



Church of Saint Cecilia

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Summer Weekly Masses:
Saturday 4:30 & Sunday 9:30
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45



**SUMMER
OFFICE HOURS**
The parish office is open
Monday-Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm

If I touch the hem of his garment I shall be well.

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The Church of Saint Cecilia

Kudos to St. Cecilia folks Anne Neuberger and Bill Huebsch!

Both recently received recognition from the Catholic Media Association for their publications in the Association’s 2021 awards competition.

Anne Neuberger co-wrote with Helen Hannan Parra and published the book, *Two Days and One Suitcase*. The book received First Place honors in the categories of Catholic Novels-Education; Books for Youth--Ages 11-16 and Self Published Books. The book was given Honorable Mention in the Memoir category.

For an article on this book: <https://www.maryknollmagazine.org/2020/12/two-days-one-suitcase-for-japanese-americans/>

Bill Huebsch won two first place awards at the 2021 Catholic Media Association Book Awards, both for his groundbreaking book *Promise and Hope*—in the categories of Theological & Philosophical Studies and Pastoral Ministry/Catechetical. Bill's book and his other resources are available through his publisher, the Pastoral Center, Alameda, California.

John Hofstede

Project Home

Although Project Home is not returning in the same format as in previous years—at church sites—we have been asked to team with St. Matthew’s Episcopal and four other faith communities this August, as in years past. You may have heard that families are able to stay at a wonderful new site on the St. Catherine campus. They are able to stay there as opposed to being bussed to different sites during the day.

This request from Sara Liegl, Project Home Coordinator, is for volunteer help on weekends, either after the noon meal or evening meal. Meal prep and clean-up (under direction of their staff) is much needed. And if any volunteers are able to stay after to play with the kids, that is always much appreciated. We are being reassured of all necessary Covid precautions taken at their site.

We will only be asked to staff one weekend during August and dates are being worked out. Thanks for considering spending time helping out with this much needed ministry. More details to come.

JoAnn Mason and Rose Marie Assad

Habitat for Humanity

Tres Iglesias is an association of three neighborhood churches (St. Cecilia, St. Frances Cabrini, and Prospect Park United Methodist) who have joined together every year since 1992 to work on a Habitat for Humanity project.

Our 5-day summer Habitat project will be **August 16th-20th** at 397 Maryland Avenue West, in St. Paul. We’re looking for up to 12 volunteers to work on-site each day from 9:00am-3:30pm (Site supervisor and AmeriCorps volunteer will be sanitizing the site from 8:30-9:00am). There will be no formal breaks except for lunch—and you will need to bring your own food/beverages and masks are required. Every volunteer is required to view an [11 minute training video](#) and [volunteer safety document](#) to learn about Covid-19 safety protocols on-site. After viewing these you may sign up to volunteer [here](#). More information and sign up is also available at the [St. Frances Cabrini website](#).

Monetary donations are also welcome to offset our contribution for the build. Checks payable to St. Cecilia “Habitat for Humanity” may be placed in the collection basket during Mass or sent to the parish office. Thank you!

Stewardship-Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Financial Information through March 31:

Anticipated Collections	\$230,327
Actual Collections	\$223,374
PPP Loan Forgiveness	\$36,100
Parish Events, Net	\$18,020
Major Gifts	<u>\$914</u>
Total Revenues	\$278,408
Anticipated Expenses	\$279,058
Actual Expenses	\$253,423
Excess Revenue Over Expenses	\$24,985
Building Fund Contributions	\$5,261
Principal Payments on Debt	\$12,501
Net Surplus	\$17,745
Alms Box Balance as of April 4	\$946.13

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, July 3, 4:30 pm

Cross:	
Book:	Beth C
Candle:	
Lectors:	Steve C./Stephanie K.
Host:	Ellen C.
Cup:	
Greeter:	
Sacristan:	Marge V.

Sunday, July 4, 9:30 am

Cross:	
Book:	Mary Pat Z.
Candle:	
Lector:	Evelyn P./Julie M.
Host:	Paul C.
Cup:	
Greeter:	
Sacristan:	Pat K.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun	Peter’s Pence Collection
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COMMUNITY NEWS



Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend we hope you'll consider supporting the Peter's Pence collection. This collection unites us in solidarity with the Holy Father and his works of charity toward those who are in most need around the world. Envelopes are available in the back of church and may be returned to the regular collection basket.

Catholic School Parents' Association (CSPA)

For many years St. Cecilia's has maintained a commitment to Catholic education by inviting parents enrolled in area Catholic elementary schools to form an informal association to help develop funds for a grant program to offset their tuition costs. To be eligible for these modest grants, participating parents sign an agreement to participate in developing a fund-raising event to help build the fund. In addition, our parish also has a special collection during Catholic Schools Week in early February. A grant amount (based on available funds) is sent in early Spring on the parent's behalf to the school where their child attends.

Interested parents must sign an enrollment agreement by September 1 of the school year with the commitment to participate in the fundraising process. The grant amount will be determined by the total of funds raised by a distribution date around April 15 of that school year.

To participate in the coming school year, please call Linda Whiteneck in the parish office at 651.644.4502.

Ongoing Financial Support

Our fiscal year ends June 30th. Summer is often a lower income period for us and we appreciate your ongoing support. Thank you!

Collection Bin Changes

Due to changes in our community, we have discontinued some of our collection bin donations. Below are specifics as to those items we now only collect..

We Collect:

Nonperishable food

We will continue to collect nonperishable food and personal care items. A bin is located in the lower level link for your donations. In addition, we will continue to hold monthly food drives to increase the food donations for those organizations in need. Monetary donations are also welcome.

Home Goods for Bridging

Bridging serves families in transition. We accept dishes, glassware, pots & pans, bake ware, kitchen utensils, bed linens, towels, and other small household items. Donations may be placed in the bin in the lower link. Items must be free of stains, tears and pet hair. If you have larger items to donate or many items that would overflow our bin, we ask that you deliver them directly. More information about Bridging is available at www.bridging.org. Volunteers are needed for Bridging deliveries.

Questions may be directed to the parish office at 651.644.4502. Thank you.

Library News

It's summer—a good time to pick up a book and relax. St. C's library is stocked with many wonderful offerings from categories such as Holy Men & Women, Prayer, Major Spiritual Writers, Local Authors, and Social Justice to name a few. Stop by the link and peruse the selection.

Men's Softball Games

Come out and support the St. C's men's softball team. Upcoming game dates as follows:

- 7/7 at 6:15pm Edgcombe field
- 7/14 at 6:30pm Palace Field
- 7/21 at 7:15pm at St. Greg
- 7/28 at 7:15pm St. Clair North field
- 8/4 at 6:15pm at St. Clair North field
- 8/11 at 7:15pm at St. Clair South Field



Faith Formation 2021-2022

Please [follow this link](#) to register for the 2021-2022 faith formation year. Phase 1 will begin in October, and I will be in communication about when we can safely transition to Phase 2.

Phase 1: Faith formation will take place **during Sunday morning 10am Mass** on two Sundays a month starting in October. **PreK-1st grade** will meet in the Atrium for CGS as usual.

Second graders will have sacramental preparation with Mary Pat.

Third graders and above will meet with me in a "Liturgy of the Word for Children" format with readings, discussions and projects.

Service Project Option: Once a month families can participate in a large group service project immediately following Mass.

Phase 2: We will reconvene Whole Community Wednesday with a potluck meal and grade level groupings when it is deemed safe to share food and gather in larger groups again. Thank you for your continued commitment to faith formation!

Sacramental Policies

Marriage: Six months notice is required. Three months active parish membership necessary prior to initiating marriage preparation. Call the parish office at 651.644.4502.

Baptism: For more information or to schedule a baptism, please contact Marge Virnig at 651.644.4502 ext. 12.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24. *God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living. The creatures of the earth are wholesome.*

Psalm 30: **I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.**

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15. *Just as you are rich in every respect may you also abound in works of charity. Jesus made himself poor that you might become rich by his poverty.*


Bulletin Deadline: Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Email info to bulletin@stceciliasm.org.

Hymn Numbers:
657, 319, 42, 960, 681, 686

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