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



WELCOME

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The Church of Saint Cecilia

Congratulations to our Sacramental Preparation Groups



Our Confirmandi received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Basilica on Saturday, April 26th.



Our second graders were welcomed to the table this past Sunday.

Join me in celebrating the hard work these children and their families put into the preparation. A huge thank you to our catechists: Mary Pat Roberts, Colleen Smith and Paul Ruhland for their dedication and guidance!

Theresa O'Toole

Our Confirmation students received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Basilica on 4/26. We wanted to express our gratitude for all of your prayers and support throughout the year. We are blessed as a community and so grateful that we had the opportunity to walk with these young people this year.

At the end of their preparation process, the students wrote this litany to the Holy Spirit and we wanted to share it with all of you. Peace, Colleen Smith + Paul Ruhland

Spirit of **Wisdom**, help us know the way and bring out the best in ourselves and people around us.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Spirit of **Awe and Wonder**, please bring awe and wonder to Confirmation students everywhere. Let us continue bringing awe and peace to those around us. Bring wonder to those who are losing hope.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Spirit of **Knowledge**, help us to learn new things and open us up to the discoveries of the world.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Spirit of **Courage**, send us the will to stand up for what we believe in, like for our religion, friends, and family. Also send us the courage to try new things with new people. When we see a person talking down to another person, give us the courage to defend them.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Spirit of **Right Judgment**, please help us to give and receive advice willingly. Help us also to decide on what advice to listen to.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Spirit of **Reverence**, please guide us through Confirmation by helping us respect others and treat everyone and everything like they are worthy.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Spirit of **Understanding**, help us to understand others. Sometimes others' hopes and desires can be confusing. Allow us to understand these desires so we can work well with our community and make fair compromises and decisions.

Lord, send us your Spirit to renew the face of the earth. AMEN.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Join us for:

Taize Prayer**Sunday,
May 18th****4:30pm**A peaceful Ecumenical hour of
music, prayer and quiet.

All are welcome!

**Universal Intentions for the
Challenges of Humanity***Let us pray that through work, each
person might find fulfillment, families
might be sustained in dignity, and that
society might be humanized.*Prayer*Jesus, You knew work in this world, and
You understand its hardships and joys...
Hear our prayer today. Working is a
human trait... Work is sacred... The beauty
of the earth and the dignity of work were
meant to be united... The earth becomes
beautiful when man works... Lord, You see
that we believe this with conviction, but we
desire even more for it to become a reality
among us. We are saddened when people
can't find work and lack the dignity of
bringing bread to their home. Give us the
light of your Spirit, open our hearts, do not
let indifference overcome us. Help us
recover the gift of universal brotherhood.
We ask for a heart as big as Jesus' so we
can embrace the call to work to give
dignity to people and families. Amen.***Graduates**We will be recognizing our high school
and college graduates in an upcoming
bulletin. Please email your name and
school to bulletin@stceciliasp.org by
Monday, May 19th.**Food Drive This Weekend**Thank you for supporting our food drive
this weekend with your donations of
nonperishable food and personal care
items. Monetary donations are welcome
and payable to St. Cecilia or use our
PayPal link [here](#). Please indicate "food
drive" with donations.**Fr. John Forliti Book Signing
Event
May 17th/18th*****SEA CHANGE: A Memoir of a
Vatican II Priest***You're invited to Fr. Forliti's book
signing event here at St. Cecilia's on
May 17th and 18th. His book, *SEA
CHANGE: a Memoir of a Vatican II
Priest* will be available for purchase
(checks are preferred payment) or
you may bring your own copy for a
personal signing by Fr. Forliti.Please join us for this very special
event!**Alms Box**In case you aren't aware, there is an
Alms Box located in the vestibule of the
church on the left side of the doors as
you enter. The cash donations deposited
there are immediately turned into
assistance to those who are destitute.
We never give cash to people who come
to us, but we do provide cards for
groceries. Our faith calls us to
remember the most vulnerable among
us—contributing to the Alms Box is one
way to do this. Contributing to the Alms
Box is also an opportunity to model for
our young people the responsibility and
privilege we have to care for those less
fortunate.**Upcoming Events:**5/11-May Crowning, CGS & Lit of
Word
5/18-CGS
6/1-CGS
6/8-Final CGS—Pentecost**OUT & ABOUT****Event**Spiritual Practice in a Time of Crisis—
presenter, Bill McDonough
Tuesday, May 20th 12:30-2:30pm at
Saint Thomas More Catholic Church
(1079 summit Ave). To cover costs, a
\$20 contribution is suggested.
Registration is helpful, but not required.
See the flyer on the Link bulletin board
for more info.**Music for Liturgy**

Opening	#628
Gloria	#271
Psalm 100 We are his people: the sheep of his flock.	
Gospel Acc.	#537
Preparation	#723
Mass of Creation	#198, 200, 202, 204
Communion	#940
Closing	(4:30) #519, (9:30) #886

Fourth Sunday of Easter*Acts 13:14, 43-52. Many converts and
persecution at Pisidian Antioch. Many
Jewish people joined in accepting Jesus as
the Messiah, others resisted, even
vigorously. The apostles Paul and
Barnabas turn all the more firmly to the
gentiles.***Psalm 100. We are his people, the sheep
of his flock.***Revelation 7:9, 14-17. In vision John sees
a huge crowd from every nation and race,
gathering before the throne of the Lamb.
"The lamb will shepherd them" and these
will never again hunger or thirst.**John 10:27-30. My sheep know me says
Jesus, and no one can snatch them out of
my hand.***PARISH CALENDAR**

Sun		Food Drive
		Mother's Day
	9:30	May Crowning
	9:30	CGS & FF Liturgy of the Word
Tue	7:00	Choir
Wed	10:00	Staff Meeting
Sat	5:30	Book Signing Event
Sun	10:30	Book Signing Event
	10:30	Sunday Forum
	4:30	Taize Prayer

**Hospitality**Join us for hospitality in
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Sunday Mass.**Happy Mother's Day!**

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