

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For where two or three are gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of them."
- Mt 18:19-20

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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.

ALWAYS REMEMBERED

Sat. Sept 5, 4:00 pm (SH) - † For the repose of the soul of Kelly Marie LaLone, requested by Christine Wolff & Jennifer Crouse.

Sun. Sept 6, 9:00 am (SC) - † In loving memory of Frank & Marinda Arcesi, requested by their daughter, Mary Ann.

Tues. Sept 8 thru Sun. Sept 13, 2026

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

Wed. Sept 9, 8:00 am (SC) - † In memory of Robert Langdon, requested by Michele Furnare.

Thurs. Sept 10, 8:00 am (SH) - † In memory of Henrietta Roginski, requested by George Stanwick.

Fri. Sept 11, 8:00 am (SC) - For the people of the parish.

Sat. Sept 12, 4:00 pm (SH) - † In loving memory of Dennis Swarczewski, requested by his wife Deb.

Sun. Sept 13, 9:00 am (SC) - † In loving memory of Alex & Betty Adesse, requested by their daughters.



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	SH	SC
AMOUNT NEEDED	1589.00	1794.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	403.00	67500
PARISH TOTAL	403.00	675.00
ATTENDANCE	35	36

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Sept 5 (SH)	Volunteer Tony Stellato	Sept 12 (SH)	George Stanwick Cathy Parry
Sept 6 (SC)	Kathy Marcais Ken Stuff	Sept 13 (SC)	Ann Mahon Michele Furnare

Counters Schedule

Sept 7 (SH)	Deb Swarczewski Noreen Brownell	Sept 14 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall
Sept 8 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais	Sept 14 (SC)	Margaret Smith Ann Mahon

Food Pantry

September 23 (SC)	Andrea Moran Margaret Smith Michele Furnare
October 7 (SH)	Barbara Bilins Wendy Hall



Saint Cecilia sanctuary candle burns this week for Frank & Marinda Arcesi

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!



Holy Mass Honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary:

This Tues, September 8, 2026 the Holy Mass honoring & celebrating the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be at Sacred Heart Church-Tribes Hill at 6:15PM; We ask everyone to write your personal birthday greetings & petitions before the Liturgy to Our Blessed Virgin Mary; these then you will posted on a provided Posting Board, then a lighting & offering of Votive Candles before her sacred image. This Marian Liturgy will be followed a Potluck refreshment at our social hall. Kindly bring your favorite dishes for sharing. If anyone wish to perform or share something or have ideas to honor & amplify the Virgin Mary's birthday celebration, you are all welcome. Just please inform Fr. Juanito or Sandi ahead. And all are invited to participate.

Sacred Heart Chicken BBQ: We will be having a chicken BBQ @ O'Reilly Auto Parts in Amsterdam this Friday, September 11 from 1:30-5:30. Presale tickets are \$16 (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.

Saint Cecilia Parking Fundraiser: Our parking dates this season are final. Please call Kelly@ 518 774-7250 to volunteer. Thanks so much! **Friday-September 18**

Faith Formation Classes Begin: We are excited to have our Faith Formation starting up for the 2026-2027 school year. Registration, a light breakfast and first day of class will be on Sunday, Sept 20th at 10am (immediately following Holy Mass. We are looking to invite more members and students to join us. If you have a neighbor looking to join a parish or have a school aged student, pre k through 10th grade, please attend the first day and registration to find out more about our program. We are in need of teachers, substitutes and helpers. If you would like to help in any way, please call the main office. **Hope to see you on the 20th.**

St. Cecilia Rummage Sale: will take place this year on Oct. 16th (8-3) and 17th (8-12). We are 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. Help with setting up is needed Oct. 12-14 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 838-249-6412.



***Sacred Heart Church
Chicken BBQ (hosted by Sturgess)
Friday, September 11th—1:30-5:30
@ O'Reilly Auto Parts
NY-30 Amsterdam***

***Presale tickets are available for
\$16 at Sacred Heart Church in
Tribes Hill
(presale tickets can request pickup at church)***

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE September 6, 2026 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 18:15-20

A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily together with each other.

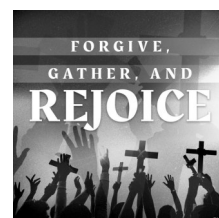
That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, "Go and tell your brother his fault," He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, "If he listens to you, you have won over your brother," we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen.

Father John Muir
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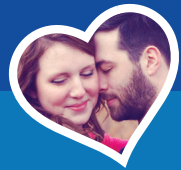
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