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May 27, 2021

St. Cecilia Community:

We made it! Happy last day of school and welcome to the summer of 2021! I am saddened that I cannot be there with the students on this last day of school, but am of course overjoyed that my wife and I welcomed a new baby boy into the world yesterday. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

It was great to send off the 8th graders on Tuesday night with their awards and advancement Mass. Thank you to our 8th grade families for all their hard work throughout the years and choosing a Catholic education.

I wish everyone at St. Cecilia the best as I move on. It is a special place that is supportive and has a strong basis of Faith. The community will remain in my prayers.

Have a great summer!

God Bless!

Gratefully,
Kenny Collopy - Principal

Quote of the Week:

"Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness."

Reminders:

- Yearbooks for this school year are now available to order at www.ybpay.lifetouch.com. Order deadline is 6/21/2021, Yearbook ID Code: 6816621, School Name: St. Cecilia Sch. \$16 per year book (+\$5 hardcover upgrade)

Important Upcoming Dates:

- May 28 - 1st Day of Summer Break - No longer last day of school.
- June 1-4 - 9am-12pm - School Office Hours
- June 7-11 - 9am-12pm - School Office Hours
- August 2 - School Office ReOpens

Campus Improvements:

- St. Cecilia School has received and installed 4 new AEDs as part of Congenital Heart Alliance of Cincinnati's Take Charge program. Together with ZOLL, Cinatas was proud and excited to help set up our school with brand-new, life-saving AEDs through a grant offered by Anthem, Inc.
- Are you electronically and mechanically inclined? The St. Cecilia Academic Team needs your help to make some repairs to our Quick Recall buzzer system. The most common repair needed is replacing damaged phone jack-type connectors on the cords. If you could assist us with this, please email Mrs. Wuestefeld at kwuestefeld@stcindependence.org. Thanks so much.



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Extra-curriculars & More:

- In Music News --- Recently, the 5th Graders participated in a Bracket-style competition to see which contemporary Christian song helped them the most on their faith-journey this school year. We started with 64 of the songs we had listened to since August and then narrowed it down to 32, 16, 8, 4, 2 and 1 respectively. The class favorite was "Empty Grave" by Zach Williams. If you want to hear this fantastic Resurrection song, [click here](#). If you would like to check out all of the songs click on Christian Song Bracket Challenge List. Feel free to have your own bracket challenge with your family or friends!
- St. Cecilia students had a tremendous amount of success in multi- county speech competition in 4-H and are advancing to the state level. Winners included Leah Donnellon , Abigail Reed, Kierstin Suedkamp, Stella Schaffeld, and Piper Patterson. Congratulations and best of luck!
- St. Cecilia Cross Country!!! - New for Fall 2021, St. Cecilia Sports Committee will be launching the first Cross Country team! Crusaders 2nd through 8th grades will be invited to join the team! The main purpose for the team will be personal improvement and spiritual growth. We will monitor each runner's progress, help set personal goals and celebrate when they achieve their personal records. [Click Here for details.](#)

St. Cecilia Community Information & Opportunities

- The SCPTO Virtual Stagette raised \$9,430.62. Thank you to all who supported this cause and thank you to Shannon Resing and Amanda Saalfeld for all their hard work!
- Golf Outing! Sunday, June 13 - The Fr. Mario Memorial Golf Classic was created to help memorialize the late pastor of St. Cecilia Parish, Fr. Mario Tizziani. Fr. Mario Golf Classic will continue the mission of Fr. Mario to provide a first class sports facility for the members of the St. Cecilia Parish and School. Proceeds from the Memorial Golf Classic will support the ongoing needs of the Sports Committee and gym operations at St. Cecilia School. [Click Here for details and registration.](#)
- Sports Committee Officer Vacancies - The St. Cecilia Sports Committee is looking for new officers for the role of Vice President and Treasurer. A brief description for each position is listed below. If you are interested, or have any questions, please contact Brad Saalfeld at bsaalfel@hotmail.com or (859) 835-7701.
 - The Vice-President shall perform all the duties and exercise all the powers of the President during his or her absence or incapacity. For reference, the President's duties include presiding over Sports Program meetings, enforcing the Constitution and By-Laws, casting a deciding vote on issues, calling special meetings of the Sports Program, and authorizing emergency expenditure of funds in line with the Sports Committee Constitution.
 - The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds; shall keep accurate records of all financial transactions; submit a detailed, written summary report at each regular meeting; submit a written annual report, of which a copy shall be given to the Pastor. The Treasurer shall also submit a quarterly financial Report to the St. Cecilia Finance Committee. The Treasurer or the President in conjunction with the Pastor for disbursement of funds shall sign all checks drawn on the organization.



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Extended Community Information & Opportunities

- Thank you to everyone who participated in the GoPantry drive through St. Elizabeth! We just received the numbers and Mrs. Trina Huff's department was able to donate 145 boxes! Our original goal was 60, so this was a huge accomplishment. St. Elizabeth exceeded their goal as well- the goal was 2500 boxes system-side and the total donated was 3600 boxes! We could not have been one of the top departments without help from all of those who contributed from St. Cecilia. What a great group of people we have at this school! Thank you to everyone who helped to make sure the kids in our community can be fed over the summer!
- HCHS Girls Basketball Camp - Holy Cross High School Girls Basketball Team is hosting a summer camp June 14-17 from 9:00-11:30 AM for girls entering grades 5-8 and from 1:00-3:30 PM for girls entering grades 1-4 during the 2021-22 school year. The cost is \$60 before June 14th or \$70 for walk-ins. Pre-register at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1fL65eSRzHrRG6c-TOA0zP4uyHPtizOX2g9zccTkxT4k/edit?fbclid=IwAR1JxTLxEYB5OaN6ITPkkY29bq3Wm8WxgmCt7oX7sLjwgAF4Ajdsw9W_L9zA. For more information or questions contact Coach Arlinghaus at tarlinghaus99@hotmail.com.
- HCHS Boys Basketball Camp - Holy Cross High School Boys Basketball Team is hosting a summer youth camp June 7-10 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM for boys entering grades 2-9 during the 2021-22 school year. The cost is \$60 before May 28th or \$65 after May 28th. Register at www.hcindiansbasketball.com. For more information or questions contact Coach Grammer at hcindiansbball@gmail.com or at 859-409-2944. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1r928op_knja4AwgFUs687Pcu_K1mbia0/view?usp=sharing
- SchoolBelles, our school uniform provider, is reopening their location in Taylor Mill. [Click Here for more details.](#)
- Join the Kenton County Library Summer Reading Celebration - Reading Colors Your World June 1-August 31st. [Click Here for more details.](#)