

ST. CECELIA CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.” ~ Lk 10:30b-31,33



*St. Cecelia,
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

Eucharistic Adoration
6pm before Mass

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.



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—Weekend 7/12

8:00am †Joslin, Basil, Kumar, & Wije req. Sashya

Saturday—Vigil Mass 7/12

4:30pm †Thomas Paul Banks req. Mom, Anne
†Walter Paleczny req. Audrey Paleczny

Sunday—15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7/13

7:30am Living & Deceased

9:30am †Deceased Members of the Drust & Palomata
Families req. John & Olivia Drust
†Irene Davidovish req. Her Granddaughter

11:30am †Ann P. O'Connor req. The O'Connor/Werner
Families
†Joe Tavernese req. Dorothy & George
Solovay

Monday—St. Kateri Tekakwitha 7/14

7:00am The Intentions of the Parishioners

9:15am †Michael Clifford, Sr. req. Teresa Clifford
†Paul Grzegorzczak req. Adam & Melinda
Rozmosh

Tuesday—St. Bonaventure 7/15

7:00am Special Intention for the Valdes Family
req. Elsie Valdes

9:15am †Renato Sarmiento req. Artemio & Naomi
Jongco

Wednesday—Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 7/16

7:00am †Barbara Couture req. Elsie Valdes

9:15am Special Intentions for Barbara Frost and Gloria
Pysarchyk req. Teresa Clifford

Thursday—Weekday 7/17

7:00am †James & Grace Needham req. Joenette Hunt

9:15am †Sharon Iorillo req. Rosemarie Iorillo
†Claudia Potente Reyes req. Carmelita
Posades

Friday—St. Camillus de Lellis 7/18

7:00am †Veronica Moraes req. Jacinta & Peter
Fernandes

9:15am †Jean Henkel req. The Henkel Family
†Adeline Leeming req. Kathy Bousquet

Saturday—Weekend 7/19

8:00am †Frank J. Carniglia req. Margaret Carniglia

Saturday—Vigil Mass 7/19

4:30pm †James & Katherine Koval req. Daughter,
Valerie

†Claire Dunn req. The Falzarano Family

Sunday—16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7/20

7:30am Living & Deceased

9:30am Stanley Madjeski req. Tony, Jackie, Anthony, &
Nicholas

†Maria Lucia Garzone req. Erica & Billy Persson

11:30am †Raymond Rigby req. Joan & John Eimont
†Charles Trzepla req. Dorothy & George
Solovay



Responsorial Psalm

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

Readings for the Week of July 6, 2025

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37
(see 33)/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34—
11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-
24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt
11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/
Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-
18/ Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/
Mt 12:14-21



A Time to Mourn....

Sean P. McTague

Gerard E. Nazzaro

*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*



Sanctuary Candle

*In Loving Memory of Ann P. O'Connor
req. The O'Connor/Werner Families*

Donations

IN GENERAL, SOME POINTS TO REMEMBER:

Thank you all for your generous support. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will help in managing donations. Please keep the following guidelines in mind:

Registered parishioners: If you are using a blank envelope and do not have your parishioner number please write your name and address, clearly. ***Our Counting Teams remind you to print clearly the amount you enclose on your envelopes.**

Unregistered parishioner donations: If you are using the envelopes in the atrium and are not registered please write in a note if you would like to become a parishioner.

The Capital Campaign on Faith Direct: Any donations given to the campaign must be done directly to that collection. Please do not apply funds to the Building Improvement Fund with a note that it is for the Campaign.

Faith Direct provides you the opportunity to give to both our weekly and special collections. If you would like to sign up for electronic giving, please visit our parish website at www.stcecelia.org, or www.faithdirect.net



For new users us code to sign up NJ425.



Offerings +	July 6, 2025		July 7, 2024	
	In-pew	\$ 7,565.00	In-pew	\$ 7,889.00
	Faith Direct	\$ 2,031.00	Faith Direct	\$ 1,995.10
	Total	\$ 9,596.00	Total	\$ 9,884.00
	June 29, 2025		June 28, 2024	
	In-pew	\$ 8,030.50	In-pew	\$ 7,697.50
	Faith Direct	\$ 2,031.00	Faith Direct	\$ 1,995.10
	Total	\$ 10,061.50	Total	\$ 9,692.60
	Peter's Pence 2025		Peter's Pence 2024	
	In-pew	\$ 1,529.00	In-pew	\$ 1,986.50
	Faith Direct	\$.00	Faith Direct	\$ 218.00
	Total	\$ 1,529.00	Total	\$ 2,204.50

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Goal \$750,000
Total Pledge \$ 542,530
Received 185,267

If you would like to contribute through Faith Direct, please use the QR Code:



2025 Capital Campaign 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.

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.**

Please use the chart below to assist in your prayer and reflection about your pledge.

Total Pledge Amount	10% Down Payment	36 Monthly Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	6 Semi-Annual Payments	3 Annual Payments
\$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

Faith Formation

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

Payment After 6/30/2025:

One Child \$110—Two Children \$210

Three+ Children \$280

Payment After 8/31/2025:

One Child—\$125 Two Children \$220

Three+ Children \$300

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.



Wednesday, October 22, 2025

8am- 11pm

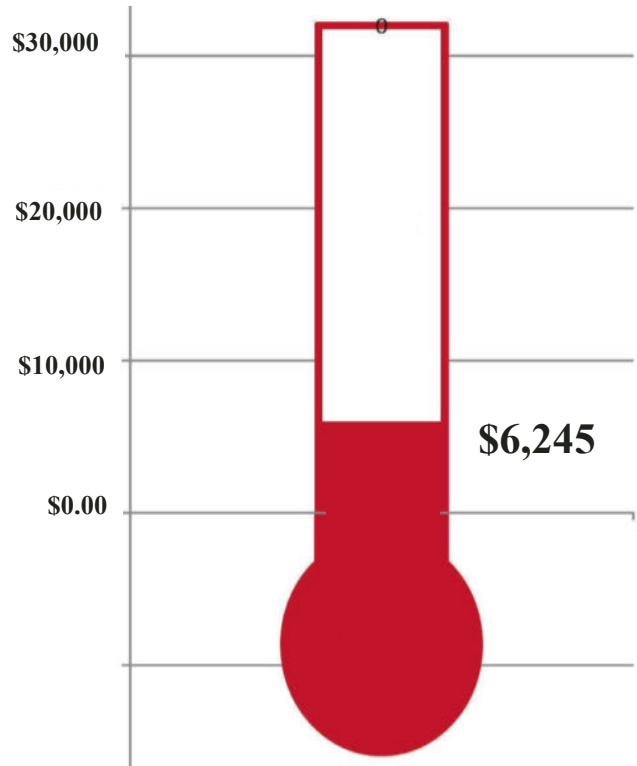
Donation is \$5.00 to receive a 25% shopping pass.

Tickets are available in the Atrium after all masses or the Parish Office.



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.



SAVE THE DATE

NOVEMBER 8, 2025

**VOCATIONIST FATHERS
DINNER DANCE**

Birchwood Manor, Whippany, NJ





Who is my Neighbor? The Nearness of God's Word and Love in Action

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's readings center on the nearness of God's Word and the radical challenge of love. We are reminded that holiness is not about distant ideas or rituals alone, but about how we love in concrete, sometimes inconvenient, ways. In the first reading, Moses tells the people that God's command is not far off. It is not in heaven, nor across the sea. It is in your mouth and in your heart, ready to be lived out. God has made his will accessible. The law is not about mystery, but about practice. This sets the stage for the Gospel. If God's word is near, then our obedience to it must be seen in near actions, especially to those near us, our neighbors.

In the second reading, Paul presents Christ as the fullness of God, the one through whom and for whom all things were created. Jesus is not just a teacher of morality. He is the visible Word of the invisible God, the one who reconciles all things by his blood. While Deuteronomy says the word is near, Paul shows us that Word made flesh in Jesus. In Christ, we see not just God's law but God's very heart. The compassion and mercy of God find their fullest expression in Christ, which points us again to the parable in the Gospel. The legal expert asks, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus answers with a parable that **breaks down social, ethnic, and religious barriers**. The neighbor is not defined by proximity or similarity, but by **mercy shown**. The Samaritan, an outsider, becomes the example of divine love, fulfilling the law written in the heart. The law from the book of Deuteronomy is no longer theoretical. It is lived out by the Samaritan. And through Christ as seen in the letter to the Colossians, we see that this love is not just moral goodness. It is **divine mercy**. The Samaritan reflects Christ Himself. He is moved with compassion, bridging divisions, and binding wounds.

Let us not forget. The story of the good Samaritan begins with a scholar of the law asking Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" and then, trying to justify himself, he asks, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus responds not with a rule or a legal code, but with a story. One that still echoes through the centuries. A story that challenges our complacency and calls us to higher love. It shows love expressed beyond the law. The priest and the Levite pass by the wounded man on the road. Perhaps they were afraid. Perhaps they feared ritual impurity. Or perhaps, like many of us, they simply did not want to get involved. But the Samaritan, a member of a despised group, shows **compassion**. He does not ask if the man is his neighbor. He becomes a neighbor by his actions. This is the Samaritan's attitude is one of seeing himself in the man attacked by the thieves. He sees a fellow human in this man's pain and does not ask about race, religion, or legal obligation. He recognizes a shared humanity and acts. Let us do the same. That is what we as Catholics must do to inherit eternal life.

This week, we are reminded that Christianity is not just about **doctrines or creeds**, but about **how we treat others**, especially the vulnerable and the marginalized. The Word is not far away. Christ is not a distant figure. He is present in the person on the roadside, in the victim of injustice, in the one the world overlooks, in the stranger of foreigner who seeks refuge and comfort. Let us ask ourselves today the most important question. Who have I passed by? Who is the neighbor God is calling me to see? What barriers need to be broken in my heart? May we listen to God's Word, recognize it in Christ, and "**go and do likewise**."

Peace be with you!

Fr. Deniskingsley

Sick Relatives & Friends

Lena Zimbardo	Cathy (Napiorski) Harris	Jamie Nestor	Ryan Michael	Valentina Aubrey	Jolene Ochoa
Gloria Reichley	Nicole C. Rossi	Marietta M.	Raymond Kneckel	Lucas Aubrey	Nathan Minear
Gail Rezmerski	Shawn Ekart	Robert Maurer	Elaine Dziuban	Anna P. Piscitello	Steven Lahey
Maria Julia Perez	Howard Chubbuck	Martin Petrucci	Barbara Dee	Carol Helfin	Geraldine Nakawngu
Eliana Taveres	Olga Barritta	Carol Foe	Carol Casino	Joseph Jonathan Cem	Arthur Shapiro
Betty Whitehead	Ann Fitzsimmons	Wileta Boswel	Evelyn Parik	Donna D.	Alyce Stewart
Manny Parente	Kevin Lyman	Rafael Rosario	Joyce Swiatek	Raul T. Palomata	Amy Guidroz
Ms. Gloria Nikki	Stacy Boland	Carmelina Carrera	Marina Gomez	Audrey & Tony Corio	Karen Nestor
Michael Clifford Jr.	Peter "PJ" Pascalli	Paula Wegg	Ellen Morales	Ken Popan	Stephanie M. Kratzel
Carolyn Misiewicz	Janice & Paul Pugliese	Jessica Boland	Florence Lyman	John-Paul Alfaro	Kristen Clifford
Joann Kisielewski	Gloria Sprague	Patricia & Rob Schmidt	Jennifer Daily	Jaxson Rivera	Jacek Krasowski
Richard Dziuban	Norbert Neidenbach	Debbie Bujalski	Amanda & Christine Porceli	Samuel Carrera	Louis Pepe
Craig Soper	Kathleen Economou Grice	Claire Mosende	Flordeliza Arokiaswamy	Brian Dougherty	Bozena Economou
Elizabeth Pociask	Monica Niemczyk Layman	Geraldine Drust	Gladys & James Narcisco	Virginia Dizon	Bishop Bootkoski
Michael Torrese	Suzanne Sarisky	Cecylia Niemczyk	Jack & Rita Bryson	Jerzy Garbowski	Kenneth Economou
Katherine Hickey	David Preston	Anthony Preston	Edwin Skrobacz	Adele Garzone	Kayleon Stewart
Jackie Petys	Kayla Chrostowski	Nenita B. Palomata	R. Lee Bilon, N3RB	Gloria Reichley	Gregory Brigando
Luke Reno	Mirabella Parota	Sashya Hewavitharana	Elsie Martinez	Cecilia Prisca	Gloria Pysarchyk
Bill Singerline	Akhtar Javed	Faith Karas			

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.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE,

The contrite sinner comes before Christ in the person of the priest who hears the sins, imposes a penance and absolves the sinner in the name and the power of Christ.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is the first sacrament of Christian initiation, a symbolic washing with water that signifies spiritual purification and rebirth into the Christian faith. It is a foundational sacrament and is seen as a necessary step for those seeking to join the Church and participate in other sacraments. ."

SACREMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The anointing of the sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. It is most likely one of the last sacraments one will receive. A sacrament is an outward sign established by Jesus Christ to confer inward grace. In more basic terms, it is a rite that is performed to convey God's grace to the recipient, through the power of the Holy Spirit. The priest anoints the sick person's forehead and hands with oil (usually in the form of a cross), saying: "Through this holy anointing, may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit.



RECEIVING THE HOST IN YOUR HAND

- ◆ Extend both hands palms up toward the Priest/Eucharistic Minister, placing one hand directly on top of the other hand.
- ◆ The Priest/Eucharistic minister will hold the Host in front of you and say, "The Body of Christ..
- ◆ The correct response is simply "Amen. No other response should be said.
- ◆ The Priest/Eucharistic minister will then place the Host on your open palm. Do not attempt to grab the Host from the minister with your fingers.
- ◆ Once the Host has been placed in your hand, immediately consume the Host as you stand facing toward the altar.

RECEIVING THE HOST IN YOUR MOUTH

- ◆ After the Priest/Eucharistic minister holds the Host in front of you and says The Body of Christ and you respond Amen.
- ◆ Tilt your head backwards, open your mouth and stick out your tongue.
- ◆ The Priest/Eucharistic Minister will then place the Host on your tongue.
- ◆ Once you feel the Host on your tongue, take the Host into your mouth with your tongue.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

- ◆ "Both children and adults can make a spiritual communion. They may come forward with their arms crossed and bow before the Eucharist.
- ◆ Then the priest or deacon could say to them kindly, "Receive the Lord Jesus in your heart."



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.

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.**

Admission:

5 & under free

6-12 —\$5.00

Adults —\$12.00

Seniors—\$10.00 (65 & over)

* *Donations of paper towels, napkins, water bottles, soda cans, salads, snacks, desserts and other prepared food items are greatly appreciated.*

* *Please drop off all donations at Parish Office
Bring your own seating and Bring your own wine or beer.*

Volunteers Needed

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

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



Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the
**Basilica of the
National Shrine of
the Immaculate
Conception**
Washington, D.C.
with Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA,
Bishop of Metuchen
September 20, 2025



Faithful Pilgrims of Hope
can obtain a plenary
indulgence.
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for more information.

For parish bus trips,
please email Angela Marshall at
amarshall@diometuchen.org
or call 732-562-1543.



**2000
Hail Mary's**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
2000 HAIL MARY'S EVERY
2ND SATURDAY OF EVERY
MONTH BEGINNING AT 7AM
IN THE ADORATION CHAPEL**

**WHETHER YOU ARE A REGULAR
PARISHIONER OR A FIRST-TIME VISITOR,
WE EXTEND A WARM INVITATION TO ALL!**

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JULY/AUGUST 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Air Conditioning Rosary via Zoom	14 Rosary via Zoom	15 Rosary via Zoom	16 Rosary via Zoom	17 Rosary via Zoom	18 Rosary via Zoom
20 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Rosary via Zoom	21 Rosary via Zoom	22 Pilgrimage to Shrines in Philadelphia, PA Rosary via Zoom	23 Rosary via Zoom	24 Rosary via Zoom	25 Rosary via Zoom
27 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Improvement Fund Rosary via Zoom	28 Rosary via Zoom	29 Rosary via Zoom	30 Rosary via Zoom	31 Rosary via Zoom	1 Rosary via Zoom
3 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish Picnic Mission Cooperative Plan Rosary via Zoom	4 Rosary via Zoom	5 Rosary via Zoom	6 Rosary via Zoom	7 Rosary via Zoom	8 Rosary via Zoom
					2 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Healing Mass 12pm Mission Cooperative Plan Rosary via Zoom
					3 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm 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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Iglesia Santa Cecelia - 13 de julio 2025



15º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

“Pero un samaritano que iba de viaje, al verlo, se compadeció de él: -Lc 10,33

Las lecturas del 13 de julio del 2025

Domingo: Dt 30, 10-14/Sal 68, 14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36. 37 (ver 33)/Col 1, 15-20/Lc 10, 25-37

Lunes: Ex 1, 8-14. 22/Sal 123, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8/Mt 10, 34-11, 1

Martes: Ex 2, 1-15/Sal 68, 3. 14. 30-31. 33-34/Mt 11, 20-24

Miércoles: Ex 3, 1-6. 9-12/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 6-7/Mt 11, 25-27

Jueves: Ex 3, 13-20/Sal 104, 1 y 5. 8-9. 24-25. 26-27/Mt 11, 28-30

Viernes: Ex 11, 10-12, 14/Sal 115, 12-13. 15 y 16. 17-18/Mt 12, 1-8

Sábado: Ex 12, 37-42/Sal 135, 1 y 23-24. 10-12. 13-15/Mt 12, 14-21

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

1ª Lectura: Moisés le enseñó al israelita que el Señor no está lejos, sino cerca de cada uno de nosotros. ¿Cuándo fue un momento en el que te sentiste especialmente cerca de Dios?

2ª Lectura: La lectura de hoy es un poema compuesto por Pablo para describir la divinidad y la supremacía de Jesús. ¿Cómo expresas tus pensamientos acerca de Jesús a los demás?

Evangelio: En la parábola del buen samaritano, Jesús le enseña al intérprete de la ley que un prójimo es cualquier persona a la que tratas con misericordia. ¿A quién podrías tratar con misericordia esta semana?

Salmo Responsorial

Tus palabras, Señor, son Espíritu y vida. (Sal 19)

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

“Vete y haz tú lo mismo” (Lucas 10:37). Esta parábola es muy rica en enseñanza. Si revisamos nuestra propia vida, descubriremos que en diferentes circunstancias actuamos como los personajes representados en ella. ¿Cuántas veces hemos sido como el que pasó de largo y se hizo el que no vio lo que pasaba? Y lo hacemos con frecuencia en la propia familia: vemos el sufrimiento y pensamos: “Solo les pasa a ellos por no poner cuidado o por tontos.” Hoy pongamos atención en el posadero que, al pedido del buen samaritano, cumplió con su trabajo al pie de la letra. En lenguaje actual se llama responsabilidad y cuidado. Pidamos al Señor que nos dé la apertura e iniciativa del samaritano, pero también la responsabilidad del posadero, para que sanara el hombre que fue asaltado.

¿Cuántas veces nosotros damos rodeos para ayudar a alguien en necesidad? ¿Qué podemos aprender hoy de esta enseñanza de Jesús? El hombre no tiene nombre, precisamente, porque nos representa a cualquiera de nosotros que necesita cuidado. Hombre o mujer de cualquier raza o nación está implícito en esta parábola. ¡Es la historia de la humanidad a través de los años! Sin embargo, existe otro pequeño detalle para dar ayuda al que está en apuros: acercarte y escuchar su historia para poder curar sus heridas. A veces nos toca pagar a alguien para que haga el trabajo; otras veces, hacerlo nosotros. Y es ahí donde está el secreto: hacerlo juntos en Cristo.

Lunes a las 7:30pm

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Santa
MISA
de Sanación

2 de Agosto

12:00pm de la tarde

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 después el 30 de Junio del 2025:

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

Pagos después del 31 de Agosto 2025:

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

Rifa

50/50

Querida familia parroquial,

Todos los años se organiza una Rifa Súper 50/50 para el beneficio/necesidades de la parroquia. Una vez mas, les pedimos su 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.

Meta \$30,000
Cantidad Actual \$6,245

PICNIC

\$12 Adultos

\$10 Señores (65 años y mas)

\$ 5 Niños 6-12 años

\$ 0 (Menos de 5 años)

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

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



Recuerda la Fecha

Cena y Baile de los Vocationistas
8 de Noviembre
Birchwood Manor

6 de Julio 2025

In-pew \$ 7,565.00
Faith Direct \$ 2,031.00
Total \$ 9,596.00

7 de Julio 2024

In-pew \$ 7,889.00
Faith Direct \$ 1,995.10
Total \$ 9,884.00

Ofrendas

29 de Junio 2025

In-pew \$ 8,030.50
Faith Direct \$ 2,031.00
Total \$ 10,061.50

30 de Junio 2024

In-pew \$ 7,697.50
Faith Direct \$ 1,995.10
Total \$ 9,692.60

Óbolo de San Pedro 2025

In-pew \$ 1,529.00
Faith Direct \$ 0.00
Total \$ 1,529.00

Óbolo de San Pedro 2024

In-pew \$ 1,986.50
Faith Direct \$ 218.00
Total \$ 2,204.50

EN GENERAL, ALGUNOS PUNTOS PARA RECORDAR:

Gracias a todos por su generoso apoyo. Agradecemos enormemente su cooperación, la cual nos ayudará a gestionar las donaciones. Por favor, tengan en cuenta lo siguiente:

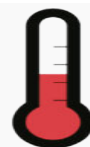
Feligreses registrados: Si utilizan un sobre en blanco y no tienen número de sobre, por favor escriban su nombre y dirección.

***Nuestros Equipos de Conteo les recuerdan que deben escribir con claridad la cantidad que adjunten en sus sobres.**

Donaciones de feligreses no registrados: Si utilizan los sobres del atrio y no están registrados, por favor escriban una nota indicando que desean hacerse feligreses.

La Campaña de Capital en Faith Direct: Cualquier donación a la campaña debe hacerse directamente a esa colecta. Por favor, no apliquen fondos al Fondo de Mejoras de Edificios con una nota que indique que son para la Campaña.

Faith Direct les brinda la oportunidad de donar tanto a nuestras colectas semanales como a las especiales. Si desean registrarse para donaciones electrónicas, visiten el sitio web de nuestra parroquia en www.stcecelia.org o www.faithdirect.net

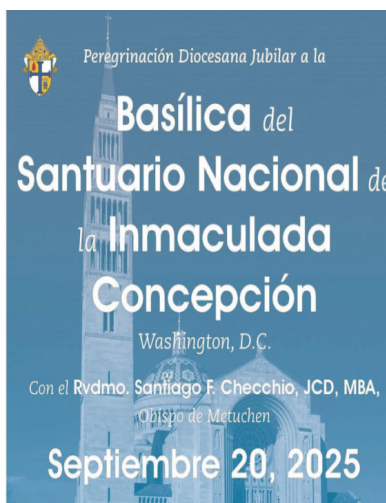


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Meta \$750,000

Compromiso de \$542,530

Donaciones Recibidas \$185,267



Fieles Peregrinos de Esperanza Pueden obtener la Indulgencia Plenaria.

Para buses en las parroquias, por favor contacte a Angela Marshall amarshall@diometuchen.org o llame al 732-562-1543.

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