

November 21, 2021

CHRIST THE KING



THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY NOVEMBER 22

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| 12:45 PM | Rosary | CH |
| 5:30 PM | RCIA | 104 |
| 7:00 PM | Troop 316 | A,B |
| 7:00 PM | Divorce Survival | 104 |

TUESDAY

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| 8:30 AM | Men's Gospel Forum | 103-104 |
| 12:45 PM | Rosary | CH |
| 7:00 PM | Cursillos Ultreya | 101 |

WEDNESDAY Office Closed

THURSDAY Office Closed

FRIDAY Office Closed

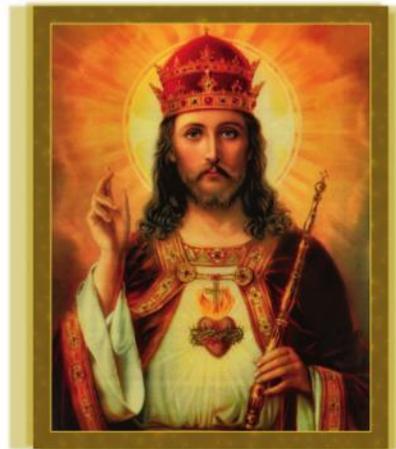
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| 5:30 PM | Rosary | CH |
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SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27

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| 3:00 PM | Confessions until 3:30 PM | C |
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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28

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| 11:00 AM | Children's Liturgy | CR |
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On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism and individualism, and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The hope was that the establishment of this feast would accomplish three

goals: that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, that leaders and nations would see that they are required to give respect to Christ, the King of kings, and that the faithful would be strengthened and encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King?

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Welcome to our Parish

Whether you are just passing through the area or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to St. Cecilia Catholic Community. We hope you find our worship environment hospitable and prayerful.

People often attend Mass at a parish for months or years without officially registering. Registration here at St. Cecilia is an expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. Parish registration also simplifies the process with regard to religious education; sponsoring a sacramental candidate; and for the planning and preparation of baptisms, weddings and funerals.

Registration is easy and can be completed at the Parish Office during regular office hours.



St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

Feast Day - November 22

*Saint Cecilia, Patroness of Music,
help me to praise God with my life.*

*Let my words and actions be
like a song to God that says,*

I love You.

The Sanctuary Lamp

This Week's Sanctuary Lamp

Is In Memory of
Dave Busch

A Thought From St. Francis De Sales

The greatest happiness of the glorious virgin derives, as a privilege, from her being perfectly obedient to God, not only in the observance of the divine commandments and the manifest will of God, but also in the execution of divine aspirations. Imitate her in this; it will be easy to do so if you have the intention of pleasing God and being acceptable to Him

Advent Booklet

“In the face of the pandemic and its social consequences, many risk losing hope. In this time of uncertainty and anguish, I invite everyone to welcome the gift of hope that comes from Christ. It is He who helps us navigate the tumultuous waters of sickness, death and injustice, which do not have the last word over our final destination. We need to nourish the roots of our hope so that they can bear fruit.” *Pope Francis*

“NOURISHING OUR HOPE” ... a booklet on daily Advent reflections will be at all entrances/exits in the narthex for our parishioners to take home. The booklet offers reflections for every day of Advent, together with an appropriate Scripture verse, and a question for your reflection or prayer, and a daily Advent Prayer inside the back cover. We hope that it will help you to nourish your hope as you prepare to celebrate God's coming into our hearts.

Advent Candles, Advent Wreaths, Oplatki Christmas Wafers Are For Sale

- Advent Taper Candles, Box..... \$8.00
- Small Advent Wreath 10.00
- Large Advent Wreath..... 15.00
- Oplatki Christmas Wafers 5.00

You can purchase your items in the Parish Office. For more information please call Debbie at 239-936-3635 ext 129. This is a wonderful way to have a family activity as you prepare for the Birth of Jesus.

Prayer Intentions (Prayers for the Sick)

"Prayers for Sick" has changed, to **"Prayer Intentions"** please go on line (see link below) and submit your prayer request and choose what type of intentions you are requesting such as a deceased loved one, an upcoming surgery, birthday, anniversary, etc. You can also go to our [website](#), hover over the **Info** tab and you will see a drop down list. Click on **Submit Prayer Intentions** and add your prayer intention. You may also view the prayer intentions, to view the list hover over the **Info** tab on our website and go to **Current Prayer Intentions** (see link below)

[Click here for link to Prayer Intentions](#)



[Current Prayer Intentions](#)



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 20

4:00 PM † Brian Lowney
By Mom and Dad

Sunday, November 21

7:30 AM † Lucy Doyle
By Susan Sardinha
9:00 AM St. Cecilia's Parishioners
11:00 AM Living and Deceased Family of
Paul and Mary Jo Hobbs
By Mary Jo

Monday

7:30 AM † Joseph Troyan By Dave
12:10 PM Priest's Intention

Tuesday

7:30 AM Fr. Stan Dombrowski
By Joann Hollowell
12:10 PM † Sally and William Carroll
By Carroll Family

Wednesday

9:00 AM † Edith Kraft By Husband

Thursday

9:00 AM † Judy LaRose
By Bob, Judy and Lindsey Boutiette

Friday

9:00 AM † Eugene Guidotti
By Claire

Saturday, November 27

4:00 PM † Joseph McGuire
By George and Maureen Coan

Sunday, November 28

7:30 AM St. Cecilia's Parishioners
9:00 AM † Jane Brangman
By Karen Ferraraccio
11:00 AM † Special Forces Warrant Officer
John M. Wirka, Jr.
By Cheryl VanDenBerg

Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20, Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday Daniel 2:31-45, Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday Daniel 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday Daniel 6:12-28, Luke 21:20-28

Friday Daniel 7:2-14, Luke 21:29-33

Saturday Daniel 7:15-27, Luke 21:34-36

Sunday

First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Rest in Peace

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the deceased members of our parish families.

† Jacob Pfeiffer, † John Roberts



Lunch Bunch Luncheon

Date: Monday, December 13
Time: After the 12:10 PM Mass
Cost: Canned food, Maseca Corn Flour, or 2 lb box of white rice item to donate
RSVP: Call the Parish Office, or Denise at Ext.116 or email drumchak@saintcecilias.net

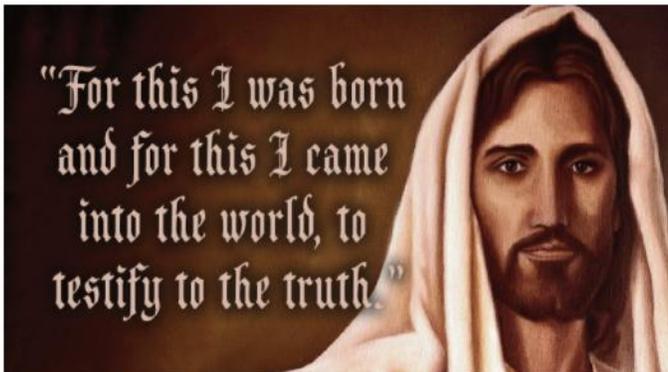
Be ready for *In The Word*

The Lunch Bunch luncheons are for all our *young at heart* older adults who enjoy sharing an afternoon eating good food and spending time with friends.

Deadline for reservations is Thursday, December 9

DECEMBER 4 AND 5 ANOINTING OF THE SICK

James 5:14-15 "Is anyone among you sick? (Let them) summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over (them) and anoint (them) with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise (them) up. If they have committed any sins, they will be forgiven".



Thanksgiving Basket Blessing

9:00 AM Thanksgiving Day Mass

A special blessing will take place for food baskets. Please bring any items (bread, wine, etc.) in a basket you would like blessed for your Thanksgiving table.

WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR "ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK" WHOSE SUPPORT HELPS TO PUBLISH THIS BULLETIN!

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Our Parish Blood Drive

Sunday, December 12
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For further information, visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment. Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. To

report abuse by Diocesan personnel or volunteers also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114.

Family Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

Divorce Survival

There's no such thing as "Catholic divorce" but the bad news is Catholics *do* civilly divorce. We're here to help, and to encourage healing through the Sacraments where you'll personally encounter Christ—with all His love and tender mercies. *And that's the REALLY good news.* Join us **Monday evenings beginning November 22 at 6:30 PM (after the first three meetings, it will become a closed group and will meet according to need through February 21.)** Light refreshments will be served. Please see Cathy in the Parish Library after Masses this weekend or call Kelli in the Parish Office for more information.

you are
NOT *alone*

For Sacraments and Formation info contact:

Kelli at Ext. 120 or kbonner@saintcecilias.net

Mary at Ext. 118 or mzalud@saintcecilias.net

Tuesday at Ext. 119 or tshannon@saintcecilias.net

'Tis the Season of Giving



The season of Christmas is upon us.

Again, this year we will not have the Giving Trees displayed.

The children that you so generously have given gifts to in past years have still not been able to gather.

So again, this year the Youth Group will be handing out gift card tags

for those in our Parish Community and our neighboring parish, Jesus the Worker, that are in need of a little Christmas help this year.

The weekends of Nov. 21 & 28 the Youth will be at the front doors to distribute tags that would normally be on the trees.

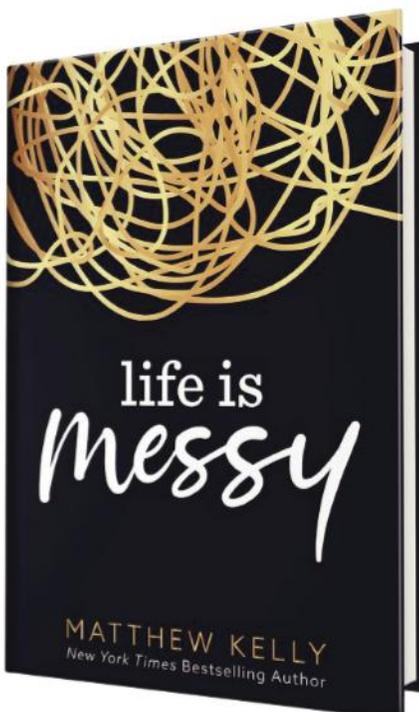
We are asking that you please return your gifts no later than Sunday, Dec. 12.

Children's Christmas Choir Rehearsals

When: Nov. 28, Dec 5, 12 and 19 at 12:00 PM

If your child is in 1st through 8th grade and would like to participate in the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass, please contact Sherry Cross at SCross@SaintCecilias.net or

Teresa Mitchell at Teresa.M.Mitchell@gmail.com.



This book is different. It's unlike any other by Matthew Kelly and it's the book we all need right now. Based on his personal journals, Matthew Kelly shares how the worst three years of his life affected him by exploring a most beautiful question: Can someone who has been broken be healed and become more beautiful and more lovable than ever before?

This year's appeal to provide a copy of this book to all who join us this Christmas will take place after all Masses the weekend of December 4 and 5. While sponsorships of \$20.00, \$50.00, and \$64.00 (or more!) are this year's standard, every little bit helps us spread the message of healing and hope. Please see the volunteers as you leave church.





The Knight's Corner

Sunday December 5th 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM.

St Nicholas Breakfast, all you can eat Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage & biscuits. \$9.00 person, \$20.00, family. Followed by a visit from Santa Claus! 11:45 AM-1:00 PM. Pictures can be taken, and Free Pizza for the Kids.

Vivat Jesus

The St Cecilia Knights of Columbus

Thanksgiving

And now, bless the God of all, who has done wondrous things on earth; Who fosters people's growth from their mother's womb, and fashions them according to his will! May he grant you joy of heart and may peace abide among you; May his goodness toward us endure in Israel to deliver us in our days. Sir 50:22-24

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Be Thankful
Be thankful for home
Be thankful for food
Be thankful for birds that fly
Be thankful for sleep
Be thankful for flowers
Be thankful for clouds in the sky
Be thankful for friends
Be thankful for rain
And the rainbows that follow close by
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