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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)

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CONFESSIONS

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office (415) 664-8481
or email irmalavitoria@stcecilia.com

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Please call the Parish Office (415) 664-8481
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SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact the Parish Office at least six months
prior to the wedding date (415) 664-8481
or email irmalavitoria@stcecilia.com

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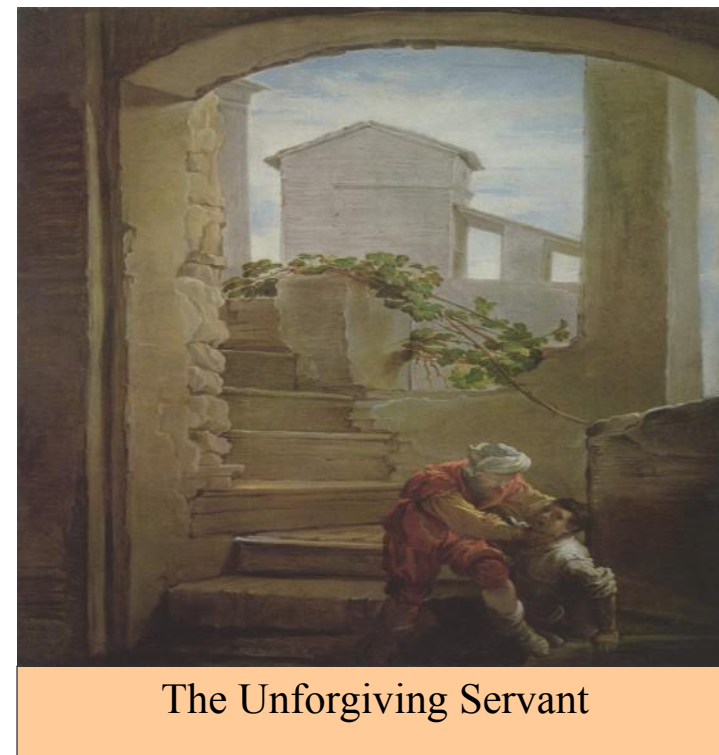
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ROSARY

Monday-Saturday @ 8:35 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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



The Unforgiving Servant

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 17, 2023

First Reading

Sirach 27:30—28:9

Those who seek God's mercy must be merciful toward others.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 103:1-4, 9-12

A song of praise to God who is kind and merciful.

Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

We belong to the Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus teaches that we must forgive one another as God has forgiven us.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading directly follows [last week's Gospel](#) in which Jesus taught the disciples how to handle disputes and conflict within the Christian community. In today's reading Peter asks Jesus how many times one ought to extend forgiveness to another. Peter proposes a reasonable number of times, perhaps seven. Jesus replies by extending Peter's proposal by an enormous amount; not just seven times should one forgive, but 77 times. The parable of the unforgiving servant is Jesus' elaboration of his initial reply to Peter. Through the parable we come to understand the depths of God's mercy toward us and the results of our acceptance of God's forgiveness.

The king in the parable decides to settle accounts with his servants. We are told that one servant in particular owes the king an enormous sum of money. Despite the promise of the servant, it is unlikely that he would ever be able to repay the debt that he owes. The king is moved by the humility of the pleading servant and mercifully forgives the debt. Rather than displaying gratitude for this forgiveness, the servant confronts a fellow servant who owes him a small debt—a pittance when compared with the amount that was owed to the king. The unmerciful servant refuses the pleas of his fellow servant and sends the servant to prison.

A few other servants tell the merciful king about the actions of the unforgiving servant. The king punishes the servant because he refused to show the kind of mercy he had himself received from the king. Jesus concludes by indicating that this is how it will be with God and those who refuse to forgive one another.

There is a temptation to quantify forgiveness as Peter tried to do, but Jesus' point is that forgiveness is not about quantity—the number of times we extend forgiveness to another. In the parable the king's forgiveness is like God's forgiveness, and it transforms us, helping us to be as forgiving as God. The lesson is clear: If we hoard God's mercy while showing no mercy to others, we risk forfeiting the effects of God's mercy in our lives.

—Loyola Press || Sunday Connection

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Kyle Baeder & Lauren Harper

Tim & Carla Bass

Max & Janet Bran

Peter & Kathleen Byrne

James & Isabelle Carlassare

Rian & Ciera Dineen

Danniela Gilliom

Joe Hager & Rose Santos

Elsbeth Llama

Ben & Daniela Matranga

We are delighted to have you join us!

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Laboyd Hendrix Ricard III

May God bless you & keep you in the palm of His hand.

THANK YOU SC MARDI GRAS FESTIVAL SPONSORS

Royal Court (\$3,000)

Carole McNeil/Talbott Family

2nd Line Band (\$1,000)

MG Draught, Elena's Mexican Restaurant, Little Original Joe's of Westlake, Trattoria Da Vittorio, 7x7 Dental Implant & Oral Surgery Specialists, Archbishop Riordan High School, Rollo and Ridley, Inc., The Medak Family, Ann & George Sundby, The Bacon Family, O'Kane Construction LLC

King Cake (\$700)

Millbrae Pancake House, Family of Ziggy Pearce, The Dekker Family, Dr. & Mrs. Anthony Ribera, The Mike and Kathleen McKeon Family, The Reodica-Ozaeta Family, JP ('24), Danny ('26), Rico & Marquez ('29) McCaffrey/Talbott Family, Tamburro and Luongo Families, SHAWS, SIREN Boutique, John, Alisa, Luca ('19) & Aria ('24) Peralta

Fat Tuesday (\$500)

Diviney Construction, Supple Senior Care, Brien and Edna Hoo Family, Dr. & Mrs. Anthony Ribera, The Palmer Family: Gilbert Nagle ('13), Miles Palmer ('19), Linda Palmer ('21), The Olympic Club Foundation, Julia Harris, OTR/L & Lora Harris, OTR/L, The Hawkins Family (Alyssa '29)

French Quarter (\$300)

Mike, Vikki ('96), Will ('26) & Giuliana ('29) Abendroth, Mike, Ann, Maggie ('15) & Maura ('18) Baglin, ME Rudden, Todd ('89), Emma ('22), & Jake ('24) Hurley, Nicholas & Sophia Carrillo ('24), Ed & Valerie Nicolson, SC Hawkins Consulting LLC, Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, Laura M. Held Principal, The Coe Family, Jim & Sue Grazioli

Beignets (\$150)

Bay Document Services, Pharmacopia, The Baria Family, Gene & Suzanne Valla, Kevin and Kathy Callaghan & Family, The Pobe Family

Tomorrow, 9/18, is the last day to make your reservation for the League of the Sacred Heart Luncheon & Fashion Show to be held on Sept. 23rd. Sorry but there will be no exceptions. Please go to the Parish Office and turn in your reservation via the mail slot.



COFFEE & DONUTS FELLOWSHIP RETURNS!

Every Sunday in the Lower Church following the 9:30 am Family Mass
We thank our ministries for volunteering to serve:

Men of St. Cecilia—TODAY

Mothers' Club—Sept. 24

Festival Committee—October 1 / School—October 8

THANKS TO OUR PARISHIONERS' GENEROSITY...

St. Cecilia's St. Vincent de Paul conference was able to donate \$5,000 to SVDP's Disaster Program to assist Lahaina/Maui wildfire victims.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Are you or someone you know interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or maybe exploring the idea of becoming Catholic?

Come join us in September as a new session of the RCIA program begins.

Please call Deacon Iwan or the Parish Office at (415) 664-8481.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED

Interested in passing on the Catholic Faith to the next generation?

Come help teach!

We are looking for volunteers

(students in high school, college, or adults);

Children's Faith Formation (CFF) program is on Sunday, 8:30-9:15 am,

and serves students who attend public school or

non-Catholic private school from Pre-Kindergarten to 8th Grade.

Teaching background is not required. Help spread God's Love!

You can make a difference!

All materials are provided. Grab a friend and co-teach.

If interested or have any questions, please contact the parish office at (415) 664-8481 or email stcecilia@stcecilia.com

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION (CFF) REGISTRATION

CFF has begun. There is still time to join.

This is our parish Religious Education Program for students who attend non-Catholic schools from Pre-Kindergarten to 8th Grade.

The program is on Sundays,

8:30-9:15 am in the Collins Center at 2560 18th Avenue.

We also prepare children for

First Communion and Confirmation.

Please note: Sacrament Preparation is a two-year program.

Students preparing for

First Communion should attend CFF in grades 1 & 2.

Those preparing for Confirmation should attend CFF in grades 7 & 8.

Register online at bit.ly/StCeciliaCFF and/or show up.

If you have questions, please contact the parish office at 415-664-8481 or email stcecilia@stcecilia.com

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ST. CECILIA

Sunday Offertory Collection 2023

September 9 - 10 \$10,690

2023 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

On behalf of those throughout the Archdiocese who benefit from the Annual Appeal, thank you.

Campaign Goal : \$135,985

Amount Received: \$ 62,484

Balance Due: \$ 73,501

GET READY PARISH - IT'S FESTIVAL TIME!

The St. Cecilia MARDI GRAS 2023 Parish Festival

will take place on

October 13th, 14th and 15th

Please consider helping with this wonderful parish tradition.

Below are the 3 top ways you can support our festival:

-Sponsors needed!

It's never too early for corporate and small business sponsorships.

-Donate to the Silent Auction!

We are looking for donations for our Silent Auction. Please take a moment to consider donating an item to the auction (wine, one-of-a-kind experience, gift cards, tickets to a sporting event or concert, etc.) or asking your favorite business to do so.

-Volunteer!

We need you. Plus it's fun.

Thank you from the Queens of Mardi Gras: Anna Monge, Antoinette Gutierrez, Dina Bshara, and Maria Petersen

Go to: <https://scssf.ejoinme.org/SCMardiGras2023>

COLLINS CENTER

2560 18th Ave - (415) 566-2690 || Doors open at 1:00 pm

*Most Activities are from 1:30 - 3:30 pm

*(Exception: Exercise at 11:15am/ St. Martha Prayer Group 8:30am)

Monday - September 18 - Pedro

Tuesdays - September 19 - Bingo, French, Italian

Thursday - September 21- *11:15 am Exercise

Bridge, Knitting, and Scrabble

Friday - September 22 - *8:30 am St. Martha Prayer Group

Movie: "Song of the Islands" starring Betty Grable

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS - PLEASE COME BY THE OFFICE TO REQUEST MASSES. WE HAVE OPENINGS.

MONDAY, September 18

9am

Teasie McEntee McGarry

5:30pm

Jeanne Baquette Priss

TUESDAY, September 19

9am

Leticia Consolacion

5:30pm

John Xavier

Valentina Miranda

WEDNESDAY, September 20

9am

Deceased members of the

Lepuyade Family

Jerry Cassidy

5:30pm

Pedro Aristegui

THURSDAY, September 21

9am

Katherine Herber

5:30pm

Timmy McCarthy

FRIDAY, September 22

9am

Ferdinand Ysip DeLeon, Living

5:30pm

Pedro Aristegui

SATURDAY, September 23

9am

Richard Cobeen

SATURDAY VIGIL, September 23

5:00pm

John Vaughan

SUNDAY, September 24

7:30am

Mercedes Garcia

Jack Lehane

Mary Agnes Riga

Alex Celi, Living

9:30am

People of Saint Cecilia

11:30am

Robin Bisio Tripaldi

George Morey

Morey Family, Living