



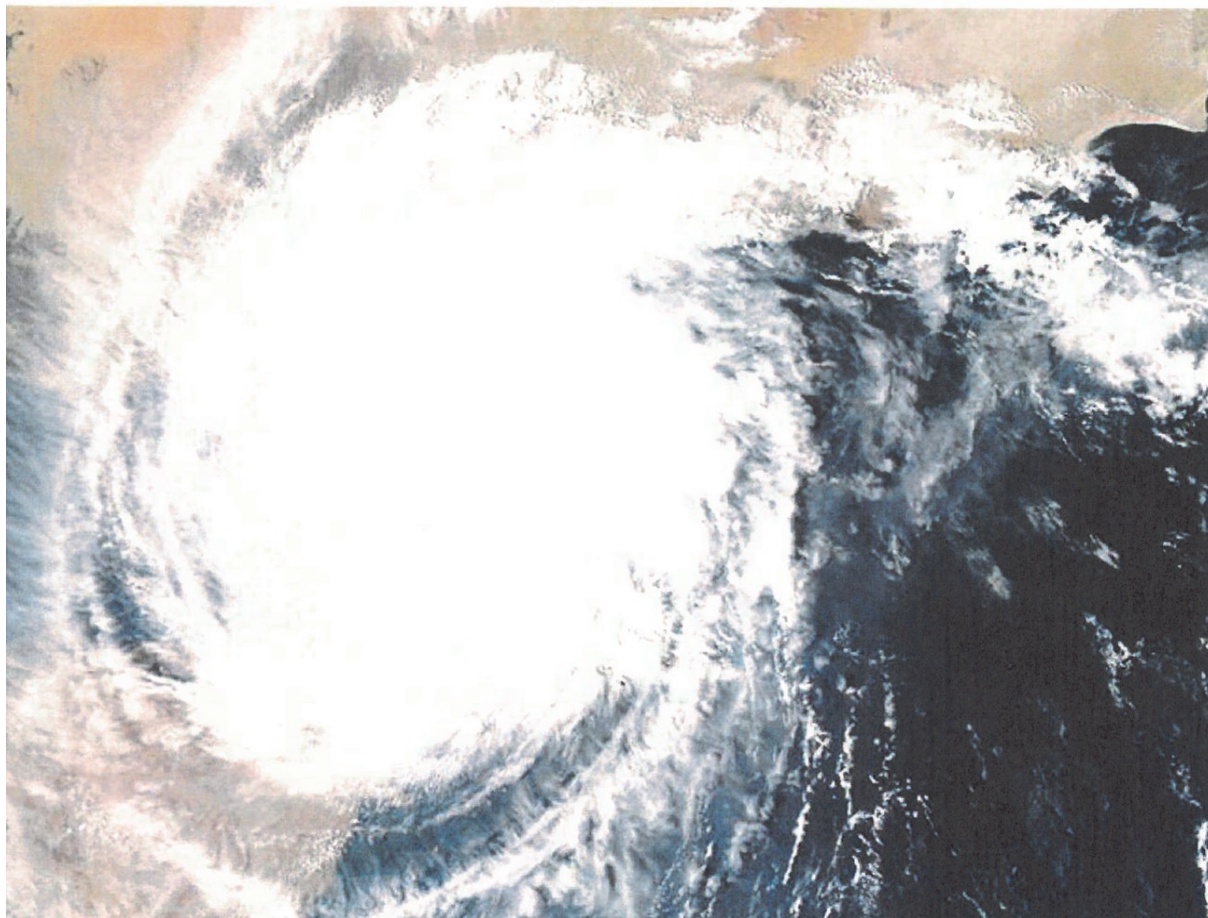
Church of Saint Cecilia

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Weekly Masses:
Saturday 4:30 & Sunday 8:15 & 10:00
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45

Second Collection Emergency Relief

We will be taking up a second collection to provide emergency relief to those affected by the Hurricanes. The collected funds will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA, the official domestic relief agency of the US Catholic Church, and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses. Please make checks payable to St. Cecilia with a notation of "Hurricane Relief" on the memo line. Your prayers and financial generosity are greatly appreciated.



Hurricane Response

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The Church of Saint Cecilia

In later September, the Community Building Team will provide you the opportunity to sign up for various ministries to fulfill our commitment to our mission statement. Today's focus is on the Liturgical Music ministry.

Sacred song forms a necessary and integral part of the solemn liturgy.¹ Within the gathered assembly, the role of the congregation is especially important.² The full and active participation by all the people is the aim to be considered before all else.³ Singing is one of the primary ways that the assembly of the faithful participates actively in the Liturgy.⁴ As our predecessors did, we take part by singing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in our hearts to God.⁵ The quality of our participation in such sung praise comes less from our vocal ability than from the desire of our hearts to sing together of our love for God.⁶ This common, sung expression of faith within liturgical celebrations, strengthens our faith when it grows weak and draws us into the divinely inspired voice of the Church at prayer.⁷

The whole assembly is actively involved in the music of the Liturgy. Some members of the community, however, are recognized for the special gifts they exhibit in leading the musical praise and thanksgiving of Christian assemblies. These are the liturgical musicians. Liturgical musicians are first of all disciples, and only then are they ministers. Joined to Christ through the Sacraments of Initiation, musicians belong to the assembly of the baptized faithful; they are worshipers above all else. Like other baptized members of the assembly, pastoral musicians need to hear the Gospel, experience conversion, profess faith in Christ, and so proclaim the praise of God. Musicians who serve the church at prayer are not merely employees or volunteers. They are ministers who share the faith, serve the community, and express the love of God and neighbor through music.⁸

The role of music is to serve the needs of the Liturgy and not to dominate it, seek to entertain, or draw attention to itself or the musicians. However, there are instances when the praise and adoration of God leads to music taking on a far greater dimension. At other times, simplicity is the most appropriate response. The primary role of music in the Liturgy is to help the members of the gathered assembly to join themselves with the action of Christ and to give voice to the gift of faith. Music does what words alone cannot do. It is capable of expressing a dimension of meaning and feeling that words alone cannot convey.⁹

Of all the sounds of which human beings, created in the image and likeness of God, are capable, voice is the most privileged and fundamental. Musical instruments in the Liturgy are best understood as an extension of and support to the primary liturgical instrument, which is the human voice.¹⁰ Sacred song is a response which engages the whole self in prayer and unites the faithful in common prayer wherever they gather for worship.

Jeanne Dold

1. Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 112
2. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, no. 11
3. Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 14
4. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, no. 26
5. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 39
6. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, no. 13
7. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, no. 5
8. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, nos. 48, 49
9. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, nos. 124, 125
10. Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, no. 86

Bulletin Deadline Wednesday at 9:00am.
Email info. to bulletin@stceciiaspm.org.

Prayer Ministry: If you have an intention you wish prayed for, please call Marge Virnig at 651.644.4502 ext. 12.

Stewardship-Fiscal Year July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018

As of July 31, 2017

June 2017

Anticipated Collections	\$25,552.00
Actual Collections	\$29,871.29
Less: Actual Expenses	\$31,317.80
Actual Debt Payments	\$1,534.70
Balance	(\$2,981.21)

Year-to-Date

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Less: Actual Expenses	\$31,317.80
Actual Debt Payments	\$1,534.70
Balance	(\$2,981.21)

Parish Bank Debt	\$119,856.09
Alms Box Balance as of Sept 3	\$1,337.89

Pope Francis' Universal Intentions for the Challenges of Humanity, September 2017

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

Prayer

*Lord our Father,
you want the Church to be the visible
presence of your love in the midst of men.
Every Christian is a disciple sent to
announce, by words and by works,
the good news of the Gospel.
To all parishes
is directed the call to become,
more and more,
places of communication of faith and
testimony of charity.
We ask that our parish be this place
and that each of us,
within their own abilities,
be an active member in the mission
of evangelizing.*

School Supplies Drive Thank You

The staff and students at College Prep Elementary are very grateful for the school supplies and backpacks. Thank you!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Thank You. *Editors note: The week of July 10th, seven youth and three chaperones spent five days at St. Mary's Mission on the Red Lake Reservation. In addition to the ministry of service, a monetary donation was also made. Below is the thank you note.*

Members of the Church of St. Cecilia: On behalf of Fr. Jerry Rogers & the staff of St. Mary's Mission & School, thank you for your gift to the Mission. You are most generous & we are most grateful. Thank you for supporting our ministry in Red Lake. You are in our prayers. Blessings of peace.

Holy Land Trip. Art Zannoni and David Haas are leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from December 27, 2018 through January 7, 2019. Brochures describing the trip are available in the link. For more information, please contact Art at aezannoni@aezconsulting.com.

Marriage Enrichment. The monthly Marriage Enrichment group will be starting up soon. In the meantime, here's a little marriage exercise: Try acknowledging and appreciating your partner this week. Validate his/her feelings and tell him/her how much you appreciate specific things he/she does. Notice what effect this has on him/her and on your relationship—*Jonathan Robinson/Communication Miracles for Couples*.

Parish Calendar

Sun	11:15	Sunday Forum
Wed	10:30	Nursing Home Service

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Forum—Sept 10th/11:15am

How to Learn the Art of Accompaniment

Presenter Bill Huebsch

Pope Francis has had a lot to say to the church and the world over the past few years, but there is no pastoral strategy he has emphasized more than **pastoral accompaniment**. In this he stands in the heart of Catholic Christian tradition as old as the walk to Emmaus or that journey to Caesarea Philippi when he asked his companions who they thought he was. In this brief session we will consider the principles and practices of Accompaniment as they are presented by Pope Francis and the church. We will find that, as we learn to accompany others, we open the door for many who felt they were edged out of church life. Bill Huebsch holds an MTS from the Catholic Theological Union of Chicago. He is a member of St Cecilia's, and has been a writer, a teacher, the president at 23rd Publications, a college professor, and a spiritual director. He is on the adjunct faculty at the Institute for Pastoral Studies at Loyola University Chicago. Bill has published more than 30 books and booklets on spirituality and ministry including *The Art of Accompaniment*.

Faith Formation Start Dates

We will begin our Wednesday night formation classes (known as Whole Community Wednesday, or WCW) on Wednesday, September 27th. Our potluck begins at 5:30pm with a prayer service and meeting to follow. Our

Sunday School Program, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), will begin as follows:

September 10th-17th - catechists will get in touch with new families and schedule time for the students to visit the Atrium/classroom

September 24th - New students only meet during 10am Mass

October 1st - Returning students only

October 8th - ALL students

Please contact Theresa O'Toole at theresa@stceciiaspm.org with any questions or to register a student.

Attention 2nd Graders - Upcoming Sacramental Preparation Meeting

Our 2nd graders will have an introductory family meeting on Saturday, September 23rd from 9am-12pm. This meeting will provide information about what to expect this year in our sacramental preparation program. We also welcome children 3rd grade and above who have not yet received the sacrament of First Eucharist to go through formation at St. Cecilia. Contact Theresa O'Toole at above address.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Upcoming Sanctuary Events

September 12th: University Area Coalition of Sanctuary Churches monthly meeting at University Lutheran Church of Hope, Minneapolis. 4:30-5:30pm in the lounge.

September 14th: ISIAH monthly meeting of Sanctuary Churches at Redeemer Lutheran Church. 6:30-8:30pm

September 17th: Immigrant Support Task Force meeting in the soft room at 9:15am.

September 18th: Day of Action on behalf of immigrants. There will be visits to legislators and a march. More to come.

September 21st: Monthly ISIAH organizing meeting (to address racism and intolerance) 6:30-8:30pm/fellowship hall.

Celebration of Taize Prayer for the Homeless. On Sunday evening, Sept. 10th at 7:00pm, Taize prayer will be celebrated at Cretin-Derham Hall H.S. (550 S. Albert St., St. Paul). Music led by David Haas, reflection by Bonnie Faber.

Peace Prayer. You are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph and Consociates for a Peace Prayer on Monday, Sept. 11th from 6:30-7:15pm to pray about Dismantling Racism. Held at Our Lady of the Presentation, 1890 Randolph/St. Paul.

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Oktoberfest is coming!

If you haven't yet heard, St. C's 1st Annual Oktoberfest will be held in Hampden Park on October 7th from 3-7pm! (Beer, brats, bingo!)

We need your help as participants, sponsors and volunteers!

If you would like to participate, Sunday, September 17th will be PRESALE-SUNDAY following the 10:00am Mass. You will be able to purchase specially discounted food and drink tickets.

If you would like to volunteer or sponsor the event, the sign-up board is in the narthex. We need your help! You may also contact members of the coordinating committee:

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