



SAINT CECILIA'S CHURCH

Internment of Cremated Remains on All Souls Day



WITH THE HELP OF SAINT CECILIA PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

Dear brothers and sisters,

It's been a busy week as scores of volunteers have been preparing for Christmas in Acadia. I just came back from the poutine kitchen where experts in eyeing, mashing, straining, spinning and forming potatoes into delicious poutines are hard at work. Last night folks were making meatballs by the hundred and our High School students were making apple pies!

The sense of enormous gratitude for all the folks who have been working for months to prepare for our major fundraiser of the year sits right behind my heart. I think of the Flea Market folks pricing thousands of items and stocking shelves for hours at a time. And so many others! Thank you!!!

Alongside the preparations for the fair, the work continues on our Church gutters. The great good news is that the work is going quicker than we had expected. If you get a chance to watch Adam's video of the building of walkways in the attic and the installation of new drains, you will get a good sense of what they have been up to. Here is the first new drain, which was installed just a few days ago.



Soon, we will begin the restoration of the floor in the new Blessed Sacrament Chapel. You may also have noticed that the wood tester which hangs over the Blessed Sacrament disappeared this week. It will return in the coming days as two testers, one in each of the side chapels. Once the Blessed Sacrament and Baptismal Font have been relocated to their new spaces, images of your favorite saints will sit beneath these two testers for our veneration and meditation.

Preliminary work to secure the plaster on the column nearest the shrine of Saint Cecilia is also in the works, so that we can return the ambo to its position and expand the seating for lay ministers on that side of the sanctuary. Sometime soon, the priest's chair will also move to the other side (where the ambo is now) in preparation for the creation of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, sometime after the first of the year.

Of course none of the painting and final plastering will take place until we have completed the waterproofing of the exterior of the building, which may have to wait until the other side of winter. All in God's good time!

Thank you for all your support through all of this. May God bring to a happy conclusion that he has so wondrously begun!

In the Lord,

Monsignor Moroney





HOW MANY MEATBALLS?



HAPPY BAKERS



SERIOUS BAKERS



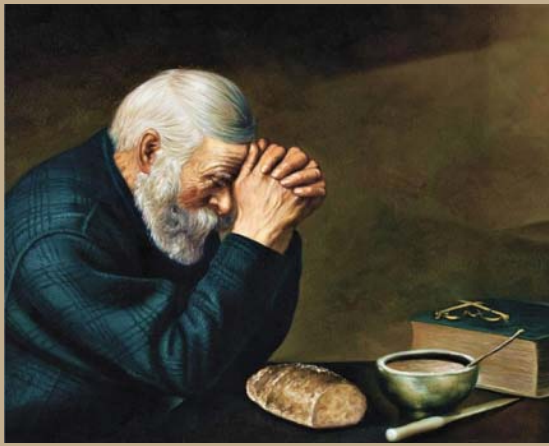
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EXPERT ADVICE!



THE SECRET IS IN
THE PIE CRUST!



PRAY WITH US!

Pray for all who are sick, and especially for Francis Wada, Judith Arnold, Elaine Nasal, Yvonne Champagne, Linda Kinsey, Jill Bolduc, Rhea Girouard, Stephanie Matthews, and Helen St. Germaine.

Pray for all who live in the Holy land, that God might bring peace to that troubled land.

Join us in praying for those who have died recently: Claire M. Quiet, Robert J. Doiron, Aurele J. Bourque and Christiane M. Smith. Pray for their families, as well, that they may be consoled by the promises of Christ.

If you know someone who needs prayers, call the rectory or email us at office@stceciliachurch.net and we will add them to our prayer list for the next several weeks.

The Giving Tree

Helping Those in Need



Once again, the St. Cecilia Conference of St. Vincent de Paul is organizing our annual parish Giving Tree. If you are a parishioner who needs help making Christmas a little merrier for your family please call 978-962-1259 and a volunteer will assist with your request. Deadline for requests is Monday, November 21st. Tags from The Guild of St. Agnes for pre-school children as well as tags for the Diocesan seminarians will also be on our parish tree.

**Last Weekend's
Parish Collections
totaled
\$9,710!**

thank you!



OPENING SONG

1. Praise Cecilia, humble virgin,
on her feast we gladly sing.
Praise her holiness and virtue
eager hearts and voices bring.
With her let us sing the glory
known to those who faith sustains
souls unsullied by contagion
hearts where purity remains.

2. Praise Cecilia, pure and lowly,
singing at her wedding feast
to the Lord, her true beloved,
Christ the victim, Christ the Priest.
See her spouse, with fury blinded,
threatening her whom he had wed,
'Til an angel leads him onward
to the One raised from the dead.

3. Praise Valerian, from the waters
of the font did he arise,
as the angel showed Cecilia
crowned with roses from on high.
Sainted spouse now crowned with glory,
martyred for the faith he held,
though his earthly life was taken,
Christ eternal in him dwelled.

4. Praise Cecilia, for her courage
as they tried her to behead.
Though the sword did cruelly strike her
thrice she neither died nor bled.
Only when three days had ended
did she join her Risen Lord
with celestial choirs of angels
where they sing with one accord.

5. Dear Cecilia, blessed patron,
hear our song upon your feast.
Pray that we might share your courage
following Christ, our great High Priest.
May our voices join the angels
in the choirs of heaven above
praising him, our Lord and Savior
singing with the Saints in love.

NOVENA TO SAINT CECILIA

Please join us in praying this prayer every day
from November 14th through November 22nd



LITANY

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

God our Father in heaven
God the Son, Redeemer of the world
God the Holy Spirit
Holy Trinity, one God

Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us.
Have mercy on us.

St. Cecilia
Chaste and holy virgin
Singer of holy canticles
Apostle of purity and virtue
Apostle of zeal
Apostle of charity
Aflame with divine love
Illustrious martyr of Christ
Accompanied by an angel
Protected from the sword
Consolation of the afflicted,
Patron of musicians
Inspiration of composers

Pray for us.
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You gave voice to the celestial harmonies Pray for us.
You taught us to sing God's praises Pray for us.
By your example you converted your spouse Pray for us.
You won for him the crown of martyrdom Pray for us.
You moved the hearts of pagans Pray for us.
You shared in the Savior's Passion Pray for us.
After three days you shared in his glory Pray for us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world
Grant us peace.

NOVENA PRAYER TO SAINT CECILIA

O God, who gladden us each year
with the feast day of your handmaid, Saint Cecilia,
grant, we pray,
that we might imitate her example of purity and faith
and sing your praises in all that we say and do.
Hear our petitions (**pause in silence**).
May the Blessed Cecilia bring them before your throne
where all the saints and angels sing your praises,
God, forever and ever. Amen.

SAINT CECILIA NOVENA 2023

IN THE MAIN CHURCH

Tuesday, November 14th at 6pm	NOVENA PRAYERS
Wednesday, November 15th at 6pm	MASS WITH NOVENA PRAYERS
Thursday, November 16th at 6pm	NOVENA PRAYERS
Friday, November 17th at 6pm	NOVENA PRAYERS
Saturday, November 18th at 6pm	MASS WITH NOVENA PRAYERS
Sunday, November 19th at 9:45am	MASS WITH NOVENA PRAYERS CONCLUDING WITH THE PROCESSION WITH THE STATUE OF SAINT CECILIA
Monday, November 20th at 6pm	NOVENA PRAYERS
Tuesday, November 21st at 6pm	NOVENA PRAYERS
Wednesday, November 22nd at 6pm	PONTIFICAL MASS WITH BISHOP MCMANUS



CAN YOU HELP THE ANGELS?



Dear Monsignor,

Count me on the side of the angels!

Enclosed is my gift of \$_____ to help with repair of the roof and gutters.

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PLEASE RETURN BY MAIL, COLLECTION BASKET
OR CARRIER ANGEL!

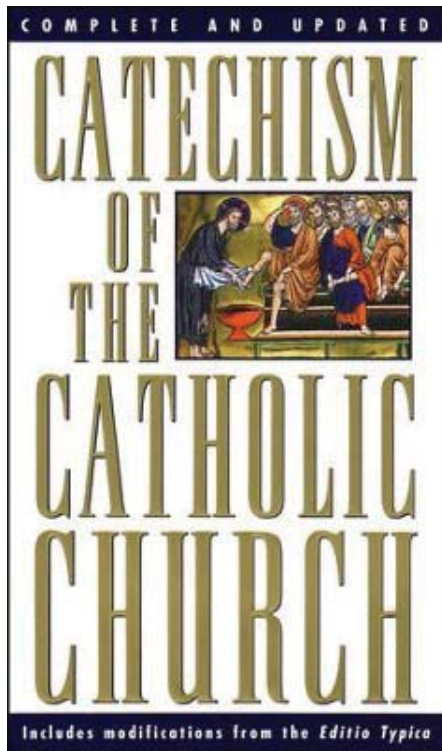
Have you seen the new door to the Church, located 145' up on the rectory side of the tower? We installed it so that the angels would have an easier way to fly into the Church (although we also let the carpenters and plumbers use it when they are reconstructing the roof drains).

Which reminds me, might you be able to help the angels by making a special gift for the renovation of our gutters and roofs?



AN INTRODUCTION TO CATHOLICISM

Everything you've ever want to know about being Catholic



What is the Catholic Church all about? What does it mean to be Catholic? What do Catholics actually believe?

The Catholic Church is extraordinary. Founded by Christ himself, the Catholic Church is where we encounter God in his Word, his sacraments, and his saints. The Church faithfully proclaims the fullness of faith, leaving no truth out. It proclaims the fullness of life, leaving no person out. It calls all to repent and to believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the source of all life and salvation.

Maybe you've been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you're just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be profoundly moved by the beauty and the richness of the Catholic Church.

**Join Pat Secino for this study of our Catholic Faith
beginning Thursday, November 16th at 9:30 AM
in the Parish Center.**

All are welcome!

Attention All Christmas In Acadia Raffle Winners!

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

The booth chairpersons will be at the Parish Hall on Monday evening this week at 6:30pm for prize distribution. For those who cannot pick up their prizes on Monday, they will be available at the Rectory, starting on Wednesday during normal office hours (10am - 3pm, Monday-Friday).



THIS WEEK AT SAINT CECILIA



Saturday November 11 Vigil *Breaking Bread*, page 216

3:00pm Confessions (Church)

4:00pm Mass for Rickie Daigle (42nd anniversary), by the family. (Church)

Sunday November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary *Breaking Bread*, page 216

7:00am Mass for Octave Cormier, by his wife, Kathleen Cormier. (Church)

9:45am Mass for Richard Girardin (1st anniversary), by his wife, Jeanne Girardin. (Church)

9:45am-11:00am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, and other classes through Grade six (Parish Center)

11:15am Mass for Marie Germaine Richard, by the Saint Cecilia Poutine Kitchen. (Church)

10:00am-11:00am RCIA. (Rectory)

Monday November 13 Weekday

9:00am Mass for the Parishioners of Saint Cecilia Parish. (Chapel)

3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)

7:00-8:15pm - Religious Education, grades seven through ten (Parish Center)

Tuesday November 14 Weekday

9:00am Mass for Lilianne Babineau, by Kevin and Michele Mack. (Chapel)

3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)

6:00pm Novena to Saint Cecilia (day one). (Church)

Wednesday November 15 Weekday

9:00am Mass for Winnie Martin, by Idora LeBlanc and family. (Chapel)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass

Noon Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel)

3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)

6:00pm Mass for Priscilla Kennedy (10th anniversary), by the family.

with Novena to Saint Cecilia (day two). (Church)

6:30pm Confessions

7:00pm Rosary (Chapel)



Thursday November 16 Weekday

9:00am Mass for Phyllis Tata, from a friend. (Chapel)
 9:30am. Confessions
 9:30am Bible Study (Parish Center)
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)
 6:00pm Novena to Saint Cecilia (day three). (Church)

Friday November 17 Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

9:00am Mass for Victor Amenta, Jr. (4th anniversary), by the family. (Chapel)
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass
10:00am Funeral Mass for Roger J. Nault. (Church)
 Noon Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel)
 1:00pm Mass with Residents of the Manor on the Hill.
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)
 6:00pm Novena to Saint Cecilia (day four). (Church)

Saturday November 18 Weekday

9:00am Mass for Gloria (Cormier) Wesolowski (30th anniversary), by her daughter Sally and family. (Chapel)
 9:30am Confessions (Church)

Saturday November 18 Vigil *Breaking Bread*, page 219

3:00pm Confessions (Church)
4:00pm Mass for Dr. Richard Secino (5th anniversary), by his wife.
 with Novena to Saint Cecilia (day five). (Church)

Sunday November 19 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time *Breaking Bread*, page 219

7:00am Mass for Paul Hamel (13th anniversary), by his family. (Church)
 10:00-11:00am RCIA (Rectory)
9:45am Mass for Lester and Alice Gaudet, by their daughters.
 with Novena to Saint Cecilia (day six). (Church)
 9:45am-11:00am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, and other classes through Grade six (Parish Center)
11:15am Mass for Loretta E. McDonald (20th anniversary), by her husband and family. (Church)
 12:30pm Baptism of Annemarie Catherine Marabello.

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS

There are 78 shopping days until Christmas!

Wouldn't you like to order that perfect gift for someone AND help our beloved Church!

Here's are some ideas for Christmas (or anytime) giving to someone else or you!

SAINT CECILIA PUZZLES

17" x 12" puzzle with 315 pieces IN FOUR DESIGNS



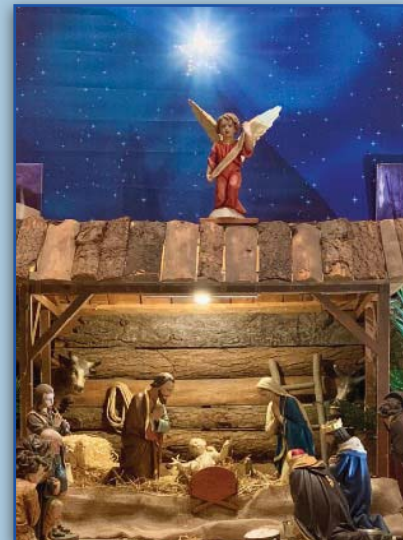
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CHRISTMAS 2022



CHRISTMAS MANGER

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POPE FRANCIS'S APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION
ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF
SAINT THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS
EXCERPTS - PART ONE



“It is confidence and nothing but confidence that must lead us to Love.” These striking words of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face say it all. They sum up the genius of her spirituality and would suffice to justify the fact that she has been named a Doctor of the Church. Confidence, “nothing but confidence”, is the sole path that leads us to the Love that grants everything. With confidence, the wellspring of grace overflows into our lives, the Gospel takes flesh within us and makes us channels of mercy for our brothers and sisters.

It is confidence that sustains us daily and will enable us to stand before the Lord on the day when he calls us to himself: “In the evening of this life, I shall appear before you with empty hands, for I do not ask you, Lord, to count my works. All our justice is stained in your eyes. I wish, then, to be clothed in your own Justice and to receive from your Love the eternal possession of yourself.”

The earthly life of Saint Therese was brief, a mere twenty-four years, and completely ordinary, first in her family and then in the Carmel of Lisieux. The extraordinary burst of light and love that she radiated came to be known soon after her death, with the publication of her writings and thanks to the countless graces bestowed on the faithful who invoked her intercession.

In the name that Therese chose as a religious, Jesus stands out as the “Child” who manifests the mystery of the Incarnation, and the “Holy Face” of the one who surrendered himself completely on the Cross. She is “Saint Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face.”

The name of Jesus was constantly on her lips, as an act of love, even to her last breath. She had also written these words in her cell: “Jesus is my one love.” It was her interpretation of the supreme statement of the New Testament: “God is love” (1 Jn 4:8.16).





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