

Welcome to
Immaculate Conception Parish

A Catholic Community Inviting People to Follow Christ

November 20, 2022 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



“Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

- Colossians 1:12-20

Love God • Serve Others • Make Disciples

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Saturday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Sunday: Closed

Parish Website:

🌐: www.icchicago.org

School Website:

🌐: www.iccowboys.net

Social Media



Facebook:

View our Masses, connect with fellow parishioners, and access exclusive articles and content. Simply search “**Immaculate Conception Parish Chicago (Talcott)**” and request to join our online community.

Twitch:

Membership-free platform where all are welcome to view our Masses and access content.

Visit us at www.twitch.tv/icchicago



Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil @ 5:00 P.M.
Sunday Mass @ 8:30 A.M.
Sunday Mass @ 10:30 A.M.*
(*Our 10:30 A.M. Mass is also livestreamed)

Capacity limits have been lifted and reservations are no longer required. Masks are optional.

All are welcome!

Weekday Mass Schedule:

In-Person

Monday through Thursday @ 8:30 A.M.

(Please note: Friday daily Masses & First Friday Mass & Adoration temporarily suspended as of July 8th)

Online

Wednesdays @ 8:30 A.M. (School Mass)
(Worship with us virtually on our Facebook Page or Twitch)

Confessions:

Sunday mornings
from 9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M.
(offered every other Sunday)

(Special dates & times offered during Advent & Lent)

Baptisms:

2nd & 4th Sundays of each month @ Noon
(except during Lent)

Donate

Church & Special Collections:

Interested in supporting our parish, specific ministries and projects?

Please consider giving online at Give Central:
www.givecentral.org/location/349

Offertory envelopes can also be mailed in or dropped off at our Parish Office.

School:

Interested in supporting Catholic Education for both present and future generations?

Please donate to our **Endowment Fund** (via Give Central) or support efforts by our **Holy Name Men’s Club** and **Parents Club** posted on our Social Media or featured in our bulletin.

Serve Humbly In Love: Make A Difference...

60 For 60 Campaign Match Incentive

Immaculate Conception Parish
Fruitful Harvest

Sunday
November
20

Featuring:
Julie Szvedo
(IC Middle School Teacher)
joined by a few of her
8th Grade students
from our
IC Service Club

Session Two:
Service
How does God call us to
serve and how do we
use our talents &
abilities to serve people
in a way that will inspire
them to serve others?

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good steward's of God's varied grace.
1 Peter 4:10

Join us for a roundtable reflection
followed by small group discussion.
Coffee & pastries will be provided.

11:30 A.M.
Rectory Assembly



Our IC Holy Name Men's Club is currently offering a dollar-for-dollar match incentive (up to \$6,000 dollars) from November 3rd through November 24th (Thanksgiving Day). If you have not already done so, please consider donating to our campaign to help us reach our goal (and make your donation count for double this month!)

Pledge cards and envelopes are available each weekend in the Vestibule of our Church. Online donations via Give Central are also gratefully accepted. With grateful hearts, we thank all our donors for their generous support!

Service-oriented and seeking a passionate purpose? Interested in sharing your faith by serving others? Join us this Sunday for our **Fruitful Harvest** discussion series as we welcome **Julie Szvedo** (IC Middle School Teacher & Religious Education Program Curriculum Coordinator), accompanied by a few of her 8th Grade students (members of our IC School Service Club), as they help us explore the topic of "Service" by offering brief reflections on the inspiration behind their service to others and how they elect to use their talents and abilities to make a positive impact in our community. All are welcome and encouraged to join us!

Alpha Weekend Retreat @ University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary



Immaculate Conception Parish

60th Anniversary Celebration Mass & Reception

Save The Date...



Thursday, December 8, 2022
7:00 P.M. Mass with Bishop Mark Bartosic
Reception To Follow In Our Parish Center
icchicago.org

Celebrate Thanksgiving @ IC

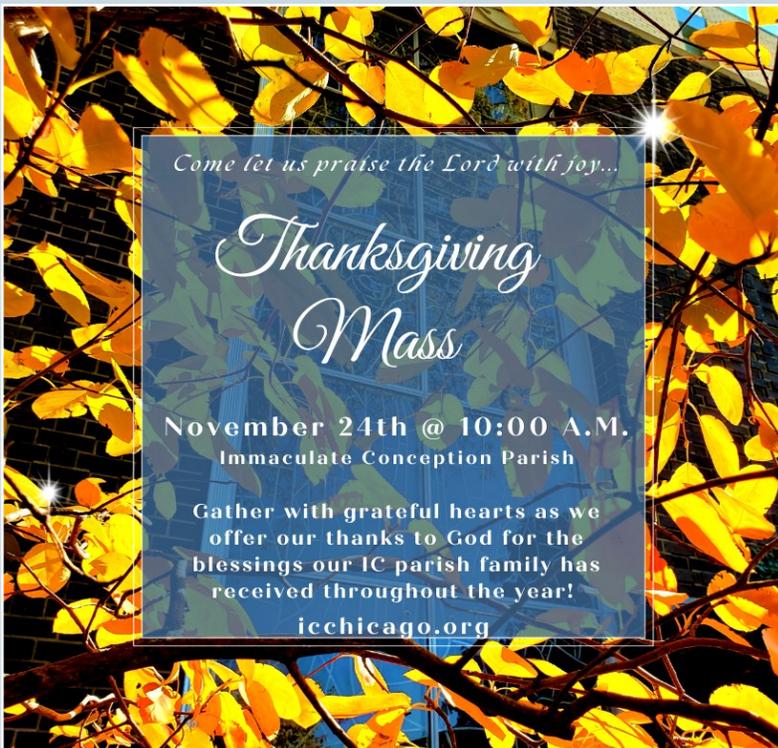
Come let us praise the Lord with joy...

Thanksgiving Mass

November 24th @ 10:00 A.M.
Immaculate Conception Parish

Gather with grateful hearts as we offer our thanks to God for the blessings our IC parish family has received throughout the year!

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For those unable to join us in-person, our Thanksgiving Mass will also be livestreamed.

In observance of the holiday, our Parish Office will be closed on both **Thursday, November 24th** & **Friday, November 25th**.

Immaculate Conception Novena



Our Novena to Our Lady, The Immaculate Conception, our parish's patroness, will begin on **Wednesday, November 30th**, and will continue daily through **Thursday, December 8, 2022**.

Our Novena will be prayed after our 8:30 A.M. Mass *except* for the following 2 days: Saturday, December 3rd (after our 5:00 P.M. Mass) and Sunday, December 4th (after our 10:30 A.M. Mass.) Because of the Novena, there will be Mass celebrated on Friday, December 2nd at 8:30 A.M. Our Novena will conclude after our 8:30 A.M. Mass on our Feast Day, December 8th. Our Novena prayers will last for approximately ½ hour.

Please join us in honoring Our Patroness through this very special Novena in preparation for this great solemnity.



*Avery Bryn Rjos
Child of Alfredo & Joanna Michele (Smith) Rjos*



Future Engineers

Our Fourth Grade Science classes have been learning about the criteria and constraints of an engineering project. They put their new knowledge to use by designing and building a prototype of a hearing-enhancing device to better hear soft or far-away sounds in nature. The devices were tested outside, and students reported hearing birds, squirrels, and rustling of leaves, as well as human-made sounds like traffic.



Give The Gift Of A Catholic Education @ IC

Support our School and help educate the next generation of Catholic School students by participating in the Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program!

The Archdiocesan 1:1 Matching Program for Tax Credit Scholarship donations will open on December 1, 2022.

From 12/1/2022 through 3/31/2023, donations made to the Tax Credit Scholarship Program through Empower Illinois will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$75,000 per school.

Remember to designate your donation for **Immaculate Conception School - Talcott** and it will be used for students that would like to attend our school, but require financial assistance to do so.

Invest In Kids in 3 simple steps:

Register:
New donors should register to obtain a Letter ID from the Illinois Department of Revenue

Reserve:
Donors should reserve a tax credit

Donate & Designate:
Designate your donation to Immaculate Conception School



Tax Credit Scholarships

Share your faith by giving the gift of a Catholic Education to a child in need!

More Information:
Email: tes@archchicago.org
TCS Hotline: 312.534.2617

Visit: www.archchicago.org/tes



Please join our parish family in prayer ...

For those who are sick;



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 Paul Amandes
 Arnold B.
 Robert Behrman
 Sonia M. B.
 Roberta Berger
 John Bozek
 Vince Caeti
 Mary Cali
 Jackie Campbell
 Zita Castro
 Donna Chaplin
 James Covello
 Ronnie Cunningham
 Paige Dicks
 Margarita DiSalvo
 Emily Divarco
 Eric Dulce
 Lilia Dulce
 Ozzie D'Souza
 John Eckhardt
 Richard Flanagan
 Brooke Foreman
 Patricia Furgat
 Lila Gehner
 Bonnie Jean Gorski

Marie Hagarty
 Rose Hegarty
 Gloria Hernandez
 Ofelia Hernandez
 Mike Hickey
 Judy Hull
 Mary Ann Schmitt Hurtig
 Kevin Jaburek
 Wayne Kinzie, Sr.
 Craig Kloss
 Lillian Kohut
 Katherine Kreuser
 Anthony LaPash
 Dawn LaVeau
 Benny Martinez
 Edwin Martinez
 Frank Martinez
 Pat Miaso
 Gerry Michalek, Jr.
 Glen Molo
 Molly Morris
 Veronica Murillo
 Timothy Murray
 Brendan Nelson
 Anne O'Brien
 John O'Brien

Jackie O'Koniewski
 David Olson
 Ashton Peterson
 Leo Pfest
 Mary Potwora
 Helen Rasmussen
 Bill Remblake
 Joe Rispoli
 Pia Rizza
 David Rodriguez
 Don Skorey
 Edward Stanczyk
 Jack Stewart
 Jill Swagler
 Alma T.
 Donna Tisdale
 Camilla Trevino
 Steven P. Trifilio
 Mary Ellen Vanderman
 Miss Westhoff
 Rita Zambon

**Newly Added*

For our faithful departed:

Dolores VonderHaar (Former IC Religious Education Coordinator)
 Bruce Tarpey
 Fr. Philip "Phil" McGlynn, OSM (Brother of Marianne & Sr. Pat McGlynn)



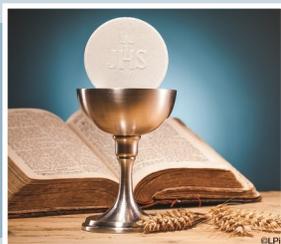
*"Eternal rest grant unto them,
 Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon
 them."*

For those who serve our country:



U.S. Army - SSgt. John Francis Mikita, Sgt. Kevin Whalen, SSgt Martine Makita, Chris Dash, Pvt. Jason G. Cavanaugh, Major Christopher Walsh, Capt. Benjamin Monson, 1st Lt. Katherine D. Hartnett, SPC Michael J. Stone, Pvt. Charlie Cruz Pappas
U.S. Navy - CMDR Michael Brasseur, LCDR Christopher Jenkins, PO Thomas T. Tudisco
U.S. Air Force - John Christopher Ocasio, Major Laurel Walsh, Major Paul H. Kolk, LT. COL. Michael O'Koniewski; Captain Colleen Bernal
U.S. Marines - PFC Sebastian L. Rivera, Jr., PFC Christopher Hughes, PFC Algene D. Porticos, LCpl Daniel Wiczorek

Please contact our Parish Office when these service people return home safely. If you are a veteran or know a veteran, the Archdiocese of Chicago has a website located at vets.archchicago.org that provides information that can be of assistance.



*Mass Intentions:
Sunday, November 20th
through
Sunday, November 27th*

Sunday, November 20th – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00 P.M. (Saturday) – †Tom Fuller; †Mary Jean Klasen; †The Furgat Family; †Stanislaw Swiderski; †Margaret Kroll; †Mary Kay Keane; †Sheila Meehan; †Mary McTighe; †Suzanne Smith; †Jaime Macolor San Juan; †Ramon Z. Capito; †Denise Clemens; †Kevin Mulroe; and †Katherine P. Patti

8:30 A.M. – †Eileen Larson; †Eveann LoVero; †Daniel Fernandez; and †Paul Richard Thurston Johnson

10:30 A.M. – †Philip & Frances Covello; †Maria Lam; †Sr. Mary Julianne Maciuszek, CR (on her 1st Anniversary); †Manuel Mendoza; †Ann Butler; †Francis & Moira Cross; and The People of the Parish

Monday, November 21st – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Thirty-Fourth Week In Ordinary Time)

8:30 A.M. – †Terry Leahy; and †Walter Szczerski

Tuesday, November 22nd – Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 A.M. – †The Furgat Family; †Luz Capito (on her 1st Anniversary); †All Deceased Members of The Capito and San Juan Families; †Poor Souls In Purgatory; †Lourdes Blake; and †Joe Breen

Wednesday, November 23rd – Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr

8:30 A.M. – †Gloria Budziak

Thursday, November 24th – Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (Thanksgiving Day)

10:00 A.M. – †Richard Smola; †The Furgat Family; †Grace Mallerdino (on her 10th Anniversary); †Ed Sikorski, Jr. (on his 20th Anniversary); †Laurene Zaporozhcz (Birthday Remembrance); The Gonsalves Family (In Thanksgiving) (Living); and The Medrano Family (In Thanksgiving)

Friday, November 25th – Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

Friday Daily Masses Temporarily Suspended (as of July 8th)

Saturday, November 26th – Weekday

5:00 P.M. – †Louis & Irene Schatz; †Stanislaw Swiderski; and †Joseph Henmueller

Sunday, November 27th – First Sunday of Advent

8:30 A.M. – †John Alan “Jackie” Pastwa (Birthday Remembrance); †Katherine Patti; †Mirta Urizarri & Family; and †Francis & Moira Cross

10:30 A.M. – †Rosemary Kwok; †Agostino & Francesca Chiaramonte; †Cathy Loftus; †Chris Gratke (2nd Anniversary); †Grace Mallerdino; †Larry Lundine; †Nora & William Byrne; †Martin Casey; †John Wachowicz; and The People of the Parish

November 20th through November 26th

Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Grace Mallerdino
(on her 10th Anniversary)

Requested by: The Garza & Mallerdino Families

November 20th through November 25th

Our Blessed Mother Votive is burning this week for the repose of the soul of

Maureen McGee Kogen

Requested by: The McGee Family

November 20th through November 25th

Our St. Joseph Votive is burning this week for the prayer intention of

Lorraine Ommundson
(on her Birthday)

Requested by: Mary Herward

Pope Tweet of the Week...

“Saints do not come from a “parallel universe”. They are believers rooted in their daily activities with their families, study, work; social, economic and political life. In all these settings, they fearlessly strive to carry out God’s will.”



Paper Goods & Toiletries Drive: November 12th through November 24th

Family Mass @ IC

Immaculate Conception Parish
Paper Goods & Toiletries Drive
Benefiting Catholic Charities in Des Plaines
 We welcome donations of:

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Soap (Bar or Body Wash)
- Shampoo
- Feminine Hygiene Products

All donations should be in original packaging and unopened.

Our collection begins on November 12th & 13th and will conclude on Thursday, November 24th (Thanksgiving Day)

Please deposit all paper & toiletry item donations in the collection boxes located in the Vestibule of our Church. Monetary donations will also be gratefully accepted via Give Central.

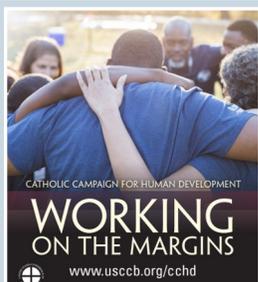


Please join us at our **10:30 A.M. Family Mass this Sunday, November 20th** (with *Fr. Robert* presiding) as we celebrate our *Scouting Programs*. Our *Choristers* will make their Family Mass debut, joining together with our *Vocal Quintet* to lead our congregation in song.

A hospitality reception hosted by our *Cub Scouts* will follow the conclusion of our Mass in the Vestibule of our Church. All are welcome!

Second Collection: CCHD - Nov. 19th & 20th

Christmas Toy Drive: November 27th through December 4th



Please be generous in this week's special collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. In the United States, more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins. More information about the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

Immaculate Conception Parish
Christmas Toy Drive
Benefiting Catholic Charities in Des Plaines
 Suggested Spending Amount: \$25.00
 Only New Packaged Toys Will Be Accepted

- Art Supplies
- Games
- Dolls
- Sports Gear/Items (Basketballs, Soccer Balls, etc.)
- Toy Models
- Toy Trucks and Cars
- Action Figures
- Children's Books

Our toy collection begins on Sunday, November 27th and will conclude on Sunday, December 4th. Share God's love and make a difference by bringing joy to the heart of a child this Christmas!

Gospel Meditation - Encourage a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



It's not unreasonable to think that if God wanted to make a statement he could do so in a very dramatic way. After all, he spoke through a burning bush that didn't actually burn, parted the Red Sea, sent manna to the Israelites from the sky, cured lepers, healed the sick and cast out demons. All of that is pretty dramatic stuff, and they made statements! Now, Jesus hangs dying on a cross. He has been referred to as a king. Considering all of the miracles Jesus did in his short time on earth, isn't one more in order? If Jesus came down off of the cross, defied death, and parted the waters of suffering and death, onlookers, believers and unbelievers alike, would take notice. It

would prove who God is and show us what God wants us to do. Or would it?

Great spiritual masters remind us not to focus on miracles or consolations received from God. They can distract us. Doing anything other than what Jesus did would distract humanity as well, misplacing our focus. It's not about a miracle, at least not the dramatic kind people are eager to see. It's about something more profound. It all goes back to where it began for the earthly Jesus. God becomes one with humanity in Jesus Christ. All that goes into being human is holy and blessed, and that becomes a place where God is born, again and again. God, through Jesus, tells us to hold firm to all of the experiences of being human, the joys and the wonders, the disappointments and the failures.

God's lesson is found in Jesus' vulnerability. It is only when we are vulnerable that we learn how to love. When Jesus breathed his last, God's unconditional and tender love was realized. Jesus always had a soft spot for the weak, lost, vulnerable, and broken. God wants us to come to Him freely, not because we have witnessed some fantastic display of prowess. God desires that we find Him through who we are, as our hearts and souls direct. This will mean that our love is authentic as it will be born of the heartache, pain, and turmoil that are a part of life. The fragments of our lives need to be made whole. Our fragmented king, Jesus Christ, is the only one who can help put the pieces together. ©LPi

Respect Life: Choose Adoption



*"Every child that arrives is God's gift . . .
Adoption is a Christian choice."*



We reflect on these simple words from Pope Francis in this **Adoption Awareness Month**. Nearly 140,000 children are adopted in our country each year, and about 400,000 children are in foster care. Pray that all children experience God's love through selfless and caring families.

*Nicole Kerkes & Timothy Kelly
Larissa Zando
Merla Corpuz
Manuel & Fatima Baltazar
and their son Kenneth*

Ministry Schedules: Saturday, November 26th & Sunday, November 27th

	Saturday 5:00 P.M.	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Sunday 10:30 A.M.
Presiders	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Robert Fedek	Fr. Matthew Heinrich
Lectors	N. Kremer	D. Sebastian	N. Kanoon
Cantors	E. Doyle	Vocal Quintet & Violin	Vocal Quintet
Extraordinary Ministers	L. Delana	C. Mulligan	S. Serb & R. Siciliano
Altar Servers	K. Bowers; E. Carroll; E. Serb	E. Hyland; G. Reichle; C. Villafane	T. Cox; I. Cox; M. Gallagher



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What's Happening @ IC...

Monday, November 21st –

10:15 A.M.-Noon – Monday Morning Bible Study: “The Gospel of John”; RA
 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Fall Alpha Monday Evening Session; RA
 7:00-8:30 P.M. – Overtones Rehearsal; CH

Wednesday, November 23rd -

School Thanksgiving Break Begins

Thursday, November 24th – Thanksgiving Day

10:00 A.M. – Thanksgiving Mass; CH
 Parish Office Closed

Friday, November 25th –

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 26th -

11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. – Future City Mtg.; NWCR

Sunday, November 27th–First Sunday of Advent

9:30-10:15 A.M. – Advent Confessions; CH
 11:30-1:00 P.M. – Evangelization Team Mtg.; RA



Your Gifts to God and Parish...

If you plan to move from our parish, please notify our Parish Office at least three months prior to your change of address. Also, if you will be away from home for more than 3 months, please contact us so that your envelopes can be stopped during that time period.

If you have transitioned to electronic giving and still receive offertory envelopes, please contact our Parish Office so that we can discontinue your receiving of envelopes.

Early Bulletin Deadlines:

November 27th Bulletin submissions due:

Tuesday, November 15th

December 11th Bulletin submissions due:

Saturday, December 3rd

December 18th Bulletin submissions due:

Friday, December 9th

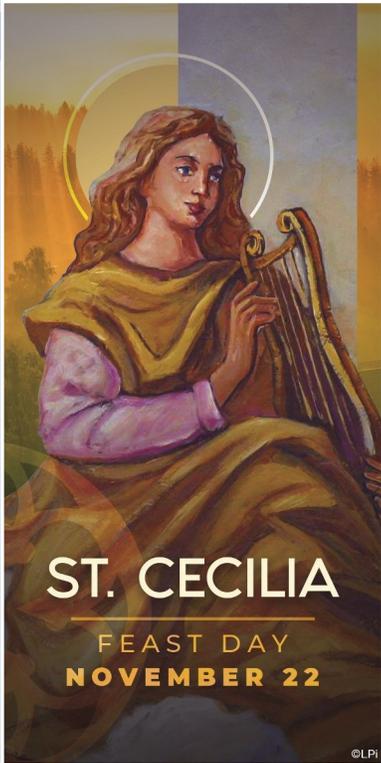
December 25th Bulletin submissions due:

Monday, December 12th

January 1st Bulletin submissions due:

Thursday, December 22nd

Bulletin submissions are accepted via email at:
parishbulletin@icchicago.org



Saint of The Week - Examples of Our Faith: Saint Cecilia (November 22nd)

Saint Cecilia's story, like many of the earliest saints', is largely apocryphal and legendary in nature. According to tradition, Cecilia was born to a wealthy and prominent Roman family. Though she had consecrated her virginity to the Lord, she was married to a man named Valerian. It is said that she was "singing in her heart to the Lord" at her wedding. She confessed her promise of virginity to her new husband revealing that an angel protected her. Valerian would honor her vow only if he too could see the angel. Cecilia told him he would see the angel if he was baptized, which he went to do immediately. When he returned to her, he saw the angel beside her. Cecilia also converted Valerian's brother, Tiburtius.

Unfortunately, it was a turbulent time in Rome for Christians. Valerian and Tiburtius were martyred for burying the bodies of Christians, which was illegal. Cecilia was also targeted for her faith. First authorities attempted to suffocate by locking her in the bath in her home and overheating the room. Some accounts say that she didn't break a sweat and even began to sing. They then sent in an executioner to behead her, but he faltered and was unable to complete his task, only succeeding in mortally wounding her. She remained alive for three days before she died.

The saint's body was exhumed twice, first by Pope Paschal I in 821, then by Cardinal Sfondrato in 1599. Both times her body was found incorrupt, the first saint to exhibit this extremity. St. Cecilia is the patron saint of music and musicians. ©LPi

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