



# ST. CECILIA CHURCH

CATHOLIC CHURCH | MARCH 17, 2024



## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\*The office is closed daily 12:30 - 1:00 p.m.

## Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses/ Saturday Vigil, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

## Holy Day Masses

Vigil, 7:00 p.m./ on the day 8:00 a.m. &

7:00 p.m. (except Christmas & Easter)

## Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

First Saturday of the Month at 9:00 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.

30 minutes before Sunday Masses

Following First Saturday morning Mass

\*by individual appointment

## Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays after daily Mass till Benediction at  
7:00 p.m.

# WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

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## PASTORAL STAFF

### ***Pastor***

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## New Parishioners

To register, call the Parish Office weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or email at stcsecretary@stcindependence.org

Notification prior to leaving the parish is appreciated

## Baptisms

Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. For more information and scheduling, please call our Parish Office.

Note: First time parents, and newly registered families, are asked to meet with the Pastor prior to scheduling a Baptism, and all paperwork must be turned into the Parish Office a week prior to the scheduled Baptism date.

## Weddings

Recently engaged? Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before your intended wedding date to schedule your marriage preparation.

Weddings will not be scheduled until after consultation with the Pastor. For more information on scheduling your wedding at St. Cecilia, please call our office at 859-363-4311.

## PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Our PSR program, an instruction on Faith and Doctrine for Children, is conducted August to May for ages Kindergarten-8th grade. The hours are every Sunday, from 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. (between the 8:30-11:00 a.m. Masses). All registered children of the Parish may attend.

For more information on how to register your children, please contact the Parish Office at 859-363-4311.

## **Prayer Request?**

We encourage you to put a prayer request in our Parish Book of Prayers located in the Narthex.

# PARISH INFORMATION

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, March 16, 2024

4:00 p.m. - Theresa Kordenbrock (Knights of Columbus)

### Sunday, March 17, 2024

8:30 a.m. - Mary Stander (William Hurley)

11:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased

### Tuesday, March 19, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased

### Wednesday, March 20, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Tom Strain (Yvonne Strain)

### Thursday, March 21, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Special Intention for Cheryl Bergman (Kenneth Bergman)

### Friday, March 22, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Daryl Ashcraft (Patricia Schalck)

### Saturday, March 23, 2024

4:00 p.m. - Joseph Ramler (Bob & Donna Schroeder)

### Sunday, March 24, 2024

8:30 a.m. - Sister Mirella Heile (Dean Family)

11:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased

## Weekend Mass Attendance for March 9 & 10

4:00 pm Mass - 163 attendees

8:30 am Mass - 142 attendees

11:00 am Mass - 188 attendees

## Meetings for the Week of March 17

Boy Scouts - March 18 at 7:00 pm

Men's Prayer Brigade - March 18 at 7:00 pm

SVDP- March 19 at 7:00 pm

Knights of Columbus - March 20 at 7:00 pm

Young Adult Ministry - March 20 at 7:00 pm

Youth Group - March 22 at 6:00 pm

## Online Giving

Schedule a one-time or recurring donation by visiting our website at [saintcecilia.org](http://saintcecilia.org) or by scanning the QR code below.



## STEWARDSHIP AND OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 10

Collection	\$8,604.00
E-Giving	\$2,143.90
International Needs	\$1,686.30
St. Vincent de Paul	\$150.00
Candle Money	\$104.45
Bereavement	\$100.00
Maintenance	\$25.00

Collected Towards Budget-\$11,102.35

Budget Offering Needed Weekly-\$13,500.00

## DPAA Update

2024 Goal-\$74,100

Collected Towards Goal-\$25,303



# NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Ministry Schedule	Tuesday, March 19 Benediction 7:00 pm	Saturday, March 23 4:00 pm	Sunday, March 24 8:30 am	Sunday, March 24 11:00 am
Altar Servers	Elijah Stange Joshua Stange	Ethan Hagedorn Liam McDonald David Spicuzza	N/A	N/A
Lector		Beth Warning Peggy Butler	Jude Wesselman Joe Bergman	Laurie Durr Chris Reinersman
EMHC		Raymond Bay Grace Bay Betty Hummel	Norita Alexander Tom Ginn Carole Wesselman	Kim Kraft Jerry Neuhaus Mary Younger

On Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Jason Gibson of our parish was instituted into the Ministry of Acolyte, along with other Deacon Candidates, by Bishop John Iffert at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption. This marks another step in his formation as he moves toward Ordination to the Diaconate in 2025.

An Acolyte takes on a formal ministry in the Eucharistic life of the Church; instructing others, taking Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, assisting at Holy Mass. Part of the Bishop's instruction for the Ministry of Acolyte reads, *"In performing your ministry bear in mind that, as you share the one bread with your brothers and sisters, so you form one body with them. Show a sincere love for Christ's Mystical Body, God's holy people, and especially for the weak and the sick. Be obedient to the commandment which the Lord gave to his apostles at the Last Supper: 'Love one another as I also have loved you'".*

This is a simple but momentous step for Jason, his wife, Brandy, and their family. Please let them know of your prayerful support and encouragement.

## Help Needed!

Our church and school are looking for a Chairperson and Co-chair to head our Grand Raffle Committee. This is a crucial part of our Labor Day Festival and it contributed to 75% of our total festival profits in 2023. The funds raised from the raffle go towards our campus, maintenance, church, and school needs. If you are interested in becoming a Chair or Co-chair for the raffle, please contact the church office at 859-363-4311.

## St. Cecilia News and Notes

Huge congratulations are due to our Deacon in training, Jason Gibson. Jason cleared the final pre-ordination hurdle for deacons when he was instituted into the Ministry of Acolyte by Bishop Iffert on March 10th . This is an incredible honor for Jason and his family, so please congratulate him if you get a chance, and let him know how much St. Cecilia appreciates his commitment and sacrifice. It can be an arduous road at times. Let's all also pray for him. He will be the first to tell you how important those prayers are.

As many of you know, there are many things that go on behind the scenes via parish and school organizations, councils and committees. One of the most important of these is the Parish Council, which is an advisory body that each diocesan parish is required to have. Recently, the decision was made to do undergo a reorganization of our Parish Council, as we attempt to address one of the big issues that came up during the Envisioning Phase of the Next Generation Parish process, which is that of communication. The new council will consist of members of each of the organizations on campus, which should make it easier to share and disseminate information. We also hope to have updates in the bulletin after each Parish Council meeting to share its proceedings. Let's all pray for the success of this new endeavor!

Today is the Altar Society's annual Spring Craft Bazaar. It runs from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the undercroft, so check it out after the 8:30 and 11:00 masses. The list of vendors was expanded this year, and they are expecting big crowds. And yes, there will be great food on hand, as well!

Don't forget that our Easter Egg Hunt volunteers are in still in need of donations. They could use Easter candy, toys, and plastic eggs (pre-filled or empty). Donations will be welcomed until March 25th and can be left either at the school, or in the church narthex. And don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt itself, which will be held on Saturday, March 30th immediately following the Blessing of the Easter Baskets at 9:30 am. This is a wonderful and fun event that just gets bigger and better every year, so be sure to bring the kids for a great time. Thanks to Kim Murphy and Mary Wooding for organizing this event.

The Parish Penance Service is this Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00 pm. There will be upwards of six priests on hand, so your wait should not be too long. And don't forget that each member of the faithful is obligated to confess his or her sins at least once a year.

Next Sunday, March 24th is Palm Sunday, so we're down to our final two weeks of our Stations of the Cross and Fish Fries each Friday. The Stations are prayed at 1:00 and 7:00 pm, and the Fish Fries run from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Get a wonderful head start on Holy Week by attending both this Friday. And then make plans to attend all of the services that will be held during Holy Week proper. The calendar for Holy Week can be found on the last page of this bulletin, and on the parish website.

Have a wonderful and blessed week!

If you have any questions or concerns about what's going on at St. Cecilia, or would like something included in the News & Notes section, please let us know. Contact our business manager, Dave Bene, at [manager@stcindependence.org](mailto:manager@stcindependence.org).

### *Did You Know?*

*A lot of thought went into the placement of the windows of our church building. In addition to the Creation Story windows, there was a wonderful combination of old and new that were used in the construction of our church. Not only were there the refurbished windows that had been donated by parish families over the years, but there were also the beautiful windows of St. Cecilia and the Blessed Mother which now reside at the front of our church (and which were restored by Cincinnati artist Walter Bambach). Artist Joseph Krippenstapel, who had restored the other windows, then created the "You Are Standing on Holy Ground" windows at the entrance, and a window of St. John Vianney, the great confessor and spiritual guide, which is located in the sacristy.*

## LOCAL LENTEN PILGRIMAGE – March 23

Begin your Holy Week by attending the 2nd annual LENTEN PILGRIMAGE of five historic Covington churches on SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024. Churches will be open from 9AM to 2PM, rain or shine. Come at any time and start your journey at one of these churches - The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, St. Benedict, St. Augustine, St. John the Evangelist and Mother of God. The route will be clearly marked. Walk (or drive) any or all of the 4.3-mile pilgrimage.

Visit [covidio.org/lenten-pilgrimage/](http://covidio.org/lenten-pilgrimage/). For questions, email: [CovLentenPilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:CovLentenPilgrimage@gmail.com).



***Altar Society Spring Craft and Vendor Bazaar***  
***March 17<sup>th</sup> 2024 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.***  
WE TRULY COUNT ON OUR PARISHIONERS TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS!!!

*We have added vendors to our spring show! Please come and help support the Altar Society. This organization supplies the servers, candles, and other needs of our beautiful altar. There will be breakfast casseroles, soup, barbecue, hot dogs, walking tacos and desserts starting at 9:00. We will also have a table with homemade fudge and homemade bakery items. Take a look at some of our talented vendors and crafters that will be at our show!!!*

***Mary Kay Products Doll Clothes Color Street Nails***  
***Field Guide Manua to Plants Tupperware Bird Houses***  
***Kitcheneez Mixes for Dips and Soups Pet Items***  
***Sam's Dream Boutique Olive Wood Religious Items***  
***Hair Bows and Clips Tumblers and T-Shirts***  
***Two Lilley Wreaths and Decorations***  
***Crochet Ornament sand Stuffed Animals Jewelry***  
***Paintings and More Cutting and Charcuterie Boards***  
***Reclaimed Kentucky Bourbon Barrel Jewelry and Gifts***  
***Hand Knitted Hats and Scarves***





### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

#### **Holy Thursday, March 28th**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM

Adoration till Midnight

#### **Good Friday, March 29th**

Passion of the Lord at 3:00PM

Solemn Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM

#### **Holy Saturday, March 30th**

Blessing of Easter Baskets at 9:30AM

Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00AM

Easter Vigil at 8:30PM

#### **Easter Sunday, March 31st**

Mass at 9:00AM & 11:00AM