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Welcome!

We are happy you are here. We invite you to be a full, active participant in our community.
Let no one feel like a stranger here!

MASS TIMES:

Tues. & Thurs. Mass 8am at Sacred Heart;
Wed. & Fri. Mass 8am at Saint Cecilia;
Saturday 4:00pm at St Cecilia Church
Saturday 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church
Sunday 8:00am at St Cecilia Church
Sunday 10:30am at Sacred Heart Church

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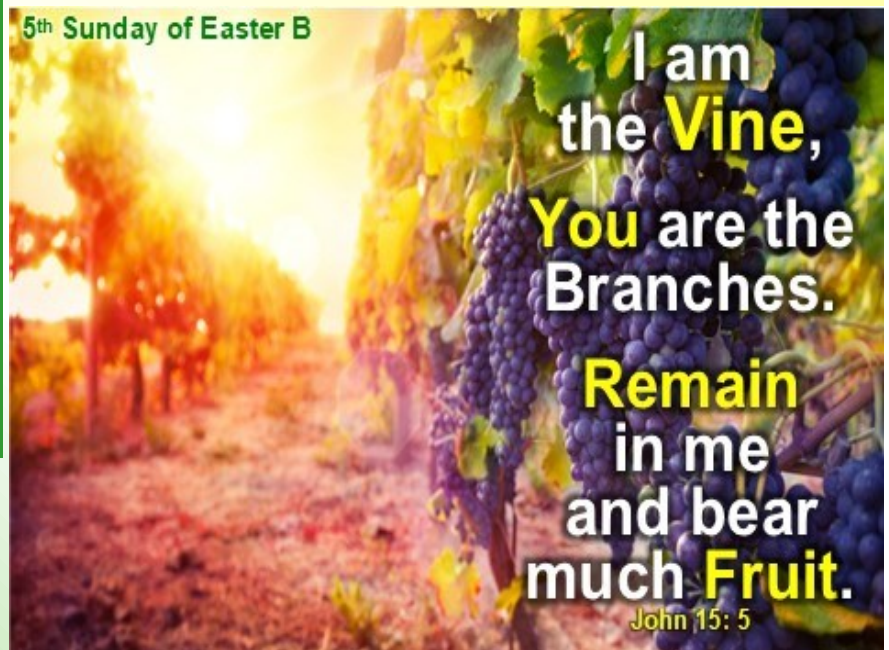
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April 28, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter



ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call Father anytime 724-423-3777.

Please Note: By law, Hospitals and Care Facilities are prevented from notifying us of admissions or status changes. Please contact the Office to request visits or Communion calls as soon as possible.

Home visits are continuing for the Homebound.

RECONCILIATION (Confession): ½ hour before Mass or by appt.

WEDDINGS: Couples must meet with the pastor at least twelve months in advance of the planned marriage date.

BAPTISMS: Call the pastor to schedule & prepare for Baptism.

Please Note: Certificates to be a Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation can only be given to one who is a registered and practicing member of the Parish.

FIRST COMMUNION or CONFIRMATION: We have a 2 year Preparation Program, please contact Mary Stoner at 724-972-1472.

REGISTRATION: Every family should be registered at either Sacred Heart or at St. Cecilia Parish [one or the other]. Of course you can go to Mass at either parish. To register: call the office or see page 2.

SACRED HEART & ST. CECILIA PARISHES



Discipleship: Following The Way Of The Lord Jesus

Jesus is the vine who calls us to abide in Him. Rather than living our own way, we grow to live His way, and He supplies all we need in order to do that. It's the only way to truly live forever.

All you have to do, says Jesus, is *Remain in me*, remain attached to me so that my truth, my love, my compassion, my life can flow into you.

Only when we are attached to Him, can Jesus provides our sustenance for the daily challenges of living. We do that by listening to Him, watching Him, and living by the power of His Spirit working in us.

But, staying connected to Jesus and to one another in a mutual relationship of love and fidelity does not happen automatically. It takes effort. It takes commitment. Simply put, it takes work!

Nor is it an end in itself. Branches of the vine produce leaves and fruit. Only by remaining connected to Him, as a branch is connected to a vine, can we bear the fruit of Christlike living.

In the gospel today, Jesus speaks repeatedly of *fruit*. Our Lord's primary concern is not our comfort or happiness, but that we bear fruit. We need to let the gardener prune the selfishness and self-centeredness out of our lives so that we can truly remain in Jesus and bear fruit for His kingdom, fruit that will last. Then others will enjoy God's goodness and be drawn to Him also.

The Lord promises that we will bear much fruit if we abide in Him and allow Him to purify us. Then you will produce the fruit that God loves to see!

Fr Jim



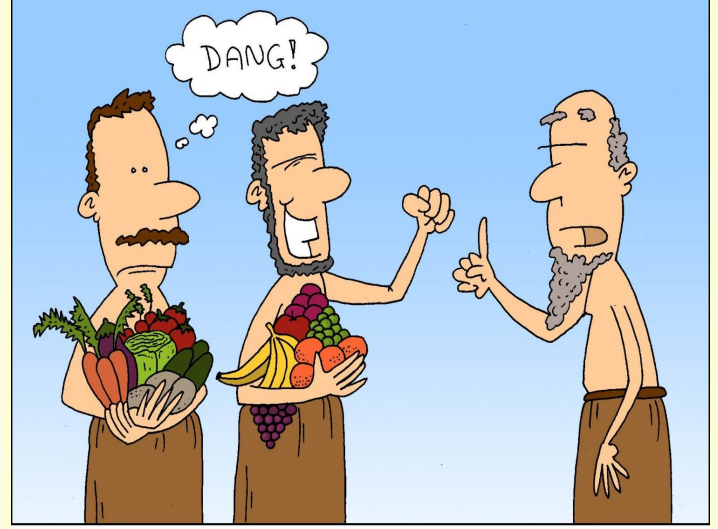
*Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024
Religious Brothers Day – May 1st*

"He had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus." Pray for those who God is boldly calling forth to serve Him and His people as religious brothers. If you are considering this joy-filled vocation, talk to Fr. Jim, or contact Fr. Tyler Bandura, the Vocations Director at tbandura@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Scripture Readings for the Week of April 28, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter

	Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8
Monday	Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11
Friday	1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
Sixth Sunday of Easter	
	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

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SELECT YOUR PARISH: ST. CECILIA or SACRED HEART

CHECK: New Registration Change of Address Moving out of Parish Want Envelopes

Please drop Membership Form into offertory basket or mail to either parish office—addresses are on the front cover.

Consider Remembering Your Parish in Your Will

Sanctuary Candle Intention - Honor the memory of your loved ones or recognize a special occasion, call the Parish Office at 724-423-3777 for more information. Sanctuary Candle – \$10

Mass Intentions

LORD'S DAY MASSES – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 27

- 4:00PM(SC) † Kenny Miller by old friend
- 6:00PM(SH) † Irene Fowler by Bob & Charlene

Sunday, April 28

- 8:00AM(SC) † Loretta Janik by Catechists
- 10:30AM(SH) Sacred Heart & Saint Cecilia Parishioners

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, April 29

Saint Catherine of Siena
6:00PM Healing Mass at St. Cecilia Church

Tuesday, April 30

8:00AM(SH) † Amelia Olczak by Tompko Family

Wednesday, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker
8:00AM(SC) † Michael J. Ulishney by Theresa Stas

Thursday, May 2

Saint Athanasius
8:00AM(SH) † Jane Farkas by Kathy Slivko

Friday, May 3

Saints Philip and James
8:00AM(SC) † Angie & Joe Kornides by Children

LORD'S DAY MASSES – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 4

- 4:00PM(SC) † Richard Terdle by Pat & son, Mark
- 6:00PM(SH) † Jan Maus by Consetta Maus

Sunday, May 5

- 8:00AM(SC) Saint Cecilia & Sacred Heart Parishioners
- 10:30AM(SH) † Dec'd Kosker Family & Kathleen Spozio



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INVITING OTHERS TO CONSIDER GOD'S CALL

IDENTIFYING FAITHFUL YOUNG LEADERS

Do you know when you see a young Catholic and think, "Wow, he would be a great priest!" or "She would make a great sister!" Now you can let the Vocations Office know by submitting a form on the website.

GreensburgPriest.org/Called

What happens when you submit a name?

1. Father Bandura will send them a letter of encouragement.
2. The Vocation Office will invite them to events.
3. The Vocation Office will offer gentle support as they discern their vocation.

Thank you for being the voice of Christ!

2024

Monday Night ROSARY St. Cecilia Church

Change of time for the season **4:00pm**

April

28 First Holy Communion/Children's Mass, 8am, St. Cecilia Church

29 Healing Mass, 6pm St. Cecilia Church

30 "The Chosen", 6:30 to 8pm, SC Hall

MAY

- 1 "Month of Mary" ROSARY, 5:30pm, SH Church
- 3 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:30-10am SC
- 3 First Friday Visits
- 3 **200 CLUB BANQUET**, 5:30pm, SC Hall
- 5 Repair and Replacement collection, all Masses
- 5 **MAY CROWNING**, 8:00am, SC & 10:30am, SH
- 5 Faith Formation Classes, 9am -10:10am
- 5 **BINGO**, doors open 12:30pm, Bingo at 2pm, SC Hall

Ministry Schedule: May 4 - 5, 2024

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Server
Saturday May 4			
4:00PM(SC)	Zawelensky	B & M Smith	Leachman
6:00PM(SH)	Wagner	Korzak, Wagner	
Sunday May 5			
8:00AM(SC)	Ellis	Liske, Sherbondy	Frescura
10:30AM(SH)	Evans	Knapczyk, Johnston	Evans
Collection Counters May 5			
(SC) Hruby	(SH) Harr, Noel		

2024 MASS INTENTION & REQUEST FORM

Mass Intentions & Requests from our Parishioners at St. Cecilia and Sacred Heart Parishes. Requests for Specific Dates are limited to 4 Mass dates per calendar-year, of these 4, only 2 may be scheduled for a weekend Mass.

Mass Intentions cannot be scheduled more than 3 months in advance.

Father may accept additional requests, based on availability. All Mass Intentions must be in writing along with the \$10 Mass Offering. Mass Intentions will not be taken over the phone so as to avoid errors, the Secretary will call if there is an issue.

MASS Offering: _____

Requests must include Date requested: 1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

Offered by: _____ Phone # needed: _____

Intention for: _____ Church: SC [] or SH []

Please place your Mass Intentions/Requests in the offertory basket (envelope marked "Mass Intention") or MAIL / stop by the Parish Office.

Given With Grateful Hearts

SACRED HEART

Budgeted Weekly Offertory \$3,221

April 21 Parish Collection \$3,570

Thank You for your support of God's work in our Parishes each week!

Your sacrificial gifts go a long way in helping us carry out our Mission to bring the Lord's Good News to Sacred Heart and Saint Cecilia.

Thank you for helping to build the Kingdom of God here on earth through His church by your prayers, your time, your talents and your financial support.

Please take a moment to prayerfully reflect on your current giving; then, with trust in God, challenge yourself and your family to give more.

May God bless you for your generosity!

The Diocesan Lenten Appeal (DLA)

OUR PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGNS

The DLA make it possible to repair, maintain and upgrade our parish facilities.

100% of your DLA donations STAY HERE to help our Parish!

Sacred Heart 2024 TOTAL GOAL—\$59,676

Diocese portion—\$24,676 Parish portion—\$35,000

Received toward 2024 TOTAL GOAL—\$29,515

THANK YOU for your support!

Sacred Heart Financial Report for March 2024

	Income	Expenses
Ordinary	14,762.18	20,732.18
Offertory Income	13,721.60	
Online Giving Income	1,040.58	
Extraordinary	250.27 *	75.00 **
Other		
Catholic Accent	0.00	417.35
Second Collections		
Children and Family Services	40.00	40.00
Home Missions	70.00	70.00
DLA	1,375.00	1,375.00
Holy Land / Good Friday	85.00	85.00
TOTAL	\$16,582.45	\$22,794.53
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)		(5,970.00)
Overall Surplus/ (Deficit)		(6,212.08)

* Extraordinary Income includes 200 Club income and interest

**Extraordinary Expenses include 200 Club payouts



SACRED HEART Prayer List

Irene Balazek, Bernie Balko, William Charles, Verinia Clark, Ken Coup, Graham Davis, Blake Doyle, Desiree Doyle, Jennifer Dupilka, Don Eghaut, Catherine Ennis, Henry James Farkas, Vera Ferry, Joyce B. Gainey, Gordon L. Gladden, Ruth Henderson, Judy Janusek, Peggy Jasper, Margaret Kelly, Richard Carl Kintz, Brenda Knapczyk, Kristi Knapczyk, John Korzak, Ronna B. Layne, Betty Marshall, Bernice Miedel, Ron Messich, Agnes Onusko, Nathan Overly, Andrea Playso, Roseann Playso, David Ridilla, Mary Ann Seaman, Rachelle Sherback, Scott Smith, Chuck Stahl, Patricia Stouffer, Emanuel Synchronula, Ethel Thomas, Lujean Wasnesky, Judy Wasnesky

Names in the PRAYER LIST can ONLY be Added at the request of immediate family members by contacting the Parish Office. Please let us know when a name can be removed from our Prayer List.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of all of our departed loved-ones, especially we remember: **Robert C. McHenry**, who entered eternal rest on April 15, 2024.

May the angels lead them into paradise!



SACRED HEART



Congratulations to **Alan Metz, #061**
the 52nd weekly winner for 2023-2024.

200 CLUB BANQUET

This Friday, May 3

5:30pm at St. Cecilia Hall

The 200 Club is a weekly drawing (52 chances to win)

AND is your Ticket to a Banquet
AND a \$1,500 Winner's Circle
AND \$400+ in additional prizes!





SAINT CECILIA Prayer List

Vern Ashbaugh, Megan Carroll, Christina Courville, Hudson Donahue, Douglas Facemyer, Ron Fajt, Grace Gardner, Gordon C. Gladden, Roger Gorley, Melinda Hawk, Lucas Haefner, Stacey Jarvis, Tom Karasack, Kasey Lanier, Virginia McCracken, Jim Milko, Hutch Morris, Don Paul, John Pasztor, Chuck Pope, Margaret Quinn, Francis Rolniak, Nancy Scekeres, Myron Severa, Ted Severa, Patty Spisak, Jeremiah Springer, Matthew Springer, Ron Stahl, Tricia Henry Sulek, Marie Talarovich, Ethel Thomas, Samantha Springer Thompson, Ronald Thompson, Elizabeth Verdun, Jessica Yasurek, Linda Williams, Walter Williams

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SAINT CECILIA

Budgeted Weekly Offertory \$3,788
April 21 Parish Collection \$3,104

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May God bless you for your generosity!

Saint Cecilia Monthly



Sunday, May 5, 2024!
St. Cecilia Parish Hall
BINGO starts at 2:00pm
Doors open at 12:30pm

Mystery number, 50/50, Jackpot, Specials and more!
Refreshments will be available.

We would welcome donations of cake, homemade foods, pop & bottled water and Baskets. Donations can be dropped off at the SUNDAY BINGO date or at the Parish office.

The Diocesan Lenten Appeal (DLA)
OUR PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGNS

The DLA make it possible to repair, maintain and upgrade our parish facilities.

100% of your DLA donations STAY HERE to help our Parish!

Saint Cecilia 2024 TOTAL GOAL—\$66,581
Diocese portion—\$26,581 Parish portion—\$40,000
Received toward 2024 TOTAL GOAL—\$57,864

THANK YOU for your support!

Don't Miss our First 2024 Saint Cecilia

BURGER BASH

Saturday, May 18
11am to 2pm



If you would like to assure the financial success of our St. Cecilia BURGER BASHES, we would appreciate donations of the following items: Bottled Water; cubes of Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Sierra Mist; AND of course *Cash Donations* are always welcome!

St. Cecilia Financial Report for March 2024

	Income	Expenses
Ordinary	15,354.87	24,475.07
Offertory Income	14,661.85	
Online Giving Income	693.02	
Extraordinary	3,939.55 *	2,666.40 **
Other		
Catholic Accent	0.00	253.30
Second Collections		
Home Missions	60.00	60.00
DLA	2,640.00	2,640.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	80.00	80.00
TOTAL	\$22,074.42	\$30,174.77
<small>* Extraordinary income includes Bingo Income</small>		
<small>** Extraordinary Expense includes Bingo expenses</small>		
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)		(9,120.20)
Overall Surplus/ (Deficit)		(8,100.35)

Look who's receiving Holy Communion
for their very first time!

Regis Boast Elliot Burns Dash Carroll

Felix Cirotta Vincent La Carte

Jamie Rothrock Julia Shafran



What is the Eucharist?

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The term "Eucharist" originates from the Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning thanksgiving.

In the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead.

This is what the Church means when she speaks of the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist.



Why does Jesus give himself to us as food and drink?

Jesus gives himself to us in the Eucharist as spiritual nourishment because he loves us. By eating the Body and drinking the Blood of Christ in the Eucharist, we become united to the person of Christ through his humanity.

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). In being united to the humanity of Christ, we are at the same time united to his divinity. Our mortal and corruptible natures are transformed by being joined to the source of life. - The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)



Students invited to register for
"Faith and Reason" at Saint Vincent College

Saint Vincent College will offer "Faith and Reason," a summer program for high school students and first-year college students, July 7-13. "Faith and Reason" offers students an opportunity to explore a richer, deeper understanding of the Catholic faith. For information or to register, visit www.stvincent.edu/faithandreason.

Sacred Heart and St. Cecilia Rosary Altar Society Meeting Thursday, May 16

The next regular meeting is the Induction of New Members, beginning with the rosary at St. Cecilia Church at 5:30pm, followed by Mass and a Covered dish dinner in the hall.

MONTH OF MARY

The Rosary will be prayed to honor our Blessed Mother every Wednesday in May at 5:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Church.

Meals on Wheels

Thank you to everyone who helped prepare the lunches, baked cookies, and to all who so generously made donations!




Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Thank you to all who made casseroles and helped at the April 24th Event!

Bishop Kulick to Celebrate Mass on the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker

On Wednesday, May 1, the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, Bishop Larry J. Kulick will celebrate Mass at 11:45 AM at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral as part of the dedication of the Diocese of Greensburg to the protection and guardianship of Saint Joseph. The Mass will be livestreamed on the Diocese You Tube Channel, Facebook page and on the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Facebook page. In his Pastoral Letter, "Donum Veritatis: The Gift of Truth", Bishop Kulick dedicated the Diocese of Greensburg to the patronage of Saint Joseph for the Eucharistic Revival Year of Mission in 2024, the Jubilee Year of 2025, and the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Greensburg in 2026. The faithful from around the Diocese are invited to participate in the May 1st Mass.



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St. Cecilia Church

Monday,
April 29
6:00 pm:



Christ said to us thru the apostle James:

“Are there people sick among you?

Let them send for the priests of the Church, and

let the priests pray over them anointing them with oil
in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save
the sick persons, and the Lord will raise them up. If they have
committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven them.”

All are invited to attend Mass

with the Sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick**
on **Monday, April 29**, at **6:00pm**, at **St Cecilia Church**.

Everyone is invited to come
if you are:

suffering from serious
or chronic illness;

facing surgery
or a medical procedure;

experiencing the aches
and pains of growing older.

If you are in need of prayer
for healing

in body, mind or spirit,
we encourage you to come.

Next Service: July 8



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