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**Rosary:** Monday through Friday at 3:00pm; Wednesday at 7:00pm.

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## WITH THE HELP OF SAINT CECILIA PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

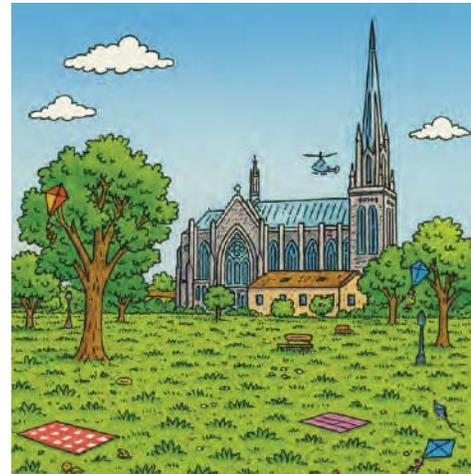


Dear brothers and sisters,

Last week I spoke of some of the ways in which Artificial Intelligence can misinform or even mislead us, especially in news about what Pope Leo XIV has or has not said.

But to be fair, Artificial Intelligence can do some incredible things, as well. Like the “Where’s Waldo” style cover of this week’s bulletin. It was all computer generated by ChatGPT.

The first thing we did was to upload a picture of the park from the Corpus Christi procession and ask ChatGPT to convert it into a cartoon in the style of “Where’s Waldo” without any figures in it.



Then we created each figure on the same platform and placed them randomly across the park.

Now you probably spotted Waldo (doing a somersault) right away. But did you see Father Paul (the only priest with glasses) or me? Did you spot the Flamingo or the two men discussing how the plastic comb was invented in Leominster? How about the kids retrieving kites from the trees (one a bit more successful than the other) or the priest carrying a thurible of incense (he’s near Johnny Appleseed)?

Now, maybe the reason I am impressed by AI is that it (**erroneously**) gave me more hair than I have and turned it back to the color it was twenty years ago! But we can’t expect Artificial Intelligence to be perfect, can we?

Hope you enjoyed this fun little diversion as summer begins. And even more, I pray your whole summer will be filled with relaxation and fun and much joy!

In the Lord,

Monsignor Moroney





## REFLECTIONS ON THE COLLECT

BY DANIEL MORRISSEY



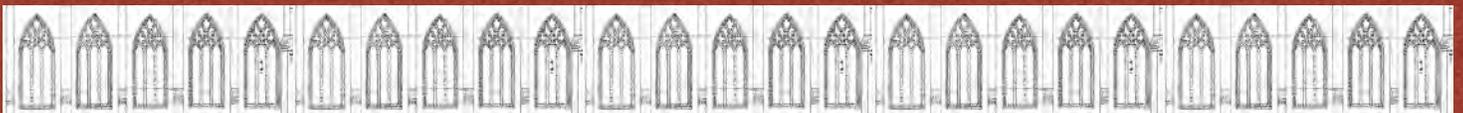
Today's Collect prayer is broken into three parts. First, we address the God, our Father. Then, we ask for something. That has primarily been the primary focus of my reflections thus far. Finally, the third part is what we call the doxology where we offer our prayers in praise of God the Father whom we are addressing through Christ the Son in the Holy Spirit. The only way to the Father is through Christ the Son, of whose Body we have become members and so we offer our prayers through him.

Our Collect for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time this week asks God to give us "the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honor." In this petition I see two things being asked for: an abandonment and a pursuit.

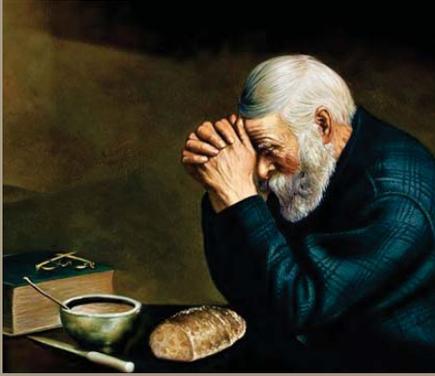
By asking for the grace to reject whatever is contrary to Christ we are ultimately asking for the grace to abandon our sins and the affection for them. To those who feel discouraged by the battle against sin and their affections for them I wish to share a quote from St. Bernard of Clairvaux from one of his sermons on the Song of Songs: "every soul, I say, standing thus under condemnation and without hope, has the power to turn and find it can not only breathe the fresh air of the hope of pardon and mercy, but also dare to aspire to the nuptials of the Word, not fearing to enter into alliance with God or to bear the sweet yoke of love with the King of angels." If you feel weighed down by your sins, worry not, confess them and be reconciled to God. He will forgive you and shower you with mercy. Ask him to help you live from this place of gratitude because you have been shown great mercy. Ask him to lessen any affection for certain sins that you still may have. God gives us the grace to do so; let's cooperate with it.

We also ask for the grace to strive in pursuit of all that honors God. In other words, we ask God also for the grace to pursue virtue and Christ-like love; thereby becoming saints. This is good news and true for each one of us. But sadly, few in the Church believe sanctity is possible. But to echo St. Bernard in his quote above I wish to say to you that it doesn't matter how sinful or even how old you currently are; it's not too late!

Yes, you can dare to aspire to the heights of sanctity. I write this with conviction not because it's just some nice uplifting thing to say to make you feel good but because it's the truth. Yes, even for you! Not only is it possible for you to rise in freedom from the current sins you are struggling with, but it's possible for you to rise to the altars of the saints. Yes, it is indeed possible, not due to our own merits but because of God's mercy that we trust in and his grace that we cooperate with. Be not afraid, it is God who will do it and he who makes it easy. This week let us ask God for the faith and confidence to not only believe but also to desire that we can become saints.



## PRAY WITH US!



**Pray for all who are sick, and especially for:** Wayne G., Stephanie St. G., Christina Fernet, Claudette Lucas, Klye Eaton, Rita Churri, Joseph “Max” Beaudoin, John LaFortune, Lyndsay Booth, Haddie Boucher, Lisa Stacy, Raymond Maillet and Connie A.

Join us in praying for those who have died recently. 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 [office@stceciliachurch.net](mailto:office@stceciliachurch.net) and we will add them to our prayer list for the next several weeks.

**LAST WEEKEND'S  
PARISH COLLECTIONS  
TOTALLED \$9,469.**



### The 2026 Mass Book is now open.



We look for ways to honor our deceased family members and friends, one of the best ways to do this is to have a Mass offered on their behalf. It is the greatest form of prayer we have available to us on earth. It's important to remember that once our loved ones have passed away, they can no longer pray for themselves. It's up to us to keep praying for their souls!

Please stop by the rectory or call on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 10am and 3pm, Pat Secino will be happy to assist you.

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Cecilia Parish would like to sincerely thank their generous donors and largely anonymous benefactors for helping them to help others. With your donations they have been able to provide food, emergency shelter, rental assistance, gas money, heating expenses, and aid in avoiding utility shut-off as well as several other services to individuals and families with children in our area.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of our Help! They require our aid to continue assisting people in need in our own area in their time of emergency. With rising costs and the overwhelming number of calls, it has almost depleted their funds.

Please consider making a donation in one of the donation boxes located at each church entrance, or drop off or send by mail the rectory to the Attention of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. All donations are greatly needed and appreciated!



## WHERE IT ALL BEGAN!

With the church completed, Fr. Chicoine made a generous donation of \$35,000 to have his childhood friend Claver Casavant from St. Hyacinthe, Quebec build an organ. Fr. Chicoine had a great love of music and wanted a magnificent organ to fill the large gothic structure. The Casavant organ Opus 1477 is an instrument of more than 4,412 pipes with 64 stops and a four manual console rivaling the Casavant organs at the Cathedral of St. Paul and Notre Dame in Southbridge. The organ ranges from small tender tones to vaulting and enormous crescendos. Fred Gamache and David Lasky are two of the notable organists at St. Cecilia Parish. David Lasky has served over 40 years as the resident organist.



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If you or someone you know has been abused by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility for hope, help and healing. We encourage you to contact our Diocesan victim assistance coordinator, Judith Audette: 508-726-2880 ([jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org)), Diocese of Worcester, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609. All reports of child abuse are also reported to law enforcement.

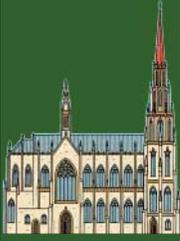
The Catholic Church in the United States recognizes her "obligation to protect children and young people and to prevent sexual abuse flows from the mission and example given to us by Jesus Christ himself, in whose name we serve." (*USCCB Charter for the Protection of Minors*).



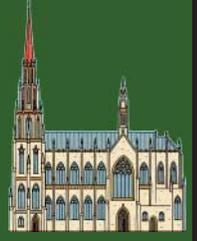
Monsignor Moroney blessed Yvon and Hermine Leger at the 4pm Mass last week, as they celebrated the 67<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their marriage! They were surrounded by their loving family and a church full of happy parishioners!



At the SUPER-BINGO on Saturday night, Monsignor Moroney (assisted by seminarian Daniel Morrissey) announced to the 181 players that we had surpassed the \$19,000 needed for a new BINGO machine!! Congratulations to BettyAnn Harrington and her legions of workers for making all this possible!



# THIS WEEK AT SAINT CECILIA



Saturday July 12 Vigil *Breaking Bread, page 190*

3:00pm Confessions (Church)  
**4:00pm Mass** for Elizabeth Savoie (20<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by John and Charleen Raymond (Church)

Sunday July 13 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Breaking Bread, page 190*

**7:00am Mass** for Andre and Alan Bergeron, by Mr. and Mrs. James W. Provo (Church)  
**9:45am Mass** for Pamela Petricca (7<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by her husband and family (Church)  
**11:15am Mass** for Steven Sonia, by the Serra Club (Church)  
 1:00pm Baptism of Evelyn Delia Tourigny, Jayden Evantus and Miles Michael Francis (Church)  
 6:00-8:00pm Sunday Night Card Players (Parish Center)

Monday July 14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

**9:00am Mass** for Donald Cormier, by Ginette (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)

Tuesday July 15 Saint Bonaventure

**9:00am Mass** for Annie Marcoux, by Kevin and Michele Mack, Simard's FH (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)

Wednesday July 16 Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Patrick J. Cannon, by Edwin J. Cannon (Chapel)  
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass - Benediction at Noon (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
**6:00pm Mass** for Bernice Claire Bangrazi, by the family (Chapel)  
 6:30pm Confessions (Church)  
 7:00pm Rosary (Chapel)  
 7:30pm Introduction to Catholicism for Young Adults (Rectory)

Thursday July 17 Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Mary Caron, by Jean Noel and Anne Marie Bernard (Chapel)  
 9:30am Confessions (Church)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 7:00-9:00pm Haitian Prayer Group (Chapel)

Friday July 18 Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Victor Amenta, Jr., by his wife, Carol (Chapel)  
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass - Benediction at Noon (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 6:30pm BINGO (Parish Center) Doors open at 4:00pm; Game starts at 6:30pm

Saturday July 19 Weekday in Ordinary Time

**9:00am Mass** for Charles and Mildred Bilodeau, by last will (Chapel)  
 9:30am Confessions (Church)

Saturday July 19 Vigil *Breaking Bread, page 192*

3:00pm Confessions (Church)  
**4:00pm Mass** for Molly McGovern, by Sue and Ed Zephir, Susan Chalifoux-Zephir, Eladia Romero and Brandon Robbins (Church)

Sunday July 20 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Breaking Bread, page 192*

**7:00am Mass** for Claude and Robert Doiron, by Emile, Rose and Denise (Church)  
**9:45am Mass** for Mr. and Mrs. Donat LeBlanc, by Felix and Annette LeBlanc (Church)  
**11:15am Mass** for James and Lucille Fernandes, by the family (Church)  
 6:00-8:00pm Sunday Night Card Players (Parish Center)



**Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**



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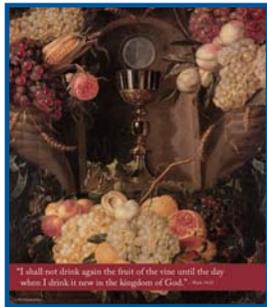
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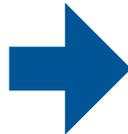
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