

May 23, 2021



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Mission Statement of St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's

To be Nurtured by Christ's Word, Supported by a Faith Loving Community, and to Serve the Needs of Others as Called to Minister

✦ St. Joseph Church, Magdalena, Colombia (sister parish) ✦



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<b>MASS</b>	Sunday **	St. Cecilia	9:30 a.m.
		St. Mary	11:15 a.m.
		<i>** Children Liturgy, last Sunday of the month</i>	
	Monday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m.
	Thursday	St. Mary	8 a.m.
	Friday	St. Mary (1 <sup>st</sup> Fri.)	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
	Saturday	St. Cecilia (other Fri.)	8 a.m.
		St. Cecilia (last Sat.)	8 a.m. Padre Pio & Rosary Devotion
		St. Mary (other Sat.)	8 a.m.
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Saturday	St. Cecilia	4 to 4:30 p.m.
		St. Mary (except last Sat.)	8:30 to 9:15 a.m.
<b>Religious Education Confirmation Prep.</b>	Monday	St. Cecilia	3:45 to 4:45 p.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> thru 6 <sup>th</sup> graders)
	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY 2021 – YEAR B**

WE ARE THOUGH MANY PARTS, WE ARE ALL ONE BODY

*Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor. 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23*

Today is Pentecost Sunday. Perhaps, most of us think Pentecost is celebrated normally like another ordinary Sunday. Pentecost, however, is one of the three most important feasts in the liturgical year of the Church.

As Christmas is an important celebration since it is the birthday of Jesus, Easter is the most important feast, because Easter is the feast of Jesus' resurrection, the centrality of our faith, Pentecost is important for us because it is the birthday of the Church – the day on which God sent his Holy Spirit upon the Church.

Pentecost reminds us the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church and in our lives. The Holy Spirit teaches us, inspires us, pours God's love into our hearts, and intercedes for us.

The coming of the Holy Spirit was an exciting news! The disciples' life was transformed from fear to a powerful and joyful adventure. The Holy Spirit speaks to us today through the Bible, through the inspiring lives of great saints, and through ordinary people just like us.

Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Jesus' resurrection, marks the day when the apostles received the strength of the Holy Spirit through Jesus; so, they no longer feared, but had courage to go out on the mission: to witness to the Risen Lord, to do their ministries, to heal the sick, and to preach the Gospel of love and forgiveness.

The Acts of the Apostles tells us in our first reading today: "When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, the apostles were all in one place together. And the Spirit of the Lord came upon them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim."

The Holy Spirit plays an important role in our lives. The Spirit is like the air we breathe, the light that goes on when we have an idea, the fire that burns in our hearts. These symbols: the fire, the light, the air... are used to help us know the Spirit.

In the first reading the Spirit is a strong driving wind; whereas in John's gospel the Spirit is the gentle breath of Jesus who breathes on his apostles and says: "Receive the Holy Spirit." In either case, whether as a powerful wind or a gentle breath, the Spirit is like the invisible air we cannot live without.

God wants us to know him and to love him; and the Spirit helps us to know and to love God. God is invisible, but we can see God in Jesus with the help of the Holy Spirit. St. Paul tells us: "No one can say: Jesus is Lord, except by the Holy Spirit."

As described in today's readings, the Spirit gives different gifts to different members of the Church. We are the Church. "We are many parts, but we are all one body" of Christ. In the Church, there is no Jews or Greek, no slave or free, no women or men, no black or white, no American, or European, or African, or Asian, but we are one.

We now go to the table of the Lord where we celebrate the presence of Christ in the breaking of the Bread and through the sharing of the Cup. It is in this Eucharistic meal Christ calls us to be one, so that though we are many parts we are one in Christ. We pray that the Lord send the Holy Spirit to come and live in our hearts, to dwell in our minds, and to be our companion on the journey of life.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** from Sunday, May 23 to Saturday, May 29

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	SC ... Joyce Massucco (healing)
	11:15 a.m.	SM ... Joseph Dinh (repose)
Monday	8 a.m.	SC ... Grandpa Phero (repose)
Tuesday	No Mass	
Wednesday	8 a.m.	SC ... for those struggled with addictions
Thursday	8 a.m.	SM ... Martha McNeil (for health)
Friday	8 a.m.	SC ... Anna Lieu (repose)
Saturday	8 a.m.	SC ... Fr. Bill Thornton (special intention)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Thank you for your contributions to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. Saint Cecilia's community has reached the goal for the AAA 2021. St. Mary's community has done a slightly-over halfway. Please continue helping us to meet the goal.
2. The cross atop tower at St. Mary Church has been fixed. Thank you again for your patience! And thank you for all your help to make the church now look beautiful. Especially thanks to Craig Carlson for all his work.
3. Monthly Padre Pio Mass and devotion is on Saturday, May 29, at St. Cecilia Church – at 8 a.m.

**2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:**

St. Cecilia

Goal \$ \$4,962.00

Received \$ 5,144.00

We've reached the goal

THANK YOU!

St. Mary

Goal \$ \$3,329.00

Received \$ 1,766.00

Need \$ 1,563.00

**Last Week Collections:**

St. Cecilia

Offertory \$ 370.00

Maintenance \$ 30.00

AAA \$ 550.00

2<sup>nd</sup> collect'n \$ 159.00

Total \$ 1,109.00

St. Mary

Offertory \$ 394.00

Preservation \$ 110.00

AAA \$ 250.00

2<sup>nd</sup> collect'n \$ 132.00

Total \$ 886.00