

St. Cecilia Parish

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September 9, 2018 – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday Vigil Mass5:00 p.m.
Sunday8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Wednesday through Saturday
Mass 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday
Word and Communion 9:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

First Saturdays 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Every Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
(Also by appointment)

EXPOSITION & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition Friday 9:30 a.m.
Followed by Eucharistic Adoration
Friday 10:00 a.m. to Saturday 4:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Closed for Lunch 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Email: parishoffice@saintcparish.org

PARISH LIBRARY HOURS

Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

MISSION STATEMENT:

As part of the living Body of Christ, Saint Cecilia parish on Bainbridge Island seeks to conform to the will of God through faith, works, teaching and stewardship of God's creation as guided by the Holy Spirit, by the teachings of Christ, and the Grace of the Father. We celebrate this mission daily in prayer, liturgy, sacraments and life.

Catholic Education continued.... Here are a few more bits I gleaned from the Pastor's institute at Notre Dame:

As I stated at the end of the column last week, our schools teach children to pray. Teach a child to pray and you will do him/her a favor for the rest of their life. When you learn to pray as a child, it goes into a groove in your brain that stays with you for life. It gets stuck in there. I have often been with a person who is seemingly unconscious and their mouths move when I pray over them and bless them.

Research shows that Catholic school graduates vote more, are less racist, contribute more to the church, and are more active in their communities. They give more generously to the collection. They often volunteer to lector at Mass and they participate in the community life of the church.

Our schools are communities of faith, where our faith is lived and professed and discussed. Think how difficult it would be to educate and form children if you could make no real reference to God or to Jesus who loves them and gave His life for them and came to save them and forgive their sins and redeem them. Think how difficult it would be if you could not tell children that Jesus walks with them, knows them and loves them, and so much more. In my limited number of years as a priest, I have seen children and parents who were not Catholic come to faith through being in a Catholic school.

Catholic schools build up the life of the parish: life, energy and commitment. School parents get involved and participate, and often carry the parish forward. They are often the first ones there and the last to leave. Just look at the tremendous commitment we see at the school auction and other events. Our Catholic schools have a tremendous impact in the formation of the life of a child, along with parents and families.

We are very proud of our Catholic school because it teaches the faith as handed down through the centuries. We are Catholic for a reason and will continue to teach, profess, and hold the values of the Church. This makes us more than a private school. We are part of the much larger body of the Catholic Church. We are committed to teach about loving God, loving our neighbor, and making disciples.

Love God, love your neighbor,

Fr. Mark

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Sunday, September 9 th 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Monday, September 10 th †James Willmann	Tuesday, September 11 th	Wednesday, September 12 th
8:00 AM Mass 10:00 AM Mass 11:00 AM SCCS Bus Blessing in Parking Lot	9:00 AM Mass 9:30 AM Rosary in Church 9:30 AM Centering Prayer in St. Monica Rm. 5:00 PM Rosary in Church 5:00 PM Legion of Mary in Church 6:00 PM PREP Parent Meeting in St. Monica Rm.	9:00 AM Communion Service 9:30 AM Rosary in Church 9:45 AM Bible Study in St. Monica Rm. 12:30 PM Knitting Circle in St. Monica Rm. 5:00 PM Rosary in Church	9:00 AM Mass 9:30 AM Rosary in Church 9:45 AM Book Group in St. Monica Rm. 5:00 PM Rosary in Church 7:00 PM Centering Prayer in St. Monica Rm.

KUDOS AND UPDATES

Liturgy Schedule Update: St. Cecilia School will celebrate Mass every Friday at 9 AM. Please join SCCS in celebration of the Eucharist on Fridays – all are welcome!

Please note there will be no 9 AM Mass on Saturday, September 8th. Mass of the Resurrection will be offered for Eduardo Velasquez on Saturday, September 15 at 11 AM and all are welcome to attend.

Praise & Worship is on vacation for 2 weeks. Please join us again on September 25th at 8:30 AM

 **A Mass of the Resurrection** was offered for **Delona “Dee” Kurtz** on Friday, September 7th. Please pray for the repose of her soul.



RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults and our program of study (pre-teen through adult), for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith begins Wednesday, September 19th at 7 PM in the parish library. The sessions discuss Church teachings, Church lore, and personal experiences. Participants are frequently non-Catholics answering a call to join the Church, but anyone can attend. Call Bob Earhart (240-447-3173) or stop by the parish office, or just show up!

Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 9:45 – 11:30 AM in the St. Monica Room beginning September 11th. Coffee and snacks are provided, and all are welcome!



PREP registration is OPEN! Please fill out a family registration form, and a waiver form for each child. Forms can be found in the back of the Church.

We need volunteers to make our program successful! Please email

Cassie Wolfe at faithformation@saintcparish.org if you are interested in volunteering. High school students looking for service hours are also welcome to volunteer!



St. Cecilia Youth Group, aka Youthies, will be starting a new year on September 23rd

at 3 PM with our kickoff Mass and potluck dinner at the home of Neill and Patty Raymond. All current and new Youthies, along with their families are invited. Regular Youthie meetings will be held on Sunday nights from 5-7 PM in the St. Monica Room beginning September 30th. Our meeting time includes a delicious meal prepared by our Youthie parents. If you would like more information or want to be added to our contact list, please email Mary Feeny at madfeeny@gmail.com.

Library News: Life of the Beloved, by Henri J.M. Nouwen. Henri was asked by a friend to write a book explaining the spiritual life in terms that he and his friends could understand. “You are the Beloved” was his response in this most cherished book of our era. Check it out!

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Thursday, September 13th St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Friday, September 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross †James Willmann	Saturday, September 15th Our Lady of Sorrows †Benedicia Godoy	† Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen The Sunday Mass Ministry Roster and the Visiting Eucharistic Ministry Roster are available online at the parish website: http://www.saintcparish.org
9:00 AM Mass 9:30 AM Rosary in Church 5:00 PM Rosary in Church 6:30 PM Parish Auction Committee Mtg. in Conference Rm.	9:00 AM SCC School Mass 9:30 AM Rosary in Church 9:30 AM Adoration in Church 7:00 PM Rosary for Eduardo Velasquez in Church	5:00 AM Adoration in Church 11:00 AM Velasquez Funeral in Church 12:00 PM Funeral Reception in Conger 4:00 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM Vigil Mass 6:00 PM Wine & Cheese in Conger	
OPPORTUNITIES			



The Knights of Columbus will hold their Annual Oktoberfest Dinner Celebration on Saturday, September 22nd in Conger Hall following the 5 PM Mass. Please join us for an evening of German cuisine and the music of Oktoberfest.

Menu: Beef Rouladen, Bavarian Spätzle, Red Cabbage, German Sausage (children’s option), Pumpernickel Bread, German Chocolate Cake, & Root Beer Floats for the children.

Adults Advanced tickets	\$16
At the door	\$18
Children:	\$ 7
Families of 4 or more:	
Advanced tickets	\$42
At the door	\$45

Advance tickets will be available at all Masses this weekend and at all weekend Masses leading up to the dinner. Knights of Columbus Fellowship Dinners support scholarships for graduating high school seniors, Saint Cecilia School, and other parish activities.

What is Centering Prayer? Centering Prayer is based on the wisdom saying of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount: "...But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father, who sees in secret, will reward you," (Matthew 6:6). Please join us to learn more about and experience this sacred practice. We meet in the St. Monica Room on Mondays at 9:30 AM (no meeting on 9/3), and on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM (includes Lectio Divina). Each group includes 20-30 minutes of Centering Prayer. Contact Ellen Murphy at brenmary23@msn.com or Laura Devlin at lodevlin@hotmail.com if you have questions. All are welcome!



Save the date for the 2018 Crop Walk! On Sunday, September 23rd at 2 PM join fellow parishioners and other members of the interfaith island community

to raise money to fight hunger in our community and in our world. Last year, over \$44,000 was raised and \$9000 went to Bainbridge Helpline House. Dan or Mary Feeney will be in Conger next weekend to sign up walkers and take donations. You can support the St. Cecilia hunger walk team online at <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/bainbridgeislandwa> or you can drop donations off at the Parish office before September 23rd. The walk starts at 2 PM at Eagle Harbor Congregational Church (registration starts 1:30). If you have any questions please contact Mary or Dan Feeney at madfeeney@gmail.com or 360-713-3846

Parish Book Groups are starting! The Morning Book Group meets 9:45 AM - noon the 2nd Wednesday of the month and will start on September 12th. The Evening Book Group meets 7 – 9 PM the 1st Tuesday of the month and will start on September 4th. Groups meet in the St. Monica Rm.; readings lists are posted on the parish website at www.saintcparish.org/adult-education. All are welcome!



Let Jesus heal any disappointments in your marriage. Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter at the Sheraton Hotel, Bellevue on November 16 – 18, 2018. Apply at www.wwme.org. For more information leave a message at 206-772-2344. Sign up today.



Invitations will be mailed soon – please RSVP as soon as possible!



You are invited to 40 Days for Life, from September 26th through November 4th - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Bremerton Planned Parenthood facility. On September 25th at 5:30 pm we will be holding the kickoff rally beginning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Bremerton. Please come! (Come dressed for the weather, as we will be walking to the Planned Parenthood site.) If you would like more information, and especially if you would like to volunteer to help, you can contact Laurie Coykendall, 360-509-9395 or laurieforhope@gmail.com.

Rachel’s Corner: Hope and Healing After Abortion - Can you imagine what that would be like to have Our Lord run up to you and embrace you joyfully? To assure you of His great love for you? Join us for a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat and discover the merciful embrace that is just for you. For more information call Aleah at 1-800-822-HOPE (4673). Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

PRINCIPAL’S CORNER

Oh The Places We’ll Go!

By now, everyone in our school and parish has seen our brand new, beautiful yellow school bus. The generosity of a small group of parishioners, a school family, and a \$30,000 grant from the Garneau-Nicon Family Foundation made the purchase possible.

Our geographically diverse student body comes from Indianola, Kingston, Poulsbo, and Bremerton in addition to Bainbridge Island. Each morning and afternoon, Cathy Chadwick, our amazing bus driver, ushers our off-island students safely to and from school.

We will also be using our bus regularly for field trips. For a fuller educational experience, it is important for students to be out in the world walking on trails, visiting museums, watching theatre, exploring beaches, and engaging in stewardship projects. Our very own school bus makes that possible.

Oh the places we’ll go now that we have our very own, brand new yellow school bus! Our 3rd/4th graders will now go to the Washington History Museum and the Chihuly Glass Bridge in Tacoma to deepen their yearlong deep dive as they learn about our state. As all classes integrate art across the curriculum, there will be trips to the Bainbridge Art Museum. Our new, reliable bus will serve to further expand our students’ educational experiences in every grade level.

A huge THANK YOU to our donors for making it possible to purchase such a comfortable, safe, cool school bus. Please join us for the Blessing of the Bus after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 9th.

With gratitude,
Susan Kilbane

BLESSING OF THE BUS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th at 11:00 A.M.

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Saint Cecilia Catholic School is a faith-based community following the teachings of Jesus that inspires an inquisitive mind and a lifelong commitment to learning, service and stewardship.

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PASTORAL SERVICES

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

“Come let us sing joyfully to the Lord, greet him with thanksgiving!”

Sunday Collection Sept. 1/2	\$ 9,206.10
Children’s Offertory	\$ 4.00
Online Giving	\$ <u>2,579.33</u>
Total	\$ 11,789.43

Children’s good deeds for God: “I helped my mom in the kitchen”

Average offertory needed to cover budget \$11,004.00



The Archdiocese of Seattle has a confidential telephone hotline and website for parish staff and parishioners to anonymously raise concerns about suspected unethical

behavior by church personnel. This hotline has been active for several years, and there is a poster and brochures located in the back of the church with more information. The website is www.seattlearchdiocese.ethicspoint.com. The program is run under contract by an independent third party with a long record of providing these services both in the secular world and for other dioceses.

BAPTISM: Call the Parish office to set up an appointment with Fr. Mark, start your paperwork, and register for classes for your child’s baptism. We encourage parents to attend classes prior to the birth of their child. Parents and godparents are required to attend both classes. Godparents are required to be confirmed in the Catholic Church. Baptisms are scheduled on a personal basis.

Class Schedule: Thursdays 6:00 – 7:30 PM in the St. Monica Room:

- September 27 & October 25
- January 31 & February 28
- March 30 & April 25

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION: All children who are to receive their first reconciliation and first communion must register for this program independently of participation in PREP, PREP at Home or attending SCCS. Classes for sacramental preparation are offered on Sundays after the 10:00 Mass. There is a mandatory parent meeting followed by 6 classes per sacrament. Once registered you will receive a calendar of classes.

- Parent Meeting for First Reconciliation – Thursday, October 4
- Parent Meeting for First Communion – Thursday February 7

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program, K- 12) Family registration forms are available in the back of the church. Please return to Cassie Wolfe at the parish office.

CONFIRMATION Please contact the office for more information, Parish Office x101.

MARRIAGE GUIDELINES The engaged couple should plan to meet with the pastor at least six months before the wedding. One party should be a registered parishioner.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Meets Wednesday nights at 7pm in the Library. Please contact Robert Earhart, MD, PhD, OFS at 206-780-3555 or cell phone 240-447-3173. Classes will begin September 19, 2018.

FUNERALS Call the parish office for assistance with funeral arrangements.

HOUSE CALLS If you wish to receive the sacraments at home, please call the Parish Office at (206) 842-3594 x101 to schedule.

PRAYER REQUESTS If you wish to add someone to the Parish Prayer Chain, contact Mary Corbin at: marecorb@aol.com.

GOVERNANCE & OTHER PASTORAL ACTIVITIES

FINANCE COUNCIL Parish financial advisory body made up of parish members, Scott Edwards (chair)

SCHOOL COMMISSION COUNCIL The board is made up of parish members, Jack Brophy (chair)

PARISH MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES A catalog of parish ministries and activities is listed on our website under the ministries section at: www.saintcparish.org/ministries.html. The parish office can assist you in finding out any additional information you require.

BULLETIN Send announcements via email to secretary@saintcparish.org no later than 9 a.m. on Monday.

ST. CECILIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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