

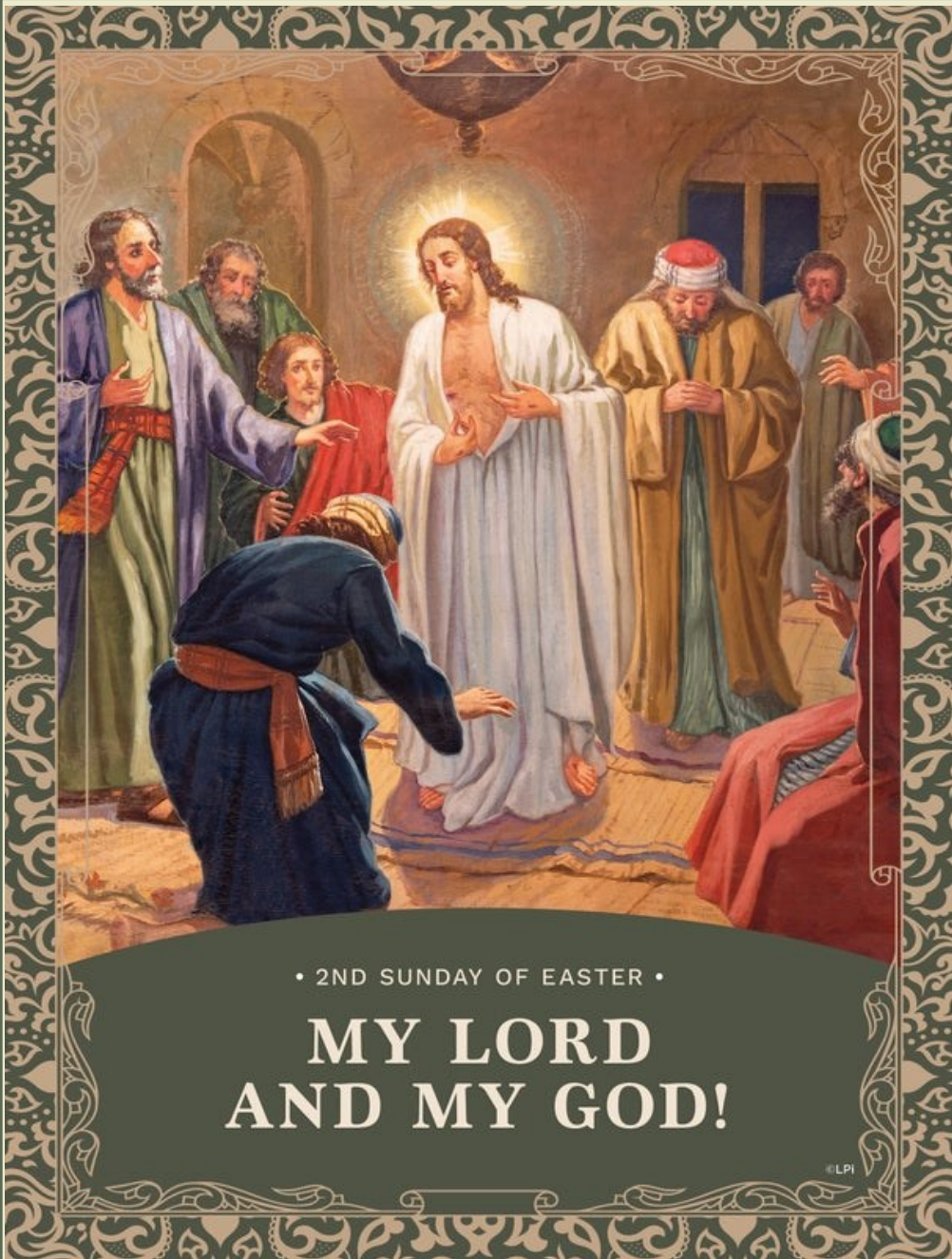
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• 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER •

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AND MY GOD!**

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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 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 devotedly & zealously manifest in the ongoing efforts to serve the poor, the marginalized, and all those in need in our community.

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 devotedly & zealously manifest in the ongoing efforts to serve the poor, the marginalized, and all those in need in our community.



Sat. Apr 11, 4:00 pm (SH) - † In loving memory of Mary Ann Pavlus, requested by John & family.

Sun. Apr 12, 9:00 am (SC) - 1.) † In loving memory of Alphonso Mancini, requested by Joyce & family.

2.) † For the repose of the soul of Evelyn Knowlton, requested by John & Ann Mahon.

Sun. Apr 12, 4:00 pm (SC) - For the people of the parish

Tues. Apr 14 thru Sun. Apr 19, 2026

Tue. Apr 14, 8:00 am (SH) -For the people of the parish.

Wed. Apr 15, 8:00 am (SC) - For the people of the parish.

Thurs. Apr 16, 8:00 am (SH) - † For the repose of the soul of Peter Joyce, requested by the parish of Sacred Heart.

Fri. Apr 17, 8:00 am (SC) - For the people of the parish.

Sat. Apr 18, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) † In memory of Claudea Rokitowski, requested by Deb Swarczewski.

2.) † In loving memory of Angela DeLorenzo, requested by her Trakside Friends.

Sun. Apr 19, 9:00 am (SC) - 1.) † For the repose of the soul of Peter Joyce, requested by the Faith Formation family.

2.) † For the repose of the soul of Evelyn Knowlton, requested by Jim Wray & family

Sun. Apr 19, 4:00 pm (SC) - For the people of the parish

COLLECTIONS TOTALS - MARCH 28/29 COLLECTIONS:

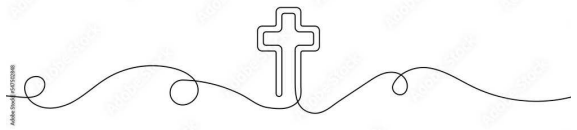
	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	710.90	1078.00
OTHER	35.00	75.00
PARISH TOTAL	745.90	1153.00
ATTENDANCE	46	83



2025-26 DIOCESAN APPEAL

	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	5000.00	5000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	2964.00	3346.00
BALANCE	2036.00	1654.00

Please remember in your prayers, all of the members of our parish family who are sick or suffering, all those in hospitals and nursing homes and all of our homebound.



Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Apr 11 (SH)	Cathy Parry Kathy Avery	Apr 18 (SH)	Kathy Avery Tony Stellato
Apr 12 (SC)	Ken Stuff Andrea Moran	Apr 19 (SC)	Kayleigh Araujo Bill Quinn

Counters Schedule

Apr 13 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall	Apr 20 (SH)	Katherine Downing Kathy Avery
Apr 13 (SC)	Flo Stanton Margaret Smith	Apr 20 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais

Food Pantry



April 22 (SC)	Dianne Kierpiec Kathleen Harris Ann Mahon
May 6 (SH)	Jamie Lemiszki John Nigro



Second Collections

April 26 (SCC) Cemetery Support
May 3 - Maintenance & Repairs

Thank You!



Your church relies on your contributions 52 Sundays per year and the second collections to pay bills. We are thankful for your contributions in support of our parish.

Pie Raffle at Sacred Heart: Our pie raffle has returned, take a chance on this delicious raffle, donations of pies are welcome. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.

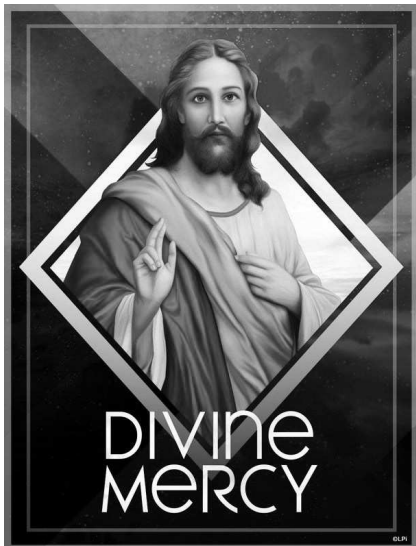
2025-26 Diocesan Appeal: Our Appeal is well under way. Your gift helps our parishes and our diocese to serve others and spread the Gospel in meaningful, lasting ways. Please prayerfully consider a contribution.

Sacred Heart Lector/Eucharistic Ministers: We could certainly use your help on our schedule. It's a relatively easy way to serve your parish. If you have any questions, please see Sandi or approach one of our existing volunteers.

Sunday Raffle at St. Cecilia: We will gladly accept donations as we continue our Sunday raffle. As always, we appreciate your support.

Duc in Altum Discernment Nights: Currently through June 23, 2026, hosted every other Tuesday from 5:30-8:30pm. St Isaac Jogues House of Formation, 122 Vliet Blvd, Cohoes. Open to men ages 16+. Please let the office know you plan to attend prior to each specific date. Call 518-453-6690 or email vocations@rcda.org

Sunday 4pm Mass Canceled In May: The 4pm Holy Mass at St Cecilia will be canceled **beginning in May**, when Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine (Auriesville) begins celebrating Holy Mass on Sundays at 3pm. This will remain in effect until the shrine closes for the season.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 12, 2026 - 2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) - John 20:19-31

“Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.’” (John 20:27)

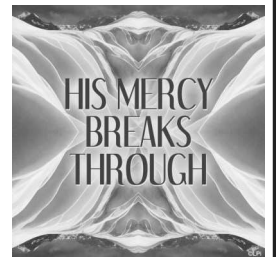
In my early 20s, I volunteered at a parish youth group. I witnessed teens encountering Jesus with a fresh, romantic wonder that reminded me of my own teenage conversion. But something had changed in me. I was quietly jaded and cynical. When teens shared stories of encountering Christ, I'd want to sarcastically murmur, “Well, good for you.” I had grown suspicious of the zeal I once knew.

Then we brought the group on a pilgrimage. I was standing in an old church in France, ignoring a long-winded tour guide. I found myself before a crucifix. In that moment, I heard something, not audibly, but unmistakably in my heart: “I came to be your friend... and you wish to be my enemy? Why do you stand far from me? I suffer gladly for you. I was pierced for you. Why do you run from me?” My heart opened. I saw how cold and cynical I had become. But Jesus had not given up on me. He had returned, and his mercy broke through.

So I can relate to the scoffing — and transformation — of Thomas when the Risen Jesus presents his wounds for inspection. Thomas is not simply doubting; he is guarded, suspicious, even cynical. But Jesus comes to him. No lecture. Just understanding and mercy. He invites Thomas to touch his wounds. This burns away his cynicism like the morning mist.

Divine Mercy Challenge: This week, rejoice with someone who is newly alive in faith. If your own heart has grown skeptical or tired, ask Jesus to help you. He will.

-Father John Muir
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Diocesan Appeal

Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany



“Give and gifts will be given to you: a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”

LUKE 6:38

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