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Weekend Mass Schedule

St. Cecilia (Oakley) Saturday 3:30 PM | Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 8:15 PM

St. Mary (Hyde Park) Saturday at 4 PM | Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville)

Saturday 3 PM | Sunday 9:30 AM

Daily Mass Schedule

St. Cecilia (Oakley) 9 AM Mass, Monday-Saturday. All-day Adoration follows the 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays with 7 PM Holy Hour and Confessions from 7-7:50 PM

St. Mary (Hyde Park) 5:30 PM evening Mass, Monday-Thursday with Holy Hour on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass.

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville)

11:45 AM Mass, Monday-Friday

Confession Schedule

Confessions begin immediately after all daily Masses. One hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

Church Addresses

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The Oratory of St. John Vianney at

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"They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink." - Psalm 69:21

As we read the Passion narrative this weekend, we hear Jesus' final words as he fulfills the scripture verse in the Psalm and he is given sour wine to drink. Jesus then says, "It is finished." He has made the ultimate sacrifice for our sins and given us eternal life.

We have one more week before Easter. This is the last week to go and reconcile your sins. Take time to confess your sins and receive the forgiveness you need to enter Holy Week with a spiritual readiness and to gain a new sense of hope.

In two weeks we will see the new millennial saint, **Carlo Acutis**, canonized on Divine Mercy Sunday. What an exciting time! There are many new books coming out about this young saint. One of them is, *My Son Carlo: Carlo Acutis Through the Eyes of His Mother*. If you get a chance, read up on this saint. He had his second miracle recognized, and now he will be canonized on April 27, the Jubilee of Teenagers, in St. Peter's Square.

Join the Oratory in Praying for our Priests!

This week we are praying for **Fr. Jon-Paul Bevak**, **Fr. Matthew Jozefiak**, **Fr. Michael Nartker**, **Fr. Chau Pham, and Fr. Bryan Reif.** May their lives and ministry bear witness to the mercy and faithfulness of God. Please consider joining in the Rosary especially offered for these Priests at the Oratory each weekday at 11:15 before the 11:45 AM Mass.

Feed the Priests

Please sign up for a Tuesday or a Thursday to bring Father Dugas, Father Willig, and our semiarian intern Zach Jarrell dinner at the St. Mary rectory. The rectory staff requests that all meals be left on the St. Mary rectory porch by 4 PM.

Please choose tupperware that can be disposed or that the rectory can keep and reuse. Gift cards are accepted as well!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Maggie at 513-225-7296 for sign-up info.

Why Are the Statues and Crucifixes Veiled?

The Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, **April 15**, at 3 PM at the Cathedral Basilica. We encourage you to take part in this unique Holy Week liturgy rich in theological and pastoral significance.



Please pray for our children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion at St. Cecilia on Saturday, April 26, at the 3:30 PM Mass and Sunday, April 27, at the 10 AM Mass. And at St. Mary on Saturday, May 17, at the 4 PM Mass and Sunday, May 18 at the 10:30 AM Mass.

When the statues are veiled during these final days of Lent, we are better able to keep all of our attention on Jesus and His suffering. The veil is a form of fasting from beautiful things and reminders of heaven. It reminds us of our exile from paradise and is an image of sorrow for sin. It is also symbolic of Jesus' humiliation and of the fact that He hid His divinity during His Passion. We will remove the veils on Holy Saturday as we prepare to enter into the joy of the Vigil Mass of Easter.

UPCOMING EVENTS 4

SAVE THE DATE!

40TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY & RETIREMENT CELEBRATION of FR. KEN SCHARTZ Saturday, June 21 | 4 PM Mass

Followed by a reception in Robisch Hall. RSVP and details coming soon.

Two Deacons

On **April 27** we will celebrate two very special Masses for a transitional deacon and a permanent deacon from our family. The Diaconate ordination will be on April 26 and then they will celebrate their First Masses the following



day. **David Homoelle**, who was a seminarian intern for us in 2023-2024, will become a transitional deacon and will celebrate his first Mass at St. Cecilia at 10:00 AM. St. Mary parishioner **Chris Bergman** will celebrate his first Mass at 10:30 AM at St. Mary. Each deacon will have a reception following his Mass. Chris will be serving as a deacon for our Eastside Catholic family and we are excited to have him on board! Please keep David Homoelle in your prayers as he continues to prepare for his ordination, God willing, the following year.



Almsgiving at Holy Thursday Mass

During the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, all will be invited to process to the sanctuary to present your St. Vincent de Paul offerings.



Easter Decorating

We will be decorating St. Cecilia church for Easter on Saturday, April 19, 9:30 AM. Additional helping hands are always appreciated. Join us!

Easter Parking

We are so grateful to St. Cecilia's Oakley neighbors who are allowing us to use their parking lots Easter morning: Cincinnati Public Library on Gilmore Ave., former United Church of Christ on Taylor Ave., Hyde Park Pediatric Dentistry, Skyline, Oakley Paint and Glass, and CVS. (No Fresh Market parking, please; they will be open for business.)



Easter Flowers

We invite you to make an Easter flower donation "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a family member or friend. Please use the envelopes provided in your of-

fertory envelope packet or at all of our church entrances. Your remembrance allows us to provide a beautiful floral presentation for Easter Sunday and the season fol-

lowing. For St. Mary parishioners, you can us the QR code at right to make your donations along with your intentions.



The Flowering Cross

During Holy Week, there will be a bare wooden cross standing outside St. Cecilia's Madison Road entrance. This is a reminder of Christ's suffering and death. On Easter morning, that cross will be transformed into a living,



flowering cross—a sign of life and the new beginnings that come with Christ's Resurrection. You are invited to help bring this barren cross to life by placing a flower on it after the Easter Masses. Flowers will be available near the cross outside the front of church.

PASTOR'S RAMBLINGS 5

1 | Happy Birthday! Robert Nau just celebrated his 99th birthday! The big day was announced at the daily Mass, as well as the weekend Masses at St. Cecilia. 2 | St. Cecilia and St. Mary Students. The students in grades 2-8 participated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, embracing God's mercy and the call to repentance.
3 | Saint Family Day: St. Patrick's Day edition! We gathered in St. Mary church for Stations of the Cross and continued to the back lot for our cereal box domino train. All cereal boxes will be donated to our partner school, St. Boniface. Thank you, SMS families, for all the cereal boxes! 4 | Scout Sunday On Sunday, February 23, we celebrated Scout Sunday at St. Mary. After Mass, many joined in fellowship at the pancake breakfast where the scouts volunteered! 5-8 | Welcome, Children of God, Louis Ibold, son of Jeremy and Anne Hartmann, welcome Jack Michael, son of Ryan and Sarah Pontsler, welcome, Eleanor Leigh, daughter of Brian and Nicole Starr and welcome Georgia, daughter of Nicholas and Claire Gilkey.















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CATECHESIS & FAITH 6

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Week (April 17 – April 19) Morning Prayer — 9 AM (STC) with Confessions after

Holy Thursday (April 17) The Mass of the Lord's Supper — 7 PM with Adoration until 10 PM (all churches)

Good Friday (April 18)

Reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross, Stations of the Cross — 1 PM (SMHP), 1 PM (Oratory) & 1:30 PM (STC)

> Holy Saturday Masses (April 19) Easter Vigil — 8:45 PM (STC & SMHP)

Easter Sunday Masses (April 20) 8 AM & 10 AM (STC), 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM (STMP) & 9:30 AM (The Oratory)



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All are invited to join us for a centuries-old Holy Thursday tradition the Seven Church Pilgrimage. Typically credited to St. Philip Neri, and practiced by Catholics around the world, the Seven Church pilgrimage on Holy Thursday night will take us to the Altars of Repose at seven churches in the local area and remind us of Jesus' instruction to the Apostles to keep watch with Him through the night. Booklets with proposed itineraries and reflections for each stop will be available at each church's Altar of Repose. Mark your calendars for this powerful experience!

Fast and Abstinence Guidelines for Lent

Ages 18-59: Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting allows one full meal a day. Ages 14 and up: Abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent.

Engaged or married in the last four years? Looking for authentic friendships, spiritual growth, and mentorship? Sign up for the Commision of Sts. Louis and Zellie today!

THE COMMISSION OF STS. LOUIS & ZELIE

Pursuing sainthood through holy marriages.



Register to be a participant or mentor by scanning the QR code above.

Questions about the Catholic Faith?

Are you, or is someone you know, interested in becoming Catholic? Were you baptized and raised Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation? Maybe you're not sure about converting, but you have questions



that you want answered. Whichever boat you may find yourself in, OCIA is here to help! Submit an inquiry form today using the QR code at left to learn more about the Catholic faith and how to become a fully initiated member. Remember, if you want to be a

sponsor or godparent, this is a canonical requirement that we can help you with!

Faithand Mental Health

Angelico

Exploring the Relationship between Belief, Doubt, Anxiety and Depression

Presented by Dr. Andrew Sodergren

Molly Malone's Covington, KY Tuesday, April 22 • 7-10pm

EPIC Road Trip

Join us **October 13-17** for a beautiful fall ride to Nashville, the city of music, history and fun. This trip is open to your friends and family, all adult ages, to share the experience with you for \$849 per person/double occupancy.

Email Mary Landrum at mlandrum@eastsideregion.org to receive a flyer with more details. Flyers are also in the back of church. You don't want to miss the fun and excitement we have waiting for you in Nashville!

Grief Support

Please join our prayer group for those of us who have lost someone and need to feel not only our Lord's love but others who have been blessed with a great love and also a profound loss. We are using *Seasons of Hope, Finding Comfort in Your Grief,* by M. Donna Macleod.

- April 17 at St. Cecilia @ 10 AM in the parish house
- April 24 at St. Mary @ 6:30 PM (Marian Room-Seton Center)

Any questions, contact Peggy Lane at 724-759-0085 or lanepeg53@yahoo.com.



The **Eastside Catholics Office of Catechesis and Evangelization** is looking to fill two positions this spring. We are seeking an enthusiastic full-time mem-

ber of our team to oversee our growing Children's Faith Formation programs, such as Family of Faith and the sacraments. We are also looking for a part-time Sacramental Coordinator who is passionate about helping young couples schedule and prepare for their weddings and baptisms in our parishes. Interested? See both job postings on the Archdiocese website and reach out to Haley Metzger at hmetzger@eastsidecatholics.org for more information.



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St. Cecilia Family Campout

May 30-June 1: Faith + Fellowship + Family Fun

For more info and to register, scan the QR code below. Space is limited, so sign up early!



Riverboat Swing Dance

The Eastside Catholic Young Adults are taking swing dances to a whole new level. We've booked a riverboat for **Friday, May 9.** Boarding will begin at 6:30 PM and we'll depart from the dock at 7 PM for a cruise on the Ohio River as we dance the night away. It's going to be the perfect evening out – get all dressed up, go out for dinner beforehand, and then come dancing on the riverboat! There will be a cash bar on the boat, as well as some light bites and desserts. Tickets are \$35 per person or \$60 for a couple. Gentlemen, this could be your chance to ask someone out! We'll be on the boat for sunset and will get to see the Cincinnati skyline all lit up. It'll be a swing dance to remember, so get your tickets below before they sell out! There are 100 tickets available which you can purchase at **eastsidefaith.org/riverboat-swing-dance**

Easter Sunday: A Call to Generous Stewardship

As we rejoice in the resurrection of Christ this Easter Sunday, we are reminded of His ultimate gift of love and salvation. Let us mirror His generosity by giving abundantly to support our Parishes' mission and outreach. While our regular Sunday offering remains essential to sustain the work of our parishes, we invite you to make an additional Easter gift as a special act of faith and gratitude. Every offering, no matter the size, is a testament to our trust in God's providence. May your contributions bring blessings to others and glorify God in this sacred season.

Receive an Ohio Tax Credit and Support Our Schools



The Catholic Education Foundation for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is a certified SGO. Your donation can be designated to benefit either St. Cecilia School or St. Mary School. You have until APRIL 15, 2025 to take the tax credit for the 2024 tax year! Up to \$750 non-refundable tax credit on your state income tax return per donor (\$1,500 if married and filing jointly).

Learn more at CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO or by scanning the QR code below.

Please consult your tax advisor to determine eligibility, its value to you and the details of your gift.

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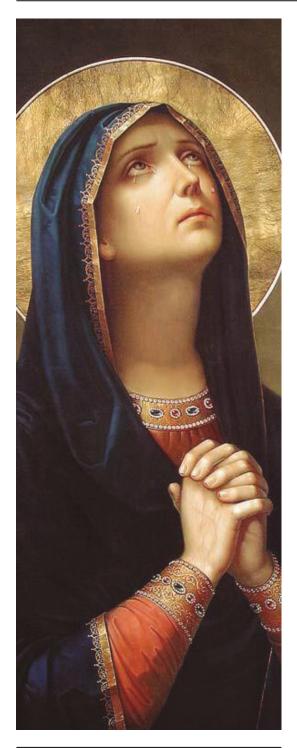


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MASS INTENTIONS & BANNS | 10



AMOR AETERNUS

WEDDING BANN II

Joshua Knapke & Kristin Dean (STM)

Mass intentions may be requested and paid for online at **eastsidecatholics.org**, under the "About" section. Masses may also be scheduled at one of our offices. Payment may be made online, in an envelope clearly marked in the collection basket, or in person during office hours. Intentions are often requested for those who have died, but may include any kind of need that you or someone you know is experiencing for which prayer is needed.

Monday / April 14

9:00 AM (STC)Donald Rierson +11:45 AM (OSJV)Howard Osterman +5:30 PM (STM)Jerry Tackett +

Tuesday / April 15

9:00 AM (STC) 11:45 AM (OSJV) 5:30 PM (STM)

Gracie Bauer-Nilsen and Marie Betty Brewer (L) Jacob Schmiesing (L) Fred Albrecht +

Wednesday / April 16

9:00 AM (STC) 11:45 AM (OSJV) 5:30 PM (STM) Leona Sowder Helen Osterman (Birthday) EJ and Lucielle Cervantes (L)

Thursday / April 17

9:00 AM (STC) 11:45 AM (OSJV) 5:30 PM (STM) Regional Catechumins & Candidates Holy Thursday-No Mass Holy Thursday-No Mass

Friday / April 18

9:00 AM (STC) 11:45 AM (OSJV) 5:30 PM (STM)

Good Friday - No Mass Good Friday - No Mass No Mass

Saturday / April 19

9:00 AM (STC) 3:00 PM (OSJV) 3:30 PM (STC) 4:00 PM (STM) 8:45 PM (STC) 8:45 PM (STCM) Holy Saturday - No Mass The Elect, Candidates, & Sponsors

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Sunday / April 20

8:00 AM (STC) 8:30 AM (STM) 9:30 AM (OSJV) 10:00 AM (STC) 10:30 AM (STM) 8:15 PM (STC) The Elect, Candidates, & Sponsors The Elect, Candidates, & Sponsors The Elect, Candidates, & Sponsors The Elect & Candidates For the Living and Deceased Regional Families No Mass

+ Deceased (L) Living

For the week ending March 30, 2025

	St. Cecilia	St. Mary	The Oratory
Offertory	\$8,153.00	\$4,505.00	\$1,902.00
Online	\$7,751.60	\$10,116.00	\$883.93
Total Collection	\$15,904.60	\$14,621.00	\$2,496.18
Avg. Collection	\$19,642.46	\$19,375.00	\$3,264.19
Budgeted Weekly	\$20,000.00	\$21,768.00	\$4,000.00



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