

The People of God called to be the Catholic Community of

St. Cecilia Church

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February 18, 2024—1st Sunday of Lent

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Mass of Anticipation: 5:00 PM English

Sunday Mass

9:00 AM Português | 10:30 AM English | 12:00 PM Español

Monday—Friday Daily Mass: 7:00 AM English | Chapel & 12:00 PM English | Church

Tuesday: 7:00 PM Español | Church

Wednesday: 7:30 PM Português | Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 PM—5:00 PM

Welcome

We, the people of God called to be the Catholic Community of St. Cecilia, are a diverse and multi-cultural community of believers, joined together by a common bond of love for our Lord Jesus Christ while preserving the uniqueness and traditions of our ethnicity. With a united spirit, we strive to serve our Lord, His Church, and our community through prayer, worship, ministry and evangelization, and to share our faith and our talents in service to one another.

Sacrament of Baptism, Bautismo, Batismo

1º sabado da mes as 11:00 AM **Português**
2º Sabado del mes a la 11:00 AM **Español**
3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00 AM **English**

Call / LLamar / Ligue para o: **Fr. Juan Carlos Velasquez (201) 991-1116**

Sacrament of Matrimony, Matrimonio, Matrimônio

Congratulations to all engaged couples!!! Please contact a parish priest one year before the desired date for the marriage to ensure proper preparation for the Sacrament.

Felicitaciones a todos los novios!!! Comuníquese con un párroco un año antes de la fecha deseada para el matrimonio para garantizar la preparación adecuada para el Sacramento.

Parabéns a todos os noivos!!! Por favor contacte um pároco um ano antes da data desejada para o casamento para garantir uma preparação adequada para o Sacramento.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Unción de los enfermos, Unção dos Enfermos

For Anointing of the Sick: Anytime upon request in the home of the sick. If the infirm person is in hospital, please ask the nurse to contact the Hospital Chaplain first.

Para la Unción de los Enfermos, comuníquese con la oficina. Si la persona enferma está en el hospital, pídale a la enfermera que se comunique primero con el Capellán del Hospital.

Para a Unção dos Enfermos, entre em contato com o escritório. Se o enfermo estiver no hospital, peça à enfermeira que entre em contato primeiro com o Capelão do Hospital.

RCIA (RICA)

Interested in becoming a Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and children of catechetical age is a formational process of conversion and living faith within the community. Contact the Parish Center office for more information.

¿Interesado en convertirse en católico? El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RICA) y niños en edad catequética es un proceso formativo de conversión y fe viva dentro de la comunidad. Comuníquese con la oficina del Centro Parroquial para obtener más información.

Interessado em se tornar católico? O Rito de Iniciação Cristã de Adultos (RCIA) e crianças em idade catequética é um processo formativo de conversão e vivência da fé na comunidade. Contacte o escritório do Centro Paroquial para mais informações.

Our Parish Family

New parishioners may register at the Parish Center. Please help us keep our records up to date. Current members should notify the office of any changes in their status such as births, deaths, marriages, change of address, etc.

Los nuevos feligreses pueden registrarse en el Centro Parroquial. Por favor ayúdenos a mantener nuestros registros actualizados. Los miembros actuales deben notificar a la oficina cualquier cambio en su estado, como nacimientos, defunciones, matrimonios, cambios de dirección, etc.

Os novos paroquianos podem inscrever-se no Centro Paroquial. Por favor, ajude-nos a manter nossos registros atualizados. Os membros atuais devem notificar o escritório de quaisquer alterações no seu estatuto, tais como nascimentos, mortes, casamentos, mudança de endereço, etc.

Commitment to Transparency & Healing

The Archdiocese of Newark, along with St. Cecilia Church, take very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. Any person with knowledge of an incident of sexual misconduct must inform us immediately so that we can take the appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Please contact the Archdiocese Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

PARISH CENTER CONTACT

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Website:

www.stceciliakearny.org

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/stceciliakearny

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday:

9:00 AM—5:00 PM

(Closed for lunch 12 PM-1 PM)

Friday:

9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Saturday closed

Sunday:

9:30 AM—1:30 PM

Parish served by

Rev. Cesar Quiñones
Administrator

Rev. Juan Carlos Velasquez-Ducayin
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Richard J. Mroz
In Residence

Deacon Justo E. Aliaga
Deacon Arcadio A. Cordova

Parish Staff

Ms. Gina Sgalia-Ball
Music Director

Ms. Donna Calcado
Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Patty Martinez
Office Manager Assistant

Ms. Silvia Sanchez
Office Assistant

Angela Sierra
Maintenance

Mr. Joseph Reese
Financial Chairperson

Mr. Albertino Amaro
Parish Trustee

MASS INTENTIONS

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| SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 17 |
| 5:00 PM | † Dr. Walter Huacon Santos and Elena Aroca |
| SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 18 |
| 9:00 AM (P) | In Thanksgiving to the Divine Child |
| 10:30 AM | † William Keating |
| 12:00 PM (S) | † Juan Pineda Sr. |
| MONDAY | FEBRUARY 19 |
| 9:00 AM | † Tom Grant (15 th Anniversary) |
| TUESDAY | FEBRUARY 20 |
| 7:00 AM | † Stan Guziejewski Sr. |
| 12:00 PM | † Diane Botelho Martinez |
| 7:00 PM (S) | People of the Parish |
| WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 21 |
| 7:00 AM | People of the Parish |
| 12:00 PM | People of the Parish |
| 7:30 PM (P) | People of the Parish |
| THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 22 |
| 7:00 AM | People of the Parish |
| 12:00 PM | People of the Parish |
| FRIDAY | FEBRUARY 23 |
| 7:00 AM | † Candelaria Egusquiza (Birthday Remembrance) |
| 12:00 PM | People of the Parish |

2nd Sunday of Lent

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| SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 24 |
| 5:00 PM | † Antonio Da Costa (Birthday Remembrance) |
| SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 25 |
| 9:00 AM (P) | † Fernando Miguel |
| 10:30 AM | † Candido Dapena (Anniversary) |
| 12:00 PM (S) | † Felipe Allca and Ruben Allca |

(P) Portuguese - (S) Spanish

Memorials for the week of February 18, 2024

Sanctuary candle in the Church:

Albertina Rebimbas
req. by Maria Cunha

Sanctuary candle in the Chapel:

People of the Parish

Altar Bread and Altar Wine:

People of the Parish

Candles are available for \$10, Altar Bread & Altar Wine for \$20.

Collections/Colectas/Administração

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| 1 st collection | 02/11/24 | \$ 3474.00 |
| 2 nd collection | 02/11/24 | \$ 1602.00 |

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



Linda & Stanley Guziejewski Jr,
Edna Hasselwander, Maria
Mauricio, Dan and Dot McCann,
Laura Jo McCann, Molly
McGovern, Maria Rodriguez,
Denise Verost

Please pray for our homebound parishioners and the sick of our parish community.



Remember in your prayers those who have died:

May they rest in God's eternal embrace.



Roman Catholic
Archdiocese of Newark

2024 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1) The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

*On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and **two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.** Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. *On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2) The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3) The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4) The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2024 to the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.** ****Canon 920, §1.** *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

There are no Baptisms during Lent.

Requirements for Godparents/Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation

The requirements for godparents/sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation can be found on our website, www.stceciliakearny.org under Sacraments.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

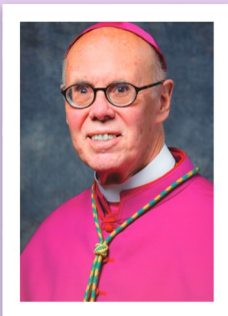
Welcome Bishop Gregory Studerus to St. Cecilia Church

It is a pleasure to welcome back Bishop Gregory Studerus to St. Cecilia Church!!!

Bishop Studerus will preside at the 12 Noon Spanish Mass on Sunday, February 18th.

Please join Bishop Studerus after the 12 Noon Mass in the Church basement to discuss any new development since his last visit to our parish.

All parishioners of St. Cecilia Church are encouraged to attend this meeting after 1:00 PM.



Religious Education

Classes will be held in person every Sunday from 9 AM – 10:20 AM in the School Building. Students must attend Sunday Mass. For Sacramental Students, please do not forget to bring your Mass attendance booklets.

Classes resume on Sunday, February 25th.

Dates for parents of Sacramental Students, (only for those students receiving a sacrament this year other than at the Easter Vigil):

First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 9AM English and 11AM Spanish.

Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15 at 7PM, The Most Rev. Gregory J. Studerus, Presider.

ANNUAL ²⁰²⁴ APPEAL

The Annual Appeal will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the Gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins. St. Cecilia 2024 Stretch Goal is \$27,071.00. **Help us reach our goal!**

Visit rcan.org/sharing to make a gift today.

Events—What's on the Church Calendar

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| Sunday 2/18 | 10:30 AM- 12 PM | Spanish Bible Class | Church Basement |
| Tuesday 2/20 | 7:30 PM | Spanish Prayer Group | Church Basement |
| | 7:30 PM | Stations of the Cross Spanish | Church |
| Wednesday 2/21 | 7:00 PM | Stations of the Cross Portuguese | Chapel |
| Friday 2/23 | 12:30 PM | Stations of the Cross English | Church |
| | 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/ Spanish | Church |
| Saturday 2/24 | 9 AM | Martha's Cleaning | Church |
| | 11:30 AM- 12:45 PM | Grupo Maria Inmaculada Concepción, Rosario y Reflexión | Chapel |
| | 1 PM- 2:30 PM | Grupo de La Divina Misericordia | Parish Center Basement |



STATIONS of the CROSS

Spanish: Tuesdays after the 7:00 PM Mass

Portuguese: Wednesdays at 7:00 PM (before 7:30 PM Mass)

English: Fridays after the 12 Noon Mass



Mass For Our Country



Holy Spirit Church

971 Suburban Road, Union, NJ 07083

Patriotic Rosary-7:00 PM

Holy Mass—7:30 PM

An opportunity to come together and pray for God's blessings and mercy on our country.

All are welcome

2024

March 7

April 4

May 2

June 6

Sponsored by the

**Archdiocese of Newark Office for Evangelization
973-497-4137 Email: Evangelizaton@rcan.org**

Presidents' Day

The Parish Center Office will be closed on Monday, February 19th. The office will reopen on Tuesday, February 20th at 9 AM.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES / NOTÍCIAS DA PARÓQUIA

Educación Religiosa

Las clases se llevarán a cabo en persona todos los domingos de 9 AM a 10:20 AM en el edificio de la escuela. Los estudiantes deben asistir a la misa dominical. Para los estudiantes sacramentales, no olviden traer sus folletos de asistencia a misa.

Las clases resumen el domingo, 25 de febrero.

Fechas para los padres de estudiantes sacramentales (solo para aquellos estudiantes que recibirán un sacramento este año que no sea en la Vigilia Pascual):

La Primera Comunión se llevará a cabo el sábado, 11 de mayo, 2024 a las 9 AM en inglés y a las 11 AM en español.

El Sacramento de la Confirmación es el miércoles, 15 de mayo, 2024 a las 7 PM presidido por el Obispo Gregory J. Studerus.

1º DOMINGO DO TEMPO DA QUARESMA



No primeiro Domingo da Quaresma, a liturgia diz-nos que Deus nunca desiste de recriar o nosso mundo, tantas vezes ferido pelo egoísmo e pela maldade dos homens; e desafia-nos a colaborar com Deus na construção de um mundo novo, de harmonia e de paz, que é o projeto original do Criador.

A **primeira leitura** é um extrato de uma velha lenda sobre um cataclismo que lavou o mundo do pecado. Ensina que Deus, depois de eliminar o mal, não está interessado em fazer guerra aos homens; por isso, depõe o seu “arco de guerra” e oferece aos homens uma Aliança incondicional de paz. Deus espera que, da sua iniciativa, nasça uma humanidade nova, capaz de concretizar o sonho de Deus para o mundo.

O **Evangelho** mostra-nos Jesus a recusar o mal e a optar pelo caminho que lhe foi indicado pelo Pai. Essa opção está na origem de um mundo novo, ao qual Jesus chamava “o Reino de Deus”. Ele conta com os seus discípulos para serem, em todos os momentos da história humana, construtores e arautos do “Reino de Deus”.

Na **segunda leitura**, o autor da primeira Carta de Pedro recorda que, pelo Batismo, os cristãos aderiram a Cristo e à salvação que Ele trouxe. Comprometeram-se, portanto, a seguir Jesus no caminho do amor, do serviço, do dom da vida. Envolvidos nesse dinamismo de vida e de salvação que brota de Jesus, os cristãos são semente de uma nova humanidade.

PARA A SEMANA QUE SE SEGUE...

Rezar em cada manhã o Salmo 24... Ao longo da semana, rezar em cada manhã, lentamente, este Salmo 24. Pode ser meditado, “ruminado”. Esforçar-se também por memorizar um versículo para cada dia (“Tu és o Deus que me salva”; “lembra-te, Senhor, da tua ternura”); repeti-lo várias vezes ao longo do dia, como uma caminhada com o Senhor. Será uma maneira possível de viver a exortação à oração em segredo, a exortação que ouvimos na Quarta-feira de Cinzas. Procurar também recorrer a esta oração quando temos uma decisão a tomar, uma escolha a fazer, cada vez que um discernimento se nos impõe (“guiai-me na verdade”, “ensinai-me”...).

Portal dos Dehonianos

RETIRO DE CUARESMA
SÁBADO 2 DE MARZO
DEL 2024
8.30 AM - 1.00 PM

"Del encuentro con Dios al encuentro con mis hermanos"

REV. JUAN PABLO ESTEBAN GARRILLO
 SR. JOSEFA GONZÁLEZ
 DCH. ASTERIO VELASCO
 MÚSICA: MARIA DEL PILAR GARRILLO

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