

WEEKLY WORD

October 12, 2025

Dear St. Cecilia School Families,

While I was in the grocery store today, I saw one of our parents. He asked me, "How are you doing without the Phillies?" While I wish the Phillies would have won, I do enjoy watching baseball games. Really, I enjoy watching sports!

I found that there were some great lessons to pass on to our students following the loss. After the game, the manager and players all said that you win as a team, and you lose as a team. One person did lose the games. One play did not lose the series to the Dodgers.

After the throwing error that ended the game, you could see the disappointment on the faces of many of the players. Yet, no one screamed at Orion Kerkering. No one was in his face yelling at him. In speaking to our students, I said that so often, the students scream at their classmates, teammates, and friends who make a poor play. They scream at recess or in class. They did not do that because they win as a team and lose as a team. The Phillies saw a distraught and upset teammate. It was more important to show compassion to a distraught teammate.

Jesus told us, "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you." The Phillies showed us how this is lived in the world of baseball. Can we all try to live this in our daily lives? Can you imagine a world where we all tried to practice the Golden Rule every day? Can we all try to show our young people how to live and practice the Golden Rule every day?

How am I doing since the Phillies lost? I am doing well! While I enjoy watching baseball (and a lot of sports), I enjoy watching the many good lessons that we can learn every day. And, even when the players, coaches, or fans are not doing good things or not showing good sportsmanship, there are still valuable lessons. I learn what NOT to do.

May your favorite teams do well. May they play well. May they teach us life lessons well. May they live and practice the Golden Rule well!

Have a great week!
God bless,
Sister Catherine



NEXT LOTTERY DRAWING:
TUESDAY, October 14
7:00 p.m., Auditorium.
Jackpot: \$49,000

LOOKING AHEAD



October

- 13 Faculty In-Service Day: No School for Students
- 14 School Mass at 10:00 am/ Student Council Installation
- 15 Band Lessons
- 17 Annual Sciathlon at Villa Joseph Marie: SCS attends
Strings Lessons (since there was no school on Mon)
- 20 Little Flower & Roman visit Grade 8 at lunch
- 21 St. Hubert & Father Judge visit Grade 8 at lunch
- 22 100th Anniversary Event: Career Day!
- 25 Trunk or Treat : Parking lot, gym and auditorium
- 27 Gr. 6 – 8 invited to Archbishop Wood
- 28 St. Cecilia Parish Pilgrimage to Washington, DC
- 29 St. Cecilia Parish Night of Mercy
- 31 Monster Mash and Halloween activities

November

- 1 Nazareth/Holy Ghost Math Competition
- 3 Winter Uniforms begin today
- 3 School Pictures will be taken today -
- 4 District Principals' Meeting: 8:30 a.m.
- 6 Parent/Teacher Conferences: 4:00 to 7:30 p.m.
- 7 Parent Teacher Conferences: No School for Students

School Mass Directives

On Tuesday, we will have our 2nd School Mass. Once the mass begins, the doors will be closed and locked. No one, including parents, last students, or staff members, will be permitted into the church once the mass begins. Staff members will monitor the doors during the mass. If a student needs to leave church during mass, then he or she will remain in the reception room. Thank you for your assistance and support of this safety procedure.

Reminder: Student Council Installation will be during this week's mass.



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SCS SAINT CECILIA SCS † C Y O † WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION



BOYS:
JV - 5th + 6th Grade
Varsity - 7th + 8th Grade
Commissioner: Paul Dooley
cyoboybasketball@stceciliafc.com

GIRLS:
JV - 5th + 6th Grade
Varsity - 7th + 8th Grade
Commissioner: Megan MacDonald
cyogirlsbasketball@stceciliafc.com

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS: 9th - 12th
Commissioner George Gaynor cyoboyshsbasketball@stceciliafc.com
SEASON BEGINS LATE NOVEMBER + RUNS THROUGH FEBRUARY 2026

COACHES NEEDED:
We field multiple teams each season and need coaches to support our program. Reach out to our Commissioners with questions about coaching or other volunteer opportunities. Clearances are required to coach or volunteer.

Required clearances include PA Criminal History, PA Child Abuse, Mandated Reporter and Protecting God's Children.
Register by 10/25!

TO REGISTER, VISIT bit.ly/3KnZJXs

REGISTRATION FEE
\$145
INCLUDES UNIFORM + WARMUP
*HS FEE \$120
INCLUDES TSHIRT AND WARM UP

Cadet Basketball (3th + 4th Grade) runs March to April. Registration will open in the New Year!

ST. CECILIA SCHOOL TRUNK OR TREAT

October 25, 2025
7pm - 9:30pm

ENTRANCE FEE
PRE SALE
\$3 per child
school ages 4yrs+
(\$5 at the door)
Adults and children 3yrs & under are free

PRE-ORDER PIZZA
WHOLE PIZZAS
\$15 each

DECORATE YOUR TRUNK
ARRIVE BETWEEN
6:00-6:30PM
\$15 per car
(includes 4 children tickets)

SIGN UP AHEAD OF TIME FOR...

- ENTERING YOUR TRUNK
- PRE-ORDERING PIZZAS
- PRE SALE - \$3 ENTRANCE FEE

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Student Council Results: We congratulate our newly elected Student Council officers. They will be installed on Tuesday during our school mass. Our 2025-2026 Student Council officers are:

President:	John Bennin	Vice President:	Cara McGettigan
Officer:	Jayden Bennin	Officer:	Katie Cole
Officer:	Lucas Free	Officer:	Fiona King

Commissioner of Service: Connor Whalen

We share the Homeroom Representatives and the Service Commission in our next Weekly Word.

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Pumpkin Decorating Contest: Thank you to the Students, Teachers, and Homeroom Parents for creating such beautiful, interesting, and fun pumpkins for the Fall Festival. We congratulate Rooms 1A, 4A, and 6A for receiving the most votes at the Fall Festival! They will have a Donut and Dress Down Day at some point during the year!

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Traffic Updates – Improvements and Concerns: Thank you for your cooperation with dismissal from the Church parking lot. Thank you for waiting for the students to meet their family members and get into their cars before you start to drive out. My concerns are the following: I saw a parent make a U-turn Rhawn Street. Please do not make a U-turn on any street. I have also noticed that some of our younger students are not getting into booster seats or car seats. Please make sure you are doing the right and best things for your children. Thank you!

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Volunteers: Thank you to our volunteers who help in so many ways. We are grateful for all that you for our students and teachers. Thank you for those who helped us during the workshop that Sister Ann and I attended last week. We are very grateful!

If anyone is available to help out in the Cafeteria on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, please let me know Thank you!