



ST. CECELIA CHURCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:18-19



*St. Cecilia,
Pray for Us*

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Parish Office Hours

Mon—Thru 8am-4pm

Friday 8am-12pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday

Mass Schedule

Monday—Friday 7:00am & 9:15am
Saturday 8:00am & 4:30pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am
& 1:30pm (Spanish)

**First Friday's: NO 9:15 am Mass
ONLY 7:00am & 7:00pm**

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! You may register on our website www.stcecelia.com and bring the form back to our office, or call our Parish Office at (732)283-2300. Upon registering we will need a copy of all your sacramental records. Family members over the age of 18 **are asked to register independently.**

SACRAMENTS

SPONSOR LETTERS: Church law mandates that a sponsor for Baptism & Confirmation must be an active Confirmed Catholic. An active Catholic is a parishioner who is registered, attends Mass weekly, contributes to the support of the Church, is in a valid Catholic Marriage, & publicly leads a life compatible with Church teaching.

We can only write letters of eligibility for parishioners who meet these criteria.

BAPTISM:

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 12:30pm. **Baptism Classes are held the 3rd Wednesday of every month. All documents for Baptisms & Baptism classes for both Parents & Godparents must be received by the parish office no later than 2 weeks prior to the date of Baptism.** Please contact the Parish Office at (732) 283-2300 for all information and to make arrangements.

Qualifications for Godparents & Confirmation Sponsors - Must be at least 14 years of age, and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, & Confirmation. Must be an active Catholic who is registered in a Catholic Parish, attends Mass, supports the Church, and leads a life compatible with the teachings of the Church. We cannot write letters of eligibility if you do not meet all of these criteria. **Original Baptism and/or Confirmation certificates of both Godparents need to be brought in to the Parish Office.** These requirements are universal law of the church and are not differed by parish.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:

To enroll your child, please contact Sister Anna for information, (732) 283-2816.

O.C.I.A.:

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which non-Catholics who are interested in becoming members of the Roman Catholic Church, and/or Catholics who wish to complete their initiation sacraments. For more information please call Sister Anna at (732)283-2816

MARRIAGE:

Registered parishioners can make arrangements at least one year in advance of the proposed wedding date. The church must confirm the wedding date prior to making other wedding plans. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment with a priest in order to secure a date.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND:

If any of your loved ones are in need of a priest and need the sacraments, please call the Parish Office any time. The priests are always on call! Regular communion calls to the sick, aged or homebound should be arranged in advance.



Reconciliation

Saturday
9:00am-10:30am
3:15pm - 4:00pm

**or by appointment
(732)283-2300.**



**Catholic
Gift Shop**

Gift Shop Hours

Monday—Thursday
10:00am-1:00pm
Friday Closed
Saturday 3pm—6:00pm
Sunday 10am—12:30pm

**Hours may vary,
please call ahead.
(732)283-1775**

Mass Intentions & Memorials

Mass Intention	\$10
Sanctuary Candle	\$25
Altar Bread & Wine	\$25
Baptism	\$100
Altar Flowers	\$75
Blessed Mary Flowers	\$50
St Joseph Flowers	\$50
Purgatorial Mass Card	\$25
Sacramental Certificate	\$10



Baptism Class

Pre-Baptism class is required for all Parents & Godparents.

This session will provide an opportunity to grow in your understanding of this Sacrament. Registration is required in order to attend class. Please provide the following information or complete the following information and return to Parish Office.

Class month requested: _____

Child's Name: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Godfather's Name: _____

Godmother's Name: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Wedding Etiquette

Remember when entering the Church, for your rehearsal or wedding, it is a place of worship and proper reverence is expected at all times. All preparations and rehearsals will be carried out with the Priest who will officiate the wedding before the event.

Floral Arrangements cannot be placed in front of the altar. But may be placed on the sides, in front of the pulpit or somewhere else in the sanctuary. Tape, glue, putty, staples or wires may not be used on church pews to place flowers or ribbons.

Other restrictions: Rice, rose petals, confetti, bird seed or anything else that has residue are not allowed. Also, no pets are allowed with the exception of service animals.

Leaving a Legacy of Faith

Leaving a bequest to the Church is a meaningful way to extend your faith and values beyond your lifetime. By ensuring the wording in your Will is correct, you can make certain that your wishes are honored. One of the simplest and most impactful ways to support our parish, Saint Cecelia, is through a bequest. With the guidance of an attorney, you can designate a specific dollar amount, asset, or percentage of your estate to be given to Saint Cecelia Church upon your passing. Your generosity will help sustain our parish for future generations.

Thank you for considering Saint Cecelia in your bequest.



If you would like Fr. Deniskingsley or Fr. Ignatius to bless your home, please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment. This would be a wonderful opportunity for our Priests to meet with parishioners and receive a special blessing!

DEVOTIONS

NOVENAS- St. Jude and Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal every Sat. after 8am Mass.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET are Fridays after the 9:15 am Mass & First Fridays 7pm Mass.

ADORATION CHAPEL— Mon-Thurs 7am to 4pm. Fri. 7am-12pm. Sat. and Sun. are only during Mass & Confession hours.

When you come in the Chapel and the Tabernacle doors are closed, open them. If you are the last one in the Chapel, please close the Tabernacle doors. The Exposed Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended. Please shut off the lights (make sure they are completely pressed down).

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION begins at 6:00pm followed by Holy Mass at 7:00pm.

2,000 HAIL MARYS begins at 7am every 2nd Saturday of the month.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS/SOCIETIES

ALTAR SERVERS: Children in grades 3 and up are invited to join. Contact Ann Cecilia Trinh at (732)283-2300 x107.

LEGION OF MARY—Saturdays—9am, Conference Room.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY—The Rosary is prayed before every daily & weekend Mass. The meetings are the 1st Monday of the month at 7pm in the Church Conference Room.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—Meetings are every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm.

CHOIR—Practice scheduled by Music Director, Maria Leonor Llorin.

FOOD PANTRY is open for food pick-up **TUESDAYS from 10am to 12pm ONLY.** Email for food inquiries at scfoodP@gmail.com.

SOCIAL MINISTRY please contact Maria Campos at stcecelia.socialministry@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are actively seeking new members!—Elroy Darden (Grand Knight) 908-447-9083.

Navex EthicsPoint

Diocese of Metuchen announced the implementation of an independent third-party reporting system that will allow any person who suspects financial impropriety or other violations of the Diocese of Metuchen's Pastoral Code of Conduct, to file an anonymous and confidential report. The EthicsPoint initiatives provide a confidential method for the employees, volunteers and parishioners to report suspected financial malfeasance in any of our parishes, schools cemeteries and diocesan institutions. Options for

Reporting: Hotline: 844-796-1296

Web intake site URL: <https://diometuchen.ethicspoint.com>

Mobile URL: <https://diometuchenmobile.ethicspoint.com>



St. Cecelia Food Pantry

is in need of the following items:

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| *Toothpaste | *Soup |
| *Pancake Mix | *Tuna |
| *Peanut Butter | *Shelf Stable Milk |
| *Jelly | *Powdered Milk |
| *Tea Bags | *Tomato Sauce |
| *Shampoo | |

Shoprite Gift Cards (SCRIP)
(Please leave the Gift Cards in the Parish Office)

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY ~ ST. IRENAEUS 6/28

8:00am †Living & Deceased Members of the Kayiwa &
Ssemalawa Families req. Cecelia Kayiwa

SATURDAY ~ VIGIL MASS 6/28

4:30pm †Stephen Mysoke req. Cecelia Kayiwa

†Francis Kizito req. Cecelia Kayiwa

SUNDAY ~ ST. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES 6/29

7:30am LIVING & DECEASED

9:30am †John Paul Franco req. Legion of Mary

†Maria Lucia Garzone req. Bozena & Ted

11:30am †Maryann Lutringer req. Ann Cecilia & Lauren
Trinh

†Nellie Ferros-Sun req. The Quevada Family

**MONDAY ~ THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE HOLY
ROMAN CHURCH** 6/30

7:00am †Cecile Mansing req. Lita & Cesar Nunez

9:15am †Joe Tavernese req. Pat Maliniak

†Enzo Marrano req. Rick & Michelle McLellan

TUESDAY ~ ST. JUNIPERO SERRA 7/1

7:00am Intentions of the Parishioners

9:15am †Marianna Pontoriero req. Joe, Eleonora &
Michael

Thanksgiving Mass req. Arison & Nivia

WEDNESDAY ~ WEEKDAY 7/2

7:00am Intentions of the Parishioners

9:15am †Mary Fernandez req. Anthony Fernandez

THURSDAY ~ ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE 7/3

7:00am †Anna Werner req. The Werner Family

9:15am †John Paul Franco req. Carol LaRouche

FRIDAY ~ WEEKDAY 7/4

9:15am †Maryann Lutringer req. Brianna & John

Thanksgiving Mass req. Priyanka Nath & Family

**SATURDAY ~ ST. ANTHONY ZACCARIA & ST.
ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL** 7/5

8:00am †John Paul Franco req. Sashya

SATURDAY ~ VIGIL MASS 7/5

4:30pm †Louise Pohida req. The Pohida Family

†Ann Curcio req. The Darbig, Weston, & Kopcko
Families

SUNDAY ~ 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7/6

7:30am LIVING & DECEASED

9:30am †Felipe Lacsina, Jr. req. Sylvia Lacsina

†The McCarthy Family req. Lawrence &
Elizabeth Conway

11:30am †Dr. Theodore Peter Labuza req. Dorothy
Solovay

†Joe Tavernese req. Sister, Francine

Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of Anna Werner
req. The Werner Family

Responsorial Psalm

*The angel of the Lord will rescue those
who fear him. (Ps 34)*

Readings for the week of June 29th, 2025

Sunday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/
Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts

12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2

Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9,
10-11/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-
12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11,
12-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/
Jn 20:24-29

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps
106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4,
5-6/Mt 9:14-17

Reading I: Acts 12:1-11

*Now I know for certain that the Lord
rescued me from the hand of Herod.*

King Herod was persecuting Christians. Peter was
arrested. An angel of the Lord rescued Peter from prison.

Reading II: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

*From now on the crown of righteousness
awaits me.*

Paul's letter is like an obituary for himself, assessing his
work. Peter says that he has competed well, finished the
race, and kept the faith. Paul and all who faithfully follow
Christ will wear the garland of victory.

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19

*You are Peter, and I will give you the keys to
the kingdom of heaven.*

Jesus says to the disciples, "Who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter replies, "You are the Christ, the Son of the
living God." Jesus says to Peter, "Upon this rock I will
build my Church."

Questions of the Week

Question for Children: Who do you say that Jesus is?

Question for Youth: How does the way you live your life
show that you are a follower of Christ?

Question for Adults: Before the Resurrection, Peter denied
Jesus three times. But in today's Gospel, we hear about a
Peter who has unshakable faith. He clearly proclaims that
Jesus is Christ, the Son of the living God. What can you do to
strengthen your faith and draw nearer to Christ?



JOIN US FOR A JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE! PHILADELPHIA, PA

The Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

- Tour of the Basilica Shrine & Marian Art Museum
- Mass
- Rosary
- Adoration
- Investiture into the Miraculous Medal Society
- Lunch
- Visit the Gift Shop



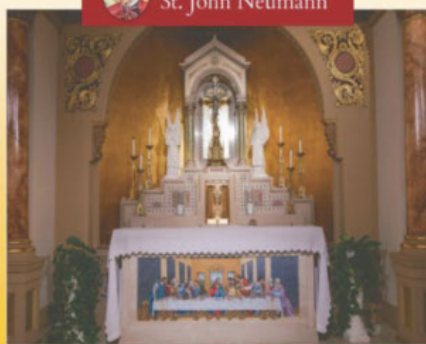
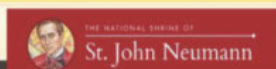
Come away and immerse yourself in the holiness and peace of these 2 beautiful shrines which have both been designated as pilgrimage sites for the Jubilee Year of Hope. This means that pilgrims are able to seek a plenary indulgence (under the usual conditions)!

Date: Tuesday July 22, 2025

Departure Time: 7:30am Estimated Return: 7:00pm

Cost: \$100 per person includes bus transportation and box lunch

Contact the parish office to sign-up, 732-283-2300



The National Shrine of St. John Neumann

- Tour of the Shrine
- View St. John Neumann's incorrupt body
- Tour of the Museum
- Visit the Gift Shop

for eating...shopping...or filling your tank Order Scrip Gift Cards!

Purchasing **SCRIP GIFT CARDS** is an easy way to support our church. **SCRIP GIFT CARDS** are available in the Atrium after all Masses or the Parish Office. **There are no activation Fees on Visa Gift Cards & Zero Fees on all Gift Cards.** Visit the RaiseRight website to view the brands available <https://www.raiseright.com/brands> or Register at: <https://www.raiseright.com/enroll/DCL9571831148> or click the QR Code. You can buy any card online, St. Cecelia will receive credit.



Thank you for your support.

	June 22, 2025	June 23, 2024
In-pew	\$ 6,691.00	In-pew \$ 7,156.50
Faith Direct	\$ 2,031.00	Faith Direct \$ 1,995.10
Total	\$ 8,722.00	Total \$ 9,151.60
Offerings +		
Improvement Fund 2025		Improvement Fund 2024
In-pew	\$ 2,577.00	In-pew \$ 2,652.50
Faith Direct	\$ 538.00	Faith Direct \$ 469.00
Total	\$ 3,115.00	Total \$ 3,121.50

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Goal \$750,000
Total Pledge \$488,950
Received \$182,131



TOUR PRICE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING

Daily mass arrangements. Round trip transatlantic airfare from Newark area, 9 nights' Accommodations at first class tourist hotels, Daily breakfast and dinner. Guided tours, sightseeing as indicated in the itinerary and admission fees. Professional tour director. Hotel taxes charges.

Not Includes: Lunches, gratuities for guides and driver, personal expenses and anything not mentioned.

We will visit:

- Little Chapel of the Apparitions
- Nice, France
- Fatima the Basilica
- Assisi - St. Francis
- Cathedral of Burgos
- Tomb. St. Carlo Acutis
- Lourdes Basilica
- Vatican City

...And more

For Information and Registration:
Elba Trujillo: 973-220-6235 / Cristy Reyes: 732-770-0397
Glory Tours - Genia Virtucio: 973-202-4488

Faith Formation

Registration and Re-Registration is now open for Faith Formation 2025/2026. Forms are available in the Parish Office & our Web Site.

Pay Now Thru 6/30/2025:

One Child \$100—Two \$190—Three+ Children \$270

Pay After 6/30/2025:

One Child \$110—Two Children \$210

Three+ Children \$280

Pay After 8/31/2025:

One Child—\$125 Two Children \$220



HEALING MASS

**First Saturday,
July 5th, 2025
at 12:00pm**

- ♦ 11am Confession, Rosary, Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- ♦ Following Mass - Sacramentals (water, oil, salt, etc.) will be blessed.

Hosted by Fr. Ignatius Okoroji, SDV.



Healing Mass - 720-527-5959

Access Code - 4744736#

For more information
visit: www.cmdorg.org

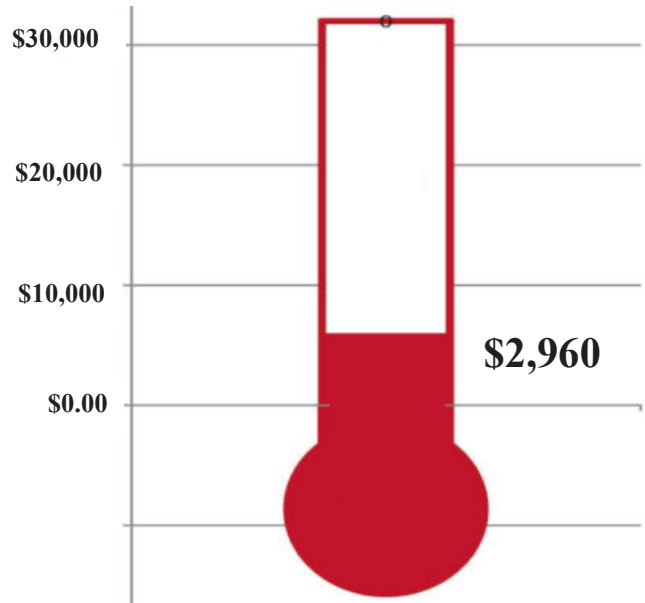
VOCATIONIST FATHERS DINNER DANCE

SAVE THE DATE
NOVEMBER 8, 2025
Birchwood Manor



50/50 Ticket Sales Total

Your continued generosity and support is greatly needed to make this a successful raffle. Extra booklets are available in the atrium after Sunday Mass or in the Parish Office.



*Let Us Bring Mary to the World
A Legion of Mary Fellowship*

Legion of Mary, Queen of Peace Praesidium
Cordially Invites Everyone to Its Annual Fellowship



BEGINNING HOLY MASS AT 8:00 AM

**ROSARY, NOVENAS, AND LEGION OF
MARY PRAYERS**

SPEAKER/VIDEO

FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2025

RSVP MARIA CAMPOS 732-910-6195



Different Paths, One Mission

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today is the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. These men are two towering pillars of the Church. They were very different men. Peter was a fisherman from Galilee. Paul was a Pharisee and a Roman citizen. Peter often stumbled in speech and action. Paul was bold and brilliant in thought. Yet both gave their lives for Christ and helped build the Church we are part of today. Their lives, though quite different, show us what it means to be set free by Christ for a mission. There was once a mechanic named Cupich, and a teacher named Maya who both lived in the same neighborhood. Cupich worked with his hands, fixing engines and appliances. He was not very educated, but he had a generous heart. As for Maya, she was deeply knowledgeable and could speak eloquently about various things, including her faith. One day, a young man in their neighborhood started going down a dangerous path, which made him to fall into addiction and despair. Cupich invited him to help out in the shop. He taught this young man discipline and routine. Maria also spent some time tutoring him in the evenings and supported him through kindness and prayer. Months later, that young man stood in church, clean and hopeful, sharing his story. He said, "Carlos gave me a reason to wake up in the morning. Maria gave me a reason to believe again. God worked through both of them."

Brothers and sisters, Peter was like Carlos-simple, hands-on, full of heart. Paul was like Maria-intellectual, passionate, a communicator. They were different people, with different gifts, but the same mission, the mission to proclaim Christ. The Gospel today reminds us of Peter's great confession, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus responds by giving Peter the keys of the kingdom, not because Peter was perfect, but because he had faith and a heart open to God's work. Paul, on the other hand, spent his life proclaiming the Gospel to the gentiles. In the second reading (2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18), he says, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

What unites these two men is not their personality or background, but their willingness to be used by God. And that is the call to each one of us. We do not need to be perfect. We do not need to be a scholar, a theologian, a priest, or a leader. We just need to say "yes" to God like Peter and Paul. Each of us has something of Peter and Paul in us. Sometimes or if not all the time, we may feel unworthy like Peter or burdened like Paul. But the Lord stands by us. He sets us free not just for ourselves, but so that we can help set others free, perhaps, with our words, our witness, and our love. Maybe, someone around us needs a word of encouragement or a reason to hope. As we honor these great saints today, we may ask ourselves, how is God calling me to serve? How am I using my gifts, however small, for the mission of Christ? How do I support others who are walking different paths to serve the same Lord? We can do wonderful things with our gifts for the mission of Christ. May Saints Peter and Paul intercede for us, that we too may be bold in faith, generous in service, and united in mission. Amen.

Peace.

Fr. Deniskingsley

Sick Relatives & Friends

Lena Zimbardo
Gloria Reichley
Gail Rezmerski
Maria Julia Perez
Eliana Taveres
Betty Whitehead
Manny Parente
Ms. Gloria Nikki
Michael Clifford Jr.
Carolyn Misiewicz
Joann Kisielewski
Richard Dziuban
Craig Soper
Elizabeth Pociask
Michael Torrese
Katherine Hickey
Jackie Petys
Luke Reno
Bill Singerline

Cathy (Napiorski) Harris
Nicole C. Rossi
Shawn Ekatan
Howard Chubbuck
Olga Barritta
Ann Fitzsimmons
Kevin Lyman
Stacy Boland
Peter "PJ" Pascalli
Janice & Paul Pugliese
Gloria Sprague
Norbert Neidenbach
Kathleen Economou Grice
Monica Niemczyk Layman
Suzanne Sarisky
David Preston
Kayla Chrostowski
Mirabella Parota
Akhtar Javed

Jamie Nestor
Marietta M.
Robert Maurer
Martin Petrucci
Carol Foe
Wileta Boswel
Rafael Rosario
Carmelina Carrera
Paula Wegg
Jessica Boland
Patricia & Rob Schmidt
Debbie Bujalski
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Geraldine Drust
Cecylia Niemczyk
Anthony Preston
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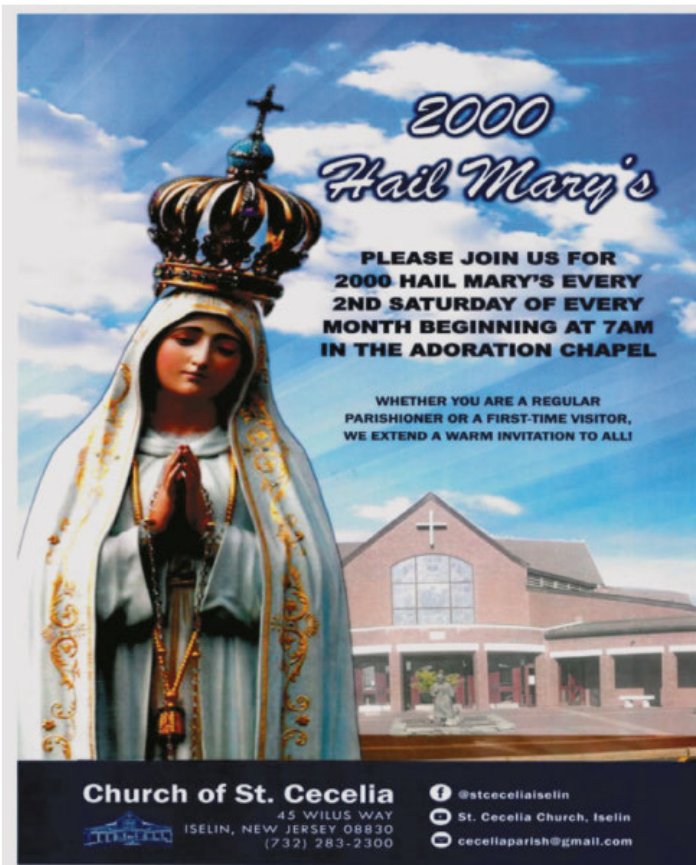
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Gladys & James Narcisco
Jack & Rita Bryson
Edwin Skrobacz
R. Lee Bilon, N3RB
Elsie Martinez

Valentina Aubrey
Lucas Aubrey
Anna P. Piscitello
Carol Helfin
Joseph Jonathan Cem
Dorina D.
Raul T. Palomata
Audrey & Tony Corio
Ken Popan
John-Paul Alfaro
Jaxson Rivera
Samuel Carrera
Brian Dougherty
Virginia Dizon
Jerzy Garbowski
Adele Garzone
Gloria Reichley
Cecilia Prisca

Jolene Ochoa
Nathan Minear
Steven Lahey
Geraldine Nakawngu
Arthur Shapiro
Alyce Stewart
Amy Guidroz
Karen Nestor
Stephanie M. Kratzel
Kristen Clifford
Jacek Krasowski
Louis Pepe
Bozena Economou
Bishop Bootkoski
Kenneth Economou
Kayleon Stewart
Gregory Brigando
Gloria Pysarchyk

Heavenly Father, We lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, and surround them with Your peace. Amen.

Please advise us if a name in the Sick List needs to be added or removed. Thank you



A Time to Mourn...

Caroline Behul

Mmesooma Miracle Okojori

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them. May their souls
and the souls of all the faithful
departed, through the mercy of
God, rest in peace. Amen*

Baptism

*Cameron T'ino McCarthy
Jhesia Kataleya Lopez*

*May God's grace and blessings that
you receive on your Baptism
guide you throughout your life.
God Bless.*



**Knights of
Columbus**

If you are interested in helping those in need, serving your parish, growing in your faith, or having exclusive access to top rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Please consider

joining us. All men over 18 years old are welcome! For more information contact Grand Knight, Elroy Darden at 908-447-9083.

Corpus Christi Procession ~ 6/22/25



Parish Picnic & 50/50 Raffle

Our annual Parish Picnic will take place **Sunday, August 3, 2025**
at **St. Cecelia Parish, after the 11:30 AM Mass.**

**Volunteers are needed to set up, clean up & grill. If you would like to help,
please sign up at the parish office.**

Pricing:
5 & under free
6-12 —\$5.00
Adults —\$12.00
Seniors—\$10.00 (65 & over)

*Bring your own seating
*Bring your own wine & beer.
***Donations of paper towels, napkins,
water bottles & soda cans, salads, snacks,
& desserts are needed.**
Drop off donations at Parish Office.

Parish Picnic & 50/50 Raffle Tickets are available in the Parish Office & Atrium after all Masses.

2025 Capital Campaign 65% of Our Goal from 119 Families There Is Still Time!

Jesus establishes the Church on Peter, symbolized by the “rock”. This is after Peter identifies Jesus as the Christ. This highlights the importance of Peter’s role which is the divine revelation in faith. Peter was entrusted with the responsibility of the Church. Similarly, as disciples, we are entrusted to care for our church with the blessings bestowed upon us.

Thank You

Thank you to those who made a pledge and thank you to those that took a pledge form home for consideration, when we conducted our In-Pew Weekend two weeks ago.

Letter of Commitment

Whether you wish to donate directly or through Faith Direct, please provide your Commitment Letter with your donation.

What’s Next?

With a few weeks remaining we aim to reach our goal by summer. We are confident that we will achieve our goal as we are at **65%** of goal from **119** families. This is an incredible response, we expect greater parish participation and invite all parishioners who have not yet pledged to consider a gift of **equal sacrifice and not equal giving**. **Through our collective sacrifice and prayer, together we will reach our goal.**

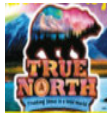
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\$25,000	\$2,500	\$625	\$1,875	\$3,750	\$7,500
\$20,000	\$2,000	\$500	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$6,000
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$375	\$1,125	\$2,250	\$4,500
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$750	\$1,500	\$3,000
\$7,500	\$750	\$187.50	\$562.50	\$1,125	\$2,250
\$5,000	\$500	\$125	\$375	\$750	\$1,500
\$4,000	\$400	\$100	\$300	\$600	\$1,200
\$3,000	\$300	\$75	\$225	\$450	\$900

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JULY/AUGUST 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
29 St.Peter & Paul Apostles. Peter's Pence Rosary via Zoom	30 Rosary via Zoom	1 Rosary via Zoom	2 Rosary via Zoom	3 Rosary via Zoom	4 NO 7am or 7pm Mass ONLY 9:15am Mass OFFICE CLOSED HAPPY 4TH of JULY!! Rosary via Zoom	5 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Healing Mass 12pm Rosary via Zoom
6 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Rosary via Zoom	7 Vacation Bible School 8:45am-1pm  Rosary via Zoom	8 Vacation Bible School 8:45am-1pm  Rosary via Zoom	9 Vacation Bible School 8:45am-1pm  Rosary via Zoom	10 Vacation Bible School 8:45am-1pm  Rosary via Zoom	11 Vacation Bible School 8:45am-1pm  Rosary via Zoom	12 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm 2000 Hail Marys' Rosary via Zoom
13 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Rosary via Zoom	14 Rosary via Zoom	15 Rosary via Zoom	16 Rosary via Zoom	17 Rosary via Zoom	18 Pilgrimage to Shrines in Philadelphia, PA Rosary via Zoom	19 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Air Conditioning Rosary via Zoom
20 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Air Conditioning Rosary via Zoom	21 Rosary via Zoom	22 Rosary via Zoom	23 Rosary via Zoom	24 Rosary via Zoom	25 Rosary via Zoom	26 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Improvement Fund Rosary via Zoom

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 7:00 am and 9:15 am

No 9:15AM Mass on 1st Fridays

Saturday: 8:00 am

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: 4:30pm

Sunday Mass: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 1:30pm (*Spanish*)

Daily Evening Rosary

7:30pm

Please join us as we pray the rosary via Zoom.
Meeting ID- 84113113175



Meeting Passcode: U20J6Y

Live-Stream Schedule

Daily Mass 9:15am— Weekend Mass 11:30am



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Salmo Responsorial

Tú eres para siempre sacerdote a la manera de Melquisedec. (Salmo 110)

Las lecturas del 29 de junio del 2025

Domingo: Vigilia: Hch 3, 1-10/Sal 18, 2-3. 4-5/Gal 1, 11-20/Jn 21, 15-19 Día: Hch 12, 1-11/Sal 33, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/2 Tim 4, 6-8. 17-18/Mt 16, 13-19

Lunes: Gn 18, 16-33/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8-9. 10-11/Mt 8, 18-22

Martes: Gn 19, 15-29/Sal 25, 2-3. 9-10. 11-12/Mt 8, 23-27

Miércoles: Gn 21, 5. 8-20/Sal 33, 7-8. 10-11. 12-13/Mt 8, 28-34

Jueves: Ef 2, 19-22/Sal 116, 1. 2/Jn 20, 24-29

Viernes: Gn 23, 1-4. 19; 24, 1-8. 62-67/Sal 105, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5/Mt 9, 9-13

Sábado: Gn 27, 1-5. 15-29/Sal 134, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Mt 9, 14-17

Oración por el cuidado pastoral

¡Oh Dios! Bendice las almas que has confiado a nuestro cuidado. Así como escuchas cada una de sus oraciones, ayúdanos a escucharlas también. Responde a sus peticiones y necesidades personales a través de nosotros y nuestro ministerio, mientras todos buscamos hacer Tu voluntad. Amén.

MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

Celebramos hoy, al mismo tiempo, la fiesta de san Pedro y san Pablo. Ellos colaboraron para la construcción del Reino de Dios. Dieron testimonio del Evangelio con su propia vida. Todos sabemos que, en las horas de la pasión, San Pedro negó a Cristo. Por su parte, san Pablo, antes de ser llamado a ser apóstol, fue perseguidor de los cristianos. Pedro se arrepintió y llegó a ser el primer Papa, murió mártir. Pablo, convertido al cristianismo, fue fiel seguidor y propagador del Evangelio y también fue mártir. ¿En qué imitas a estos grandes seguidores de Jesucristo?

"Jesús asigna a Simón este nuevo nombre: 'Pedro', que en la lengua de Jesús suena Kefa, una palabra que significa roca. En la Biblia, este término, roca, se refiere a Dios. Jesús lo asigna a Simón no por sus cualidades o sus méritos humanos, sino por su fe genuina y firme, que les ha dado de lo alto. La gloriosa herencia de Pedro y Pablo es una llamada a vivir las virtudes cristianas, de modo particular la fe y la caridad. La fe en Jesús: como Mesías e Hijo de Dios, que Pedro profesó primero y que Pablo anunció a la gente; y la caridad, que la iglesia está llamada a servir con horizonte universal" (Papa Francisco). La historia de estos apóstoles no fue fácil; tuvieron muchas dificultades. Sin embargo, son los cimientos de nuestra Iglesia. Cada uno de ellos fue único y se dejó tocar por Jesús. Pidamos hoy ser rocas firmes en nuestra fe, y caminemos con esperanza a pesar de las dificultades, teniendo la seguridad de que Jesús va con nosotros.

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

1ª Lectura: En su milagroso escape de la prisión, Pedro se convenció de la obra salvadora de Dios en su vida. ¿Dónde ves a Dios obrando en tu vida?

2ª Lectura: Cuando Pablo se acercaba al final de su vida, se dio cuenta que Dios lo había rescatado de muchos peligros y amenazas. Al reflexionar sobre tu vida, ¿puedes ver los momentos en los que la mano salvadora de Dios estuvo presente para ti?

Evangelio: Jesús encomendó a Pedro que fuera la base ("roca") de su Iglesia. ¿Hay alguna tarea o responsabilidad que sientas que debes llevar a cabo en tu parroquia?



Santa
MISA
de Sanación

5 de julio

12:00pm

Presentado por el P. Ignacio Okoroji, SDV
Después de la Misa - Se bendecirán los sacramentales (agua, aceite, sal, etc.).

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HORARIO DE OFICINA

Lunes 8:00 am - 4 pm

Viernes 8:00 am - 12 pm

Visitas al Santísimo esta disponible en el horario de oficina.

TIEMPOS DE MISA

Lunes-Viernes 7:00 & 9:15am en Inglés

Sábado 8:00 am & 4:30 pm

Domingo 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

1:30pm (Español)

El primer viernes NO hay misa a las 9:15 am SOLO 7:00 am y 7:00 pm.

HORARIO DE LA TIENDA DE REGALOS

Lun—Jueves 10:00 am—1:00 pm

Viernes Cerrados

Sábado 3:00 pm—6:00 pm

Domingo 10:00 am—12:30 pm

El horario puede variar, llame antes de venir 732-283-1775.

La Despensa de Comida

Martes 10am-12pm

REGISTRACIÓN:

Para obtener cartas testimoniales, formularios de patrocinio para los sacramentos (**carta de elegibilidad**), cartas de recomendación o referencia de carácter se necesita inscribir a la parroquia. Por favor de llamar a la parroquia para mas información.

MINISTERIO A LOS ENFERMOS:

Si alguno de sus seres queridos necesita la Unción de los Enfermos, o Extremaunción. Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial en cualquier momento. ¡Los sacerdotes están siempre disponibles! Las llamadas de comunión regulares a los enfermos, ancianos o confinados en el hogar deben organizarse con anticipación.

BENDICIÓN DE LA CASA

Si le gustaría tener una visita a un hogar o una bendición, por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial al (732)283-2300.

BENDICIÓN DE OBJETOS RELIGIOSOS

Si desea que su imagen, Rosario, o otro objeto religioso sea bendecido. Por favor de colocar en la mesa cerca del altar antes de la misa.

BAUTISMO:

Bautizos son celebrados los primeros y el cuartó domingo de cada mes a las 12:30pm. Comuníquese con la oficina al (732)283-2300 para obtener mas información.

1. Por favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño/niña.
2. Los nombres completos del los Padrinos.
3. De los Padrinos se requerirá una carta de Elegibilidad de su parroquia.
4. Los Padres y Padrinos se deben registrarse para poder asistir clases Pre-Bautismales. Esta sesión brindará la oportunidad de crecer en nuestra comprensión de este Sacramento.

Quilificaciones para Elegibilidad de Padrinos:

Deben ser por lo menos 14 años de edad. Tener los 3 Sacramentos: Bautizo, Primer Comunión, Confirmación. La ley de la Iglesia exige que un patrocinador para el Bautismo y la Confirmación debe ser un Católico confirmado activo. Un católico activo es un feligrés que está registrado, asiste a misa semanalmente, contribuye al apoyo de la Iglesia, está en un matrimonio católico válido y públicamente lleva una vida compatible con la enseñanza de la Iglesia.

O.I.C.A (Orden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos)

O.I.C.A. es el proceso en cual los no católicos que son interesados en convertirse o los que desean completar sus sacramentos de iniciación. Para obtener más información, llame a la Hermana Anna al (732)283-2816.

MATRIMONIO:

Por favor de discutir con el Pastor antes de fijar fechas, esto se debe hacer por lo menos **1 año** de anticipación a la boda. Llame a la oficina al (732)283-2300.

Procedimientos de Bodas:

Recuerde que al ingresar a la Iglesia, para su ensayo y su boda, que es un lugar de veneración adonde esta expuesto el Santísimo Sacramento. Todas las preparaciones y el ensayo se llevaran acabo con el Sacerdote que oficiar la boda antes del acontecimiento.

Arreglos Florales: No podrán ser puestas en frente de el altar. Solo a los lados, en frente del pulpito o en algún otro lugar del santuario. No se podrá usar tape, pega, masilla, grapas o cables en los bancos de la iglesia para colocar flores o listones.

Otras restricciones: Arroz, pétalos de rosas, confeti, semilla de pájaros o cualquier otro que tenga residuos no será permitidos. No mascotas permitidos. Tampoco corredores de alfombras.

Inscripción y reinscripción para Catequesis 2025/2026

Los formularios están disponibles en la Oficina Parroquial.

Matricula hasta el 30 de Junio del 2025:

1 niño: \$100 -2 niños: \$19 -3 o más niños: \$270

Pago después del 30 de Junio del 2025:

1 niño: \$110 -2 niños: \$210 -3 o más niños: \$280

Pagar después del 31 de Agosto 2025:

1 niño: \$125, 2 niños: \$220, 3 o más niños: \$300

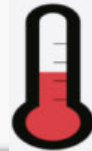


Están invitados al Picnic Parroquial

3 de Agosto después de la Misa del la 11:30am.

Para mas información llame a la oficina al 732-283-2300.

	22 de Junio 2025	23 de Junio 2024
Ofrendas*	In-pew \$ 6,691.00	In-pew \$ 7,156.50
	Faith Direct \$ 2,031.00	Faith Direct \$ 1,995.10
	Total \$ 8,722.00	Total \$ 9,151.60
	Fondo de Mejoría 2025	Fondo de Mejoría 2024
	In-pew \$ 2,577.00	In-pew \$ 2,652.50
	Faith Direct \$ 538.00	Faith Direct \$ 469.00
	Total \$ 3,115.00	Total \$ 3,121.50



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Todos los años se organiza una Rifa Súper 50/50 para el beneficio/necesidades de la parroquia. Una vez mas, les pedimos so apoyo y cooperación para hacerlo un éxito. Este año la rifa se llevara a cabo el **3 de Agosto**, en el parqueadero de la Iglesia. Esperamos que pueda atender.

El precio de cada boleto es \$5. Si compra un libretto, que contiene 6 boletos, el precio es \$25.

Los ganadores recibirán los siguiente:

Primer Premio: 35% de la ganancia

Segundo Premio: 10% de la ganancia

Tercer Premio: 5% de la ganancia

Se les pide que todo boleto que se regrese a la oficina parroquial antes del jueves, 31 de julio del 2025. Para obtener un boleto contáctese con la oficina parroquial al 732-283-2300.

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22 de Septiembre -2 de Octubre 2025

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- Basílica de Lourdes
- Tumba de San Carlos Acutis
- Basílica de Fátima
- Niza, Francia
- San Francisco de Asís
- El Vaticano y Mas

Para mas información o para registrarse:

Elba Trujillo 973-220 o Cristy Reyes 732-770-0397

Glory Tours- Genia Virtucio: 973-202-4488



¡Feliz Día de la Independencia!



El Viernes 4 de julio

La oficina parroquial estará cerrada en conmemoración del Día de Indecencia.

CERRADO



Lunes a las 7:30pm

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Jimmy (732)917-1034
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Martes, 22 de Julio del 2025

7:30am a 7:00pm

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