

ST. CECELIA CHURCH

SUNDAY, February 8, 2026



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You are the light of the world.

A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house.” Mt 5:14-16



*St. Cecilia,
Pray for Us*

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Parish Office

Monday-Thursday 8am-4pm
Friday 8am-12pm
Closed Saturday & Sunday

Confession

Saturday 9:00am-10:30am &
3:15pm-4:00 pm or
by appointment 732-283-2300.

Parish Gift Shop

Mon.-Thur. 10:00am-1:00pm - Fri. Closed
Sat. 3pm-6:00pm - Sun. 10am-12:30pm

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

Mass Intentions & Memorials

Mass Intention \$10-Bread & Wine \$25
Altar Flowers \$75-Sanctuary Candle \$25
St Joseph & Blessed Mary Flowers \$50
Purgatorial Mass Card \$15
Sacramental Certificate \$10
3 Month Votive Candle \$75

Adoration Chapel

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

If the Tabernacle doors are closed, please open them to expose the Blessed Sacrament. If you are the last person to leave, please close the Tabernacle doors, the Exposed Blessed Sacrament should never be left unattended. Turn off the lights when leaving, ensuring the switches are fully pressed down.

New to the Parish?

Welcome! To register you may visit the Parish Office in person, enroll online at www.stcecelia.com, or call the Parish Office at 732-283-2300. Upon registering, please provide copies of all your sacramental records. Family members age 18 and older are asked to register independently, as an adult.

Sacraments

Sponsor Letter To be eligible as a sponsor, an individual must:

- Have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation.
- Be an active Catholic who is registered at St. Cecelia Parish, attends Mass regularly, supports the Church, and leads a life in accordance with the teachings of the Church.
- If married, be in a valid Christian marriage that is recognized by the Church. We are only able to provide letters of eligibility for parishioners who meet all of the above criteria. Original Baptism and/or Confirmation certificates for both God-parents must be presented to the Parish Office. These requirements are universal laws of the Church and do not vary by parish.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

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

The Order of Christian Initiation (O.C.I.A.)

O.C.I.A. is the process through which Non-Catholics who are interested in becoming members of the Roman Catholic Church and/or Baptized Catholics who wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation are guided through prayer, instruction, and community support. Classes will begin the second week of September. For more information, please contact: Sister Anna at (732) 283-2816.

Marriage Preparation:

Registered parishioners may begin making wedding arrangements **at least 1 year** in advance of the proposed wedding date. **Please note:** The Church must confirm and approve the wedding date **before** any other wedding plans are finalized. To begin the process, please contact the Parish Office at 732-283-2300 to schedule an appointment with a priest and secure your date.

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 coordinated in advance with the Priest who will be officiating the wedding.

Floral Arrangements:

- *May not be placed in front of the altar.
- *They may be placed on the sides, in front of the pulpit, or somewhere else in the sanctuary.
- *Do not use tape, glue, putty, staples or wire on the pews to attach flowers or ribbons.

Additional Restrictions:

- *Throwing rice, rose petals, confetti, bird seed, or any other materials that leave residue is not permitted.
- *Pets are not allowed with the exception of service animals.

Ministry to the Sick or Homebound:

If a loved one is in need of a priest for the Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office any time at 732-283-2300. Our priests are always on call to serve those in need. For regular Communion, visits to the sick, elderly, or homebound, please make arrangements in advance through the Parish Office.

House Blessing

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 for families to receive a special blessing!

Devotions

Novenas- St. Jude and Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, after 8am Sat. Mass.
Divine Mercy Chaplet- on Fridays after 7am & 9:15 am Mass.
First Fridays- 6pm Adoration, and 7pm Mass.
2000 Hail Marys- Every 2nd Saturdays of the Month.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 2/7/2026 Weekend

8:00am †Crispin Recondo Jr. req. Maria Palang
†Aurora Camacho & Soriano req. Quevada Family
Vigil Mass

4:30pm †Deceased Members of the Keleher & Kolibas
Families req. Denise & Martin Kolibas
Special Intention - Fernando B. Alves
req. Patricia Misiewicz

Sunday 2/8/2026 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Living & Deceased

9:30am †Cesar Raymundo Sr. req. The Family
†Ellen Wageman req. Wageman Family

11:30am †Frank & Adorisia Hill req. Ed & Joan Honchen
†Ramona Shekhar req. Jacinta & Peter Fernandes

Monday 2/9/2026 Weekday

7:00am †Celene Hamada req. Gail & Cynthia Munar

9:15am Special Intention - Suchuli Premaratne req. Sashya
†Celine Hamada req. Sylvia Lacsina

Tuesday 2/10/2026 St. Scholastica

7:00am †Eugene Washington req. Terri & Bob Solecki

9:15am †Pacifco Chito Magahis Sr. req. Quevada Family
†John Holmes req. Teresa Clifford & Family

Wednesday 2/11/2026 Weekday

7:00am Intentions of Parishioners

9:15am Special Intention -Fr. Deniskingsley & Vocationist
Fathers req. Anonymous
†Thomas W Ellsworth req. Sister Anna

Thursday 2/12/2026 Weekday

7:00 am Intentions of Parishioners

9:15am †Gabriel Pardal req. Campos Family
Special Intention- Kristen Clifford req. Family

Friday 2/13/2026 Weekday

7:00am Intentions of the Parishioners

9:15am †John Craig req. Joan Craig
†Leonila Songco req. Quevada Family

Saturday 2/14/2026 St. Cyril

8:00am †Nelly Senon Calvo req. Joe & Gigi Drust
†Sean P. McTague req. Leonor

Vigil Mass

4:30pm †Charles Miele req. Genevieve Vitale
†Deceased members of the Banko & Napiorski
Families req. Christine Napiorski

Sunday 2/15/2026 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Living & Deceased

9:30am †Mathew Attumalil req. Jessy Chamakalayil
†Eugene Washington req. Lahey Brothers

11:30am †John Quitero req. Fernandes Family
†Pedrinha Moraes req. Jacinta & Peter Fernandes

2000 HAIL MARY'S

PLEASE JOIN US EVERY
2nd SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH
BEGINNING AT 7:30 AM IN THE
ADORATION CHAPEL.

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



A Time to Mourn
Thomas W. Ellsworth
Edna M. Moreira
Matthew W. Osuch

Responsorial Psalm:

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. (Ps 112)

Readings for the week of February 8, 2026

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/
Mt 5:13-16

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/
Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/
Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/
Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-
22/Mk 8:1-10

You're Invited!

Life Choices Resource Center, Metuchen, NJ

Annual Charity Banquet

Sunday, February 22, 2026, 4 to 8 pm

Pines Manor, Edison, NJ

\$85 per person (covers cost of dinner)

Tricky Tray and 50/50

Please join us in a celebration for LIFE! Come and witness God's love in action with us as we "Walk with Moms in Need". Enjoy a night filled with the inspiration of those we serve and those who join in our mission of saving babies and helping families although the world tells them something different.

Please call us for reservations or donations

For more information: (732) 516-0911.

R.S.V.P. by 2/9/26 LifeChoicesRC.com



Anniversary Mass

In celebration of Valentine's Day, our parish will hold a special Anniversary Mass. During the Mass, certificates will be presented to couples who wish to celebrate their anniversary, or who wish to renew their vows. To help us plan accordingly all interested individuals are kindly asked to clip the form and register with the parish office no later than **February 11, 2026**. Please indicate the number of attendees. Registration is open to parishioners and non-parishioners.

Following the Mass there will be a cutting of the cake and refreshments in Lourdes Hall. Sign up sheet is available in the atrium and parish office. We look forward to celebrating this joyful occasion with you.

Couple's First & Last Name: Please Print Clearly

Cellphone #: _____

Date of Wedding: _____

Years Married (as of 2/14/26): _____

Number of Attendees at Lourdes Hall: _____

Faith Formation

2/8/2026	Family Mass 9:30am Hosted by Grades 8 Presentation of Service Hours
2/9/2026	Faith Formation 5:45pm- 7:15pm
2/11/2026	Parents Meeting for First Penance & Holy Communion 6-7pm
2/16/2026	No Faith Formation Classes
2/18/2026	Ash Wednesday
2/20/2026	Mass & Stations of the Cross 6:00pm
2/23/2026	Faith Formation 5:45pm- 7:15pm Grade 2 Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:00pm
2/27/2026	Mass & Stations of the Cross 6:00pm
3/2/2026	No Faith Formation—Winter Break

GIFT CARDS

All gift cards purchased through our parish have **no activation or service fees**. Gift Cards are available all year long. When buying gift cards at retail stores, additional fees often apply meaning you may pay more for the same value. Gift Cards are available before and after all Masses or in the Parish Office. Support St. Cecelia and get full value for every dollar.

To view available brands visit
<https://www.raisesight.com/brands> or
To register on line:
<https://www.raisesight.com/enroll/DCL9571831148>.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS URGENTLY NEED

The Food Pantry is in *desperate need of non-perishable food items*. Please consider donating one or more items and place them in the Food Pantry box outside the Parish Office.

Open: Tuesdays 10am-12pm-cfoodP@gmail.com

Canned Yams- Canned Pasta - Dry Pasta -
Dried Milk - Toothpaste - Shampoo - Bar Soap
Syrup - Jelly - Green Beans - Coffee - Tea - Rice
Shop Rite Gift Cards

Gift Cards are available in the Atrium before & after Masses or the Parish Office. Kindly bring the Gift Cards to the Parish Office.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support.
It is greatly appreciated!

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.**

Navix 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 site URL:<https://diometuchen.ethicspoint.com>

Baptism Class

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

Baptisms are celebrated on the **2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 12:30 PM**. **Baptism classes** are held monthly and should be completed **a few months prior to the baptism**. Please note that baptism classes are **valid for three (3) years**. All required documents for **both parents and godparents** must be submitted to the parish office **no later than two weeks before the baptism date**.

Please contact the **Parish Office at (732) 283-2300** to register and make an appointment for the baptism class.



February 8, 2026
You are cordially invited to
join us after all Masses for
good coffee, faith and fellowship.

Rosary Altar Society

A sincere THANK You to all who donated to the "Baby Bottle Blessings" campaign to benefit Life Choices Resource Center in Metuchen.

Donations totaled \$3,872.30

God Bless you for your generosity and kindness.



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. You can scan the QR and be welcomed to the Order. All men over 18 years old are welcome! For more information contact Grand Knight, Elroy Darden at 908-447-9083.



FTL, Jr. Annual Scholarship Essay Contest

The Lacsina Family Foundation
215 N. 5th Street, Suite 1
Harrison, NJ 07029
973-718-9525
scholarship@thelacsinaff.org

• Scholarship Details:

- *Amount \$3,500.00.
- *Accepting Submission from
March 1, 2026 to July 6, 2026.
- *Winner announced: August 1, 2026.

• Applicant Requirements:

- *Practicing Roman Catholic.
- *Entering the eighth grade in a Roman Catholic elementary school.
- *Demonstrate financial need.
- *Finalist will need to provide proof of family income.
- *Provide a report card showing a B or better average in each subject (minor & major).
- *Submit a teacher recommendation letter.
- *Submit a Pastor affirmation letter.

• Essay:

- *Write a five-hundred word essay on "Why Should Families Be at the Center of Important Decisions for Young People."

Pastor's Weekly Digest



Living Faith That Makes a Difference

Dear brother and sisters,

On this Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A, all the readings speak with one voice that authentic faith lies in faith that is lived, faith that becomes visible in practical and concrete love. Christianity is not primarily about beautiful ideas, eloquent words, or hidden devotion. It is also about a life that makes God's goodness tangible in the world.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah (58:7-10) delivers a strong message from God. Religious practices such as fasting, prayer, or sacrifice lose their meaning when they are disconnected from justice and compassion. God desires a faith that feeds the hungry, shelters the homeless, clothes the naked, and breaks every form of oppression. And God makes a powerful promise for those who see their faith as an instrument of goodness. God says, "Your light shall break forth like the dawn." Light comes because of love in action. This reminds us that holiness is not escape from the world but engagement with its wounds.

The Responsorial Psalm (112) deepens this vision by describing the righteous person whose life reflects God's own character. Such a person is generous, merciful, and just, and even in darkness, their "light shines through." This light is steady, quiet, and reliable. Many saints lived exactly this kind of hidden but radiant holiness. Saint Joseph, for example, never speaks a single word in Scripture, yet his obedience, humility, and care for Mary and Jesus still shine as a guiding light for the Church. His faith was not loud, but it was faithful, and therefore powerful.

In the second reading, Saint Paul reminds the Corinthians (2:1-5) that he did not come to them with impressive language or human wisdom. He came in weakness, trusting that faith would rest not on personality or rhetoric but on the power of God. This is an important correction for us. Sometimes we think we must be experts, eloquent speakers, or perfect examples before we can witness to Christ. Paul shows us otherwise. God works precisely through our simplicity and humility. For example, Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus lived this truth through her "little way." She did not perform great public works, but she offered small acts of love each day, such as patience, kindness, acceptance. Today she is a Doctor of the Church, teaching us that small, hidden acts done with great love can change the world.

In the Gospel (Mt. 5:13-16), Jesus brings all these insights together when he declares, "You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world." Salt preserves and gives flavor; light reveals and guides. Both must be used to be effective. Faith that remains private and inactive loses its purpose. Jesus does not say, "Try to become light," but "You are light." The question is whether we allow that light to shine.

The lives of the saints show us what this looks like in practice. Saint Teresa of Calcutta became light among the poorest of the poor, not through grand speeches, but through daily acts of compassion such as washing wounds, holding the dying, or affirming the dignity of those forgotten by society. Saint Maximilian Kolbe shone as light in the darkness of Auschwitz by offering his life for another prisoner. His faith was not theoretical; it was total self-gift. These saints lived the Gospel exactly as Jesus describes, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

Closer to home, this call applies to ordinary situations. For example, these acts of practical Christianity show in a Catholic who refuses corruption at work, a parent who teaches faith by example rather than lectures, or a parishioner who quietly visits the sick or welcomes newcomers. These are modern forms of sainthood. Faith becomes credible when it is lived consistently.

As a practical, hands-on exercise this week, we can choose one deliberate act of light each day. We might write down one concrete way we will serve someone such as sharing a meal, offering forgiveness, listening without judgment, or giving time to someone who feels invisible. Families can make this act a simple evening reflection by asking, "Where did we act as salt and light today?" Over time, these small actions form a habit of holiness.

In conclusion, the message of this Sunday is clear and challenging. True faith always leaves a trace; it always illuminates something beyond itself. When our faith feeds the hungry, comforts the suffering, speaks truth with love, and brings hope into dark places, then our lives proclaim the Gospel more convincingly than any words. This is the faith that Isaiah calls light, the Psalm praises as righteousness, Paul trusts as God's power, and Jesus commands us to live.

Peace be with you.

Fr. Deniskingsley.

**DONATIONS
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: Please include a note with your name & contact information if you would like to register, you may also contact the Parish Office.

The Capital Campaign on Faith Direct: Any donations given to the Campaign must be done directly to the Campaign. Please do not apply funds to any other regular or special collections with a note that it is for the Capital Campaign.

Faith Direct provides you the opportunity to give to our weekly, 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
www.faithdirect.net or scan
code to sign up NJ425.



Year end Contribution Statements

Tax Statements will be available towards the end of January. To request your copy, please provide the Parish Office with a self addressed stamped envelope (9 1/2 x 4).



	January 25, 2026		January 26, 2025	
Offerings +	In-pew	\$ 6,604.50	In-pew	\$ 6,489.50
	Faith Direct	\$ 1,985.10	Faith Direct	\$ 2,021.85
	Total	\$ 8,589.60	Total	\$ 8,871.85
	Together in Charity 2026		Together in Charity 2025	
	In-pew	\$ 1,227.00	In-pew	\$ 2,329.00
	Faith Direct	\$ 62.00	Faith Direct	\$ 57.00
	Total	\$ 1,289.00	Total	\$ 2,386.00
	February 1, 2026		February 2, 2025	
	In-pew	\$ 8,555.00	In-pew	\$ 6,929.00
	Faith Direct	\$ 1,985.00	Faith Direct	\$ 2,021.85
	Total	\$ 10,540.00	Total	\$ 8,950.85
	Snow Removal 2026		Snow Removal 2025	
In-pew	\$ 2,368.00	In-pew	\$ 1,945.00	
Faith Direct	\$ 473.00	Faith Direct	\$ 149.00	
Total	\$ 2,841.00	Total	\$ 2,094.00	

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

7:00am—9:15am
12:00pm—7:00pm

Palms from previous years are collected to be burned, creating the ashes used for the cross on parishioners' foreheads. If you would like to donate your old palms, please bring them to the Parish Office before 2/15/2026.



The Parish Office will be Closed

February 16 in Observance of
Presidents' Day. No 7am Mass, only
9:15am.

93% OF OUR PLEDGE GOAL & 61% OF OUR CASH GOAL FROM OVER 220 PARISHIONERS!

There Is Still Time to Make Your Pledge

Please Respond

As we shift from the summer months into the fall, we are resuming our capital campaign efforts. Our goal is to complete the active phase within a few weeks. Please consider making a pledge, either online or by using the pledge forms in the pews. Your participation will ensure we reach our goal.

What's Next?

We kindly appeal to Parishioners who have made a pledge to please begin fulfilling their pledges. For those considering a onetime contribution, we greatly welcome your support. Your timely contributions are essential as we work together toward securing the necessary support from the Diocese to begin critical repairs to our Roof and HVAC System. Your timely contributions are crucial. *The Diocese requires that we have 75% of our \$750,000, goal. That is, \$562,500, in cash on hand before we can move forward with these critical repairs. To date we only have \$346,076.55 cash on hand or 61% of our cash on hand goal.*

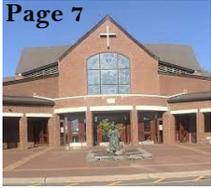
Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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

Goal \$750,000
Total Pledge \$699,165.00
Received \$346,076.55

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





St. Cecelia Church

Our Family of Faith Looks to the Future.

THANK YOU! To the following families for making pledge commitments toward our current **Capital Campaign Goal of \$750,000.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated!
Only through the participation of **all Parish Families** can we achieve our goal.
We sincerely apologize for any misspellings or omissions. Please contact the Parish Office if corrections are needed.

Anonymous 51	Duran, Rodrigo & Dinora	Long, Thomas	Scala, Mary Anne
Abuan, Mr & Mrs Leonard	Economou, Ted & Bozena	Lopez, Adolfo	Scalia, Laura & Giacomo T
Adegun, Mr. & Mrs. Tayo & Family	Eddington, James & Christine	Madsen, Charlotte & Christian	Schartz, Elizabeth
Adikaladas, Amala	Ellsworth, Tom \$ Julia	Maldonado & Colaso, Kailyn & Romeo	Schultz, John & Barbara
Almeida, Nelson	Espiritu, Domingo & Virginia	Magara, Maira	Scornavacca, Salvatore & Cleo
Amala, Arasu & Family	Faszczewski, James & Mary	Maliniak, Patricia	Selvaras, Kathik & Siriam
Amarra, Gerard & Yllana	Fernandes, Peter & Jacinta	Manolo, Francisco & Aida	Shaw, Marilyn & Family
Amarra, Mafelina	Fernandes, Vincent & Naina	Mariam, Rufina Anthony	Smith, Jeremiah & Jane
Amegatse, Elizabeth	Flowers, Ken & Cindy	Marte, Jimmy	Smith Family
Anthony, Judith	Forstenhausler, Jean in memory of	Medley, James & Miriam	Solecki, Robert & Theresa
Antoci, Giuseppe	Irene Forstenhausler	Mendoza, Ernesto & Zenaida	Solecki Family
Anufore, Prisca	Frost, Barbara & Family	Mignone, Diane	Soper, Patricia
Armand, Rico & Carmel	Furtado, Vijai	Miklasavige, Donald & Judith	Soriaga, Renato & Fe
Asirvatham, Karunya	Genoroso, Gian, Cristal, & Cecelia	Mikulak, John & Anna	Sosa, Steve & Alma
Atienza, Aldrian & Elvira	Georgindis, John	Miller, Clayton & Suzanne	Strauss, Virginia
Austria, Gil Gerard	Gesumaria, Donna in memory of my	Minue, Carl & Joanne	Strzepek, Jerry & Sophie
Baker, Joseph & Geraldine	parents Nancy & Cosmo Rossi	Mraz, Larry & Judy	Sylvestro, Gerard & Yvonne
Batista, Alberto & Gloria	Gisbey, Daniel	Munar, Galicano & Cynthia	Szakielo, Philip & Irene
Beebe, Alfred & Joanne	Glass, Jessica	Muretta, Bruce & Carmela	Taragano Family
Bergbauer, William & Margaret	Gochuico. Jose, Rene & Ela	Navarro, Susan	Terryne, Edwardraj
Blaha, Ken & Kathy	Gochuico, Rene & Ela Honchen-	Niemczyk, Cecylia in loving memory for	Thara Mercy Thomas
Bonsol, Renelito	Gonzalez, Roland & Debra	Kazimierz	Thompson, Lisa M.
Branco, Adelina	Grust Family	Noel & Plowden Families	Thorsen, Louis & Christine
Briones, Ian & Virginia	Harrel, Melissa	Novak, Frank	Tiacoaya Pineda, Rogelia
Brown, Lorraine	Harring, Arthur M	Ongtiong, Enriqueito & Elaine Santiago	Toczynski, Mirosław John & Valerie
Bryson, Jack & Rita	Hedian, Jorge & Gladys	Osborne, Patricia	Toth, Mathew & Marilyn
Burgoyne, Dorianne & Daniel	Hewavitharana, Sashya	O'Sullivan, Elaine	Truppner, Lisa
Butfiloski, Robert	Honchen, Joan	Owunna, Clement & Chinelo	Valdes, Eloisa E.
Cadiz, Rainiel & Almah	Icasas, Corazon	Partyka, Thomas & Colette	Vedanayagan, Colin
Caliendo, Judith	Idnay, William, Jr. & Maribelle	Paulo, Barbara	Victorino, Severino & Gemma
Calingasan, Mario & Elena	& Family	Pepe, Deacon Anthony & Lisa	Vitale, Genevieve & Benjamin
Carniglia, Margaret	Ignatius Family	Perera, Victor & Manel	Wageman, Arthur Ellen
Canete, Family	Jacobsen, Anna L	Perera, Nishanthe	Wahl, Frances
Cangemi, Michael & Maria	Janson Family	Piegari, Margherita	Washington, Eugene & Elizabeth
Canova, John P	Javier, Ana	Pierre, Calixte Jean	Werner, George & Maureen
Carrillo, Nicanor & Eleanor	Javier, Gerard & Vergie	Pinto, John	Wyzykowski, Maureen in memory
Carillo, Nicanor & Lelet	Jeeva, Jolly Joseph, &	Praveen, Joseph	of Donald Wyzykowski
Cartwright, Mary	Jeyaraj Eshove, Stephen & Family	Pysarchyk, Gloria	Yglesias, Ricardo & Isabel
Causing, Angela	Johnson, Rose	Qua, Geoffrey, Mr & Mrs	Yonone, Michael & Roberta
Celestino, Richard	Johnson, Barbara	Quevada, Archie & Lelet	
Chacko, Josephine	Johny, Josy	Quintana, Luz	
Chesky, Family	Jones, William	Racelis, Leovina	
Ciotto, Dolores Ann	Jones, Robinson	Raghunath, Meenhama & Amarnath	
Conticelli, Vincent	Joyce, William	Rajput, Jatin & Shyny	
Conway, Lawrence & Elizabeth	Karpiej, Ronald & Deborah	Rao, Nirmal Kumar Prakash	
Conova, John	Kayiwa, Family	Resuma, Redentor & Erlinda	
Coyle, Mary Ann P.	Kmiotek, Family	Retkwa, Jerry & Jean	
Crosgrove, Susan	Knights of Columbus	Reyes, Victoriano & Crisanta	
Cudal, Heidi G	Kolibas, Martin & Denise	Rico, Armand	
Cudal, Maria	Kondracki, Diane	Rodriguez, Faustino	
Curtis, Christopher & Christine	Kopacz, Richard & Joyce	Rodriguez, Mariset	
Debelen, Redentor & Erlinda	Kumor, Family	Rodriguez, Rosa	
Dercoz, Lynn Marie	Kuzma, Jeffrey & Barbara	Roglieri, Anthony & Jacqueline	
Devaraj, Gnanarani	Lacsina Family Foundation	Rosary Altar Society	
Devaraj, Pooramaram	Ladis, Theasa	Ruggiero, Family	
Di Como, Anthony & Janet	Larobis, Charles & Rowena	Rusich, Luciano & Angela	
Dietze, Carmela	LaRouche, Carol	Salcedo, Mark & Cecile	
Dizon, Virginia	Leiggi Family	Salibanla Anita	
D'Mello, Leonard & Veera	Lisacchi, Family	Sanchez, Ingrid	
Dumapit, Irma & Inocencio	Lobo, Joseph Sebastian Chellaswamy	Saravia, Ana	
	Ananthi & Family	Saubandla, Anita	
	Lombardi, Richard	Savage, Edward	

Sick Relatives & Friends

Gloria Reichley	Cathy (Napiorski) Harris	Jamie Nestor	Ryan Michael	Valentina Aubrey	Jolene Ochoa
Gail Rezmerski	Shawn Ekatan	Marietta M.	Raymond Kneckel	Lucas Aubrey	Steven Lahey
Maria Julia Perez	Olga Barritta	Robert Maurer	Elaine Dziuban	Anna P. Piscitello	Geraldine Nakawngu
Eliana Taveres	Ann Fitzsimmons	Martin Petrucci	Barbara Dee	Carol Helfin	Arthur Shapiro
Betty Whitehead	Kevin Lyman	Carol Foe	Carol Casino	Joseph Jonathan Cem	Alyce Stewart
Manny Parente	Stacy Boland	Wiletta Boswel	Evelyn Pank	Donna D.	Amy Guidroz
Ms. Gloria Nikki	Peter "PJ" Pascalli	Rafael Rosario	Joyce Swiatek	Raul T. Palomata	Karen Nestor
Michael Clifford Jr.	Janice & Paul Pugliese	Carmelina Carrera	Marina Gomez	Audrey & Tony Corio	Stephanie M. Kratzel
Carolyn Misiewicz	Gloria Sprague	Paula Wegg	Ellen Morales	Ken Popan	Kristen Clifford
Joann Kisielewski	Norbert Neidenbach	Jessica Boland	Amanda & Christine Porceli	John-Paul Alfaro	Jacek Krasowski
Richard Dziuban	Kathleen Economou Grice	Patricia & Rob Schmidt	Flordeliza Arokiaswamy	Jaxson Rivera	Louis Pepe
Craig Soper	Monica Niemczyk Layman	Debbie Bujalski	Gladys & James Narcisco	Samuel Carrera	Bozena Economou
Elizabeth Pociask	Suzanne Sarisky	Claire Mosende	Jack & Rita Bryson	Brian Dougherty	Bishop Bootkoski
Michael Torrese	David Preston	Geraldine Drust	Edwin Skrobacz	Virginia Dizon	Kenneth Economou
Katherine Hickey	Kayla Chrostowski	Cecylia Niemczyk	R. Lee Bilon, N3RB	Jerzy Garbowski	Kayleon Stewart
Jackie Pety	Mirabella Parota	Anthony Preston	Elsie Martinez	Adele Garzone	Gregory Brigando
Luke Reno	Thomas Long	Nenita B. Palomata	Baby John M. Drury	Gloria Reichley	Marianne Brigando
Pauline Garbowski	Mary Spitzer	Sashya Hewavitharana	Cecilia Prisca	Jose do Carmo	Linda Moschella
Elizabeth Cantwell	Elizabeth Preston	Mateo Rozmsh	Christian Rozmsh	Joselito Recondo	Carolyn Coppola
Priyanka & Ujjala Nath	Paul Hrustic	Franklin Pfeifer	Zena John	Blanche Chubbuck	Johnny Mennella
Karl Semkow					

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 LETTER FROM THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
 This past year, we were witnesses to an historic moment in the Catholic Church—the passing of our beloved Pope Francis to his eternal home and the election of Pope Leo XIV, the new successor of Peter. More recently, we witnessed the appointment of Bishop Checchio to his new role as Coadjutor Archbishop of New Orleans. The timing of this transition in our Church hierarchy—happening in the midst of our Jubilee Year of Hope—helped to remind us that God is always with us. Especially during periods of change, the light and strength of the Holy Spirit unites us and gives us the courage to continue our mission of loving and serving God and others. The recent events at the Vatican brought attention to the broad expanse of the Catholic Church. Literally, millions of people from all “walks of life” and from countries around the world are part of the Universal Church. Yet, we are all One in Christ: Called to Love and Serve. As members of our diocesan family of Metuchen, our role in the Universal Church plays out right here in our four beautiful counties of New Jersey... in our parishes, our schools, our hospitals, our various ministries, and in our homes, too. One significant way to effectively accomplish our mission at the local level is to combine our efforts and resources by contributing to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. Your gift helps to ensure that our seminarians, deacons and lay leaders receive the preparation needed to fulfill their calling to serve our faith community. Likewise, you are supporting our efforts to bring Christ to our children and young adults, guiding them as they grow in the knowledge and practice of our Catholic faith. You are also responding to the needs of the poor, disadvantaged and vulnerable throughout our four counties. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the 2026 Bishop’s Annual Appeal. We need every family to join in this great effort. May we continue to embrace God’s call to be one with Him, as we love and serve one another.

Yours in Christ,

Very Reverend Jonathan S. Toborowsky
 Diocesan Administrator



2026 Bishop’s Annual Appeal



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LENTEN OBLIGATIONS

So that the Church of Metuchen may be spiritually one in a common observance of Lent, the following days of fast and abstinence are to be observed by all Catholics of the Diocese who enjoy the blessings of good health:

1. The days of fast and abstinence are **Ash Wednesday (February 18) and Good Friday (April 3)**.
2. The other Fridays during Lent (**February 20 to April 3**) are days of abstinence.
3. Abstinence in the Roman Catholic tradition means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.), applies to all Catholics who have reached the **age of 14**.
4. The obligation to fast applies only to Catholics between the **ages of 18 and 59**. To fast in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to **1 full, as well as 2 smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal**, so as to experience hunger.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection.

The obligation of fast and abstinence, as a whole, is a serious obligation. While failure to observe any penitential day in itself may not be considered serious, the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of them without good cause, would be considered a grave matter. Those unable to abstain for a valid reason on any given Friday of Lent are asked to perform some other penitential act, or to abstain on another day.

<h1>LENT & EASTER</h1>		<h1>ABSTINENCE</h1>		
<p>ASH WEDNESDAY LENT BEGINS</p>  <p>Emphasizes our mortality and our need for ongoing repentance.</p>	<p>DAYS OF FASTING ASH WEDNESDAY GOOD FRIDAY</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>WHAT IS FASTING? One full meal and two smaller meals.</p> </div>		 <p>NO MEAT Mammals, & Fowl</p>	 <p>FISH IS OK Amphibians & Reptiles</p>
<p>PALM SUNDAY</p>  <p>Commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem.</p>	<p>DAYS OF ABSTINENCE ASH WEDNESDAY GOOD FRIDAY EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>WHAT IS ABSTINENCE? No meat.</p> </div>		<p style="text-align: center;">FASTING</p>  <p>1 REGULAR MEAL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p>	
<p>HOLY THURSDAY</p>  <p>Celebrates the Last Supper with the disciples and Passover.</p>	<p>GOOD FRIDAY</p>  <p>We remember the Passion and Jesu' sacrifice for us on the cross.</p>		 <p>2 SMALLER MEALS That together do not equal the regular meal size</p>	
<p>EASTER SUNDAY HE HAS RISEN!</p>  <p>Alleluia! The principal feast of the ecclesiastical year. Jesus has risen</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Easter is an 8 day celebration leading to Easter Season, which ends on Pentecost.</p> </div>	<p>PILLARS OF LENT PRAYER FASTING ALMSGIVING</p>		<p>The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: Baptism.</p>  <p>NO SNACKS</p>	
				

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>8 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Family Mass 9:30am Hosted by Grade 8 Presentation of Service Hours Coffee Fellowship Snow Removal</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>9 Faith Formation Grades 1-8 5:45pm-7:15pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>10 OCIA 7pm-8pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>11 Parents meeting for 1st Penance & Holy Communion 6pm-7pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>14 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Wedding Anniversary Mass 10am Catholic Spirit</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>
<p>15 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Catholic Spirit</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>16 Presidents Day No 7am Mass Only 9:15am Mass No Faith Formation Parish Office Closed</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>17 OCIA 7pm-8pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>18 Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule 7:00am 9:15am 12:00pm 7:00pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>20 Lenten Friday Mass & Stations of the Cross 6pm. Hosted by Fr. Albert</p>  <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>21 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Improvement Fund</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>
<p>22 1st Sunday of Lent Improvement Fund</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>23 Faith Formation Grades 1-8 5:45pm-7:15pm Grade 2 Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation 6pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>24 OCIA 7pm-8pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>27 Lenten Friday Mass & Stations of the Cross 6pm. Hosted by Brother Aaron</p>  <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>28 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>
<p>1 2nd Sunday of Lent</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>2 No Faith Formation</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>3 OCIA 7pm-8pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>6 Lenten Friday Mass & Stations of the Cross 6pm. Hosted by Sister Alice</p>  <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>	<p>7 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Healing Mass 12pm</p> <p>Rosary via Zoom</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mass Schedule</u></p> <p>Mon.-Fri.: 7:00 am and 9:15 am</p> <p>Sat. 8:00 am 4:30pm, Vigil Mass</p> <p>Sunday Mass: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 1:30pm (<i>Spanish</i>)</p> <p>First Friday No 9:15am Mass Only 7am & 7pm Adoration 6pm before Mass.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Food Pantry</u></p> <p>Opens every Tuesday from 10am-12pm Only.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rosary Altar Society</u></p> <p>Daily Rosary prayed before every Mass</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>St. Vincent DePaul</u></p> <p>Meetings are every 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 5:30pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Daily Evening Rosary 7:30pm</u></p> <p>Please join us as we pray the Rosary via Zoom.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Meeting ID— 84113113175 Meeting Passcode: U20J6Y</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Live-Stream Schedule</u></p> <p>Daily Mass-9:15am Weekend Mass-11:30am</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   www.stceclia.com </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">  St. Cecelia Iselin </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">  St. Cecelia Church, Iselin </div>
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Parroquia Santa Cecelia

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

Hoy la liturgia nos prepara, con su Palabra, a ser conscientes de lo que significa ser sal y luz en nuestra vida cotidiana. Jesús pone como ejemplo elementos que usamos todos los días para dar sabor a la vida del cristiano. La envidia, la envidia y la oscuridad de pensamientos nos alejan de lo que verdaderamente importa: ser sencillos y encontrarnos con Dios. "Ustedes son la sal de la tierra. Pero si la sal se vuelve insípida, ¿cómo podrá ser salada de nuevo? Ya no sirve para nada, por lo que se tira afuera y es pisoteada por la gente" (Mateo 5:13). Darle saborcito a la vida, añadiendo colores de humildad y apertura al diálogo frente a las adversidades que vivimos en la familia y en la sociedad, será clave para purificar y transformar nuestro entorno.

El Señor también nos llama luz del mundo: "Nadie enciende una lámpara para taparla con un cajón; la ponen más bien sobre un candelero, y alumbra a todos los que están en la casa" (Mateo 5:14-15). Cuando se va la luz en nuestra casa, nos sorprende, porque a veces no tenemos ni siquiera una vela que nos alumbre, mucho menos una lámpara con baterías. Sin embargo, al encender una luz —por muy pequeña que sea— sentimos alivio, porque podemos ver por dónde pisamos y así podemos realizar las actividades necesarias. Jesús quiere que sus seguidores sean así: como una pizca de sal y un poquito de luz, para que todo funcione de manera distinta en la familia y en la sociedad.

Cuaresma: 18 de febrero a 6 de abril

Todos los católicos que gozan de buena salud deben observar los siguientes días de ayuno y abstinencia:

Ayuno: la obligación de ayunar se aplica solo a los católicos entre los 18 y los 59 años. Significa limitarse a una sola comida completa, o dos comidas más pequeñas que juntas no equivalgan a una comida completa, durante el día para experimentar el hambre.

Abstinencia: según la tradición católica romana, significa abstenerse de comer carne (res, pollo, cerdo, pavo, etc.). Se aplica a todos los católicos mayores de 14 años.

1. Los días de ayuno y abstinencia son el **Miércoles de Ceniza (18 de febrero)** y el **Viernes Santo (3 de abril)**.
2. Los demás viernes de Cuaresma (**20 de febrero a 3 de abril**) son días de abstinencia.
3. Desde la Misa Vespertina de la Cena del Señor el Jueves Santo hasta la celebración de la Vigilia Pascual en la noche del Sábado Santo, se debe observar el ayuno pascual para que, con corazones alegres y dispuestos, estemos preparados para celebrar las alegrías de la Resurrección.

La obligación de ayuno y abstinencia, en su conjunto, es una obligación grave. Si bien el incumplimiento de un solo día penitencial en sí mismo puede no considerarse grave, el incumplimiento de todos los días penitenciales, o de un número considerable de ellos sin una causa justificada, se consideraría una falta grave. A quienes no puedan abstenerse por una razón válida en un viernes de Cuaresma se les pide que realicen otro acto penitencial o que se abstengan en otro día.



UNA COMIDA
REGULAR

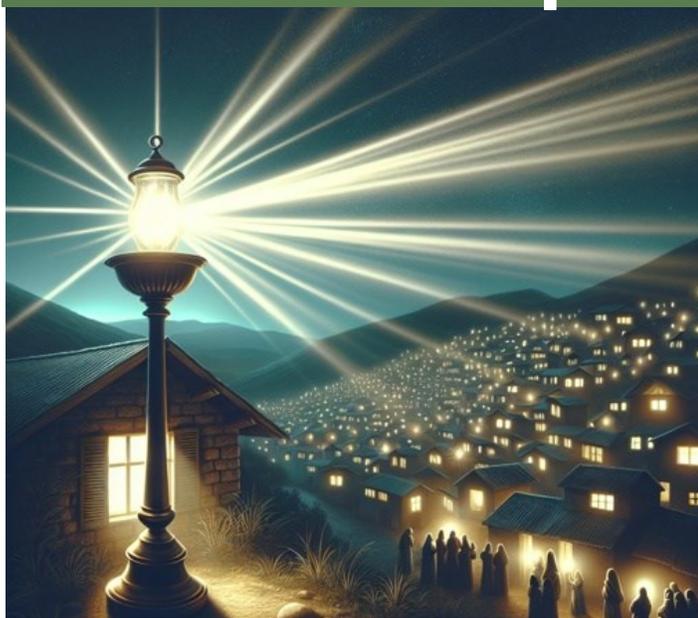


DOS COMIDAS
PEQUEÑAS

Que juntas no igualen
a una comida regular
en tamaño



NO BOCADITOS
O SNACKS



8 de febrero 2026

5º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

“Brille la luz de ustedes ante los hombres, para que viendo las buenas obras que ustedes hacen, den gloria a su Padre, que esta en los cielos”. – Mt 5, 16

Salmo Responsorial

El hombre justo es una luz en la oscuridad para los rectos. (Salmo 112)

Las lecturas de la semana del 8 de febrero

Domingo: Is 58, 7-10/Sal 111, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/1 Co 2, 1-5/Mt 5, 13-16

Lunes: 1 Re 8, 1-7. 9-13/Sal 131, 6-7. 8-10/Mc 6, 53-56

Martes: 1 Re 8, 22-23. 27-30/Sal 83, 3. 4. 5 y 10. 11/Mc 7, 1-13

Miércoles: 1 Re 10, 1-10/Sal 36, 5-6. 30-31. 39-40/Mc 7, 14-23

Jueves: 1 Re 11, 4-13/Sal 105, 3-4. 35-36. 37 y 40/Mc 7, 24-30

Viernes: 1 Re 11, 29-32; 12, 19/Sal 80, 10-11. 12-13. 14-15/Mc 7, 31-37

Sábado: 1 Re 12, 26-32; 13, 33-34/Sal 106, 6-7. 19-20. 21-22/Mc 8, 1-10

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

1ª Lectura: Escuchamos de Isaías que el Señor espera que alimentemos al hambriento, que vistamos al desnudo, y evitar acusaciones falsas y discursos de odio. ¿Cuál de estas virtudes podrías practicar esta semana?

2ª Lectura: Pablo anima a los corintios a fundar su fe en el poder de Dios y no en la sabiduría humana. ¿Cómo puedes hacer de esto un hábito regular?

Evangelio: Jesús desafía a sus discípulos a tener una influencia positiva en el mundo. ¿A quién conoces que sabes que hace del mundo un lugar mejor?

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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.

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:

La ley de la Iglesia exige que un patrocinador para el Bautismo y la Confirmación debe tener los 3 Sacramentos: Bautizo, Primer Comunión, Confirmación. Ser un Católico practicante y 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.

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. Comunión 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.

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.

CATEQUESIS

- Lunes, 9 de febrero:** Catequesis 5:45pm-7:15pm
- Miércoles, 11 de febrero:** **Reunión de Padres para La Primera Confesión y Primera Comunión 6-7pm.**
- Lunes, 16 de febrero:** No hay Clases.
- Lunes, 23 de febrero:** Catequesis 5:45pm-7:15pm. **Celebración del Sacramento de Reconciliación 6pm.**
- Lunes, 2 de marzo:** No hay Clases.
- Lunes, 9 de marzo:** Catequesis 5:45pm-7:15pm.
- Lunes, 16 de marzo:** Catequesis 5:45pm-7:15pm. **Confesión para Grados 3-8.**
- Domingo, 22 de marzo:** **Misa Familiar a las 9:30a.m. Organizado por Grados 4 y 5.**

Calendario de Cuaresma 2026

Miércoles de ceniza

18 FEB

Domingos de cuaresma

22 FEB **01 MAR** **08 MAR** **15 MAR**

22 MAR **29 MAR** Domingo de Ramos

Jueves Santo **02 ABR** Viernes Santo **03 ABR** Sábado Santo **04 ABR** Domingo de Resurrección **05 ABR**



Misa de Miércoles de Ceniza
8:30pm

11 de Febrero

Santa MISA de Sanación
8pm

Misa Con P. John Wassell
Después de la Misa Se bendecirán los sacramentales (agua, aceite, sal, etc.).

	25 de enero 2026	26 de enero 2025
Ofrendas	In-pew \$ 6,604.50	In-pew \$ 6,489.00
	Faith Direct \$ 1,985.10	Faith Direct \$ 2,021.85
	Total \$ 8,589.10	Total \$ 8,871.85
	Juntos en Caridad 2026	
	In-pew \$ 1,227.00	In-pew \$ 2,329.00
	Faith Direct \$ 62.00	Faith Direct \$ 57.00
	Total \$ 1,289.00	Total \$ 2,386.00
	Juntos en Caridad 2025	
	1 de febrero 2026	
	In-pew \$ 8555.00	In-pew \$ 6,929.00
Faith Direct \$ 1,985.10	Faith Direct \$ 2,021.85	
Total \$ 10,540.10	Total \$ 8,950.85	
Limpieza de Nieve 2026		
In-pew \$ 2,368.00	In-pew \$ 1,945.00	
Faith Direct \$ 473.00	Faith Direct \$ 149.00	
Total \$ 2,841.00	Total \$ 2,094.00	
Limpieza de Nieve 2025		

Declaración de Donaciones

Los comprobantes fiscales estarán disponibles a finales de enero. Para solicitar su copia, por favor, entregue a la oficina parroquial un sobre con su nombre y dirección y con sello postal (9 1/2 x 4 pulgadas).

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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