

Church of Saint Cecilia

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

WELCOME

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

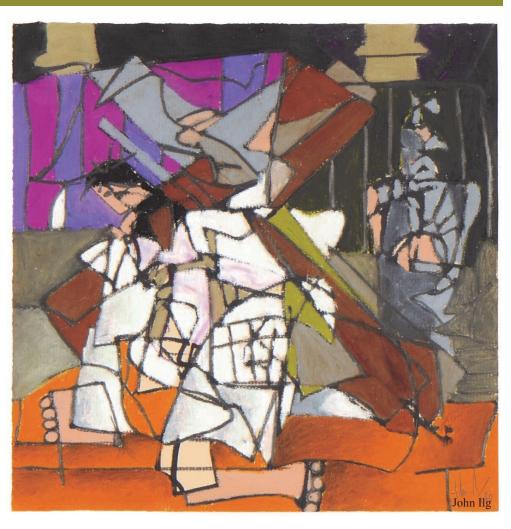
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00am to 4:00pm

HOSPITALITY

We offer hospitality following the 8:15 & 10:00am Masses and encourage everyone to gather in fellowship hall for conversation, and coffee, lemonade and cookies.

About the Illustration:
The artwork is done by John Ilg a local artist, who provided us with the full set of the stations of the cross which we will use during Lent. He plans to visit us in the future.



Any of you who wish to follow me must take up your cross....

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The Church of Saint Cecilia

Community Building Team-Ministries

SAVE THE DATE—once again we'll be signing up for various ministries to fulfill our commitment to our mission statement. In the next couple of weeks we'll be putting articles in the bulletin on the various teams that you'll have the opportunity to sign up for in September. Also we'd like to inform you that all the talents and gifts that we so count on will be saved this year and acknowledged at Pentecost instead of put in with the team missions this September. If you feel called to share your talents and gifts earlier, please call the parish office or talk to Marge Virnig.

Parish Community Council

St. Cecilia's has long had a parish council that collaborates with the Pastor in developing the parish mission statement and oversees its implementation through various teams and organizations. The current Parish Community Council (PCC) was established in 2015 with a smaller leadership board of five total members. The council meets most months along with the Pastor and two parish trustees. Another responsibility that began in 2016 was the creation of a yearly parish assembly. Ideas that arose from our last assembly in June of 2017 may be pursued and acted upon. The next parish assembly will likely be held in June of 2018. If you are committed to the immediate and future vitality of the parish, as outlined in the parish mission statement, and are interested in parish activities along with visioning and management and are able to work as part of a team, please consider submitting your name when positions become available. We use a parish community sign up and selections are made by a discernment process for a two or three year term.

Finance Team

This body is accountable to the parish and the archdiocese. Members are recommended to and appointed by our Pastor and our two parish trustees for a term of 1-3 years. This group meets monthly and presents a monthly review of our financial results, puts together a quarterly report to the parish, sends an annual report to the archdiocese and develops and oversees the annual budget. It also reviews and analyzes proposals for major improvements in coordination with the Parish Community Council. Go to our parish website to see our usual and customary expenses. The team is presently composed of three members, plus one chair along with one staff, two trustees and the Pastor. The team meets monthly at night, the same day as the Parish Community Council when possible. Currently the team is looking for 1-2 new members who must have financial literacy and who are willing to serve a term of 1-3 years. This year the team is looking toward more oversight of our building maintenance.

Red Lake Mission Trip Reflections

By Grace Tienter

Going on the mission trip was one of the best decisions I've made. Not only did I make new friends but I also learned valuable lessons about being a disciple of Jesus and spreading love and hope to those around me. I also learned that your attitude is up to you; even if your situation is poor you can still choose to have a positive attitude. That lesson is one I observed through the kids at the school. Many of the kids have experienced things that I can only imagine, yet they maintain a happy and playful attitude. The lessons I learned and the memories I made there I will hold with me for the rest of my life. Overall, the trip to Red Lake was eye-opening, fun and engaging, and I would highly recommend it to anyone considering coming next year.

By Makabe Aberle (friend of Isaac Reiner)

The mission trip to Red Lake Reservation was an eye-opening experience that showed me not only the privilege I have as a person, but also the responsibility and opportunity to help people who aren't as privileged. Meeting some of the kids who came to the mission school and hearing little bits of their stories at home and in their past showed me their strength even at such a young age. *(continued on next page)*

Bulletin Deadline Wednesday at 9:00am. Email info. to bulletin@stceciliaspm.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
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Year-to-Date

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Parish Bank Debt \$119,856.09 Alms Box Balance as of Aug. 27 \$1,331.89

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Saturday, October 7th 3:00-7:00pm Held at Hampden Park

Fun for the whole family!

Bingo, Beer (both adult and root), Kid Games, and a Dinner prepared by our very own Adam Sieve of Hazel's!

Proceeds to benefit the St. C's youth-oriented programs.



Hymn Numbers: 782, 319, 58, 475, 783, 799

mission trip reflection continued

Further, I found the culture displayed throughout the reservation as both beautiful and ugly. The heritage of the Red Lake tribe was fascinating, but seeing some of the living conditions now was incredibly humbling and emphasized the work we were doing even more. The mission trip was an incredible experience to touch the lives of those kids in the name of Jesus Christ and help to put them on a course to a better life. Their learning of both faith and academic subjects at the school will definitely be beneficial in their lives and to be a part of that was fantastic. I'm thankful for the experience I had and won't soon forget it.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Second Collection Next Weekend— Hurricane Harvey Emergency Relief

We will be taking up a second collection next weekend to provide emergency relief to those affected by Hurricane Harvey. 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 Harvey" on the memo line. Your prayers and financial generosity are greatly appreciated.

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to fairgoers and students celebrating with us today.

Food Drive September 9th/10th

Feeding the hungry is one way that the St. Cecilia community lives the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. On September 9th/10th we will be collecting nonperishable food, personal care items, and monetary donations (payable to St. Cecilia with a notation of "food drive") for our neighborhood food shelf. Thank you for your generosity.

Road Closure-St. Paul Classic Bike Tour, Sunday September 10th

Sunday morning, September 10th, the annual Saint Paul Classic Bike Tour will use southbound Raymond Avenue. It will be closed to traffic from about 9:00am until 1:00pm. There will be "no parking" posted on the west side of Raymond. Northbound Raymond will be open.

Adult Choir Rehearsals Begin September 19th. The Choir will begin rehearsing for the coming year on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:00pm in the church. We would love to welcome some new voices this fall! Due to space limitations, there is an audition. You do not have to read music, but you will need to sing back notes played on the piano. We rehearse 3 Tuesdays a month and share refreshments after each rehearsal. For more info. please stop by the piano to pick up a Rehearsal Schedule and talk with Jeanne Dold or email her at jeanne@stceciliaspm.org.

Oh My Goodness. Our gardens are really producing and you've made a difference! Listening House reports that they have had some fantastic snacks and meals using produce from the Oh My Goodness project. They've had roasted veggies, salads, lots of salsa and soup with the 62 pounds of produce they've received. Plus 100 pounds of vegetables have been given to area food shelves.

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 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@stceciliaspm.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 the above address with any inquiries.

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: ISAIAH 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 ISAIAH organizing meeting (to address racism and intolerance) 6:30-8:30pm in fellowship hall.

Parish Calendar

Mon Labor Day /Office Closed Thur 6:15 Community Building

Team

Sun 11:15 Sunday Forum