
About Our Church

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

Our Pastor is Fr. Larry Swink

The Assistants are Deacon Tony Sweeney & Deacon Mark Kijesky

CONTACT INFORMATION

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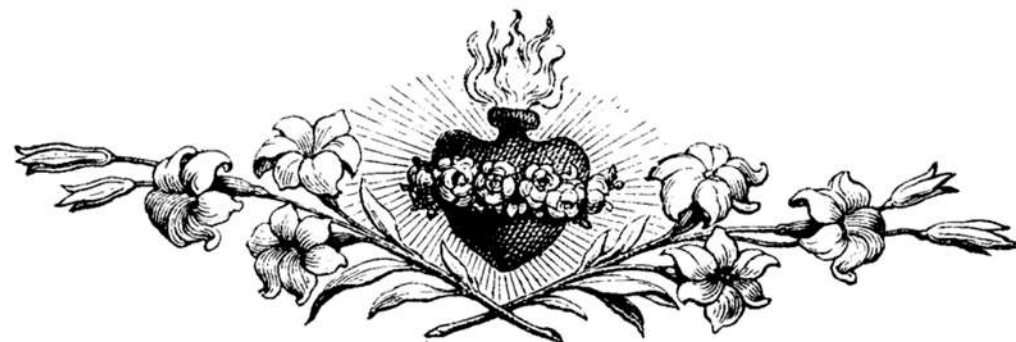
The office will be closed on Thursdays, Holy Days and Federal Holidays.

Other Contact information

St. Peter Claver: 301-872-5460

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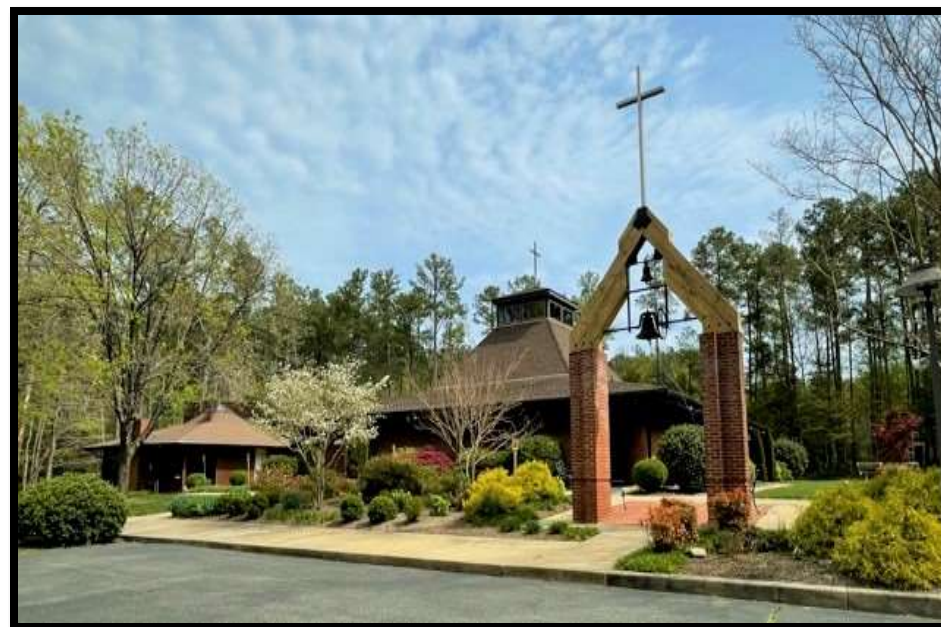
Catholic Cemeteries: 301-475-5005 or 301-932-1766



WELCOME TO St. Cecilia Church

November 7, 2021

The Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Prayer Intentions

Please remember all who have asked for our prayers: Anita Tate, Peggy Barickman, James Thompson, Cecilia Plymale, Mary Destefano, Joseph and Kathleen Notoro, Joe Spelz, Gerald Adkinson, Virginia Alice, Ernie, Kristin Austin, Jim Ballantine, Ivan Barnes, Joyce Bean, Cathy Bush, Carla and Adam, Annie Carroll, Ted Carroll, Francis Carroll, Robert Carter, Steven Carter, Colleen Clair, Nancy Cotter, Judy Collins, Debi Clark, Joey Cosgrove, Jack Cullison, Celia DeVoe, Erica Dingle, Ed Dishman, Eileen Garvey, Mary Glynn, Mary Gorman, Hannah Gravelle, Jeff Harris Family, James Hensley, John Jovan, Bambi Kwiatkoski, Lynn, John Lolli, Adam Lumpkins, Helen Lococo, Shirley D. Major, Dennis MacQuilliam, Bill Morris, James Morris, Eileen Peterson, Angie Prucha, Bill Rayle, Don Robinson, Frances Reddix, Clarence Rose, Ellen Rose, Jacob Remis, Joel Rivera, Kimberly Sariego, Tiny Taylor, John F. Thompson, Kurt Unangst, Susan Windburn, 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 November 6 – November 13

Saturday 4:30 PM For the intentions of our Parishioners.

Sunday 8:00 AM For the peaceful repose of all souls.

Monday - Thursday 7:30 AM

For all souls in purgatory – especially for the souls of our beloved dead whose names are written in our Book of the Dead, upon our altar, and held in the silence of our hearts.

May God welcome them into the eternal joy of perpetual light.

Friday 7:30 AM For the peaceful repose of all souls, especially Nioma Farrah

Saturday 8:00 AM Mass at St. Peter Claver

Those who help prepare for and present the Mass each weekend:

Masses: November 13, 4:30pm Saturday November 14, 8:00am Sunday

Readers: Angie & Pat Collins Helen Thompson

Ushers: J. Owens & J. Hall B. Bowman, V. Sanner, & J. Greer

Decorations: Tiny Taylor & Marie Tarleton

Mass & Confession Time

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday Morning: 8:00am

Weekday Mass: Monday – Friday 7:30am

Daily Adoration: Monday - Friday 6:00am – 7:15am; Monday 4:00pm – 6:00pm Weekly

Rosary: Tuesday 6:30pm

Weekly Confession: Saturdays 3:00pm – 4:00pm and by appointment

Latin Mass at St. Cecilia - Monday at 6:00pm with Adoration beginning at 4:00pm.

Spiritual Direction – Available at St Cecilia’s on Mondays from 4:00pm – 5:40pm. Please see Parish website for link to sign up.

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: Universal Intention: People who suffer from depression. We pray that people who suffer from depression and burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Announcements & Events

- **We want to thank all of you** for your generous contributions! There will be a second collection on the weekend of November 13-14 for the poor.

-**ROSARY AT ST CECILIA'S** – Please join us in devotion to our Lady on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm as we pray the Rosary.

- **WOMEN'S NIGHT OF REFLECTION** – The next Women's Night of Reflection will be on Tuesday, November 9th at St. Cecilia Church. The talk will be "The Hidden Power of Forgiveness." Fr. Swink will be available for confessions beginning at 6PM. You are invited to join in the parish rosary at 6:30PM. Our evening will officially begin at 7PM with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Fr. Swink's talk and healing prayers.

-**ANGEL TREE** – Beginning this Wednesday, November 10, the angel tree will be in the back of the church. Please take an angel and sign the form with gift number, your name and telephone number. The gifts are due back on December 4th and 5th and can be placed at the church entrance. If you choose not to shop, you can make a donation at the church rectory, and we will shop for you. Thank you for participation.

-**CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT** – All men are invited to attend the Catholic Men's Retreat on December 3-5, 2021 at Loyola on the Potomac in Faulkner, MD. Registration has begun. Please see a flyer in the foyer of St Cecilia's or go to <https://www.sacredheartlaplata.org/st-michaels-retreats.html> for more information and to sign up. Please join us for a spiritually powerful weekend of worship, learning and fellowship.

-**OPEN HOUSE FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS** – Come and discover Chesterton Academy of St. Mary's, an affordable high school in the Catholic tradition! An open

house is scheduled for Wednesday, November 17, from 6:30pm – 8:30pm for prospective students and parents. Meet the faculty and students, and learn about the rigorous classical curriculum, Catholic identity, and environment of joyful comradery! For more information and to RSVP go to <https://www.chestertonstmarys.org/news/tym0rne0q3dvi4pz77bggfmgeewfin>.

- **NOVEMBER COLLECTION FOR THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR.** The Council Hall in Ridge (16441 Three Notch Road) will be open on November 20 from 10:00 a.m. to noon for the November collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor. The needs remain much as before - individual personal care items, individual snack items, bottled water, cleaning items - AND gift cards to Giant or checks made to the Little Sisters of the Poor are always welcome. The Thanksgiving/Christmas list includes boxes of chocolates, stocking stuffers, etc. No perishable items, please, other than fresh seasonable fruits.

-**RUMMAGE SALE** – The Belles will be holding a rummage sale Saturday, November 20 from 8:00am – Noon at the KC Hall. Donations can be dropped off November 17-19 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm and November 17-18 from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. Please no clothes or shoe donations. For more information, call 301-872-5140.

-**CARRY-OUT CHICKEN DINNER** - Sunday, November 14, from 11:30 TIL, the Knights of Columbus will be having a carry-out chicken dinner at the K.C. Hall, Ridge, MD. Dinners are \$14 and baked goods will be available. Self-service dining room services are available. For more information call 301-872-4641.

-**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE** -Please join Cardinal Wilton Gregory, Sister Mary Bader and the Board of Directors of St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families to our ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE held on Sunday, December 5, 2021 from 1:00pm - 3:00pm at St. Ann's Center: 4901 Eastern Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20782. Please contact Carolyn Boyle for more information: cboyle@stanns.org or 301-559-5500.

Pastor's Column:

SINS OF OMISSION

I have been thinking a lot this week about Purgatory and the following story I read about Padre Pio:

Padre Pio was praying late one night, and he saw a young man cleaning the altar in the semi-darkness. Padre Pio had never seen him before. "What are you doing there in the darkness?" Padre Pio asked. "I am cleaning the church," the young man replied. "Who are you?" Padre Pio asked. "I used to be a Capuchin novice in this monastery. My job was to take care of the church and to make sure that the sanctuary and the altar was always clean and well-kept. I did not perform my tasks well. I am now spending my purgatory here in this church. I need your prayers so that I can be released from purgatory." With that, the young man disappeared. Padre Pio then prayed for the soul of the young man with great intensity, asking the Lord to release him from purgatory.

Do we focus on the good things we fail to do? Every day we are given the opportunity to do many small things with great love. This weekend Jesus praises the widow who put all she had in the treasury. The Gospel says:

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

She gave all that she had and she gave it with love.

Reflect this week on the little things we fail to do out of laziness or lack of love. Go out of your comfort zone by doing three little things this week for your family and for God i.e., a phone call to someone you haven't talked to in a long time, extra prayers, helping around the house without being asked...

Do all for your love of God.

In Christ,

Fr. Larry