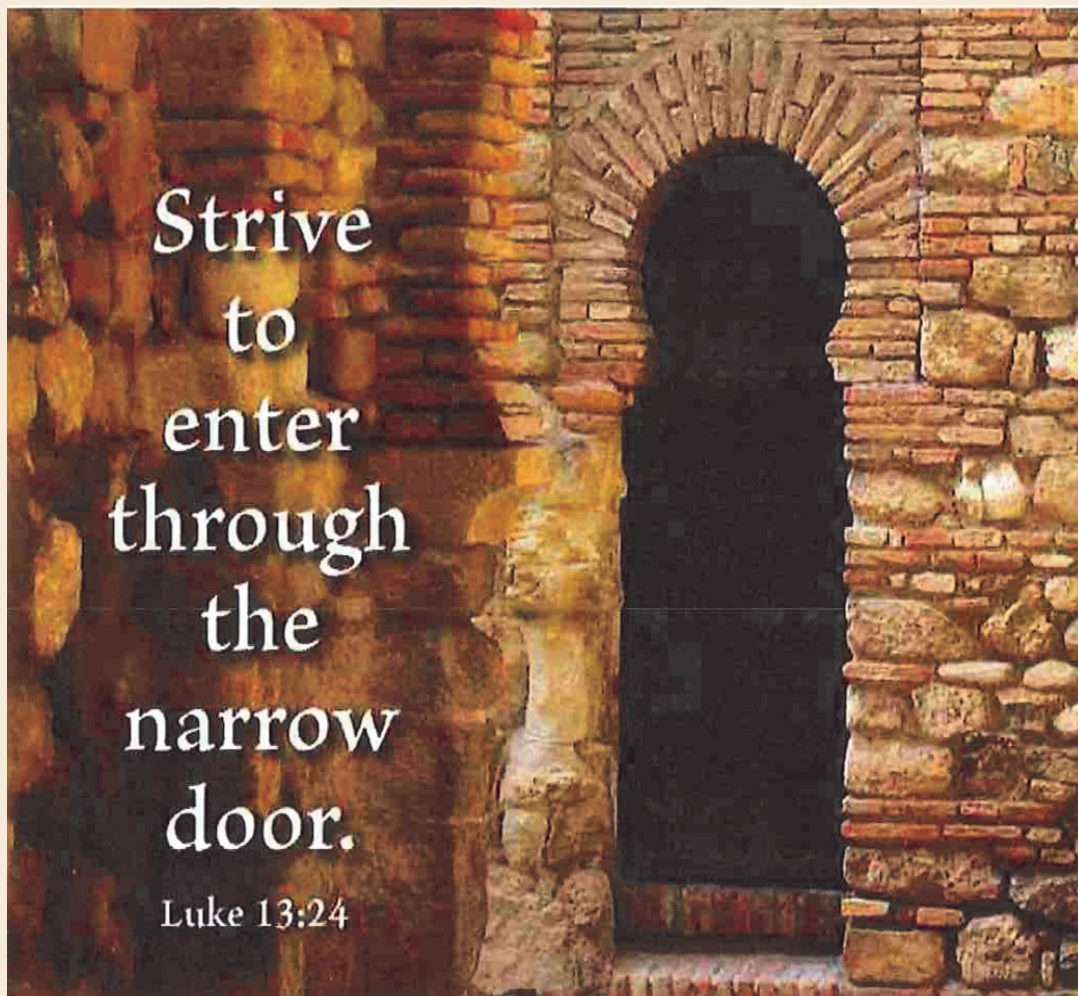




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Weekly Masses:
Saturday 4:30 & Sunday 9:30
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45



Strive
to
enter
through
the
narrow
door.

Luke 13:24

WELCOME

To join the parish, please
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OFFICE HOURS

The parish office is open
Monday-Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm

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Pictorial Directory– Photo Sitzings September 18th-20th

We've partnered with Universal Church Directories with photo sittings taking place at St. C's on September 18th-20th. For participating in a photo session you'll receive a complimentary color 8x10 photo and a printed copy of the directory when completed. Your photography session will include multiple photos to choose from and you will have the opportunity to purchase extra photos as you wish (there will be no pressure to buy anything).

Submitted photos are also welcome. We prefer jpg format and a vertical photo. Professional photos are not accepted due to copyright laws. You will also receive a copy of the directory for submitting a photo. Email submissions to bulletin@stceciliasp.org by September 18th. Please include all the names of those in the submitted photo.

Sign up today for a photo sitting! Paper sign up is available in the Link after Mass on the weekends. Online sign up is only available weekdays. We are recommending that groups of five or more schedule two consecutive time slots (online language recommends for groups of six or more, but we prefer two consecutive time slots for groups of five or more).

Please note that whether or not you schedule a photo session, you have the opportunity to have your adult household members' contact information published in our directory index. We've updated our census form for you to indicate what, if any, contact information you wish to have published in the directory. Please note that those who already completed the census form do not need to fill out another form, we will reach out to you if necessary. For questions, please call the parish office.



St Cecilia's Pilgrimage of Hope for Creation Is Scheduled for Sunday September 14th

We will leave church at 10:30 and
we will be done at 1:45pm

Please Register and Join Us!

The Details

- Sunday September 14th
- We will leave directly after Mass
- We will carpool the 4 miles to St Catherine's parking lot (Maps and Directions provided)
- A short pilgrimage walk through The Rain Garden at Carondelet Village with song and prayer to celebrate creation. A "no walking option" as well!
- We will learn a little about Geothermal at Carondelet Village
- We will share a light meal together (free will offering requested) and
- express our concern to St Paul Officials in writing, urging bold action
- We will be done at 1:45 at Carondelet

We are inviting people to register for the Pilgrimage. The event is just short of a month away and we are eager to have everyone sign up. Registration forms are available in Friendship Hall and in the Link.

Financial Results for June 30, 2025

Operating Revenues	\$436,803
Anticipated Operating Revenues	\$382,000
Operating Expenses	\$399,512
Anticipated Operating Expenses	\$425,500
Operating Surplus	\$37,291
Building Fund Contributions	\$12,435
Endowment Transfer	\$10,941
Bequests Revenue, net	\$39,121
Net Investment Income	\$28,509
Major Building Expenditures	(\$45,246)
Net Surplus	\$83,051
Cash on Hand for Operations	\$182,881
Cash on Hand-Building Fund	\$73,116
Savings/CD	\$110,702
Fidelity Investments	\$110,223
Reserve Fund at Catholic Community Fund	\$351,922

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 30, 4:30pm

Book:	Leo S.
Lectors:	Karen L./Ellen D.
Host:	Laurie K.
Cup:	Scott S./
Greeter:	Bob T./Laurie K.
Sacristan:	Tom K.

Sunday, August 31, 9:30am

Book:	Rose J.
Lectors:	Art Z./Kathy Z.
Host:	Julie M.
Cup:	Paul C./Sue W.
Greeter:	Rose Marie A.
Sacristan:	Mary Pat Z.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun School Supply Drive Ends

Gluten Sensitivity

Gluten-free hosts are available. Please inform one of the greeters before Mass if you need a gluten-free host.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesdays at 9:00am. Email submissions to bulletin@stceciliasp.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Census Form

We're asking a member of every household in our parish to complete a census form. This will help us to ensure that we have the most up-to-date and accurate information possible. Hard copies are available in the Link or you may complete the form online through our parish wide email. Please note that we updated the census and are now asking whether or not you wish to have your contact information published in our upcoming parish directory. Please take a few minutes to complete the census. Questions may be directed to the parish office.

Thank You

Dear Friends,
I'm writing to express our deepest gratitude for your continued support of Ujamaa Place with your generosity of \$500 on June 30th.

As you may know, Ujamaa Place is a unique organization dedicated to transforming the lives of young African American men who are facing homelessness, unemployment, and systemic barriers. Through our holistic programs, we provide these men with the tools, resources, and community support they need to build a better future for themselves and their families. This work would not be possible without the generous contributions of individual donors like you.

Thank you again for your generosity and commitment to Ujamaa Place. Your support truly makes a difference.

Michael Belton

Home Help Needed

Elderly disabled woman looking for assistance from a college student for home help. Location close to St. C's. Please contact Becky Cassidy at 651.815.7725.

Event Scheduling

Our St. C's calendar is filling up with many events and programs for 2025/2026. If you need to use space in the building (or grounds) for parish gatherings, meetings, etc., please call the office or talk with a staff member after Mass so we may get your activity scheduled on our calendar. This helps us avoid space conflicts when multiple events are booked. Thanks!

Faith FORMATION

Mark your Calendar - Two Upcoming Adult Formation Opportunities

Thursday, September 11th - 6:00pm in Friendship Hall

All are invited to a dinner and presentation by Vicki Klima. Vicki was the director of the former Archdiocesan Worship Center and is the author of "*Participation of the Heart-Deeper engagement in the Mass.*" Vicki will lead us in a reflection about what we experience at liturgy and how it teaches us to live the rest of the week. Vicki is a knowledgeable and passionate presenter about all things liturgical, and we are fortunate that she is available to share her wisdom with us.

Sunday, September 21st - our first Sunday Forum - 10:30am

Journeying with Leo XIV: From Villanova to the Vatican

When Leo XIV first greeted Rome and the world, he identified himself as "a son of St. Augustine, an Augustinian." We will look to the spirituality of St. Augustine, the Rule of St. Augustine, and Augustinian spirituality to better understand the spirituality of the first Augustinian pope. We will reflect on his chosen name revealing a spirituality committed to justice and peace.

Our presenter, Angela Senander, is a theologian who has taught with the Augustinians at Washington Theological Union and Merrimack College.

OUT & ABOUT

Smithsonian's "Human Origins" at Luther Seminary—Exhibit

From now through mid-November, Luther Seminary will host the Smithsonian's traveling exhibit, "Exploring Human Origins: What Does It Mean to Be Human?" The exhibit encourages a public conversation that focuses on multiple perspectives, engages questions of faith and science, and fosters greater appreciation of the complexity of human evolution. The event is free and open to the public. Hours are Monday-Thursday from noon to 6:00pm, and Friday noon to 8:00pm. For more info, visit luthersem.edu/origins.

Music for Liturgy

Opening	#848
Gloria	#319
Psalm 117 Go out to all the world and tell the Good News	
Gospel Acclamation	#334
Preparation	#751
Eucharistic Acclamations	#370, 373, 374, 391
Communion	#928
Closing	#871 vs. 1, 2, 3

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:18-21. *Distant foreigners will not only be converted to the Lord but they will even be chosen as priests and levites.*

Psalm 117. **Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.**

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13. *God disciplines us by trials, at first a source of grief, later of joy. Parents discipline the children they love.*

Luke 13:22-30. *Enter by the narrow gate. People will come from distant corners of the earth to feast at the kingdom of God. The last will be first, the first will be last.*

Sacramental Policies

Marriage: Six months notice is required. Three months active parish membership necessary prior to initiating marriage preparation.

Baptism: For more information or to schedule a baptism, please contact Marge Virnig at 651.644.4502 ext. 12.



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