



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” - Mt 5:14

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Our special second collection this week is to raise funds for the students from our Faith Formation 10th grade to attend a retreat in preparation for their Confirmation in May. They will be going to the Camp in the Woods from March 13 –through March 15. Alison will be attending as a leader on the music team. Thank you in advance for your support of our Faith Formation students.



*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]*

World Day
of the Sick
FEBRUARY 11



World Day of the Sick Wednesday, Feb. 11, 5:15pm-Saint Cecilia

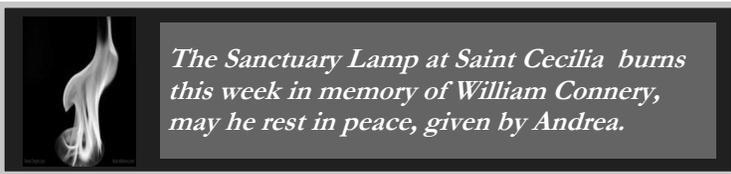
Coinciding with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This annual observance invites believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illness and their caregivers.

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.



The Sanctuary Lamp at Saint Cecilia burns this week in memory of William Connery, may he rest in peace, given by Andrea.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Feb 7, 4:00 pm (SH) - † For the repose of the soul of Ruth Panunzio, requested by Deb Swarczewski.

Sun. Feb 8, 9:00 am (SC) - 1.) † For the repose of the soul of Pat Grandy, requested by Randy & Maureen Christman.

2.) † For the repose of the soul of Pat Grandy, requested by Gloria & Dick Denton.

Sun. Feb 8, 4:00 pm (SC) - For the people of the parish.

Tues. Feb 10 thru Sun. Feb 15, 2026

Tue. Feb 10, 8:00 am (SH) - For the people of the parish

Wed. Feb 11, 5:15 pm (SC) - World Day of Sick

Thurs. Feb 12, 8:00 am (SH) - For the people of the parish

Fri. Feb 13, 8:00 am (SC) - For the people of the parish

Sat. Feb 14, 4:00 pm (SH) - † Birthday remembrance for Irene Zanella, requested by Wendy & Billy Hall and family.

Sun. Feb 15, 9:00 am (SC) - 1.) † For the repose of the soul of Pat Grandy, requested by Ann & John Mahon.

2.) † In loving memory of Al Mancini, requested by his wife, Joyce & family.

3.) † In loving memory of Joe Sullivan, 1 year passed, requested by his family.

Sun. Feb 15, 4:00 pm (SC) - For the people of the parish.

The 4pm Sunday Mass @ St Cecilia will be held in the Sacred Heart's Chapel (basement).

COLLECTIONS TOTALS - JAN 31/FEB 1 COLLECTIONS:

	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	1256.00	907.00
EVANGELIST	102.00	369.00
OTHER	160.00	48.00
PARISH TOTAL	1518.00	1324.00
ATTENDANCE	48	68

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Feb 8, 2026 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Matthew 5:13-16

I recently learned why zebras have stripes. Scientists used to think it was for camouflage, but new research suggests something more interesting: the stripes help zebras blend in with one another. When a predator looks at a herd, the overlapping stripes make it hard to single out one animal. But if a researcher spray-paints a dot on just one zebra, predators lock on it and eventually attack. The lesson? In the wild, blending in is protection. Standing out can be dangerous.

Human beings are not so different. Most of us would rather blend in than stand out, especially when it comes to our faith. We know that giving bold witness to Jesus — through our words, values, or public choices — can make us targets for criticism, isolation, or judgment. That's why Jesus' words in today's Gospel are so challenging: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden" (Matthew 5:14).

A city on a hill draws attention. It also draws fire. But that's part of the cost of discipleship. Jesus doesn't call us to be tribal or boastful. He calls us to stand in the open with humble confidence, so that people might see our good deeds and glorify our Father in heaven. Today, let's ask for the courage not just to believe in Christ, but to be seen believing in him.

-Father John Muir
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Second Collections

Feb 15 Fuel/Heat

Feb 18 Ash Wednesday

Feb 22 Blk, Nat Am, Latin Am Missions

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Feb 7 (SH)	Volunteer Cathy Parry	Feb 14 (SH)	Kathy Avery Volunteer
Feb 8 (SC)	6th grade class	Feb 15 (SC)	Ken Stuff Bill Quinn

Counters Schedule

Feb 9 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall	Feb 16 (SH)	Noreen Brownell Deb Swarczewski
Feb 9 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais	Feb 17 (SC)	Flo Stanton Margaret Smith

Food Pantry



Feb 25 (SC)	Flo Stanton Marjorie Savoie Lori Simonds
March 4 (SH)	Jamie Lemiszki John Nigro



Sunday Mass at St. Cecilia: The 5 pm Sunday Mass at St. Cecilia has been moved to 4pm for the winter months. This Mass will be held in the basement chapel.

Mass Cancellations, Winter Protocol: During the winter months, if FFCS has a delay or cancellation, Mass will be canceled on that day.

Saint Cecilia Votives: The suggested donation for votive candles will now be \$3 as the cost of the candles has dramatically increased.

Sacred Heart Spaghetti Dinner: It's that time again. We will be holding our annual spaghetti dinner in March. Details will be upcoming. We will have meeting coming up and we certainly hope you can attend.

Sacred Heart Lector/Eucharistic Minister Schedule: 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 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.

There will be no Healing Mass & Anointing on the First Thursday & Friday of the month of February only. Instead the Healing Mass will be on Feb. 11- Wednesday at St. Cecilia's Church, at 5:15PM - on the Memorial Feast of Our lady of Lourdes, as the **World Day of the Sick** which was designated by the late St. John Paul 2nd. Everyone is invited; bring your family members & friends.

Feb.18 is Ash Wednesday, universal fasting & abstinence for us Christians. **Ash Wednesday Holy Mass & distribution of Ashes will be 8AM at St. Cecilia's Church; 5:30PM at Sacred Heart's Church** Communion Service & Distribution of Ashes at 12:15PM at St. Cecilia's Rectory Chapel.

Duc in Altum Discernment Nights: Sept 23, 2025 thru 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

A Journey of Faith, Humor, and 2 Million Steps: Join us at St Augustine Parish in Troy on Thursday February 12th after the 6pm Mass to hear author and pilgrim Pat DeVaney for an engaging talk on walking the Camino de Santiago, sharing faith-filled insights, unexpected humor, and lessons learned from a 500 mile journey across Spain. Followed by light refreshment provided by the Knights of Columbus. Please register at <https://staugustinetroy.org/caminoofstjames>

Sacred Sparks 2026: You are invited to a free Catholic speed dating event. A fun opportunity for Catholic singles to meet face-to-face in a structured and relaxed setting. A light lunch will be provided. Young adults (ages 24-36) Saturday, February 14th, 12:00-4:00pm at St Edward the Confessor, Clifton Park. Register <https://sacredsparks.eventbrite.com>

Sunday Feb. 8 - 1:30-5:00

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY WITH BROOKS CHICKEN BBQ AT THE TRIBES HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHICKEN DINNER	\$5	BROOKS BBQ	RIB DINNER	\$20
2	DATE	TIME	TIME	DATE
	2/8	1:30 PM	5:00 PM	2/8

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LUKE 6:38

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