

Saint Cecilia Parish

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CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

All Catholic Churches in the United States require from Catholics serving as a Godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation a certificate of eligibility. This document certifies that the Godparent/sponsor is a registered member of the parish, attends Holy Mass, approaches the sacraments regularly and contributes to the support of the Church via the Sunday offering envelope program or "WeShare". It is the responsibility of the individual to meet these requirements as listed in the Code of Canon Law, #874.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism can be made by calling Fr. Matt at extension 15.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements are to be made at least ONE YEAR in advance. The date should not be set until the priest has been consulted.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night. If there is anyone at home or in the hospital who cannot get to Mass and the Sacraments because of illness or old age, please inform one of the priests or call the Parish Office @ 973-627-0313.

EMERGENCY PHONE:
862-251-3914

MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 pm, 7:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:15 am
10:45 am and 12:15 pm
5:00 pm (Vietnamese)

Holydays

Vigil 4:30 pm
6:30 am, 8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Weekday Schedule:

Monday - Friday
6:30 am & 8:00 am
Saturday
8:00 am followed by Novena

Confessions

Saturday @ 3:30—4:00 pm &
6:15-6:45 pm
Monday during Holy Hour
7:00—8:00 pm

Ms. Susan Brennan
TRUSTEE

Mr. James Gallagher
TRUSTEE

NOVENA: OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL AND OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Saturday morning after the 8:00 am Mass

HOLY HOUR : Monday @ 7:00 pm (Sept. to June)

RCIA—RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION— FOR ADULTS:

Please contact Sr. Diane @ 973-627-0313 ext: 14

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP: Monday through Sat. @ 7:30 am

FEMININE GENIUS PROJECT: 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:00 pm in the parish office.

ST. JOSEPH MEN'S GROUP: 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 6:00 am in the parish office.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP: 1st Wednesday of the month; 10:00 am in the church (Sept. to June)

ST. MONICA NOVENA: Last Saturday after 8:00 am Mass.

Parish Summer Office Hours:

Starting after Memorial Day until Labor Day
Monday thru Thursday: 8:30—4:00
(Lunch 12:00—1:00)
Friday: Closed

Monday, June 17, Weekday

6:30 am — John Dunn req. by Helen Chiuchiolo

8:00 am - Bernard McDonnell req. by McDonnell Family

Tuesday, June 18, Weekday

6:30 am — Special Intention: Luis Gomez req. by Ana Colditz

8:00 am — Charles Cirella req. by Noreen Breslauer

Wednesday, June 19, Saint Romuald, Abbot

6:30 am — Heather Dilzer req. by Diane & Lyle Ryder

8:00 am — Margaret Buck req. by Pat Degnan

Thursday, June 20, Weekday

6:30 am — For the sick listed in our bulletin and their caregivers

8:00 am — Virginia Celentano req. by Carol & Gary McGotty

Friday, June 21, Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

6:30 am — Edward Breslauer req. by wife, Noreen

8:00 am — Gerard Cunningham req. by Ed & Mary Merz

Saturday, June 22, Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop, Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs; BVM

8:00 am — Spiritual Bouquet for Fathers

Sunday, June 23, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 am — Dorothy DeLiberto req. by Elaine & Tom Potkalesky

Robert M. Smith req. by his wife, Phyllis

7:00 pm — Colleen Rivet req. by Trudy Simmons

Jeanne & Bill Gallagher req. by their daughter, Jan

8:00 am — George & Rose Ann Cunningham req. by Ed & Mary Merz

Florence Guarducci req. by Sophie Boylan

9:15 am — Frederick & Mary Brussell req. by McDonnell Family

Marie & Dominic Recchia req. by Maleck Family

10:45 am — Zigmund Pelowski req. by Fr. Zig

James Dougherty req. by O'Donnell Family

12:15 pm — Millie Velotta req. by Rosalie & Bob Marmara

Barbara Layden req. by Seligmuller Family

ST. CECILIA CHURCH COLLECTION GOALS**Week Ending : June 9, 2024**

Collection—Checks & Cash	\$ 8,821.13
WeShare Electronic Giving	\$ 4,398.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$ 13,219.13

Yearly Collection Goal (BUDGET) \$ 785,000.00

Weekly Goal \$ 14,038.46

Weekly Collection Surplus (Deficit) \$ (819.33)**Year To Date Surplus (Deficit) \$ (1,049.53)**

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC

Our Condolences to the Family of
Wayne Faulkner
Eternal Rest Grant to him Lord

CEMETERY MASS – Holy Mass on the Fourth of July, Thursday morning, will be celebrated at the parish cemetery at 9 o'clock. Please bring a lawn chair! In the event of rain the Mass will take place in the church. There is only one Mass on the 4th of July!

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

Ethan Chandra, Dean Wayne Campbell, Doris Cusick, Jane Gorcica, Sam Sessa, Karen Niles, Noel Wadleigh, David Cicchine, Teresa D'Atria, Derek Bascharow, Debbie Malc, Grace McDermott, Joe Horvath, Jr., Elvira Bugaoan, Owen Peter Byrne, Tia Maddaloni, Mason Walker Steussing, Susan Mejia, Derek Bascharow, Jim Rattay, Tom Hull, Kathleen Fazio, Kristin Wich, Kyle Johnson, Kate Darlington, Jake Michael Miraldi, Cheryl Anne Bornemann, Sean Nolan, Maryann Hughes, Peggy Eileen Miars, Ray Kennedy, Richard Corcoran, Madison Rose Leslie, Demetrius Barbee, Frances Finn, Dorothy Murray, Kimberly Dugan, Gale Sessa, Mike Murray, Helene Turner, Michael Turner, Ruben Lorenzo, Michael Alvarez, Mina Simmons-Jones, Joe Maulbeck, Mary Merz, Patricia Smith Schulman, Vincent Fortunato, Joyce Turner, Tom Cumiskey, Dennis O'Brien, Steven Simmons, Ariel, James DiStaiso, Marty Mackin, Brian Bosworth, Dennis Dilger, Robyne LaGrotta, Christopher Darlak, Frieda Solow, Claudia Fontanella, Claire Wasacz, Emilio Viola, James Deegan, Martha Salvesen, Ramiro Hinojosa, Jimmy Buckley, Clare Desmond, Craig Huffman, George Stitik, Stephen Goordman, Cecilia Donofrio, Deidra Zink, Ray Wiest, Anthony Pane, Victoria Zuber, Keith Newman, Francis Sanchez, Raymond Fullam, Franco Maida, John Sandelli, Alan Zenkert, Fran Gatzke, Bob Nielsen, Gert Taylor, Walter Zelinski, Landon Wierks, Clo Callahan, Michael McClain, David Saggioli, Michael Hafke, Tyler Bascharow, Kevin R. Bruno, II, Jeremiah O'Brien, Lanie Bruno, Joan Apgar, Richard Sala, Richard Cortese, Kira Woyce, Anthony D'Alessio, Jenn Suto, Colin Brown.



The people of St. Cecilia Parish are asked to pray for the following people serving our country in the armed services: **SmE3 Andrew Clifford,**

Joseph Giannetti US Navy, Lance Corporal Dennis Wuest, Capt. Kelley E. Robbins, Pvt USMC, Diego Usma, Major Glenn E. Martinez, Sgt. Brian Whalen, Capt. Anthony Odierno, Cpl. Kong V. Nguyen, Cpl. Jim Van Valen, LCPL Anthony Eresman, Sgt. Paul J. Willson, PFC Cano Janeth, Sgt. Bob Autrey, Col. William Paliwada, Sgt 1st Class (E7) Sam Colon, PFC Marylyn Rivera-Sachez, Cpl. Edward C. Thompson, Major Kevin M. Nash, Lt. Amy Cronin, Col. John L. Medeiros, Jr., Sgt. Daniel Healy, Marine Keith Leitner, Sgt. Spencer Lopez, PFC Taryn Kemp, Jeffrey Braunhausen, E7 Joseph Grimsey, Bill Maloney, Greg Bloete, Gian Carlo Bruzzese, Spc. Christopher Little, PFC Brittany Martindell, PO1 (E6) Matthew Fitzgerald, SA Justin C. White, Matthew & Daniel Rosica, Mark Leonard, Sr. Armn. Ashley Valetta, Sgt. John Wisnofsky, Cpl. T.J. Finn, Sgt. Kristopher Faber, Capt. Vincent Presto, Airman First Class William Kussler, Spc. Gregory Villaneuva. We ask God the Father of us all, through the intercession of St. Michael the Archangel, to protect all the men and women in our Armed Forces, to bless them in their efforts toward bringing peace and justice to our world. May they be brought back safely to those they love.

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PHOTOS – Our Parish 150th Anniversary Committee is searching for photos from past events which took place at Saint Cecilia's. If you would like to have your photos included or displayed on our parish website, please drop them off or send them to the parish office (90 Church St. Rockaway, 08866) or our parish website (st-cecilia.org). Please include name, event, date and year (if known), phone number and email. All photos will be carefully handled and returned. For additional information please call Rosalie Marmara at 973.625.3836.

ATTENTION YOUNG MEN – Bishop Sweeney is inviting you to participate in this year's QUO VADIS RETREAT which will take place on Thursday, June 27th, at Camp Shiloh in Hewitt. This is a one day gathering of young men of high school age to consider their vocation and path in life. Mass with Bishop Sweeney; 3 meals provided, including a barbecue lunch by the Knights of Columbus. Highlights include: zip-lining, swimming, rock climbing and hiking, archery & sports; talks by seminarians and priests. Registration is required. NO CHARGE! Contact: vocations@patersaondioocese.org or 973.777.8818x711. OR see Father Matt or Father Zig for details.

Happy Father's Day!

Father Matt, Sister Diane, Sister Marie Pauline and Sister Chiara Marie join with me in wishing all fathers a "Happy Father's Day" and we assure you of our prayers!

Father Zig

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Support St. Cecilia Parish today using your debit or credit card or checking or savings account: Visit www.st-cecilia.org and click Donate Online. Select the collection or event of your choice. Set up your donation or payment. That's it! **OR SCAN HERE:**



BEWARE OF SCAMS – Be on the alert of scams which say they are from me. THEY ARE NOT!!! Please call me at the office (973.627.0313x12) if you have **doubt** about a text, email, etc, which is supposedly from me asking for money, gift cards, favors, etc. PLEASE DO NOT BE FOOLED!!! Fr. Zig

PARISH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE – In conjunction with our parish's 150th anniversary celebration next year I will be leading a pilgrimage to Italy. We leave from Newark International Airport on Monday, April 21 (2025) for our 11 day visit to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo (St. Padre Pio), Bari (Shrine of St. Nicholas) and many more stops. This 11 day pilgrimage coincides with the Holy Year Jubilee in which we will also visit and celebrate Mass in the Basilica of Saint Cecilia. The cost per person is \$5,384. Please visit the 206 TOURS website and enter tour #sp042125 for the itinerary, registration and other information. I hope you will join me on this faith-filled tour! We return on Thursday, May 1st thanking God for this wonderful experience. – Father Zig

CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY – We welcome Catholics who are interested in recovery from addiction and deepening their relationship with Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. "Catholic In Recovery" is a non-profit organization that seeks to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments including: alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction, codependency and the impact on family, and general fear, control and anxiety. It is the aim of "Catholic in Recovery" to share the Good News that God can bring about healing and recovery, even in the most hopeless cases. Questions? Email CIR@ollsparta.org. Meetings: Our Lady of the Lake, 294 Sparta Ave. Saturdays: 7:30 am to 8:30 am AND Thursdays 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm (starting June 6th). ALSO meeting at Our Lady Queen of Peace, 209 Route 206 South, Branchville, Mondays 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

BE PREPARED – The air conditioning system in the church is on its last leg! The system is functioning with only one unit with the other two units unrepairable. Estimates is that a new AC system for the church will run about \$65,000, money which we do not have. (There is some good news however; I am awaiting word from an organization which gives grants to non profits to update their aging systems for a more efficient one. A grant would significantly reduce the cost which we would have to contribute.) With this being said, should the temperature become very uncomfortable in the church, Holy Mass will take place in Hayes Hall which is on a separate and more modern AC system. – Father Zig

Monday, June 17

7:00 pm—Holy Hour (Church)

Tuesday, June 18

12:00 pm—Seniors Meeting (Hayes Hall)

7:45 pm—Light of Christ Prayer Group (HH)

Wednesday, June 19

Parish Office closed for the holiday

8:30 am—Soup Kitchen (Hayes Hall)

Thursday, June 20**Friday, June 21****Saturday, June 22**

8:00 pm—After Cana (Hayes Hall)

Sunday, June 23

8:00 pm—LTP (Hayes Hall)

HOLY HOUR CONCLUDES – Monday evening Holy Hour will be suspended during July and August. The final Holy Hour is June 24th. Holy Hour will resume on September 9th.

SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS – The month of June is dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will pray the Litany to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Monday through Friday immediately following the 8 o'clock Mass.

BAKE SALE – The Saint Monica Guild will conduct a BAKE SALE on Father's Day, June 15-16 following all the Masses. A variety of baked goods will be on sale for the Father's Day holiday. Why not give DAD something sweet for "his day"?

BEYOND THE BEACON – Bishop Kevin Sweeney has a regular podcast entitled, BEYOND THE BEACON which has interesting guests and great topics. Also, check out COFFE WITH KUPKE and THE PAUL STREET JOURNAL on your preferred podcast platforms, such as Apple Podcasts or Spotify OR watch it on YOUTUBE.

5TH SUNDAY ROSARY – The 5th Sunday of the month Rosary will be prayed on Sunday, June 30th at 3 o'clock in the afternoon in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church located on East Main Street. The short service will also include the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. This event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 3359 and is open to all.

DROP BOX IN PLACE – A "drop box" has been positioned near the right side of the front door of the parish office. The box will serve as a place where communications can be picked-up or left-off after office hours.

Divine Mercy Academy News**Congratulations to the Divine Mercy Academy Class of 2024**

We are proud of their hard work and achievements. We will miss them and wish them the best in their high school journey, and many blessings in the future!

Jeremiah Avila
Itzel Beltran
Sophia Bord
Luca Catapano
Olivia Concepcion
Carolina Cordova
Matias Cortavarria
Isabella Gomez
Carlie Johnson
Katelyn Marmara
Arianna Mosquera
Noah Ogbonda
Katelynn Ptak
Carly Rudolph
Joshua Santamaria
Jacob Spear
Nicholas Spedden
Katherine Trepcos

Registration for Religious Education classes for 2024-2025 will be opening soon. Be sure to check the web site for more details under the Faith Formation tab.

st-cecilia.org

St. Cecilia's Summer Bible Camp 2024!!

Tuesday, June 25th – Friday, June 28th
4:00 – 6:00 pm

We are excited to bring back our parish summer bible camp. This experience is for children ages 4-10, and will include games, food, music, lessons, prayer, and lots of special surprises for the kids.

Registration must be done online by visiting the parish website. \$ 50 for 1 child, \$75 for 2 or more children. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.



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ARE YOU REGISTERED? – Saint Cecilia’s is the best parish in the Diocese of Paterson! I know that I am prejudiced but I truly believe this and I hope you do too! We welcome all people to our parish and are delighted each time new members join our faith community. My question is to all, **ARE YOU REGISTERED AS A PARISHIONER?** If you are not sure, please give the parish office a call (973.627.0313) and speak with Janet or Diane to check and to update any information regarding yourself, such as phone number and e mail address, etc. This information is most helpful for me in providing pastoral care to you and your family. Your parish registration is also necessary when you may be asked to submit a “certificate of eligibility” to serve as a godparent/sponsor. If I do not have your registration information then this can become a difficulty. The Registration form may be found on line by going to the parish website or by receiving a copy from the parish office. Your completed registration form may be mailed to the parish office or placed in the collection basket on Sunday. Register and be counted among those who love and support Saint Cecilia’s!
– FATHER ZIG

CANCELLED

The “Daniel” trip to the Sight and Sound Theater has been cancelled. Sorry for any inconvenience!

A SPACE FOR THE HANDICAPPED – Through my pastoral observations and experiences I have concluded that a suitable space is needed in our church for our handicapped parishioners. Accommodation must be made to allow those who use walkers, wheelchairs and other aids to attend Divine Services safely and comfortably. At the recent meeting of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops the hierarchs reaffirmed their concern that the disabled to be part of the worshipping community and that every effort should be made to accommodate them. I have met with the company which services our pews and have agreed with their proposal that the first pew on the right side (Altar of Saint Joseph) be altered. The entire first seat will be removed so as to provide sufficient access for walkers and wheelchairs. Signage will indicate that this pew is reserved for the handicapped only! This work will begin in the next few weeks. – Father Zig

SUMMER IS APPROACHING – With the summer comes the “winding down” of many of activities within our parish. The Monday evening and Tuesday morning Bible studies have concluded in addition to our religious education program. Our final Holy Hour for the season will be on Monday, June 24th. Regular meetings of the parish societies will be on pause during the months of July and August. Summer will be a time for a brief rest as we look forward to September and the return of our regular activities.

ROSYGLO 50/50 RAFFLES – Rosyglo Foundation, which was founded in memory of Sister Thomasine Smith who resided in St Cecelia parish convent for many years, will conduct their annual raffle to benefit the retired Nuns at the Sisters of Christian Charity (our religious order of Sisters) and our own **Divine Mercy Academy** towards scholarships. Raffles will be sold at all masses this weekend, June 29th & 30th. We hope you will support this important fund raiser for this most worthwhile cause. Tickets cost \$5 each. Your generosity will do good works in memory of a devoted religious sister. Thank you for your support.

Come join the Sisters of Christian Charity for their 11th Annual Golf Outing and Inaugural Pickleball Clinic and Round Robin at Fiddler’s Elbow Country Club, Bedminster, NJ, on Monday, September 23, 2024. For more information go to <https://www.sccus.org/golf>.

Morris Catholic Open House

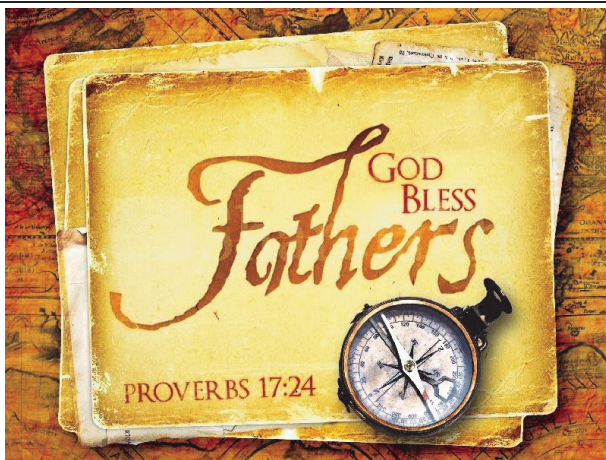
Morris Catholic High School is still accepting applications for the Class of 2028 and transfer students for this upcoming academic year. Scholarship and Financial Aid are still available for qualifying students.

Learn more about Morris Catholic through our Admissions events!

You can sign up for these events at <https://www.morriscatholic.org/admission/>

We are offering in-person campus tours for all families interested. Contact admissions@morriscatholic.org to schedule one of these visits or for more information about our application process!

You can also visit www.morriscatholic.org to learn more about all of our athletic, academic, and extracurricular programs.





My dear parishioners,

Today we mark the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Scripture readings for this Sunday have a common theme which has to do with planting. By now those of you who keep a garden of flowers and vegetables have a while back planted the seeds which have already germinated and are showing themselves as having been transformed. This Sunday we are being asked to consider God's all powerful word which can transform to a glorious state.

The Prophet Ezekiel testifies to God's power to transform a shoot into a grand tree which surpasses all the other trees of the forest. This mighty tree, planted by God, is splendid and adorned like no other tree. This is a tree whose loftiness and grandeur cannot be unnoticed, is a symbol of integrity brought about by the power of God's word.

In the Gospel parable the Lord Jesus reminds His listeners how seed planting reveals an image of the mystery of the Kingdom of God. Jesus says that a very tiny seed is filled with such potential that it can grow into a large bush which can accommodate the birds of the air. This too is a symbol of the power of God's mighty word, transformative in every way imaginable.

Even in today's epistle reading from the second correspondence of the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians we find evidence of the power of God's word. Readers are reminded that in burial of death there is a harvest home which awaits believers. God's word has assured us of the eternal life awaiting the just and righteous. As the Gospel Acclamation for this Sunday says: "*The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to Him will live forever.*"

God's word is life-altering and if we have a receptive heart we will be able to produce a grand harvest of good works. This is the harvest which will accompany us into the presence of God when we pass from this life into eternity – and that's all that matters!

On Tuesday I am leaving for a week's vacation in Rome and will return next Thursday. *Arrivederci!*

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST-GLORY FOREVER!

Father Zig

ST. PAULINUS OF NOLA, Bishop
June 22

BORN in 353 at Bordeaux, Gaul, of a senatorial family, St. Paulinus was educated under the poet Ausonius, and became governor of the province of Campania. He married a Spanish Christian lady named Therasia and for fifteen years displayed his talents in honorable employments in Gaul, Italy, and Spain. His conversations with St. Ambrose at Milan, St. Martin whom he met at Vienne, and St. Delphinus, Bishop of Bordeaux, resulted in his being baptized by the latter in 390.

After the death of his only child he and his wife took a vow of chastity, gave away their considerable wealth, and retired to Spain to embrace the religious life. In 394, he was ordained in Barcelona at the insistence of the people, and together with his wife settled at Nola, Italy, near the tomb of St. Felix, where they founded a home for monks and the poor and lived a very austere life. Because of his widespread reputation for holiness, he was made Bishop of Nola in 409.

His sanctity brought St. Paulinus in contact with the most eminent Saints of his time, such as Augustine and the ones already mentioned above. He had an intense devotion to the saints and respect for their relics. His poetic works, many of them in honor of St. Felix, place him beside Prudentius as the foremost Christian Latin poet of the patristic age. He died in 431.

PRAYER God, You willed that St. Paulinus, Your Bishop, should shine forth with pastoral solicitude and compassion for the poor. Help us who celebrate his merits to imitate the example of his charity. Amen.

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Happy Father's Day

*For I have
chosen him,
so that he
will direct his
children...
to keep the way
of the Lord.
Genesis 18:19*