

Saint Cecilia Cathedral

Mother Church of the
Catholic Archdiocese of Omaha

Where our mission is to bring all to the beauty, truth, and joy of Christ.



April 13, 2025
Palm Sunday

701 N 40th Street, Omaha NE 68131 | StCeciliaCathedral.org

Weekend Holy Mass: Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am & 5:30 pm vigil Saturday

Holy Mass

Saturday	April 12	
7:30 am	Fr. James Buckley +	
5:30 pm	Leo Batenhorst +	Fr. Sokpo
Sunday	April 13	
8:30 am	Blake Smola +	Fr. Eischeid
10:30 am	Saint Cecilia Parishioners	Abp. Lucas
Monday	April 14	
11:00 am	Chrism Mass	
Tuesday	April 15	
11:15 am	Mary Kay Gerken +	
Wednesday	April 16	
11:15 am	Lidia Encisco Chelli +	
Thursday	April 17	
7:00 pm	Holy Thursday Mass	Abp. Lucas
Friday	April 18	
7:00 pm	Good Friday Liturgy	Abp. Lucas
Saturday	April 19	
8:00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass	Abp. Lucas
Sunday	April 20 Easter Sunday	
8:30 am	Saint Cecilia Parishioners	Fr. Sokpo
10:30 am	Christine Worthing +	Fr. Hans

Call Sheila to request a Mass intention 402-551-2313.

HOLY WEEK Holy Mass

Chrism Mass 11:00 am with Abp Lucas [April 14]
Holy Thursday 7:00 pm with Abp Lucas [April 17]
Good Friday Service 7:00 pm with Abp Lucas [April 18]
Easter Vigil 8:00 pm with Archbishop Lucas [April 19]
Easter Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am [April 20]

Confessions

Weekdays 11:50 am to 12:10 pm [March 5 - April 16]
Saturdays 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Tues/Wed of Holy Week 5:00 to 6:00 pm [April 15/16]
Good Friday 12:45 pm [April 18]
Holy Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 pm [April 19]

Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Thursday after Mass to Midnight [April 17]

Stations of the Cross

Fridays 6:00 pm [March 7 - April 11]
Good Friday Noon [April 18]

HOPE grows out of FAITH!

Saint Cecilia Cathedral Spiritual Leadership

Most Rev. George Lucas, Archbishop
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Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before He was crucified.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of Him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

During Palm Sunday Mass, palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. Because the palms are blessed, they may not be discarded as trash.

The colors of the Mass on Palm Sunday are red and white, symbolizing the redemption in blood that Christ paid for the world.



CELEBRATING ALL THINGS CATHEDRAL

Archbishop-Designate Michael McGovern visits Saint Cecilia Cathedral



Saint Cecilia Parish Membership

April 2025

1 year

Jaylem Durousseau
Dain and Ally Kjar
Gabby Lara

Alan Lopez and Jeannette Segoviano

Carlos Lopez and Beatriz Murillo
Cristian and Jessica Mollao

5 years

Brandon Falley
Ben and Lyndsie Grams
Gretchen Kacerik

Wason and Ina Marie Louie
Jason and Erica Valasek

10 years

Sunny LaPuzza

20 years

Bradford and Cindy Brodhagen
Chris and Sara Langdon
Jeff and Jen McChesney
Marie Rubis Bauer
Trevor and Candice Towey

If you are interested in making Saint Cecilia Cathedral your parish home, contact Sheila Graham at the Administration Office: 402-551-2313.

Cathedral Campus Events

Saturday	April 12	
8:00 am	MCS Solo Ensemble Festival	[SCI]
Sunday	April 13	
9:15 am	Parish Breakfast	[CAFÉ]
Noon	Catholic Daughters meeting	[PCCR]
Monday	April 14	
11:00 am	Chrism Mass	[NAVE]
1:00 pm	Priest Luncheon	[PCDR]
Tuesday	April 15	
8:30 am	School Mass	[NAVE]
Wednesday	April 16	
6:30 pm	Women's Guild Pickleball	[GYM]
Thursday	April 17	
7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's of Supper	[NAVE]
8:30 pm	Eucharistic Adoration	[NAVE]
Friday	April 18	
Noon	Stations of the Cross	[NAVE]
7:00 pm	Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday	[NAVE]
Saturday	April 19	
8:00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass	[NAVE]
Sunday	April 20	
8:30 am	Easter Mass	[NAVE]
10:30 am	Easter Mass	[NAVE]
12:30 pm	Karenni Mass	[NAVE]
3:00 pm	Sudanese Mass	[NAVE]

Be Invitational Disciples

Experience Cathedral

Encountering Jesus:

What makes Saint Cecilia a place that involves all parishioners and visitors in the mission of Jesus? We offer a continual sacrifice of thanks and praise to God. We speak and witness to the Word of God.

We call forth the gifts of our parish community in the service of others.

Consider how YOU can fit in and participate in the life of our community in these ways!

Walk through the huge bronze doors of the Cathedral to a sacred space of worship.

Meet with our Cathedral priests and staff who are dedicated to their faith.

Shop the gift shop and view the history of Cathedral in our unique and beautiful museum.

Tour the school and childcare center to see the growing faith of our Cathedral children.

We are an exemplary parish community filled with eloquent and excited disciples who live and share the mercy and love of Jesus!!

Join Us At Breakfast

Join us at our monthly parish breakfast (cooked and served by our Knights of Columbus) in the Cathedral Cafeteria on **Sunday, April 13**, after the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses for scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, and a chef's special!
\$10; 4-13 years old: \$5; 3 & younger: Free; family: \$35.

See What Cathedral Arts Project Offers

3900 Webster St, Omaha NE 68131
cathedralartsproject.org | 402-551-4888
Gift Shop, Gallery, and Museum hours are
Tuesday - Friday Noon - 4 pm
Saturday - Sunday 11:30 am - 2:30 pm
We will not be open on Easter Sunday.

Support Our Childcare Center

ST. CECILIA CHILDCARE CENTER'S FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

REGISTER NOW SPACE IS LIMITED

**\$550.00 A FOURSOME
ADMISSION INCLUDES
A ROUND OF GOLF,
BREAKFAST AND
LUNCH**

**SATURDAY
MAY 3, 2025**
**WHISPERING WOODS GOLF CLUB
COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA**

Check-in: 8:30 am
Shotgun starts 10:00 a.m

All proceeds will go towards the resurfacing of the Childcare Center playground.



"Putting Tee-rific Smiles on the Green"

SPONSOR PACKAGES



**SUPPORT ST. CECILIA'S CHILDCARE
CENTER
"SWINGING4THEPLAYGROUND"**



May 3rd, 2025

About our event

Supporting our event directly impacts St. Cecilia Childcare students. Sponsorship packages of all levels are available. Help us resurface the playground to be safer, softer and less messy for our littles.

Sponsorships

- Platinum Sponsorship**
- \$5,000
- Prominent signage at event
- Includes 4 teams
- 2 drink tickets per golfer
- Recognition at pre-party
- 1 sponsorship available

Gold Sponsorship

- \$2,000
- Signage at event
- Includes 2 teams
- 2 drink tickets per golfer
- Recognition at pre-party
- 3 sponsorships available

Silver Sponsorship

- \$1,000
- Includes 1 team
- Signage at event

Hole Sponsorship

- \$200
- Signage at hole
- 18 sponsorships available



**CONTACT US AT
ST.CECILIA.GOLFTOURNEY@GMAIL.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS. INDIVIDUAL
DONATIONS CAN BE SENT BY SCANNING THE QR CODE ON YOUR LEFT**

Be Missional Disciples



Thank you to these parishioners who serve us at Mass as lectors.

Mass Lectors

5:30 pm Saturday

David Doyle
Michaela Doyle
Steph Hudson
Christine Koehn
John Wees
Joe Wilcox

8:30 am Sunday

Logan Anderson
Scott Dolton
Jim Elliston
Carla Gaul
Sherri Heimerman
Tom Heng
Mark Kresl
Brad Poeckes
Julia Wageman

10:30 am Sunday

Maria Bailey
Jeff Hoffman
Karen Johnson
Greg Penny
Matt Pohren
Alyssa Vaughan
Sara Williams
Joe Worthing
Joe Zaborowski
Andrea Zardetto-Smith

"The Word of the Lord."

Back to the Future through Comedy & Cuisine

On Saturday, March 29, over 350 supporters of Saint Cecilia School collectively got in their DeLoreans with the Flux Capacitor and took a trip to the recently passed future, and then returned to days gone by that haven't yet happened. And what fun it was! A huge thank you to this year's chairs, **Paul & Quinn Kulik, Mike & Lindsay Rosenthal, and Mark Guilliat & Theresa Lehn**, for creating a 1.21 gigawatt experience! Funds were raised for two primary needs: our school operating budget which pays teachers' salaries, and our "Fund the Future" initiative, designated by this year's chairs to protect our schoolchildren. New protective fencing and enhanced technology will be put in place to ensure a safe and secure environment for these precious members of our community.

At the dinner, we honored Honorary Chairs **Jim Smith & Jean Batenhorst-Smith**, Great Stewards our **Knights of Columbus Council #652**, and our Volunteer of the Year Coach **Steve Ramacciotti**. We also welcomed the Chairs for the 2026 Comedy & Cuisine dinner **Erin & Andrew Peters and Sammie & Jason Rodriguez**.

And it's not over yet! Two anonymous donors have joined to offer \$27,000 in **matching funds** for anyone who was unable to attend the event, had their Raise the Paddle bid missed, or for those who just want another opportunity to protect our kids! Use or share this QR Code to double your impact for any donation received. Thanks again to all donors, volunteers, sponsors, and attendees!



Underwriting & Fund the Future Donations: \$176,068
 Dinner Ticket Sales: \$30,375
 Silent Auction Proceeds: \$32,387
 Live Auction Proceeds: \$22,400
 Gauntlet Purchases, Parties, etc.: \$14,515
 Misc. Items & Covered Fees: \$2,268
 Tuition Raffle: \$4,300
 Program Ads: \$5,650
 Sponsorships: \$24,000

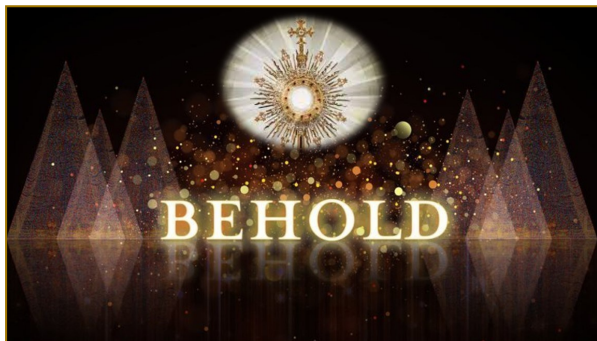
Total Proceeds	\$309,896
Total Expenses	\$33,055
Total Net (So Far)	\$276,841

Be Intentional Disciples

Good Friday Way of the Cross Walk

The 4th annual Our Lady of Lourdes Way of the Cross Walk will be on Good Friday, April 18. This event is a 15 mile pilgrimage through east Omaha, visiting eleven parishes and two cemeteries each representing a Station in the Way of the Cross. It is a contemplative journey while praying the Stations of the Cross. The walk is informal and at the pilgrim's individual pace. Opening prayer is at 7:00 am at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Follow the Facebook page [OLLwayofthecross](#) to receive posts, updates, and any information about the walk.



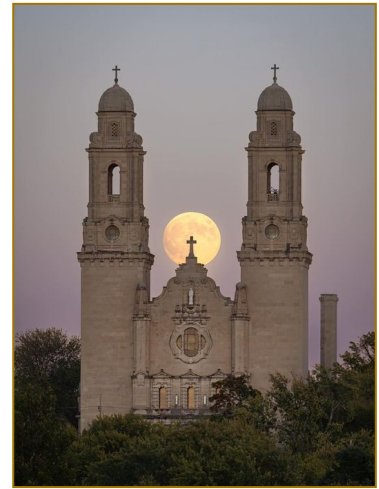
Holy Thursday Eucharistic Adoration

Following the 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, we offer private prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight. All are welcome to stay after Mass or come pray any time that evening to give praise to our Lord and listen for His words of mercy and love to you.

Pray for Each Other

Jan Farha, Noah Gingrich, Christopher Lampe, Jerri DeBolt, Barbara Bakhit, Kelly Rubis Meyer, Reidun Nabity, Phyllis Etringer, John Ray, Dick Satiroff, Rita Bissell, Rose Davis, John Kennedy, Cindy Lopez, Pat Boganowski, David P, Chuck R, Casey, Mariann, Vito C, Virginia Higgins, Marilyn Knox, Mary B, Nina Holiday, Jen N, Mary Werner, Helen McGill, Sheryl G, Mark Morehouse, Jose Gomez, Nina, John Sweeney, Don Cutshall, Mary Helen Diaz, Bob Ollie, Danielle Talkington, Grace Thomsen, Bob Ebert, Rebecca Rosas, Don Wall, Rita Wall, Darlene Koley, Chris Peasley, Edward I. Powell, Peter Rinn, Sara Hopp, Rhonda Bohaty, Makayla Abney, Nancy Ruiz Guzman, Doug Barak, Tom Jacobson family, Dan Boeckman, Adrian Smoot, Jesse Edwards, Hallie Neill, Steven Schultze, Robbie Dylla, Patrick Moore, Noah Galley, Angela K. Hernandez, Andrea Enga, Minerva Salazar, Hitosis family, Terri Hennig, Marie Bruno, Abbey, Katrina Conway, Tim Rourke, Jan Limpach, Susan Walters, Bob and Becky Sabata, Maria, Anna, Lynndell Skarnulis, Ron Baxter, Kathleen Schuler, Will Woleben, Josh Benk, Henry B, Kevin Jackson, Wallace family, Graham family, Allen family, Jasper, Steve Caldwell, Maureen Allen, Linda J, Mary J, Phyllis Heimann, Saint Cecilia priests, deacons, parish, school, childcare staff, families, and friends.

This is an important charitable ministry for our Saint Cecilia community. To get a name on/off of this list, contact Sheila at sgraham@stceciliacathedral.org or call the Cathedral Administration Office at 402-551-2313.



Personal Prayer Time

The Cathedral is open for individual prayer:

MTWF 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

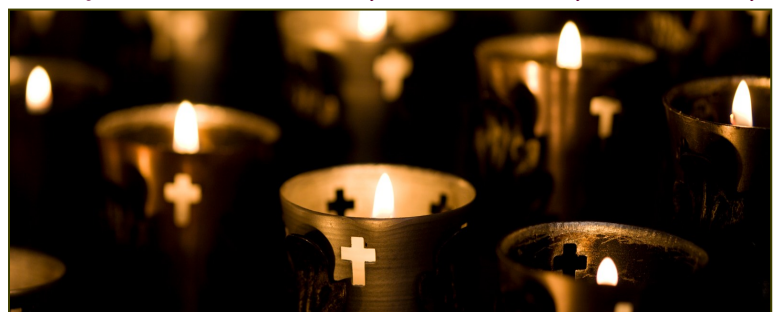
Thursday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am to 6:00 pm

Praying for Cathedral Ministries & Members

Join us on **Thursdays 2:30-3:00 pm** from wherever you are to pray for the priests, ministers, staff, and families of Cathedral. May the Lord work through them to reach those in need of His love. Contact Sheila Graham to be added to the weekly email list [402-551-2313 / sgraham@stceciliacathedral.org](mailto:sgraham@stceciliacathedral.org).





Sacraments at Saint Cecilia

Holy Mass

Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am (choir)
Monday - Friday 11:15 am
Saturday 7:30 am and 5:30 pm vigil

Confession

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Monday - Friday 11:50 am - 12:10 pm
Or call 402-551-2313 to make an appointment

Baptism Classes

Contact Kay Garfield at 402-551-2313 / kgarfield@stceciliacathedral.org to sign up for the class and set the baptism date.

Marriage Preparation

Parishioners registered and active here for a minimum of 6 months are eligible to set a date. Then at least 6 months of marriage preparation as required by the Archdiocese. Email: kgarfield@stceciliacathedral.org.

Sacraments at Saint Margaret Mary

Holy Mass

Sunday 7:30 am and 10:00 am
Monday - Friday 6:30 am
Saturday 8:30 am and 5:00 pm vigil
Holy Days 6:30 am, Noon, and 5:30 pm

Confession

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Monday - Friday 7:00 - 7:20 am



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