

St. Cornelius Parish



SUNDAY BULLETIN

August 3, 2025

‘You fool,
this night your life
will be demanded of you;
and the things you have prepared,
to whom will they belong?’

‘Thus will it be for all
who store up treasure
for themselves but are not rich
in what matters to God.’

Luke 12: 20-21

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St. Cornelius Parish Summer Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Noon

closed for Lunch 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Saturday: Confessions 2:30 - 3:30 Vigil Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm **Weekday Mass: 7:30 am**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Will return after Labor Day

LiveStream <https://vimeo.com/user123448673>

Thoughts from the Second Floor Front XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 3, 2025

Last week we heard the instruction from Luke's gospel about the Our Father, the great prayer of discipleship. In that prayer we call out ... your Kingdom come. All too often in our contemporary culture the words that are spoken are not concerned about the Kingdom but the Thing-dom. Old Qoheleth has something to say about that concern, i.e., concern for the Thing not the King. The Hebrew title of the Book is the same as the name as the author, Qoheleth. The more common title, Ecclesiastes, is a reflection on the translation of the name – assembler or gatherer. The book is relentlessly and insistently skeptical about many aspects of life. There are few bright passages in the text. While the author admits that there does seem to be a plan in life and a reason for life, he is hard pressed to arrive at either. The purpose and plan may exist but it is kept hidden from most of us. Qoheleth's sobering admonition today should give us pause. His is not a very uplifting text. Take my advice: you should not read Qoheleth if you are having a bad day.

Both the sage of the Ecclesiastes and the Lord are offering a similar insight. Qoheleth does so by couching his admonition in the drab cloth of frustration and vanity. Jesus does so in a direct manner – Avoid greed in all its forms. Greed, or avarice, remains one of the seven deadly sins. And Jesus' words of warning are characteristically insightful. "...take care to guard against all greed." (Lk 12:15) Greed comes in many forms. While it is easy to conjure up images of grabbing, crooked and avaricious people who hoard money in a locked metal box that they keep under a floorboard; that image is quite remote from the greed to which most of us can fall victim – or can embrace. There is the greed that demands we guard what little free time we enjoy by not sharing it with others in our lives. I knew a priest who would take his appointment calendar and run a line through the hours of 7:00 to 8:00 pm each weeknight. He wanted to watch Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune and would not meet with parishioners in that time slot. Greed does come in many forms.

What about the family member who, at the dinner table fails to pass the food to the person sitting next to him or her but places the bowl down and reaches for the next one? Do you take the most comfortable chair in the room and leave others to fend for themselves? Do you take the seat by the aisle in the pew at church requiring others to walk awkwardly by you just so you can get to the parking lot first?

Let's get back to the use of time. In his work The Screwtape Letters, C. S. Lewis makes the assertion through the demon Screwtape, the humans are tricked into thinking that time belongs to them as Master to a Servant in a medieval culture that no longer exists. If we think we possess each of the 24 hours of the day we have accepted one of the greatest of lies. Time is a gift to us from God who created us. How we use the time given to us is important. If we are able to use it for the good of others all the better for us. If we squander it greedily and egotistically on self-satisfying behavior, where is our reward?

When the opportunity appears this week, and it will, when you can spend time for others, pray *now* that you can have the courage to respond to the Grace *then*. While we live in the now, we are to do so with an eye on the then. We live in the moment, with a movement towards eternity.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond



Join us for our Fall Program!

We come together each Wednesday morning at 6:00 am for coffee, light fare and fellowship. At 6:15 am, we begin our program with a video followed by discussion. The group then closes at 7:15 am in time for daily Mass at 7:30 am.

This year's theme: "The Light of Men"

If you were not available to participate previously, no worries! The program is designed to jump in when you can.

The 2025-26 schedule for our TMIY group can be found at:

<https://www.saintcornelius.org/that-man-is-you>

Our first gathering is **Wednesday, September 17th, 2025.**

Scan the QR code to the right or copy the link below to join us!



<https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/05E3A5>

All men are welcome to join us at any time during the program.

SCHEDULE: Each Wednesday, Parish Life Center (PLC)

- 6:00 am Coffee, light fare and fellowship
- 6:15 am Video and discussion
- 7:15 am Closing in time for 7:30 am Mass

All men are welcome to join this enriching formation experience.

All you need to do is show up Wednesday morning.

Holy Hour - Join Us!

Monday, August 4, 8:00 am

After the 7:30 Mass, the Pro-Life Group is hosting a Holy Hour. We will pray a rosary for the unborn, and an end to abortion. We will also pray the Miraculous Medal Novena for the unborn. There will be time for silent prayer. The hour will close at approximately 9:00 am.



Look for this event monthly on the first Monday of the month.

Welcome to the Matthew XXV Garden Season 5 Matthew XXV

The First Harvest

Our first harvest is in! Last Monday, July 14, we returned to the garden to harvest the results of our spring labor. In total our volunteers harvested 87.6 lbs. of vegetables. We are on our way to fulfilling the mandate to feed those in need.

If interested in cutting grass around the garden beds, please TEXT Steve Muntz at 610-454-8937 and he will be happy to fill you in with what needs to be done. Again, thank you,

Matthew XXV Committee
Laurie, JoEllen, Steve, & Regina



Theology on Tap



August 12 @ 7 PM

Marian Apparitions Talk by Fr. Otto

St. Cornelius Parish House

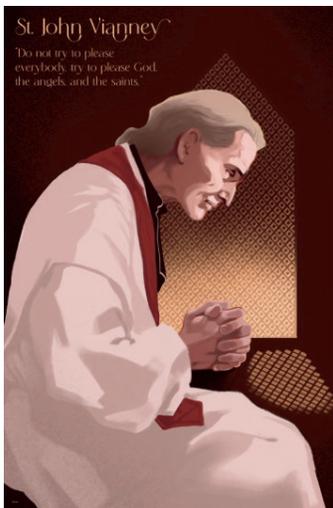
Ages 21-30

IN COMMUNION WITH OUR SAINTS

St. John Vianney, Priest August 4

Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney. In English he is called Saint John Vianney. He was born on May 8, 1786 in the village of Dardilly in France. After serving a time in the army during the Napoleonic period he entered seminary formation to become a priest. He struggled mightily with all

of his studies and he had a particularly difficult time with Latin. Many, including his formation directors and instructors in the seminary and his own bishop, had very serious doubts that this man who did not have strong intellectual gifts, would be suitable for the priesthood. However, John Vianney persevered and finally was ordained a priest in 1815. His bishop, acting on his estimation of this new priest as a man of few gifts, sent him to the remotest backwater village of his diocese, the village of Ars. There Fr. John Vianney spent the



rest of his life except for one brief period when he tried to flee the duties and pressures of parish life and to find a quiet place where he could pray in peace and solitude. That was not in God's plan for him and he soon returned to Ars.

He was a man of great dedication to his call to be a priest and to serve his people. He preached in a very simple manner, had a great love of the Blessed Sacrament and the Blessed Mother and he had a special devotion to St. Philomena. Through his work as a confessor he brought about a spiritual renewal that touched not only the people of his parish but all of France. He regularly spent 14 to 18 hours a day in the confessional surviving on only a few hours of sleep and a diet of boiled potatoes. As the word spread of his extraordinary abilities as a confessor, thousands, including bishops and aristocracy, made the journey to Ars in order to receive his spiritual counsel. Thus a man who started his life as one who very few thought would ever amount to anything became, by the time of his death in 1859, the vehicle for thousands of conversions. He is, for us today, an example of how God works wonderfully through those who dedicate their lives to him and who seek to do his will. John Vianney, a humble parish priest, is regarded by the Church as one of its great figures simply because he was faithful.

John Vianney was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925. He is the only diocesan priest ever to be canonized. He is the patron saint of clergy throughout the world.

THE PARISH CHURCH AND ITS FURNISHINGS PRESIDER'S CHAIR

A chair is more than a piece of furniture. It can also symbolize the person who sits there. In many homes, a family member has a preferred chair, and others won't sit there out of respect. In offices, in boardrooms, and even at the dining room table, some seats are just sacred.



At church, the presider's chair is more than a chair. It symbolizes the priest. He doesn't just sit there. He stands there to lead the assembly in prayer. The priest who presides at Mass, stands at the chair for the Introductory Rites, sits in the chair for the Scripture readings, and may stand at the chair again for the Prayer after Communion and the Concluding Rites. He may also preach from the chair if he wishes.

A typical sanctuary contains three distinct areas designated by furniture: the altar, the ambo, and the chair. The altar gathers us together for the Eucharistic Prayer, the heart of the Mass. The ambo holds the Scriptures for the Liturgy of the Word. The presider's chair focuses our attention at the beginning and at the end of Mass because it establishes the role of one who leads us in prayer.

In the early Church, the chair was positioned in the apse behind the altar. When the altar was moved to the back wall, the chair was relocated to one side of the sanctuary, facing the opposite side.

Today the presider faces the assembly from the chair. It may be placed against the back wall. In churches where the tabernacle occupies that space, the chair should stand to the side. The presider's chair should not seem too remote from the assembly because the priest is not a performer to be watched, but a leader engaged with all those gathered together. Ideally, the position and structure of his chair identifies the priest as one with the people, yet also as their leader.

Written by Paul Turner.



The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, ENJOY; but remember YOUR church.

July 27, 2025

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“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”
Luke 12:34



Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church.

Join us for Adoration on Friday mornings after Mass in the chapel. You are welcome to visit anytime during the day until we repose the Blessed Sacrament at 4:00 PM.

Adoration will return after Labor Day, September 5, 2025



ATTENTION FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN:

We will be hosting an Information Session to examine a hybrid Catholic Home School option on the campus of St. Cornelius.

Students K-12 attend classes on Mondays and Thursdays and follow the integrated curriculum, at home, during the remainder of the week.

This structure offers students a Traditional Catholic Education at approximately half the cost of a Traditional Catholic school.

Curriculum includes: Reading, Writing, Latin, Mathematics, Music, Debate, and the Visual Arts.

Scan the QR code below to register for the information session (*date to be determined*).





Prayer Shawl Ministry... Come, Join US!

Did you know that each baby baptized at St. Cornelius receives a hand-made blanket made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry? You are welcome to join us in this rewarding ministry. We also make shawls, blankets, scarves, hats, mittens etc. for elderly homes, the Giving Tree and anyone looking for a comforting gift.

**Every 4th Monday of each month
1:30pm to 3:00pm, Parish Life Center**

We find ourselves in need of white acrylic yarn or funding to help continue this wonderful ministry. Please prayerfully consider donating to our ministry or purchasing a “Pound of Love” or “Caron Pound” of white acrylic yarn. We have a basket set up in the narthex, below the large TV monitor, to offer our works and for your donations. Also, you are welcome to drop off any yarn donations to the Parish Life Center. Donations are greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact
Valerie Childs (610) 213-0515
and Vickie Gambino (317) 440-5210



Assisted Hearing Devices

We have assisted hearing devices, which connect directly to the sound system. They are located inside the church, along side the wall to your left as you view the altar.

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Camp Cornelius

A heartfelt thank you to all of our amazing camp teachers, dedicated volunteers, and supportive families for making Camp Cornelius such a joyful and successful experience! Most of all, we want to thank our sweet little campers, whose smiles, laughter, and enthusiasm brought our camp to life each and every day. We are so grateful to offer a summer camp filled with fun, learning, and friendship at our early learning center. Camp Cornelius was truly a blast, and we can't wait to do it all again next summer!



Helping Hands and Hearts

This ministry offers temporary help (meals, errands, etc.) to individuals and families in need! If you are aware of someone in need or would like to be a volunteer helper, please contact Marilyn Gustin at mgustin05@gmail.com (484) 947-7295.



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In a world that can be void of meaning and leave young adults restless and dissatisfied, Young Catholic Professionals Philadelphia brings together young professionals in their 20s and 30s into a community of belonging, support, and encouragement at all stages of your faith journey. Young Catholic Professionals empowers and equips you to live your Catholic faith through everyday work and to perform all work with excellence for the glory of God.

Our patron saint is Saint Joseph the Worker. Our mission calls upon the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker, a simple carpenter who reminds us of the importance of stillness, reflection, and prayer.

Young Catholic Professionals mission is to challenge, train, and inspire young adults working in various professional careers to work in witness for Christ. For more information go to our local Philadelphia website at www.ycphiladelphia.org/cpages/home



Caring for Friends™

Help provide home cooked meals to neighbors in need! Caring for Friends (formerly Aid for Friends) is collecting frozen meals and soups for homebound seniors and food insecure individuals. Meal trays and soup containers can be found in the utility closet on the right of the side door of the narthex. Consider putting aside an extra dinner or soup portion, freeze it and then bring it to the freezer also located in the utility closet. PLEASE sign the meals and soup in on the list attached to the shelves next to the freezer. The food is distributed all over the Greater Philadelphia Area. This effort is ongoing at our parish. We invite you to contribute what you can. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Todor 609-234-1193



CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

Recently, Congress sadly approved the White House's request to rescind roughly \$8 billion in funding for international aid. This will hurt so many of our impoverished brothers and sisters around the world, and it will significantly impact Catholic Relief Services' ability to help them. Please join us in prayer as we lift up the needs of our brothers and sisters and ask God to grant wisdom to our legislators to uphold the life and dignity of all people in the future:

"Almighty God, you love all that is good, beautiful and just. We ask you to grant wisdom to those honored with the people's trust to legislate. While carrying out their functions, help them to keep in mind the dignity and rights of each human person and the imperative need for the common good, subsidiarity and solidarity between people and nations. May their voices echo the cries of people in greatest need, and may their decisions contribute to making our nation and our planet the common home, the prosperous and generous land that our ancestors aspired to. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen."



Let us pray for our Men and Women serving in the Armed Forces. Especially for:

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Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr.
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MSG Thomas Stone
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PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

Samantha Grant, Oliver Raymond Grant, Indie Mae Grant, Jean Burke, Luzmarina Lalli, Marianne Leader, Sandy Fecundo, Dominique Copper, Brian Walheim, Bob McKinney, Mindy Tumolo, Angelo Tiberi, Dorothy Brady, Joan Carrington, River Agren, Rosemarie Tangi, Kathryn Howland, John Faulkner, Sr., Janice Letourneau, Lorraine Farrugia, Patricia Ackerman, Doris Wysocki, Lott family, Ed Lovell, Lillian Corbett, Eileen Kane, David III, C. McCollum, Joshua Gidlewski, Denise Banta, Tom Eno, Diana Duffy, Isaac Burks, Nancy Cunningham, Jay Holland, Thomas Drane, Kara Ulatowski, Harold Von Brockdorff, Mary Helen Arthur, Anne Spetzer, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Bryan Thompson, Paul Lucas, Carla Santoleri, Richard Meccarrielli, Edward Field, Judy Field, Joyce Monaco, Matthew Hurst, Leonard Smith, Jr., Jim Waters, Kathie Buckley, Bernice & Arthur Hindle, Sean Mulvey, Patricia Wells, Kathy Williams, Michael Gibbons, Ellen Brisgone, Laura O'Brien-Black, Elizabeth Kephart, Tina Landis, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Michelle Dillione, Chris Roe, Frank Kuders, Dave and Ronnie Pryce, Rosemary Brennan, Ellie May McGrath, Vicki Wojdak, Andrea Bateman, Brandon Heacock, Nancy Young, Nanci Ehmer, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Connie Carney, Luke Post, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard



The Ministry of Consolation

A St. Cornelius community response to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person/persons in their lives, the ministry honors the words and example of the Lord Jesus:

"Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled"
(Matthew 5:4).

A team of four St. Cornelius church members have been trained to set up and facilitate a Support Group for the Consolation Ministry.

On **August 16, 2025**, the Consolation Group will meet at the **Parish Life Center, Fr. Simon Room** from **2:30pm to 3:30pm**.

Contact Joan Holliday for any questions
dochollisv@aol.com or call (610) 717-2180.



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akohlbrener@scornelius.org

or call the Early Learning Center office at (610) 459 - 8663.

LENDING LIBRARY

You may not be aware of the Lending Library that exists in our ambulatory, near the large stain glass windows overlooking the family portico. The cart pictured to the right contains a variety of reading material that you are welcome to take with you. You may also find a variety of holy cards, prayer pamphlets and novenas. Please feel free to take what you like.



Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly newsletter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1,148** people who receive his email each Thursday afternoon. If you would like to be on our distribution list, please call the office at (610) 459-2502 or send your request to be added to our distribution at

Stcorn1@comcast.net.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Saint Cornelius has been notified by **Padua Academy** that **Elce Walsh (Grade 12)** has merited High Honors and **Juliana Mongiovi** and **Elena Pettineo (Grade 11)** has merited Honors. We congratulate and wish Elce, Juliana and Elena continued success in their academic endeavors.

To learn more about Padua Academy and your daughters education, visit their website at

www.paduaacademy.org



CONGRATULATIONS!

Saint Cornelius has been notified by **Villa Maria Academy, Malvern, PA** that **Kayla Cellucci** has merited First Honors from her second semester, 2025. We congratulate and wish Kayla continued success in her academic endeavors.

To learn more about Villa Maria Academy and your daughters education, visit their website at

www.vmahs.org



Giving Hope to All



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 3, 2025

If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts

Psalm 95: 7-8



Welcome to the Parish!



Preston and Katerina Beyer and family
Joseph Carey

Sunday Mass Intentions

- 7:30 AM Ralf & Lucia Liberati
- 9:00 AM John Daly
- 11:00 AM Donna Santoro
- 4:00 PM Splenora DiMarino



**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
(PREP)**
Saint Cornelius Parish

You can contact Mrs. Abbie McCusker at
stcornprep@scornelius.org or by calling
the PREP office (610) 459-7723

CALLED TO BE
A CATECHIST

Do you like working with children? Do you enjoy growing your faith through sharing it with others? Then we have an **opportunity** for you!!!

We are in need of more teachers for our 2025-2026 PREP school year. If you are interested in sharing the Good News of our Faith and helping to shape the children of our parish, please consider **teaching** a class.

We are seeking individuals who are comfortable working with younger students (grades 1 & 2). If interested please email our DRE, Abbie McCusker at stcornprep@scornelius.org.

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Many of the names on the prayer list have been there for several years. I would like to begin the prayer anew.

Later in the summer, after Labor Day, we will eliminate the current names on the prayer list. I ask that **after that date** you contact the Parish Life Center by email (stcorn1@comcast.net) and submit the name of your relative whom you believe would benefit from our parish prayers. Our first bulletin with the updated list will be September 14.



- Weekly Mass Schedule
(Week of August 4 - August 8)**
- Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning**
Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Reading: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21
- Monday 7:30 AM**
Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest
Intention: Jeanne Kitson
Reading: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday 7:30 AM**
Intention: Mary Palmer
Reading: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13, Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday 7:30 AM**
Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
Intention: Mary Palmer
Reading: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
- Thursday 7:30 AM**
Intention: Charlotte Giblin
Reading: Nm 20: 1-13; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9, Mt 16:13-23
- Friday 7:30 AM**
Intention: Robert Tribit
Reading: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21; Mt 16:24-28

PILGRIM STATUE

- 08 - 03 - 2025 Kathy Howley
- 08 - 10 - 2025 Open
- 08 - 17 - 2025 Open

The dates for August thru December are now available on the sign-up.

Call Carla Santoleri at (610) 361-8447 for more information.



USING OUR TIME WISELY

A jar of honey lasts practically forever. The oldest jar of honey ever discovered was over five thousand years old. Honey is quite different from market-fresh produce, then; because most fruits and vegetables last only a few days, we treat them carefully. At this time of summer, we rush to find recipes for cherries and cucumbers so we won't waste a single one. We wouldn't feel that same urgency about honey.

In our own way, we are as delightful and fragile as ripe produce. Today's readings urge us not to spoil, but to make good use of our limited time on earth. Ecclesiastes reminds us that because God provides for us now and always, we can manage our daily affairs without anxiety. Saint Paul encourages the Colossians to keep thoughts of heaven in everything they do, and Jesus himself asks us to treasure not earthly wealth, but God alone.

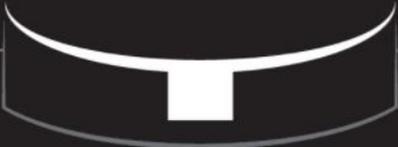
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Apart from the period from Thanksgiving through Christmas, the summer is a favored time for family reunions. We trace family trees and recall our origins. Worship has a family tree as well, and the way we celebrate today has been influenced by various styles and customs through the centuries. We are Western Chris-

tians of the Latin Rite. By far, we are the most numerous Western Christians, but there are other ritual families as well. The Archdiocese of Milan in Italy follows the Ambrosian Rite, Toledo in Spain preserves the Mozarabic Rite and the Arab language, and Lyons in France is home to the Gallican Rite. Other liturgical families, such as the Celtic in Ireland and the Sarum in England, faded away after the Reformation. Until recent times, members of some ancient religious orders such as Carmelites and Trappists followed a pattern of Mass that varied slightly from the plan observed in Latin Rite parishes.

Isn't the Catholic Church the same everywhere? Not at all. It never has been! The existence of so many liturgical families in the West reminds us that unity, not uniformity, is what the Church seeks to achieve among her children. We are united in faith, but wonderfully diverse in rituals, ceremonies, languages, customs, and spirituality.

—James Field

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St. Cornelius August School Supplies Drive benefitting



(They are expecting 203 students in Grades 1 - 8!)



2 Weekends: August 9-10 and 16-17, 2025

Drop donations off at the Parish Life Center PRIOR to Mass

**St. Cornelius has always been VERY generous &
Our recipients are VERY grateful!**

Suggested school supplies:

Back packs – Great Need	Crayons
Copy paper – for the printer	Colored Pencils
Loose Leaf / Filler Paper (wide-ruled)	Erasers
Pens (blue & black)	Pencils
Index Cards	Glue Sticks
Scissors (blunt-end only)	Kleenex Boxes
Hand Sanitizers & Wipes	

Gift Cards to Target or Staples are also appreciated; please write the value directly on the card.

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