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We, the Parish Community of Saint Cecilia, are a Roman Catholic community of faith, centered on the Eucharist, embracing God's presence in all that we do. God's unconditional love and Word guide us to live Christ's example through prayer, worship, education, and service. We seek to carry out this mission under the patronage of Saint Cecilia.

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES *Please join us!*

Saturday.....4:00 PM
Sunday.....8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Monday.....5:30 PM (Miraculous Medal Novena)
Tuesday - Thursday.....9:00 AM
First Friday of the Month.....9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....3:00 - 3:30 PM (or by appointment)

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM

Please contact Eileen Glidden.

SACRAMENTS OF MARRIAGE

Please contact Father Nolte.

WELCOME TO SAINT CECILIA PARISH!



If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or at our Parish Office. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your weekly presence, your talents, and your financial assistance according to your means.

SAINT CECILIA PARISH



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

4:00 PM Roland Sirois & Evangeline Sirois Alto,
req. by their Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19 – TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Joseph Kabaniuk (Birthday Rem.), req.
by Dan, Dorothy, Joseph & William

9:30 AM Winifred Vedovelli, req. by Shelley Dos
Santos

11:00 AM Kurt Kober (37th Anniversary), req. by his
Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 – MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

5:30 PM Carmen D. Gandia, req. by Glenda
Gutarra & Family

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 AM Michael Bouressa, req. by Dr. & Mrs.
Peter Kelly

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 AM John Brasin, req. by Auntie Jean

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 AM Richard Simmons (2nd Anniversary), req.
by his Children

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

4:00 PM Cynthia Moller (Anniversary), req. by her
Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 – THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Lou Crinella (36th Anniversary), req. by
his Wife, Betty

9:30 AM Richard Simmons (2nd Anniversary), req.
by Tim & Michelle

11:00 AM Thomas McLean (2nd Anniversary), req.
by his Wife, Dorothy



First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Amalek and his people attacked the Israelites, so Moses instructed Joshua to lead some of the Israelites into battle the next day. While Moses kept his hands raised in prayer, the Israelites were winning. But when he put his hands down, they would begin to lose. So two others helped him keep his hands raised, and Joshua and the Israelites won the battle.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired by God and are an excellent tool in teaching others about God's expectations of his people. Knowledge of the Scriptures, coupled with faith in Jesus, will lead many people to salvation. Paul urges Timothy to continue preaching the gospel, although this will sometimes be a difficult task.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus speaks about a corrupt judge who lacked respect for either God or man. A widow repeatedly asked him to settle a case in her favor. He finally settled the case, only because he grew weary of listening to her requests. Jesus points out that if even this corrupt judge eventually listened, then God, who is just, will certainly answer the pleas of his people.

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St. Cecilia Parish is here to serve you, our community and beyond. Your consistent financial support is essential to that mission. We are grateful for your generosity and rely on your support to keep us strong and of service to all.

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 12, 2025

Regular Weekly Collection	\$	11,334.00
Weekly Collection	\$	14,300.00
Necessary to meet expenses		
Over / (Under) for the week	\$	(2,966.00)
Total Collection Fiscal YTD (eff July 1)	\$	205,019.00
YTD Weekly Collection	\$	228,800.00
Necessary to meet expenses		
Over / (Under) YTD	\$	(23,781.00)

Your parish support counts! Thank you for your generosity!



Remember, Lord, those who have died and gone before us marked with the sign of faith; especially those listed below for whom we now pray. May these, already be enjoying new life in Christ, find in Your presence love, laughter and joy as they reunite with loved ones. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Margaret "Jill" Garwood
(Mother of David Garwood)



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME



LASAGNAS FOR LOVE is a community impact program that connects neighbors through gestures of kindness, goodwill, and support. The nonprofit has joined together more than 30,000 active volunteers from around the world and abides by three simple principles: feed families, spread kindness and strengthen communities. Lasagnas for Love fosters a culture of positivity, empathy, zero-judgment, and maintains a steadfast resolve to deliver comfort when needed most. We will make ten lasagnas on Thursday, October 30 at 9:30 AM in the Parish Center. We need 15 volunteers to make these lasagnas and volunteers to deliver to Lasagna for Love recipients. All supplies will be provided. Please help us spread lasagna kindness. Contact Katy Reed (413-496-2547 or katyreed@charter.net.) to sign up or with any questions.



We welcome all who are visiting. We would love to have you join St. Cecilia Parish. Welcome cards are available in the Rotunda or call the Parish Office (596-4232, ext. 101) to register.

Welcome to our newest members:

Nuno, Austin & Evan Marques

Michael, Jeannie, Ruby & Edward Ostroskey

Steven & Kathleen Pellegrino

VOTE TO SUPPORT OUR YOUTH!

Monson Savings Bank has an annual Community Giving Program where individuals can vote for their favorite non-profit organization to be awarded a monetary gift. The top ten most voted for non-profit organizations can win between \$500-\$2,500 per year. You can help us raise money for our youth and their programs, such as Summer Camp, Faith Formation, Steubenville East Conference and more simply by voting.

Link:

<https://www.monsonsavings.bank/connect/our-community/community-giving-initiative.html>

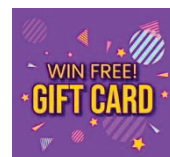
- Vote Now
- Complete the form with name, email address, phone number, and list non-profit organization as *St. Cecilia Parish Youth Ministry, Wilbraham*

These programs help give our kids a solid foundation in their faith. There is no cost submitting our name to the Monson Savings Bank Community Giving Program!

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Thank you to everyone who purchased gift cards through the HOPE Ministry Gift Card Program in September and especially to those individuals who made purchases for the first time!

CONGRATULATIONS to Ann Ludwig, Kathleen Trujillo and Elaine Vdovjak, the winners of the \$100 gift card raffle! The raffle was held to raise awareness and encourage usage of the Gift Card Program. Here are the results of September's sales versus last year's sales in the same time period:

	Total Sales	Number of Gift Cards Sold	Number of People Purchasing Gift Cards
September 2024	\$10,480	190	55
September 2025	\$14,700	345	122

As you can see, sales increased \$4,220, the number of gift cards sold nearly doubled and the number of people purchasing cards increased 120% from last September. With an average of 5% proceeds from all gift card sales, a total of \$735 was raised in the month of September. Just imagine all the good HOPE Ministry could do for its outreach programs if we could have this number of sales every month. Please consider purchasing gift cards for your everyday needs like grocery shopping, Amazon, home repair needs and eating out. The success of our outreach ministries through HOPE Ministry is only possible with your participation!

MASS ATTENDANCE (LAST WEEKEND)				
4PM	8AM	9:30AM	11AM	TOTAL
202	140	272	178	792

"Let us hold on firmly to the hope we profess, because we can trust God to keep his promise." Hebrews 10:23 ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Cecilia Catholic Women's Club

**"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation,
be constant in prayer"**

Romans 12:12



The club meeting is a Wednesday for the month of November so please mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 12 at 6:00 PM for our early Holiday Shopping event with our guest Sandy Polom from "The Scented Garden" in Wilbraham.

Drawings for the November Calendar Raffle start soon so please remember to send in your filled out blue entry ticket(s) form with your donation and mail in with the provided envelope, put in collection basket or drop off at Parish Office. Remember, you can win multiple times during the month as all tickets go back in for the duration of the month. If you did not receive your mailing, entry forms are still available on the table in the Rotunda, or downloadable forms can be printed from St. Cecilia's website. Contact Sue Agnew (596-9480) with any questions. Thank you for your donations as they support the scholarship awards to graduating seniors from our parish and other charitable organizations.



NOTE: Please see insert in the bulletin for information on dates and times of our Annual Rummage Sale.



The St. Cecilia Catholic Women's Club is sponsoring a trip to the **National Shrine of Our Lady of LaSalette** on Sunday, November 23. Bus boarding is at 10:30 AM from the parking lot. The cost is \$75 and includes the bus, driver gratuity, a Shrine offering, snacks and a family style chicken dinner at Wrights Family Restaurant. There will also be time to view the festival of lights, visit the creche museum & religious gift shop. The bus departs at 6:00 PM returning to St. Cecilia Church about 7:45 PM. For more information or to register contact Denise Fiedler (413-426-7095). Checks can be dropped off at the Parish Office or placed in the basket at Mass with name, address and phone number in an envelope labeled LaSalette Bus Trip. Payment in full is required to hold your seat by November 1.

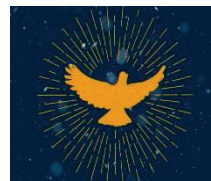


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Current Knights, and men interested in the Knights are invited to our monthly reception and dinner on Tuesday, October 21 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center. This event is open to all Catholic men ages 18 and over.

The Knights are leading the recitation of the Rosary every third Tuesday of the month in the Church. All parishioners are invited to participate. Join us this month for the Rosary on Tuesday, October 21, at 6:00 PM.



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53 Somers Road, East Longmeadow
October 25, 2025
9:00 AM-2:00 PM**

Shop 30+ crafters and vendors-pottery, origami, paper sculptures, jewelry, scented products, wreaths, ornaments, florals, fused glass and more! Take a chance on great raffle prizes. Coffee and baked goods available for purchase.

Respect Life

In conjunction with Mass Alliance to stop taxpayer funding of abortions, we are invited to join in the collecting of signatures for a ballot initiative to end taxpayer funding of abortions in Massachusetts. Signatures will be collected the weekends of October 25-26 and November 1-2 in the Rotunda.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
20 FF - 4:15pm/PC Miraculous Medal Novena Mass - 5:30pm	21 Mass - 9am Adoration - 9:30am/C Tuesday Prayer Grp 9:30am/Ch Divine Mercy - 10:00am/C KOC Rosary - 6:00pm/Ch KOC Meeting - 6:30pm/PC	22 Mass - 9am SGG - 9:30am/PC Adult Choir - 7pm/C	23 Mass - 9am OCIA - 6:30pm/Conf BS Troop Mtg 7pm/PC	24 Women of Faith 9:45am/Conf	25 Confession - 3pm Mass - 4pm	26 Mass - 8am Mass - 9:30am Family Lit. Mass - 11am

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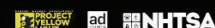


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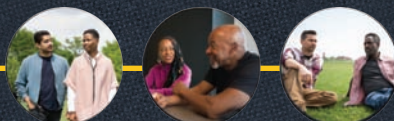
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