



**"PEACE IN HEAVEN
AND GLORY IN THE
HIGHEST." - LK 19:38**

PALM SUNDAY
OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD

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St. Cecilia's & Sacred Heart's Church's: Feb, March to April LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES 2025

April 5-6/Sat-Sun: Fifth Sunday of Lent

- The Practice of Covering the Crosses & Sacred Images throughout the church
- Burning of 2024 Blessed Palms

April 12-13/Sat-Sun: PALM SUNDAY: Blessings/Distribution of Palms

HOLY WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:

April 15/ Holy Tuesday 6PM @ SHC: Holy Mass with Short Spiritual Recollection
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Confessions

April 16/ Holy Wednesday 6PM @ SCC: Holy Mass with Short Spiritual
Recollection, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Confessions

April 17/ Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper at SHC 6PM: Washing of Feet-
Evening Prayer/ An hour before the Most Blessed Sacrament, Confessions

- * Church door will be open until 8pm

April 18/Good Friday at SCC 3PM: Station of the Cross & Liturgy of the The
Passion & Death of Our Lord and Holy Communion Distribution

April 19/Sat: EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION @ SHC 7:45PM

* Blessing of the Traditional Easter Food (Within the H. Mass: Before Offertory
Procession)

April 20/Sunday: EASTER SUNDAY at SCC @ 9AM

April 26-27/ Sat-Sun: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

-Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet before the Holy Mass



EASTER SEASON



*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]*

Hosanna!

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† Altar wine at **Sacred Heart** for the month of **April** has been sponsored in memory of the **deceased Stellato family members** at the request of **Tony & Lorrie Stellato**.

Altar hosts at **Sacred Heart** for the month of **April** have been sponsored in memory of the **deceased Szyjkowski family members** at the request of **Lorrie & Tony Stellato**

† Altar wine at **Saint Cecilia** for the month of **April** has been sponsored in memory of **Mary & Nicholas Galeazza** at the request of **George & Pat Galeazza**.

† Altar hosts at **Saint Cecilia** for the month of **April** have been sponsored in memory of **Katherine & Harry Minney** at the request of **Pat & George Galeazza**.



Sat. Apr 12, 4:00 pm (SH)- 1.) † In loving memory of **Florence Hladik**, requested by **Cathy & Ron Parry**.

2.) † For the repose of the soul of **Karl Schmaeh**, requested by **Jim Wray**.

Sun. Apr 13, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.) † In loving memory of **Karen Ford**, requested by **Joey & family**.

2.) † In memory of **Angelina Carbone**, requested by her son **Salvatore**.

Tues. April 15 thru Sun. April 20, 2025

Tue. Apr 15, 6:00 pm (SH) - Holy Tuesday

Wed. Apr 16, 6:00 pm (SC) - † In memory of **Joe Sullivan**, requested by **Joyce Mancini**.

Thurs. Apr 17, 6:00 pm (SH) - Holy Thursday

Fri. Apr 18, 3:00 pm (SC) - Good Friday.

Sat. Apr 19, 7:45 pm (SH)- † In memory of **Christine A. Bagnardi**, requested by **Frank & Tammy Malagisi**.

Sun. Apr 20, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.) † In memory of **Joe Sullivan**, requested by **Jean Barker**.

2.) † In memory of **Alphonso Mancini**, requested by **Salvatore Carbone**.



2025 DIOCESAN APPEAL

	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	8156.00	5000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	5350.00	2970.00
BALANCE	2806.00	2030.00

COLLECTIONS TOTALS - APRIL

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	1424.00	562.00
OTHER	490.00	164.00
EASTER FLWR	352.00	399.00
PARISH TOTAL	2266.00	1125.00
ATTENDANCE	77	60

Second collections

April 18 - Holy Land (Good Friday)
May 3/4 - Repair/Maintenance

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Apr 12 (SH)	To be announced	Apr 19 (SH)	To be announced
Apr 13 (SC)	Ann Mahon Bill Quinn	Apr 20 (SC)	Ken Stuff Dave Marcais

Counters Schedule

Apr 14 (SH)	Katherine Downing Wendy Hall	Apr 21 (SH)	Barb Bilins Noreen Brownell
Apr 14 (SC)	Lorna Quinn Flo Stanton	Apr 21 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais

Food Pantry

April 23 (SC)	Andrea Moran Louise Carville Michele Furnare
May 7 (SH)	Jamie Lemiszki John Nigro



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Challenge Before US: The Diocese of Albany is at a crossroads, but with the opportunity to be a stronger, healthier church. There is an article in The Evangelist this week regarding challenges facing our diocese. <https://evangelist.org/news/2025/apr/02/the-challenge-before-us/> Please read and share this link, especially to benefit those who do not receive the paper.

Holy Week Schedule: There are a few time changes in the Holy Week schedule. Please see the schedule on the cover for any changes.

Saint Cecilia Parish Meeting: It's time to discuss the viability and future of St. Cecilia's Parish. All are encouraged to attend this meeting on Sunday April 27, 2025 in the church after the (9am Mass). We really would appreciate your observations, comments, suggestions, and problem solving ideas.

Sacred Heart April Potluck : Our monthly potluck will be held on April 26 (after the Vigil Mass). The theme for April is "Around the World". Please join us. Although it is welcome, there is absolutely no obligation to bring food.

Saint Cecilia Parking Fundraiser: We have 3 dates this year. Saturday, April 26 (evening) Saturday, May 3 (evening) Friday, August 29 (fair, all day) Please call Kelly@ 518-774-7250 with any questions or to volunteer. Thanks so much!

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 April 13, 2025 - Palm Sunday Luke 19:28-40

“As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road.” (Luke 19:36)

Consider how useless it is to spread your clothes on the ground for a donkey to walk on. The clothes get smeared with hooves, and who knows the grimy places where they've been? The animal may leave some unsavory presents on them. They may get stolen by a thief looking to make a buck. The thorns, thistles, rocks and muck of the road will leave stains. The clothes may never be useful again, and you'll probably walk home shivering without your normal covering. Yet this is precisely the gesture the people employ to welcome Jesus and his donkey. Why does this detail matter?

Wastefulness is an essential part of celebration. Consider the unnecessary extravagance of Christmas decorations, confetti and ticker tape parades, baseball players spraying each other with bottles of champagne after a victory, birthday gifts for kids and so on. This wastefulness signals celebration and therefore participation in higher identities (as believers, winners, and parents, to mention the above examples). That's what the wasted cloaks are all about. Those who donate their cloaks participate in Christ's kingship in Jerusalem — and we savor it two thousand years later.

The lesson? Learn how to “waste” money, time, clothes, and food on Christ. We do this at Mass, but in so many other ways, too, like serving the poor, going on retreats, and doing prayerful study. When we practice this holy wastefulness, Jesus will ride into our lives and we'll be more deeply members of his kingdom.

-Father John Muir
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150th Anniversary Commemoration of Sacred Heart Parishioners ~April 13th thru April 20th~

Baptisms

April 13, 1986 Amy Lynn DiMezza	April 13, 1997 Heather Ann Penhollow
April 13, 1997 Andrew Earl Penhollow	April 14, 1991 Joseph Thomas Anthony DiMezza
April 15, 2012 Evelyn Jensen Marrone	April 16, 1978 Taryn Marie Boschelli
April 16, 1989 Brandi Renay Kfin	April 16, 1978 Jane Devine Burroughs
April 18, 1971 Scot Michael Boisvert	April 18, 1992 Brian Frederick
April 18, 1992 Nicole Frederick	April 18, 1992 Kevin Frederick
April 18, 2004 Meagan Elizabeth Hanson	April 19, 1970 Michael John Brownell
April 19, 1982 Jakob Szyjowski	April 19, 1982 Niki Szyjowski
April 19, 1982 Holli Dawn Szyjowski	

Marriages

April 14, 1985 Raymond Maichael Ludwin & Kimberly Ann Hildreth
April 17, 1971 Leonard Joseph D'Arrigo & Judith Ann Carbone

Deaths

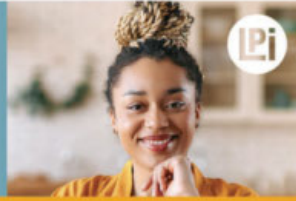
April 13, 2000 Sue Luksis
April 15, 1992 John Babravich
April 15, 2013 Nellie DaBiere
April 16, 2013 Concetta Guiffre
April 18, 1992 Fred Pasquarelli
April 18, 2011 Elsie Nowak

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