

Come-Join-Us! -A Parish Celebration

ST. CECILIA

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017 11:00-2:30

A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION



Adam Sieve of Hazel's restaurant will be the chef for our April 30th parish event!

Help us make the "Come-Join-Us" a success!

This is our big fundraiser for the year, we need your help!

Attend the dinner! Take part in the raffle and auction. When you do all three, we reap the greatest benefit as a fundraiser.

Sponsor the raffle and the dinner! We are looking for SPONSORS for our raffle prizes of \$600, \$400 and \$300. All contributions are welcome. We also need dinner sponsors., we are looking for \$50 and \$100 dinner sponsors.

Volunteer! We have many opportunities, see below in the yellow box.

Sell, sell, sell! Lastly, please be sure to stop in the Link and pick up your envelope. Sell your raffle tickets and if you don't want to sell to friends, you can buy them yourself as a donation.

Sunday, April 30th
11:00-2:30
Tickets: \$12/kids 8 and under
free

Prizes for kids! We also need small prizes for the children's games. If you can help supply these, leave them in the office next

time you're at church marked "children's games."

Donate! Silent Auction/Gift Baskets - we are still in need of more **gift cards**, silent auction, and celebration items. If you are stuck or can't think of something for a celebration or basket theme, don't worry buy a gift card to your favorite restaurant, brewery, spa, etc. It's a GREAT chance to introduce your fellow parishioners to your favorite local businesses. Any questions or want some ideas? Please call Dave Smith at [612-414-6793](tel:612-414-6793) or email him at David.Smith11@usbank.com.

Our parish dinner is great fun and part of what makes it so are the volunteers. We still need people who are willing to clean tables, replenish tables, do dishes, help with the children's games and more. We'd love to have you! You can sign up in the Link or online at <http://signup.com/go/jTHGWK>.

How to win the prizes!

How does the Silent Auction work?

All the Silent Auction items will be on display in the Link and entrance of the church the day of the dinner. You are encouraged to saunter around, look at what's offered and see what interests you. If you are having dinner, feel free to take a gander before or after dinner. But also know that you do not need to have the fabulous dinner to participate in the silent auction or raffle. We'd love to have you participate in all three, but feel free to pick and choose.

How does the bidding work?

Each item, gift basket, or Celebration will have a bid sheet attached to it. We have two types of bidding this year. For gift baskets, it is a true auction bid and you will be bidding against others. At the end of the dinner, if you have put in the highest bid, you "win" that item. For Celebrations, it's first come, first served. Sign-up and you are in. The bidding starts at 11:00 am and ends at 2:30 pm.

Do I need to stay until the end of the dinner to claim my winnings?

You do not. Most people come and go. We'll be sure to notify you if you win anything after the dinner if you are no longer there. We encourage people to pick up their items and turn in the donations quickly after the dinner, usually within a week. If you are able to stay until the end of the dinner, claim your bid winning items then. We also hold the raffle right at the end of the dinner. But don't worry - if you are not there and your raffle ticket is called, we will get in touch with you afterwards.

Can I still get raffle tickets?

Yes, you can. Anyone can get raffle tickets, and you don't have to be a member of St. C's. Notify Michael or Mary at (MGRAIMONDI@stthomas.edu or maryherm40@aol.com) if you would like raffle tickets. We also will have raffle tickets available on the day of the dinner. They will be available at the raffle table at the downstairs entrance.



Donations may be brought to the parish office between 9:00am and 4:00pm on Mon-Thurs or before/after Mass on the weekends.

You can also bring us your themed items and we'll supply the basket/container and assemble it for you.

For more information, contact Dave at david.smith11@usbank.com.



Consider donating a themed-basket for our Silent Auction, part of our biggest fundraiser at Saint Cecilia's.

Silent Auction Baskets

You assemble the basket with the theme of your choice and donate it to the Silent Auction. How about a basket "For the cook"? You could include a bottle of olive oil, spices, cooking utensils, an oven mitt, even a gift card or certificate from a cooking store. Tuck it all into a sauté pan and you've got the perfect gift.

Do you know a graduating senior? How about an "Off to college" basket? Put a set of twin sheets, matching bath and hand towels along with a washcloth, some laundry detergent, dryer sheets and a gift card to a big box store in a laundry basket and send him/her off in style.

How about a basket for the new homeowner? Include a hammer/ nails, pliers, screwdriver, paint brushes/rollers, painter's tape, gloves and a gift card to a home improvement store in a roller pan to get him/her off to a good start.

A basket for a gardener would be fun too. Put seed packets, gloves, kneeling cushion, gardening tools and a watering can in a decorative pot and it's ready to go.

You decide- we'd love to see what you put together!