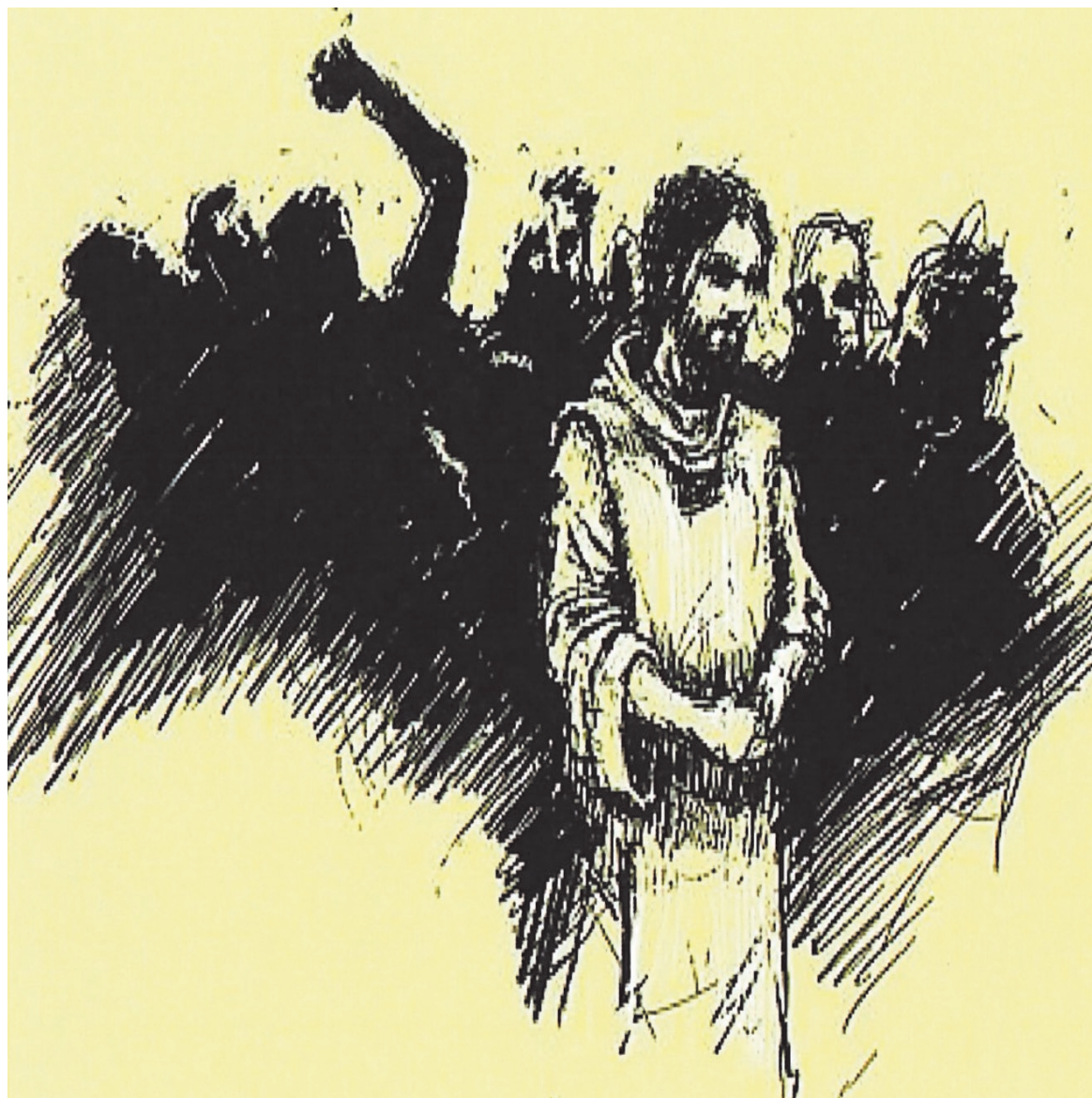




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Saturday 4:30 & Sunday 8:15 & 10:00
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45



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Summary of Parish Survey from December 2018

As part of creating a vision statement for St. Cecilia, the Parish Community Council created a short survey for parishioners. While the number of responses wasn't large enough to be statistically relevant, there were clear themes, and some excellent ideas. Thank you to all of you who responded! Below is a summary of some of the themes from this survey. This was an initial use of this survey format—we may from time to time invite you to respond to similar short surveys.

Why is it important to you to belong to a parish/St. Cecilia?

To be part of a community; to have partners in my faith journey; the music and liturgy; social justice is important; it is a small and welcoming place; "...a place where I can feel God's light."

What could enrich your experience at St. Cecilia?

Most responses focused on meeting and interacting with other parishioners. Ideas: church social; family dance night; more classes/learning opportunities; young parents group; senior group; men's group; permanent name tags for use every mass/event; name tags one Sunday a month.

There were a few comments about not being able to hear clearly during the mass, one specific to the balcony, indicating a need for a better sound system up there. (Note: The sound feed to the balcony has since been upgraded.) Also, there are several headphone/amplifier sets up near the piano, which some people may not be aware of.

Appreciation was expressed for what we do—the music (!), parish dinner and Oktoberfest, and forums/speakers.

What are your needs (faith, social, experience) at this time of your life?

Help with faith matters; youth/teen/adult faith formation opportunities; Bible study/education; help in struggle with Church hierarchy and abuse issues; time to be prayerful; social time is essential. Several responses indicated that it is hard to find/make time for education or social activities.

Are there aspects of hospitality that are missing from St. Cecilia? Do you feel "seen"?

Most responses were that people feel seen, but many indicated a need to work harder at meeting/greeting other parishioners. Ideas: permanent name tags; introduction time at beginning of mass, or at sign of peace; encouragement or personal invitation to go to coffee and donuts, events, or join in (liturgist, team member, volunteer).

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: (as of Jan. 20th)

January's Budgeted Revenue	\$23,253.00
Amount Received To Date	\$19,625.25
Remaining to Achieve Budget	\$3,627.75

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

Anticipated Contributions	\$185,182
Actual Contributions	\$185,324
Building Fund Contributions	\$10,806
Total Income	\$196,130

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

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

Alms Box Balance as of Jan 20 \$639.26

Sunday Forum February 10th—11:00am

Presenter:

Dr. Catherine Michaud, CSJ

How Do I Know I'm Confirmed?

Who is the mysterious and mystical third member of the Holy Trinity, sometimes called the "Sanctifier," or the "Divinizer"? Who is the invisible Person of the Trinity who seems to function distinctively from God Our Creator and God the Son, Our Redeemer? Our full membership in the Body of Christ, we have learned, is established by this Spirit's anointing. When we receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, what do we receive? Are the effects of the Holy Spirit as "invisible" as the Holy Spirit is? How do we know we are anointed by the Holy Spirit? How can we recognize when the Holy Spirit is present? These are the questions we will explore together!



Dr. Catherine Michaud, CSJ, is a systematic theologian whose doctoral specialty is ecclesiology and the theology of the Holy Spirit.

The Catholic School Parents' Association (CSPA) invites you to:

- Adult Trivia Night is an evening of teams competing against one another to answer eight rounds of eight general knowledge questions. Drinks, snacks, and raffle items are also part of the evening's fun. The proceeds support the CSPA.
- Register your team by emailing Rose Jagim at rosejagim@gmail.com.



**Saturday,
February 9th
5:30pm**

Cost: \$10 per person

COMMUNITY NEWS


**Save the Dates:
Library Book Sale**

The St Cecilia Library Team is planning a Book Sale on March 9th and 10th and 16th and 17th, after all Masses! We are looking for donations of all types of books so please go through your home and office libraries and start to gather books you are ready to pass on to others! Drop your donated books downstairs by the pie room, we'll take it from there. All proceeds will go towards improvements to the St Cecilia Church Library. If you need assistance getting your donations to church, contact Ann Kjorstad at ajkijorstad@gmail.com or Geri Jwanouskos at gjwanouskos@aol.com, or Art Zannoni at aezconsling.com. Watch the bulletin closer to the date for calls for volunteers for staffing the book sale! Thanks in advance for your donations! The library team thanks you!

“Come Join Us!”—Date Changed to Sunday, April 7th. Due to scheduling conflicts we've changed the date for our annual parish dinner and community event to Sunday, April 7th. “Come Join Us” for a fun-filled day from 11:00am-2:00pm.

Girl Scouts Cookie Sale

Our Girl Scouts will be selling cookies after all Masses next weekend, February 9th-10th. Look for the table in the lower level link area. Cost: \$5.00 per box. The new gluten free cookie is called the Caramel Chocolate Chip.

Volunteer Opportunity

We're in need of a volunteer to clean the dishwasher once per month. Training is available. Contact the parish office.

Catholic Services Appeal

The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation is an independent non-profit focused solely on supporting 20 designated outreach ministries and nothing else. Partnering with these ministries, you help those in need: the hungry, the orphan, the sick, suffering, dying and grieving. Commitment weekend is March 2nd & 3rd.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Civil Rights Trip to Alabama

On March 31 through April 3, high school students in the Archdiocese will travel to Alabama to visit the National Civil Rights Memorial, the Legacy Museum: from Slavery to Mass Incarceration, and the National Memorial for Peace and Justice (the National Lynching Memorial), to learn about these most critical issues affecting our past, present and future. Cost is \$100. If interested, please contact Kate O'Connell 651.558.6269. To help raise funds for the trip, enjoy a Spaghetti Lunch at St. Peter Claver on Sunday, Feb. 17 after their 10:00 Mass, or contribute to St. Peter Claver's social justice committee to help support the trip.

FAITH FORMATION

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) - Sunday School Schedule

February 3rd - Preparation of the Gifts and the Washing of Hands
February 10th - The Pearl of Great Price and the Parable of the Mustard Seed
February 17th - No class, family weekend
February 24th - Parable of the Leaven and preparing Alleluias

**Confirmation Retreat -
Food Drive Feb. 9th/10th
Food Shelf items requested**


Our Confirmation candidates will spend part of their retreat day working at the Salvation Army food shelf on February 23rd. Everything collected from the food drive happening the weekend of February 9th-10th here at St. C's will be donated by the candidates to the Salvation Army. Extra support for this undertaking is greatly appreciated!

**Upcoming Whole Community
Wednesday Classes**

February 6th - Guest speaker from *Doing Good Together*
February 13th - Family service project - We Love our Neighbors
February 20th - Adult Meditative Yoga led by Lisa Reiner
Potluck at 5:30, programming to follow at 6:30. All are welcome!

Young Voices Children's Choir

Our children's choir will sing at the Ash Wednesday prayer service on March 6th. They will meet on February 17th, February 24th and March 3rd to prepare. All practices will take place immediately following 10:00am Mass in the choir rehearsal room. It's not too late to sign up for the choir. Any child in grade 2 or above can join. Please contact Theresa O'Toole at theresa@stceciliaspri.org if interested.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun	11:10	Social Justice/ Immigration Support
Tue	7:00	Choir
Wed	10:00	Staff Meeting
	5:30	WCW Potluck/Classes
	6:00	Liturgy
Thur	5:00	Finance
	6:00	Parish Community Council
Sat	5:30	Trivia Night
Sat/Sun		Food Drive
		Girl Scouts Cookie Sale
Sun	11:00	Sunday Forum

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:

850, 271, 1103, 695, 918, 562

The Community Events Team hosts:

**Taste of the
Neighborhood**

**Friday,
February 22nd**

7:00pm

Fellowship Hall



Join us for hardy hors d'oeuvres and adult beverages from area restaurants at this adult-only event.

Advance payment of \$15 per person is requested before February 18th or \$20 at the door.

Questions to Stephanie Klenk at 612.308.5273 or klenksr@yahoo.com.