



ST. CECILIA CHURCH

CATHOLIC CHURCH | MARCH 31, 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.

Healing Service 2nd Tues. of each month at
7:00pm

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

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 30, 2024

4:00 p.m. - The Conversion of Souls

Sunday, March 31, 2024

8:30 a.m. - Living & Deceased

11:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

8:00 a.m. - No 8:00 am Mass/Adoration/
Benediction

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

8:00 a.m. - No 8:00 am Mass

Thursday, April 4, 2024

8:00 a.m. - No 8:00 am Mass

Friday, April 5, 2024

8:00 a.m. - No 8:00 am Mass

Saturday, April 6, 2024

4:00 p.m. - Daryl Ashcraft (Bob & Donna
Schroeder)

Sunday, April 7, 2024

8:30 a.m. - Jack & Pat Dean (Dean Family)

11:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased

Weekend Mass Attendance for March 23 & 24

4:00 pm Mass - 144 attendees

8:30 am Mass - 209 attendees

11:00 am Mass - 225 attendees

Meetings for the Week of March 31

Men's Prayer Brigade - April 1 at 7:00 pm

Holy Name - April 2 at 7:00 pm

Young Adult Group - April 3 at 7:00 pm

Pro-Life Committee - April 5 at 4:30 pm

Youth Group - April 5 at 6:00 pm

Online Giving

Schedule a one-time or recurring donation by visiting our website at saintcecilia.org or by scanning the QR code below.



STEWARDSHIP AND OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 24

Collection	\$13,087.58
E-Giving	\$1,734.34
International Needs	\$165.00
Candle Money	\$108.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$75.00
Easter	\$70.00

Collected Towards Budget-\$15,167.92

Budget Offering Needed Weekly-\$13,500.00

DPAA Update

2024 Goal-\$74,100

Collected Towards Goal-\$31,308.00

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Liturgical Ministry Schedule	Tuesday, April 2 Benediction 7:00 pm	Saturday, April 6 4:00 pm	Sunday, April 7 8:30 am	Sunday, April 7 11:00 am
Altar Servers	No Adoration/ Benediction	TJ Cherry Joseph Cherry Sophia Houp	Joe List Lincoln Romito Bryce Trowbridge	Emelyn Fry Susie Fry Eli Fry
Lector		Bob Schroeder	Fred Nowak	Russ Connors
EMHC		Jackie Stone Terry Brann Scott Houp	Mary Lou Kaub Norita Alexander Tom Ginn	David Durr Kim Kraft Mary Younger

LPI Ad Renewal

LPI, our bulletin publisher, is asking all businesses who have ads on the back of our bulletin to contact them if you are interested in keeping your ad in our bulletin for 2024. They are also accepting new ad spaces, so if you would like to promote your business, this is a great way to advertise!

Remember, ad sales from business owners helps to cover the printing cost of our church bulletin, so that we can continue to keep our parishioners updated on Parish Events.

If you would like to renew or purchase an ad space in our bulletin, please call LPI at 800-950-9952.

INVITATION TO BECOME A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS MEMBER

The Knights of Columbus Council 12502 of Independence will be holding a half hour Exemplification to welcome in new members on April 14, 2024 following the 11:00 am mass. Being a Knight is about increasing the evangelization of Catholic men through the works of charity, unity, and fraternity. Meeting excellent people from St. Cecilia while doing charitable acts for the parish, school, and community is part of our mission.

If interested in becoming a Knight, please contact Mike Nachazel at 859-663-6795. All family and visitors are welcome to witness the proceedings.

St. Cecilia News and Notes

HE IS RISEN!!

Today, Easter Sunday, is not only the most important day on the liturgical calendar, it is also marks the most important day in the history of the world. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ has risen from the dead, giving history its final and definitive direction. His resurrection saves us from the darkness of sin and frees of from the sting of death. With His selfless and redeeming act, he gives our lives eternal meaning. We must never forget that He is still here, alive in our Church, which we celebrate every week with the Eucharist. This is the Good News of our Lord, and we must never tire of proclaiming it. Our world, vivid with endless images of death, destruction, and hopelessness, needs this Good News, so we must become bold in proclaiming it. As it says in the Bible (365 times, as it were!), “Be Not Afraid.” With the resurrection of our Lord, there is no need to be afraid. So let us continue to celebrate His victory, week after week, each and every Sunday. For “This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad.”

We are pleased and excited to announce the advent of a reorganized Parish Council here at St. Cecilia. For those who are not aware, all Catholic parishes are required to have a Parish Council, which serves as the highest deliberative and consultative body in a parish. They are responsible for discussing all issues in front of the parish and then advises the priest to the best of their ability. With the Envisioning Phase of the Next Generation Parish process identifying “communication” as an element that is lacking at St. Cecilia, the decision was made to repopulate the council with representatives of each of the parish organizations/committees so they all have a spot at the table. These representatives will then bring the concerns of their particular group to each meeting, and will then disseminate all information discussed back out to their groups. The new Parish Council members are:

President-Catherine Wilson

Altar Society-Celia Deters

Cemetery Committee-Grace Bay

Festival Committee-Kathleen Bell

Finance Committee-Tony Bramer

Holy Name Society-Matthew Flanagan

PSR-Jim Procaccino

PTO-Maggie Painter

St. Vincent de Paul-Peggy Butler

School Board-Amanda Miller

Sports Committee-Bruce Pommier

Knights of Columbus-Mike Nachazel

Let's all pray for the success of our Parish Council!

Please note that Father Harry will be out of town this week, so there will be no daily Mass or adoration/ benediction on Tuesday. Also, the business office will be closed Monday, with the church office being closed on Monday and Tuesday. Thank you!

Have a wonderful and blessed Holy 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.

SAVE THE DATE: Men's Chili Stag - Friday, April 19, 2024

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Bishop Mulloy Council 1301 and the Southgate Volunteer Fire Department. The event is from 6PM till 11PM on Friday, April 19th @ St. Therese School Hall in Southgate KY. Cost is \$25.00 per person which includes Chili 3 Ways, Cheese Cones, Hard Boiled Eggs, Pepperoni, and Cheese, You can also purchase a table of 10 for \$250. Pre-sale tickets are available now by contacting Mark Messmer @ 859-816-3514 or mark.messmer@gmail.com. There will be Bourbon and Wine raffles, a big -six wheel, and other games of chance. Please bring a group to play cards, relax, and enjoy the evening. Lic # ORG0000823.



Jan/Feb 2024 Financial Report

This is the financial report for Jan/Feb 2024 for SVDP. If anyone ever has a question or comment we would be happy to hear from you, just reach out to any SVDP member in our parish.

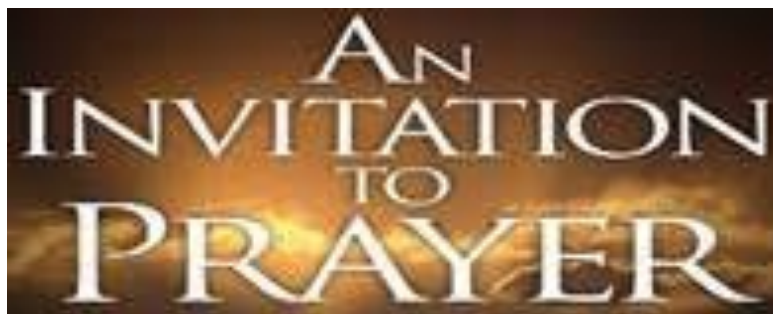
Jan. 2024: 29 calls including 10 from the No Help Areas. Help was given in the way of 6 food deliveries, 6 utilities paid, 4 clothing vouchers, 2 furniture vouchers, 1 household voucher, 1 gas card and 1 bed provided. Dec ending treasury balance was \$ 7,496.91. Our balance at the end of Jan was \$6181.75

Feb. 2024: 31 calls including 5 No Help Areas. 15 food deliveries were made, 7 utilities bills paid, 3 clothing vouchers, 1 furniture voucher and 1 household voucher were provided. The Feb ending balance was \$4,368.49

In summary the first 2 months of 2024 were very busy, the need is great. Our parish has helped support over 30 families through SVDP so far this year. As you can see it's also draining our treasury by \$3128.42 in just 2 months. God Bless each member of St. Cecilia's Parish for your help and support making this work possible!

St. Cecilia's Healing Service

If you know of someone dealing with an illness or cancer or addiction or even out of work, please join us here at St. Cecilia's healing service on Tuesday evening, April 9th at 7:00pm. We need to come together as the body of Christ and pray for each other, just as the bible encourages us to do. Prayer is a powerful way to bring believers together and relieves our anxieties as we turn to God. God Bless!



First Saturday Devotions

In the July 13, 1917 approved apparition at Fatima, Our Lady said to the children, “You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart...I shall come to ask for the Communion of Reparation on the first Saturdays.” She also came expressly with the request for this devotion when she appeared to Sister Lucia, on Dec. 10, 1925

St Cecilia Parish honors the “First Saturday Devotions” every First Saturday of the month, with the celebration of the Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by recitation of the Rosary and Confessions. Please Join us. For more information on our Lady’s approved apparition and her requests go to <https://www.bluearmy.com/first-saturday-devotion/> or contact Jeanne @ 860-919-5052

In the Footsteps of St. Paul

Join Bishop John Iffert, Father Eric Andriot, and Father Aby Thampi on a life-changing pilgrimage to Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle, from October 22nd-Nov 1st 2024! On this journey, feel the spirit of the New Testament as you walk in the footsteps of the great apostle St. Paul, patron of the Diocese of Covington. Experience the places where Paul lived and preached, gaining a deeper understanding of the biblical narrative. Highlights include daily Mass, a 3-night Greek Islands and Turkey Cruise, and tours of Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Philippi, and more!

Learn more information and pricing details at www.covdio.org/stewardship Deadline is April 20th, save your spot today!

Memorial Mass for the Loss of a Child- Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 7:00 pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Burlington, KY.

Very Rev. Ryan L. Maher, V.F. will be the celebrant. This Mass is being offered for parents, grandparents, family members and friends of those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, early infant death, abortion, illness, suicide, accident, or any other reason. All are welcome to attend.

For more information, please contact the Diocese of Covington Pro-Life Office (859) 392-1545.

Get Involved in Youth Ministry!

Angie Poat, Diocesan Youth Minister is seeking **college and young adult interns** to help with summer youth ministry events, service, and retreats. Email apoat@covdio.org by April 2.

YCET

The Diocesan **YCET** (Youth Commission Evangelization Team) is accepting applications from current Freshman – Juniors **by April 2**. Email ycet@covdio.org. Seeking representation from every parish.

NEW! Baccalaureate Mass

High school seniors attending public schools or homeschooled, and their families, are invited to attend a special **Baccalaureate Mass with Bishop Iffert on May 1, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cathedral**. Following Mass there will be a reception in Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium. **Please RSVP at covdio.org/youth for the reception by April 17.**