

SAINT CECILIA CATHEDRAL

SEPTEMBER
2026
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INTENTIONALLY CATHOLIC



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

701 N 40th Street, Omaha NE 68131 | StCeciliaCathedral.org
Weekend Holy Mass: Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am & 5:30 pm vigil Saturday

Mother Church of the Catholic Archdiocese of Omaha

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



WELCOME VISITORS

Today we celebrate an "All Parish Day" at St. Cecilia Cathedral. Members of some parishes from across Omaha have been invited to a day of worship, Cathedral tours, and fellowship here.

We are so excited to have you "Come Home" to Saint Cecilia Cathedral, a beautiful teaching space about our Catholic Faith. All who enter the church and receive the sacraments here experience the grace and glory and love of God. Through our Masses and even the private prayer time in the quiet of this holy space, we offer you an opportunity to join us.

One of the things that draws people into Saint Cecilia Cathedral is the beauty and grandeur of the building itself. Visitors are drawn to the towers on the hill and the amazing architecture; those gathered for liturgies or Archdiocesan events are engulfed within in the beauty of the religious symbols, art, and sculpture.

Yet for all of its grand architecture and decoration and history, the primary purpose of Saint Cecilia Cathedral is the worship of God within the Catholic faith. The truth remains that there is nothing more beautiful than the celebrations (Masses) that happen here every day. Guests come for the beauty; they stay for the truth.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The heart of Saint Cecilia Parish is the people. There is a ministry where your time and talents will make a difference.

Mass Ministry: Sheila Graham 402-551-2313
sgraham@stceciliacathedral.org

If you would like to be a **lector, Eucharistic ministers, usher, sacristan, altar server, or greeter**, contact us.

Music Ministry: Melissa Piennett / 402-558-1325
mbpiennett@archomaha.org

Join us as a **choir member or musician**.



INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED

Saint Cecilia Cathedral architect Thomas Rogers Kimball, although not Catholic, intentionally designed a house of worship. The sacramental and devotional life of the parish, as well as the official liturgies and functions of the Archbishop throughout the year, manifest the spiritual and religious purpose of this edifice.



HAVE MERCY

The fifth Beatitude states, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall see mercy" (Matthew 5:7). Mercy by definition is "compassion or forgiveness shown toward someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm." Mercy is commonly thought of as only forgiveness. However, there is more to mercy than simply an internal act of forgiveness.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities."

There are 14 works of mercy; seven spiritual works of mercy and seven corporal. The seven spiritual works of mercy are admonishing the sinner, instructing the ignorant, counseling the doubtful, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offenses willingly, comforting the afflicted, and praying for the living and the dead. The seven corporal works of mercy are feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless, visiting the sick, visiting the imprisoned, and burying the dead.

MASSSES & INTENTIONS

Saturday	September 12	
7:30 am	Yoo family & St. Andrew Kim parish	
5:30 pm	Don & Gloria Meier +	Fr. Phan
Sunday	September 13	
8:30 am	Saint Cecilia Parishioners	Fr. Phan
10:30 am	Frederick Allen Cox +	Fr. Figura
Monday	September 14	
11:15 am	Vito Caroselli +	
Tuesday	September 15	
11:15 am	Graham Family	
Wednesday	September 16	
11:15 am	Richard (Dick) Mitchell +	
Thursday	September 17	
11:15 am	Fr. James Buckley +	
Friday	September 18	
11:15 am	Peter Palmesano +	
Saturday	September 19	
7:30 am	Marie & Peter Larson +	
5:30 pm	Ed Warin +	Fr. Figura
Sunday	September 20	
8:30 am	Saint Cecilia Parishioners	Fr. Figura
10:30 am	Lori Campbell +	Fr. Phan



SAINT CECILIA CATHEDRAL SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP

Most Rev. Michael McGovern, Archbishop

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CATHEDRAL CHAPELS

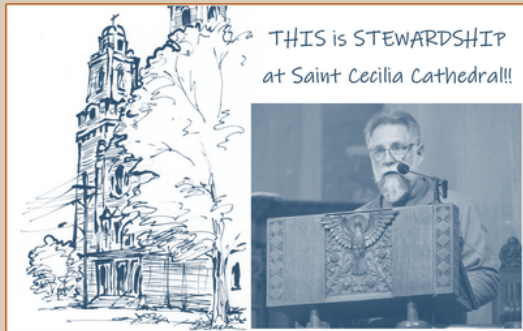
Our Lady of Nebraska Chapel sits on the north side of the Cathedral. This intimate chapel with an ornate stone altar is where Adoration, daily Masses, and school class Masses are offered. Within the chapel are stained glass windows from a 16th century cathedral in Pamplona, Spain and magnificent works of art.



The Nash Chapel is located in the southwest side of the Cathedral. The antique chandelier in the Nash Chapel is from the Nash family home. The Nash Crypt is the private burial chamber built for the Edward Watrous Nash and Catherine Barbeau Nash family, major benefactors of the Cathedral. Steps lead to the below ground crypt where members of the Nash family are buried.



EXPECT



Bring your
White
Elephant
Sale
donations
to the
breakfast.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: SEPTEMBER 2026

1 year

Lauren Botsford

Loretta Bragg

Luis Contreras Gomez and Amber Contreras

Thomas Hugo

Thomas and Logan Huss

Josh and Rebecca Kochanowsky

Jenna Rifer

Tiff Theede

John Walsh

5 years

Susan Ciccotti

Kennedy Kluthe

Ashton Neylon and Hannah Safranek-Neylon

10 years

Salvador Anguiano and Cynthia Alvarez

Jared and Jenne Baxter

Po Reh and Taw Meh

25 years

Trudy Ewing

Connie Morrisson

BEING AN ACTIVE PARISHIONER

"I began my journey with St. Cecilia's starting in 2001 by attending their RCIA process. I was initiated into the Catholic Church Easter Vigil 2002. I "found" St. Cecilia's by the magnificent towers. I started working at Creighton University in May of 2001 and was drawn to the towers. Twenty-six years later, the towers still draw me in. I find myself driving in Omaha looking for the towers and thanking God for such beautiful architecture to draw us to Him."

- Jan Schnack, 2026 Parish Council Chair

RECEIVE OUR COMMUNICATIONS

Every Wednesday we produce and send a **"Big Picture"** email that includes any special notifications, interesting news, upcoming event reminders, fun campus pictures, inspirational items, alumni notes, and spiritual events throughout the Archdiocese.

On Thursdays there is a special **prayer email** sent to our parishioners, school & childcare families, and staff members to pray for the ministers and ministries of Cathedral.

Every Friday the bulletin is sent in the **"Tower Talk"** email which is filled with information for the weekend, special notifications, interesting news, upcoming event reminders, and anything that is Cathedral related.

If you would like to receive our **bulletins mailed** to you each week, we are happy to accommodate you. Contact Sheila to be put on our mailing list.

When you are not able to attend Sunday Mass, we offer our 10:30 am **Mass live streamed** on our YouTube channel: Omaha Cathedral. Special events and liturgies are also live streamed.

The Cathedral **website** is filled with information on current events and activities, history of the Cathedral, parish organizations and ministries, gift opportunities, and more: StCeciliaCathedral.org.



INVITE



BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education is advisory to the pastor, who in accord with canonical law has ultimate responsibility for the parish. The chief functions of the Board are:

- Formulation of policy for St. Cecilia's School and the Parish Faith Formation program
- Planning to assure continued excellence and viability in all Parish educational programs.

We thank these people who are now going to serve on our Board of Education: **Mike Maloney, Shereece Dendy-Sanders, and Ina Louie.**

We are grateful for these people whose terms on the Board just ended: **Shannon Vaccaro, Paul Kulik, and Michele Kramer.**

Those returning members of the Board are: **Scotty Kalb, President, Jimmie Pinkham, Secretary, Tinya Nielsen, VP, Carly Milleson, Melissa and Makayla Danner, Immediate Past President.**

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for our Grades 1-8/Confirmation Faith Formation Program will be **Thursday, September 17**, at 6:30 pm in the school. Cost is \$50 per student. Classes begin **Thursday, September 24**, at 6:30 in the school. For more information, please contact Kija Meduna at kmeduna@stceciliacathedral.org.

BECOME CATHOLIC

We are combining our OCIA program with St. Margaret Mary parish again this year. Classes start **September 14** at 7:00 pm in their Suneg Center in the basement under the church (6116 Dodge St). For details or to register, contact the St. Margaret Mary parish office at 402-558-2255 or use the QR code.



VINTAGE ART WALK

Thursday, September 17

5:00-8:00 pm - Cultural Center

A monthly promenade of art and entertainment with the Castle and Cathedral Creative District, featuring Cathedral Arts Project, Joslyn Castle, and Cali Commons. For September, we focus on all things vintage—from 'olden times' and 'back in the day'. Plan to be entertained, to remember the past, and see carefully preserved works still relevant to our world today. CAP will feature vintage items for sale - where there's something to surely catch your eye.

PARISH APOSTOLATE SAINT CECILIA GRADE SCHOOL

Jessie Stoffel, Principal
3869 Webster Street Omaha, NE 68131
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At Saint Cecilia Cathedral Grade School we provide a faith-based education for your child and are committed to fostering a Christian learning environment and proclaiming and modeling faith, worship, service and prayer. As an apostolate of St. Cecilia Cathedral Parish, it is our pleasure to help your child grow in and outside of the classroom both spiritually and intellectually. Join us!

Our Mission

Teach and live the Catholic Faith within a nurturing, family-like community

Teach reverence for life and respect for all

Foster each student's full academic potential



CAMPUS EVENTS

Saturday 10:00 am	September 12 CAP Kimball Lecture	OLH
Sunday 9:15 am Noon 1:00 pm	September 13 Parish Breakfast Plaza Project Open House Karenni Mass	CAFE NAVE NAVE
Thursday Noon 6:30 pm	September 17 Eucharistic Adoration Faith Formation Registration	OLNC SCHOOL
Saturday 2:00 pm	September 19 Wedding: Edgar Beran & Haley Beran	NAVE
Sunday Noon	September 20 Catholic Daughters Meeting	PCCR

PARTICIPATE

CATHEDRALFEST: OCTOBER 2-4



Thank you to these members of the Saint Cecilia Cathedral community who have taken leadership of our event:
Event Chairs: **Therese & Sean Creswell**

CATHEDRALFEST RAFFLE 2026

DRAWING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 6:00 PM

GRAND PRIZE: \$2,000 TWO 2ND PRIZES OF \$100 EACH

SUGGESTED DONATION IS \$5 PER CHANCE. NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

All proceeds from CathedralFest and the raffle benefit Saint Cecilia Cathedral.

Chance stubs will not be mailed. We will complete your stubs and enter your chances in the raffle.

I would like _____ chances at \$5 each \$ _____
My additional donation for CathedralFest (tax deductible) \$ _____
Total enclosed \$ _____ (checks payable to St. Cecilia Cathedral)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Mail this form and your check to: Saint Cecilia Cathedral Administration Office, 701 N 40th St, Omaha NE 68131
(or drop in the Mass collection basket) - Questions: Saint Cecilia Cathedral Administration Office 402-551-2513.



CHEFS NEEDED FOR THIS NEW EVENT:

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, AT 6:00 PM ADULT NIGHT:

FLAVORS AROUND THE WORLD,

A CELEBRATION OF THE RICH CULTURAL DIVERSITY

THAT MAKES OUR COMMUNITY SO SPECIAL.

CONTACT US TO BE PART OF THIS EVENT

BY ADDING TO THE TABLE!

ERIN PETERS eebmeier2@gmail.com

Also thank you to the Leadership Team: **Jean Batenhorst-Smith, Jim Elliston, Dan Elliston, Dani Ohlman, and Mike & Ann Downey** and the individual event and activity leaders who work tirelessly to create a fun and successful event.



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 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 8:15 am and 5:00 pm (vigil)
Holy Days 6:30 am, Noon, and 5:30 pm
Confession Monday - Friday 7:00 - 7:20 am
Saturday 7:30 - 8:05 am, 3:30 - 4:30 pm



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