



Church of Saint Cecilia

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



Ephphatha!
Be Opened!

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The Church of Saint Cecilia

We Are All Called and Gifted

St. Cecilia's Community Building Team (formerly Shared Ministry) is focusing on building community by identifying and calling out each person's gifts – our own and others. We believe this is in line with the USCCB document "Called and Gifted for the Third Millennium."

Each person has gifts and talents to contribute to the building up of family, community, church, and ultimately the Kingdom of God. St. Cecilia's would not be the vibrant parish that is if people didn't share their gifts of time and talent so generously. This weekend we would like to take some intentional time to think about what gifts we have and how we might be able to use them in service to our mission. Rather than our traditional ministry signup, we will focus on Harvesting Our Gifts by naming our own gifts, naming gifts others have affirmed in us, naming our experience and interests (which are not necessarily the same) and how/if we are able to use them at this time.

One goal is to create a database of gifts and talents so when there are specific needs, we can match the right gifts with the right ministry. This seems to be a more effective way to do ministry rather than desperately begging people to fill slots. With that in mind, we will still have signups for various events throughout the year, but they will be more specific in nature.

Another important goal is to build community by getting to know each other better. We are a parish of choice – people choose to come here for a variety of reasons, and one important reason is the sense of community we experience. This happens in a variety of ways: through liturgy, through formation, through outreach opportunities and through socializing. Our hope is that through the next year people will get to know each other a little better and together we will come to a deeper understanding of who we are and what we hope to be.

A wise person once said, "My job is what I do to earn a living, but my work is what I do to make sense out of my life." That's an intriguing statement, and a great blessing when one's job and one's work are the same thing. This is actually possible when one's gifts and talents are in alignment with their job and/or their volunteer work.

Thank you for all you do.

St. Cecilia's Community Building Team

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

Prayer Ministry: If you have an intention you wish prayed for, please call Marge Virnig at 651.644.4502 ext. 12 or complete the form on our website.

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

Year to Date Financial Information as of June 30, 2018:

Anticipated Contributions	\$365,000
Actual Contributions	\$387,730
Building Fund Contributions	<u>\$21,834</u>
Total Income	\$409,564

Budgeted Expenses	\$383,842
Actual Expenses	\$363,745
Principal Payments on Debt	<u>\$37,609</u>
Total Expenditures	\$401,354

Revenues Over Expenses	\$8,210
Debt Outstanding	\$85,231

Alms Box Balance as of Sept. 2 \$801.63

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, September 15, 4:30 pm

Cross:	Colette S.
Book:	Bob S.
Candle:	
Lectors:	Pat. D./Stephanie K.
Host:	Scott S.
Cup:	Kate O./Karen V W.
Hospitality:	Michael R.
Sacristan:	Linda B.

Sunday, September 16, 8:15 am

Book:	Beth C.
Lectors:	Stacia P./Steve C.
Host:	Mary Pat R.
Cup:	Rose R./Eileen S.
Sacristan:	Pat K.

Sunday, September 16, 10:00 am

Cross:	
Book:	Lisa R.
Candle:	Ellie R./Norah S.
Lector:	Art Z./Kathy Z.
Host:	Mary Pat Z.
Cup:	Julie M./Ann K.
Cup:	Mary M./Monica R.
Hospitality:	Bill & Mary J.
Sacristan:	Larry C.

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Sponsor the event!

Contact Joe or Hannah Van Thomme at
(Joe) jvanthomme@eckbergglammers.com
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Get your hats, lederhosen and
suspenders together for
Oktoberfest 2018!

*Beer, Brats, Bingo,
fun for the kids and a
whole lot more!*



**Volunteers
Needed!
Sign up in the
Link.**

Saturday, September 29, 2018 3:00-7:00pm

COMMUNITY NEWS



We offer hospitality following the 8:15 &

10:00am Masses and encourage everyone to gather in Fellowship Hall for conversation and coffee & donuts. This is a great way to build community! Volunteers are also needed to host each Sunday. Ellen Demerath, our Hospitality Coordinator, is available to answer questions and provide training (ewd@umn.edu). A sign up sheet is posted on the kitchen door in Fellowship Hall.

Parish Wide Emails

Parish wide emails are sent out once a week to keep you informed of upcoming events, news, etc. If you are not receiving our emails and would like to be added to the distribution list, please contact Barb Falardeau at bulletin@stceciliasp.org or call the parish office. If at any time in the future you prefer to opt out, the unsubscribe button will be available at the bottom of every email.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Project Home Thank You

Thank you to the 24 amazing volunteers who served at St. Matthew's Episcopal the week of August 20th-25th. Six moms and 14 children blessed our lives as we served healthy snacks, read to, laughed and played with the children. Thanks to Stephanie Hanson, we even treated the moms to foot soaks and massaged their tired feet one evening. We were able to return to our homes but these families are still there. Fortunately, with the help of Project Home and Interfaith Action of Greater St. Paul, they are being helped to access services to assist them to move on. There were 7,668 homeless men, women and children in Minnesota in 2017, up 4.6% from 2016! We can help to change the root causes that prevent so many from having a safe place to live. Let's challenge our legislators, and those currently seeking office, to work hard to make affordable housing a priority. Thank you again volunteers!

JoAnn Mason and Rose Marie Assad

Mark Your Calendar

Art Zannoni will preside at the prayer of the University Area Sanctuary Coalition at St. Cecilia Church on Sunday, September 30th at 7:00pm. It will be a chance to reflect on the culture of diversity and inclusion and our Christian response. Come pray with us.

OUT AND ABOUT

Become a Reading Partner

Make a lifelong impact on a child who struggles with reading. Volunteers are needed to work one-on-one with students. More info at: www.readingpartners.org.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun	9:20	Social Justice Team Mtg
Wed	10:00	Staff Meeting
	10:30	Nursing Home Service
Thur	6:00	Parish Community Council
Sat	9:00	2nd Grade Retreat
Sun	11:00	Confirmation Mtg.

Hymn Numbers:

739, 319, 93, 960, 937, 625

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation 2018-2019

Our faith formation year will kick-off on Wednesday, September 26th with our first Whole Community Wednesday (WCW). Our students will meet their catechists and classmates, and the parents will hear about what's in store for the year. Please note that we are extending our class time this year by 15 minutes to ensure we have enough time for lessons and presentations.

5:30pm - Begin gathering for potluck meal

6:15pm - Opening Prayer Service

6:30pm - Student and Parent Meetings

7:30pm - Dismissal

Contact Theresa O'Toole with any questions at theresa@stceciliasp.org.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Sunday School

Since the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori-based program, we invite our new students to an orientation prior to the first class. This allows students to become familiar

with the materials and space (called the Atrium) before their first class. New families can expect an email from Katie or Janet to set up those orientations for September 16th or 23rd.

- Introduction to the Atrium orientation for new CGS students (by appointment) - Sunday, September 16th & 23rd
- New students only - Sunday, September 30th
- Returning students only - Sunday, October 7th
- All students - Sunday, October 14th.

Sacramental Preparation Groups - Save the Date!

We will have an introductory retreat for our 2nd graders on Saturday, September 15th from 9am-12pm in Fellowship Hall. We will also have a parent/candidate Confirmation meeting for 8th-9th graders following 10am Mass on Sunday, September 16th in the choir rehearsal room. More details will be emailed out to all registered families, but these meetings will help give an outline of what to expect this year. If you are

unable to make the date and have a student in sacramental preparation, please let me know ASAP so we can go over the materials. Contact Theresa O'Toole with any questions at theresa@stceciliasp.org.

Festival of Giving



This year in our faith formation program we are working with *Doing Good Together*, which is a national nonprofit organization that promotes

kindness lessons and service ideas. They are hosting a service fair at Nicollet Island on Sunday, September 30th from 12pm-4pm. The cost is \$5 per person with a \$20 max per family. They will have service projects for you to work on focusing on plastic waste, welcoming refugees, and helping rescue animals. There will be multi-cultural music and food trucks with food for purchase. I will be taking my family and would love to see you all there too! You can find out more details on the flyer in the back of church or at <https://www.doinggoodtogether.org/>.