



Church of Saint Cecilia

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



JESUS TEMPTED IN THE WILDERNESS

WELCOME

To join the parish,
please call the office at 651.644.4502,
or talk to one of the
hospitality ministers
who greets you.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The parish office is open
Monday-Thursday
9:00am to 4:00pm.

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The Church of Saint Cecilia

Editor's Note: During the seasons of Lent and Advent we will be featuring a variety of voices from the community in our bulletin.

An Interview with Norah S. Based on the Gospel for March 9/10

Q: Is it hard sometimes to do the right thing?

Norah: Yes, because sometimes the temptation is killer! When someone says something mean to me I might want to say something mean back, but I know it would be better to ignore it.

Q: What do you do when you are faced with temptation?

Norah: I think about the consequences and who might get hurt.

Q: What consequences did Jesus face if he gave in to the devil's temptation?

Norah: The devil would win and then we would be doomed!

Q: Who gets hurt if Jesus gives in?

Norah: God would be hurt because Jesus would be turning his back on God. All of us would get hurt, too, because we wouldn't be talking about Jesus the way we talk about him now. He wouldn't have helped all those people and he wouldn't have saved us from our sins.

Q: Did Jesus resist temptation on his own?

Norah: No, he got help from the Holy Spirit, his angels, and God.

Q: Who do you turn to for help?

Norah: Friends, my parents, teachers, and God.

Q: Can we avoid temptation?

Norah: No, temptations will always be back. At the end of the story the devil leaves, but we know he will be back to tempt Jesus again. That is how it is with us, too.

Q: What advice would you give to others who are facing temptation?

Norah: Pray and ask for others to help you, even if it's hard. It's okay to say 'no,' Jesus didn't do it on his own, so you don't have to either!

Sunday Forum March 10th—11:00am

Last November, Hennepin County's Chief Public Defender, Mary Moriarity, observed that we did not create the institutional racism in our systems, but we all live in systems that oppress people daily. At the March 10th Sunday Forum at 11:00, we will hear from Cristina Combs, from the local 12-Step Group, Recovery from White Conditioning (<https://recoveryfromwhiteconditioning.com/>). This 12-Step program encourages us to examine our hearts with compassion and care for all, to dismantle racism and open ourselves to God's loving transformation.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Email info. to bulletin@stceciliasp.org.

Stewardship-Fiscal Year July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

Contributions Update:

March's Budgeted Revenue	\$31,004
Amount Received To Date	\$9,602
Remaining to Achieve Budget	\$21,402

Year to Date Financial Information as of December 31, 2018:

Anticipated Contributions	\$189,182
Actual Contributions	\$190,198
Building Fund Contributions	<u>\$10,806</u>
Total Income	\$201,004

Budgeted Expenses	\$194,970
Actual Expenses	\$174,882
Principal Payments on Debt	<u>\$7,292</u>
Total Expenditures	\$182,174

Revenues Over Expenses	\$18,830
Debt Outstanding	\$77,939

Alms Box Balance as of March 3 \$804.81

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, March 16, 4:30 pm

Cross:

Book: Scott S.

Candle:

Lectors: Linda B./Justin M.

Host: Colette S.

Cup: Bob S./Alice S.

Hospitality: Stephanie K.

Sacristan: Tom K.

Sunday, March 17, 8:15 am

Book: Julie B.

Lectors: Steve C./Beth C.

Host: Jean W.

Cup: Brad C./Brent D.

Sacristan: Pat K.

Sunday, March 17, 10:00 am

Cross:

Book: Mary Pat Z.

Candle: Elise C./Iris C.

Lector: Kathy Z./Art Z.

Host: Mary M.

Cup: Maureen R./Dick B.

Cup: Claudia B./Ann K.

Hospitality: Tom C.

Sacristan: Larry C.

COMMUNITY NEWS

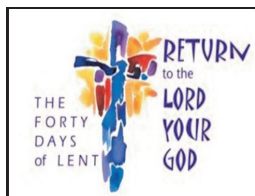


Book Sale

The Church Book Sale is this weekend March 9/10 and March 16/17 after all Masses and will benefit the St. Cecilia Library. Books are \$1 each and buy 1 get 1 free. Books not sold will be donated to the Archdiocesan Prison Ministry, the Military, Listening House and other parishes serving large refugee populations.

Weekly Email

Our weekly email blast highlights activities and news at St. C's, and if necessary, parish closure and event cancellations. To be added to the distribution list, please contact Barb Falardeau at bulletin@stceciliasp.org or call the parish office at 651.644.4502.



Lenten Evensong Sunday March 24th 7:00pm

Please come join in singing the Psalms,

Hymns "Magnificat" and more with the Choir and Cantors. All are welcome!

COME JOIN US! Parish Event

Thank you! So many of you have already bought raffle and dinner tickets, and we already have several silent auction donations that have come in. Keep the ball rolling—**stop by the link after Mass to get your dinner and raffle tickets today!**



Volunteer sign-up begins next weekend.



March Food Drive

March is Minnesota Food Share month, bringing together various community organizations, businesses, and faith communities to help stock nearly 300 food shelves statewide. In addition to nonperishable food, monetary donations are welcome. Food shelves can stretch monetary donations further than donations of food because of their access to discount products and programs.

Help us feed more Minnesota families by donating to the food drive during the month of March.

Food donations may be placed in the lower link, monetary donations (payable to St. Cecilia "food drive") may be placed in the regular collection basket during Mass. Thank you!

Lenten Resources

Art Zannoni has published two resources for Lent. They are "Journeying Through Lent" and "Journeying Through the Triduum." Both are available at www.pastoralcenter.com for a nominal fee.

Diaper Genies Needed

After receiving some feedback, the office staff decided that we would like to place a diaper genie in each bathroom so parents who have to change diapers while at church have a place to dispose of them. Currently we only have compost collection bins in the bathrooms. If you have a diaper genie (or something similar) that you are no longer using, please let us know. Thanks for your help!

FAITH FORMATION

Upcoming Whole Community Wednesday Classes

- March 13th Spring Break
- March 20th - Confirmation and 2nd Grade only meet 6pm-7:30pm, **no potluck**
- March 24th (Sunday) - Building the City of Jerusalem with Legos after 10:00am Mass led by Annamary
- March 27th - Small Groups & Art Zannoni's rescheduled Vatican II Presentation

Potluck at 5:30, programming to follow at 6:30. All are welcome!

First Eucharist Welcome Weekend

Please keep the following children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive First Eucharist:

April 28th at St. Cecilia

Alec B.
Sam C.
Brooks C.
Quentin F.
Eleanor R.
Julia R.
Isaac R.
Chante W.

May 5th at St. Cecilia

Aubrey P.
Emery P.
Kellen P.
Tabia T.

May 11th at St. Agnes

Grace P.

Building the City of Jerusalem with Legos

This year we are going to have the City of Jerusalem activity after 10am Mass on Sunday, March 24th. We hope that having this on a Sunday will allow more parishioners to take part in this fun tradition. Annamary Boler will lead a brief presentation about many of the important places in Jerusalem then we will break into small groups to build the city out of Legos. Join us!

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun		First Sunday of Lent Event Tickets on Sale Library Book Sale
	11:00	Sunday Forum
	7:00	Prayer Vigil
Tue	7:00	Choir
Wed	10:30	Nursing Home Mass
Sat		Event Tickets on Sale Library Book Sale
Sun		Second Sunday of Lent Event Tickets on Sale Library Book Sale

Prayer Ministry: If you have an intention you wish prayed for, please call Sheila Boos at 612.810.5035 or complete the form on our website.

Hymn Numbers:

65, 195, 483, 485