

# THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF ST. CECILIA • ST. MARY • ST. PATRICK

May 24 & 25, 2025

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### Sacramental Emergencies

In the event of an emergency, please contact Fr. Ray Higgins at (641) 747-2569 for the emergency number.

### Sacrament Guidelines:

Contact the Rectory to make arrangements prior to marriage and baptismal sacraments.

### Bulletin Announcements:

Send bulletin announcements to Misean at  
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## PARISH announcements



### Summer Mass time added!!!

We will be starting a 6:30PM Mass time at St. Cecilia's in Panora during the summer.

## FIRST COMMUNION candidates



Axel Golay

ST. PATRICK



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# FROM THE DESK OF

## Fr. Ray Higgins



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the Sixth Sunday of Easter, we hear the gentle yet powerful reminder of God's abiding presence in our readings. In the Gospel of John, Jesus says, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." (John 14:23). These words offer a beautiful image of the intimacy God desires to share with us — to dwell with us, to be at home in our hearts and our lives.

This promise of divine indwelling is not abstract. It is made real in our sacraments, worship, and love for one another. Every time we respond in love—to God, to our families, to the Church—we are creating a sacred space for Him to dwell.

A Few Parish Updates:

- **Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA 2025):** Thank you to those already participating in this year's Annual Diocesan Appeal. If you have not yet contributed, please prayerfully consider doing so. The Annual Appeal is an integral part of our parish stewardship, and you may mark your tithing as "ADA 2025." The Appeal supports the essential ministries of our diocese, which in turn benefit every parish. Your generosity makes a real difference.
- **New Saturday Evening Mass at St. Cecilia's:** Beginning Saturday, May 31, I will begin offering a 6:30 PM Vigil Mass at St. Cecilia Church for the summer months. This Mass comes in response to several requests to restart that tradition, and I mentioned it last Sunday to the St. Cecilia community, who seemed enthusiastic about it. We'll keep this Mass simple in format, mindful not to overburden our dedicated cantors and musicians. Let's try it and see how it goes — your presence and feedback will help shape how it continues.
- **Memorial Day Mass** – May 26 at Resurrection Cemetery:

Please join us for Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, at 8:30 AM at Resurrection Cemetery as we remember and pray for all who gave their lives in service to our country. This is a meaningful way to honor their sacrifice and commend them to God's mercy. We also pray for all those who have died.

As we continue journeying toward Pentecost, let us stay attentive to the movements of the Holy Spirit in our lives. May our parish always be a home where the Lord is welcome — through our prayer, service, and love for one another.

In Christ's peace, Fr Ray

### ADULT FAITH SESSION DATES:

June 18th - 6:30 p.m. at St. Cecilia

July 16th - 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary

Aug 20 - 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary

All parishioners welcome to attend.

### Annunciation Parish Chicken Dinner

When: Sunday, June 1, 2025 Time: 4:00PM- 7:00PM

Where: Annunciation Parish Center, Coon Rapids, IA

Serving: Broasted Chicken from

**\*\*Lidderdale County Store\*\***

Scalloped Potatoes / Salad Bar

Homemade Pies & Desserts

Adults \$11.00 Children 10 Yrs & Under \$7.00

**All Carry outs are \$11.00**

Carry Outs Available 712-999-2472

## **JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE AND EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

The Eucharist stands at the center of our Faith. We as Catholics are called to believe in the REAL PRESENCE.....that the Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus. However, a 2019 Pew Survey revealed that 69% of today's Catholics do not believe this. 43% erroneously believe the Church teaches that the bread and wine are mere symbols!

A 3 year program for Eucharistic Revival began Corpus Christi Sunday, June 19, 2022 and was developed by the USCCB (United States Council of Catholic Bishops). The revival is intended to call all Catholics back to the true teaching of the Church in the Real Presence and "to revive the place of the Eucharist in the minds, hearts and lives of all Catholics in the United States."

May 18, 2024 (Pentecost weekend) Eucharistic Pilgrimages began from the 4 corners of our nation. St. Junipero Serra Route (West), Seton Route (East), Marian Route (North), St. Juan Diego Route (South) all converged in Indianapolis on July 16, 2024 for the National Eucharistic Congress. Many of our parishioners participated in some of the pilgrimages in Omaha, Council Bluffs, Glenwood, Imogene and Shenandoah, some also attended the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis!

After a year of mission, May 18, 2025, began the next and final phase of the revival with a Mass of Thanksgiving in Indianapolis and "Drexel Route" pilgrimages leaving there. The pilgrimage will end on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, June 22, 2025, in Los Angeles after travelling across the nation offering Masses, Holy Hours and other devotions along the way.

This "Drexel Route" will see stops in Davenport, Dubuque and Des Moines.

So, we now have the opportunity to participate in the return pilgrimage for Eucharistic Revival AND a pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year of Hope!

**The stop in Des Moines will be Tuesday, May 27 at St. Ambrose Cathedral. Eucharistic Adoration at 11:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 12:10 p.m.**

Bishop Cozzens, who spearheaded this revival for USCCB said that Catholics who participate in any part of the pilgrimage this year have the opportunity to obtain an indulgence.

Please prayerfully consider participating.

For our May pilgrimage of the Jubilee Year, we will travel to Des Moines:

St. Ambrose Cathedral at 607 High St on May 27

Adoration 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 and Mass 12:10 (come for some, stay for all - your choice)

Remember to bring & stamp your "passport" or obtain one there to begin stamping and documenting your pilgrimages.

Questions? Call 515-371-6135

June, July and August pilgrimage dates to be determined.



## WEEKLY calendar

### Saturday

4:00 PM Confessions, Bayard  
4:05 PM First Saturday Rosary, Bayard  
4:15 PM Divine Mercy, Bayard  
4:30 PM Mass, Bayard  
6:30 PM Mass, Panora  
7:30 PM Confessions, Panora

### Sunday

7:30 AM Confessions, Panora  
7:45 AM Rosary, Panora  
8:00 AM Mass, Panora  
9:00 AM-10:00 AM Adoration, Bayard  
9:15 AM Divine Mercy, Guthrie Center  
9:30 AM Mass, Guthrie Center  
10:30 AM Confessions, Guthrie Center

### Monday

No Mass

### Tuesday

3:30 - 4:30 PM Adoration, Panora  
5:15 PM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Bayard  
5:30 PM Mass, Bayard

### Wednesday

7:45 AM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Panora  
8:00 AM Mass, Panora  
9:00 AM Prayer Group, Panora  
4:00 PM Adoration, Guthrie Center

### Thursday

7:45 AM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Panora  
8:00 AM Mass, Panora

### Friday

7:45 AM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Guthrie Center  
8:00 AM Mass, Guthrie Center

### All Parish Reminder for Weekly Offerings

Offerings can go directly to the general fund, the building fund, cemetery or ADA.

Please put your parish and chosen offering designation in the memo line.

## MASS intentions



Sat., May 24 at 4:30 PM — Seidl Family  
Sun., May 25 at 8:00 AM — Novena for Holy Souls  
Sun., May 25 at 9:30 AM — TJ Redfern  
Mon., May 26 (cemetery mass) at 8:30 AM — All deceased, esp veterans  
Tues., May 27 at 5:30 PM — George, Miranda & Maritza Holland  
Wed., May 28 at 8:00 AM — Ron Galles  
Thurs., May 29 at 8:00 AM — Jack Stringer  
Fri., May 30 at 8:00 AM — Len Snyder Family  
  
Sat., May 31 at 4:30 PM — Matt Murrane  
Sat., May 31 at 6:30 PM — Mass for the People  
Sun., June 1 at 8:00 AM — Mike Holland & Ed Higgins & Raphael  
Sun., June 1 at 9:30 AM — Milo Rees  
Tues., June 3 at 5:30 PM — John & Linda Hoffmann  
Wed., June 4 at 8:00 AM — Barb Galles  
Thurs., June 5 at 8:00 AM — Jack Stringer  
Fri., June 6 at 8:00 AM — Cindy Ahrens

### Bulletin announcements

Any bulletin announcements need sent to Miseen  
at [stmpcsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stmpcsecretary@gmail.com) by  
Tuesday nights at 8PM.

Bulletins print on Wednesdays.

## WEEKLY offerings



### St. Cecilia Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$2,038  
ADA Goal \$24,220 ADA Balance Due \$14,835

### St. Mary Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$1,144  
ADA Goal \$15,849 ADA Balance Due \$8,049

### St. Patrick Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$723  
ADA Goal \$11,272 ADA Balance Due \$7,112