

# St. Cecilia Church - Fox Chase

## May 10, 2026 - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



Mass Intentions

### SUNDAY, May 10

8:00am – Souls in Purgatory  
11:00am - The Int. of Mia Grace Luc  
5:00pm - Nick and Gwendolyn Prosperi

### MONDAY, May 11

6:30am – The Int. of Andrew M. Stewart  
8:30am – Pasquale Pezzano

### TUESDAY, May 12

6:30am – Betty Grilli  
8:30am – Domenica DiSandro

### WEDNESDAY, May 13

6:30am - John and Dorothy Mehler  
8:30am - John & May Munnely  
5:00pm - Paul Varallo

### THURSDAY, May 14

6:30am - Mara F. Dion  
8:30am - Richard Findley

### FRIDAY, May 15

6:30am - Joan Leonard  
8:30am - Joseph F. Smalarz

### SATURDAY, May 16

8:30am – James Nguyen and Maria Le  
5:00pm - John and Eleanor Winterberger

mark  your **Calendar**

- May 11 Adoration; Noon to 7 pm  
Rosary at the Grotto at 6 pm
- May 11 The Chosen at 7 pm (last one until Fall)
- May 12 Volunteer with Lucky Notes Lottery at 6 pm
- May 14 Town Hall with the Mayor at 6 pm
- May 13 Bible Study at 7 pm
- May 18 OCIA Mystagogy at 7 pm
- May 19 Loops of Love at 1:30 pm
- June 7 Corpus Christi Procession after 11 am  
*1<sup>st</sup> Communion Children lead us*
- June 7 Holy Hour for our Nation at 12:20 pm
- June 22 Vacation Bible Camp Week  
Evening Program for Kids & Adults  
Please plan on joining us each night!



# Saint Cecilia Church

535 Rhawn Street Philadelphia, PA 19111

*Transforming Lives...*

*Through Faith Inspired Relationships*



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### OFFICES

Parish: 215-725-1240 Hours 8:30am-4:30pm (closed 12-1pm)  
 Fax: 215-725-2130  
 School: 215-725-8588  
 Tuition: 215-725-2201  
 PREP: 215-725-1240  
 School Advancement: 215-725-2821

Parish: www.stceciliafc.org  
 School: scsfoxchase.org  
 CYO Facebook: Saint Cecilia Catholic Youth Organization

**NEW PARISHIONERS** ~ Visit our Parish Website and complete the form under "Connect". You are also welcome to call the Parish Office to initiate the process.

**MOVING** ~ Please notify the Parish Office with any changes to your home address.

**BAPTISM** ~ We welcome children under seven to be baptized on the second, third and fourth Sunday of month at 12:15pm. Please complete the inquiry form on our website (Worship; Sacraments; Baptism) The selected godparents must be fully initiated Roman Catholics, in good standing with the Church, and at least 16 years old. A baptized non-Catholic Christian may be chosen as a Christian Witness, provided there is also a Catholic godparent. A former Catholic may not serve as either a godparent or Christian Witness.

**MARRIAGE** ~ Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Please complete the inquiry form on our website (Worship, Sacraments, Marriage). All scheduling considerations, including the initial date selection and any alterations, must be discussed with a Priest.

**RECONCILIATION** ~ Mondays (6pm-7pm); Wednesdays (7am-8am); Saturdays (4pm-4:50pm)

**HOMEBOUND VISITATION** ~ Please call Ruth in the Parish Office.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** ~ First Saturday of the month following 8:30 am Mass. In case of emergency, please call the Parish Office.

Low Gluten hosts are always available for Holy Communion; go to the priest in the center aisle.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

5pm (Saturday), 6:30am, 8am, 9:30am, 11am, 5pm

### MONDAY thru FRIDAY

6:30am & 8:30am

### SATURDAY

8:30am

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 12pm-7pm

First Sunday of the Month  
12pm-5pm

Spend time with  
Jesus - He loves to  
see you!



*Thank you for your generosity!*

Our collection for May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> was \$22,064.59. Our average is now \$19,450.99 (our goal is \$19,135). The Second Collection for Catholic Home Missions is May 16th & 17th. Please consider using Electronic Giving. Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish.

**SAINT JOHN PAUL II PRAYER FOR PEACE**

Mary, Queen of Peace, save us all, who have so much trust in you, from wars, hatred, and oppression. Make us learn to live in peace and educate ourselves for peace. Teach us to do what is demanded by justice and respect the rights of every person so that peace may be firmly established. Amen



You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 1 Peter 2, 9



**Let us pray for the brave women and men who serve in our Armed Forces...**

- Xander Berkhimer (Army)
- Mark Strecker (Navy)
- Ean Cruz (Air Force)
- George Boone (Army)
- Seth Lavelle (Navy)
- Michael D'Antonio (Air Force)
- Brian A. Mason (Army)
- Vincent D'Antonio (Air Force)
- Jason Showmaker (Navy)
- Jordyn Mason (Navy)
- Christopher Starrett (USMC)
- George C. Warren, III (Army)
- Ken Doherty (Air Force)
- Matthew Capriotti (Army)
- Kyle William Creswell
- Christopher Capriotti (Army)
- Katelynn Strecker (Navy)
- Nathan Czapor (Army)
- Adam Rigler (Navy)
- Cecilia Glavin Harmon (Air Force)
- Michael Anthony Wlock (Coast Guard)
- Alex Smith (Marine Corp)
- Dillon Higgins (Marine Corp)

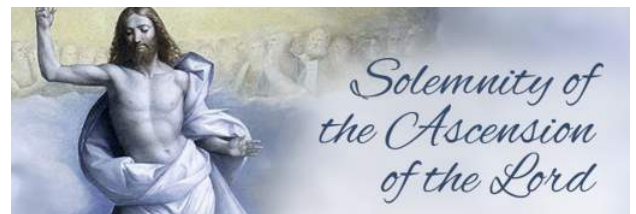


**Schedule for May 16th & 17th**

- 5:00 pm Father Chris  
Music: Ensemble
- 6:30 am Father Phong
- 8:00 am Father Chris  
Music: Ensemble
- 9:30 am Father Chris  
Music: Bill Monaghan
- 11:00 am Father Phong  
Music: Bill Monaghan
- 5:00 pm Father Phong



*William Bailey Robinson  
Tadhg James Smith*  
**Welcome to life in Christ Jesus!**  
*Do you have a child who needs baptism?  
Contact the Parish Office.*



Mass for the Ascension: Wed., May 13 at 5 pm & Thursday, May 14 at 6:30 am, 8:30 am, and 10:00 am (Church Doors are locked at 9:55 am).

Please join us at 9 am on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Memorial to Abuse Victims (in front of our Church) for a brief period of prayer. It is the Feast of Saint Dymphna, a 7th-century Irish woman whom her father abused. May her prayers bring healing to all who have been abused, especially at St. Cecilia.

*We are a parish that "proclaims the Good News of Jesus Christ".*

*Message from the Pastor*



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we give thanks to God for our mothers this weekend (living and deceased), I join in asking God to bless and sustain the moms who continue to labor at the never-ending tasks of raising children. I see you. I appreciate you. I know that each day brings joy, as well as challenges. Thank you for making the world better through your love, encouragement, and daily commitment to raising children and sustaining adults!

I want to give thanks to one wonderful mother, in particular. Eleanor Kerwick. After twenty years of service to St. Cecilia (six as a lunch mother at school, then fourteen in our Parish Office as Office Manager and Business Manager), Eleanor has decided to retire. Eleanor has been a blessing to thousands of people she encounters on the phone and at our door. She embodies the values of our Parish. I am happy she will have more time to enjoy family and other good things in life. We do not have a final date for her service (nor a successor for her role). I will keep you informed of both.

Fr. Phong and I will attend a workshop for all Philadelphia Priests from May 18-21. My friend, Father Joseph from Uganda, will be present to offer Mass. If you would like to take him for breakfast or lunch, let me know. He enjoys meeting people.

*Fr. Chris*

**NY Pilgrimage**

**Friday, June 19, 2026**

The bus is full. If you would like to be placed on a waiting list, please contact Kara in the Parish Office.

## Praying the Rosary

Join us at Mary's Grotto  
Saint Cecilia Church (in front of Convent)  
Mondays in May at 6:00pm  
May 4, May 11  
May 18 (Youth Choir will join us)  
*Bring your beads and your needs*



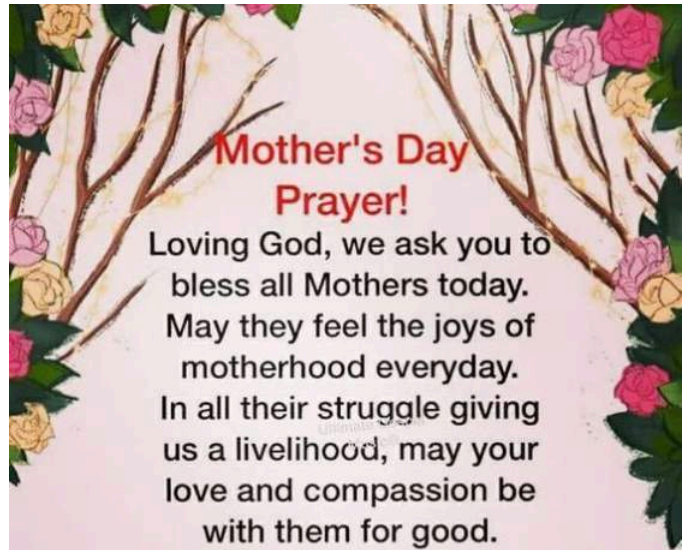
*Led by Ladies Auxiliary of Knights of Columbus*

### News from Humanitas

If you would like to receive alerts of opportunities to support human life, including signing e-sign petitions for the defense of human life, please email [humanitas@stceciliafc.com](mailto:humanitas@stceciliafc.com) and you will be included in occasional emails.

### FATIMA HOLY HOUR FOR WORLD PEACE

The World Apostolate of Fatima is sponsoring a Fatima Holy Hour for World Peace on Wednesday, May 13, at Saint John Cantius Church, Thompson Street at Orthodox Street at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate in the opening devotions to Our Lady of Fatima. Devotions include procession with the Fatima statue, rosary, and benediction.



### Mother's Day Prayer!

Loving God, we ask you to bless all Mothers today. May they feel the joys of motherhood everyday. In all their struggle giving us a livelihood, may your love and compassion be with them for good. May every mother feel today, the pride and beauty of the family they bear. Through all pain and sorrow Lord deliver them- In your strength and grace may they always stay. Amen!



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A question to ponder....  
*What is the difference between how Jesus gives peace and how the world does? Is the peace Jesus offers a feeling, or a relationship?*



## SCHOOL NEWS

### Ascension Thursday



We will celebrate Mass as a School Community on Thursday, May 14. Doors will close @ 9:55 for 10:00 Mass.



Tuesday, 5/5, our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders spent the day in Washington DC for their final class trip @ SCS. A fast-paced itinerary included iconic sites that help the students connect with American history, government, and civic responsibility.



This week we celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week. May the Lord bless their labor of love, patience, and commitment to shaping young minds.

### SAINT CECILIA PARISH + SCHOOL



May 5, 2026

10 - 18 - 31 - 35 - 36

**NO JACKPOT PRIZE WINNER**

#### 5 Consolation Prize Winners (\$200 each)

Kate McGwinn (seller: L. Himes)

John Lee (seller: Keeley)

Pat O. (seller: L. Hernandez)

Cathy + Daniel Wad (seller: Eckstrom)

S. Quinn (seller: PMiz)

**Next Drawing: May 12th at 7:00pm**

### Next Jackpot Prize

# \$78,000

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*We are a parish that "inspires a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ".*

**ST CECILIA SCHOOL**

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**2026 WALK-A-THON**

*Every step helps our teachers stay connected.*

**Help us reach our goal by May 14<sup>th</sup>!**

**\$30,000**

Support our Walk-A-Thon as we raise funds for teacher **Walkie-Talkies**.

Every gift helps build a safer, stronger St. Cecilia School community.

**DONATE TODAY!**

**Cash or Check?**

Send envelope labeled "Walk-a-Thon" to school reception Building D  
Make checks payable to *St. Cecilia School*



Crochet with others and create beautiful items to be shared with local charities. Tuesday 5/19 from 1:30 to 3 pm. Enter through the school doors across from the Parish Office (ring the bell). We are also accepting donations of yarn. If you have questions, contact the Parish Office or email [secretary@stceciliafc.com](mailto:secretary@stceciliafc.com)

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Join us to study Paul's Letter on Wednesdays in May from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. No cost. Free childcare. RSVP with QR Code or calling the Parish Office.

All women are invited to attend a retreat celebrating Mary, our Mother and role model, on **Saturday, May 16, 9:30-11:30**, at **Resurrection of Our Lord** lower church/Life Center, 2000 Shelmire Ave. The morning will include meditation, Lectio and Visio Divina, small group discussion, light refreshments, and a mini May Procession to the Lourdes Grotto in the church. All women are welcome. Feel free to bring a friend. For planning purposes, RSVP to Valorie at [tootsdaski@aol.com](mailto:tootsdaski@aol.com). It's never too late to register.

*We are a parish that "loves and serves others generously".*

Please pray the Rosary with us: Monday to Saturday at 8 am (for our families and vocations) and Wednesday at 7 am (for an end to abortion) *Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us!*



ST. CECILIA PRESENTS

# MOVIE NIGHT

# THE CHOSEN

SEASON ONE

MONDAYS  
7 PM TO 9PM

*Sept. 22, Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8,  
Jan 19, Feb 23, March 16,  
April 20, and May 11*

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For the one who has lost a mother,  
For the mother who has lost a child,  
For the one who longs to be a mom:

You are not forgotten this Mother's Day.  
You are in our prayers and we love you.

K-LOVE Morning Show

Is there a God who cares?  
Register Now!

## Vacation Bible Camp at St Cecilia Parish

June 22 - 26, 2026  
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

**NO COST!** A fun, faith-filled week for everyone:  
• Families with children • Parents with kids • Teens  
• Adults (with or without children)

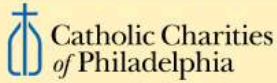
Come enjoy engaging activities, prayer, community, and summer joy for all ages.

Register today:  
<https://stceciliafc.myanswers.com/emerald-crossing/>  
To volunteer: contact Eileen at [eileen@stceciliafc.com](mailto:eileen@stceciliafc.com)



Pray for our Nation as we approach our 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday! Join us for a Holy Hour on June 7 (12:20) and July 5 (noon). Plan to walk with us in the Rockledge July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade (**email or call Mike Tate if you want to walk with us in the parade**). Join us for our Vacation Bible Camp Adult Bible Study that will focus on the foundation of religious liberty and freedom. Plan on consecrating yourself, your family, and your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

**God, please continue to bless America!**



Northeast Office  
7340 Jackson Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19136

## Spread a little sunshine and donate today!

Catholic Charities is hosting:  
**'HERE COMES THE SUN'**

### COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER

Saturday, June 13th, 11am to 2pm

St. Cecilia's School Auditorium

535 Rhawn Street, Philadelphia, PA 19111

Please consider donating the following items  
to support local mothers!

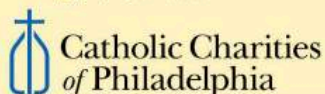
- \* Diapers (NB - pull ups) \* Wipes \* Bottles \* Lotion
- \* Shampoo \* Body Wash \* Clothing (NB - 2T) \* Towels
- \* Blankets \* Car Seats \* Cribs \* Pack-n-Plays
- \* Sheets \* Mattress Protectors \* Strollers

Bring donations to The Parish Office (or leave in the Manna Room in the back of the church) any weekend of May. We need volunteers to assist with welcoming people, serving food, and cleaning up. You can serve from 9 am to 11:30 am, 11 am to 2 pm, or 1 pm to 3 pm.

Interested in volunteering, please email [humanitas@stceciliafc.com](mailto:humanitas@stceciliafc.com) or call the Parish Office.

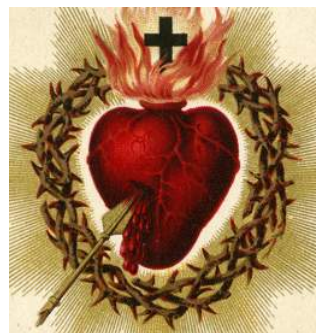
Invite a mom with a child under the age of ONE YEAR to join us for the Baby Shower! Lots of great opportunities for moms!

- Food and Drink
  - Games and Raffles
  - Crafts and Facepaint
  - Photo Booth and DJ
  - Vendors
- First come, first serve!  
Register by 6/1



**MANNA Food Collection**—Please bring non-perishable food items to Church (place in the room off of Church lobby) May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. The food will be shared with local food cupboards! *This will be our last collection that will provide through the summer months. Praise God for your goodness.*

Mayor Parker will host a regional Town Hall on Philadelphia's budget and priorities at Saint Cecilia on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Please join us in the Auditorium. Want to help with our welcoming our guests? Contact Kara in the Parish Office.



You will be invited to consecrate yourself, your family, and your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus the weekend of June 13 & 14. **Do you have an image in your home?**

**COFFEE AND DONUTS!!!**  
Join us on May 17<sup>th</sup> after the 11:00 am Mass for coffee, tea, juice, and donuts. More importantly, there is time to meet others in the parish as we share life. There is no cost, and all are welcome!





PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Almighty and eternal God, in your unfailing love, you provide ministers for your Church. We pray for those whom you call to serve the Church of Philadelphia as priests, deacons, and religious brothers and sisters. Inspire those called from Saint Cecilia to give a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve your people. May their lives of service call your people to respond to the presence of your Spirit among us, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus Christ, so that we may announce glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth!

Pray for the men being ordained priests on May 16th.



Please pray for the souls of all who died in recent days, especially Jean Galasso. May all our deceased loved ones be welcomed into paradise and their loved ones given comfort.

Advertisement for SCS Night at the Phillies featuring a QR code, event details for Phillies vs White Sox, and shirt design information.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM

Prayer Teams will be available on May 10th & May 24th after the 8:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Approach the teams to receive prayer. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Mike Tate.



We rejoice in the following who have chosen to "join" St. Cecilia: Steven and Tracee Meyers, Ethan Keeley, Andrew McShea, Haley Muchnick, Carol Wilusz

# Pray for the Sick

Richard T. Addario  
Theresa Anderson  
June Augustino  
Baby Eliiyana  
Baby Alleya  
Baby James D'Amore  
Mary Bednarsky  
Paige Bednarsky  
Jan Birks  
Charles Bocchicchio  
Lorraine Bocchicchio  
Christi Boothman  
Maria Bradley  
Joanne Briganty  
Georgette Caffrey  
Father Slim Callahan  
Michael Callahan  
Ray Capella  
Bonnie Colbe  
Jim Comet  
Joe Cooney  
Guerline Coriolan  
Monica R. Coyle  
Sloane Coyne  
Frieda D'Auria  
Brian Devine  
Dante Di Nezza  
Brian DiCriscio  
Claudio Di Iorio  
Lita Di Iorio  
Fiona Dittman  
James W. Donnelly, Sr.

Donna Eckerle  
Michelle Eppinger  
Alexander Flag  
Shane Noah Flaum  
Lorraine Fletcher  
Frank Flicker  
Kathy Flicker  
Baby Emma Rose McCabe  
Gerald Gallagher  
Jack Gannon  
Joe Gillen  
Sr. Kathleen Gannon  
Cruz Gonzales  
David Gonzales  
Karen Gorlaski  
Kara Marie Granger  
Marilyn Gutekunst  
Carolyn Harrelson  
Francis Harrold  
Timothy Hartey  
Norah Hartey  
Joanne Hawkinson  
Ed Hayel  
John Hayes  
Mary Hill  
John Hogan  
Thomas Holmes  
Dot James  
Mary Keeley  
Joanne Keller  
Erica Kelly  
Jerry King  
Gary Kula  
Rob Lash

Denise Layton  
Christian Leibrandt  
Kathy Lewis  
Thomas Linqvist, Sr  
Dilynn Listman  
Frances E. Loughran  
Mrs. Lang Luc  
Fr. David Machain  
Michael MacLacklin  
Colleen Maguire  
Cait Mann  
Abigail Massari  
Mary Matthews  
Elizabeth Maydascher  
Dorothy Mc Gee  
Peggy McPhillips  
Marian Meisenzahl  
Diane McAndrews  
Mary McAvery  
Patty McCarthy  
Walt McGinty  
Jack McMahan  
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Edda Paller  
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Don Ralston  
Mary Reese  
Gianna Rivera  
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Maria Schmidt  
Rose Schmidt  
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