

Mother Church of the Catholic Archdiocese of Omaha

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

SAINT CECILIA CATHEDRAL

INTENTIONALLY CATHOLIC

This is My Body....

Mark 14:22



June 2026

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CORPUS CHRISTI 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



I AM THE LIVING BREAD THAT
CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN;
WHOEVER EATS THIS BREAD
WILL LIVE FOREVER; AND THE
BREAD THAT I WILL GIVE IS MY
FLESH FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD.



Corpus Christi Sunday

The Feast of Corpus Christi, also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a Catholic celebration of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist—and thus a sacred reminder that, in every Mass, Jesus' one sacrifice of Calvary is sacramentally made present and offered anew for "the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit" (CCC 1366).

While Holy Thursday recalls Christ's institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, Corpus Christi gives Catholics a joyful opportunity to honor our Eucharistic Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This includes public devotion apart from Mass.

The Church celebrates Corpus Christi to profess and adore our Eucharistic Lord. Jesus is truly present body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist. At every Mass we partake of the Lamb of God, the New Covenant Passover sacrifice. Not only that, this feast highlights the sacramental and sacrificial reality of Christ's presence. Additionally, it affirms the Church's teaching on transubstantiation, and invites the faithful into deeper Eucharistic devotion..

What Prayers Can I Say for this Feast?

Honor Jesus in the Eucharist with these prayers, hymns, and devotions:

"Tantum Ergo" or "Pange Lingua"

Anima Christi Prayer

Eucharistic adoration

Divine Mercy Chaplet in thanksgiving for the Eucharist

Rosary with a focus on the Luminous Mysteries

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Masses and Intentions

Saturday	June 6	
7:30 am	Christine Worthing +	
5:30 pm	Ed Warin +	Fr. Hans
Sunday	June 7	
8:30 am	Morin-Medlin family	Fr. Sokpo
10:30 am	Saint Cecilia Parishioners	Fr. Hans
Monday	June 8	
11:15 am	Charles Richard Rinn +	
Tuesday	June 9	
11:15 am	Mary Kay Gerken +	
Wednesday	June 10	
11:15 am	Peter Palmesano +	
Thursday	June 11	
11:15 am	Helen Vana + (B)	
Friday	June 12	
11:15 am	Ray Swiercek +	
Saturday	June 13	
7:30 am	Marie & Peter Larson +	
5:30 pm	Dan & Joan Kash (WA)	Fr. Eischeid
Sunday	June 14	
8:30 am	Saint Cecilia Parishioners	Fr. Hans
10:30 am	Paul Hornung + (B)	Fr. Eischeid

Consecration of the United States to the Sacred Heart

As the United States of America commemorates the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 2026, the USCCB joins this celebration by lifting up the contributions of Catholics and the impact of our faith on the history of this country. In a historic moment, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on **June 11** and invite all parishes to join in this consecration.



Saint Cecilia Cathedral will participate in this national consecration on Thursday, June 11, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady of Nebraska Chapel after the 11:15 am Mass until 5:45 pm, and a second Mass in the Cathedral at 6:00 pm for the consecration.



Enthronement of Jesus in Your Home This June, the Month Dedicated to the Sacred Heart Rooted in the Church's early meditations on the pierced side of Christ, devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus gained significant momentum in the 17th century when Jesus revealed his Heart, burning with love for humanity, to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. In these revelations, Jesus expressed His desire to be honored in a special way through his Sacred Heart. Out of these revelations arose the tradition of the 12 Promises, according to which Jesus made various promises to those who venerate his Sacred Heart, including blessing every place where an image of his Heart is exposed and honored. **The ceremony of enthronement can be used by families to dedicate themselves and their homes to the Sacred Heart.** Through the enthronement ceremony, families recognize Christ's rule over their lives. They do this by placing an image of His Sacred Heart in a place of honor in their homes, renewing their commitment to be faithful disciples, and consecrating themselves to His Sacred Heart. By enthroning the Sacred Heart, families commit to living according to Christ's teachings and embrace a way of life rooted in his love, mercy and blessings.

If you would like one of our priests to do this for you, please contact the office.

250 Prayer Hours and Works of Mercy

Two other opportunities for parishes and individuals to participate in the Consecration celebration is by contributing to a collective 250 Hours of Adoration and 250 Works of Mercy. Track your adoration hours. Individuals and groups can participate in 250 Works of Mercy by engaging in the existing activities and efforts of their parishes, getting involved in new ways, and by participating with local and national organizations on a weekly or monthly basis leading up to the July 4 anniversary.

Report your works of mercy and hours of adoration to the Cathedral Administration Office and we will tabulate the numbers to record our participation.

Campus Events

Farewell to Fr. Eischeid

Join us at the Parish Breakfast next Sunday after the 10:30 am Mass to say thank you and farewell to Fr. Zach Eischeid. He has been assigned to Saint Columbkille parish beginning in July.

Join us!

Join us at our monthly breakfast in the Cathedral Cafeteria Sunday, June 14, after the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses.

Saturday	June 6	
10:00 am	Priesthood Ordination	NAVE
Noon	Ordination Reception	CAFE
Thursday	June 11	
11:15 am	Consecration Mass	OLNC
Noon	Adoration	OLNC
6:00 pm	Consecration Mass	NAVE
Friday	June 12	
6:00 pm	CHS Class of 1971 Reunion	CAFE
7:30 pm	VENI Holy Hour & Social	NAVE
Saturday	June 13	
2:00 pm	Wedding: Rafael Gutierrez and Karina Navarro	NAVE
3:00 pm	CHS Class of 1974 Reunion	PCDR
Sunday	June 14	
9:15 am	Parish Breakfast	CAFE
9:30 am	Baptism: Sade Sutton	NAVE
11:30 am	Farewell to Fr. Eischeid	CAFE

MISSION

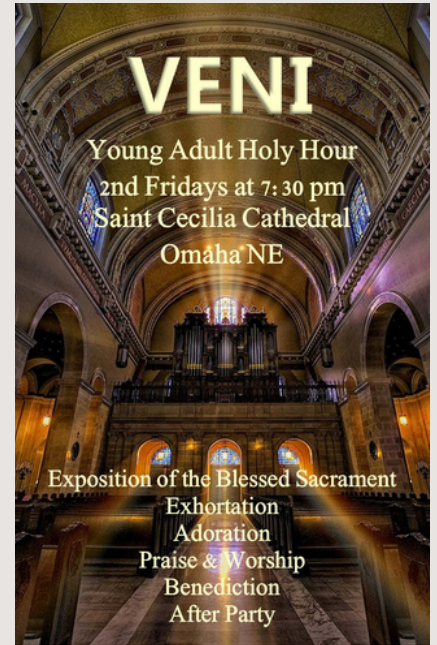


Priesthood Ordination

Rev. Michael Figura was ordained to the Priesthood here on Saturday, June 6, 2026.

Dear St. Cecilia's Cathedral, I am happy to share that after my ordination to the priesthood on June 6th I have been assigned to your parish for July and August!

While at Cathedral, I will be assisting with Mass, the celebration of the sacraments, and sick visits. Following this summer, I will return to Rome for one academic year to complete a license in moral theology. I'm hoping to focus my research on rest and worship and the relation between the two! While I will be with you only for a short while, I'm really looking forward to the summer. Know of my prayers and please keep me in yours!



Saint Cecilia Cathedral Parish Apostolates

Saint Cecilia Grade School

Jessie Stoffel, Principal | jstoffel@stcecilia.net
402-556-6655 | StCecilia.net

Archbishop McGovern: Catholic schools have a purpose to educate our young people to grow closer to the Lord and to grow in faith, hope, and love each and every day.

Our school was founded in 1907 in the Dominican tradition. We welcome and educate children in PreK through 8th Grade teaching and living the Catholic faith within a nurturing family-like community. We proclaim and model faith, worship, service, and prayer. Our students attend an all-school Mass and there is a class Mass each week. See our website about enrollment for the 2026-27 school year.

Saint Cecilia Childcare

Denise Leibert, Director | dleibert@stceciliacathedral.org | 402-553-1708
Our childcare center is licensed for children 6 weeks to 13 years old. With a playground and sports field, the children have many opportunities to develop gross motor skills. Activities for social and cognitive development such as math, language, creative art, dramatic play, singing, pre-writing and other "learning through play" activities are taught in a safe, loving environment.



Parish Membership

A Series Looking at Purpose, Benefits, Responsibilities

Living in a culture that no longer supports a religious way of life, much less a Catholic Christian way of life, the local parish plays an integral role in helping to guide and support us on our journey. The parish does this through its educational and formational programs, prayer groups, spiritual development and celebrations of the Word and Sacraments. By these means, the parish empowers, nourishes, and enables us to grow in wisdom, healing and grace before God and our world.

The parish cannot exist and grow as a separate entity without the active ongoing relationship among those who compose it. When registering with a parish, a person is entering into a live faith community and like any other relationships, if it is to be viable and healthy and participatory, there must be mutual commitment with its members.

Today, we live in a very mobile society. More than any other period in history we live in a time of shopping and surfing, the malls, the internet, multi-channel TV, etc. The church is not immune from this reality. Continually we meet people shopping for churches and parishes, people who for a variety of reasons never think of establishing a home parish until they plan to get married or have a child baptized, retired, etc.

Parish membership has three primary components. First, church membership was established by God for a purpose and understanding that actually gives us a deeper appreciation for who God actually is. Second, church membership comes with some very important benefits - things that any Christian apart from a parish home simply does not enjoy. Finally, church membership always has responsibilities on both church members and church leaders. (continued next week)

If you are interested in making St. Cecilia Cathedral your parish home, contact Sheila Graham at the Cathedral Administration Office 402-551-2313 to start your registration process. We are happy to have you!! Then consider how YOU fit in and participate in the life of your parish!

VISION

Development Notes

Theresa Lehn, Development Director

Fortunately, companies based in Omaha, and many national ones, have matching donation programs. Company-matched donations are an easy form of corporate philanthropy, and provide them with tax benefits. More importantly, these programs support employees in giving more to the charities they are passionate about.

Find out if your employer matches donations! Some make it easy with auto-submission or payroll giving. Some have low minimums so they can meet their employees where they're at; some offer high maximum matches to make bigger impacts. Many give a 1:1 ratio, others double or triple the employee's giving, so a 2:1 or 3:1 ratio. Take advantage of these programs! Reach out to your company (some have information on their website) or to me if you have non-company specific questions.

Cathedral Celebrations: May 2026

Eucharistic Adoration
Parish Breakfast
Finance Council Meeting
Parish Council Meeting
Board of Education Meeting
Catholic Daughters Meeting
Knights of Columbus Meeting
Women's Guild Pickleball
Faith Formation Classes
Childcare Mother's Day Breakfast
VENI Holy Hour & Gathering
Ascension Feast Day Masses
Archbishop's Circle Event
First Holy Communion Mass
School Graduation Mass/Banquet
School Masses
Cathedral Tours
School Soccer Games
Poetry Reading
3 High School Graduation Masses
"A Place for Everyone" Dinner
Marie Rubis Bauer Concert/Reception
Diaconate Ordination
Seminary Ordination
4 Weddings, 1 Baptism, 2 Funerals
Now THAT is Classic Cathedral!

Spring Appeal

This is the last weekend of our appeal. Please consider adding your number to our participation goal! Envelopes are in the back of church or visit stceciliacathedral.org/support-the-cathedral/ to give any amount online. Thank you!

Intentional Giving

Offertory: May 26

Weekly Goal \$21,568

Actual \$8,029

Difference (\$13,539)

Revised Offertory Goal

for FY 2025-26

\$1,100,000

Year-to-Date (July-June)

Actual \$834,307

Keep Me Catholic

Here are some things to discuss and request from those who are or will be caring for you.

1. Take me to Mass and Confession. Take the elderly to Mass as often as you are able. Many enjoy attending daily Mass, but it is essential to get them to Sunday Mass so that they can fulfill the obligation that is one of the precepts of the Church. Going to Confession may also be something that your elderly Catholic loved one needs as a part of his or her spiritual life.



2. Pray with me or read scripture to me. If they are unable to pray or read on their own, your loved ones may find comfort in you reading or praying with them.

3. Give me some favorite Catholic books, music, and movies from my youth. The elderly are most comfortable with what they know and remember. Providing them with movies and books that they enjoyed throughout their lives will be more fruitful than providing current forms of entertainment. They will find joy in being reminded of their past.

4. Provide me with a Bible, rosary, crucifix, holy water, and images of Jesus and Mary. These items carry great meaning and significance to all Catholics. They are things that a devout Catholic would want to keep near them.

We will share some ways to tell your family "Keep Me Catholic"!

VALUES

Cathedral Campus

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StCeciliaCathedral.org

Saint Cecilia Grade School 402-556-6655
3869 Webster St, Omaha NE 68131
StCecilia.net

Saint Cecilia Childcare 402-553-1708
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Saint Cecilia Institute for Sacred Liturgy,
Music, and the Arts 402-553-5524
3900 Webster St, Omaha, NE 68131
StCeciliaCathedralMusic.org

Cathedral Arts Project 402-551-4888
3900 Webster St, Omaha, NE 68131
CathedralArtsProject.org

Cathedral Cultural Center Art Gallery,
Gift Shop, History Museum 402-551-4888
3900 Webster St, Omaha, NE 68131
Saturday - Sunday: 11:30 am to 2:30 pm
Tuesday - Friday: Noon to 4:00 pm

Music in Catholic Schools 402-557-5600
3900 Webster St, Omaha, NE 68131



Duchesne Semester 2 Honor Roll:
Saint Cecilia Grade School
graduates/former students:

Highest Honor:
Julia Drickey
Evie Loughran
Marielle Eliza Macapinlac
Anna McCreery
Bridget Neuman
Eleanor Richard
Jeunhelrena Shin
Elizabeth Tran

High Honor:
Claire Caskey
Lela Grohs

High Honor:
Makayla Nguyen

Sacraments at Saint Cecilia Cathedral

Holy Mass

Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am

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 kgarfield@stceciliacathedral.org to sign up for the class and set the baptism date.

Marriage Preparation

Parishioners registered & active 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 Church

Holy Mass

Sunday 7:30 am, 10:00 am, 5:30 pm

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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