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## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.  
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)  
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.  
(All masses are livestreamed at [stcecilia.com/78](http://stcecilia.com/78))

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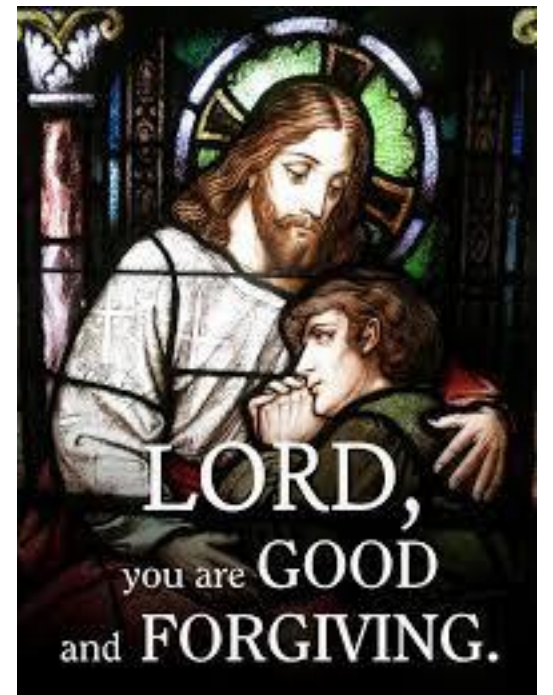
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Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the Church

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Every Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass  
and ends with Benediction at 5:15 p.m.



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 30, 2023

**First Reading** *1 Kings 3:5,7-12*  
Solomon pleases God when he asks for a wise and understanding heart to better govern the people.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 119:57,72,76-77,127-130*

The law of the Lord is more precious than silver and gold.

**Second Gospel Reading** *Romans 8:28-30* God chose us to be conformed to the image of his Son.

**Gospel Reading** *Matthew 13:44-52 (shorter form: Matthew 13:44-46)*  
Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today’s Gospel concludes three weeks of readings from the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Matthew’s Gospel. Throughout these three weeks we have heard Jesus teaching crowds about the kingdom of heaven, and we have heard Jesus interpret some of his teachings for the disciples. In this week’s Gospel, Jesus offers three more short parables.

The first two parables describe the great value of the kingdom of heaven. In the first parable, Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure that is worth possessing even if it means giving up everything else. In the second parable, Jesus proposes that the kingdom of heaven is like a pearl of great worth for which one will sell everything else to possess. These parables teach us that we are to place everything we value in the service of the pursuit of the Kingdom of God.

The third parable that Jesus proposes in today’s Gospel is different from the first two, but it is reminiscent of the parable of the sower heard in last week’s Gospel. The kingdom of heaven is compared to fishing with a wide net. After the fish have been collected, the good fish are kept and the bad fish are thrown away; so too, in the final judgment, will the wicked and the righteous be separated.

Today’s Gospel concludes with a curious statement about the scribe who understands the kingdom of heaven. Here a metaphor is offered: this scribe is like the head of a household who “brings from his storeroom both the new and the old.” The scribes referred to here are experts of Mosaic law. It is possible that Jesus is here instructing the early Christian community on how to proceed in the interpretation of Jewish law with respect to Jesus’ “new” teaching. Jesus’ teaching about the kingdom of heaven does not replace the Jewish tradition; it interprets it in a different light.

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**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE VISIT**  
Saint Cecilia Parish |||| Wednesday ||| August 30th  
2:00 PM Arrival ||| 2:15 PM Veneration until 7:30 PM Departure  
Rosary every hour ||| 3:00 PM Divine Mercy ||| 5:30 PM Mass  
Individuals and families will be enclosed in the mantle of the Blessed Mother.  
Couples may renew their vows before the Blessed Mother at any time.  
*Parishioners and guests are invited to join us during veneration and mass.*

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE 5:30 PM MASS ATTENDEES**

Starting *Monday, July 31st*, the 5:30 PM Weekday Mass will now be celebrated in the *Chapel*.

**CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION (CYO) SPORTS**  
CYO sports refer to athletic programs and leagues organized by Catholic churches and communities for youth participation. These sports programs and are designed to promote physical activity, teamwork, and character development while emphasizing Christian values and principles.

As the 2023-2024 School Year approaches we are excited for another year of CYO sports. St. Cecilia School provides athletic opportunities for our 3rd to 8th grade students and parishioners. Our Fall season will begin with soccer for boys and volleyball for girls. Please email [gotmulk11@cs.com](mailto:gotmulk11@cs.com) and [SC.Athletics.SF@gmail.com](mailto:SC.Athletics.SF@gmail.com) with any questions.  
Go Irish! ~ Tim Moriarty, SC P.E. Teacher and Girls Athletics Director

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**Monday** - July 31- Pedro, Computers  
**Tuesdays** - August 01 - Bingo, French, Italian  
**Thursday** - August 03 **\*11:15 am Exercise**, Bridge, Knitting, and Scrabble  
**Friday** - August 04 - League of the Sacred Heart  
*Everyone is welcome to join Collins Center activities.*

**THIS WEEK’S MASS INTENTIONS**

<b><u>Monday, July 31</u></b> <b>9am</b> John McKeon Rufino Quicho Ofelia Tolentino Greg Morales <b>5:30pm</b> Addison Miller Sean Murphy	<b><u>Wednesday, August 02</u></b> <b>9am</b> Eugene Needham Joy Dayoan Banaria Josefina Reyes Ysip <b>5:30pm</b> Terry Moriarty Veronica Mellett Linda Grealish, Living	<b><u>Friday, August 04</u></b> <b>9am</b> John Shanley Patrick McEnteggart <b>5:30pm</b> Paul McGloin Angela Gonzalez	<b><u>Sunday, August 06</u></b> <b>7:30am</b> Pastora O. Herrera Augusto Bennett Dela Cruz Apolinario Garcia Reyes
<b><u>Tuesday, August 01</u></b> <b>9am</b> Noreen McEntee Stephen McEntee, Living Fr. Celestine Tyowua, Living <b>5:30pm</b> Rosita Evangelista Arthur Alano	<b><u>Thursday, August 03</u></b> <b>9am</b> Dr. Carol Braga Tracy Ann Casayuran, Living <b>5:30pm</b> Dr. Carol Braga Mary Bagaman Victoriana Velasco	<b><u>Saturday, August 05</u></b> <b>9am</b> Mary McGarry Archer Vicente Chiang <b>Saturday Vigil, August 05</b> <b>5:00pm</b> Eugene Needham Matthew & Agnes Doyle Margaret Gavney	<b>9:30am People of Saint Cecilia</b>
			<b>11:30am</b> Albert Campos Bridie, Mike and Carey Cunnane George Morey Morey Family, Living