



*St. Cecilia Catholic Church*

**MAY 16, 2021**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

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Readings

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*“Men of Galilee,  
why are you standing there  
looking up at the sky?  
This Jesus who has been  
taken up from you  
into heaven  
will return in the same way  
as you have seen him  
going into heaven.”*

*Acts 1:11*





— 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, May 15**  
 4:30pm For John Wedel  
**Sunday, May 16**  
 8:30am For St. Cecilia Parish Community  
 11:00am For Avis Macias  
**Monday, May 17**  
 6:30pm For the Reform of the Clergy  
**Tuesday, May 18**  
 8:00am For Sally Kula  
**Wednesday, May 19**  
 8:00am For Dorothy Kubicek  
**Thursday, May 20**  
 8:00am For Anne Carrera  
**Friday, May 21**  
 8:00am For Bernadette Kimutis  
**Saturday, May 22**  
 4:30pm For Deacon Jerry Cato  
**Sunday, May 23**  
 8:30am For Dorothy Kubicek  
 11:00am For St. Cecilia Parish Community  
 To schedule an 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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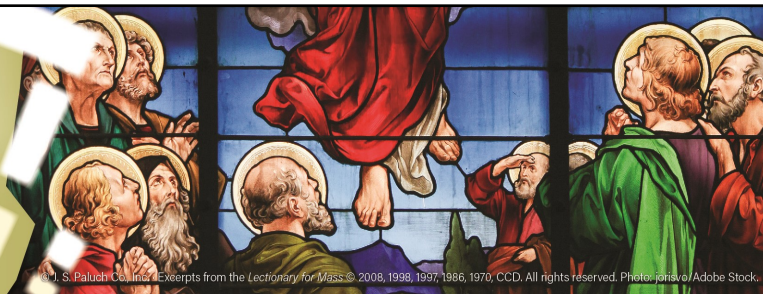
*Rev Patrick Gibbons, Pastor*

Monday — Thursday 8:30 am—4:00 pm (office closed at this time)  
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Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking up at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way.

ACTS 1:11



### THE CENTRAL MYSTERIES

Throughout the season of Easter, we ponder the mysteries that are central to our faith in Jesus Christ. We reflect on Jesus' life, ministry, passion, death, and resurrection and consider the meaning of Christ's life and love. Today we celebrate Jesus' ascension and wonder with the apostles what we are to do and how we are to live as a result. As disciples, we are called to put our faith into action, grow to be more like the Lord, be united with other believers in community, and bring others to Christ through the way we live our lives. In so doing, we will live a life worthy of our call in Christ, a life of unity in the Spirit, of hope and peace.

#### WHY ARE YOU LOOKING AT THE SKY?

"Why are you standing there looking at the sky?" We can only imagine the apostles' astonishment, not only at Jesus' ascension, but at the message from the men in white garments who appeared at that very moment. Jesus had been crucified and died, rose from the dead and spent time with them, teaching them to understand how he had fulfilled all that had been written about the Messiah, and suddenly, he was taken up to heaven. Surely they would have wondered what was happening and what the meaning of Jesus' ascension was. We wonder with them. What does Jesus' ascension call us to be or do? We rely on the testimony of those who were with Jesus to grasp the mystery of his life, death, resurrection, and ascension. Their witness calls us to believe in Jesus, grow in relationship with him, and live as his disciples in the world.

#### YOU HAVE SEEN AND HEARD, NOW GO DO

It isn't enough to say we believe in Jesus. We are called to live as members of Christ's body and share the joy of faith with others. We do this by discerning and fulfilling our vocation, the ways in which God calls each of us to live. Often when we think of vocation, the first thing that comes to mind is the priesthood. But each of us experience vocational calls, to our state in life and to the ways in which we live, work, and serve. Each of us has been given different gifts and are called according to our gifts. We are equipped with talents and skills through which we may contribute to bringing the mercy, compassion, truth, goodness, and beauty of God's love to the world. What are your particular gifts and talents? How may you be called to use them to bring Christ's love to others, leading them to see and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ?

#### TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 1:1-11  
 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9  
 Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]  
 Mark 16:15-20

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD  
 MAY 16, 2021





# 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
<b>9:35 am</b> PSR Adult Study		<b>10:30 am</b> Adult Study	<b>10:00 am</b> RENEW	
<b>7:00 pm</b> Adult Study ZOOM	<b>7:00 pm</b> Adult Study			<b>7:00 pm</b> Prayer & Action

## Faith Formation Focus

*7th Sunday of Easter - Ascension*  
**May 16, 2021**

**GOSPEL** – Ascension of Jesus.

**SAINT** – St. Christopher of Magallanes (May 21)

**DOCTRINE** – Ascension

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

## Rosary & May Crowning

Sun. May 30 @ 10:20 am

All are invited to meet outside at the  
Mary statue to pray the rosary.  
Bring a cut flower from your garden to  
place at the feet of Mary.

## Corpus Christi Procession

Sun. June 6 @ 11:00 am

At the beginning of the 11:00 am Mass,  
Fr. Gibbons will invite the congregation  
to join him in a Eucharistic Procession.

## Gospel

Before Jesus ascended into Heaven, he asked us to share the Good News:

- ⇒ He was born, lived, died, and rose again to save us from our sins.
- ⇒ We call this the *Paschal Mystery*.

Jesus wants us to tell and show others how much he loves them.



**ADULTS** - Watch & discuss episode 5 of Who am I to Judge? this week on FORMED.org.

Baptisms & Weddings &  
RCIA  
(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)  
Contact  
*Fr. Patrick Gibbons 288-3200*

Youth Ministry  
Grades 5-12  
(currently not meeting due to COVID)  
Contact  
*Joseph Zagorski 288-3200*

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

## We Are Hiring!

### Part-Time Resource Teacher

We are seeking a highly qualified and enthusiastic resource teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. This position will be two days a week. We are a faith-filled PreK through 8th grade program focused on the spiritual growth and academic excellence of our students. Please send resumes to [principal@sjncrusaders.org](mailto:principal@sjncrusaders.org).

### Full-Time Custodian

St. John Neumann Catholic School in Maryville, IL is seeking a full-time custodian. Experience required. This position includes full health benefits along with paid personal and sick days. Interested candidates should send a resume to David Gregson [principal@sjncrusaders.org](mailto:principal@sjncrusaders.org).



**Job Opportunities**

JOIN OUR TEAM



**St. Mary's School**

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Elementary School Principal

St. Mary's Catholic School, Edwardsville, IL is seeking an elementary school principal for the 2021-2022 school year. St. Mary currently educates 204 PreK through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. An applicant must be a practicing Catholic, have teaching experience, and hold a master's degree in school administration or be willing to pursue such a degree. Please email cover letter, resume, and references to St. Mary's Catholic School, Attention: Search Committee: [weppingdk@stmaryedw.org](mailto:weppingdk@stmaryedw.org) or [jallasrj@stmaryedw.org](mailto:jallasrj@stmaryedw.org) Deadline is May 27<sup>th</sup>.

**FATHER MCGIVNEY**  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
SERVIRE CULTURAE VITAE



## Father McGivney Catholic High School Annual Appeal

WE NEED YOUR HELP! – Earlier this month, you heard from our McGivney Student Ambassadors about our school and our Annual Appeal. With almost 50% of our students being supported by need-based financial assistance, it is important that we have a strong Annual Fund. Please know that your contributions are helping to provide our high-quality Catholic high school experience to those families who want to make the commitment, but cannot financially make it work. Thank you to the many dedicated supporters and prayers toward the success of our Annual Fund - our McGivney Family is truly blessed!

Please fill out and return your pledge envelope found in the church lobby or visit <https://mcgivneygriffins.com/annual-appeal> to make a contribution toward the appeal.

**Father McGivney Catholic High School**

**2021  
Annual Appeal**



**50%**

of McGivney  
students require  
financial assistance

*We need your help!*



*Thank  
you*





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

Mother of Perpetual Help Men's Booster Club

**8th Annual Chuck Bakken  
Memorial Golf Tournament  
Saturday, June 5th**

Oak Brook Golf Club, Edwardsville  
8:30 AM shotgun start

Enjoy 18 holes of golf, breakfast pastries,  
lunch, door prizes and awards  
\$90 per player

Sponsorships are also available  
Contact Larry Powell at 618-345-8099  
or [writelarry@msn.com](mailto:writelarry@msn.com) or any MPH Booster  
Club member for more information.

**The Guardian Food Pantry with  
Madison County Catholic Charities**

has added a new time to pick-up  
food in our drive-thru pantry.

Our new time is **Fridays 9:00-11:00 am**

We're still serving food boxes  
**Wednesdays & Fridays 12:30-3:30 pm**

People are able to come every week  
during the pandemic to get food.

Please let your family & friends know that  
we're here to help them during these difficult  
days.

For questions about the pantry or our services,  
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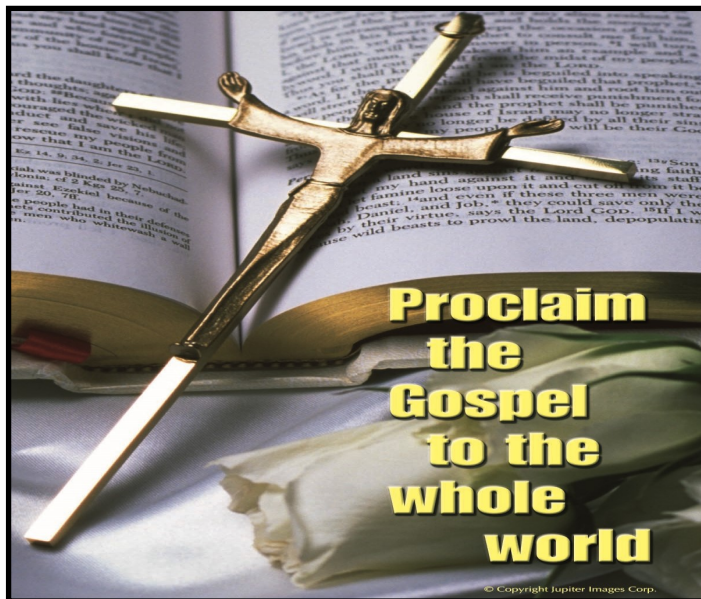
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newed sense of connection & purpose during  
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email [reflect.stlouis@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.stlouis@gmail.com), or call  
314.283.0044

## 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:

**Salmon**  
**Miracle Whip**  
**Pineapple**  
**Mashed Potatoes**  
**Jar Pasta Sauce**  
**Mac-n-Cheese**  
**Flour**  
**Sugar**  
**Oil**  
**Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix**  
**Elbow Macaroni**  
**Cookies**

**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
April 12-25, 2021	\$ 9,036.54	\$ 305,032.54
Online Giving	<u>5,782.00</u>	<u>120,972.87</u>
Total	\$ 14,818.54	\$ 426,005.41
Budget Goal (\$9,800/wk)	<u>19,600.00</u>	<u>421,400.00</u>
Difference	\$ (4,781.46)	\$ 4,605.41

Add'l \$285 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special & Restricted

#### ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

May 8/9: Numbers not available at the time of print.

May 1/2: 4:30=47; 8:30=85; 11=100; Total=232

April 24/25: 4:30=88; 8:30=89; 11=85; Total=262

April 17/18: 4:30=93; 8:30=98; 11=99; Total=290

**Go GREEN—Give online @ [https://](https://www.osvhub.com/stc-parish/)**

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**We are so grateful for your continued support.**

#### **This Week's (5/16) Special Collection is for**

**CATHOLIC  
COMMUNICATIONS  
CAMPAIGN**

**For more information  
[www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc)**



**Next Week's (5/23)  
Special Collection is for  
RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS**  
**Donations accepted at church,  
via mail, or online.**

**Thank you for your prayerfully consider  
and generous donations.**

**Donations can also be given at [parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections](http://parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections).**

**EMPOWER  
ILLINOIS**

Do you know about the  
Empower Illinois program  
for tax credits? The tax  
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our local Catholic Schools.

Please visit [www.empowerillinois.org](http://www.empowerillinois.org) to learn  
more.

You can also contact the Diocese of Springfield  
[www.dio.org](http://www.dio.org) or 217.698.8500 for additional in-  
formation on matching funds for scholarships.

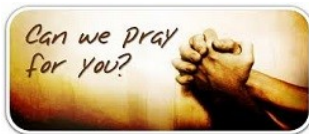
St. Cecilia is a fervent community of intentional and dedicated missionary disciples of the Risen Lord.  
We serve, especially those in need, with prayer, participation, and charity.

### **Prayer Requests:**

Phil Achenbach, Patricia Aleman, Debbie Armas, Marissa Banovz, Betty Barton, Brian & Jan Brogan, Ann Carrera family, Maria Carroll, Sara Cleary, Charles Cook, Kathy Cooperman, 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, Mary Karcher, Mary Rose Kobler, Marion Konkel, Joseph Martin, Connor McAleenan, Georgia Miller, Mary Jane Petrunich, Irene Potthoff, Sheila Ridenbark, Doris Robinson, Nathan Rozycki, Luke Ryterski, Bob Scheibal, Alan Schrewe, Nancy Schwartz, Weiss Family, Allison Winkler, JD Wynn, Bob Zellerman, StC 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

*Also let us know if we should remove anyone*



Please join PSR families on  
Sunday, May 30th @ 10:20 am  
for the May Crowning  
and Reciting the Rosary at  
the Mary statue outside

## **ST. CECILIA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!**

### **Sunday, May 16-ASCENSION**

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

### **Monday, May 17**

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

### **Tuesday, May 18**

8:00 am Mass  
10:30 am Adult Study  
7:00 pm KofC Officers' Meeting

### **Wednesday, May 19**

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Quilters  
9:00 am Food Pantry  
10:00 am RENEW  
7:00 pm Choir

### **Thursday, May 20**

8:00 am Mass  
6:00 pm Finance Council Meeting  
7:00 pm Prayer & Action

### **Friday, May 21**

8:00 am Mass

### **Saturday, May 22**

3:30 pm Reconciliation  
4:30 pm Mass

### **Sunday, May 23-PENTECOST**

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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