest in Jesus—around us. In the coming days of holiday sensate bombardment and hours that fill up with busyness, this readiness can also serve to keep us focused on the coming gift of the Messiah, God's Anointed. Now is the time to take stock, to evaluate life, to make changes where necessary, preparing for God's holy reign to come.

ON EDGE

carelessly dangle their feet into the space of geological chasms, and of course there's the iconic photograph of workers eating their lunch on a beam of the under-construction Chrysler building in New York. Some people seem attracted to these precarious, stomach-churning locations; many of us are not. More of us have had the experience of beginning a new stage in life, with the excitement and occasional stomach-churning newness of a moment that can put us a bit on edge. Advent—its first couple of Sundays in particular—has a similar role in the passage of time that we call the liturgical year. It's unlikely that the First Sunday of Advent makes many stomachs churn, but perhaps more would if we truly took it seriously that we are to make ourselves ready for the coming of the reign of God at any moment.

WALK IN THE LIGHT

When we encounter the daily news, it can seem as though Isaiah's prophecy of swords turned into plowshares is running in reverse, making despair seem wiser than hopefulness. This is where Advent as the brink of God's reign comes into play. Advent can be a time for each of us to de-weaponize, even in the smallest of ways, the world around us. Advent's days offer a chance to look for opportunities to make the world a bit more hopeful for others. As we head through Advent, the elevated focus we have when we are standing at those new moments, those new stages of

sus. This way, we can turn our backs on gloom, and accept Isaiah's invitation to walk in the light of the Lord: Jesus Christ, the Word-made-Flesh!

PREPARE

There are numerous photographs of people who sleep on mountainside ledges, who

life, can help us tune out the despair, so we might open our ears and hearts to Je-

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44

"You also must be prepared or at an hour you do not e>

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

ITEMS NEEDED: Jiffy Mix, Brownie Mix,
Chocolate Icing, All Canned Fruits, Clam
Chowder, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Gravy
Mix, Sauerkraut, Beets, Carrots, Ketchup,
Mustard, Miracle Whip, Potatoes (Whole,
Sliced, Mashed), Salami, Sloppy Joe Mix,
Chicken, Ham, Salmon, Oatmeal Packets,
Ravioli, Spaghetti Sauce, Tomato Sauce,
Corn Flakes, Cheerios, Honey Wheat Puffs,
Stuffing Mix, Beef Stew, Strawberry Jelly,
Sweet Potatoes, Vegetable Oil, Pepper

Please check expiration dates
Canned fruits, veggies & Non-Perishables only

If you would like to be a Pantry Volunteer, please contact Mary Bakos at mbakos52@sbcglobal.net or 618.402.0038 (text preferred)

Your Generosity is Appreciated!

Christmas Caroling 2022

NEXT SUNDAY



SIGN UP NOW!

CAROLING

"For it is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas, when its mighty founder was a child himself"

Our yearly tradition of Christmas caroling at local nursing homes will continue this year on Sunday, December 11th. We will meet in the FLC parking lot at 1:45 pm and carpool to Meridian Village to sing from 2:00-2:45 pm then on to Addington Place (previously Cedarhurst) to sing from 3:30-4:15 pm.

We will return to the Family Life Center for a light meal.

Please join us if you can! The joy and gratefulness the residents receive from our visit is hard to describe.

Come experience it and feel this joy within yourself as well!

Questions? Contact Andrea Bakos: musicministry@stcparish.org

"The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear!"

PARISH GENEROSITY REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023)

Weekly Generosity	W	eekly Totals]	Fiscal YTD
Oct 24-Nov 6, 2022	\$	16,734.61	\$	116,603.71
Online Giving	_	6,453.00		51,893.00
Total	\$	23,187.61	\$	168,496.71
Budget Goal (\$10,000/wk)		20,000.00	_	180,000.00
Difference	\$	3,187.61	\$	(11,503.29)

Add'l \$625 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special Collections Add'l \$1,280 contributed to the Elevator Project (excl match)

ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

Nov 19/20: Not available at time of print. Nov 12/13: 4:30=123; 8:30=90; 11=113; Total=326

November 5/6: 4:30=125; 8:30=88; 11=79; Total=292 October 29/30: 4:30=94; 8:30=75; 11=145; Total=314

Go GREEN—Give online @ https://

www.osvhub.com/stc-parish/funds

Support St. Cecilia while Amazon shopping too www.Smile.Amazon.com/ch/37-0661091

Christmas Card Service Project

Students and parishioners of St. Cecilia are invited to make homemade Christmas cards which will be given to the residents of Meridian Village and Addington Place during the Christmas Caroling on Sun. Dec 11.



Christmas cards should be turned in by Dec 11.

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:

Phillip Achenbach, Patricia Aleman, Joanne Rubner Bacus, Marissa



Banovz, Betty Barton, Jan Brogan, Bob Buehler, Maria Carroll, Sara Cleary, Ed Conley, Charles Cook, Janet Egan, Dorothy Foster, Ted Fuehne, Mike Girard, Ruth Hammond, Angie & Adalyn Hardesty, Mary Ann Hobbs, Mike Hogan, LaDonna Holshouser, Cynthia Ann Hunter, Charles Janulavich, Esther Kacer, Deacon Alfred Karcher, Mary Rose Kobler, Marion Konkel, Donna Logue, Marty Micheletto, Barb Murillo, Bill & Sue Newman, Sharon Organ, Cathy Rhodes, Sheila Ridenbark, Nancy Scheibal Tiek, Marie Weiss, Mary Ann Weiss, Allison Winkler, Rob Wynn, Al Zarlingo, Bob Zellerman, Florence Zielonko, Persecuted Christians around the world, StC Parish & Anonymous Prayers

To add/remove a loved one to the Prayer List, LeAnne 618.623.9153 office@stcparish.org

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To watch the FREE episode and others, go to thechair.com/watchnow. Note, you will have to create a FREE account to watch.

ST. CECILIA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!

Sunday, November 27-1st Sun of Advent

8:30 am Mass

9:35 am PSR

9:35 am Adult Study

11:00 am Mass

1:00 pm Reconciliation Class

3:00 pm 1st Eucharist Class

Monday, November 28

6:00 pm Reconciliation

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Christmas Choir Practice

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Quilters

Wednesday, November 30

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Food Pantry

10:00 am RENEW

7:00 pm Choir

Thursday, December 1

8:00 am Mass

6:30 pm Penance. Immaculate Conc, Pierron

Friday, December 2-1st Friday

8:00 am Mass

9:00-3:00 1st Friday Home Visits

Saturday, December 3-1st Saturday

7:30 am Rosary and Reconciliation

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am-3:30 pm Adoration

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, December 4-2nd Sun of Advent

8:30 am Mass

9:35 am PSR

9:35 am Adult Study

11:00 am Mass

1:00 pm Reconciliation Class

3:00 pm 1st Eucharist Class

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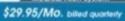
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