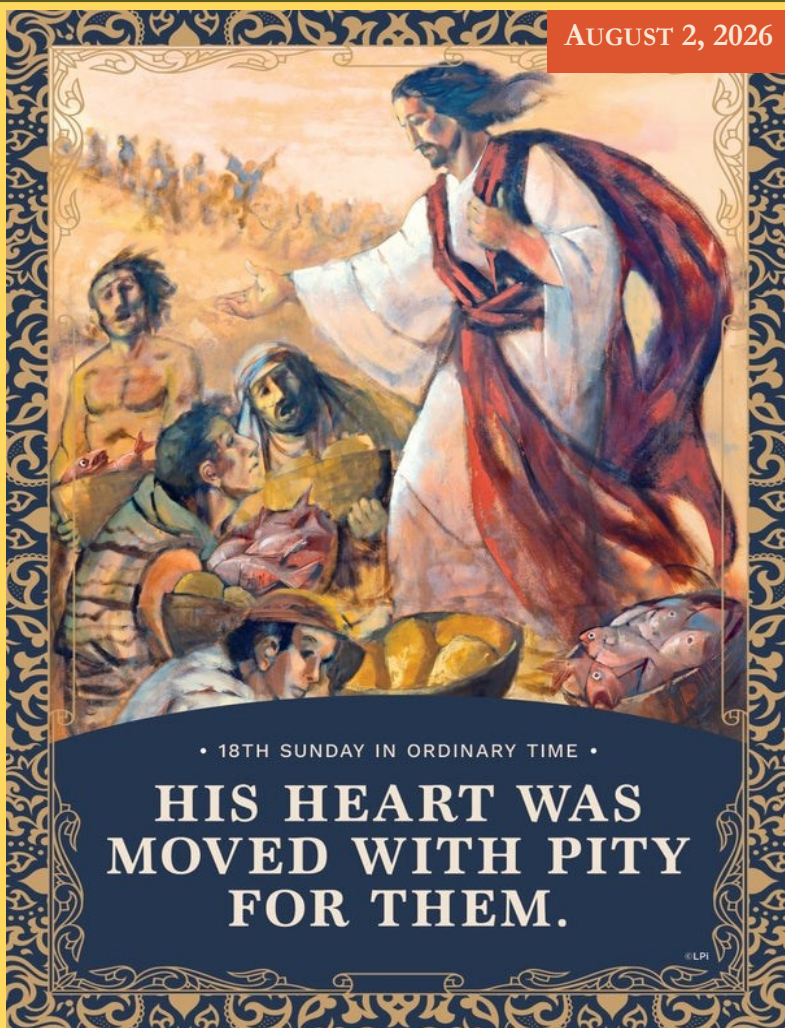


AUGUST 2, 2026



• 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**HIS HEART WAS
MOVED WITH PITY
FOR THEM.**

ACTS OF FAITH BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, You have said, "My Flesh is food indeed, and my Blood is drink indeed." I firmly believe that You are present in this Blessed Sacrament as true God and true Man, with Your Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity are really here, with all Your treasures; that here You communicate Yourself to us, make us partakers of the fruit of Your Passion, and give us a pledge of eternal life. My Redeemer and my Judge, together with the angels and saints I adore Your Divine Majesty. I believe there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive You worthily, nor a greater misery than to receive You unworthily. All this I most steadfastly believe, because it is what You have taught us by Your Church. Amen.



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.

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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.

Sat. Aug 1, 4:00 pm (SH) - For the end of hunger throughout the world.

Sun. Aug 2, 9:00 am (SC) - † In memory of Kathleen Francisco, requested by Jean Barker.

Tues. Aug 4 thru Sun. Aug 9, 2026

Tue. Aug 4, 8:00 am (SH) - For the people of the parish.

Wed. Aug 5, 8:00 am (SC) - † In memory of Tommy Crowe, requested by Jim Wray & family.

Thurs. Aug 6, 6:00 pm (SH) - For the members of our parish in need of health and healing.

Fri. Aug 7, 8:00 am (SC) - † In memory of Marie Cranker, requested by John & Shelia Cranker.

Sat. Aug 8, 4:00 pm (SH) - † In loving 84th birthday remembrance of Patricia Grandy, requested by husband, children and family.

Sun. Aug 9, 9:00 am (SC) - 1.) † In memory of Jack Brookhiser, requested by Ann & John Mahon.

2.) † Repose of the soul of Linda Coyne, requested by Paul & Suzanne Field.

3.) † In loving 96th birthday remembrance of Al Mancini, requested by his wife Joyce & family.

Collection Schedule

Aug 15 - Assumption

Aug 15/16 - (SH) Repair/Maintenance

Aug 22/23 - Catholic Home Missions

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 the 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 this 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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COLLECTIONS TOTALS - JULY 25/26 COLLECTIONS:

	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	312.00	1001.00
PETER'S PENCE	75.00	288.00
PARISH TOTAL	312.00	1001.00
ATTENDANCE	48	50

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Aug 1 (SH)	Cathy Parry Volunteer	Aug 8 (SH)	Volunteers
Aug 2 (SC)	Kathy Marcais Andrea Moran	Aug 9 (SC)	Ann Mahon Bill Quinn

Counters Schedule

Aug 3 (SH)	Barbara Bilins Wendy Hall	Aug 10 (SH)	Katherine Downing Kathy Avery
Aug 3 (SC)	Margaret Smith Kathleen Harris	Aug 10 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais

Food Pantry

Aug 5 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall
August 26 (SC)	Flo Stanton Marjorie Savoie Lori Simonds



Feast of the Assumption Festival:

To celebrate the Assumption on August 15th, the Knights of Columbus -Amsterdam Council will hosts a celebration at 193 West Main Street, Amsterdam. Activities include a Holy Procession of the Virgin Mary's Sacred Statue at 11:30AM; there will be Food refreshments, Vintage Car exhibits, etc. Everyone is invited!

Sacred Heart Chicken BBQ: We will be having a chicken BBQ @ O'Reilly Auto Parts in Amsterdam on **Friday, September 11** from **1:30-5:30**. Presale tickets are \$18 (our parish gets \$5 per sale). We have been encouraged to sell as many presale as possible for the optimal profit. If you purchase a presale ticket, you may request pickup at Sacred Heart. This is an exciting new fundraiser for us. Let's give it our all.

Sacred Heart Pie Raffle: Unfortunately we have to suspend our pie raffle for the summer. We may have a spontaneous pie raffle on any given week but it will not be a weekly fundraiser for a bit.

Saint Cecilia Parking Fundraiser: Our parking dates this season are final. Please call Kelly@ 518-774-7250 with any questions or to volunteer. Thanks so much!
Friday-September 4 (fair)
Friday-September 18

Healing Mass: First Thursday Healing Mass at Sacred Heart is now 6pm. This gives parishioners the option of an evening or morning Mass between the 2 parishes.

First Thursday—Sacred Heart— 6PM

First Friday—Saint Cecilia— 8AM

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE ***August 2, 2026 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Matthew 14:13-21***

In his song, "Lose Yourself," the artist Eminem raps, "the mood all changed."

We all know that moment when the mood changes, when life turns from lighthearted to deadly serious. That happens in today's Gospel. Jesus has just heard that John the Baptist, his cousin, forerunner, and friend, has been murdered. As Matthew tells us, "When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself." Until now, he had been teaching in parables and healing quietly. But John's death signals a new phase. The shadow of the Cross begins to fall. Evil shows its teeth.

And how does Jesus respond? Not with rage or despair. He goes to a lonely place to go into deep communion with his Father. From that silence comes action. He feeds the multitude. Out of grief comes generosity. Out of sorrow, life.

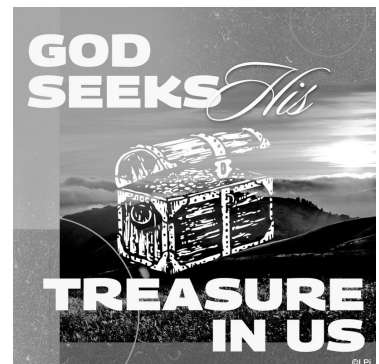
This is the rhythm of every disciple's life. When tragedy or violence breaks our hearts, we face a choice. We can react, or we can retreat into prayer — like and with Christ. This is the hidden place where pain becomes compassion and compassion becomes self-gift.

*Lord Jesus, when life intensifies, draw me into
Your quiet strength. In that hidden place with You
and the Father, turn my heartbreak into the bread
of love for the world.*

Amen.

-Father John Muir

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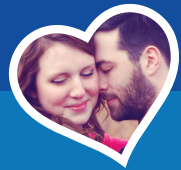
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