



8TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

"A good tree
does not bear
rotten fruit."
- Lk 6:43

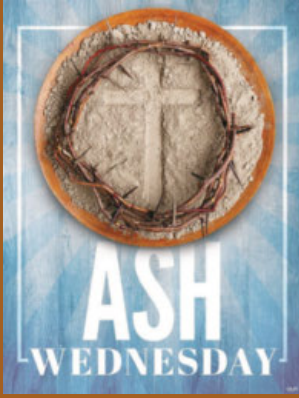
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O Sacred Heart, O Love Divine
Do keep us near to Thee
And make our love so like to Thine
That we may holy be

[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]



Baptism of Zayden Walcott Feb. 2, 2025



The Sanctuary Lamp at Sacred Heart burns this week in loving memory of Kimberly Rice, given by Tony & Lorrie Stellato.



Sat. Mar 1, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) † In memory of Herman & Terry Lauritano, requested by Deb Swarczewski.

2.) † In memory of Richard Keehan, requested by his friends & family at Sacred Heart.

3.) † Prayers of healing & health for Fr. Jim Davis and Fr. Joe Angelini.

4.) † Prayers of healing & health for Kathy Santiago, requested by Ludwig Sell & Kathleen Slater.

Sun. Mar 2, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.) † In memory of Lt. Philip Tobin, requested by Mr & Mrs Alfred Mazur Jr.

2.) † Prayers of healing & health for Fr. Jim Davis and Fr. Joe Angelini.

Tues. Mar 4 thru Sun. Mar 9, 2025

Tue. Mar 4, 8:00 am (SH) - no intention requested

Wed. Mar 5 - Noon (SC)- 1.) † In memory of Judith Augustine, requested by Lisa Augustine & Ed Kosinski.

2.) † Birthday Remembrance for Garrett Hadcock, requested by Lori & Rod Smith.

Wed. Mar 5 - 5:15 pm (SH) - Prayers of healing and health for Brian & Joey Cope, requested by the parish.

Thurs. Mar 6, 8:00 am (SH) - For the people of the parish.

Fri. Mar 7, 8:00 am (SC) - † In memory of D. Dorine Dimond, requested by Lisa Augustine & Ed Kosinski.

Sat. Mar 8, 4:00 pm (SH) - † In memory of Stephen Hladik, requested by Tony & Lorrie Stellato.

Sun. Mar 9, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.) † In memory of Dorine Dimond, requested by the Wray family.

2.) † In memory of Christine Bagnardi, requested by Ann & John Mahon.

2025 DIOCESAN APPEAL

	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	8156.00	5000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	2770.00	1842.00
BALANCE	5386.00	3158.00

Schedule for the Lent, Stations, Holy Week and Easter Sunday for 2025

Ash Wednesday: March 5th: 12:00 noon @ St. Cecilia's
5:15 PM @ Sacred Heart

Blessed Ashes in a Sachet will be available to share with those who cannot attend.

Stations of the Cross: 5:00 PM @ Sacred Heart on March 14th, March 28th & April 11th
6:00 PM @ St. Cecilia's on March 7th, March 21st & April 4th

Before Mass every Saturday @ 3:40 PM @ Sacred Heart

Before Mass every Sunday @8:40 AM @ St. Cecilia's

Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of BV Mary, Wednesday, March 19th: 8:00 AM @ St. Cecilia's
"Blessing of Food for the St. Joseph's Table": weekend masses on 3/22 & 3/23.
Please bring food items to be blessed and then donated to our local food pantry.

Palm Sunday: April 12/13th Blessing/Distribution of Palms: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass @ Sacred Heart
9:00 AM Mass @ St. Cecilia's

Holy Tuesday, April 15th @ Sacred Heart: 5:00 PM Mass, exposition and reciting the rosary.

Holy Wednesday, April 16th @ St. Cecilia's: 5:00 PM Mass, exposition and reciting the rosary.

Holy Thursday, April 17th @ Sacred Heart: 5:00 PM, Mass of the Lord's Supper
Washing of Feet.

Night Prayer followed by Adoration in Church.

Church will remain open until 8:00 PM.

Good Friday, April 18th @ St. Cecilia's: 3:00 PM, Stations of the Cross followed by the Liturgy of The Passion & Death of Our Lord.

Holy Saturday, April 19th : Easter Vigil Celebration @ Sacred Heart:
7:45 PM: Blessing of Food for Easter
8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 20th: 9:00 AM Mass at St. Cecilia's
No Mass @ Sacred Heart

Divine Mercy Sunday: Weekend of April 26th & 27th Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet led by the Lector.

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Mar 1 (SH)	Mark Caffrey Chris Caffrey	Mar 8 (SH)	Kathy Avery Katherine Downing
Mar 2 (SC)	Ann Mahon Kathy Marcais	Mar 9 (SC)	Dianne Kierpiec Ken Stuff

Counters Schedule

Mar 3 (SH)	To be determined	Mar 10 (SH)	To be determined
Mar 3 (SC)	Lorna Quinn Flo Stanton	Mar 10 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais

Food Pantry

March 5 (SH)	Jamie Lemiszki John Nigro
March 26 (SC)	Florence Stanton Marjorie Savoie Lori Simonds



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Bakers Needed: Sacred Heart Spaghetti Dinner is this weekend. We need volunteers for desserts. Please help out with this historically successful fundraiser.

Souper-Bowl of Caring: Both churches combined raised 49 food items and \$86 to be donated to the Fonda Area Food Pantry. Many thanks to all who donated.

Sacred Heart March Potluck : Our monthly potluck will be held on March 15 (after the Vigil Mass). The theme for March is "Soups & Crockpots". **Please** join us. Although it is welcome, there is absolutely no obligation to bring food.

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 : The card party is longer on the schedule. Thank you for those who attended this winter.

Sacred Heart Parish Council: Our next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday, March 6th. @ 6:00pm. All are welcome.

Saint Cecilia Parish Council: Our next Parish Council meeting will be held on Sunday, March 23rd, following Mass. All are welcome.

Girl Scout Troop 2398: (which meets at Sacred Heart) will be celebrating Girl Scout Sunday on March 8th by participating in the 4pm Vigil Mass. They will also be selling Girl Scout Cookies at both Sacred Heat and St. Cecilia this weekend. Their mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Your support of our local Scouts is appreciated

Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites In Our Diocese:

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
125 Eagle St, Albany

Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine
136 Shrine Rd, Fultonville

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha National Shrine
3636 NY5, Fonda

Our Lady of Knock Shrine
2052 Route 145, East Durham

Rosa Mystica Shrine
484 Angel Hill Rd, Edmeston

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

March 2, 2025 - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 6:39-45

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

-Father John Muir

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COLLECTIONS TOTALS - FEB 22/23

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	834.00	1675.00
OTHER	30.00	35.00
PARISH TOTAL	864.00	1710.00

150th Anniversary Commemoration of Sacred Heart Parishioners

~March 1st thru March 8th~

Baptisms

March 1, 1964 Theresa Ann Carpenter March 1, 1970 Patricia Felicia Fink
March 1, 1975 Michelle Marie Bowles
March 1, 1981 Keith Bernard Aunchman, Jr. March 4, 1979 Katherine Ann Zogby
March 4, 1989 Brittany Diane Ludwin
March 5, 1972 Brandt Nichola Minkler March 5, 1972 Karen May Grab
March 6, 1966 Joseph Charles Prayns
March 6, 1994 Ralph Charles Wayne March 6, 2005 Michael Anthony Buanmo
March 8, 1970 Joann Sylvano Romano

Marriages

March 1, 1969 Michael Penny & Judith Hamer

Deaths

March 1, 1994 Raymond Nelson
March 1, 2023 Bettina Schmaeh
March 2, 1974 Margaret Lais
March 2, 1995 Joseph W. Dopp
March 4, 1989 Marion C. Vrooman
March 5, 1980 Albino Herman Rossi
March 8, 1972 William Smitka, Sr.
March 8, 1993 Anne Segel

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