

# ST. CECILIA CHURCH

## DIGITAL NEWSLETTER



### ONLINE MASS TIMES

**Daily (Mon - Sat):**

8:00 am English

**Sunday:**

9:00 am English

10:45 am English

12:00 pm Spanish

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### PASTOR'S CORNER

FROM FR. CARY RENIVA

#### THE GLORIOUS ROAD TO CALVARY

This weekend we enter into the holiest of all weeks in the liturgical life of the Church. It breaks my heart that we will not be able to celebrate together though you can attend virtually our Holy Week services through live streaming. It's been more than three weeks since Father Brent and I have been celebrating daily Masses in an empty church. It's the most uncomfortable thing to do even though I am conscious that people are joining me digitally. It's very odd to preach to empty pews. I can never get use to it. I just imagine that you are there in the pews, in your usual spots. Now I see the value why some people want to sit on the same spot. It has helped me visualize your faces in those pews as I preach and celebrate in an empty church. I miss you all! (cont.)

## FR. CARY'S LETTER CONT.

I find comfort though that I am able to continue to offer Masses for you and your families. This time is truly a “wilderness” experience for many of us. In the desert, the Israelites experienced so many challenging moments. Their faith was tested. They stumbled; they questioned; they rebelled but it was also a place of reawakening to God’s abiding faithfulness to them. It’s also a place where they were able to recover their value as children of God. It was a difficult journey for them but in the end they were able to reach the Promised Land.

As we enter to Holy Week this year, the passion of Jesus has a more poignant meaning for me. As I reflect on Jesus’ sufferings on the road to Calvary, I think of the people who have suffered from this pandemic, those who are fighting for their lives in the hospitals, those who have lost their jobs, those who are homeless who have no place to rest, the elderly who have become further isolated, those who died alone because no family member is allowed to visit them and many others whose sufferings are known to them alone. The road to Calvary this year is also filled with many imitators of Simon of Cyrene, who helped Jesus carry his cross. These are the people in the frontlines who have sacrificed so much to fight this pandemic and continue to accompany us towards our own resurrection.

The journey to Calvary (cross) and eventually to the tomb of the resurrection is marked with accompaniment. This is the theme that ties all the different scenes together. To be accompanied is to never feel alone. This is where I find meaning and hope in my own experience of suffering. When I ask why evil things, including suffering, happen, I am always brought to the cross. And as I gaze at the crucifix, I see the suffering God. It does not make sense that God suffers. It’s just beyond reason. But if God suffers, then suffering should not be a poisonous cup because God himself drank from it.

When I try to ask God the meaning behind my own sufferings, he does not give me theological answers but rather he gives me a person, his Son Jesus! The answer to suffering is divine accompaniment, divine solidarity! And in him, the resurrection, not death or suffering has the final word. I am so looking forward to our own “resurrection” from the tomb of this pandemic.

– Fr. Cary

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, April 5

9:00 AM – + Edwin Fackler, + Nathan

Hollingsworth, + Mike Kemp, + Ester Udarbe

12:00 PM – Beatriz Ruvalcaba, Rey Brambilia, Maria del Refugio Cervantes, Cerbando Ruvalcaba

### Monday, April 6

8:00 AM – + Taye Yemeru

### Tuesday, April 7

8:00 AM – Sally Henningsen

### Wednesday, April 8

8:00 AM – Maria Jurado Ortiz

### Thursday, April 9

5:00 PM – + Bill Wiedeman

7:00 PM – Luziann Veronica Vargas

### Friday, April 10

Good Friday Service in English at 3pm

Good Friday Service in Spanish at 5pm

### Saturday, April 11

Easter Vigil at 8pm – + Alfred Dinges

## SUGGESTIONS

Please let us know how we can be serving you better through our communications. Contact Amanda Jewett at [ajewett@stceciliachurch.org](mailto:ajewett@stceciliachurch.org)

## STEWARDSHIP

We are so very grateful and appreciative for your continuous support of our parish needs!

For those who typically drop their offertory envelopes or tithe into the collection basket on Sundays, feel free to mail your offertory envelopes and tithes to our parish office at **5105 SW Franklin Ave, Beaverton, OR, 97005**.

You can also tithe online by clicking here: [stceciliachurch.org/donate](https://stceciliachurch.org/donate). Thank you for your generosity during this time!

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

SVDP is providing food assistance for those in need. They will take any donations of non-perishable food (no specific request at this time). Donations would have to be delivered to the food pantry between the hours of 9 and 11 am.

Young and healthy volunteers are needed at our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry for various tasks during this time. Please contact Bridget Kyle at [bridgetmkyle@gmail.com](mailto:bridgetmkyle@gmail.com) if interested.

- Two volunteers per 9-11 am time slots M-F
- Two volunteers for night boxes 6-7 pm. M-Thurs
- Move boxed frozen and canned items (40-50 lbs max) and sorting, Wednesdays 9-11 am
- collect donations from Trader Joes every day, transfer weighted boxes transferred from the truck into the pantry M-F

## ROKU CHANNEL

Our parish now has a Roku channel, so watching livestreamed Mass is now easier than ever! You can add our channel "St. Cecilia Church" in the Roku channel store. Happy viewing!

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— The staff of the Sentinel and El Centinela

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Enter more deeply Into Holy Week with spiritual reading. There are some new books in the Adoration Chapel Bookshelf. Feel free to take one.



# HOLY WEEK AT HOME

PRAYING AS A FAMILY

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## PALM SUNDAY READINGS

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## FAMILY PRAYER: ANIMA CHRISTI

This prayer in Latin means "Soul of Christ." You can pray this prayer together, have one family member read it, or take turns each reading a line.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from Christ's side, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesus, hear me.  
Within Thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malignant enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me.  
And bid me come unto Thee,  
That with all Thy saints, I may praise thee  
Forever and ever.  
Amen.

## FUN FACTS

The Triduum, which is the summit of the Liturgical Year, starts the evening of Holy Thursday and goes to the evening of Easter Sunday. It is the shortest but most important liturgical season. To learn more about Holy Week, check out the video at: <https://bustedhalo.com/video/watch-holy-week-in-three-minutes>.

## HOW TO CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK AT HOME DURING A PANDEMIC

FROM AIMEE HENLEY

Here are some Ideas to help make celebrating Holy Week at home a little bit more special:

<https://www.carrotsformichaelmas.com/2020/04/01/how-to-celebrate-holy-week-at-home-during-a-pandemic/>

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## LITURGY LINK

In today's Gospel, what phrase did people sing when they waved their palm branches? What does this phrase mean?

## TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- What character of this Gospel sticks out to you?
- How does it make you feel to know that Jesus died on the cross for you?
- We tell the story of Christ's passion when we pray the Stations of the Cross. What station has special meaning for you?

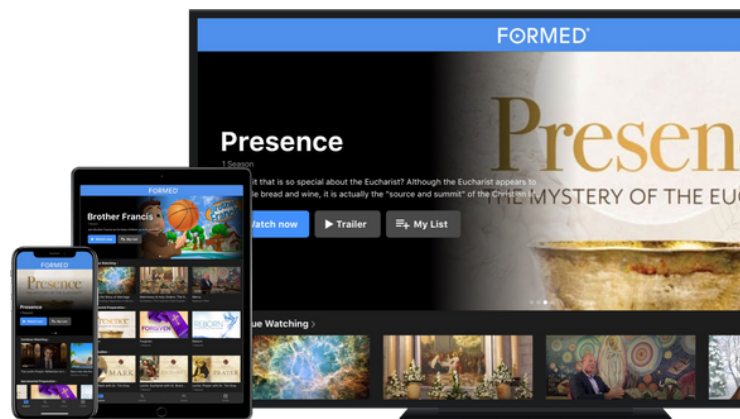
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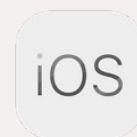
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