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WEEKEND MASSES: Sat. 4 PM & Sun. 8 & 10 AM

DAILY MASSES: Mon.-Sat. 9 AM, Wed. 6:45 AM

THE ROSARY: Mon.-Sat. 8:40 AM

DAILY COMMUNION SERVICE: Mon.-Sat. 8 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES: 9 AM, 12:10 PM & 5:30 PM

LATIN MASSES: Second / fourth Tues. of the month, 9 AM

CONFESSIONS: Mon.-Sat. 9:30 AM, Wed. 7:05-7:15 AM and

7:05-7:50 PM, Sat. 3-3:30 PM, Sun. 7-7:30 AM

and 9-9:30 AM

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ADORATION: Wed. 9:30 AM-8 PM

HOLY HOUR: Wed. 7-8 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fri. 9:30 AM

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION: Please register for your

baptism at www.stceciliacincinnati.org under the Sacraments

tab. You can also select your class dates there.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. MARGARET-ST. JOHN:

Mon.-Fri. 11:45 AM, Sat. 3 PM, Sun. 9 & 11 AM

MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. ANTHONY:

Sun. 8:30 & 11:30 AM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 (Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe)

8:00 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Jerome Teller Off Nancy Hogan

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13 (Saint Lucy)

8:00 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Intention of Susan Dawson by a Friend

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14 (Saint John of the Cross)

6:45 AM Families of Saint Cecilia

8:00 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Sr. Marguerite Schoenung, S.N.D. Off St. Cecilia's Legion of Mary

9:30 AM Eucharist Adoration (9:30 AM — 8:00 PM) Holy Hour 7-8 PM

with Confessions until 7:50 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:00 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Michael & Creora Glenn Off Jean Gordon

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:00 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Michael Glenn Sr. Off Jean Gordon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:00 AM Communion Service

9:00 AM Jim Thaman Off Billie Jean & Tom Schimian

4:00 PM Chuck Rodgers & Sarah Zavitz Off Eileen & Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

8:00 AM Families of Saint Cecilia

10:00 AM Mary Wellman Off The Family

5:00 PM Spanish Mass: Special Intentions of All Attending

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Gaudete Sunday

As we have been preparing for the coming of Jesus, we have been lighting a candle on our Advent wreath each weekend. The third candle marks Gaudete Sunday. We will light the rose-colored candle, and the priests will wear rose-colored vestments.

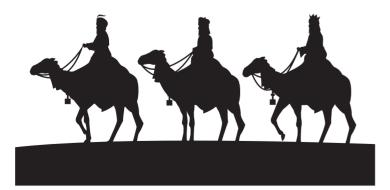
The readings this third Sunday of Advent remind us of the joyful anticipation we are feeling for the coming of Our Lord. They help build up our anticipation for the birth of Jesus and remind us that we are to be joyful knowing we are going to experience the love Our God has for us by sending us His Son. While we may experience trying times during the holidays, we must try to be joyful in all that we do—maybe even make it a point while we wait in lines or wait on family to say a prayer of thankfulness and change our frustration to joy. Let us prepare to feel the joy of His coming on Christmas day.

Also, please join us this Monday, Dec. 12, at 9 AM Mass for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and bring flowers to Our Lady.

Amen? Amen!

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"O God, who sees how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."



A GOSPEL REFLECTION

MATTHEW 11:2-11
by FATHER JASON WILLIAMS

"Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?"

John was the first to proclaim Jesus as the Lamb of God. He was the one promoting repentance and a baptism of water as a preparation for the coming of the One who would baptize with water and the Holy Spirit. His was the voice of one crying out in the desert, "Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight his paths." He had dedicated his life to proclaiming Jesus as the hoped-for Messiah, and now he awaits death in the dank, dark depths of a prison. Wouldn't the Messiah, who was to give the blind their sight, heal the crippled, make the deaf hear, and raise the dead, also come to set captives free? John doesn't want to despair. He wants to believe even in the darkness, so he asks, "Are you the one who is to come?" Often, in the darkness of our own lives, we squint to see by the light of our faith and ask the same question, "Lord, are you the one who is to come? Are you my Savior? Have you really conquered evil, sin, and death?"

Without Christ, without the Incarnation, we would be lost, groping in the darkness. Even so, we live by the light of faith, believing that God became man in Jesus to accomplish our redemption, and that light by which we move along this sojourn to eternity is not yet the full brightness of the beatific vision. We hope for the day when the true Light which is never overcome by the darkness illumines us always and for ever. That is our inheritance as sons and daughters of God, and that is only a possibility through the mystery of God-becomeman. In these final weeks of Advent, let us rejoice as recipients of such a gift.

A CLOSER LOOK AT OUR FAITH -

Catechesis

What role does Sacred Scripture play in the Church?

The Church draws her life and strength from Sacred Scripture. [103-104, 131-133, 141]

Besides the presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, there is nothing that the Church honors more reverently then Christ's presence in Sacred Scripture. At Holy Mass we receive the Gospel standing, because in the human words we hear, God himself speak to us.(YOUCAT question 19)

The Quote of the Week

"I would not believe if I did not realize that it is reasonable to believe."

- St. Thomas Aquinas

Adoration.

Every Wednesday from 9:30 AM with Holy Hour from 7-8PM.



Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John

An 8-week series featuring Dr. Edward Sri.

Mondays from Jan. 9, 2017 - Mar. 13, 2017 7:00 - 8:30 PM in the St. Cecilia Commons & 9:45 - 11:15 AM in the St. Cecilia Parish Center Cost: \$17.00

Following Christ takes more than simply believing in him or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer — He wants you to be his disciple and friend. Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John is your guide to a personal encounter with Christ. As the Good Shepherd, Jesus seeks after us. He comes to meet us and beckons us to follow him. He calls us to be his disciples, to trust him, to open ourselves to his merciful love, and to love others as he has loved us. Follow Me invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. Please contact Cody Egner, cegner@eastsideregion.org or (513) 871-5757, ext. 215, to register for this class.

Liturgical Facts

The Roman Missal is the book containing the prescribed prayers, chants, and instructions for the celebration of Mass in the Roman Catholic Church. Published first in Latin under the title Missale Romanum, the text is then translated and, once approved by a recognitio by the Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, is published in modern languages for use in local churches throughout the world.



In 2002, Saint John Paul II introduced a new edition of the *Missale Romanum* (the "third typical edition" [since the Second Vatican Council]) for use in the Church. Soon after, the complex work of translating the text into English began.

As the Church in the United States introduced the new edition of the Missal in late 2011, so too did much of the English-speaking world. In addition, the Church in other countries is translating the third edition of the Roman Missal into other languages for use. The process of implementing a new edition of the prayers of the Mass is not new, but has occurred numerous times throughout the history of the Church as the Liturgy developed and was adapted to particular circumstances to meet the needs of the Church.

In the earliest centuries of the Church, there were no books containing prescribed liturgical prayers, texts, or other instructions. Because the faith of the Church was (and still is) articulated in liturgical prayer, there was a need for consistency and authenticity in the words used in the celebration of the Liturgy. Collections of prayers developed gradually for use in particular locations and situations, such as for a particular monastery, for the pope, or for other local churches. Such collections were contained in *libelli* ("booklets"), which over centuries were drawn together into larger collections of prayers.

The first true liturgical books, which could be called "missals," were found in monasteries beginning around the 12th and 13th centuries. A missal contained not only the prayers but the biblical readings, the chants, and the rubrics for the celebration of Mass. It is difficult to trace exact origins of the first missal.

PASTOR'S RAMBLINGS





Deer Camp: I joined my good old high school friends for some time at their deer camp (photo, top). It's an incredible piece of property in Falmouth, Ky., and the weather could not have been better. Although I didn't get a deer this year, it was nice to be with friends and relax. Ripley enjoyed being the center of attention and having a lot of land to roam. + Panel Discussion: We had three priests and a deacon do a panel discussion at St. Margaret-St. John (photo, above). It was such an informative and enjoyable talk from Fr. Jason Williams, Fr. Tim Fahey, Fr. Alex McCullough and Deacon Peter Langenkamp. One of the best parts was the banter the guys had with each other. It made it really enjoyable. They talked about the parts of the Mass and did a Q & A with the crowd that attended. If you'd like to hear it, you can go to the link on our web page. + Welcome, Children of God: Welcome to our newly baptized: Davis William, son of







Robert and Tricia Brichler (*photo, above left*), and my great niece Abigail Teresa, daughter of Andy and Mary Bengel (*photo, above right*). Andy is my nephew and the son of parish-





ioners Mark and Theresa (my sister) Bengel. God bless these little ones. + Happy 100th, Elvia Wilmes: Longtime parishioner Elvia Wilmes turned 100 years old. Elvia (photo, left), the oldest living St. Cecilia parishioner, is at 10:00 Mass every Sunday. Many family and friends gathered at the Mass for her intention on Nov. 27, and then the celebration continued at Buca di Beppo. + Thanksgiving Dinner: Special thanks to those who participated in our Thanksgiving meal (photo, left). Over 900 people were served. Special thanks to Dan O'Connell and his family for the great work they do in

organizing the dinner. + First

Reconciliation: On Nov. 17, our

2nd graders from the school and PREP program made their first confessions (*photos*, *below*). The children from the region, and their families, were able to have their confessions heard by me, Fr. Jason, Fr. Dave Sunberg or Msgr. Lane. The children were all very well prepared.



PARISH NEWS & NOTES



Retirement Fund for Religious

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift helps to furnish

medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.



Blessing of Expectant Moms

There will be a blessing at the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, December 18, for mothers-to-be. Please join us if you are an expectant mother, or invite any soon-to-be mom you know, whether she is your daughter, friend, sister, in-law, or some other acquaintance! We welcome parishioners and non-parishioners alike!



Catholic Charities Refugee Program has restarted their sewing class. They are in need of the following items: left-handed dress shears, a cart for moving around sewing machines, extension cords, ironing board and iron with steam. They also need gently used (but in good working order) sewing machines to be given as rewards at the completion of the classes. If you would like to make a donation, please drop off items at 7162 Reading Rd., 6th floor. For questions, contact Rachel Weirs at 513-672-3749 or rwiers@ccswoh.org.



Christmas Flowers

Our beautiful St. Cecilia Church looks its best when in full decoration for special occasions like Christmas and Easter. We are again inviting our parishioners to remember or honor someone special by making a donation toward our Christmas flowers and decorations in that person's name.

You may send in a donation to remember a loved one, honor someone special or simply help make the church more beautiful for this special season. With each \$10 request, please include the donor's name and the honored person's name. Place the request in the specially marked envelope you received in the mail. There are also envelopes in the pews and at the doors. You may drop your envelope in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. You can also make your donation through online giving on our website, and separately provide the donor's and honoree's name as noted above, along with a note that you donated online. The list of those remembered or honored will be published in an upcoming bulletin.











PARISH NEWS & NOTES

Prayer Intentions for the Week

Please keep in prayer **Rose Emmerich** that she may receive God's loving grace. Contact Barb Browarsky at the parish office, (513) 871-5757, ext. 202, with Mass and sanctuary devotional candle intention requests. All requests are honored for two weeks with the individual's or family's approval.

Our Annual Giving Tree Program

All gifts for the giving tree are due by noon this Sunday, Dec. 11. The organizations will be arriving this Sunday to pick up their gifts so they can be delivered in time for Christmas.



Christmas Dinner

At Saint Cecilia we cherish the Christmas season. What better way to celebrate the birth of Jesus and the season of giving than by volunteering at our annual Christmas dinner. If you can carve a turkey or a ham, help in the kitchen, dish up food, or generously donate,

we would love for you and your family to help us serve up some smiles this Christmas day. Have a car and some time to share? Drivers are always in short supply and would be welcomed to deliver meals. Be here on Christmas day in the cafeteria from 12 to 2 PM for a complimentary meal. Please place your orders by 5 PM on Friday, Dec. 23. Everyone is welcome to volunteer or to join the meal. To donate a ham or turkey, volunteer, or order a meal, please call Pat or Kathy at (513)351-5558.

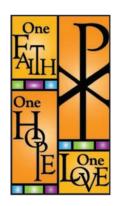
Archives on the Web

If you are ever unable to make it to Mass at St. Cecilia and would like to catch up on what you missed, you can find weekend homilies and past bulletins archived on our website. Both can be found under the MEDIA tab at www. stceciliacincinnati.org.

St. Cecilia at Christmas

The people of St. Cecilia are most generous to the parish especially during the Christmas season. Your special Christmas offering is greatly appreciated and will not go unrewarded. The Parish needs a \$60,000 Christmas collection to help maintain the parish buildings, serve the community and continue to build the Kingdom of God in Oakley. We rely on the generosity of families and friends at this time to help meet our budgeted expenses.

Did you know you can make your special gifts online as well as your regular offertory giving? For more information, visit the St. Cecilia website (www.stceciliacincinnati.org) and click on Online Giving.



Tuition Assistance

The One Faith, One Hope, One Love campaign designated a significant portion of the funds raised to help families with Catholic school tuition assistance. The tuition assistance awards will begin with the 2017-2018 school year. Applications will be accepted beginning in December 2016. **Visit www.Catholic-BestChoice.org for more information.**

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 27

Envelopes/Loose Change **\$10,030.38**Online Giving **\$2,938.00 TOTAL \$12,968.38**

* SERVER SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12-DECEMBER 18 *



MONDAY

9 AM - D. Schnuck, E.Reyes-Samano, L. Whittaker, J. Escobar & E. Haynes

TUESDAY

9 AM - St. Edmund Campion

WEDNESDAY

9 AM - C. Brereton & J. Bocio-Benitez

THURSDAY

9 AM - B. S. Dalessandro & E. Losekamp

FRIDAY

9 AM - St. Edmund Campion

SATURDAY

9 AM - J. Guerra-Cardona & B. Hopkins 4 PM - J. Prues

SUNDAY

8 AM - R. Peddicord & C. Brereton 10 AM - D. Bonomo, L. Whittaker & C. Herzner 5 PM- M. Ramirez & H. Hernandez

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