

SAINT CECILIA CATHEDRAL

OCTOBER
2026
II

INTENTIONALLY CATHOLIC



28TH 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.



EXPECT to see Jesus in your life.

INVITE Jesus into your life.

PARTICIPATE in Jesus' plan for your life.

HAVE MERCY

The **Spiritual Works of Mercy** have long been a part of the Christian tradition, appearing in the works of theologians and spiritual writers throughout history. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those He ministered to, these Spiritual Works of Mercy guide us to "help our neighbor in their spiritual needs."

Practical Examples

- **Counseling the doubtful:** Give good advice to a person who feels unsure about a hard choice.
- **Instruct the unlearned:** Share knowledge about faith or truth with someone who does not know it yet.
- **Admonish sinners:** Correct someone who does wrong in a kind and gentle way.
- **Comfort the sorrowful:** Sit with and support a person who feels sad or brokenhearted.
- **Forgive offenses:** Let go of anger when someone hurts you.
- **Bear wrongs patiently:** Stay calm when people annoy or treat you badly.
- **Pray for others:** Ask God to help living people and give peace to the dead



WE LIVE
JESUS' MERCY



SPECIAL HONOR FOR OUR PASTOR

For nearly 1000 years, the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre has served the Catholic Church by aiding Christians in the Holy Land as well as those of other faiths. Although they no longer ride horses into battle, they pledge their support to help the few Christians remaining in the Holy Land as well as keeping the holy sites in Christian hands.

Investiture into the Order is granted to Catholics who are active in Parish and Diocesan work as a labor of love and who have distinguished themselves as an example of faith motivated by charity and love. As in the Age of Chivalry, knighthood is reserved for those strong enough to protect and support others. It is an honor with responsibility.

Father Jeremy Hans was recently invested in the Order at a ceremony in Kansas City. Next year's investment Mass will be held here at Cathedral.

KEEP ME CATHOLIC

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

Continue to pray for my soul and have Masses said for me. It is a Catholic tradition and a spiritual work of mercy to have a Mass offered for the repose of the soul of a loved one and to pray for them. Contact Sheila to schedule a Mass said at Saint Cecilia: 402-551-2313.

Tell your family "Keep Me Catholic!" Get our brochure in the church racks.



MASSSES & INTENTIONS

Saturday **October 10**
 7:30 am Ricky Leonard +
 5:30 pm Mary Kathryn Wees + Fr. Phan

Sunday **October 11**
 8:30 am Saint Cecilia Parishioners Fr. Hans
 10:30 am Florence Mitchell + (A) Fr. Phan

Monday **October 12**
 11:15 am Helen Vana +

Tuesday **October 13**
 11:15 am Howard Rudloff +

Wednesday **October 14**
 11:15 am Leo Heng +

Thursday **October 15**
 11:15 am Richard (Dick) Mitchell +

Friday **October 16**
 11:15 am Christine Worthing +

Saturday **October 17**
 7:30 am Ray Swiercek +
 5:30 pm Ed Warin + Fr. Sokpo

Sunday **October 18**
 8:30 am Rose Cutshall + (B) Fr. Sokpo
 10:30 am Saint Cecilia Parishioners Fr. Hans

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!!

SAINT CECILIA CATHEDRAL SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP

Most Rev. Michael McGovern, Archbishop

Rev. Jeremy Hans
 Parish Pastor/Cathedral Rector
 jjhans@archomaha.org

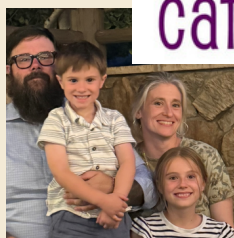
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Jim Tardy, Deacon (retired)
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Note from Event Chairs

Thank you for joining us for Cathedralfest 2026! We were blessed with beautiful weather, delicious food & drinks, amazing volunteers, and outstanding generosity from our sponsors, vendors, parish & school contributors, as well as all of our attendees! None of this could've taken place without the time and talents of this community and our wonderful volunteers.

Thank you, Sean & Therese Creswell



EXPECT



INTENTIONAL GIVING

Offertory: September 27
Weekly Goal \$20,660
Actual \$7,707
Difference (\$12,953)

Offertory Goal for FY 2026-27
\$1,053,660
Year-to-Date (July-June)
Actual \$224,465



Mission & ministry

SERVICE TO OUR PARISH

Administration Assistance

Every work day we have parishioners who volunteer their time to assist us in the Administration Office of the Cathedral. They play a key role in keeping things running smoothly as well as being the friendly face to those who come to our door. Stop by the office to see them and thank them for this service to Saint Cecilia Cathedral!

Sacrament Servers

We are blessed to have dedicated altar servers who volunteer to serve at our weddings and funerals in the Cathedral. This is a vital service to us and to the people we offer these sacramental liturgies for. Thank you to those altar servers who are so eager to assist us!



SYMPHONY – CATHEDRAL 2026 SERIES

Saint Cecilia Cathedral



WATER MUSIC – by George Frederick Handel

Saint Cecilia Cathedral
Featuring the Omaha Symphony with soloists
Michael Emmerich, Pasi Organ, Steve Quackenbush, Trumpet,
Susanna Perry Gilmore, Violin and Director
Edward Vogel, Baritone, Marie Rubis Bauer, Continuo Organ

Two performances
Saturday October 10 at 8 PM & Sunday October 11 at 4 PM



PARISH APOSTOLATE

SAINT CECILIA SCHOOL

Jessie Stoffel, Principal
3869 Webster Street Omaha, NE 68131
stcecilia.net | 402-556-665

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!

Partners in Commitment and Investment

We would like to be your partner in the Catholic education of your child. We invite you to join our St. Cecilia Cathedral Family to experience the faith, academics, traditions, and values that illustrate our commitment to the present and our investment in the future.





INVITE



PARISH MEMBERSHIP: OCTOBER 2026

1 year

Dominic Apio and Rubby Banyuuro

5 years

**Robert Anderson
Justin and Kendra Foster
Alyssa Lockhart**

10 years

Tee Reh and Htwa Meh

20 years

**Daniel and Lisa Chipps
Bill and Ann Marie Goettl**

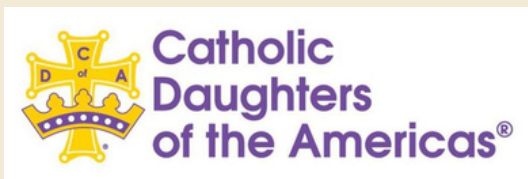
BECOME A PARISHIONER

If you are interested in making Saint 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!!



ASK GOD INTO YOUR LIFE

Guide my heart to understand where You want me to serve and how. Give me the same compassion and love for the lost that You have, and change my heart and minds to focus on Your mission rather than my own desires. Use my words, my actions, and my obedience to bring others to the knowledge of the Gospel. There is no time to waste. Please draw all people to Yourself. Thank You, Lord. Amen.



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Our Catholic Daughters court is hosting the CDA Sunday celebration next Sunday. Members of Catholic Daughters courts from the Omaha area will attend our 10:30 am Mass and then gather for a special luncheon and program. The guest speaker is Gina Tomes, Guiding Grace Family Support Network. It is an honor for our court to host this special occasion as part of the National Catholic Daughters Sunday events. Please greet and welcome our guests next Sunday.

DIAPER DRIVE

The Catholic Daughters in conjunction with the Omaha Urban Council of Catholic Women and KVSS is sponsoring their 5th annual Diaper drive. We are asking for donations of all sizes of diapers but especially need sizes 5 and 6, pull-ups and potty training underwear. Boxes for diaper donations will be located in the north and south entrances to the church from **October 10 to 24**. Monetary donations are also welcome and will be used to purchase additional diapers. Checks can be mailed to: Janelle Reeder, Treasurer, OUCCW, 510 Deer Run Lane, Papillion, NE 68046.

GRIEF SEMINAR

If you or someone you love are going through the journey of grief, Catholic Cemeteries is offering a grief seminar "The Way" through Grief. This seminar consists of six two-hour sessions beginning at 10:30 am on Saturday, **November 14 through December 19**.

Through prayerful reflection and guided fellowship, we offer a journey from life in grief to the life our Lord wishes for each of us.

To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Jim Tardy at 402-391-3711 or email him at jtardy@catholiccem.com.





PARTICIPATE



Sacramental Celebrations

This weekend we celebrate the wedding of
John Pfeifer & Jessica Buss
May they be witnesses of God's love to the world.

BIBLE STUDY

We will be studying the Gospel of Matthew this year in the Parish Center Conference Room starting at 6:30 pm on Monday evenings beginning **Monday, October 12**, and going for 16 weeks. We will finish each Monday at approximately 8:15 pm. All materials will be furnished for you except a Bible. All are welcome. Anyone with questions feel free to call Michaela Doyle at 402-659-3167 or email to blujuz@cox.net.

COAT & WINTER APPAREL DRIVES

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

Kevin Vaughan, SVPD Coordinator, Grand Knight
402-669-3447 | kdvaughanusa@gmail.com

Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul is sponsoring a drive for adults and children needing winter apparel. Please consider donating any new or gently used clean coats and new hats, gloves, and scarves to this year's drive. The collection bin is in the church north entry. This drive runs through the beginning of December.

You may also order coats for kids through the Knights of Columbus at KofCCoatsForKidsUSA.com. Please only order extreme weather coats. Use CEC as the name on your order. Ship your order to 1715 Izard St, Omaha, 68102. Forward your order confirmation email to Rebecca.Darga@SSVPOmaha.org and include the CEC conference name and the tracking numbers.

CAMPUS EVENTS

Saturday 2:00 pm	October 10 Wedding: John Pfeifer & Jessica Buss	NAVE
8:00 pm	Symphony Concert	NAVE
Sunday 9:15 am	October 11 Parish Breakfast	CAFE
4:00 pm	Symphony Concert	NAVE
Monday 6:30 pm	October 12 Bible Study	PCCR
Tuesday 7:00 pm	October 13 School Board Meeting	SCHOOL
Thursday Noon	October 15 Eucharistic Adoration	OLNC
6:30 pm	Faith Formation Classes	SCHOOL
Saturday 2:00 pm	October 17 Wedding: Solomon Liebl & Mary Countryman	NAVE
Sunday 11:30 am	October 18 Catholic Daughters Event	PCDR

Join us!



Join us at our monthly breakfast in the
Cathedral Cafeteria Sunday, October 11,
after the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

The Knights are supporting the pre and post pregnancy services Guiding Grace provides to our community. They are accepting donations for Guiding Grace at our Parish Breakfasts.

Items that they need on a regular basis are: toilet paper, paper towels, baby wipes, laundry detergent (pods or Dollar Tree sized bottles are best), and personal care supplies.

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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