



5th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." - Lk 5:5

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As Catholics, our mission is clear—we are called upon to share our faith as disciples ourselves and disciple-makers as Jesus preached: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded of you." (Matthew 28:19-20) Since each parish and the Diocese are partners in this work, robust support of parish offertory and the Diocesan Appeal ensures the Church has the resources it needs to carry out its mission.

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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*

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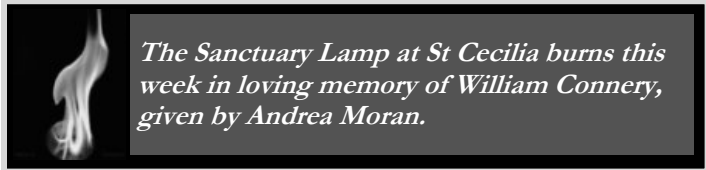
*Heart of Jesus, hear
O Heart of Love Divine
Listen to our prayer
Make us always Thine*

*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]*



Christmas Eve Mass - Sacred Heart



The Sanctuary Lamp at St Cecilia burns this week in loving memory of William Connery, given by Andrea Moran.



Sat. Feb 8, 4:00 pm (SH) - For the people of the parish.

Sun. Feb 9, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.) † In loving memory of James E. "Ned" Connery, requested by Joyce Mancini.
2.) † In memory of Barbara Castiglione, requested by Jim Wray & family.

Tues. Feb 11 thru Sun. Feb 16, 2025

Tue. Feb 11, 4:30pm (SH) - Healing Mass

Wed. Feb 12 8:00 am (SC) - † In memory of Midge Lang, requested by Jim Wray & family Michele Furnare.

Thurs. Feb 13, 8:00 am (SH)- No intention requested

Fri. Feb 14, 8:00 am (SC) - † In memory of Dorine Dimond requested by Pat Fur & George Galeazza.

Sat. Feb 15, 4:00 pm (SH) - For the people of the parish.

Sun. Feb 16, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.) † In loving memory of Sarah Rowbeck, requested by Joyce Mancini.
2.) † In loving memory of Leo Perry, requested by Marcia & his family.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**February 9, 2025 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 5:1-11**

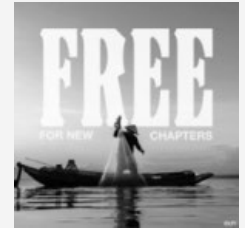
My parents' garage is full of old junk that no longer serves any purpose in my life. As a 46-year-old man, I admit that's pretty lame. Either due to my sentimentality or laziness (or both, probably), I just couldn't get myself to throw things away. But a few days ago, by a grace of God, I thought: "I'll hire my nephew Ryan to throw a bunch of my stuff away — he couldn't care less about my junk!" And you know what? It worked. In one day, Ryan chucked the majority of his uncle's useless stuff. I feel so free, ready for a new junk-free chapter in my life.

This kind of thing happens in this Sunday's Gospel. Peter's net is full of useless junk. Luke says he and the others are cleaning their nets after catching no fish. Imagine them dejectedly and impatiently removing a nasty assortment of seaweed, sticks and muck. The Lord teaches and calls them once their nets are cleared out. So it goes with us. Spiritual life begins by removing that which is useless and merely taking up space in our hearts, minds and lives. Then Jesus teaches and acts in a marvelous way in our lives, too.

So what's junking up your net? What habits, attachments, possessions, preoccupations? If, like me, you struggle to clean your nets by yourself, ask the Lord to send you someone like my nephew to be your "Peter" and help you clean it out. It is well worth it. Once Peter's net is clean, he is free to make a wonderful catch.

-Father John Muir

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	<u>2025 DIOCESAN APPEAL</u>	
	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	8156.00	5000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	2770.00	1842.00
BALANCE	5386.00	3158.00

<u>COLLECTIONS TOTALS - FEB 1/2</u>		
COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	483.00	891.00
EVANGELIST	81.00	309.00
OTHER	270.30	65.00
PARISH TOTAL	834.30	1265.00
ATTENDANCE	57	85

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Feb 8 (SH)	Cathy Parry Katherine Downing	Feb 15 (SH)	Chris Caffrey Theresa Kovian
Feb 9 (SC)	Kathy Marcais Bill Quinn	Feb 16 (SC)	Ann Mahon Dave Marcais

Counters Schedule

Feb 10 (SH)	Kathy Avery Katherine Downing	Feb 17 (SH)	Deb Swarczewski Noreen Brownell
Feb 10 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais	Feb 17 (SC)	Lorna Quinn Flo Stanton

Food Pantry

Feb 26 (SC)	Dianne Kierpiec Kathleen Harris Ann Mahon
March 5 (SH)	Jamie Lemiszki John Nigro



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sacred Heart Spaghetti Dinner Tickets: Our annual spaghetti dinner will be held on Sunday, March 2. Tickets as well as raffle tickets are available now. Please grab a packet to sell and help support this annual fundraiser.

Sacred Heart Monthly Potluck: Our February Potluck will be held next week, February 15th (following the 4pm Mass). The theme is Valentine's Day "Heartfelt Food". Hope you all can attend.

Saint Cecilia Weekly Raffle: We will be alternating a raffle weekly for baked good or a \$20 gift certificate from a local establishment. Raffle tickets will be \$1 per chance and will be available at the church entrance.

Saint Cecilia Bottle Drive: We will be collecting bottles/ cans at St. Cecilia. There will be a receptacle in the parking lot near the rectory entrance and also in the hall.

St Cecilia Card Party Dates: Our card party is held from 1pm - 4pm in the rectory at St. Cecilia. Current dates are (Mondays) Feb 10, Feb 24...all are welcome :)

February First Thurs/Fri Healing Mass: The *Healing* Mass (for February only) will be held on *World Day of the Sick* on February 11 at Sacred Heart Church at 4:30pm.

Ash Wednesday Mass: Ash Wednesday falls on March 5 this year. There will be Mass with distribution of ashes at Saint Cecilia 12 Noon and at Sacred Heart 5:15pm

An Evening With Blessed Carlo Acutis: Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 7pm, at Our Lady of Victory Church, 55 North Lake Ave., Troy. Rev. Anthony Sorgie, priest of the Archdiocese of New York, brings a relic of Blessed Carlo, given to him by Carlo's mother, Antonia Acutis, and shares thoughts and reflections about his meeting with her. All are welcome!

Hope Does Not Disappoint: Winter Retreat Day, Thursday Feb 27th at St Matthew's Parish in Voorheesville NY with Deacon Gary Riggi. Register by email erin.muir@rcda.org or at <https://webapps.rcda.org/ParishFaithFormation/>



JUBILEE, 2025 - TOOLS FOR THE JOURNEY



RECONCILIATION The Lord Jesus Christ, physician of our souls and bodies ... has willed that his Church continue, in the power of the Holy Spirit, his work of healing and salvation. CCC, no. 1421. To learn more about the beautiful gift of Reconciliation, to access a step-by-step guide, and to hear Fr. Matt Duclos's simple answers to questions that many have if they haven't gone to Confession in some time. Go to the Diocesan website: www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025



ADORATION The presence is called "real" - by which is not intended to exclude the other types of presence as if they could not be "real" too, but because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present. (CCC, no. 1374) To find Adoration sites throughout the Diocese & learn how Eucharistic Adoration can help to deepen your faith. Go to the Diocesan Website: www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025



THE MASS The command of Jesus to repeat his actions and words "until he comes" does not only ask us to remember Jesus and what he did. It is directed at the liturgical celebration, by the apostles and their successors, of the memorial of Christ, of his life, of his death, of his Resurrection, and of his intercession in the presence of the Father. CCC, no. 1341. For "The Power of One Hour", a five-part video series, produced by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, teaching about the Mass. Go to the Diocesan Website: www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025



PRAYER Prayer is the life of the new heart. It ought to animate us at every moment. But we tend to forget him who is our life and our all... "We must remember God more often than we draw breath. CCC, no. 2697. For tools to help you build your prayer life, Go to the Diocesan Website: www.rcda.org/jubilee-2025



FURTHERING YOUR FAITH SERIES "Faith seeks understanding": it is intrinsic to faith that a believer desires to know better the One in whom he has put his faith and to understand better what He has revealed; a more penetrating knowledge will in turn call forth a greater faith, increasingly set afire by love. CCC, no. 158. For furthering your faith, Go to the YouTube page: Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany

150th Anniversary Commemoration of Sacred Heart Parishioners

~February 9th thru February 15th~

Baptisms

Feb 9, 1975 Rocco Nicosia	Feb 10, 1980 Jennifer Marie Meachem
Feb 10, 1985 Elizabeth Marie Gilkerson	Feb 10, 2002 Andrew Thomas Georgia
Feb 10, 1985 Elizabeth Marie Gilkerson	Feb 10, 2013 Robert Emmanuel Pedrozo
Feb 11, 1973 Stacey Myles	Feb 11, 2012 Hector Duran Schantz-Latza
Feb 12, 1978 Dianna Lansing	Feb 12, 1961 Karen Lampkin
Feb 13, 1977 Jamie Ann McDonald	Feb 13, 1972 Kelly Christine Wicenciuik
Feb 13, 1977 William David Hanrahan	Feb 13, 1983 Christopher O'Brien Sherlock
Feb 14, 1960 Amy Ardnt	Feb 14, 1971 Margaret Mary Sinatra
Feb 14, 1988 Lauren Kateri Bouton	Feb 15, 1970 Kevin James Smitka
Feb 15, 1970 Diane Zurlo	

Deaths

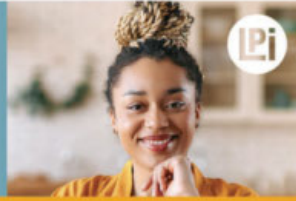
Feb 10, 1992 LaVerne Bouton
 Feb 11, 1970 Michael Manning
 Feb 12, 1974 Elizabeth Alteri
 Feb 12, 1999 William Snyder
 Feb 12, 2013 Theresa Putnam
 Feb 14, 1974 Veronica Gudzis

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