



## Saint Cecilia School Mission Statement

**Saint Cecilia Parish School is a Christ-centered community committed to our Catholic identity and academic excellence. Our administrators, faculty, staff, families, and students collaborate in an environment of shared values. Inspired by the spirit of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we empower our students to explore and develop their individual God-given talents. Animated by faith, hope, and love, we live Gospel values and respond to the needs of the global society.**

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+Dear St. Cecilia School Families,

January 16, 2023

Our faculty and staff began the work of our Middle States Re-accreditation last school year. We will have our official visit from Sunday, April 30 until Wednesday, May 3. One of the first things we did was to create our Foundational Documents. These documents are the Mission Statement, our Belief Statements or Core Values, and the Profile of a Graduate. Today, I share with you our Mission Statement.

Beginning on Tuesday, we will recite our new Mission Statement every morning as a school. Additionally, the classes will do different projects and writing assignments to help them understand the Mission Statement and to find examples of how the Mission Statement is practiced at St. Cecilia School. We want to do more than memorize the words. As an entire school community, we want our Mission Statement to be a living document where our words are put into action.

Our Mission Statement is for all of us. When our Mission Statement is a living document, then we should be doing the following:

- As a ***Christ-centered community***, we should strive to be close to Jesus through our participation in the sacraments, especially going to Mass each week
- ***Committed to our Catholic identity*** means that we are faithful to the traditions of our faith – praying together, teaching Religion every day, praying the Rosary (at home, too), etc.
- ***Committed to academic excellence and aware of their individual God-given talents***, we expect that our students will do their best, including completing homework and assignments, studying for tests, and simply trying hard at all times.
- ***Our administration, faculty, staff, families and students collaborate in an environment of shared values.*** Our shared values are the Gospel values of love of God and love of neighbor. When we live this part of our Mission Statement, then we should treat one with respect and dignity, in school, at home, and in our neighborhoods. We hold each other accountable when we fail or when we do things that upset, harm, or insult others.
- ***Animated by faith, hope and love***, we believe in the goodness of the St. Cecilia School and Parish community. We know that what we need to do in order to bring Jesus to all we meet each day, and we try to do this every day.
- ***We respond to the needs of the global society.*** We will serve our world in many ways, especially when different needs arise.

When we all work together to live our Mission Statement, then we will be the school that God calls us to be – school truly centered on Jesus Christ and bringing His love to all we meet!

Have a great week!  
God bless you,  
Sister Catherine Irene, IHM

**Looking Ahead:**

**January 16**

January 19

**January 20**

January 21

January 24

January 25

January 26

January 29 – February 3

January 29

**January 31**

February 1

February 11

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: NO SCHOOL**

Middle States Planning Team Meeting, 7:00 a.m.

**Wear Green over School Uniforms for the Playoffs!  
GO EAGLES!!!!**

Future Cities Competition: Good luck to team & Coaches

Middle States Planning Team, Meeting, 7:00 a.m.

Virtual Presentation to Grades 6 – 8 Parents on Vaping

District Principals’ Meeting: All Day

Vaping Presentation to Grades 7 and 8 from the Caron Institute

Catholic Schools Week

Opening Mass for Catholic Schools Week, 11:00 a.m.

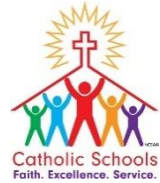
Open House – 9:00 to 11:00 and 12:00 to 2:00

Boy Scouts’ Pancake Breakfast

**St. Cecilia Night at IRON HILL – Flyer included!**

School Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

Sweethearts’ Dance: See Website to order tickets



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**Congratulations to the following for their participation in Robotics on January 7:**

**St. Cecilia Robotics Team - Bot Squad**

David Cronin - Robot coder

Kenil Nguyen - Robot coder

Marco Avigo - Robot coder

Elizabeth Rodriquez - Innovation presenter

Alex Valverde - Innovation presenter

Patrick McGarry - Innovation project

Casey Keenan - Robot coder

Timothy Smith - Robot coder

Molly Mastalski - Innovation presenter

Fransya Turenne - Innovation presenter

Jakeob Ornedo - Innovation presenter

Edward Clark - Innovation project



We thank Mrs. Brewster for her leadership and coach of our Robotics Team!



**We wish our Future Cities Team the best of luck on their competition on Saturday, January 21:**

**Student Team Grade 8**

Sadie Eberle - Presenter/Q&A

Marco Avigo - Presenter/Q&A

Peter Klepesky

Helena Wood

Gennesis Tolentino

Caylee Pham

Kennadie Lapacinski - Presenter/Q&A

Brendan Carey - Alternate Presenter/Q&A

Erin Hagarty

George Gaynor

Christian Szor

**Student Team Grade 7**

Thulani Chimyana

Caitlyn Martyn

Abigail White

Leighton Whalen

Maura Brown

We thank our coaches, Mrs. Deb Brewster and Mr. George Gaynor, for their time, hard work, and dedication to our team! We also thank our High School assistants, Alex and Christian Matthews!



*Saint Cecilia Sweetheart Dance*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH | 6PM - 10PM**

**Dinner | Dancing | Commemorative Photos**



**Join us for an evening  
UNDER THE SEA**

*Tickets are now available in the school store on a first come, first serve basis. We do expect this event to fill, so please purchase your tickets as soon as possible!*

To buy tickets, go to: <https://scsfoxchase.org/sweetheart-dance>

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**We congratulate our Good Writers Club for November:**

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Room 31 – Joseph Riccobono  | Room 32 – Evelyn Santos      | Room 33 – Gavin Kropp        |
| Room 41 – Alexandra Felice  | Room 42 – Brooklyn Hernandez | Room 43 – Jorge Prado        |
| Room 51 – Jonathan Francois | Room 52 – Isabella Santiago  | Room 53 – Gabriella Mitchell |

**We congratulate our Good Writers Club for December:**

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Room 31 – Penelope Clark-Bracey | Room 32 – Brayden Zaleski | Room 33 – Savannah Gidaro |
| Room 41 – Sophia Klepoczynski   | Room 42 – Jocelyn Higgins | Room 43 – Isabella Ismael |
| Room 51 – Mia Baysmore          | Room 52 – Ruby Gara       | Room 53 – Harrison Tran   |

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**Prayer Intentions:** Please remember the following in your prayers.

- Leon Flanagan – Mrs. Marianne Guest’s (Room 71) who died earlier this month
- Joan Leonard – Mr. Leonard’s (Room 82) grandmother and Mrs. Barbara Leonard’s mother-in-law who died earlier this month as well.
- Charlotte Hvorecky – Age 12 – the younger sister of Claire and Jude (Class of 2022) who died last week and whose funeral mass was today.
- Ann Padova, Mrs. Smith’s (Room 22) aunt whose funeral mass will be this Thursday.

**We pray:**

***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all of the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen!***