



St. Cecilia Catholic Church

MAY 9, 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Readings

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF

Easter

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No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13



— 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 8
 4:30pm For Bill Kaman & the
 St. Cecilia Parish Community
Sunday, May 9
 8:30am For Alfred Kula
 11:00am For Steve Novosel
Monday, May 10
 6:30pm For the Reform of the
 Clergy
Tuesday, May 11
 8:00am For Bob & Dorothy
 Kubicek
Wednesday, May 12
 8:00am For Phil Conreaux
Thursday, May 13
 8:00am For Ruth & Robert
 Scheibal, Sr.
Friday, May 14
 8:00am For Deacon Jerry Cato
Saturday, May 15
 4:30pm For John Wedel
Sunday, May 16
 8:30am For St. Cecilia Parish
 Community
 11:00am For Avis Macias
 To scheduledule 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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LOVE IS REAL

In today's Gospel, Jesus likens our relationship with him to a plant with many Love. Songs and books, plays and artistic masterpieces have been created to convey the truth that love is real. As Christians, we know that love is of God. In laying down his life, Jesus pours out God's selfless, sacrificial, undying love. Jesus opens the door to a new relationship between God and humanity, that of friendship, of intimate closeness. Jesus calls us to show this same love for others, knowing that in doing so, we fulfill God's will. As the account of Peter, Cornelius, and all in his household attests, this great love of God cannot be contained by our preconceived notions of the way things are in the world.

THE CALL AND CAUSE OF LOVE

Love calls and causes us to do great things, more than we might believe we are capable of. While some are called to give their lives as martyrs, most of us find ourselves called to lay down our lives in smaller ways in the midst of everyday life. Parents lose sleep in the early moments of their baby's life, and again as their teens mature and gain independence. Adult children change their plans to care for aging parents. We hear the call of love as we become attentive and respond to the needs of the poor, lonely, sick, and vulnerable. Love causes us to turn our lives around, to strive to become more Christ-like in our words and actions. Peter followed this call of love when he entered the house of Cornelius, a Gentile. He was likely as astounded at the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as were the believers who accompanied him, yet love caused Peter to see beyond the accepted boundaries of religion and race, seeing instead evidence of the Lord's great love at work.

THE JOY-FILLED WAY OF LOVE

Following the Lord calls us to sacrifice for the sake of others, giving our attention, time, and resources in order to share Christ's care and compassion. Jesus shows us that giving of self, pouring ourselves out in love for another, is a joy-filled way of life. Joy is more than a feeling and is deeper than happiness. Joy comes with the assurance that Christ is with us when our lives mirror the life and way of our Master. Joy is a sense of fulfillment in knowing and sharing Christ's love. When we reach out in love, Christ's joy fills our hearts. Strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit, we find the grace to follow Jesus' command to love one another.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
 Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4
 1 John 4:7-10
 John 15:9-17

**This is my commandment:
 love one another as I love you.**

John 15:12



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			<u>10:00 am</u> RENEW	
NO Adult Study classes—Happy Mother's Day				<u>7:00 pm</u> Prayer & Action

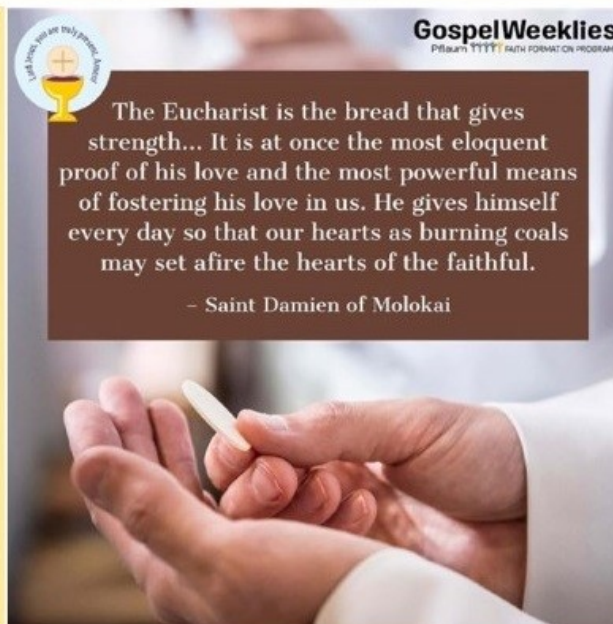
Faith Formation Focus

6th Sunday of Easter
May 9, 2021

GOSPEL – Love one another.
SAINT – St. Matthias (May 14)
PRAYER – Final Rosary Prayer
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



The Eucharist is the bread that gives strength... It is at once the most eloquent proof of his love and the most powerful means of fostering his love in us. He gives himself every day so that our hearts as burning coals may set afire the hearts of the faithful.

– Saint Damien of Molokai

Life Question

Who's friendship is life - giving for you?

Gospel Question

How do you experience the Spirit at work in your discomforts with the Church today?

ADULTS - Watch & discuss episode 5 of Who am I to Judge? NEXT 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 Appreciate our Teachers!

Here at SJN we feel so blessed that we have AMAZING teachers! We will be celebrating our Teacher Appreciation Week May 10th-14th with lunches/breakfast/goodies sponsored by parents, special treats from the students, and more! We are so thankful for our teachers. Thank you for everything you do!

We Are Hiring!

We are seeking a highly qualified and enthusiastic individual to teach Spanish part-time for the 2021-2022 school year. 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.



Father McGivney Catholic High School Annual Appeal

Earlier this month, you heard from our McGivney Student Ambassadors about our school and our Annual Appeal. We were blessed to receive a significant gift from the estate of Marvin Wiedemer. Marvin was a faithful parishioner of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. Marvin was a World War II veteran, a retired Boeing employee, and a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus. Marvin made Catholic Education a priority in his will. His generous gift will help us to construct the new classrooms this summer, but we need additional money to furnish the rooms with desks, chairs, and technology. Please prayerfully consider helping us to round off Marvin's gift and furnish the much needed new classroom.

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.



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Do you know about the Empower Illinois program for tax credits? The tax credits are a great way for parishioners to donate to our local Catholic Schools. Please visit www.empowerillinois.org to learn more.

You can also contact the Diocese of Springfield www.dio.org or 217.698.8500 for additional information on matching funds for scholarships.

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

What does it mean to live grace-fully?

You are invited to a Day of Reflection, open to all age groups, sponsored by the Victorious Missionaries with the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this year's program, "**Aging Grace-fully**," will be a **VIRTUAL** event on **Saturday, May 15, 2021, 9:30 am—Noon**.

The presenter is Gary Behrman, PhD. Together we will explore this question and discuss approaches on integrating grace into our lives in order to live to our fullest potential. Resources will be provided for ongoing support for a healthy life. This will be a holistic approach to aging to inspire us to be connected to God, others and self.

Cost is \$20. Register online at snows.org/reflection21, visit snows.org for a printable registration form or call 618.394.6281 to register.



St. Cecilia Knights of Columbus #13216 would like to extend to all Mother's living and deceased a very Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!

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 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,
please call us at 618-462-0634.

REFLECT Retreat

Mid-Life Singles: Are you looking for a renewed sense of connection & purpose during this pandemic? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT Catholic weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, on **June 4-6, 2021**.

Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$210 including meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, email 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

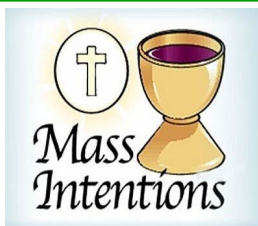
Weekday & Weekend Mass Intentions

People often have a Mass
intention reserved on a de-
ceased member's birthday,
anniversary, etc.

If you would like to reserve a Mass intention,
please contact LeAnne at 618.623.9153 (cell).

Donation of \$10 is requested. Please consider
weekday Masses too! 2021 weekend dates
are almost full, and daily masses are currently
being scheduled for Fall 2021.

Also consider 2022 dates.



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 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

April 10/11: 4:30=102; 8:30=94; 11=98; Total=294

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

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We are so grateful for your continued support.

Next Week's Special Collection is for CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

**Next week, May 15th/16th, we will
collect for the Catholic Communications
Campaign. Please prayerfully consider
making a donation. For more information
about this important ministry, please vis-
it www.usccb.org/cc. Donations can al-
so be given at [parishgiving.dio.org/
secondcollections](http://parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections).**



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



**Unable to make it back to Mass?
Would you like Father Gibbons to
visit you at home?**



**Father began doing 1st Friday visits
again in May, so please call the office
at 618.623.9153 or email
office@stcparish.org to get on his
schedule if you'd like a visit in June.**

ST. CECILIA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!

Sunday, May 9-Mother's Day

8:30 am Mass
9:30 am PSR
11:00 am Mass

Monday, May 10

6:00 pm Reconciliation
6:30 pm Mass

Tuesday, May 11

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

Wednesday, May 12

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

Thursday, May 13

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

Friday, May 14

8:00 am Mass
SJN Graduation

Saturday, May 15

3:30 pm Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, May 16-Ascension

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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