

EASTSIDE CATHOLICS

St. Cecilia Oakley | St. Mary Hyde Park | The Oratory of St. John Vianney Madisonville

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 4, 2026



LIVING GRATEFULLY



BEGIN WITH PRAYER



OUR MISSION: To lead people to holiness.

OUR VISION: Eastside Catholics will be a parish family that builds up God's kingdom through truth, beauty, and goodness.

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2853 Erie Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45208

Office: (513) 321-1207 | Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

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6104 Desmond St, Cincinnati, OH 45227

Mailing Address: 3105 Madison Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45209

Office: (513) 271-0920

St. Vincent de Paul at The Oratory: (513) 271-0856, ext. 1

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. Cecilia (Oakley)

Saturday at 3:30 p.m. | Sunday at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 8:15 p.m.

St. Mary (Hyde Park)

Saturday at 4 p.m. | Sunday at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

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

Saturday at 3 p.m. | Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Cecilia (Oakley)

Mon.-Sat. at 9 a.m.

All-day Adoration follows 9 a.m. Mass on Wednesdays with

Holy Hour at 7 p.m. and Confessions at 7-7:50 p.m.

St. Mary (Hyde Park)

Mon.-Thurs. at 5:30 p.m.

Holy Hour: Mon.-Fri., at 7:30-8:30 a.m. and Tues. at 6 p.m.

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

Mon.-Fri. at 11:45 a.m.

Holy Hour: First Monday of the month, 7-8 p.m., to pray for priests

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Confessions begin immediately after daily Masses and one hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

GENERAL INQUIRIES

Carrie Brigger | (513) 321-1207, ext. 400

Priest Anointing of the Sick / Emergency Line: (513) 815-5038



Become a Parishioner

Ready to join our vibrant parish?

Register as a new parishioner at eastsideregion.org/register or scan the QR code.





Last weekend, we began Living Gratefully by reflecting on the blessings God has given us and the ways He is at work within our parish family. This week, we turn our attention to prayer—because living gratefully begins with learning to recognize God's presence in our lives.

Prayer is more than something we fit into our day. It is where we learn to listen to God's voice, surrender our worries and become more aware of His presence. When we make time for prayer, we begin to see our lives differently. We notice blessings we might otherwise overlook, recognize grace in ordinary moments, and remember that even in difficult seasons, God remains with us.

October, the Month of the Holy Rosary, offers a beautiful opportunity to become more intentional about prayer. When praying the Rosary, we walk with Mary through the mysteries of Christ's life and learn to ponder God's work in our own hearts. Whether through the Rosary, Scripture, a Morning Offering, an evening examen, or the Hallow app, I encourage you to make daily prayer part of your rhythm of living gratefully.

This weekend, I invite you to take a Living Gratefully prayer card home with you (enclosed on Page 12 and extras can be found at the back of church). Keep it somewhere you will see it—in your Bible, beside your bed, or near your morning cup of coffee—and use it as a simple reminder to begin and end your day with God. You can also join our parish family on Hallow, where you can pray alongside our faith community and share prayer intentions with one another.

And as you pray, practice gratitude. Instead of only asking God for what you need, pause to notice what He has already given you: the people you love, the graces hidden within ordinary days, and even the ways He has carried you through difficult seasons. As St. Paul reminds us, "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

Living gratefully does not mean that life is without difficulty or that we ignore the crosses we are called to carry. It means learning to recognize that God is present within them. This week, take the opportunity to thank God for the many gifts He has given you while also seeking His grace and presence in the places where you need Him most.

Amen? Amen.



Join The Oratory in Praying for our Priests

This week we are praying for Fr. Paul Hurst, Fr. Timothy Kallaher, Fr. Francis Keferl, Fr. Gregory Konerman, and Fr. Thomas Kreidler. May their lives and ministries bear witness to the mercy and faithfulness of God.

Monthly Holy Hour to Pray for Priests

Join us at The Oratory on Monday, October 5, at 7 p.m. for our monthly Holy Hour to pray for priests.

Where is the Holy Spirit Leading Us?

As part of Synod 2027, Archbishop Casey invites each of us to participate in a Conversations in the Spirit listening session. Join others across our archdiocese in prayerfully considering what the Holy Spirit is asking of our Church at this time, thereby assisting Archbishop Casey as he establishes pastoral priorities for the future.

There are approximately 60 sessions scheduled between Labor Day and Thanksgiving.



Register today at
catholicaoc.org/conversations

Upcoming Conversations in the Spirit Sessions

General Session Dates

Venue	Location	Date	Time
Our Lady of Victory, Convocation Center	Cincinnati	October 10	10 a.m.–12 p.m.
St. Susanna, St. Susanna Room	Mason	October 17	10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Good Shepherd, Community Room	Cincinnati	October 19	7–9 p.m.
St. James the Greater, Church Hall	Cincinnati	November 7	10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Sacred Heart Church, Auditorium	Cincinnati	November 21	10 a.m.–12 p.m.

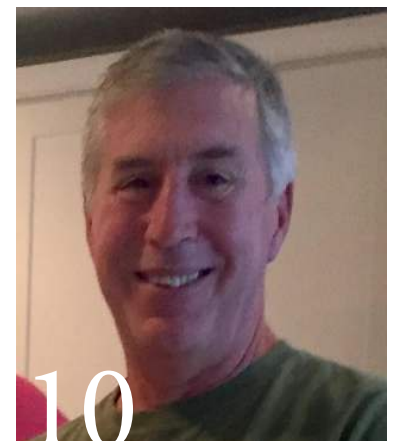
Special Sessions by Cohort

Cohort	Location	Date	Time
Religious Orders	Cincinnati	October 12	6–8 p.m.
Young Adults	Cincinnati	October 13	7–9 p.m.
Parents of School Children	Mason	October 17	10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Parents of School Children	Cincinnati	November 7	10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Religious Orders	Cincinnati	November 11	6–8 p.m.
Hispanics	Cincinnati	November 16	7–9 p.m.

Additional general and special sessions are available online. Scan the QR code above for additional information.

PASTOR'S RAMBLINGS | 5

| 1-3 | Welcome Children of God! Welcome Walter Soren, son of Erik and Jenna Bundgard. Welcome Juliette Loraine, daughter of Caroline and Cameron Johnson. Welcome Cecilia Grace, daughter of Caroline and Brian Crum. **| 4-6 | Congratulations!** Congratulations to Margaret and Ryan Jenkins, who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on August 29. Congratulations to Morgan and Elijah Moore and to Rebecca and Christopher Snisky, who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on September 19. **| 7 | Cocktails with the Catechism:** This month, our Cocktails with the Catechism group was joined by Fr. David Endres, who discussed the life of St. Francis de Sales. **| 8 | Blessed Sacrament:** The 8th graders of St. Cecilia started their weekly Wednesday Adoration visit. They reflected on a Scripture passage about deepening their faith with Jesus by spending time in front of the Blessed Sacrament. **| 9 | 40 Days for Life:** St. Mary students set up crosses that represent the countless aborted babies for the kickoff of the 40 Days for Life campaign. They gave witness to the sanctity of life. When you drive by and see the crosses, please say a prayer. **| 10 | Rest in Peace,** Stephen Dearwater, whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on September 21.





Thank you for participating in our first parish prayer challenge on Hallow!

Thank you to all who have joined our Eastside Catholics page on Hallow, the #1 Catholic prayer app. It was a blessing to go through the "How to Pray" challenge as a parish community over the past couple of weeks.

If you haven't already, please join us on Hallow by going to **hallow.com/parish**, and search for Eastside Catholics. No paid subscription is necessary to access our parish content.

Join us October 19 for our next parish prayer challenge, a St. Jude Novena featuring Dr. Scott Hahn.



The Chosen *Conversations & Catholic Commentary*

Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m.

Robisch Hall at St. Mary Hyde Park
2845 Erie Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45208

Join parishioners to watch and discuss Season 3 of *The Chosen* series. This widely popular television series is a groundbreaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus Christ, seen through the eyes of those who knew Him. It is a wonderful way to enter more deeply into the Gospel story.

For more information and to register, scan the QR code or visit eastsideregion.org/the-chosen-study.

Candlelight Mass



Thursday, October 8, 2026 | 7 p.m.
St. Cecilia | 3105 Madison Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45209

6:30 p.m. Confessions | 8 p.m. Social



Family of Faith 2026–2027

Family of Faith equips parents to embrace the role of their family's primary catechists through monthly classes. The rest of the instruction occurs in the home. Families preparing children for First Reconciliation, First Communion, or Confirmation must register for Family of Faith or be enrolled in one of the parish schools or an approved Catholic homeschool co-op. Children who are not enrolled in one of these settings receive their sacramental classroom preparation through the monthly Family of Faith sessions. Visit eastsideregion.org/fof or scan the QR code to register for 2026–2027.



Sts. Louis & Zelie Kickoff

Our Commission of Sts. Louis & Zelie kickoff was a wonderful success! We had a great evening of food, fellowship, and getting to know one another. It was encouraging to see engaged and married couples coming together to build community. We look forward to growing together in faith and marriage through our small groups this year!

If you are interested in joining a group, please contact Virginia Thurner at vthurner@eastsideregion.org.

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith?

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Have you been away from your faith for a while? Or were you baptized Catholic and didn't complete First Communion or Confirmation?

To learn about becoming Catholic or returning to the Church, visit eastsideregion.org/rcia or email ocia@eastsideregion.org.

We are here to answer your questions and accompany you on your journey!

Christ with Arms Folded, Rembrandt van Rijn, c. 1657-1661





Extraordinary Parishioners Involved in Community (65+)

Something to inspire! Something to learn! Something to enjoy! Get ready—there is fun ahead. The senior members of the Eastside Catholics are a dynamic group! Our upcoming programs are packed with opportunities to feed your spirit, your curiosity, and to enjoy good times with friends. Be sure to watch the bulletin for EPIC's upcoming events. For more information about EPIC, contact Mary at mlandrum@eastsideregion.org.

SAINT CECILIA

BASKETBALL

INTERESTED IN COACHING?

We are looking for coaches for boys and girls basketball for grades 3-8!

INTERESTED?

Please reach out to Shannon Costanzo
scostanzo@stceciliacincinnati.org

YOUNG ADULTS are invited to WOMEN'S NIGHT



Wednesday, October 7, 2026 | 7 p.m.

The Commons at St. Cecilia School
Located in the basement of the school's north wing.

Join us for pumpkin painting,
community, and snacks!

MEN'S GUILD

COMMUNITY | BROTHERHOOD
SERVICE | ACCOUNTABILITY



Tuesday, October 6, 2026 | 7 p.m.

The Commons at St. Cecilia School
Located in the basement of the school's north wing

Our guest speaker is Fr. Vinh Pham, LC



AMOR AETERNUS

Wedding Banns

Victoria Lyncha & Andrew Walker | III
St. Cecilia

Elizabeth McHale & Matthew McGrory | III
St. Mary

Frances Lackney & Kole Shade | II
St. Mary

Ellie Murphy & Owen Lammers | I
St. Mary

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Eric Weiss +
11:45 a.m.	• The Oratory	Daniel Riehle +
5:30 p.m.	• St. Mary	Vince Hahn

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

9:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Fr. Jamie Weber
11:45 a.m.	• The Oratory	Mark Reichard +
5:30 p.m.	• St. Mary	Catherine & Nathan Butler +

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Ann Laake +
11:45 a.m.	• The Oratory	Mary Pat & Rob Hermanns
5:30 p.m.	• St. Mary	Josie Mactal +

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Fr. Jamie Weber
11:45 a.m.	• The Oratory	Josephina Heyob
5:30 p.m.	• St. Mary	Josefina Mactal +
7:00 p.m.	• St. Cecilia	Chelsea Ball Miller +

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Ann Laake +
11:45 a.m.	• The Oratory	Eric Weiss +

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Jeanne Koverman Garner +
3:00 p.m.	• The Oratory	Greg LaLonde +
3:30 p.m.	• St. Cecilia	Santiago Pierce Imeroni +
4:00 p.m.	• St. Mary	Living and Deceased Regional Families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Russell McKinney +
8:30 a.m.	• St. Mary	Mary Lynn Monnin +
9:30 a.m.	• The Oratory	Josefina Mactal +
10:00 a.m.	• St. Cecilia	Rev. Anthony Marcelli
10:30 a.m.	• St. Mary	Mary Chris Hiance +
8:15 p.m.	• St. Cecilia	Dave Bidwell +

+ Deceased

To request a Mass intention, visit eastsideregion.org/mass-intention.

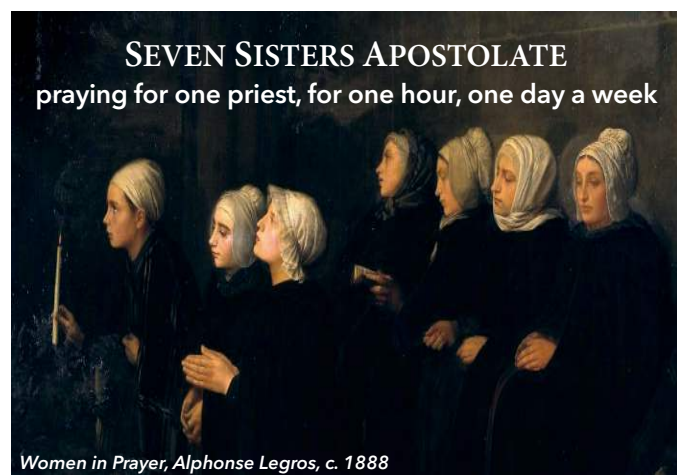


iVoteCatholic
Family, Community & Participation

How Can You Prepare for the Upcoming Election?

This week, we focus on the call to Family, Community, and Participation. Our God is Trinity, three persons, one God. These three persons are in constant relationship with each other. Being created in the image of God, we too need to be in relationships. Each human person is not only sacred but also social. We must recognize and cherish the gift of belonging to our immediate family and wider family; the Church and society. The Church teaches that in order to fully belong to a family and community, participation is essential. We encourage you to ensure you and your family are registered to vote. Get informed and educated about the candidates and issues on the ballot. Our community calls us to participate not just for our own needs but for the larger whole of society. Voting is an actionable way to love and a tool to cultivate community.

Find out more at iVoteCatholic.org.



SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE
praying for one priest, for one hour, one day a week

Women in Prayer, Alphonse Legros, c. 1888

All women are invited to prayerfully consider joining the Seven Sisters Apostolate to strengthen the Church. Members pray a Holy Hour each day of the week for the intention of a specific priest or bishop and for his deeper conformity to Christ.

For more information and to commit to praying for one of our priests, contact Rose Voegelé at (614) 580-9376 or rosevoegele@gmail.com.



Annual Evening of Life

Wednesday, October 21, 2026
5 p.m. VIP Social | 5:30 p.m. Reception
6:30 p.m. Dinner & Program
Sharonville Convention Center
11355 Chester Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45246

This annual event will feature emcee Anna Mitchell of Sacred Heart Radio/EWTN, and speakers Rachel Campos-Duffy, author and television personality, and Tom Condit, attorney. Please RSVP by October 7.

Reservations are required. To register and for more information, visit CincinnatiRightToLife.org or call 513-728-7870.

FATHERHOOD Workshop

MODERATED BY DEACON JOE GROTE
Author of Where Have All the Fathers Gone?

BUILDING STRONG MEN | STRENGTHENING FAMILIES | TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

AN INTERDENOMINATIONAL MEN'S EVENT
BRINGING TOGETHER FATHERS, MENTORS, AND MEN FROM ACROSS GREATER CINCINNATI FOR A DAY OF FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, AND PRACTICAL ENCOURAGEMENT.

The workshop will be moderated by Deacon Joe Grote, author of *Where Have All the Fathers Gone?*, and will feature local ministries and community organizations dedicated to strengthening men and families.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
(OPTIONAL MASS AT 8:15 A.M.)

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT CENTER
5440 Moeller Avenue
Norwood, OH 45212

YOUR REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- Continental breakfast and box lunch
- Inspiring speakers and panel discussions
- Networking and fellowship
- Information on local men's ministries and resources
- Confession available
- Access to 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration

COST:

EARLY BIRD: \$80/PERSON
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15

REGULAR: \$95/PERSON
SEPTEMBER 16 – OCTOBER 9

REGISTRATION CLOSES OCTOBER 9, 2026

SEATS ARE LIMITED, SO WE ENCOURAGE REGISTERING EARLY.
PLEASE SHARE THIS OPPORTUNITY WITH THE MEN IN YOUR LIFE!

REGISTER TODAY!
Visit www.olhsc.org/events or scan the QR code

BE RENEWED IN FAITH. STRENGTHENED IN MISSION.
INSPIRED TO HELP RESTORE THE HEART OF THE FAMILY— *one father at a time.*





Bethany Brunch with the Nashville Dominican Sisters

Saturday, October 10, 2026, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony
6104 Desmond St, Cincinnati, OH 45227

Young women (ages 16–35) are invited. The morning begins with 9 a.m. Mass celebrated by Fr. Mike Willig, followed by brunch and conversation with the Nashville Dominican Sisters, our own local sisters whose joyful witness has touched many lives throughout our region.

Bethany Brunch is simply a chance to slow down, enjoy good food, make new friends, and be inspired by faithful women who are living their vocation with joy. No pressure, no expectations, just a welcoming place to encounter Christ, deepen your faith, and experience the blessing of authentic Christian sisterhood.

Anyone under 18 must have a chaperone. To RSVP or learn more, scan the QR code or visit qr.codes/I9TNDi.



THE TWELFTH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S

Eucharistic Procession

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026



Begins with 8 a.m. Mass with Archbishop Robert Casey at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains. Followed by a 2-mile procession ending at Old St. Mary.

Visit cmeps.org or scan the QR Code for further details.



Vocations Night

Wednesday, October 14, 2026 | 4:45–8:30 p.m.

Mount St. Mary's Seminary

6616 Beechmont Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45230

Single men, ages 18 to 35, are invited to a Vocation Night at Mount St. Mary's Seminary and School of Theology. The event includes Mass, dinner, talks, a tour, and a social with the seminarians.

Registration is required. Contact Fr. Michael Willig at (513) 263–3390 with any questions. To register, visit qr.link/sAc14x or scan the QR code:



A Grateful Life Begins with Prayer

**"By prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God."
— Philippians 4:6**

What is the first thing you do when you wake in the morning?

Before our feet reach the floor, many of us are already reviewing the day ahead: the appointments we must keep, the work waiting for us, the people who need us, and the problems we have not yet solved. It is easy to begin the day carrying everything ourselves.

St. Paul offers another way. In this Sunday's reading from Philippians, he tells us to bring everything to God in prayer—with thanksgiving. Prayer does not mean ignoring our responsibilities or pretending that our worries are not real. It means remembering that we do not face them alone.

Prayer reorients our hearts. It moves our attention from everything we must accomplish to the God who is already present. It teaches us to recognize that the day ahead—with its work, interruptions, joys, and sacrifices—is itself a gift. Through prayer, we learn to receive that gift and offer it back to God.

THIS WEEK'S INVITATION

Use the prayer card below to begin a habit of daily prayer. Take an extra for a loved one (located at the back of church).

This Sunday's readings also present the image of a vineyard that has been carefully planted and cultivated. God has provided everything necessary for it to bear good fruit. Our lives are also filled with gifts God has planted and entrusted to our care. Prayer helps us notice those gifts and ask how God desires them to bear fruit.

This is why prayer is the foundation of Christian stewardship. Stewardship is not about what we accomplish for God. It is our response to what God has already accomplished in us and given to us. Without prayer, it can become another obligation. Rooted in prayer, it becomes a way of living in relationship with God.

A Morning Offering is one simple way to begin. Before checking messages or reviewing the day's demands, we can offer God our prayers, works, joys, and sufferings.

In the evening, we can look back and reflect:

Give thanks for the graces I received.

Review where I encountered God.

Ask the Lord for forgiveness and to guide me.

This weekend, everyone is invited to use the enclosed pocket-sized prayer card, containing a Morning Offering, an evening examen, and a closing prayer. Keep this prayer card in your Bible, beside your bed, or near your morning cup of coffee.

The practice does not need to be complicated. Give God the first moments of your morning and a few quiet moments at night. Over time, prayer will change not only what you see, but how you receive and respond to everything God has given you.

Contributed by Sarah A. McManus, Director of Stewardship.



Becoming More Intentional About Prayer

Prayer does not need to be complicated. Begin by making space for God each day.

DAILY PRAYER

Give God the first moments of your morning and a few quiet moments at the end of your day.

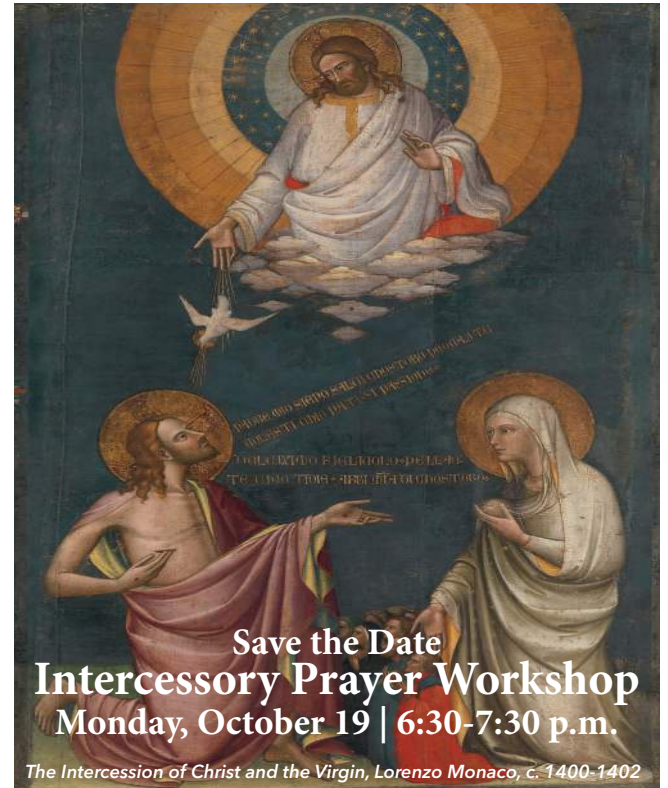
PRAY THE ROSARY

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. Consider praying a decade or a full Rosary each day, allowing Mary to lead you more deeply into the life of Christ.

PRAY WITH HALLOW

Join our Eastside Catholics community on the Hallow app for guided prayer, Scripture, reflections, and more. You can also share prayer intentions and pray for the intentions of others in our parish family.

Small, intentional practices can help prayer become not simply something to do, but part of how we live.



A Six-Week Journey of Prayer, Gratitude, Trust, and Generosity

Before we consider what we are called to give, we begin by recognizing all that we have received.

The Christian Life Begins with a Gift

Before we accomplish anything, offer anything, or give anything back, God has already acted. He gives us life, draws us to Himself, and surrounds us with His love—in the Eucharist and the sacraments, in Scripture and prayer, and through the people and communities He places in our lives.

Stewardship begins when we recognize that everything we have is ultimately a gift entrusted to us by God. As gratitude grows, so does our trust in the One who provides. That trust frees us to share ourselves more generously through our prayer, presence, service, and financial support.

The goal is not for everyone to respond identically. It is for each of us to listen honestly and answer faithfully.

Each week offers one simple invitation to notice, trust, and respond.

- 1 RECOGNIZE THE GIFT**
Notice God at work and share your story of blessings.
- 2 BEGIN WITH PRAYER**
Strengthen your daily habit of prayer.
- 3 RECEIVE WITH GRATITUDE**
Recognize your blessings and answered prayers.
- 4 ENTRUST EVERYTHING TO GOD**
Place your blessings, needs, and future in God's hands.
- 5 RESPOND IN LOVE**
Consider your prayer, service, and offertory response.
- 6 CALLED TO HOLINESS TOGETHER**
Celebrate God's work among us on the Feast of All Saints.

LIVING GRATEFULLY

- KIDS' PAGE -

- WEEK TWO: BEGIN WITH PRAYER -

Bring everything to God—with thanksgiving!

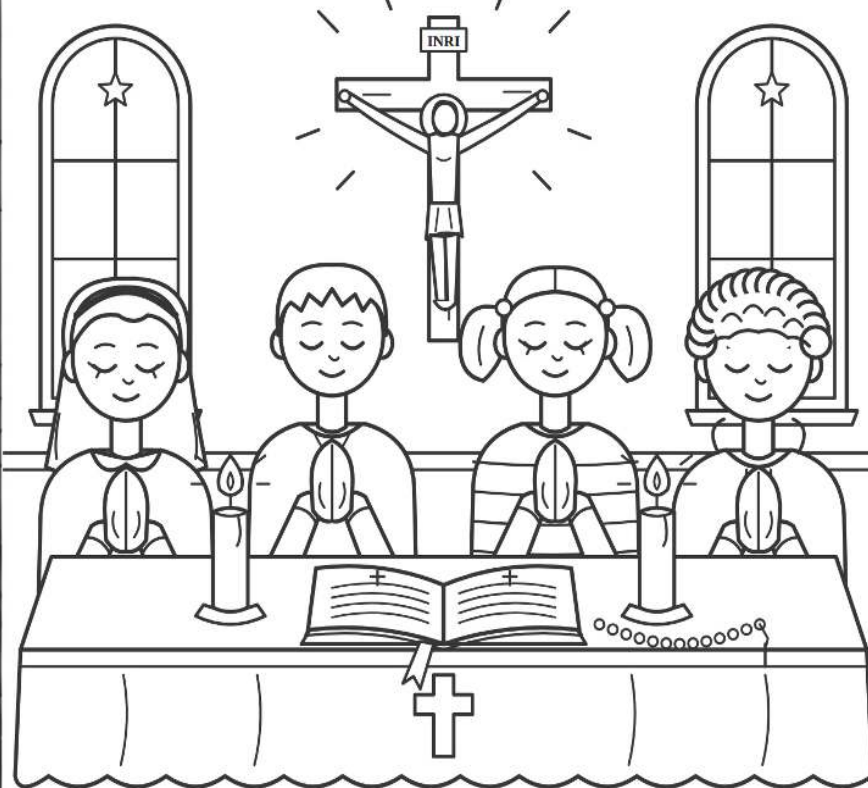


THIS SUNDAY'S GOOD NEWS

St. Paul reminds us: Don't worry! Bring everything to God in prayer with a thankful heart, and God's peace will fill your heart.

Philippians 4:6-7

COLOR YOUR PRAYER TIME



Prayer is how we talk with God—and listen to Him, too!

MY PRAYER TODAY

Thank you, God, for:

Please help:

I pray for:

MY FOUR-STEP PRAYER PATH

Try these four steps for a few quiet minutes each day.

1

BE STILL Remember that God is with you.

2

THANK GOD Name one blessing from your day.

3

ASK GOD Share what you need or who needs a prayer.

4

LISTEN Sit quietly and make room for God.

FAMILY OF FAITH TALK

What would you like to thank God for today?

What worry can our family give to God?

THIS WEEK, I WILL:

- ☐ Pray when I wake up
- ☐ Thank God for one blessing
- ☐ Pray for our parish family

Ask a grown-up to open the Hallow app and choose one "How to Pray" session to pray together.



Eastside
CATHOLICS

Together, we are leading people to holiness.



FINANCIAL OFFERINGS | 15

For the week ending September 20, 2026

	St. Cecilia	St. Mary	The Oratory
Offertory	\$11,291.00	\$7,189.00	\$3,082.00
Online	\$9,467.62	\$12,043.00	\$1,313.44
Total Collection	\$20,758.62	\$19,232.00	\$4,395.44
Budgeted Weekly	\$24,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$5,000.00
Variance Weekly % of Budget	(\$3,241.38) 86.5%	(\$8,768.00) 68.7%	(\$604.56) 87.9%
Total Year-to-Date	\$244,183.53	\$245,739.00	\$48,247.90
Budgeted Year-to-Date	\$288,000.00	\$336,000.00	\$60,000.00
Variance Year-to-Date % of Budget	(\$43,816.47) 84.8%	(\$90,261.00) 73.1%	(\$11,752.10) 80.4%

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