

# 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

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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*

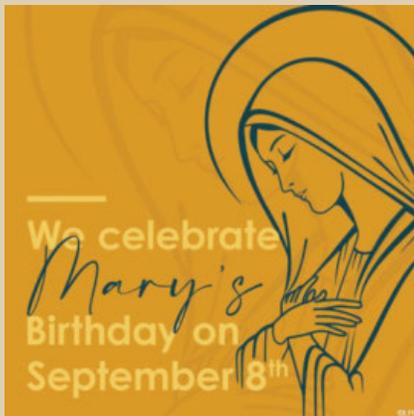
**[REFRAIN]**

*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]*





*The Sanctuary Lamp at Sacred Heart burns this week in memory of Abbey Luffman, given by Jamie Lemiszki.*



*The Sanctuary Lamp at Saint Cecilia's burns this week in memory of Frank & Marinda Arcesi, given by their daughter, MaryAnn*

† The wine and hosts at the altar of **Sacred Heart** for the month of **September** have been graciously sponsored at the request of **Tony & Lorrie Stellato**.

## MASS SCHEDULE

**THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT SACRED HEART OR ST CECILIA'S THIS WEEKEND**

**Sun. Sept 7, 12:00 am (Kateri)- 1.)** † In loving memory of Dennis Swarczewski, requested by his wife, Deborah.  
**2.)** † In loving memory of Frank & Marinda Arcesi, requested by their daughter, Mary Ann.

**Tues. Sept 9 thru Sun. Sept 14, 2025**

**Mon. Sept 8, 6:15 pm (SC)** - For the people of the parish.

**Tue. Sept 9, 8:00 am (SH)** - † In loving memory of Harry & Vincentia Bradford, requested by their granddaughter Jamie Lemiszki.

**Wed. Sept 10, 8:00 am (SC)** - No intention requested.

**Thurs. Sept 11, 8:00 am (SH)** - For the people of the parish.

**Fri. Sept 12, 8:00 am (SC)** - † In loving memory of Marie Cranker, requested by John & Sheila Cranker.

**Sat. Aug 13, 4:00 pm (SH)- 1.)** † In memory of Ann Downs, requested By Tony & Lorrie Stellato.  
**2.)** † In loving memory of Robert Lemiszki Jr., requested by his sister, Jamie.

**Sun. Aug 14, 9:00 am (SC)- 1.)** † In loving memory of Alex & Betty Adesse, requested by their daughters.  
**2.)** † In memory of Floyd Douglas, requested by Jim Wray.

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

*Sept. 7, 2025 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 14:25-43*

One hot Arizona summer afternoon my car ran out of gas. I phoned the parish office and begged for help. My secretary came and helped me fill the gas tank. She chided me, "If you can't manage getting your car from A to B, how can we expect you to guide the parish where it needs to go?" Point taken, Julie. I vowed to always make sure I have plenty of gas in my car.

The Lord Jesus chides us in this week's Gospel, too. He uses the two images of a man building a tower and a king marching soldiers into war to make this single point: acquire what is needed to follow him or look ridiculous. We rightly mock the builder who lacks money for his tower and the king with a short-handed army. But our mocking boomerangs back on us. How do we expect to follow Jesus to the end with insufficient detachment from our possessions and divided hearts?

The good news is, there is still time. Jesus is building a great tower to heaven—his own body. So we renounce all and give ourselves to him as his precious stones. Jesus is waging a battle against our enemy. So we forsake all and swear allegiance and march under his banner. In this way, we will finish what has begun in our discipleship. Or better put, our Lord will have the stones and soldiers required to see his great work through.

**-Father John Muir**

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## Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

<b>Sept 6 (SH)</b>	Volunteer Mark Caffrey	<b>Sept 13 (SH)</b>	Mark Caffrey Volunteer
<b>Sept 7 (SC)</b>	Kathy Marcais Andrea Moran	<b>Sept 14 (SC)</b>	Ann Mahon Bill Quinn

## Counters Schedule

<b>Sept 8 (SH)</b>	Wendy Hall Katherine Downing	<b>Sept 15 (SH)</b>	Deb Swarczewski Noreen Brownell
<b>Sept 8 (SC)</b>	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais	<b>Sept 15 (SC)</b>	Margaret Smith Ann Mahon

## Food Pantry



<b>Sept 24 (SC)</b>	Andrea Moran Louise Carville Michele Furnare
<b>Oct 1 (SH)</b>	Wendy Hall Barb Bilins



**No Weekday Mass Sept 16-19:** Father will be on a clergy retreat Sept 16-19. He will celebrate Mass at **Sacred Heart on Monday, Sept. 15 at 9:00AM** and will return for the weekend Mass.

**Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** There will be a Mass celebration held at **St. Cecilia** tomorrow, **September 8th at 6:15pm** to honor Our Blessed Mother Mary. There will be a recitation of the Holy Rosary & singing of Marian Hymns, also the offering of any freshly picked flowers from your garden. There will be a potluck refreshment to follow in the hall. **We will need five (5) volunteers for the Joyful Mystery of the Rosary.**

**Pilgrims of Hope...Disciples on Mission Diocesan Jubilee Gathering:** **Sep 20, 2025, 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM – St. Matthew’s Church - Voorheesville.** As the Jubilee Year 2025 draws to a close, and as our diocese begins the “ReMade for Mission” initiative, it seems fitting to gather “to fan the flame of hope. All parishioners, pastors, associate pastors, parish life directors/coordinators, trustees, pastoral councils, finance councils, and leaders of parish ministries will benefit from this day of prayer and inspiration. There is no cost, coffee and boxed lunch provided. To register please visit <https://webapps.rcda.org/ParishFaithFormation/> or call the Office for Discipleship Formation: **518-453-6670**

**Annual Rummage Sale:** The St. Cecilia rummage sale will take place this year on Oct. 17 (8-3) and Oct. 18 (8-11). All proceeds will go to the church restoration fund. We are again asking for donations of gently used clothing, baby items, linens, household goods, knick-knacks, holiday decorations, toys, books, CDs, DVDs, and small furniture. Please **no tires, TVs, computers, large furniture, broken or dirty items.** Items may be dropped off at St. Cecilia’s detached garage starting now through October 13. The right-hand door will be left unlocked. Help setting up is needed Oct. 13, 14, and 15 starting at 8:30 and on the days of the sale starting at 7:45. Thank you for your generosity. Please contact Bill or Lorna Quinn with any questions.

**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*

**150th Anniversary Commemoration of Sacred Heart Parishioners  
~September 7th thru September 13th~**

***Baptisms***

- September 11, 1977 Michelle Grab*
- September 10, 1978 Brienne Marie Hanrahan*
- September 12, 1982 Kim Andrea Downing*
- September 8, 1985 Paula Corine Tybor*
- September 13, 1987 Alex Jeffrey Brownell*
- September 10, 1995 Dilon Ray Baker*

***Marriages***

- September 11, 1951 Dennis James Opalka & Kathleen Mary Paton*
- September 10, 1983 Christopher S. Licciardi & Ann Elizabeth Paton*
- September 9, 1989 Thomas Jacobs & Linda Bouton*

***Deaths-Funerals***

- September 8, 1971 Regina Terney*
- September 7, 1995 John Luciano*

**COLLECTIONS TOTALS - AUGUST 30/31**

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>SC</b>
<b>AMOUNT NEEDED</b>	<b>1589.00</b>	<b>1794.00</b>
<b>WEEKLY COLLECTION</b>	389.00	772.00
<b>CDLEX</b>	387.00	439.00
<b>OTHER</b>	80.00	173.00
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>469.00</b>	<b>945.00</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>46</b>

**Second collections**

- Sept 13/14– Fuel/Heat**
- Sept 27/28– Catholic University**

**Ephesians 4:32:** "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

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**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!



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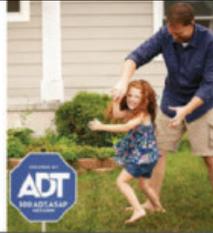
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