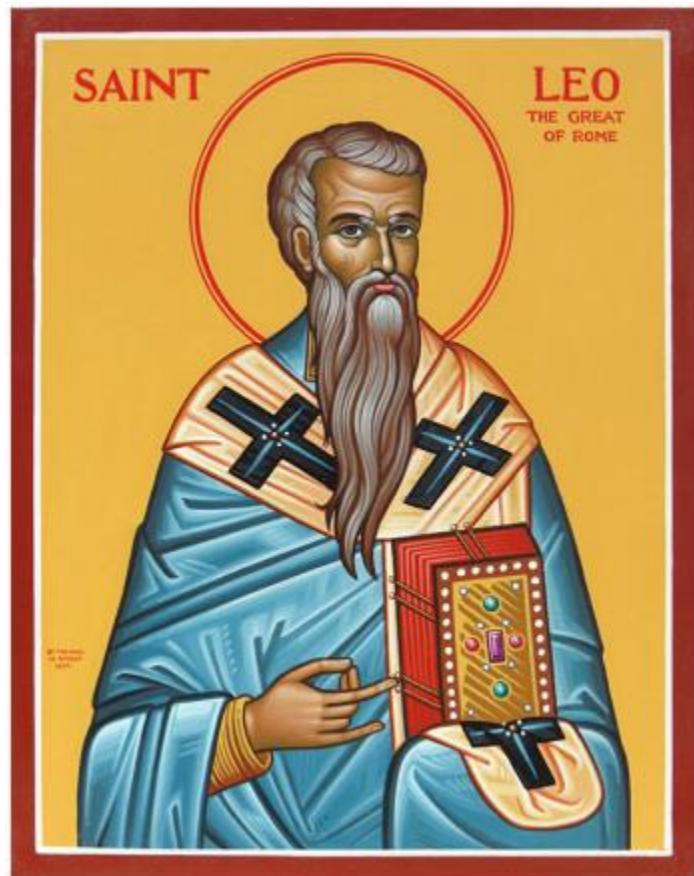


WELCOME TO  
**St. Cecilia Church**  
November 8, 2020

*Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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**About Our Church**

St. Cecilia Roman Catholic Church is located in St. Mary's City, MD.

Our Pastor is Father Scott Woods

The Assistants are Deacon Tony Sweeney & Deacon Mark Kijesky

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:30am – 12:00pm

*The office will be closed on Thursdays, Holy Days and Federal Holidays.*

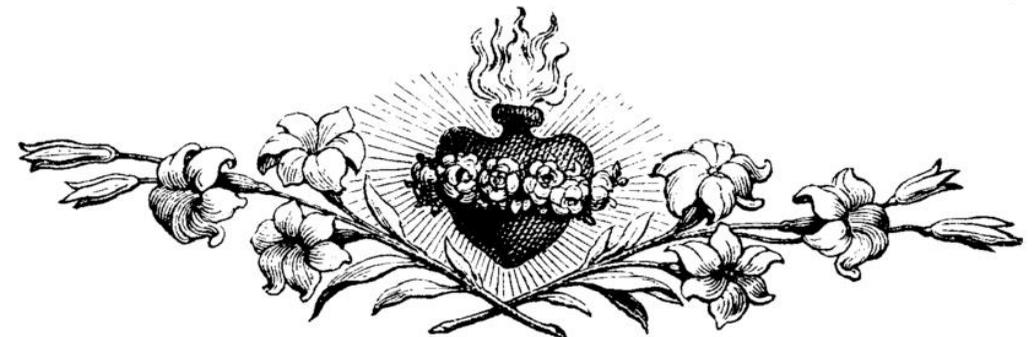
**Other Contact information**

St. Peter Claver: 301-872-5460

St. Michael Church: 301-872-4321

Catholic Cemeteries: 301-475-5005 or 301-932-1766

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## Prayer Intentions

**Please remember all who have asked for our prayers:** Gerald Adkinson, Virginia Alice, Bradley Anderson and Ernie, Kristin Austin, Judy and Jim Ballantine, Ivan Barnes, Joyce Bean, Dorothy Berry, Leon Briscoe, Cathy Bush, Carla and Adam, Annie Carroll, Ted Carroll, Francis Carroll, Mildred Carroll, Robert Carter, Steven Carter, Sr. Colleen Clair, Nancy Cotter, Debi Clark, Joey Cosgrove, Jack Cullison, Celia DeVoe, Erica Dingle, Ed Dishman, Norman Fenwick, Eileen Garvey, Mary Glynn, Mary Jean Goldsborough, Mary Gorman, Hannah Gravelle, Mary Jane Hall, Jeff Harris Family, Baby Hancock, James Hensley, Larry Hobbs, Sonny Hunt, John Jovan, Bambi Kwiatkoski, Lynn, John Lolli, Adam Lumpkins, Helen Lococo, Shirley D. Major, George Matthew, Dennis MacQuilliam, Bill Morris, James Morris, Michelle Nelson, Cecilia Plymale, Eileen Peterson, Angie Prucha, Bill Rayle, Don Robinson, Frances Reddix, Clarence Rose, Ellen Rose, Jacob Remis, ZaNiya G. Rice, Joel Rivera, Kimberly Sariego, Tiny Taylor, John F. Thompson, Susan Windburn, William Woodland, Lisa, Donna Burriss, Elaine McNeil, Tara Sewell, Doris Rose Yates, James Young, Eva Butler, Francis Birch, Evan Beck, Michael Hammett Jr., Andrew Farrand, Joe Dziewit,. We thank God for the many people He has healed, bodies, minds, *and* souls.

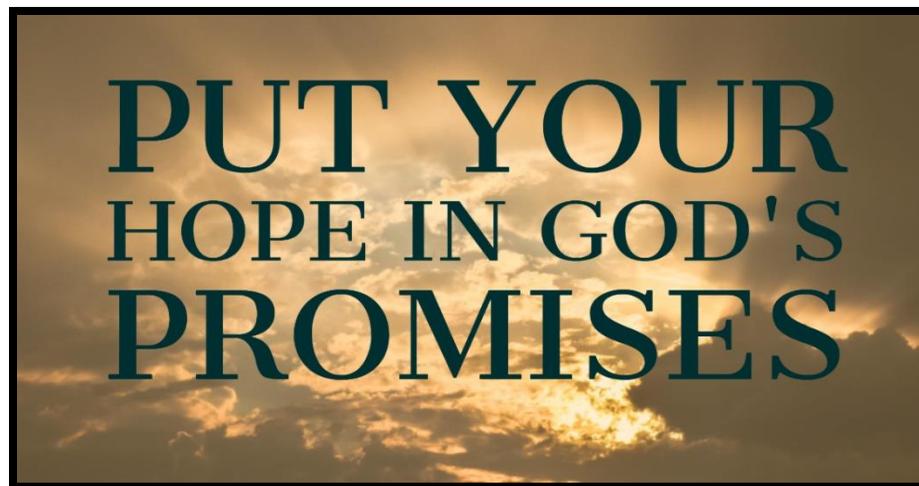
### Mass Intentions for the Week of November 7 - 13

Saturday 4:30 PM For the intentions of our parishioners  
Sunday 8:00 AM For the peaceful repose of the soul of Bob Noppenberger  
Monday 7:30 AM For the intentions of Dana Burke  
Tuesday 7:30 AM For the peaceful repose of the soul of Mildred Carroll  
Wednesday 7:30 AM For the intentions of Stacey Gunther  
Thursday 7:30 AM For the intentions of our parishioners  
Friday 7:30 AM For the peaceful repose of the soul of Nioma Farrah  
Saturday 8:00 AM Mass at St. Peter Claver.

## Announcements & Events

- There will be no second collection for the weekend of November 14 – 15.
- **The Knights of Columbus** will be collecting items for the Cross Catholic Outreach Box of Joy program. Box of Joy is a service opportunity that has a material and spiritual impact on poor children in developing countries. Please donate whatever you can including a \$9.00 cash donation to the church on any of the days from **November 1 through November 13**. Make checks payable to “Cross Catholic Outreach”.
- **The Carry-Out Chicken Dinner at the K.C. Hall** in Ridge will be on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. It will be from 11:30 AM until 5:00 PM or until the chicken is gone. \$12 a dinner. If you have questions, please call 301-872-4641
- **Angel Tree Project** - Due to COVID, we will not be able to do our traditional Christmas Angel Tree project where parishioners purchase gifts for local families in need. Instead, we will be collecting monetary donations to purchase gifts or gift cards for families. If you would like to make a donation, please visit the website below. We thank you for any amount you are able to give!  
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/354ecffb-7952-4ae8-b159-5567f0beb906>

- **The Retired Priest of the Archdiocese of Washington Collection** is November 7 and 8 this year. Our priests touch our lives in many ways: they baptize our children, comfort us in the confessional, witness our marriage vows and hold our loved one's hands as the Lord calls them home. Let us come together to help provide care and housing for our retired priests so they can live their retirement in dignity There are four ways you can support the Retired Priests Collection this year:
  1. Envelopes. Please use the envelopes mailed to your earlier this month or the envelope in the foyer on the table.
  2. Online: Please visit [adw.org/rpc](http://adw.org/rpc) to support the collection online.
  3. Text: Please text "Priest" to 301-231-1816. A text with a link to a secure form will be sent back to you to complete your generous gift for this important collection.
  4. QR Code: Please scan the QR code on the posters located in the foyer of the church to donate online.



### **Mass & Confession Times**

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:30 PM

**Sunday Morning:** 8:00am

**Weekday Mass:** Monday – Friday 7:30am

**Daily Adoration:** Monday - Friday 6:00am – 7:15am

**Weekly Confession:** Saturdays 3:00pm – 4:00pm

### **Latin Mass Schedule at St. Peter Claver**

Monday & Wednesday – 6:00 PM

Sunday Afternoon – 12:00 PM

**Morning Offering:** O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day. For all the intentions of Thy Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the reunion of Christendom and for the Holy Father's intentions of the month. **November: Artificial Intelligence** - We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

### Pastor's Keyboard

I just want to use this pastor's keyboard to thank everyone at both St. Peter Claver and St. Cecilia who volunteered to spend an hour with Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament for 24 hours on Election Day and the day after (November 3-4) as we prayed for God's will in the election process and our acceptance of His will. Some of you even spent two hours and one college student spent 4 1/2 hours! I know that the Lord was able to not only bless you during these times of intense prayer, but also many among your family and friends as well as the nation as a whole. This is one of my favorite quotes:

***“Pray for my soul. More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of: Wherefore, let thy voice, Rise like a fountain for me night and day.” Alfred Tennyson, Idylls of the King***

As I'm writing this, we still don't know who the next President is, but God does! And that is all we need to know. Not only does He know, but He is already at work for our good regardless of who is elected. This should be the primary reason we should not give into rejoicing and expecting too much nor to fear and being hopeless because our hope, trust, and confidence is more in Him than in any political figure.

So, let us pray for our President (assuming that by now we have one) and pray for whoever it will be. He will need our prayers and, regardless of whether we are happy about the results or not, we are going to need him to bring this country together and lead it, and he will need the help of the Lord to accomplish it as well as the help of all good Christian people to participate in the political process, to advocate for the good, and to fight against the bad .

These have not been easy days, and maybe all of our nerves are a little shot, yet, knowing that the Lord is with us and for us, we can truly move forward now with more peace and joy. Pray for the peace of the Lord to fill your hearts and minds and spread it to those who

you encounter at work, school, church, and especially at home. God has work for all of us in His vineyard, and it never ends with an election of any political leader; it is a new beginning, and we are all meant to be active.

May the Lord bless our president, new or continuing. May He help him to govern our country well with respect for all life from conception to natural death, and may the good Lord bless him with faith, love and the humility necessary to become a better man, better Christian, and better leader than he has ever been to help our country have a more perfect union and a more generous spirit. Amen!

Your brother and father in Christ,  
Fr. Scott