

St. Cornelius Parish



SUNDAY BULLETIN

August 10, 2025

Gird your loins
and light your lamps ...

Blessed are those servants
whom the master finds
vigilant on his arrival.

Luke 12: 35, 37a

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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 XIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10, 2025

The Gospel passage this weekend concludes with that axiomatic statement by Jesus, the type of which He seems to use so frequently throughout the Public Ministry. *Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.*

When hearing this, the listener may think that the Lord is referring to matters financial. The “much” with which persons have been entrusted is not limited to the material. Jesus is not limiting His teaching to our income. He is, however, insisting that we check our output. I remember hearing years ago that a favorite mantra in the world of business is: What have you done for me lately? The emphasis in that statement is obviously on how recently the speaker has benefited from actions undertaken by the listener.

For those of us in a faith relationship with Jesus the more appropriate question is: What have you done for God, His Kingdom and His Holy Church today? There is urgency in the parable the Master tells today. The servant who presumes his master is, for some reason, late in his return begins to demonstrate the kind of servant he truly is. This section of the third gospel account emphasizes the need to depend on God not self. This specific passage addresses the need for the members of the community to be steadfast and faithful to the teaching they have received from Jesus until His return.

There is an old story about Satan sending out three demons into the world to tempt souls. When questioned as to their tactics and what they would tell the humans, the first said: I will tell them there is no God. Very well said the evil one, there has been success with that recently, especially through television and talk show hosts. What about you he said to the second demon. That one replied: I will tell them there is no devil. Satan laughed and said that was a good trick and it has also been successful thanks to marketing. Coming to the third, Satan asked and you, what will you tell them? The demon smiled a wicked grin and said: I’ll tell them, there’s no hurry.

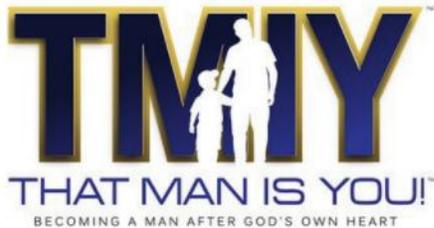
Time takes on a different feel in the summer. In these dog days of August, we pause to enjoy the time we have. Think on the words of J. R. R. Tolkien when through one of his characters he wrote: “All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given us.”

It is becoming clear to me that this will not be one of the fruitful summer growing seasons I’ve had. The is true of my little tomato patch and the Matthew XXV Garden. Actually, through an informal consultation with my fellow gardeners (one email with two questions) there is pretty much universal agreement that we are not going to do as well as we had in the past. However in what I consider an uncharacteristic burst of personal optimism, I am already thinking about next season.

This year we may not have much to offer but what we have we will offer for the benefit of others. I have the feeling that there is a parable in this scenario somewhere. Did Jesus ever tell a parable of the small harvest or even the non-harvest. I know He remains interested in harvests. I’m hoping that next year we will have more to harvest and continue the good work we are called to do on behalf of others.

Faithfully,

Msr. 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.

Welcome to the Matthew XXV Garden Season 5

Matthew XXV The First Harvest

Our most recent harvest from last week yielded over 100 Lbs. of produce! The total weight in produce is still being calculated and although the weather has been HOT, still our volunteers have returned to the garden 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



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 10, 2025

Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen.

Hebrews 11: 1

IN COMMUNION WITH OUR SAINTS

St. Jane Frances De Chantal, Religious August 12

What a way to start a marriage! Jane no sooner arrived at her new home than she discovered she might lose it. Her husband, Christophe, had not only inherited the title of baron but enormous debts as well. Despite the early financial worries, she and her husband shared “one heart and one soul.” They were devoted to each other and to their four children.

One way Jane shared her blessings was by giving bread and soup personally to the poor who came to her door. Often people who had just received food from her would pretend to leave, go around the house and get back in line for more. When asked why she let these people get away with this, Jane said, “What if God turned me away when I came back to him again and again with the same request?”



Her happiness was shattered when Christophe was killed in a hunting accident. Before he died, her husband forgave the man who shot him, saying to the man, “Don’t commit the sin of hating yourself when you have done nothing wrong.” The heartbroken Jane, however, had to struggle with forgiveness for a long time. At first she tried just greeting him on the street. When she was able to do that, she invited him to her house. Finally she was able to forgive the man so completely that she even became godmother to his child.

These troubles opened her heart to her longing for God and she sought God in prayer and a deepening spiritual life. Her commitment to God impressed Saint Francis de Sales, the bishop who became her director and best friend. Their friendship started before they even met, for they saw each other in dreams, and continued in letters throughout their lives.

Still a devoted mother, she was constantly concerned about the materialistic ways of one of her daughters. Her daughter finally asked her for spiritual direction as did many others, including an ambassador and her brother, an archbishop. Her advice always reflected her very gentle and loving approach to spirituality:

“Should you fall even fifty times a day, never on any account should that surprise or worry you. Instead, ever so gently set your heart back in the right direction and practice the opposite virtue, all the time speaking words of love and trust to our Lord after you have committed a thousand faults, as much as if you had committed only one. Once we have humbled ourselves for the faults God allows us to become aware of in ourselves, we must forget them and go forward.”

She died in 1641, at sixty-nine years of age.

THE PARISH CHURCH AND ITS FURNISHINGS SACRAMENTARY AND THE ROMAN MISSAL

In the United States, Sacramentary was the English title of the principal book used for the celebration of the Mass after the Second Vatican Council. It was the first translation of a post-Vatican II book called *Missale Romanum* in Latin. Some other English-speaking countries have been calling the very same book “Roman Missal” ever since the council and many other vernacular languages also gave the title of the book a more literal translation.

The book was called a Sacramentary in the United States because it resembled books of that title from the Middle Ages. Celebrating the Eucharist has always required a small library of books. The readings were in one book. The music was in another. The prayers of the priest appeared in yet another. In the Middle Ages, these appeared in separate books, but they were ultimately combined into a single volume called the *Missale Romanum*.

After the Second Vatican Council, the readings were published separately, partly because the number of selections greatly increased. Those vol-



umes have been called the Lectionary for Mass, but they are still part of the “Roman Missal”—the library of books required for the Eucharist. The main altar book still includes the prayers and antiphons. The medieval Sacramentaries did not include the words of the antiphons or the music for the dialogues. So what we have called “Sacramentary” in the United States is not completely the same as the medieval book of the same name.



The title of the book has changed from Sacramentary to The Roman Missal for greater consistency with the Latin original and the books used in many other countries. The words inside the Missal have undergone a new translation, but the contents remain those that were established after the Second Vatican Council.

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.

August 3, 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

REGINA CAELI
Classical Homeschool Hybrid

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.

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

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St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

Our campers had a blast when music therapist Miss Jacqueline visited our summer camp! With her guitar in hand and a heart full of joy, she led our little friends in singing, dancing, and shaking along with colorful egg shakers. The children even got a chance to strum her guitar, which brought big smiles and lots of excitement. We are so blessed that Miss Jacqueline takes time out of her busy schedule to share her talents with us—not only during summer camp, but throughout the school year at our early learning center. Her visits are always a highlight, and we're so grateful for the happiness she brings to our sweet little campers!



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.

Have you Registered with the Parish?



Summer is a good time to reconnect with your Catholic faith and your parish. We invite you to stop in to the Parish Life Center and complete a registration form so we can meet you, your family and include you in our activities.

Perhaps you have recently moved to the area, or maybe you have been here awhile and just haven't taken the time to register.

Whatever the reason, we encourage you to stop in the Parish Life Center and join the life of the Church here at St. Cornelious.

Our office hours are Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, and Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Noon. We close for Lunch 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm



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

Families in Gaza are enduring catastrophic conditions as hostilities escalate and basic necessities for survival vanish. The Ministry of Health in Gaza and the United Nations reports indicate that deaths from starvation and severe malnutrition are rising daily. Amid relentless violence, people are grappling with death, injury, forced displacement and deep psychological trauma. More than 2 million people are now crammed into an area smaller than 17 square miles, with 88% of the territory under Israeli military control or designated for evacuation.

The Ministry of Health in Gaza reports that emergency rooms are filling with people collapsing from physical depletion. Hundreds of children and adults have surpassed the limits of their physical endurance and are at imminent risk of death.



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PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

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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
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The Walking with Purpose Bible study

Whether you are just beginning to explore your faith or have walked with God for years, you will find encouragement, support, and meaningful conversation as we study God's word. Previous experience with Bible study is not necessary. Bring your Bible, bring a friend and consider joining us this fall for our next study:

Opening Your Heart

We meet weekly in the Parish Life Center starting Tuesday, October 7th through March of 2026, with breaks for the holidays.

For more information, an Open House will take place at the Parish Life Center on Tuesday morning September 30th from 10:00 am -11:00 am, and Tuesday evening from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm.



To Register for the fall session, contact one of our Parish Coordinators for your preferred time:

Tuesday Mornings
10:00 am -12:00 pm - Agnes Arkus
agnesa324@verizon.net (302) 290-3486

Tuesday Evenings
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm - Beth Baldo
baldobetha@gmail.com (845) 558-7089

Information about WWP is available on the St. Cornelius parish website at: <https://saintcornelius.org/walking-with-purpose>

Accompanying study guide for **Opening Your Heart** can be purchased at: <https://shop.walkingwithpurpose.com>





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.



Giving Hope to All



Sunday Mass Intentions

- 7:30 AM Jeanne Kitson
- 9:00 AM James B. Sullivan
- 11:00 AM Msgr. Gregory Parlante
- 4:00 PM Sean O'Neil

Weekly Mass Schedule
(Week of August 11 - August 15)

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Reading: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22;
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12;
Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40

Monday 7:30 AM

Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin

Intention: Deceased members of the Consorto family
Reading: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15 19-20;
Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday 7:30 AM

Intention: Mary Lou Piccone
Reading: Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12;
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday 7:30 AM

Intention: Mark Andrew Weber
Reading: Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17,
Mt 18:15-20

Thursday 7:30 AM

Memorial of Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr

Intention: Antonietta & Carlo Cutrufello
Reading: Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114: 1-2, 3-4,
5-6; Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday

Holy Day of Obligation

The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary
7:30 AM • 12:00 Noon • 7:00 PM

Reading: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12,
16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

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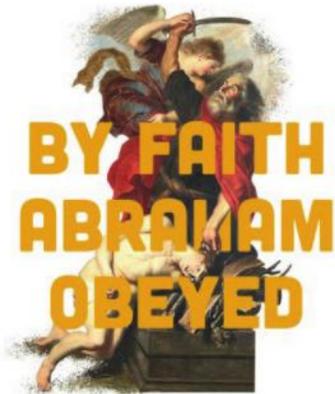
The dates for August thru December are now available on the sign-up.

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FAITH AND HOPE

Faith and hope are closely united in today's readings. The Israelites knew when the Passover was coming, and so were not in fear, but had faith and courage, "putting into effect with one accord the divine institution." In this we can see a foretelling of the Eucharist that we celebrate according to Christ's command, "Do this in memory of me."



We see that Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob died in faith, although they did not see fulfillment of the promise. We live in hope that our faith will be fulfilled every time we celebrate this sacrament.

We too are not to be afraid, but to have hope that our faith will be fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The wonderful diversity of life and worship among Roman Catholics of East and West is an example of

God writing straight with crooked lines. The steady hand of the villainous Emperor Diocletian drew a line across Europe and Africa that split the empire in two, and for the most part determined how Christians would worship two thousand years later.

Italy's heel and the far northern city of Trieste fell on the Eastern side, and have had a form of Eastern liturgy ever since. Constantinople, which soon became the seat of the Roman Empire, became a base for Christianizing the East up to Russia and Poland. Poland was on the Eastern side, but a series of wars and medieval mayhem pushed the religious boundary back to the Ukraine, and Poland remains an outpost of the Latin Church to this day.

An old rule of thumb declared that whatever religion was observed by the local prince, the people had to follow. This gave rise to persecution and migration as people sought toleration for their expressions of faith. In the United States, we are accustomed to peaceful collaboration among Christians of East and West, a situation that challenges churches that still feel the pinch of age-old division.

—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.**

**For further information or to Volunteer (Help Needed to collect, sort & deliver)
please contact: Mary Allen (text 484-432-5098)
or Colleen Zangla (colleenmz@hotmail.com)**

Thank you so much and God Bless You for your Generosity

