

**USTEDES SON
LA LUZ DEL
MUNDO**

MATEO 5, 14

**YOU ARE THE
LIGHT OF THE
WORLD**

MATTHEW 5:14

St. Cecilia Catholic Church
Archdiocese of San Antonio
Iglesia Católica Sta. Cecilia
Arquidiócesis de San Antonio

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 5^o Domingo Del Tiempo Ordinario
February 8, 2026 ~ 8 de febrero de 2026

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Office Hours/Horario de la Oficina

Monday Closed/Cerrado en lunes
Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Martes a Viernes de 9:00am a 2:00pm

Mass & Rosary Schedule

Horario de Misas y Santo Rosario

Mon. to Fri./Lun. a vier.
8:30am (Eng.) Rosary before Mass
Saturday/Sábado
5:00pm (Eng)
Sunday/Domingo
8:00am;
10:00am (Eng.) Rosary before mass
12:00pm (esp.) Rosario antes de misa

Adoration/Hora Santa

Thursday from 9:00am to 6:00pm in Chapel.
Todos los jueves en la capilla de 9:00am a 6:00pm.

Please call the office to sign up for a Holy Hour.

Favor de llamar a la oficina si desea apuntarte para una hora en particular.

Confessions/Confesiones

Saturday/Sábado
4:00pm or by appointment/o por cita.



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Dear Brothers, Sisters, Children, Visitors and All,
Welcome to St. Cecilia parish!

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: “Light shines through the darkness for the upright; He is gracious and merciful and just.” Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” The theme of light shines through our readings This Sunday. The emphasis is not exclusively, or even primarily, on Jesus as the Light of the world, but on our call to be light to the world. According to Saint Francis de Sales, light represents the illuminating power of faith and divine will, which allows believers to see God in all things and all things in God. He describes faith as a bright, guiding ray of sunshine that dispels darkness, while Jesus is considered the true "Light of the World."

Volunteers are needed to help on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday with the preparation of the fried fish dish. Donations of cakes, cookies, and other food items are also appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

A **volunteer** is needed to fill the position of sacristan at St. Cecilia's Church.

Live Jesus! Fr.Raja

Intentions

Saturday, February 7

- † Alice Andrews
- † Patrick & Evelyn Whitley
- † Mary Lyssy
- All Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
- Maria, Daniel & Malachi Jimenez

Sunday, February 8

- 8:00 am
 - † Alice Andrews
 - † Mary Lyssy
 - † Gilbert Garcia
 - All Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
- 10:00 am
 - Ida Gonzalez Ramos
 - Santos Arzola
 - All Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
- 12:00 pm
 - † Janie Orta
 - † Rosa Martinez
 - † Sophia Saldana
 - † Nicole Rico
 - All Living & Deceased Altar Society Members

Monday, February 9

- † Alice Andrews
- † Mary Lyssy
- † Nicole Rico

Tuesday, February 10

- † Alice Andrews
- † Mary Lyssy
- † Ted Liserio

Wednesday, February 11

- † Janie Orta
- Rosa Martinez
- Sophia Saldana

Thursday, February 12

- † Janie Orta
- Rosa Martinez
- Sophia Saldana

Friday February 13

- † Alice Andrews
- † Phillip & Jane Schuchard
- † Janie Soto

Reflection

Jesus uses two different examples of a good disciple—salt of the earth and light of the world. While these images seem to have little in common, there are similarities, the most obvious being that a little of either goes a long way. So also, a little faith can make a big difference. The faith of little children can bring his parents back to the Church. The way we live our faith can speak even louder.

Isaiah gives us some hints in the first reading when he writes about feeding the hungry and giving shelter to the homeless and clothes to the poor. But we sometimes get things backwards. If we do the things Isaiah tells the people to do, we might think that the deeds will give us faith. If we truly believe that God lives in the people around us, especially the poor, then we will want to show our love by caring for each other.

But if we don't have faith, then we are like the salt that has lost its flavor. A low-salt diet may be good for us; but a low-salt faith, instead of making things better, would make them worse. Without faith in God's love for us, we would not respond with love of our own. We could still be a good person, but we would not be a very good disciple.

Scripture Readings
For the Week of February 8, 2026

Sunday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
Monday	1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	1 Kings 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	1 Kings 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop 1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1-10



Estimados hermanos, hermanas, niños, visitantes y a todos en general:

¡Bienvenidos a la parroquia de Santa Cecilia!

Quinto domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: “La luz brilla en la oscuridad para los justos; Él es bondadoso, misericordioso y justo.” Jesús les habló de nuevo, diciendo: “Yo soy la luz del mundo. El que me sigue no andará en tinieblas, sino que tendrá la luz de la vida.” El tema de la luz resplandece en las lecturas de este domingo. El énfasis no recae exclusivamente, ni siquiera principalmente, en Jesús como la Luz del mundo, sino en nuestro llamado a ser luz para el mundo. Según San Francisco de Sales, la luz representa el poder iluminador de la fe y la voluntad divina, que permite a los creyentes ver a Dios en todas las cosas y todas las cosas en Dios. Él describe la fe como un brillante rayo de sol que guía y disipa la oscuridad, mientras que Jesús es considerado la verdadera "Luz del Mundo".

Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo con la preparación del plato de pescado frito. También se agradecen las donaciones de pasteles, galletas y otros alimentos. Gracias por su generosidad.

Se necesita un voluntario para ocupar el puesto de sacristán en la iglesia de Santa Cecilia.

¡Viva Jesús! Padre

Intenciones

Sábado 7 de feb

5:00 pm
 † Alice Andrews
 † Patrick & Evelyn Whitley
 † Mary Lyssy
 All Living & Deceased Altar
 Society Members
 Maria, Daniel & Malachi Jimenez

Domingo 8 de feb

8:00am
 † Alice Andrews
 † Mary Lyssy
 † Gilbert Garcia
 All Living & Deceased Altar
 Society Members

10:00 am

Ida Gonzalez Ramos
 Santos Arzola
 All Living & Deceased Altar
 Society Members

12:00 pm

† Janie Orta
 † Rosa Martinez
 † Sophia Saldana
 † Nicole Rico
 All Living & Deceased Altar
 Society Members

Lunes 9 de feb

† Alice Andrews
 † Mary Lyssy
 † Nicole Rico

Martes 10 de feb

† Alice Andrews
 † Mary Lyssy
 † Ted Liserio

Miércoles 11 de feb

† Janie Orta
 Rosa Martinez
 Sophia Saldana

Jueves 12 de feb

† Janie Orta
 Rosa Martinez
 Sophia Saldana

Viernes, 13 de feb

† Alice Andrews
 † Phillip & Jane Schuchard
 Janie Soto

Reflexión

Jesús usa dos ejemplos diferentes de un buen discípulo: sal de la tierra y luz del mundo. Si bien estas imágenes parecen tener poco en común, existen similitudes; la más obvia es que un poco de cualquiera de las dos hace una gran diferencia. Así también, un poco de fe puede hacer una gran diferencia. La fe de los niños pequeños puede hacer que sus padres regresen a la Iglesia. La forma en que vivimos nuestra fe puede hablar aún más alto.

Isaías nos da algunas pistas en la primera lectura cuando escribe sobre alimentar a los hambrientos, dar techo a los sin techo y ropa a los pobres. Pero a veces entendemos las cosas al revés. Si hacemos lo que Isaías les dice a las personas, podríamos pensar que las obras nos darán fe. Si realmente creemos que Dios vive en las personas que nos rodean, especialmente en los pobres, entonces vamos a querer demostrar nuestro amor cuidándonos unos a otros.

Pero si no tenemos fe, somos como la sal que ha perdido su sabor. Una dieta de baja sal puede ser buena para nosotros; pero una fe de baja sal, en lugar de mejorar las cosas, las empeoraría. Sin fe en el amor de Dios por nosotros, no responderíamos con nuestro propio amor. Podríamos seguir siendo buenas personas, pero no seríamos muy buenos discípulos.

Lecturas de las Escrituras Para la Semana del 8 de Febrero de 2026

Domingo	Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Is 58, 7-10; Sal 111, 4-5. 6-7. 8a y 9; 1 Cor 2, 1-5; Mt 5, 13-16
Lunes	1 Rey 8, 1-7. 9-13; Sal 131, 6-7. 8-10; Mc 6, 53-56
Martes	Memoria de Santa Escolástica, Virgen 1 Rey 8, 22-23. 27-30; Sal 83, 3. 4. 5 y 10. 11; Mc 7, 1-13
Miércoles	1 Rey 10, 1-10; Sal 36, 5-6. 30-31. 39-40; Mc 7, 14-23
Jueves	1 Rey 11, 4-13; Sal 105, 3-4. 35-36. 37 y 40; Mc 7, 24-30
Viernes	1 Rey 11, 29-32; 12, 19; Sal 80, 10-11ab. 12-13. 14-15; Mc 7, 31-37
Sábado	Memoria de San Cirilo, Monje y San Metodio, Obispo 1 Rey 12, 26-32; 13, 33-34; Sal 105, 6-7a. 19-20. 21-22; Mc 8, 1-10



Rentals

For Church Facility Rentals (gym, reception room or meeting rooms) or Mass intentions, please call the church office at 210-533-7109 or 830-741-9882.

For spiritual needs—including House Blessings, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, Confessions, and other pastoral assistance—please contact 210-533-7109 or 830-741-9882. For inquiries regarding Sacramental Certificates, please call 210-533-7109.

Women of Faith

We would like to invite all women of St. Cecilia's and Mission Concepcion to join the Women of Faith for our latest Bible series: Revelation, The Kingdom Yet to Come by biblical scholars Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith. The study will run from September 2025 to August 2026 on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Presentation Room at St. Cecilia's.



Bilingual Baptism Prep Sessions

In the main church at 6:30 pm. Please register by calling the parish office or walk in to attend the Class.

Dates / Fechas
February 10, 2026
March 10, 2026
April 14, 2026



Sewing Fellowship

Will begin meeting February 14, 28; March 14, 28; April 11, 25 and May 9, 23. The time is 1 p.m to 3 p.m., in the Presentation Room



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ASH WEDNESDAY FISH Fry Platters

Feb 18, 2026
11am - 5pm
\$13 per plate

Pre-Order Available soon

Second Collection Schedule - Segunda Colección

- Jan 31 & Feb 1- Building Fund / Fondo de construcción
- Feb 7 & 8 - Food Pantry / Despensa de alimentos
- Feb 18 - For Catholic Charities / Para Caridades Católicas
- Feb 21 & 22 - For the Catholic Missions among Black & Native Americans / Para las misiones católicas entre los afroamericanos y los nativos americanos.

Contributions ~ Contribuciones	
Jan 24 & 25, 2026	
Regular collection ~ Colección regular	\$1,306.00
Second collection ~ Segunda Oferta	\$ 289.00
Other Funds ~ Otros fondos	\$1195.00
Attendance ~ Asistencia	140
Jan 31 & Feb 1, 2026	
Regular collection ~ Colección regular	\$2,689.00
Second collection ~ Segunda Oferta	\$889.00
Other Funds ~ Otros fondos	\$550.00
Attendance ~ Asistencia	423

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Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

Feb 18, 2026

- 8:30 am English
- 10:30 am English
- 12:30 pm Spanish
- 3:00 pm English
- 4:30 pm Spanish
- 6:00 pm English
- 8:00 pm Bilingual

"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."



Alquileres

Para alquiler de instalaciones de la iglesia, (gimnasio, sala de recepción, salas de reuniones, reuniones) llame a la oficina de la iglesia al 210-533-7109 o 830-741-9882.

Para necesidades espirituales—incluyendo bendiciones de hogares, el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos, confesiones y otras asistencias pastorales—por favor comuníquese al 210-533-7109 o 830-741-9882. Para consultas relacionadas con certificados sacramentales por favor llame al 210-533-7109.

Invitamos a todas las mujeres de Santa Cecilia y Misión Concepción a participar en la serie bíblica: Apocalipsis, El reino por venir, por los eruditos bíblicos Jeff Cavins y Thomas Smith. El estudio se llevará a cabo desde Septiembre de 2025 hasta Agosto de 2026, el segundo miércoles de cada mes a las 6:30 pm en el salón de conferencias de Sta. Cecilia.



Fechas de las sesiones de preparación para el bautismo bilingüe

En la iglesia principal a las 630 de la tarde. Para registrarse, llame a la oficina o entra para asistir a la clase.

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February 10, 2026
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April 14, 2026



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*The Blessings of
Throats
on the
Memorial of St. Blaise*

Feb 7th & 8th
at every mass

Comunidad de costura
Las reuniones comenzarán en las siguientes fechas: 14 y 28 de febrero; 14 y 28 de marzo; 11 y 25 de abril; y 9 y 23 de mayo. El horario es de 13:00 a 15:00, en la Sala de Presentaciones.



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MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA

Platos de pescado frito

18 de febrero de 2026
11 a. m. - 5 p. m.
\$13 por plato

Pedido anticipado disponible próximamente

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Ceniza

Miércoles

Horario de misas

18 de febrero de 2026

- 8:30 am Inglés
- 10:30 am Inglés
- 12:30 pm Español
- 3:00 pm Inglés
- 4:30 pm Español
- 6:00 pm Inglés
- 8:00 pm Bilingüe

"Recuerda que polvo eres, y al polvo volverás."

Together with purpose

The Archdiocese of San Antonio promotes **National Marriage Week**. Thank you, Pastors, for recognizing and celebrating marriage at your parish.

The observances of **National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14)** and **World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 8)** are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. This year's theme is **"Man and Woman He Created Them: Together with Purpose"**.

Celebrate Married Couples

- Pastors are encouraged to celebrate an Anniversary Mass for married couples on World Marriage Day, **Sunday, February 8, 2026**. The purpose of this Mass is to advocate and promote the sacrament of Marriage by recognizing and celebrating married couples in the parish. Pastors may choose to host this special Mass in one of three ways:
1. Designate one of the weekend Masses as an Anniversary Mass
 2. Designate all the weekend Masses as Anniversary Masses for an Anniversary Mass weekend
 3. Schedule a special Mass outside of regular weekend Mass times
- Blessing of the Couples**
Pastors or deacons can bless the married couples during the Sunday liturgy of World Marriage Sunday on **February 8, 2026**. The priest can use the blessing from the Book of Blessings (Chapter 1, part III B, paragraph nos. 107-114). Order for the Blessing of a Married Couple (Order of the Blessing within Mass on Other Occasions).
- Pastors or deacons can also bless the married couples using a prayer for married couples from the USCCB. Download the prayer for Married Couples here:
- [Download for Married Couples \(Link\)](#)
 - [Prayer for Married Couples \(PDF\)](#)
- Bulletin Announcement**
Parishes may promote the Anniversary Mass by publishing the following announcement in the bulletin in the weeks leading up to Sunday, February 8:
- [Prayer of the Faithful \(English\) \(PDF\)](#)
 - [Oración de los Fieles \(Español\) \(PDF\)](#)
 - [Bulletin Announcement Template \(Word\)](#)
- Lectio Divina**
- **National Marriage Week, Lectio Divina**
- Parishes**
- [Exist \(English\) | Digital \(English\)](#)
 - [Imprescindible \(Español\) | Digital \(Español\)](#)
- Web Banner**
- [Exist](#)

PRaise TO YOU, CHRIST OUR HOPE!
Diverse Ministries Rebuilding the Church

Saturday, February 7, 2026
8:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

University of the Incarnate Word
4301 Broadway, San Antonio, TX 78209

Join fellow liturgical ministers from across the Archdiocese for a morning of reflection, formation, and community. The day will feature a keynote presentation by Dr. Dolores Martinez, followed by breakout sessions designed for specific ministries, including:

- Lectors
- Music Ministry
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Altar Servers and those who form them
- Hospitality Ministries
- Chapel Environment Ministry
- Media Ministry

This event is FREE, but registration is encouraged so we can prepare for you!