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October 9, 2022

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.

Please see #936 in your Music Book for the readings

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – C**

After a Sunday Mass, a parishioner met her priest, making a request: “Father, I will have an interview for a new job tomorrow. Could you please pray for me?” The priest gave her a blessing and promised to pray for her. Afterward, he no longer saw her coming to church as usual. One evening, as he went to dinner at a restaurant, the priest saw the young lady again with her family. He greeted her saying: “Wow, long time no see. How’s life?” The young lady with hesitation said: “Life is so busy, Father. Work, and work, and work. So busy that I cannot find time to go to church.”

What a shame? What more could we ask of God to do for us? In today’s gospel, the ten lepers suffer the disease. They are isolated by human society; people avoid them. In despair, they come to Jesus and cry out: “Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!” With compassion, Jesus cures them, and gives them back their human dignity.

But only one Samaritan, the foreigner, comes back to give thanks. Jesus wonders “where are the other nine” who always consider themselves as God’s chosen people. They never come back to give thanks to God for what he has done for them.

Ironically, we too, sometimes, don’t show enough appreciation to those who do favor for us. So often, once we have got what we want, we forget to show our gratitude to our benefactors.

The ten lepers and also Naaman’s story in the first reading today invite us to reflect on our attitude in our relationship with God and with one another: are we a people of gratitude or ingratitude?

We might be ungrateful to our parents. Parents bring us to life and raise us up. There were long years when we were dependent on our parents for everything: free meal, free room, etc. But then, some young adult children repay their parents with rebellious disobedience. Many young people may not show enough love and respect to their aged parents, and even abandon them. How bitter for parents to have a thankless child!

We might be ungrateful to our fellow-people. Somebody might offer financial support or even give their lives to save us from poverty, sickness, or accident that we think we would never forget; but we then easily forget and even become ungrateful!

Very often, we are ungrateful to God who is the source of all the gifts in our lives. Because of love, God gave us his only Son Jesus, but we rarely give to him even a word of thanks. In some time of bitter need we pray with desperate intensity; the time passes and we forget God. Some of us might not even offer a grace before meal. Who among us remember to say a short prayer of thanksgiving before going to bed?

Parents often remind their young children to say the words: ‘Say thank you’, ‘What do you say?’, ‘Did you say thank you?’ We all consider this a good thing for our children; let us not forget that “saying thank-you” is a good thing for us, the adult, too. We should not forget to show gratitude to God and to those who do favor for us.

As we come together around the Table of the Lord, to celebrate the Eucharist, we bring our generous gifts to offer God as a way of giving thanks for what God has given to us. Indeed, The word Eucharist itself means ‘thanksgiving.’

Let us join the healed lepers Naaman and the Samaritan to raise our voice to give thanks to God through this beautiful song of thanksgiving: “Give thanks with a grateful heart! Give thanks to the Holy One! Give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ, his Son! And now, let the weak say I am strong! Let the poor say I am rich! Because of what the Lord has done for us! Give thanks!”

MASS INTENTIONS: from Sunday, October 9 to Saturday, October 15

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	SC	... Deven Tanner (healing)
	11:15 a.m.	SM	... Martha McNeil (repose)
Monday	8 a.m.	SC	... Giuse Hien (repose)
Tuesday	No Mass		
Wednesday	8 a.m.	SC	... Richard Coben (repose)
Thursday	8 a.m.	SM	... Grace Farley (birthday)
Friday	8 a.m.	SC	... Kylan Elkins (birthday)
Saturday	8 a.m.	SM	... Teresa Tin (repose)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- October Counts:** begins this Sunday, October 9.
- Confirmation:** today, Sunday Oct. 9 at St. Mary’s 11:15am Mass.
- Wednesday Home Visit & Rosary:** Wednesdays at 5 pm. Please sign up. This Wednesday, Oct. 12 will be at the rectory with Fr. Phan.
- Thank You:** we have made \$3,943.80 from St. Cecilia’s annual rummage sale last weekend. Thank you all for your generous support to our parish, those who organized this event, those who helped to set up and clean up, and those who donated money and sale items. Thank you to everyone who helped to bring this annual fundraiser back to life!
- 40 days for Life:** continues until Nov. 6. You are invited to join other Christians to pray for an end of abortion: stand and peacefully pray during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood San Rafael at 4th & H. Contact Ruth A. Cawley [racawley60@gmail.com](mailto:racawley60@gmail.com) for more details.
- No on Proposition 1:** Our best hope is to defeat Proposition 1 which will allow unlimited abortion up until birth with no restrictions. That is why it is important to vote **NO ON PROP 1 to SAVE LIFE.**
- Second collection next Sunday 10/16:** help the victims of Hurricane Ian.

2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:

St. Cecilia  
Goal \$ 6,774.00  
Received \$ 6,774.00

St. Mary  
Goal \$ 3,906.00  
Received \$ 4,298.00

**WE’VE MADE IT**

**THANK YOU!**

Last Week Collections:

St. Cecilia  
Offertory \$ 378.00  
Maintenance \$ 300.00  
Rumage-sale \$ 3,943.80  
Wedding \$ 500.00  
Total \$ 5,121.80

St. Mary  
Offertory \$ 397.00  
Preservatt’n \$ 50.00  
Total \$ 447.00