



St. Cecilia Catholic Church

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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Readings  
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| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                               | Monday                                                          | Tuesday                                                                                               | Weds.                                                                                                                                 | Thursday                                                                                                                 | Friday                                                                  | Saturday                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>MARCH 2021</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>1</b><br><br>6:00 Reconcil<br>6:30 Mass<br>7:00 Adult Study  | <b>2</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>10:30 Adult Study<br><br>7 KC Meeting                                       | <b>3</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>8:30 Quilters TBD<br>9 Food Pantry<br>10 RENEW<br><br>6:30 St. Cecilia & St. Mary's Lenten Penance Srv Here | <b>4</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>7 Prayer & Action                                                                          | <b>5</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>6 Stations of the Cross<br>6:30 Reconcil  | <b>6</b> <sup>1st Saturday</sup><br><br>7:30 Reconcil<br>7:45 Rosary<br>8:00 Mass<br>9-3:30 Expo/Ador<br>3:30 Reconc<br>4:00 Rosary<br>4:30 Mass |
| <b>7</b><br><br>8 & 10:30 Rosary<br>8:30 Mass<br>9:30 PSR<br>9:30 Adult Study<br>11 Mass<br>1 40 Days Mid-Point Rally<br>3 Conf/1st EuchClass<br>7 Adult Study ZOOM                                  | <b>8</b><br><br>6:00 Reconcil<br>6:30 Mass<br>7:00 Adult Study  | <b>9</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>10:30 Adult Study<br><br>6:30 SJN School Board                          | <b>10</b><br><br>8:30 Quilters TBD<br>9 Food Pantry<br>10 RENEW<br><br>7 Choir                                                        | <b>11</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>7 Prayer & Action                                                                         | <b>12</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>6 Stations of the Cross<br>6:30 Reconcil | <b>13</b><br><br>3:30 Reconc<br>4:00 40 Days Rosary<br>4:30 Mass                                                                                 |
| <b>14</b><br><br>8 & 10:30 40 Days Rosary<br>8:30 Mass<br>9:30 PSR<br>9:35 Adult Study<br>11:00 Mass<br>7 Adult Study ZOOM                                                                           | <b>15</b><br><br>6:00 Reconcil<br>6:30 Mass<br>7:00 Adult Study | <b>16</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>10:30 Adult Study<br><br>6:00 MPH Lenten Penance Srv<br>7 KC Officers' Mtg | <b>17</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>8:30 Quilters TBD<br>9 Food Pantry<br>10 RENEW<br><br>6:30 SJN Finance Meeting<br>7 Choir                  | <b>18</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>7 Prayer & Action                                                                         | <b>19</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>6 Stations of the Cross<br>6:30 Reconc   | <b>20</b><br><br>3:30 Reconc<br>4:00 40 Days Rosary<br>4:30 Mass                                                                                 |
| <b>21</b><br><br>8 & 10:30 40 Days Rosary<br>8:30 Mass<br>9:30 PSR<br>9:35 Adult Study<br>11:00 Mass<br>7 Adult Study ZOOM                                                                           | <b>22</b><br><br>6:00 Reconcil<br>6:30 Mass<br>7:00 Adult Study | <b>23</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>10:30 Adult Study                                                          | <b>24</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>8:30 Quilters TBD<br>9 Food Pantry<br>10 RENEW<br><br>7 Choir                                              | <b>25</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>7 Prayer & Action                                                                         | <b>26</b><br><br>8 Mass<br><br>6 Stations of the Cross<br>6:30 Reconc   | <b>27</b><br><br>3:30 Reconc<br>4:00 40 Days Rosary<br>4:30 Mass                                                                                 |
| <b>28</b> <sup>40 DAYS</sup><br><br>Palm Sunday<br>7am-7pm St Cecilia @ Hope Clinic, GC<br>8 & 10:30 40 Days Rosary<br>8:30 Mass<br>9:30 PSR<br>9:35 Adult Study<br>11:00 Mass<br>7 Adult Study ZOOM | <b>29</b><br><br>6:00 Reconcil<br>6:30 Mass<br>7:00 Adult Study | <b>30</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>10:30 Adult Study<br><br>6:30 Chrism Mass in Springfield                   | <b>31</b><br><br>8 Mass<br>8:30 Quilters TBD<br>9 Food Pantry<br>10 RENEW<br><br>7 Choir                                              | <b>MARCH 2021</b><br><br>Black=CHURCH;<br>Blue=FLC;<br>Green=HALL;<br>Purple=Church Conf Room;<br>Red=Off Site & Holiday |                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                  |



— 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, February 27**  
 4:30pm For Forrest Friend  
**Sunday, February 28**  
 8:30am For Gary Gorrell  
 11:00am For St. Cecilia Parish Community  
**Monday, March 1**  
 6:30pm For the Reform of the Clergy  
**Tuesday, March 2**  
 8:00am In Honor of the Holy Spirit  
**Wednesday, March 3**  
 8:00am For John Wedel  
**Thursday, March 4**  
 8:00am For Phil Conreaux  
**Friday, March 5**  
 8:00am For Alfred Kula  
**Saturday, March 6**  
 8:00am For Avis Macias  
 4:30pm For St. Cecilia Parish Community  
**Sunday, March 7**  
 8:30am For Sally Kula  
 11:00am For Pat Conreaux

To schedule an intention,  
 call LeAnne at 618.623.9153

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



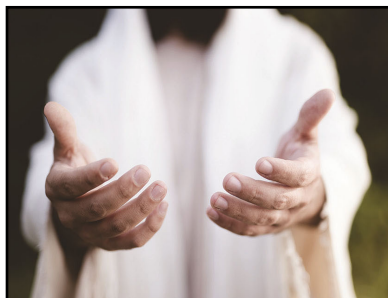
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FEBRUARY 28, 2021

*Jesus was transfigured  
 before them, and his clothes  
 became dazzling white.*

*Mark 9:2-3*

### THE BELOVED SON

Today's first reading, known as "the Binding of Isaac," refers to the way Isaac is bound and laid upon the wood of the altar of sacrifice. God directs Abraham to offer his son in sacrifice, killing the beloved son that had been a special gift to him and Sarah in their old age. How could God ask Abraham to do such a thing? Abraham offers no resistance, but in preparing for the sacrifice, Abraham may have agreed with the psalmist that he was "greatly afflicted." Saint Paul's letter to the Romans refers to Jesus as God's beloved Son, which is also how God identifies Jesus to Peter, James, and John at the Transfiguration. Afterward, Jesus tells those disciples not to mention the event to anyone until after his resurrection from the dead. The event, together with Jesus' comments, leaves the disciples thoroughly confused.

### HOW COULD GOD ASK ABRAHAM TO DO THAT?

Through the centuries, Christians and Jews alike have found the Binding of Isaac one of the most difficult passages in the Bible. Even though God intervenes to save Isaac, the whole episode strikes some readers as cruel. However, Abraham, the ultimate man of faith, raises no objection, offers no resistance as he simply goes about preparing for the trip and the sacrifice.

Today's other readings might help us see that text differently. In Mark's description of the Transfiguration, Jesus' clothes become white and shining, and Moses and Elijah appear with him. Moses was the great liberator and lawgiver who led the Jews out of bondage in Egypt and into the wilderness, forming them into the people of Israel by giving them the Law he received from God. Elijah was among Israel's greatest prophets, so close to God that, at the end of his life, he was taken up into heaven by a fiery chariot. Together, Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, the ultimate authority for the Jews in the conduct of their daily lives.

### LOVE AND GENEROSITY

The Law, the Prophets—and Jesus. For Paul, Jesus is someone quite different from the other two. The reading from his letter to the Romans is short, but rich in meaning. When Paul declares that God "did not spare his own Son," and when God praises Abraham "who did not withhold from me your own beloved son," it is the same Greek word for "spare" and "withhold." God's voice at the Transfiguration identifies Jesus as his "beloved Son"—the same way God refers to Isaac as Abraham's beloved son. Ultimately, God spares Isaac but not his own Son, whom he "handed over for us." Even if we are disturbed that God tested Abraham like this, Paul says we should be overwhelmingly grateful that God did for us what, in the end, he did not require of Abraham. Jesus, God's Son "handed over to us" in love and generosity, is already a sacrificial gift, signifying that God wants to give us "everything else along with him."

### TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18  
 Psalm 116:10, 15, 16–17, 18–19  
 Romans 8:31b–34  
 Mark 9:2–10



# 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><br>PSR<br>Adult Study<br><br><b>1:00 pm</b><br>1st Reconciliation Class<br><br><b>3:00 pm</b><br>Confirm/1st Eucharist Class<br><br><b>7:00 pm</b><br>Adult Study ZOOM | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><b>7:00 pm</b><br>Adult Study | <br><br><br><b>10:30 am</b><br>Adult Study | <br><br><br><b>10:00 am</b><br>RENEW | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><b>7:00 pm</b><br>Prayer & Action |

## Faith Formation Focus

*2nd Sunday in Lent*

**Feb. 28, 2021**

**GOSPEL** – Jesus is transfigured.

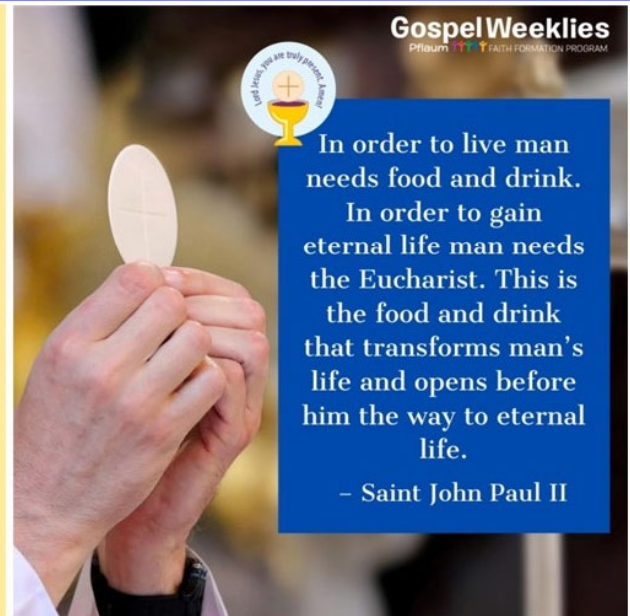
**SAINT** – St. Katherine Drexel (March 3)

**PRAYER** – Stations of the Cross

**SERVICE** – Rice Bowl

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)



### Life Question

How does deep change happen in people's lives?

### Gospel Question

When have you glimpsed God in your life?

### Study Sunday's Scriptures

Join us as we study the Sunday scriptures each week:

**RENEW** - Wednesdays @ 10 am

**Prayer & Action** - Thurs. @ 7 pm

**Adult Study** - Watch & discuss episode 3 of The SEARCH 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. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Neumann Club Services



### Before and After School Care

Neumann Club (St. John Neumann's before and after care) is a place to "kick back" from the normal school routine, but also to provide activities

that will provide our children with enrichment experiences that will encourage discovery, innovation, and creative thinking. Our Neumann Club staff has taken Protecting God's Children, and have passed background checks. Neumann Club is available from 6:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. and 2:25 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on each school day. Neumann Club is available on half days, and closes when the school closes for inclement weather. Camp Crusader is available during the summer months.

## Griffin Gala 2021

SILENT AUCTION  
FEBRUARY 20-27, 2021



## Griffin Gala Online Auction IS NOW OPEN FOR BIDS!

Go to [www.McGivneyGriffins.com](http://www.McGivneyGriffins.com)  
for more information and to BID!

|                                                |                                           |                                            |                                        |                                               |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 11<br><br>Thanksgiving in Hilton...<br>★ \$900 | 12<br><br>Montana Escape<br>★ \$1,000     | 13<br><br>Explore Florida Trip!<br>★ \$600 | 14<br><br>New Fence!<br>★ \$4,000      | 15<br><br>Repaint and Refresh...<br>★ \$200   |
| 23<br><br>Sparkling White Teeth<br>★ \$50      | 24<br><br>Gucci, Gucci, Gucci!<br>★ \$500 | 25<br><br>Enjoy Three Facials<br>★ \$150   | 26<br><br>Michael Kors Purse<br>★ \$75 | 27<br><br>Target: Let's Go Shop...<br>★ \$150 |

## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING MCGIVNEY DURING THIS TIME!

McGivney along with thousands of other organizations across the world have shifted their fundraising events due to COVID-19. Proceeds from this event will assist in providing education programs, help to off-set the cost it takes to educate students above and beyond the tuition we collect, help to offer financial assistance & student scholarships, and help to continue to build our education, faith, athletic, and extracurricular offerings.

SECOND SUNDAY OF

# Lent

From the cloud  
came a voice:  
"This is my beloved Son.  
Listen to him."

Mark 9:7



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

Second Week of Lent - Better Meals in Madagascar

## FOR LENT FOR LIFE



### Better meals in Madagascar

In Madagascar, half of all children are undernourished. That means 50% of kids won't grow to reach their full potential. But communities are changing this by focusing on improving health and nutrition.

*What role has food played in your life?*

*How can you help those who lack access to enough nutritious food?*



For more information, stories of hope, recipes & reflections: [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org)

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## MOD Pizza

### Take-Out and Delivery Fundraiser!

Thursday March 4, 2021

10:30am-9:00pm

2300 A. Troy Road  
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Organizer: St. Cecilia Knights of  
Columbus



## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

February 17 - March 28

During this season of Lent, St. Cecilia parishioners are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life.

### *What can I do?*

#### PRAY & FAST

Pray & fast for an end to abortion during your normal day.

Pray the rosary prior to each weekend Mass.

#### PEACEFUL VIGIL

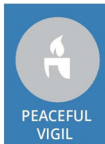
Pray for 1 hour at the abortion facility in Granite City.

**Fill the Gap:** Pray during non adopted hours.

**March 28:** Pray during St. Cecilia's adopted day.



More information available  
at [steparish.org](http://steparish.org) and  
by contacting Paula Raffaele.



**Saturday, March 6, 2021**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Devotion

- 7:30 am Reconciliation
- 7:45 am 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 8 adorers to SIGN UP during the hours the Blessed Sacrament is exposed.
- All others do not need to sign up for any part of the 1st Saturday devotion.

*Sign Up available at [STCPARISH.org](http://STCPARISH.org)*

## 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:

Children's Cereal  
Coffee  
Gravy  
Egg noodles  
Syrup - Regular and Lite  
Brownie mix

**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        |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| January 18-31, 2021 | \$ 10,873.00     | \$ 229,244.99     |
| Online Giving       | <u>4,141.00</u>  | <u>85,387.87</u>  |
| Total               | \$ 15,014.00     | \$ 314,632.86     |
| Budget Goal         | <u>19,600.00</u> | <u>303,800.00</u> |
| Difference          | \$ (4,586.00)    | \$ 10,832.86      |

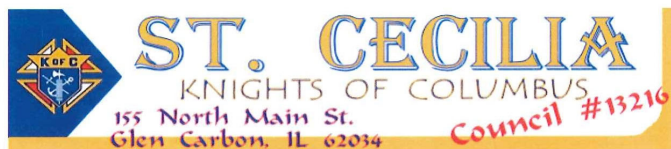
Add'l \$270 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special & Restricted

#### ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

February 20/21: 4:30=59; 8:30=60; 11=70; Total=189  
February 17, Ash Wednesday: 8:00=36; 7:00=60; Total=96  
February 13/14: 4:30=71; 8:30=48; 11=60; Total=179  
February 6/7: 4:30=55; 8:30=62; 11=77; Total=194

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

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



### Recitation of the HOLY ROSARY

**NEXT WEEKEND—March 6 & 7**

1st Sunday of the Month (including Saturday Vigil)  
30 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass lead by the  
Knights of Columbus

(4 PM, 8 AM and 10:30 AM)

**ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND**  
(Please bring your personal Rosary, finger Rosaries will be available as well)

**Thank you for your Donations**

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**  
**this week**

**FEBRUARY 27th & 28th, 2021**

### **\*\*VICTIM ASSISTANCE CONTACT INFORMATION\*\***

Victim Assistance available from the  
Diocese of Springfield in Illinois:  
phone 1-800-677-8708, ext. 155,  
Pamphlets concerning Victim Assistance  
available upon request.

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, 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, Mary Mucho, Irene Potthoff, Sheila Ridenbark, Doris Robinson, Nathan Rozycki, Luke Ryterski, Alan Schrewe, Nancy Schwartz, 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@stccparish.org

*Also let us know if we should remove anyone*

# Lent



## **LENT INFORMATION**

**Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm  
&**

**Individual Reconciliations 6:30 pm**  
Fridays, February 19 through March 26

### **Lenten Penance Service**

Combined with St. Mary's @ St. Cecilia  
Wednesday, March 3rd @ 6:30 pm

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

### **Sunday, February 28**

**8 & 10:30 am 40 Days For Life Rosary**

8:30 am Mass

9:30 am PSR

9:30 am Adult Study

11:00 am Mass

1:00 pm 1st Reconciliation Class

3:00 pm Confirmation/1st Eucharist Class

7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM

### **Monday, March 1**

6:00 pm Reconciliation

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Adult Study

### **Tuesday, March 2**

8:00 am Mass

10:30 am Adult Study

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

### **Wednesday, March 3**

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Food Pantry

10:00 am RENEW

**6:30 pm St. Cecilia & St. Mary's Lenten  
Penance Service @ St. Cecilia**

### **Thursday, March 4**

8:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Prayer & Action

### **Friday, March 5-1st Friday Visits**

8:00 am Mass

**6:00 pm Stations of the Cross**

**6:30 pm Reconciliation**

### **Saturday, March 6-1st Saturday**

7:30 am Reconciliation

7:45 am Rosary

8:00 am Mass

9:00-3:30 Adoration

3:30 pm Reconciliation

**4:00 pm 40 Days For Life Rosary**

4:30 pm Mass

### **Sunday, March 7**

**8:00 & 10:30am 40 Days For Life Rosary**

8:30 am Mass

9:30 am PSR

9:30 am Adult Study

11:00 am Mass

1:00 pm 40 Days Mid-Point Rally

3:00 pm Confirmation/1st Eucharist Class

7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM

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