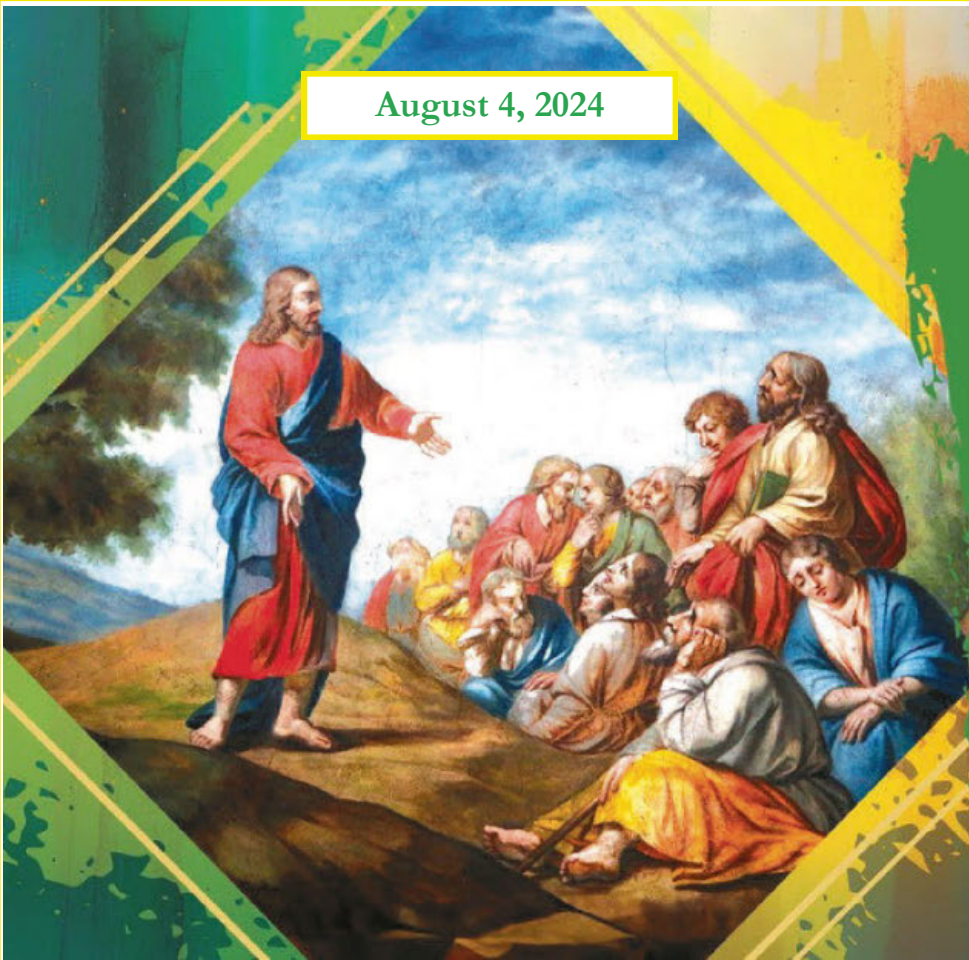


August 4, 2024



## 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.” - Jn 6:32

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*O Sacred Heart, O Love Divine  
Do keep us near to Thee  
And make our love so like to Thine  
That we may holy be*

#### [REFRAIN]

*Heart of Jesus, hear  
O Heart of Love Divine  
Listen to our prayer  
Make us always Thine*

*O Temple pure, O House of gold  
Our Heaven here below  
What sweet delights, what wealth untold  
From Thee do ever flow [REF]*

*Ungrateful hearts, forgetful hearts  
The hearts of men have been  
To wound Thy side with cruel darts  
Which they have made by sin [REF]*

**2024 Diocese of Albany-Step Up Men's Conference:** The Step Up Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, August 10 from 8:15am to 3:30pm at St. Edward the Confessor Church, 569 Clifton Park Center Rd, Clifton Park. The purpose of this event is to grow in our relationship with Christ and establish a plan to bring this energy back to our families and parish families.

For information and to register: <https://www.rcda.org/StepUp>



† Altar wine at *Sacred Heart* for the month of *August* has been sponsored *in loving memory of Irene & Lou Zanella* at the request of *Wendy, Bill & kids*.

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**COLLECTIONS TOTALS - JULY 27/28**

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>SC</b>
<b>WEEKLY COLLECTION</b>	416.00	506.00
<b>PETERS PENCE</b>	216.00	143.00
<b>OTHER</b>	70.00	105.00
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>486.00</b>	<b>611.00</b>

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Sat. Aug 3, 4:00 pm (SH)** - A Mass of thanksgiving, requested by Ron & Cathy Parry.

**Sun. Aug 4, 9:00 am (SC)**- † In loving memory of Norbert & Verna Bicheler, requested by John & Sheila Cranker.

**Tue. Aug 6 thru Sun. Aug 11, 2024**

**Tue. Aug 6, 8:00 am (SH)** - No intention requested.

**Wed. Aug 7, 8:00 am (SC)** - No intention requested.

**Thurs. Aug 8, 8:00 am (SH)** - For the health and healing of the people of our parish.

**Fri. Aug 9, 8:00 am (SC)** - For the health and healing of the people of our parish.

**Sat. Aug 10, 4:00 pm (SH)** - † 79th Anniversary remembrance for Ray & Lorraine Lemiszki, requested by Jamie.

**Sun. Aug 11, 9:00 am (SC)**- † In loving memory of Marie Cranker, requested by John & Sheila Cranker.



**Mass Intentions:** Mass Intentions are needed for both parishes. Having a Mass celebrated for a person or a specific request has a long history in the Catholic Church. Requesting a Mass is not only a sign of your own faith and flourishing, but of your heart for those who these Masses are intended.

**Lector/Eucharistic Ministers**

<b>Aug 3 (SH)</b>	Mark Caffrey Theresa Kovian	<b>Aug 10 (SH)</b>	Katherine Downing Cathy Parry
<b>Aug 4 (SC)</b>	Dianne Kierpiec Ken Stuff	<b>Aug 11 (SC)</b>	Ann Mahon Michele Furnare

**Counters Schedule**

<b>Aug 5 (SH)</b>	Katherine Downing Barb Bilins	<b>Aug 12 (SH)</b>	Kathy Avery Barb Bilins
<b>Aug 5 (SC)</b>	Lorna Quinn Linda Coyne	<b>Aug 12 (SC)</b>	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais

**Food Pantry**



<b>Aug 7 (SH)</b>	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall
<b>Aug 28 (SC)</b>	Dianne Kierpiec Kathleen Harris Ann Mahon



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Healing Mass:** The First Thursday of each month we invite you to **Sacred Heart Church** at 6:30 PM for a Healing Mass, Short Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Anointing with Sacred Oil & Rosary prayer, a Potluck Refreshment and a chance to meet parishioners. Please bring your family & friends!

**Healing Mass at St. Cecilia** is held on the first Friday of each month, at 8:00 AM in the basement chapel.

**Sacred Heart Parish Council:** The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 7 at 6pm in the hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend council meetings.

**Ice Cream Social Save the Date:** Our ice cream social will be held on August 20. This is a wonderful community outreach event. Please let your friends and family know.

**Kindness Matters Campaign:** The **Kindness Matters** campaign encourages people to step up and be better neighbors to one another. If each one of us makes a concerted effort to be kinder it will have a ripple effect throughout our community. Please visit [RCDA.org/kind](http://RCDA.org/kind)



## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**August 4, 2024–18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Since my college days I've loved a song called "Dance with You" by the rock band Live. It touches on the deep mystical hunger of our heart: "I've tasted all the wines/ a half a billion times/ came sickened to your shore/ you showed me what this life is for." These lines resonate with anyone who has feasted on the good things of this world only to be left spiritually hungover and unsatisfied.

We see a similar dynamic evoked by Jesus' words after he feeds the crowd with bread and fish. To teach them to hunger for God, he recalls God's gift of manna-bread for the hungry ancient Israelites. Those folks had grown spiritually sick from the idolatrous food of Egypt yet still longed for more worthless pagan food. So, God sent heavenly bread to nourish their bodies, but also to heal their distrustful hearts. His people — like us — must learn to hunger and thirst for God alone. Before we can receive that which will not disappoint, we first must cease expecting that earthly goods will satisfy us.

We will get to the Lord's teaching on the Eucharist in the next two weeks. But first, he asks us: do you trust me to take care of you? Do you trust me to give you what you need for each day, and to not worry about the next day? Do you see that when you hungrily stuff yourself with the things of this world you become sick and lose your taste for the bread of life? So, our hungry hearts cry out: Lord, help us to trust that you'll provide for our every need. Help us to use only what we truly need. Help us hunger for the goodness of your Son, who is the true bread from heaven. That is what this life is for.

-Father John Muir  
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The Step Up Men's Conference will give men the tools needed to grow in holiness in their everyday lives.

Presentations from *Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger* and *Mike Gormley*, National Event Speaker & Catholic Podcaster and Mission Evangelist for *Paradisus Dei*. Plus, Reconciliation, Mass, Adoration, Rosary, refreshments, and lunch.

**When:** Saturday, August 10 from 8:15 AM to 3:30 PM

**Where:** St. Edward the Confessor Church  
569 Clifton Park Center Road, Clifton Park

Early registration cost is \$50 per person until July 31 and includes lunch.  
College age and younger men are FREE.

For information and to register: <https://www.rcda.org/StepUp>

All attendees MUST register. Space is limited.

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Here:



## Schedule of Events:

8:15 to 9 AM – Check-in / Registration / Reconciliation

Coffee / Tea / Water

9 AM – Welcome / Mass

10 AM – 10:20 AM – Break with snacks

10:20 AM – 11:00 AM - First Morning Presentation

Topic: *The Biblical Vision of Manhood* - Mike Gormley

11:00 AM – 11:20 AM – Break

11:20 AM – 12:15 PM – Second Morning Presentation

Topic: *"What do you want me to do for you?"* (Luke 18:41-42) - †Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger

12:15 PM – 1:15 PM – Lunch (Box Lunch & Water Included)

- Reconciliation

- Small Group Connections

1:15 to 2 PM – Afternoon Presentation

Topic: *The Bonds of Brotherhood* - Mike Gormley

2 PM to 2:20 PM – Break

2:20 PM – 3:20 PM – Adoration / Rosary / Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:30 PM: Closing Comments & Departure



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