

Saint Cecilia

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The Resurrection of the Lord

9 April 2023

Resurrection by Andrea di Bartolo

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EASTER SUNDAY

PRELUDE | *Andante* from Organ Symphony No. 5, Op. 42

Charles-Marie Widor
(1844-1937)

Douglas Major, organ

ENTRANCE PROCESSION | O God, Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

O God, be - yond all prais - ing, we wor - ship you to - day die, and
The flow'r of earth - ly splen - dor in time must sure - ly die, its
Then hear, O gra - cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring, that
sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay; for - we can on - ly
frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high; but hid - den from all
we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King; and wheth - er our to -
won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send, at bless - ings with - out num - ber and
na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown, though small in mor - tal stat - ure, to
mor - rows be filled with good or ill, we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and
mer - cies with - out end: we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your
heav - en's gar - den grown: for Christ the man from heav - en from death has set us
rise to praise you still: to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your
word, we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
free, and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
ways, and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- ✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.
- ✠ The Lord be with you.
All: And with your spirit.

Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est,
glo - ry, glo-ry to God, and on earth peace to peo - ple,
peo - ple of good will. and on earth
peace to peo - ple, peo - ple of good will.

To verses *Last time*

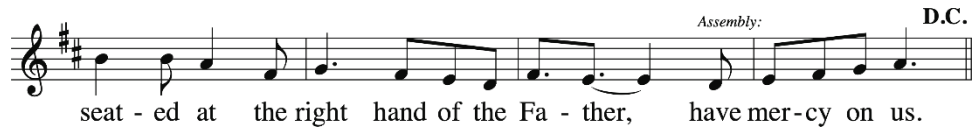
Verse 1

1. We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Verse 2

2. Lord Je - sus Christ, On-ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are

Cantor: *Cantor:* *Assembly:* *Cantor:*



Verse 3

3. For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father.
 Amen.

COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING | Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 118

Michael Joncas



1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures forever;
 let the house of Israel say: "His mercy endures forever."
2. The Lord's right hand has struck with power, the Lord's right hand is exalted.
 I shall not die but live and declare the works of the Lord.
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
 By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes!

SECOND READING | Colossians 3: 1-4

(Full translation is below)

Vi-cti-mae pa-scha-li-lau-des im-mo-lent Chri-sti-a-ni. A - gnus re-de-mit o-ves: Chri-stus in-no-cens Pa-tri
Mors et vi-ta du-el-lo con-fli-xe-re mi-ran-do:
re - con-ci - li - a - vit pec - ca - to - res. Dic no-bis Ma-ri-a, quid vi-di - sti in vi - a?
dux vi-tae mor-tu-us, re-gnat vi-vus. An-gel - i - cos te-stes, su - da-ri - um, et ve-stes.
Sep-ul-crum Chri-sti vi - ven - tis, et glo-ri-am vi-di re-sur-gen - tis: Sci-mus Chri-stum sur-re-xis-se
Sur-re - xit Chri-stus spes me - a: prae-ce-det su-os in Ga-li-lae - am.
a mor-tu-is ve-re: tu no-bis vi-ctor Rex, mi-se-re - re. A - men. Al-le-lu - ia.

To the Paschal Victim, Christians, offer a sacrifice of praise.
The Lamb redeemed the sheep. Christ, sinless, reconciled sinners to the Father.
Death and life were locked together in a unique struggle. Prince of Life, who died, now he reigns.
“Tell us, Mary, What did you see upon the way?”
“I saw the sepulchre of the now living Christ. I saw the glory of the Risen One.
I saw the angels, his witnesses, the shroud and the garments, too, which once had covered heads and limbs.
Christ, my Hope is risen; He will go before his own into Galilee.”
We know that Christ is truly risen from the dead; O Victorious King, have mercy on us. Amen. Alleluia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Lent: Glo - ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo - ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ!

Refrain in English

Cantor *All / Todos*

You will draw wa - ter joy-ful - ly You will draw wa - ter
joy-ful - ly from the springs of sal - va - tion. from the
springs of sal - va - tion.

Estribillo en Español

Cantor *Todos / All*

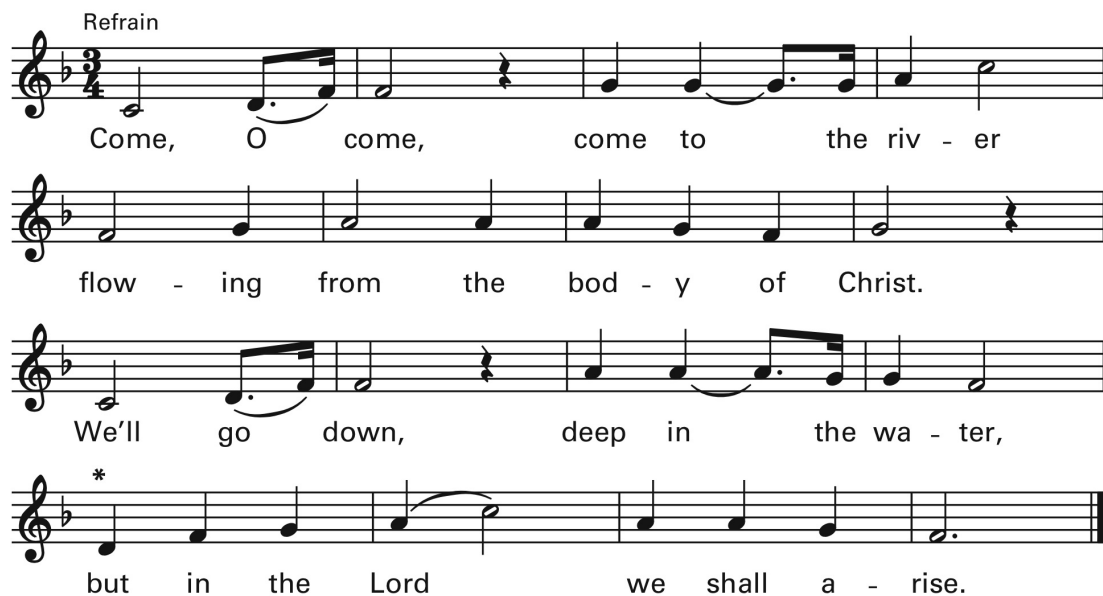
Sa - ca - rán a - guas con a - le - grí - a Sa - ca -
rán a - guas con a le grí - a de las fuen - tes de sal - va -
ción. de las fuen - tes de sal - va - ción.

God indeed is my Savior; I am confident and fearless. My courage is the Lord, for God has been my Savior!

Proclaim God's name to the nations, tell the world of God's works.
Praise the Lord, all you people, how glorious is God's name!

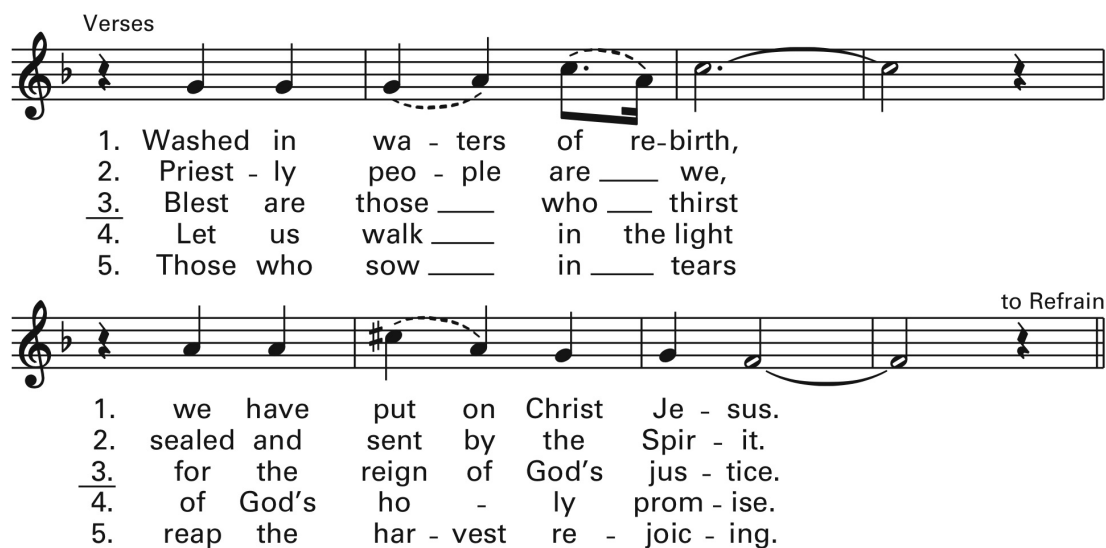
Sing the wonders God works, make them known in every land.
O people of Zion, shout: The Holy one is among you.

Refrain



Come, O come, come to the riv - er
 flow - ing from the bod - y of Christ.
 We'll go down, deep in the wa - ter,
 * but in the Lord we shall a - rise.

Verses



1. Washed in wa - ters of re-birth,
 2. Priest - ly peo - ple are ____ we,
 3. Blest are those ____ who ____ thirst
 4. Let us walk ____ in the light
 5. Those who sow ____ in ____ tears

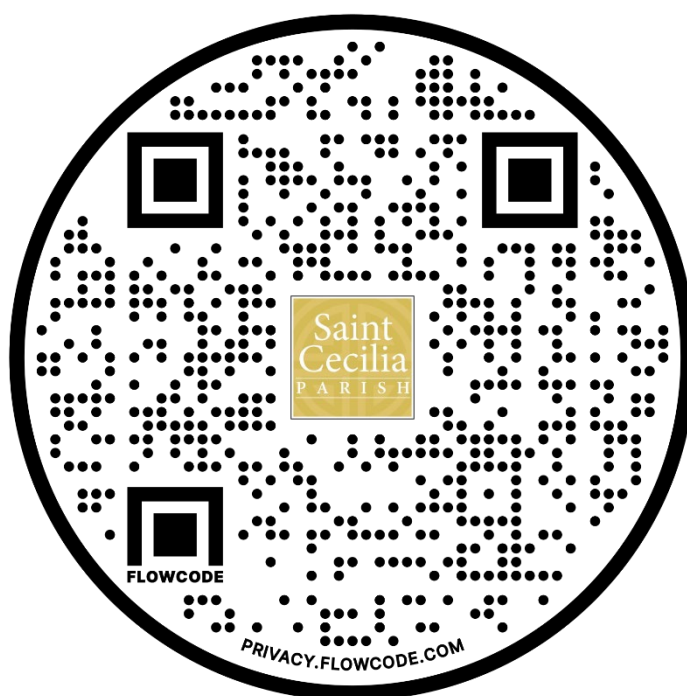
to Refrain

1. we have put on Christ Je - sus.
 2. sealed and sent by the Spir - it.
 3. for the reign of God's jus - tice.
 4. of God's ho - ly prom - ise.
 5. reap the har - vest re - joic - ing.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS | This is the Feast of Victory

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-

lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *To verses* *Last time* lu - ia.

1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

D.C.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

✠ The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

✠ Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

✠ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

HOLY, HOLY | Mass of Creation

Marty Haugen

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION | Mass of Creation

Marty Haugen

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -

claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN | Mass of Creation

Marty Haugen

A - men, a - men, a - men!

A - men, a - men, a - men!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.

Cantor: Lamb of God, *Assembly:* you take a-way the sins of the

To repeat
world, have mer - cy on us.

Last time
world, grant us peace.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

It is a long-held Catholic belief that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an “Act of Spiritual Communion.” When we are unable to be physically present at the celebration of the Eucharist, Pope Francis invites Catholics to say this prayer as a source of grace. We can be assured that when we express our desire to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, God will be with us spiritually in a special way. Here is an Act of Spiritual Communion that we encourage you to pray as you participate in our live-streamed liturgies:

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Loving Jesus,
I believe that you
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.

Refrain



We re - mem - ber how you loved us to your death,
and still we cel - e - brate, for you are with us here;
and we be - lieve that we will see you when you come
in your glo - ry, Lord. We re - mem - ber, we
cel - e - brate, we be - lieve.

Verses-Set A

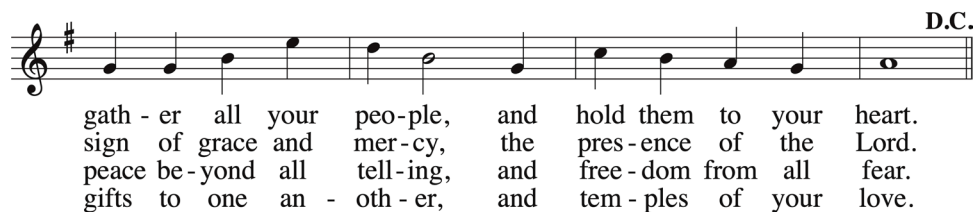
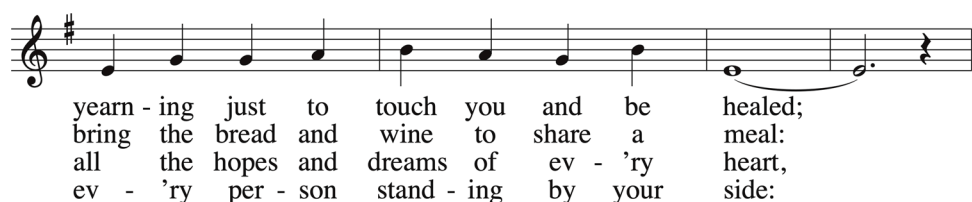


1. When we eat this bread, when we drink this cup,
2. Je - sus, bread of life, bro - ken for the world,
3. Je - sus, cup of joy, God's own life poured out,
4. Come and share this feast, life for all the world,
D.C.
we pro-claim your death un - til you come in glo - ry.
praise to you who comes to feed your hun - gry peo - ple.
in this meal you give your - self for our re - demp - tion.
here we join to cel - e - brate God's new cre - a - tion.

Verses-Set B



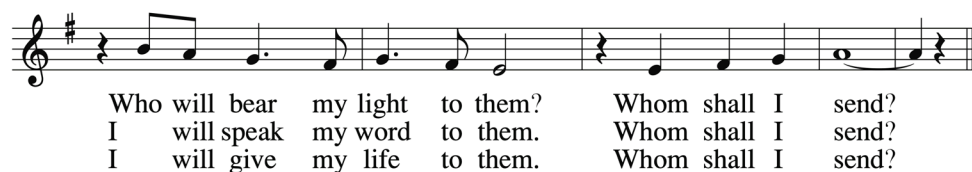
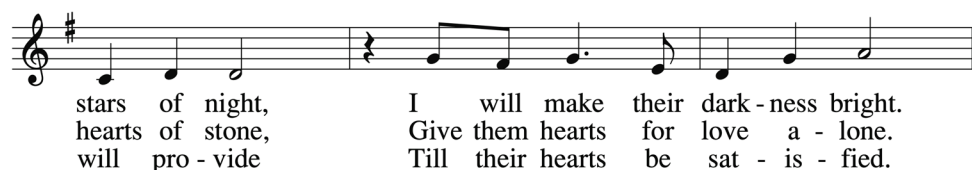
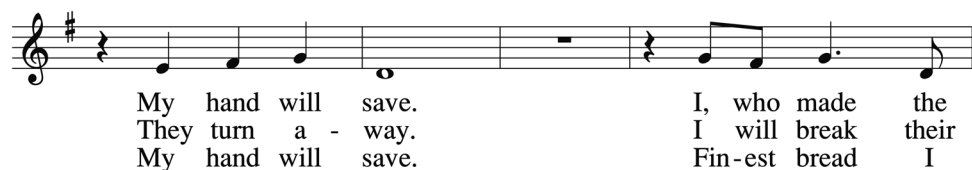
5. Here, a mil - lion wound - ed souls are
6. Now we re - cre - ate your love, we
7. Christ, the Fa - ther's great "A - men" to
8. See the face of Christ re - vealed in



Here I Am, Lord

Dan Schutte

Verses



Refrain

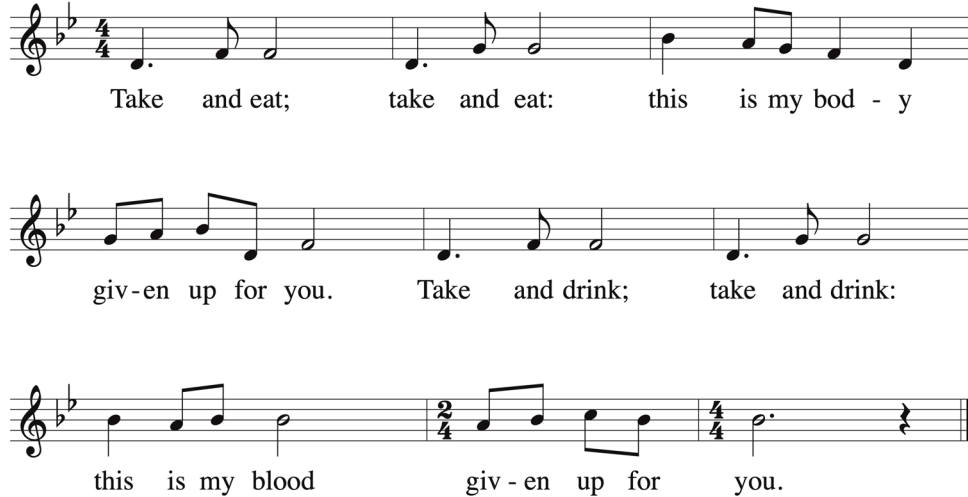


Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Take and Eat

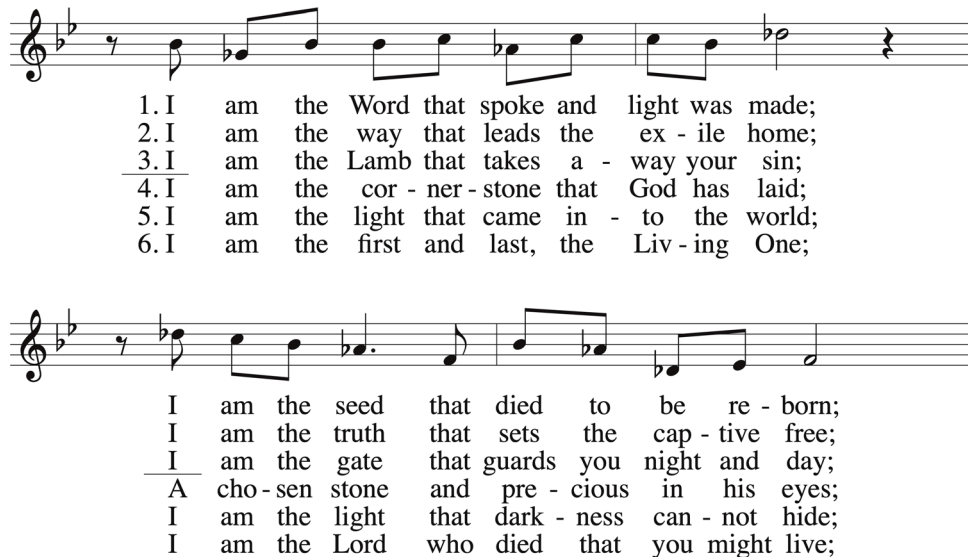
Michael Joncas

Refrain




Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bod - y
giv-en up for you. Take and drink; take and drink:
this is my blood giv - en up for you.

Verses




1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
2. I am the way that leads the ex - ile home;
3. I am the Lamb that takes a - way your sin;
4. I am the cor - ner - stone that God has laid;
5. I am the light that came in - to the world;
6. I am the first and last, the Liv - ing One;

I am the seed that died to be re - born;
I am the truth that sets the cap - tive free;
I am the gate that guards you night and day;
A cho - sen stone and pre - cious in his eyes;
I am the light that dark - ness can - not hide;
I am the Lord who died that you might live;



I am the bread that comes from heav'n a - bove;
 I am the life that rais - es up the dead;
 You are my flock: you know the shep-herd's voice;
 You are God's dwell - ing place, on me you rest;
 I am the morn - ing star that nev - er sets;
 I am the bride-groom, this my wed - ding song;




I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
 I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
 You are my own: your ran - som is my blood.
 Like liv - ing stones, a tem - ple for God's praise.
 Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.
 You are my bride, come to the mar - riage feast.


Pan de Vida

Bob Hurd


Refrain




**Pan de Vi - da, cuer-po del Se - ñor,*



cup of bless - ing, blood of Christ the Lord.




At this ta - ble the last shall be first, ***po -*



der es ser - vir, por-que Dios es a - mor.


Verses



1. ♯ We are the dwell - ing of God,

****2. Us - te - des me lla - man "Se - ñor", me in -*

3. ♯ There is no Jew or Greek,



fra - gile and wound-ed and weak. We are the

cli - no a la - var - les los pies. Ha - gan lo

there is no slave or free; there is no

bod - y of Christ, called to be the com -
mis - mo, hu - mil - des, sir - vién - do - se
 wom - an or man; on - ly heirs of the
 pas - sion of God.
u - nos a o - tros.
 prom - ise of God.

D.C.

CONCLUDING RITES

✠ The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

✠ May almighty God bless you, the Father, (+) and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

✠ Go forth, the Mass is ended.

All: Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL | Jesus Christ is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. But the pains which he en - dured Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who did once up - on the cross. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise him, now his might con - fess. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son and Spir - it blest. Al - le - lu - ia!

POSTLUDE | Toccata in F Major from Organ Symphony No. 5, Op. 42

Charles-Marie Widor
(1844-1937)

Douglas Major, *organ*

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WELCOME!

Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish, a Roman Catholic community that gathers day by day, week by week, to know and make known the grace of God. By means of this abundant grace, we enjoy a diverse and close-knit parish family—young, old, rich, poor, of various ethnic origins and differing backgrounds. From our extraordinary music program to a growing children's faith formation program; from the various liturgical ministries to the many opportunities for social outreach that the parish provides, Saint Cecilia is a vibrant community of faith, centered on prayer and worship that tries to keep the Gospel close to heart and to live by Jesus' teachings.

Saint Cecilia Parish was established in 1888. At that time the Back Bay section of Boston along Commonwealth Avenue and Beacon Street was the residential section of the Yankee aristocracy. The maids ("Irish working out girls") and coachmen who served these residents had long requested a church of their own. When Archbishop Williams granted their request and carved the parish from the territory of the Cathedral, they built a magnificent church out of their meager earnings. Our church building resides on the ancestral homeland of the Pawtucket and Massachusetts tribal nations.

The church was dedicated on April 22, 1894. Its architecture is Romanesque, XII Century Norman. The main altar, notable for its massive simplicity, was carved from a single block of white Carrara marble. The painting in the center reredos is a reproduction of da Vinci's *The Last Supper*, and the dome above is an array of 24K gold rosettes.

For the sixtieth anniversary celebration in 1954, a massive renovation project was undertaken. During this renovation, a statue of Pope Saint Pius X (canonized that same year) was imported from Italy and placed on the right side of the sanctuary. Above the statue are paintings from Pius' life. On the left side is a statue of Saint Patrick, principal patron of the Archdiocese of Boston, and above it are three scenes from his life.

Fourteen circular and sixteen square panels adorn the nave and arches of the church. The square panels are decorated with the symbols of Our Lady taken from the Litany of Loreto and the circular ones with symbols taken from the lives of the apostles. The great window of the Assumption—framed by the two oak cases of the organ—was installed in 1954 (the Marian Year) in spaces originally designed for windows but not until then used.

The original organ of 24 stops was built in 1902 by the Hutchings-Votey Organ Company, Opus 1465, and was rebuilt in 1954 with 32 stops. In 1998, Timothy Smith and Theodore Gilbert began a massive reconstruction of the organ. The current Smith & Gilbert Organ of 4 manuals, 54 ranks, and 3,084 pipes was dedicated on the Feast of Saint Cecilia, November 22, 1999.

Today we are experiencing something of an awakening within these old walls. Our numbers are increasing by 350 new households each year, and we continue to grow in our commitment to issues of peace, justice, and service to our neighbors, both near and far.

We've been right here on Belvidere Street, in the same building for over 125 years, but that does not mean that life here is stale, stagnant, or even predictable. We are proud to be entrusted with the legacy of Saint Cecilia Parish, where everything is the same, yet always changing; where we honor tradition while embracing the future; where God's love makes all things new.



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Dear Friends...Happy Easter!

Another year has just flown (or dragged) by depending on your perspective and experiences but, nonetheless, it's now April 2023! It has been three years since Covid changed the world and our lives. So many loved ones, and so many people unknown to us have gone back to the good God. As it says in Holy Thursday's Gospel about Jesus knowing "that he had come from God and was returning to God," (John 13:1-15) so WE too "come from God and go back to God." I am a wholehearted believer in this (are you?) But it's the interim, the sadness, the mourning, and grief that can obscure this reality and we're left to go through it asking ourselves all kinds of questions about life, meaning, faith, belief, Jesus, eternity, existence, everything!

For me, today reminds us that the loss of a loved one—the death, the sadness, the emptiness, and the darkness—do NOT have the last word...they're temporary and passing even though our going through them feels the opposite: permanent and forever. When does the sadness lift? Does it ever? I don't believe it entirely does. It morphs. It evolves. It deepens. It subsides. It ebbs and flows, waxes and wanes, intensifies and diminishes. It's a dynamic process "this grief" we all experience. But what does belief in the Resurrection of Jesus have to do with this? I believe it has the power to transform us, the ones left behind, with a hope (in our sadness and loss) that there is more, that this time on earth is a temporary, hundred-year (give or take) experience enveloped in the bigger reality of "eternity." It's a temporary bus stop, sojourn, and opportunity for us to give more than we take, to help those in need, to work for justice (everybody being in right relationship), and to follow in the example and ways of Jesus as best as we can. We can't take anything of what we've amassed with us. For some of us in the second half or last third of life, it's less about amassing, attaining, aggrandizing, and acquiring and more about giving, letting go, and setting up others as we make our own way back to the good God. If we're in denial of this reality, if we don't want to think about death, if we're afraid, or if we don't want to talk about it, then I believe it's a GOOD thing to think about this Easter, not to depress us or make us afraid, but the opposite...to give us hope, promise, direction, solace, comfort, consolation, forgiveness, and new life. St. Paul says to the Colossians: "If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above...think of what is above, not of what is on earth." He reminds us that we are just "moving through" (my words) "...for our life is hidden with Christ in God. And when Jesus Christ our life appears, then we too will appear with him in glory." (3:1-4) There's only so much "stuff" we can attain in this life and there comes a time to "think of what is above." The things "of above" are kindness and generosity, giving and tending, forgiving and feeding, empowering and including, loving not judging—all things we do as best as we can. This is the stuff that is eternal, of what "is above."

Of course, all these thoughts come from my being in the interim of my own brother Joe's passing (five months today). Sadness, good times, beautiful memories, thoughts, what if's, internal conversations, laughs, loving feelings...the gamut...all enveloped with the belief in the promise of Jesus: "do you think I ever would have told you that I was going to prepare a place for you if I wasn't?" The actual quote is in (John 14:2-6). I really believe this. I want you to believe this or come to this belief because it can change how we live and experience life now. In particular, it can change how we can emerge from our sadness and grief, make changes and help others with what we have learned and acquired. I'm not just talking about money and material things. I listen to so many beautiful folks who are retired and looking for meaningful things to do besides sitting at breakfast planning what to have for lunch and dinner. There must be more! The experiential capital that is in us all as we age is to be shared before we leave this world. Pass it on. Find purpose and opportunity. Volunteer. Give. I'm telling you, there is not just happiness but real and true JOY in giving...of ourselves, our time, our experience and expertise, our money, our excess, and our sustenance. Be a giver! Those actions say, "I believe in the resurrection cuz we're just movin' thru and there's a way to be in the time we've been given!"

As it says in Easter Sunday's gospel, remember, "...they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." In 2023, we've had the benefit of 2000 years of tradition, believing and trying to understand this, so let's get to work and believe or believe and get to work! Whatever works best, let's just do it. We're just passing through.

On behalf of the whole parish team here at Saint Cecilia, God bless you and your beautiful families. Thank you for your generosity to the parish throughout the year with the iGive program and to the healthcare and retirement needs of the priests of the Archdiocese of Boston with this weekend's offertory. We are tremendously grateful. God bless you all...those near and those in the Far-Flung Flock who are such a vital part of our online parish community.

Alleluia! He is Risen! Happy Easter!

Fr. John

OUR COMMUNITY NEWS



MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Saturday, April 8 | 8:00 p.m.

Rev. John Unni, celebrant
Greg Rybarczyk, Tanya Rybarczyk, Kelly McClintock,
Chika Offurum, Harry Minehart, Cathy Anderson,
Tom O'Brien, Jordan Barnes, and Letitia Howland, lectors

Sunday, April 9 | 8:00 a.m.

Rev. John Unni, celebrant
Emily St. Germain, lector

Sunday, April 9 | 9:30 a.m.

Rev. John Unni, celebrant
Michael Lake, Karen Vachon, and Karen McMenamy, lectors

Sunday, April 9 | 11:30 a.m.

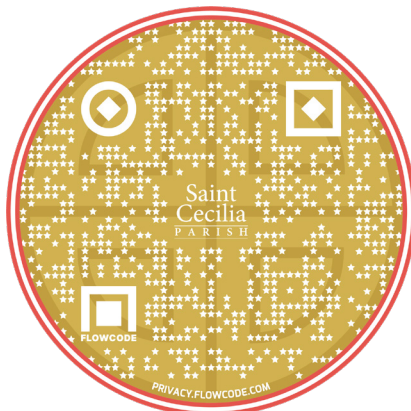
Rev. John Unni, celebrant
Eileen Maguire, James Paradis, and Nikko Mendoza, lectors



TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

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PRAYERS & OCCASIONS

Our Sick

Please pray for all our sick and for those who are in need of our prayer, especially **Necee Regis, Tim Finn, Glenn Gallo, Carol Tebo, John Hosang, Mary Walters, Marc Pelletier, Ray Cronin, Rick Gaillardetz, Michele Maniscalco, Nick Hungerford, and Fred Tufts.**

Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish

We are pleased to welcome the following newly-registered members of our parish: **Diane Adams** of Brighton, **Samuel Ahearn** of Boston, the **Smith Family** of Boston, **Stephanie Diaz** of Allston, **Jeanne and Jim Tedrow** of Raleigh, North Carolina. If you have not previously registered you can do so online at www.stceciliaboston.org.

Mass Time Change & Coffee Hospitality

Please note there will be no 6:00 Mass on Easter, but we will conclude our celebration of the Paschal Triduum with Paschal Vespers at 6:00 on Zoom. Also, there will be no Coffee Hospitality in the Parish Hall on Easter Sunday as we'd like our dedicated volunteers to enjoy the Easter holiday.

Easter Collection

At all our Easter Masses, our only collection is in support the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests in good standing throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity. For more information, please visit www.clergytrust.org. To donate online visit: <https://www.osvhub.com/stceciliaboston/giving/funds/easter-2023-clergy-health-trust>

Catholic Appeal

Thank you to those who have given to the Catholic Appeal! We are currently at 36% of our monetary goal and 96% of our donor participation goal. We are stronger together and your generosity is greatly appreciated! Donate here: www.bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate

Our Newest Members

At this weekend's Great Vigil of Easter, we celebrate the initiation of three new Christians in the Easter waters. **Brynna Autumn Finley, Ruby Liza Rollins, and Helen Sherrah-Davies** will profess their faith in Christ and be baptized, confirmed, and welcomed to the Eucharistic table. **Leander Maria Krawinkel, John Eric Mosley, Christopher**

Leslie Selph, Kathryn Anne Vasinda, Katherine Veideman, and Phenix Zuck (all who were already baptized in other Christian traditions) will be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church and be confirmed and welcomed to the table of the Lord. **Hunter Nathaniel Campbell, Glenn C. Gallo, Josefina Mendez, Viviann Merant, and Johanna Elizabeth Wilson** were baptized in the Catholic Church but did not receive further catechesis. They will be confirmed and receive Eucharist for the first time.

Keep these men and women in your prayer as they begin the period known as "mystagogia." Mystagogia is an ancient Greek word meaning, "education in the mysteries." Christian believers in the first century used the word mystagogia to describe the period of continuing spiritual instruction following the celebration of the initiation rites.

Help Us Welcome Our New Community Members

We invite you to help us welcome our newly initiated brothers and sisters with a cake on the Second Sunday of Easter, April 16, after the 9:30 liturgy. All are welcome!

CONGRATULATIONS JULIE!



Julie Theresa Nicholas DesAutels will receive the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit as she is confirmed at the Easter Vigil alongside our elect, our candidates for full communion, and our uncatechized Catholics. Because of a prior commitment, Julie is unable to be

confirmed with the rest of her class. Julie is a high school senior who has been coming to Saint Cecilia since she was born in 2005, when Father John baptized her—eighteen years ago! Since then, she has seen great growth in her faith thanks to the support of her faith formation teachers throughout the years, and the Saint Cecilia community as a whole. She wants to especially thank her sponsor, Rod Powell, who has shown her what it means to be a part of the community by being a living example. She will be leaving for the University of Rhode Island next year with dreams of being a naval architect.

SUPPORT OUR NONPROFIT PARTNERS

Spring is traditionally the time of year when the majority of the nonprofit agencies Saint Cecilia supports through our Hunger & Homelessness Ministry have their most critical fundraisers. This is true again in 2023, except that, with COVID seemingly winding down, everyone is returning to in-person events.

Sunday, April 23

Music for Food Concert to Benefit Women's Lunch Place

Location: New England Conservatory

Information about the event: <https://musicforfood.net/boston>

Thursday, April 27

Home Remedy — Pine Street Inn

Location: Westin Copley Place | Information about the event:

<https://www.pinestreetinn.org/about-us/home-remedy>

Wednesday, May 10

LifeSavor — Community Servings

Location: Davio's Northern Italian Steakhouse Galleria, Back Bay

Information about the event: <https://www.servings.org/lifesavor/>

Friday, May 12

Eat Lunch Give — Women's Lunch Place

Location: Grand Ballroom, Park Plaza Hotel | Information about the event:

<https://womenslunchplace.org/eat-lunch-give>

Monday, May 15

Medicine that Matters Gala — Boston Health Care for the Homeless

Location: Omni Boston Hotel at the Seaport | Information about the event:

<https://www.bhchp.org/events/2023-medicine-that-matters-gala/>

Wednesday, May 17

Spring Celebration — Catholic Charities

Location: JFK Library | Information about the event:

<https://www.ccab.org/news-updates/catholic-charities-spring-celebration/>

Sunday, May 21

Elderbration — Friendship Works

Location: Jamaica Pond | Information about the event:

<https://secure.qgiv.com/event/elderbration/>

For more information about any of these events,
please email Mark Lippolt at Mark.Lippolt@gmail.com



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!



HUNTER NATHANIAL THOMAS CAMPBELL

will receive the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. He is originally from Sunderland, Vermont, and is currently a third-year law student at Boston University School of Law. Raised as a Jehovah's Witness, Hunter became agnostic during his high school years. He began his conversion to Catholicism as a junior at Princeton University. After spending several years intrigued by the music and other arts of the Church, Hunter encountered Catholic thought through the apologetic work of Bishop Robert Barron. Hunter joined RCIA after a warm welcome from the university's Catholic chaplaincy, the Aquinas Institute. However, he was unable to complete the sacraments after the university sent students home due to COVID-19. Hunter would like to thank his friends at the Aquinas Institute, his sponsor, Christian Schmidt, and the Saint Cecilia community for helping him to complete his sacraments.



GLENN C. THOMAS GALLO

was raised as a Unitarian and attended King's Chapel in Boston. While in college he read *The Seven Storey Mountain* by Thomas Merton, which sparked an interest in the writers, philosopher-theologians, and mystics so deeply committed to the Catholic faith, such as Blessed John Duns Scotus, Saint John of the Cross, Saint Anselm, and Pope Saint John Paul II. Glenn went on to take a course on Thomas Aquinas' *Summa Theologica*, which further fueled his interest in Catholicism. He was introduced to Saint Cecilia by attending the funeral liturgy of a friend four years ago. This experience was transformative and increased Glenn's desire to pursue becoming a member of the Catholic faith. Glenn attended New England Conservatory and Tufts University and is a proud parent of two adult children and one grandchild. Glenn resides in Watertown with his wife of twenty-five years, Diane. He would like to extend his thanks to Father Unni for being a warm, welcoming mentor, and would also like to thank his sponsor, Rudy Flores.



LEANDER MARIA POPE ST. JOHN XXIII KRAWINKEL

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Leander was born in Switzerland but grew up in Hanover and Berlin, Germany. He was baptized in a Protestant church in Zürich, Switzerland. Leander completed his bachelor's degree at St. Olaf College in Minnesota and is currently pursuing a Master of Theological Studies degree with an area of focus on religion, ethics, and politics at Harvard Divinity School. Leander would like to thank his family for supporting him on this journey of becoming Catholic. Leander is very grateful for learning so much from the inspiring RCIA group these past six months. He would also like to thank the entire Saint Cecilia Parish community for guiding and accompanying him on the RCIA journey.



JOSEFINA MARINA MENDEZ

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Originally from Argentina, Josefina immigrated to the United States as a baby and her family settled in Connecticut. She studied molecular biology at Yale University, where she met her boyfriend who led her to discover the Catholic Church. His strong and positive relationship with the Church inspired her to strengthen her faith and begin her spiritual journey. She would like to thank him for his constant support and love throughout this process. Josefina is currently a graduate student at Harvard Medical School where she works to discover novel therapeutic options for breast cancer. She would also like to thank the Saint Cecilia community and RCIA instructors for their welcoming nature and excellent teaching and to thank her family for always supporting her and for accompanying her at this year's Easter Vigil.



VIVIANN ELIZABETH MERANT

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Vivianne moved to Boston in 2018 and is currently working as a medical assistant. To help her reach her goal of becoming a physician assistant, Vivianne is in school pursuing her bachelor's degree. She is also obtaining clinical hours from her current job to help her qualify for a physician assistant program. Vivianne was baptized as a baby in the Catholic Church and went to Catholic school where she received her religious education but did not receive her first holy communion. She left the Church but decided to come back in 2022 because it's where she feels at home. Vivianne would like to thank her sponsor,

Tanya Rybarczyk, and Rudy Flores, both of whom have supported Vivianne during the RCIA process. Vivianne is grateful to have found a community at Saint Cecilia and is happy to finally come back to a place where she feels safe and welcomed.



JOHN ERIC MOSLEY

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Born and raised in southeastern Kentucky, John moved to New England in 2016 after completing a doctorate in mathematics at the University of Kentucky. He currently works as a high school math teacher in New Hampshire. John was raised in an evangelical Christian denomination but started attending Saint Cecilia in 2018 after meeting his partner and sponsor, Kelly. John would like to thank Kelly for being his partner in life and for her invitation to attend Mass. He would also like to thank Mark Donohoe, Tanya Rybarczyk, Father David Kiblinger, SJ, and his RCIA group for their support.



RUBY LIZA MADELEINE ROLLINS

will be receiving the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. She was born and raised here in Boston and attended the University of Rhode Island where she received her bachelor's degree in nursing. She currently works as an ICU nurse at Brigham and Women's Hospital. She would like to thank Father Joe Driscoll, who led her to Saint Cecilia where she began this journey. She also would like to thank her family, her boyfriend and his family, and especially her sponsor, Susan O'Brien, for their continued support and encouragement throughout this process. In a special way, she would like to thank the amazing community of Saint Cecilia Parish, especially Rudy Flores and Tanya Rybarczyk, for welcoming her and encouraging her throughout this journey.



CHRISTOPHER LESLIE PATRICK SELPH

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Christopher grew up in North Carolina and, following his high school graduation, joined the military as a combat medic. When he got out in 2016, he went to school for healthcare administration and moved to Boston where he started his current position as a department liaison in pharmacy at Tufts Medical Center. He was raised Methodist and began attending Mass this past fall here at Saint Cecilia. Christopher loves the inviting, accepting community and the wonderful people he has met in the RCIA program. He

would like to thank Father John whose homilies are relatable and able to reach him on a personal level. He would also like to thank Rudy and Tanya and his sponsor, Anette, who has counseled and supported him during some very difficult moments.



HELEN HILDEGARD SHERRAH-DAVIES

will be receiving the three sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. British born and Cambridge educated, Helen, is a questing musician. After many years performing and teaching in the UK she came to Boston (just for a year!) in 2005, to start all over again as a "mid-life crisis student" at Berklee College of Music and then New England Conservatory, to learn how to "make stuff up" and improvise. She is now an associate professor of music at Berklee College of Music, in the Department of Harmony & Jazz Composition. Helen is insatiably curious, really, and has always

had an...acute awareness of the reality of the spiritual life and that still, small voice within, which has been a strong guiding golden thread through a life that sometimes seems so dark. It felt the right time to honor that spiritual instinct, to nurture the flame, and to find it a home, which, after much searching, led Helen to Saint Cecilia. Helen would like to give deep thanks for the especially warm welcome from all at Saint Cecilia—to Fr. Unni for his inspiration, to Tanya Rybarczyk and Rudy Flores for lighting the way so beautifully, to her sponsor, Mark DeFusco, for being so generously by her side, and to all the lovely folk in the RCIA group who are sharing this path. This has been a 'wonder-full' journey, and Helen looks forward to new chapters as they unfold, and she counts her many blessings. Deo gratias.



KATHRYN ANNE CECILIA VASINDA

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Kate was born and raised in Dallas, Texas, and moved to Boston in 2020. In her first few years living in Boston, Kate struggled to find a Christian community until a friend introduced her to Saint Cecilia in 2021. The warm and welcoming nature of the parish made her feel at home and is what helped her commit to the RCIA process. Kate has had a wonderful experience learning about the Catholic Church's traditions and has come to appreciate the beliefs of the Church. After much self-reflection and loving guidance from family and friends, Kate is excited to affirm her belief in and commitment to the Catholic faith. She would like to thank Rudy Flores, Tanya Rybarczyk, Joseph Vasinda, her family, her fellow RCIA candidates and catechumens, and the entire Saint Cecilia community for their guiding support during her faith journey.



KATHERINE GRACE VEIDEMAN

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. She was raised in Columbia, South Carolina, and was baptized in the Baptist faith. She attended school at Clemson University in South Carolina and received a degree in bioengineering in 2020. This is where she met her husband and sponsor, Ethan, who introduced her to the Catholic faith. Kate began attending Mass regularly and became interested in learning more about the Church and its beliefs which developed into an interest in becoming a member. After they married in 2021, Kate and Ethan moved to Boston and began worshipping at Saint Cecilia and enjoyed taking part in the close community. Kate would like to thank Rudy, Tanya, and the rest of the RCIA group for their support, as well as her husband, Ethan, for all his love and encouragement.



JOHANNA ELIZABETH ROSALIA WILSON

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Born and raised in a loving family in Syracuse, New York, she did not have a formal religious upbringing. Her grandmother, an immigrant from Sicily, was a strong Catholic influence who, shortly before passing away from cancer, ensured that Hanni was baptized as an infant. Hanni moved to Boston to attend Northeastern University, receiving her bachelor's degree in bioengineering last May. She currently lives in South Boston and works at a pharmaceutical company, contributing to the early-stage development of oncological drugs. Hanni always felt a deep sense of peace anytime she had the opportunity to be in a Catholic church. Her younger sister embarked on the RCIA journey over a year ago and she was able to support her while also learning more about the Catholic faith and attending Mass regularly. She was inspired by her sister's passion to convert to Catholicism at such a young age, leading her down the path of joining RCIA herself at Saint Cecilia Parish. She would like to thank her sister (who is also her sponsor) along with the rest of her family for their love and support. She would also like to thank the entire RCIA group, for their support, guidance, and passion that has been continuously inspiring during this faith journey.



PHENIX ST. ANNE ZUCK

will be receiving the sacraments of confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Phenix grew up in the Bay Area of California where she was baptized in the Methodist Church. Her introduction to Catholicism began during her undergraduate years at the University of Notre Dame where she enjoyed attending Mass with her friends and where she met her husband, Avery. Phenix lives in the South End with her husband, Avery, their 2-year-old daughter, Aurora, and their dog, Tonka. They look forward to becoming parishioners at Saint Cecilia. Phenix would like to thank Scott MacDonald and the RCIA group for their guidance, as well as her family and sponsor, Marta Coneway.



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Schedule for Liturgy

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday | 8:00 a.m.

Lord's Day | Sat 5:00 p.m.; Sun 8:00, 9:30*, 11:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Holy Days | 8:00 a.m.

* Please note that the 9:30 Mass is both in person and livestreamed.

Baptism for Infants

Infant baptism is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month. For more information, please contact Mark Donohoe in the Parish Office.

Faith Formation for Children

To register your child for our Faith Formation Program, please contact our Children's Faith Formation Coordinator, Olivia Hastie, at ohastie@stceciliaboston.org.

Marriage

Couples who wish to prepare for marriage should contact Mark Donohoe in the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

Order of Christian Funerals

The parish is prepared to celebrate the Vigil (wake) in the church. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the communal process through which non-baptized men and women become members of the Catholic Church. It is also suitable for those baptized in different faith traditions who are interested in becoming Catholic, or, for those who were baptized Catholic, but have yet to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and confirmation.

Care of the Sick

To arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick, for Holy Communion to be brought to those unable to attend the Sunday celebration, or for Viaticum for the Dying (Holy Communion for those in danger of death), please contact the Parish Office. It is always possible to anoint the sick during regularly scheduled liturgies.

Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Team

The CAP Team is responsible for training all parish staff and volunteers in mandated reporting laws and the Protecting God's Children program (VIR-TUS). They also provide consultation and support to anyone in the parish who has concerns about reporting child abuse and neglect. Please contact Lois Flaherty (loisflaherty@gmail.com), Maria Roche (maria.roche15@gmail.com), Letitia Howland (L_howland@hotmail.com), or Erin Young (erin.t.young@gmail.com) if you have any questions or concerns.

The Archdiocese of Boston has in place a vigorous program to protect children from harm and to educate its ministers and faithful about the nature of abuse, with a goal of increasing knowledge, creating a safe environment for children, and recognizing and reporting potentially dangerous situations. The full text of the policy is also available in the narthex and Parish Office, as well as on our website.

For Those with Celiac Disease

If you have celiac disease, please let us know. We have a supply of low-gluten altar bread available for those who cannot tolerate gluten.

Hearing Assistance in Church

The church is equipped with an assistive listening system. If you would like to use one of the small receivers, please ask one of our greeters.

Building Accessibility

Both the church and Parish Hall Center are accessible by elevator.

Parking

There is discounted parking at The Hynes Auditorium Garage (located at 50 Dalton Street next to Bukowski's Tavern), for \$13, available on Sundays until 3:00 p.m., and \$13 after 4:00 every day of the week. To take advantage of this discount, ask a greeter for a chaser ticket at Mass or ask a staff person during the week. Chaser tickets must be used at the machine at the exit gate. To obtain the discount, place the ticket you received upon entering the garage into the machine, then follow it with the chaser ticket.

Joining Our Community

We're happy that you're with us! Our community offers a warm, spiritual home for a diverse group of Catholics. We come from many neighborhoods in and around Boston, but also have long distance parishioners from around the country and around the world. If you are local, please introduce yourself to a staff member or drop in for coffee on Sunday. We invite both local and long distance individuals and families to fill out a new parishioner form on our website. No matter what your background or location, please know that you are always welcome at Saint Cecilia.