Greetings St. Cecilia Community!

I cannot believe how fast the year has gone – it has been a busy year! All the work and programs happening at St. Cecilia Parish are a testament to our faith and community spirit. Last year’s report spoke of building on results and on being a growing, vibrant community:

- Growth in our faith – what we believe
- Growth in our outreach – how our faith calls us to serve
- Growth in our spiritual life – what nourishes us as disciples

We continue to develop in all of these areas and the results are very evident. We have seen an increase in Baptisms and in the number of new families in our parish. Visitors often comment on the welcoming spirit at St. Cecilia. However, we have also faced some struggles over the anger and frustration regarding the Church’s lack of response to the abuse crisis. We need to continue our reflection and to seek answers so that we can move forward. On October 30th, we will have a prayer service, “Healing Our Church” to start a series of discussions on this issue. I will continue to encourage discussion and prayer about the abuse crisis.

The best-kept secret on Bainbridge Island is St. Cecilia Catholic School! We would love to see our school bursting at the seams with children. How do we go about this? We need to spread the word about our wonderful school! Many families with young children attend Mass on Sunday mornings, but only a few attend our school. How do we get more families to consider St. Cecilia Catholic School? The foundations of our faith begin when we are young and it starts with the family, but are made even stronger with a solid, faith-based education.

Finally, a big thank-you for the support you have shown me in my first year at St. Cecilia Parish, and for the financial support you provide to our parish. I am truly grateful for all of you.

God is good – All the time!

Fr. Mark Kiszelewski
We are...

We are... Devoted

Celebrated with supportive family

At Easter Vigil

We are... Joyful

In receiving the Lord

In crowning Our Lady

We are... Faithful

With good friends

In crowning Our Lady

We are... Community

Bonded in blood and faith

At Easter Vigil

We are... Family

St. Cecilia
The Finance Committee is pleased to report solid financial results for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. Stewardship receipts increased by 8% in our vibrant, growing parish. Successful fundraisers, special gifts, and a bequest allowed the parish to accomplish many repairs and make several improvements to our facilities. Further information concerning improvements is on page 10 of this report. We trust that the improvements to and care of these facilities will glorify God and help to bring more people to the beauty and holiness of the Mass, and to live in grace through Him.

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Thank you for your generous support of the Mission of the Church.
A list of financial terminology can be found on the enclosed insert.
2019 Income

- Stewardship Receipts: 42%
- Educational Receipts: 32%
- Fundraising & Socials: 16%
- Donations, Bequests & Grants: 6%
- Other School Operating Receipts: 3%
- Endowment Fund Distribution: 1%
- Interest & Other Miscellaneous Income: <1%

2019 Expense

- Salaries & Benefits: 64%
- Facilities Operations & Maintenance: 10%
- Assessment, Insurance, Dues & Licenses: 5%
- Utilities: 5%
- Educational Program Supplies & Expense: 5%
- Administrative Expense: 4%
- Fundraising Expense: 2%
- Liturgy, Sacramental & Music Supplies: 2%
- Hospitality & Appreciation: 1%
- Furnishings and Small Equipment: 1%
- Transportation: 1%
## Where We Shared Our Treasure

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“Our progress in holiness depends on God and ourselves - on God's grace and on our will to be holy.”
- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

### Bathed in Grace

![Bathed in Grace](image)

### Engaged

At Vacation Bible Camp

### Happy

And ready to serve

### Confirmed in the Spirit

Easter Vigil 2019
We are...

Other Ways We Gave

Advent Giving Tree, one of our St. Vincent De Paul programs, provided gifts for 39 families, as well as for 6 residents of Manzanita House, and 16 participants at Stephens House last Christmas.

Nearly 2 tons of food donated to Helpline House - serving island families since 1968

Matt Talbot Center Christmas Dinner - in Seattle, the Center was established in 1985 as a free, licensed addiction treatment program serving those experiencing homelessness. St. Cecilia parishioners have enthusiastically supported the Center by preparing a holiday dinner and providing gifts for approximately 300 participants and their families each year.

Extreme Sobriety - a ministry of compassion and presence to the homeless and addicted on the streets of downtown Seattle and Kitsap County. Parishioner Steve Rhoades delivers parishioner-donated boots, rain gear, and blessing bags, throughout the inclimate months of the year along with his offer of compassion and help toward sobriety.

Super Suppers - in conjunction with the Bainbridge Island/North Kitsap Interfaith Council, free community dinners have been offered for over 20 years on the last seven days of each month. St. Cecilia hosts the home cooked meal on the last Wednesday of every month.
We Are...

Singing out to the Lord

As 1st Communion Cantors

Joining the Church at Easter Vigil

Workers in the Vineyard

Thank you, gravel rakers!

His sheep

Anticipating the celebration His birth

Where We Shared Our Time & Talents: Parish Ministries

**Liturgical Ministries**
- Altar Linens
- Altar Servers
- Children’s Liturgy of the Word
- Choir/Music Ministry
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Greeters
- Lectors
- Liturgical Environment
- Ushers

**Administration & Other**
- Needlework Circle
- Office Volunteers
- Parish Library
- Parish Partners
- Safe Environment Training

**Outreach**
- Coffee and Donuts
- Extreme Sobriety
- Funeral Reception Committee
- Haiti Fund
- Matt Talbot Christmas Dinner
- Prison Ministry
- Super Suppers
- Visiting Eucharistic Ministers
- Wine and Cheese

**Events**
- Italian Dinner
- Knights of Columbus
- Lenten Friday Night Dinners
- St. Cecilia Auction
- St. Nicholas Festival
- Summer Picnic
- Vacation Bible Camp

**Prayer & Study**
- Bible Study
- Book Groups
- Centering Prayer Group
- Cursillo
- Daily Rosary
- Eucharistic Adoration
- Faith Formation K-12
- Mothers and Others
- Prayer Chain

**Organizations**
- Compline Choir
- Cub Scouts
- Finance Council
- Knights of Columbus
- Legion of Mary
- Parish Leadership Team
- Respect Life
- St. Vincent de Paul

**Saint Cecilia Catholic School**
- Christmas Concert
- Coaching - Basketball
- Coaching - Volleyball
- Family BBQ
- Jog-A-Thon
- Lunch Room/Recess Monitors
- Parish Partners
- Parents Club
- St. Cecilia Auction
- St. Nicholas Festival
- School Commission
- Shadow Stations of the Cross
- Spring Concert / Musical
- Robotics

**Cantors**
- Leading at Mass
We Are... Striving for Excellence

Principal Kilbane and two of her dedicated teaching staff traveled to the University of Notre Dame this summer for a 3-day conference. It was an exciting opportunity to enhance and affirm the current curriculum and culture of our school. A faith-based education is specifically designed to EMBRACE, EDUCATE, & EMPOWER our students. At SCCS we are intentional about how we do just that.

Students are EMBRACED in multiple ways throughout each day. Principal Kilbane and the teachers greet students each morning. Every week begins with a Whole School Prayer Circle. We develop students’ strengths and support them in their areas of growth. Students know that they are loved and that their growth in mind, body, and spirit is important to the entire school community.

Students are EDUCATED through an academically excellent curriculum. Singapore Math, Writers Workshop, FOSS Science, and Storypath for Social Studies incorporate Common Core Standards. Field study on trails, in parks, and on beaches provides students hands on opportunities to learn about the environment. Arts integration across the curriculum provides opportunities for deeper learning. Creativity, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration are developed in every subject.

"We firmly believe that Catholic schools are one of the most powerful institutions for human formation and societal transformation."

- The Catholic School Advantage Team, University of Notre Dame

Students are EMPOWERED to live their faith through yearlong stewardship projects connecting students with parishioners, the elderly in our community, and Helpline House. Caring for the environment is part of our science curriculum across all grade levels. Students learn that what they do matters.

"We Are Graduates"

Prepared to take on the next leg of the journey
Looking Back: 2019 Highlights

We welcomed Fr. Mark as our new pastor and celebrated his first year at St. Cecilia Parish. Fr. Mark celebrated the 6th anniversary of his ordination in fine style with food and drink in the Faith Center Courtyard on a sunny evening after the Vigil Mass. We look forward to celebrating many years with Fr. Mark!

Our school successfully completed all Western Catholic Education Association (WCEA) requirements to receive full accreditation for another six years. The visiting team concluded that at SCCS, “everyone is committed to developing students who have deep faith, a strong sense of service to others and a growth mindset.” The accreditation process involved two years of rigorous work and reflection by our amazing principal and staff. Well done!!

Archbishop Raymond G. Hunthausen, who led the Archdiocese of Seattle from 1975 to his retirement in 1991, died July 22, 2019 at the age of 96. He was known for his “common touch,” and he was much-loved by the northwest community he served.

The fall dinner and auction saw Conger Hall transformed into “Island Treasures” and the event was sold out with over 150 attendees. The evening was a great success with nearly $130,000.00 raised for our parish and school!

New devotional candles were added to the church and the steady glow of real candlelight is a source of comfort and joy to many in our worship space.

Improvements to the parish property included the removal of hazardous trees from the north end of the property, additional gravel in the parking lot, new grass for the school play yard, bollard lighting replacements to illuminate walkways, AEDs purchased in conjunction with the Rotary Club, and a security door installation in the parish office that stymies many, but keeps our parish staff safe and secure.

The 5 PM Christmas Eve Mass saw over 700 people in attendance! This is a problem we like to have! The average total weekly attendance for all three weekend Masses in 2019 was 611.

Conger Hall upgrades included new tables and chairs for much-improved seating, an automated coffee maker to keep our parishioners well-caffeinated, and the installation of new audio-visual equipment in the hall to accommodate overflow crowds at Christmas and Easter, and to enhance a wide variety of parish activities.

In honor of World Marriage Day, our parish community was invited to celebrate marriage at a special Wine & Cheese event in February. Cupcakes were enjoyed by all!

The Lenten season included a spiritual retreat with Fr. Steve Malkiewicz and a return visit from Fr. Frank Desiderio. Cassie Nicholson led the CRS Prayer Walk, and numerous parishioners participated in Friday Lenten Dinners and Conversation that followed Stations of the Cross. The Easter Vigil Mass welcomed seven members into the Catholic Church.

Vacation Bible Camp was back for a second year and was themed “Digging for Treasure.” This summer, 45 children attended camp and were led by Cassie’s crew of wonderful youth and adult volunteers.

Saint Cecilia Catholic School continues to dominate the Kitsap County Law Day Essay Contest. Myla and Marlene placed 2nd and 3rd in 2019. Go Crusaders!
**Looking Ahead:**

A Blessing of the Animals will be held Friday October 4 in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi’s love of all creatures. Plan to bring your favorite fluffy, feathered, or scaly friend for a blessing.

Join the Saints Walk on All Saints Day, November 1 following the 9 AM Mass. Saint Cecilia middle school students will be sharing the culmination of their saint projects throughout the halls of the school. Enjoy an after-Mass snack and a coffee and stroll through the school to see if you can find your favorites!

Our Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation, Cassie, was married in January – Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Nicholson! (and we look forward to meeting the littlest Nicholson in October!).

The Healing Our Church Prayer Service on October 30 will initiate an opportunity for St. Cecilia parishioners to pray for the victims of abuse, for those who feel marginalized, and for those who are struggling with their faith in the wake of the abuse crisis. 300 copies of Bishop Barron’s timely and thoughtful book, *Letter to a Suffering Church* will be distributed with a reading guide. Opportunities to form discussion groups will be available. Additionally, Bishop Barron’s accompanying video series will be distributed via FlockNote.

Don’t miss signups for Sacramental preparations! If you have a household member who wishes to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation, please register online at the parish website or email parishoffice@saintcparish.org.

Wednesday morning Mass has been moved to noon to accommodate a wider variety of schedules. See you at daily Mass! Join us for Mass on your lunch hour!

An exciting new monthly Adult Education Series will commence in January. Led by Cassie Nicholson, this stunning new St. Augustine video series brings a beautiful and systematic presentation of the Catholic faith.

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1 in 4 parishioners has been in the parish less than 5 years

If you’re new (or new-ish), don’t hesitate to reach out and join a ministry. It’s a great way to meet people.

Fr. Mark is also new-ish and look at all his new friends.

Good job, Fr. Mark!

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and Maggie Washington

Standing (from left): Susan Kilbane, Fr. Mark Kiszelewski, RuthAnne Wolansky, Linda Muffoletto, and Jeannette Borges