Saint Cecilia

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7 August 2022

Frontispiece of Bible Moralisee, ca. 1250, Unknown Artist

“...for he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God.” Hebrews 11:10
7 August 2022

THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Prelude | Offertoire from Messe Solennelle pour les Paroisses
François Couperin (1668-1733)

Entrance Procession | The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns
Morn-ing Song

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.
Glorify to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. 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.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy, have mercy on us.

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, amen.
FIRST READING | Wisdom 18: 6-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 33: Blessed the People the Lord Has Chosen

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for the upright. Blessed the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his heritage.

2. Yes, the Lord's eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. He is our help and our shield. May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O Lord.

SECOND READING | Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Franciscan Alleluia

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THE PARISH!

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If the Flowcode doesn’t work for you, please visit www.flowcode.com/page/stc Ceciliaboston.

You can also mail a check to:

Saint Cecilia Parish
18 Belvidere Street
Boston, MA 02115
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS | Eye Has Not Seen

Marty Haugen

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has ready for
those who love him; Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of
Jesus, teach us the wisdom of God.

Verses 1-3

1. When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O
2. Our lives are but a single breath, we flow-er and we
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever

Lord, forgive the weakness of our faith, and
fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so
near, reflected in the faces of

bear us up within your peaceful word.
we re-turn in love what love has made.
all the poor and low-ly of the world.

Verse 4

4. We sing a mys-tery from the past in halls where saints have
trod, yet ever new the music rings to

Jesus, Living Song of God.
Eucharistic 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 Christ the Savior

Dan Schutte

Memorial Acclamation | Mass of Christ the Savior

Dan Schutte
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.

LAMB OF GOD | Mass of Christ the Savior

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the 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.” During this time when we are not able to celebrate the Eucharist together
in person, 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. Amen.
Refrain

You satisfy the hungry heart With

gift of finest wheat; Come give to us, O

saving Lord, The bread of life to eat.

Verses

1. As when the sheep herd calls his sheep, They
2. With joyful lips we sing to you Our
3. Is not the cup we bless and share The
4. The mystery of your presence, Lord, No
5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; Then

know and heed his voice; So when you call your
praise and gratitude, That you should count us
blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one
tongue can tell: Whom all the world can selfless let us be, To serve each other

famly, Lord, We follow and rejoice.
worthy, Lord, To share this heavenly food.
loaf, declare Our oneness in the Lord?
not contain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
in your name In truth and charity.

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 | Love Divine, All Love’s Excelling

HYFRYDOL

POSTLUDE | Sonata in D minor, K. 141

Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)

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For information on becoming involved or supporting the music program at Saint Cecilia, please contact Dr. Robert Duff at 617-536-4548 or email: RDuff@stceciliaboston.org.
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 Massachusett 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.
Friends,

I grew up hearing and believing that you can’t mix politics and religion, and that church and state had to be separated. But as my life has evolved and my understanding of God and Christianity has matured, I now have a very different perspective. My understanding of God affects every aspect of my life, including how I see the world and my responsibility and privilege to be held accountable for my life choices. When I was growing up, the common good was the priority, and we were always reminded of the repercussions and consequences of our actions; my individual rights were incidental. It seems to me that in today’s world, individual rights have become the priority and the common good has taken a back seat. Being a Catholic Christian challenges me to live by the gospel message, which invites me to follow the example of Christ. He championed the cause of the underdog, the less privileged, and those who were marginalized and ostracized in his world. Christ did not tolerate others as if he were doing them a favor. He didn’t only respect others because they, too, may have rights. Christ actually embraced others because he understood and sympathized with their stories. A practical example today: Jesus would not only allow the LGBTQ+ community to march in a parade (tolerate), Jesus would not only stand on the sidelines and cheer them as they went by (respect), Jesus would march alongside them (embrace).

I’m not so much impressed by those who quote the Bible as I am of those who live the gospel. To me, Pope Francis is one such person. He will sit down at a table with women, Muslims, people of color, gay and transgender people, people from various cultures, people with disabilities, and the Pope will know that he’s not the only teacher at the table. They are all teachers, and they are all learners. He knows that everyone has a story that needs to be told and heard. The Pope not only tolerates those stories, but he also embraces them.

I’ve come to the conclusion that there are a lot of people in pain in our world. Most are very comfortable sharing their joys with others, but we are very careful with whom we share our pain. Both Christ and Pope Francis, because of their understanding of God and their deep faith, realized that their religious beliefs had to deeply affect their political stands. That thin line between politics and religion obviously angered society 2000 years ago and continues to separate us today.

In addition to being a huge fan of Pope Francis, I’m also a committed Vatican II follower. That Council in its documents no longer spoke about the Church and the world (as if they were two separate entities), it spoke about the Church in the world (we are one).

I have been blessed to spend the month of July with you and look forward to being in your parish during August and September. Thank you for your welcoming spirit.

Enjoy life!

Fr. Coyne
OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Saturday, August 6 | 5:00 p.m.
Rev. Peter Grover, OMV, celebrant
Cynthia Wanner, lector

Sunday, August 7 | 8:00 a.m.
Rev. Peter Gyves, SJ, celebrant
Bob Mann, lector

Sunday, August 7 | 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Ron Coyne, celebrant
Natasha Bolton-Pierre, Rosaria Salerno, and Karen McMenamy, lectors

Sunday, August 7 | 11:30 a.m.
Rev. Ron Coyne, celebrant
Pat Scofield and Virgen Palermo, lectors

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 7 | 8:00 a.m.
John and Angelina Machado, Memorial

Sunday, August 7 | 9:30 a.m.
Elizabeth Lorene Priest, 3rd Anniversary
Diane Wirtz, 8th Anniversary

THIS SUNDAY’S READINGS
Wisdom 18:6-9
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS
Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
Hebrews 12:1-4
Luke 12:49-53

This weekend’s altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Tina Marie Priest in loving memory of her mother, Elizabeth Lorene Priest.
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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 Jeannie Brassard Tremblay, Flavia Langan, Charlie Naughton, Bob Haas, Mary Walters, Marc Pelletier, Ray Cronin, Rosalind Sica, Rick Gaillardetz, Michael Mulrenan, Michele Maniscalco, Nick Hungerford, and Fred Tufts.

Welcome to Saint Cecilia Parish
We are pleased to welcome the following new members of our parish who have recently registered: Tiara and John Calhoun of Boston, Stephen Merwin of Boston, Katherine and Edward Pendergast of Belmont, the Murphy Family of Dorchester, and Katherine Tighe of Somerville. If you have not previously registered you can do so online at www.stceciliaboston.org.

Wisdom and Mature Spirituality

The Wisdom and Mature Spirituality Group is honored to have Mary Ann Hinsdale, IHM, PhD as a guest at our August 21 8:30 a.m. Zoom meeting. In addition to being a Saint Cecilia parishioner, Mary Ann is an associate professor of theology at Boston College. Mary Ann's specializations are ecclesiology, Christology, theological anthropology, and feminist theologies. Among other topics, Mary Ann is currently researching Mary Magdalene as a resource for women's ecclesial leadership. At our meeting, Mary Ann will respond to questions raised from our reading of Cynthia Bourgeault's 2010 book, The Meaning of Mary Magdalene: Discovering the Woman at the Heart of Christianity. Anyone who is in the second half of life is welcome to participate. For more information or to request the Zoom link, please contact Deb Garcia at sc.wisdomandmaturespirituality@gmail.com.

Save the Date: Coffee Pop-up!
Sunday, August 28 | After 9:30 & 11:30 Masses

This summer our coffee crew is taking a much needed break from weekly Coffee Hospitality, but they will be offering monthly Coffee Pop-Ups. We hope to see you later in August for a hot cup of coffee and a delicious pastry! Can't make it? Our September Coffee Pop-Up will take place on September 25. We look forward to seeing you at one or both of these delicious events!
LEAH BENNETT'S FAREWELL

Dear Saint Cecilia Family,

I'm writing to let you know that my time at Saint Cecilia has come to a close. At the end of August, I am very excited to begin a position at the Barr Foundation in their Education Grantmaking Department. These last four and a half years as the communications and operations manager at St. C's have been wonderful in so many unexpected ways! The most rewarding for me has been being able to serve you and serve with you, whether through the bulletin and email blast communications, answering your phone calls, or supporting our ministries' programming. This community is so dynamic and loving, and it has been a pleasure to be one small piece of it. Thank you all for the opportunity you’ve given me to learn and grow along with you.

Sincerely,
Leah Bennett

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FATHER COYNE!

Father Coyne celebrated his birthday last Thursday—also the feast of Saint John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests! What a blessing it has been to have Father Coyne in our community this summer. In just a short time, Father Coyne has become part of the fabric of parish life by participating in events, attending meetings, and socializing at Coffee Hospitality. His open and warm heart, weekly letters, and wonderful homilies have all been gifts to our parish. Father Coyne, we pray that God will bestow his choicest blessings upon you in the coming year. Ad multos annos!
SUMMER INN THE CITY

There are many long-standing ties between Saint Cecilia Parish and Pine Street Inn. Not only has Father John been a Board member there, but also a few other parishioners, including Dave Manzo, Kay O’Halloran, and Chris Egan are currently on the Board. On Tuesday evening, Saint Cecilia was pleased to be one of the sponsors of Pine Street’s 10th anniversary “Summer Inn the City” event. The event, hosted by Pine Street’s Innbassadors connects the next generation of leaders in Greater Boston while raising significant funds to benefit Pine Street’s mission to end homelessness.

This year’s event was in-person and held at the “Artists for Humanity” facility in South Boston. Saint Cecilia was represented by parishioners Deb Colo Nemetz, Sabrena Tufts, Karen Dunnett (who heads up our Thanksgiving activities that benefit Pine Street), and Mark Lippolt. Also in attendance were long-time friends of Saint Cecilia, including Lyndia Downie (President and Executive Director), Scottie Wait (Director of Corporate Engagement), and Matt Ferrer (Volunteer Coordinator).

Gone Phishing!

A few parishioners and staff have received fraudulent emails seemingly from Father Unni or Father Coyne. If you receive an email from any address that doesn’t end in @stceciliaboston.org, please do not respond and report it to info@stceciliaboston.org.

BEACH BE WITH YOU!

During a youth trip with a group of 20 Milanese Catholic youth, Father Mattia Bernasconi, of the Archdiocese of Milan, celebrated Mass in the waters off a local beach in the southern Italian region of Calabria. The sand at Alfieri Beach was so hot that Fr. Bernasconi celebrated Mass in the water using an inflatable mattress as his altar.
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JULY’S COFFEE HOUR POP-UP WAS A BLAST! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CAME!

WORK AT SAINT COLUMBKILLE

Saint Columbkille Partnership School in Brighton is looking to fill positions in our after-school program. The program typically operates Monday – Friday from 2:30 – 5:30 pm except on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month, when hours are 1:00 – 5:30 pm. We’re looking for adults who have experience working with elementary school-aged children who can provide general program supervision, guide and support children according to their development needs, and ensure the safety and well-being of our children. If you are interested, please email your resume to Rachel Rumely at rrumely@stcps.org.

FLOWERS

If you would like to contribute flowers for our sanctuary on a particular Sunday in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving to God, please contact Mark Donohoe (mdonohoe@stceciliaboston.org) a few days in advance of the weekend.
AFFINITY GROUPS
Have you heard? We’re taking the feedback from the Racial Equity Survey and putting it into action this summer! One of the initiatives we’re launching right away are affinity groups. What are “affinity groups,” you ask? Good question! Affinity groups are a manner of bringing people together who have a common identity – like race, religion, gender, etc. At St. C’s, we’re going to start with the groups that emerged from our parish-wide survey that can be better included at church: BI-POC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color), people with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ people.

These groups will have total autonomy to decide how often to meet, how to meet (in-person or Zoom), what to talk about, etc. They are meant as ways for folks to build community with each other and to provide a space to be able to talk about their faith in the context of these identities. Signups will be open until August 15. Meetings should begin in September.

The affinity groups we are planning to start with:

- Black/African American Affinity
- Asian Affinity
- Latinx Affinity
- Check Other Affinity - for non-white parishioners who feel like the typical race/ethnicity categories offered do not apply to them or are unsure of how to identify themselves
- LGBTQ+ Affinity
- Disabilities Affinity

Sign Up Here: https://tinyurl.com/yc6tn95h

JOIN THE RACIAL EQUITY TEAM
We are also seeking people to join the Race Equity Team (RET). The RET has been behind this whole initiative, and started meeting back in 2020 when George Floyd was murdered. They still meet every other Thursday on Zoom at 7:30 p.m. This group is committed to maintaining at least 50% BIPOC members. The purpose of the RET will be to carry out several objectives from the strategic plan over the next three years, to keep us moving toward becoming an anti-racist parish. To sign up, use this link: https://tinyurl.com/5ce6uhh9

UPCOMING: SPANISH MASS

Querida comunidad,

Con mucha alegría les compartimos que el Equipo de Equidad Racial de Santa Cecilia (RET por sus siglas en inglés) está trabajando para agregar una misa en español en nuestra parroquia. Esta experiencia piloto tendrá lugar en los próximos meses y se puede apuntar aquí para ayudarnos: https://tinyurl.com/3za63u2d.

¡Gracias por rezar y apoyarnos!

Fraternalmente,
Race Equity Team

*If you have any questions about any of the above, please email Carly Caminiti at ckc1025@gmail.com.
Humanity can no longer ignore the cries of the earth that is suffering due to greed and the excessive consumption of its resources, Pope Francis said.

In his message for the World Day of Prayer for Creation, the pope said the current climate crisis is a call for men and women, especially Christians, to “repent and modify our lifestyles and destructive systems.”

“The present state of decay of our common home merits the same attention as other global challenges such as grave health crises and wars. Living our vocation to be protectors of God’s handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience,” he wrote in his message, which was released by the Vatican July 21.

The theme of the World Day of Prayer for Creation, which will be celebrated Sept. 1, is “Listen to the voice of creation.”

Reflecting on the theme, the pope said that there is “a kind of dissonance” when one listens to the “voice of creation.”

“On the one hand, we can hear a sweet song in praise of our beloved Creator; on the other, an anguished plea, lamenting our mistreatment of this our common home,” he said.

The pope said the earth has fallen “prey to our consumerist excesses” and to a “tyrannical anthropocentrism,” an attitude in which people think they are the center of the universe. Such an attitude is at odds “with Christ’s centrality in the work of creation.”

Exaggerated self-centeredness, he said, has led to the loss of biodiversity and the extinction of countless and has greatly impacted the lives of the poor and vulnerable indigenous populations.

“As a result of predatory economic interests, their ancestral lands are being invaded and devastated on all sides, provoking a cry that rises up to heaven,” he said.

Furthermore, the pope said, younger generations feel “menaced by shortsighted and selfish actions” and are “anxiously asking us adults to do everything possible to prevent, or at least limit, the collapse of our planet’s ecosystems.”

Pope Francis said the Vatican’s July 6 accession to the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement was made “in the hope that the humanity of the 21st century will be remembered for having generously shouldered its grave responsibilities.”

While the goal of limiting the increase of the earth’s temperature “is quite demanding,” the pope said it also serves as a “call for responsible cooperation between all nations” to confront the climate crisis by reducing net greenhouse gas emissions to zero.

Presenting the pope’s message at the Vatican press office July 21, Canadian Cardinal Michael Czerny, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, said Pope Francis’ message served as a call for bolder action by world leaders attending “this year’s COP27 and COP15 summits on climate change and biodiversity.”
“The planet already is 1.2°C hotter, yet new fossil fuel projects every day accelerate our race toward the precipice,” Cardinal Czerny said. “Enough is enough. All new exploration and production of coal, oil and gas must immediately end, and existing production of fossil fuels must be urgently phased out.”

In his message, the pope highlighted the need to change “models of consumption and production, as well as lifestyles” and transform them into something respectful of creation and integral human development.

“How can we fail to acknowledge the existence of an ‘ecological debt’ incurred by the economically richer countries, who have polluted most in the last two centuries,” Pope Francis said.

“Even the economically less wealthy countries have significant, albeit ‘diversified’ responsibilities in this regard,” he added. “Delay on the part of others can never justify our own failure to act. It is necessary for all of us to act decisively. For we are reaching a breaking point.”

~ Junno Arocho Esteves is the Rome Correspondent for Catholic News Service.
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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
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 Scott MacDonald in the Parish Office.

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 (VIRTUS). 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 $11, available on Sundays until 3:00 p.m., and $14 after 4:00 every day of the week. To take advantage of this discount, ask one of our greeters 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, first 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.