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ONES WHO CALL
OUT TO HIM
DAY AND NIGHT.

— LUKE 18:7 —

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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]*



Question: What is the Mission of the Catholic Church?

A. MISSION: The Catholic Church's mission is to evangelize, which means to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all nations and peoples, ultimately seeking to lead everyone to a deeper relationship with God. This mission involves embodying Christ's love through service, teaching the faith, and fostering the salvation and sanctification of humanity, which is manifested in the ongoing efforts to serve the poor, the marginalized, and all those in need.

A1. THE CORE OF THE MISSION:

1. EVANGELIZATION: This is the Church's deepest identity and involves announcing the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.

2. MAKING DISCIPLES: The mission includes baptizing and teaching people

to obey Christ's commands, thereby forming them as disciples of Jesus.

2a. Spreading the Kingdom of God: The Church strives to prepare the structures of God's Kingdom and share the hope of union with God with everyone.

A2. HOW THE MISSION IS CARRIED OUT:

a. Witnessing and Serving: The mission involves showing Christ's love through concrete actions, particularly by serving the needs of the poor and marginalized.

b. Teaching: Through its schools and other institutions, the Church teaches the Catholic faith and helps people understand the role of faith in daily life.

c. Sacraments: The Mass and other sacraments are central to the Church's mission, unifying Catholics worldwide and facilitating a life-giving encounter with Christ.

d. Governance: The successors to the Apostles (bishops) govern the Church, continuing Christ's work of teaching, sanctifying, and guiding the Church.

B. FOUNDATION OF THE MISSION:

B1. Christ's Command: The mission is rooted in Jesus' final command before His Ascension, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19-20).

B2. Love of the Trinity: The mission originates from the love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with God desiring that all be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth.

THE ST. CECILIA'S CHURCH & COMMUNITY'S MISSION:

In the example & intercession of our Patron Saint: St. Cecilia - a Virgin & a Martyr- we will strive to fulfill the Catholic Church's mission, that is, to evangelize; which means to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, ultimately seeking to lead everyone to a deeper relationship with God . In this mission, we will embody Christ's love through service, teaching the Catholic faith, and foster the salvation and sanctification of our brothers & sisters, which we will devoutly & zealously manifest in the ongoing efforts to serve the poor, the marginalized, and all those in need in our community.

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THE SACRED HEART'S CHURCH & COMMUNITY'S MISSION:

In the example, imitation & guidance- of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - our Divine Patron, we will strive to fulfill the Catholic Church's mission, that is, to evangelize; which means to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, ultimately seeking to lead everyone to a deeper relationship with God. In this mission, we will embody Christ's love through service, teaching the Catholic faith, and foster the salvation and sanctification of our brothers & sisters, which we will devoutly & zealously manifest in the ongoing efforts to serve the poor, the marginalized, and all those in need in our community.

REMADE FOR MISSION - SYNOD GATHERING 2025

A. Guide Question for Reflection & Discussion for the Month of October:

1. How are we currently fulfilling the mission of the Church?
2. What are we doing well?
3. What needs to change?
4. Where are we now?

AMASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Oct 18, 4:00 pm (SH)- 1.) † In loving memory of Elizabeth Pranys, requested by the Pranys family.

2.) † For the repose of the soul of Robert L. Georgia, requested by the Jim Wray & family.

Sun. Oct 19, 9:00 am (SC) - † Anniversary remembrance for Karen Ford, requested by her husband, Joey.

Sun. Oct 19, 5:00 pm (SC) - No intention requested.

Tues. Oct 21 thru Sun. Oct 26, 2025

Tue. Oct 21, 8:00 am (SH) - Anniversary blessings to Tony & Lorrie Stellato, from their parish family.

Wed. Oct 22, 8:00 am (SC) - † In loving memory of Katherine Minney, requested by Pat & George Galeazza.

Thurs. Oct 23, 8:00 am (SH) - For the people of the parish.

Fri. Oct 24, 8:00 am (SC) - † Birthday remembrance

Sat. Oct 25, 4:00 pm (SH)- † In loving memory of Richard Pawloski, requested by Barbara Minch & family.

Sun. Oct 19, 9:00 am (SC) - † In loving memory of Bailey Alexandria Field, requested by Mom, Dad and Sammy.

Sun. Oct 19, 5:00 pm (SC) - For the people of the parish.

COLLECTIONS TOTALS - OCTOBER 11/12

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	1183.00	6917.00
OTHER	30.00	115.00
PARISH TOTAL	1213.00	7032.00
ATTENDANCE	43	41

Second collections

Oct 18/19 –World Mission Sunday

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Oct 19, 2025 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Luke 187:1-8

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

-Father John Muir

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Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Oct 18 (SH)	Volunteer Cathy Parry	Oct 25 (SH)	Mark Caffrey Katherine Downing
Oct 19 (SC)	Ann Mahon Michele Furnare	Oct 26 (SC)	Ken Stuff Andrea Moran

Counters Schedule

Oct 20 (SH)	Barbara Bilins Noreen Brownell	Oct 27 (SH)	Katherine Downing Kathy Avery
Oct 20 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais	Oct 27 (SC)	Flo Stanton Margaret Smith

Food Pantry



Oct 22 (SC)	Dianne Kierpiec Kathleen Harris Ann Mahon
Nov 5 (SH)	Jamie Lemiszki John Nigro



Share Your Thoughts: In hopes of getting the parishes involved in "Remade for Missions" we are going to pose a small group of question to all parishioners. We have included in this week's bulletin, the Mission of the Catholic Church, including the 4 questions we will ask you to answer next week. If you wish to remain anonymous, your name is not required. If you wish to include your name or would like to discuss or elaborate, please include that. There will be pencils/pens provided. We will take a few minutes during Mass to fill out our answers. PLEASE participate. We realize it is difficult to attend meetings, but this is your way to show your concerns in the future of your parish. Take this week to reflect on the Mission of your parish.

Remade For Mission: We are still looking ASAP for Volunteers to take the position of Facilitator for the Diocesan Remade for Mission for our SCC & SHC Parish communities .

There is a "Facilitator's Training" on Oct 26. Remade for Mission Informational Meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. Fr. Brian Kelly will be presenting an overview of the Remade for Mission Initiative and will answer questions.

This Sunday, Oct 19, 5:00 pm, St. Ambrose Church, 347, Old Loudon Rd. Latham, NY 12110 ***This meeting will also be available on the St. Ambrose YouTube Page:

https://youtube.com/@stambrosemedia?si=_IXkmGYH9F_k5IQa

October - Month of the Rosary: We are now in the month of October- it's the month dedicated to the devotion to the Recitation of the Holy Rosary honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary. 15 minutes before the Holy Mass, we invite you to join us to the recitation of the Holy Rosary.; Our special intention is for the 'World Peace & Healing & Strengthening of Families. Please bring your Rosary & invite family members & friends to join. Lector for the day will lead us the recitation.

Food Pantry Donations: With the holiday season upon us, the need for food is even greater. There are baskets in the vestibule of each parish, placed there for food donations for the pantry. We will deliver the food to the pantry.

Sunday Raffle at St. Cecilia: We will gladly accept donations as we continue our Sunday raffle. Suggestions include a gift card for a local merchant or establishment, baked good are always a popular choice (if you prefer not to bake, purchasing from Haven of Hope Bakery supports their mission as well as your parish). There will be a sign up sheet in the vestibule to prevent having more than one item donated in the same week. As always, we appreciate your support.

*150th Anniversary Commemoration of Sacred Heart Parishioners
~Oct 19th thru October 25th~*

Baptisms

*October 19, 1980 Jessica Anne Rauch
October 19, 1980 Amanda Courtney Gatto
October 25, 1980 Bethany Lynne Finateri
October 24, 1981 Tasha Johanna Lais
October 24, 1983 Ashley Diana Hessfurter
October 25, 1987 Nicole Lynne Licciardi
October 22, 1989 Zachary James Keosaian
October 21, 1990 Lorraine Beth Carter
October 25, 1992 Kyle James DeRuscio
October 19, 2008 Madelyn Regina Hayes*

Marriages

*October 22, 1977 Anthony M. Stellato & Lorraine Lee Szyzkowski
October 21, 1978 Ronald G. Hinkle & Barbara Anne Dziejczak
October 21, 1978 Dennis A. Egleston & Judith Ann Jacobs
October 19, 1985 William Schmidt & Karen Lampkin
October 24, 1987 Gregory Klin & Sharon Price
October 21, 2023 Charles Richard Parslow & Elizabeth Rose Fazio*

Deaths-Funerals

*October 24, 1975 Mary Earle
October 20, 2001 Beatrice Benjamin
October 23, 2008 Kletus Bollen
October 20, 2012 Raymond Gifford*



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Father, you are the Lord of the Harvest. You made each one of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask you to inspire young men and women of the Diocese of Albany, whom you call to the priesthood and consecrated life, to boldly follow Your will. Send laborers into Your great harvest to preach the Gospel, to serve the poor with love, to comfort those who suffer, and to strengthen these your people with the Holy Sacraments. We ask through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ALL: Holy Mary, Protector & Mother of holy Vocations, Intercede for us.

ALL: Send O Lord, Holy Apostles to your Church!

Potluck Dinner



November 8th 5:00pm
Sacred Heart Church Hall

Join us for our monthly potluck series.

November's theme is "**A Taste of Fall**"

Bring your favorite fall-inspired dish to share.
Think apples, pumpkins, sweet potatoes, soups,
and cozy comfort foods.



Warm Hearts, Full Plates!

*Let's remember those who don't always have full plates and
bring a donation for the Fonda Area Food Pantry.*

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.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATION NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER 2025

NOVEMBER 2025

1 Sat ALL SAINTS white Solemnity [not a Holyday of Obligation this year] Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

2 Sun THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)

21 Fri The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary white Memorial 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48 (501)

22 Sat SAINT CECILIA, Virgin and Martyr red Memorial 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40 (502) SCC'S

100th Aniv. Foundation

23 Sun OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE white Solemnity 2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

YEAR A – WEEKDAYS II

30 Sun FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT violet Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

DECEMBER 2025

7 Sun SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT violet Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12 (4)

8 Mon THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY White

(Patronal Feastday of the United States of America) Solemnity [Holyday of Obligation] Gn 3:9-15, 20/
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

12 Fri USA: Our Lady of Guadalupe white Feast Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

14 Sun THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT violet or rose Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 (7)

21 Sun FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT violet Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24 (10)

25 Thu THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Christmas) white Solemnity [Holyday of Obligation] Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts

13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 (13) Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 (14) Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti

3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 (15) Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 (16)

28 Feast Sun THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15,

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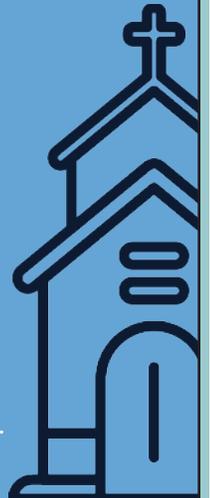
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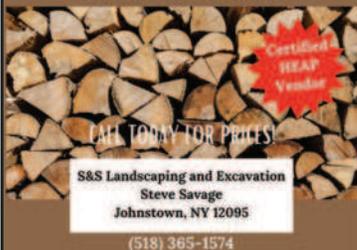
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