

Novena to Saint Cecilia

As the parish of St. Peter discerns the replacement of the organ, we ask that you join in praying the following novena to St. Cecilia so that the parish may come to know God's will in this endeavor and how to best glorify God through the gifts He has bestowed on us. Details of the organ in consideration and the process will be made known as they become available.

From November 13-21, the days preceding the Feast of St. Cecilia, we pray the following novena as a community. Please feel free to share this novena with your friends and family.

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God the Father of Heaven, *Have mercy on us.*

God the Son, Redeemer of the World, *Have mercy on us.*

God the Holy Spirit, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, one God, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, Mother of God, *Pray for us.*

St. Cecilia, whose heart burned with the fire of divine love, *Pray for us. (Repeat after each line)*

St. Cecilia, apostle by your zeal and charity,

St. Cecilia, who did unceasingly see your guardian angel by your side,

St. Cecilia, who mingled your voice with the celestial harmonies of the virgins,

St. Cecilia, who by your melodious accents celebrated the praises of Jesus,

St. Cecilia, patroness of holy canticles,

St. Cecilia, illustrious martyr of Jesus Christ,

St. Cecilia, special patroness and advocate of all singers, musicians, authors, and students,

St. Peter, St. Romanus, St. Pius X, St. Gregory the Great, and all God's angels and saints,

We salute you, O Virgin, who gave your blood for the defense and faith of Jesus Christ.

God glorified St. Cecilia, *And He crowned her virtues.*

*Let us pray,* O Eternal God, who gave us St. Cecilia as a powerful protectress, grant that the community of St. Peter Church may come to know Your divine will in purchasing a new organ. May our music may be added to the heavenly chorus and inspire all who hear it to grow in deeper relationship with Jesus Christ, and that one day we may all praise You and bless You forevermore in eternity. We trust in Your providence and love. Amen.