

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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July 20, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Parish Mission Statement

We are a family of faith, entrusted with the gospel message of Jesus Christ. Rooted in a rich tradition of worship, service and prayer, we foster the unity and faith of this community. Enlivened by the Spirit, we share our gifts, talents and resources to bring about the Kingdom of God.

The Parish Staff of St. Cyril's and St. James welcomes all to our historic parishes that have carried on the mission of Jesus Christ.

Parish Information		Minister of Music:	Mira Sojka-Topor musicmin@stcyril.org (630) 257-2776
Parish Office:	608 Sobieski Street, Lemont, IL Denise Duda, Operations Director (630) 257-2776; (630) 257-9372 Fax rectory@stcyril.org website: www.stcyril.org www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont	Polish School:	www.polschool.com Halina Szyrzyna Principal: (630) 669-9058
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Mass Schedule: Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday Obligation Sunday: 7:00 AM (English-No Music), 8:00 AM (Polish), 9:30 AM (English), 11:00 AM (Polish), 12:30 PM (English), 2:00 PM (Polish), 7:30 PM (English-No Music)		Parish Council:	Stan Brzezniak, President
Special Masses: Tuesday PM: devotions at 7 PM, 7:45 PM (Polish) First Friday: 7:00 AM (English), 7:00 PM (Polish) First Saturday: devotions at 7 PM (Polish), 9:00 PM (Polish) Holy Days of Obligation: As announced		Bulletin:	bulletin@stcyril.org
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM Also available by appointment.		Helping Hands:	helpinghands@stcyril.org
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass		New Parishioners: Download the new parishioner form online on our website. The form can be handed into the donation basket at Mass, mailed in, or brought into the parish office	
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building. Please contact: Lottie (630) 4442-9441, Mark (773) 727-7934, Margaret mtsniesz@gmail.com		Baptisms: Parents need to be registered, active and supporting parishioners prior to arranging a baptism at St. Cyril's. If this is a firstborn child, the parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class. Both sponsors should be adults and one an active, practicing Catholic.	
Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM. Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Saturday & Sunday Closed		Marriage: The bride and groom are encouraged to be registered, active, contributing parishioners of SS. Cyril & Methodius. Arrangements are to be made with a priest or deacon as soon as possible. A Marriage Preparation Program is a requirement of the Archdiocese. To schedule a wedding, please contact the parish office.	
		Social Media: In an effort to enhance communication with our parishioners and visitors, please visit these websites to stay better connected with the many events and ministries of our parish.	
		Parish Website: www.stcyril.org	
		School Website: www.school.stcyril.org	
		Parish Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont	
		School Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/SSCMComets	



Dear Parishioners,
Christ in His teachings used various examples and parables. Today's Gospel illustrates how Christ used the ordinary, everyday events to teach basic principles of Christian life.

Today, we look at the hospitality of Lazarus and his sisters Mary and Martha. Mary sat "beside the Lord at His feet listening to Him speak" (Lk 10,39). Martha "was distracted with various servings" (Lk 10, 40), that is, she tried to satisfy the Master and His disciples.

Martha and Mary are two different personalities. Martha represents diligence, care. In contrast, Mary demonstrates concentration, sensitivity to the Word of God, quiet conversation with God. What attitude does Christ take for them? Jesus does not rebuke Martha for preparing a meal; He only pays higher attention to the more important things that should not be forgotten. A meal for the body is necessary, but man also needs bread, which is God and His Word. We always need people, like Mary, who can, "sit at the feet of the Lord," listen to His word and practice it lively. Actually, this is a task for all of us. Each of us must be able and willing to meditate and pray, listen to God's instruction and go to work with Him.

When we reflect about our life and the world around us, we notice more the image of Martha than Mary. We are suffering from worries, activities, running and earning; there is too much care for materialistic things and lack thereof for God, for His word, for prayer. We excuse ourselves for being too busy because of our daily errands and obligations. Martha was also busy, but Mary found time for prayer.

The Christian should be like Martha and Mary. Work does not release us from listening to God's word and prayer, and prayer does not give us the right to neglect our work. Living in

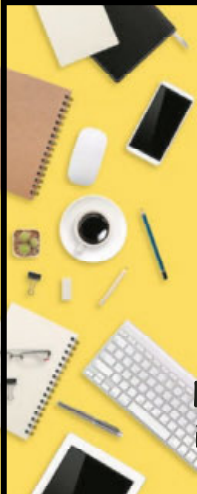
continuous contact with God gives us the opportunity to be the best worker.

Thank you for your support of our church and school and may God bless you and your loved ones,

Fr. Valdi

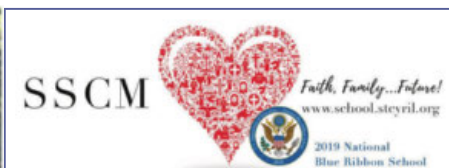
And now a few things the Parish wants you to know:

- **Attention Parishioners ~ Please do not take the laminated collection cards with you, please leave them in the pew rack after you make your donation. Thank you!**
- **SAVE THE DATES:** SSCM's Summer Fest will take place from August 21st-24th. Please join us for food, drink, rides, music and a great time with friends. More details can be found in the bulletin. **Plus the winner of the car & cash will be announced!!!**
- **HEY PARISHIONERS!! HAVE YOU HEARD THE UNBELIEVABLE NEWS??** SSCM School is raffling off a 2025 Riptide Blue Chevy Corvette Stingray 2LT plus \$10,000. Only 1200 tickets are available, priced at \$175.00 each and the proceeds go directly to our parish school!! The 2nd prize is \$7500 and 3rd is \$2500. The winner will be announced on the last day of the SSCM Summer Fest, Sunday, August 24th. **DON'T DELAY, GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY**



**Join Our Team!
Part-Time Bookkeeper
Needed**

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish office is looking for a part-time bookkeeper. This is an in-person office position. QuickBooks & Microsoft 365 knowledge preferred. If you are interested, please call Denise at 630-257-2776.



SS. Cyril & Methodius School
"Strength for the Journey"

SS. Cyril & Methodius School
2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parents and Parishioners,

As the new Principal of SS. Cyril and Methodius School, I am grateful for the warm welcome I've received from the parish and school community. Over the past few weeks, I've spent time getting to know our dedicated faculty and staff, reaching out to parents, exploring the beautiful Lemont community, and settling into my new role—complete with decorating my office to make it feel like home! It has been a joy to witness the strong sense of faith, commitment,

and community that defines SS. Cyril and Methodius, and I'm truly looking forward to the year ahead as we work together to support the growth and success of our students.

We're also looking forward to one of the most exciting events of the summer—our annual school and parish carnival, taking place August 21–24! As part of the celebration, we'll be raffling off a stunning 2025 Riptide Blue SLT Corvette on August 24. Raffle tickets are \$175, and all proceeds go directly to supporting our school. It's a great cause and a thrilling opportunity—be sure to get your ticket and join us for a weekend of fun, community, and celebration!

Go Comets!!

Mr. Dan Turney, Principal

Hurry!!! Buy your tickets today!!!
www.sscmraffles.com or use the
QR code below



St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

10600 S. Archer Avenue | Lemont, Illinois 60439-9344 | (Ph) 630.257.7000 |
Email: stjames1833@att.net | Website: www.historicstjames.org

Mass Schedule

WEEKENDS:

Sundays: 8:15am, 10:00am and 12:00pm (TLM)

WEEKDAYS:

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat 8:00am,

Wed 7pm, Fri 6pm

ADORATION:

Adoration on Wednesday 5-7pm.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday 6:00pm & Saturday 8:30am.

Otherwise by appointment.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS:

Contact the rectory office.

SICK & HOMEBOUND PASTORAL CARE:

Please notify rectory.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Wed, Thu & Fri: 9:00am to 2:00pm.



Our Lady of Fatima Statue

You may host our beautiful statue for one week (Sun to Sun). Scan to sign up or go to historicstjames.org.



Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!

Wine & Wisdom – July 23 (~8pm)

Our Wednesday schedule: Adoration (5-7), Confession (6-7), and Mass (7pm).

Then we gather in Sag Hall to share food and drink and interesting presentations &/or discussions that affect us all. Join us!

TRACKING MARY MYSTERIES MESSAGES VBS 2025

The Queen of Heaven Express is leaving the station!
Mysteries & Messages Revealed at Each Stop!
Discover how Mary brings us closer to Jesus through the POWER of the ROSARY.

Get Your GOLDEN TICKET & Track Mary All Over the World!
FUN-FILLED DAYS AHEAD AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

DATES: JULY 28TH – AUGUST 1ST
TIME: 9:00AM – 12:00PM
LOCATION: St. James at Sag Bridge Catholic Church

TO REGISTER & TO PAY ONLINE (new this year!)
GO TO: WWW.HISTORICSTJAMES.ORG

PARENTS!!
COOL CRAFTS
FUN GAMES
UPBEAT MUSIC
EXCITING ACTIVITIES
CREATIVE SKITS
BIBLE STORIES

QUESTIONS? Contact Margaret Ryan (630) 728-3212
ryandonmargaret@comcast.net



Summertime is for vacation and travel to new places. However, if you aren't leaving town, you might want to consider visiting St. Martha's in Morton Grove, which has one of the two largest collections of relics of saints in the country. Remember prayer doesn't take a vacation. Shrineofallsaints.org

Special Volunteer Opportunity

Frequent Mass attendance is a precious gift for the elderly. It's a gift given by the retired priests who live next door to Aliya Nursing Home in Palos Park. One of the priests volunteers to say Mass every day for Aliya's residents. But assistance can be needed for the priests: someone to help as a lector, perhaps as Eucharistic Minister, to assist in assembling the Mass-goers, etc. It's a special call – enabling truly appreciative faithful to be close to God in Mass. Consider, is there one day a week, or some other schedule, where you can help? Call Jeanne 630-207-8433 to learn more & arrange a day to experience this beautiful ministry to retired priests & laity.

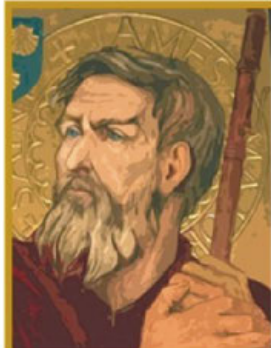
OCIA – Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Anyone seeking Baptism or the other sacraments of initiation (Eucharist & Confirmation) or simply wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith, please call Fr Koys or the rectory. Classes will begin in Sept.



The St James community congratulates Matt & Kelly Rozanski as they renewed their marriage vows on their 10th wedding anniversary, July 11. God's abundant blessings for many years to come!

Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!



Feast of St James – July 25
Friday, July 25, is the feast day of St James the Greater. Part of his legendary story involves the Camino de Santiago, i.e. the Way of St James. In his honor we will gather at 11am on this day for a bike ride to Lockport where we will take a break for lunch. Then we will return to St James.

Bonus Celebration: Mass & Camaraderie

To honor our patron & count our blessings, join us for Mass at 6pm and stay for roasted hot dogs at Sag Hall and our special brand of St James camaraderie.

At 3PM Every Friday

Be part of the St James prayer sentinel! Gather for prayer each Friday at Access Health to pray for the moms & dads considering abortion – and for their babies. Invoke our Lord's Mercy at the Mercy Hour!

Altar Flowers

Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made available by:

BARBARA & PATRICK FORAN
AND
THE PARISHIONERS OF ST JAMES

Votives

VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 7/20/25

St. James Altar & Rosary Society
All the Poor Souls in Purgatory
United States of America
For Our Children—Heather, Ryan & Colleen
For Our Grandchildren—Henry, Ellie, Maddie, Owen



Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

MONDAY, JULY 21

8:00AM ✠ Joseph M. Slowik

TUESDAY, JULY 22

8:00AM Birthday Blessings—Marily Kurowski
Birthday Blessings—Geo Bartik

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

7:00PM ✠ Irene McGrath
✠ Anttonet Jarema

THURSDAY, JULY 24

8:00AM ✠ Vivian Heffley

FRIDAY, JULY 25

6:00PM Barbara & Wojciech Fugiel Wedding Anniv
✠ Jim Wall

SATURDAY, JULY 26

8:00AM Health & Blessings—Anna & Walter Krol

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, JULY 27

8:15AM ✠ Kathy Coughlin
10AM ✠ Irene McGrath
✠ Debbie DeBlasio
✠ Kathy Reen
12:00PM ✠ Mary Wenzel

Our Weekly Offering



Our weekly *Offertory* collection from July 13, 2025 was \$4,659. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$1,355.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!



Spiritual Adoption Prayer

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you, spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted, who is in danger of abortion. Amen."

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, JULY 27	
8:15am	Alex Pawlikowski, Ricky Gomez, Christos & Frankie Latsonas	
10am	Marty & Tommy Comer, Christian Cozzi, Daniel Newsom	

**Sponsorship
Opportunities
Available! See Page 9
To Sign Up!**

SSCM

SUMMER FEST

**AUGUST 21 - 24,
2025**

**607 SOBIESKI ST.
LEMONT, IL**



**FOOD ~ DRINKS ~
BEER TENT ~ GAMES ~
LIVE MUSIC ~
CARNIVAL RIDES ~
RAFFLES**



**FOUR DAY UNLIMITED
RIDE WRISTBAND
\$65 per person
(must pre-purchase by
August 15th)**

DATE & TIMES

**Aug. 21 ~ 6pm-10pm
Aug. 22 ~ 6pm-11pm
Aug. 23 ~ 3pm-11pm
Aug. 24 ~ 1pm-5pm**

**DAILY RIDE
PASSES
AVAILABLE
ONSITE**

~ FEATURED BANDS ~

Aug. 21 ~ 6pm School of Rock ~ 8pm ~ 88WEST

Aug. 22 ~ 6pm Billy Gray Music ~ 8pm Nashville Electric Company

**Aug. 23 ~ 3pm RevDog ~ 5pm Grungeworthy ~
7:45pm Chicago Rockhouse**

**Aug. 24 ~ 1pm Keith Stras & Polka Confetti ~
3pm The Breakfast Club Band**

**FOR MORE DETAILS, PLEASE VISIT: FACEBOOK: SSCM SUMMER FEST 2025
OR ON [HTTPS://SSCM.VISUAL-WEBSITE.COM/](https://SSCM.VISUAL-WEBSITE.COM/)**



LUNCH TIME

HELP WANTED

We are looking for lunchroom helpers. Your time would be greatly appreciated!!

~ Hours are 11 - 12:45

~ Paid position

~ Choose one day or several

Please contact Kim Gardner at 630-257-6488 or email gardner.kim@stcyril.org for more details.

The **Great Adventure Bible Timeline** Course by Jeff Cavins and Ascension Press is coming to Lemont!

Thursday evenings 6:30 – 8:15 PM

Save the dates: Starts September 4th

Register by August 20th and we will order your workbooks for you. \$40 per person.

24 Lessons: Sept-Nov and Jan-March

Contact Coleen Mast, Evangelization Coordinator, cmast@archchicago.org

Ages: High Schoolers and Adults

Sign up here:



2024 St. Cyril Summer Fest
August 21 - 24, 2025
Sponsor Opportunities

_____ **\$7,500+ Diamond Sponsor:** Prominent Sponsorship Display at the Summer Fest and in the school during the 2025/2026 school year along with advertisement at the 2026 SS. Cyril & Methodius Lenten Fish Fry's and sponsorship at the St. Cyril Golf Outing.

_____ **\$5,000 Platinum Sponsor:** Prominent Sponsorship Display at the Summer Fest and in the school during the 2025/2026 school year along with advertisement at the 2026 SS. Cyril & Methodius Lenten Fish Fry's.

_____ **\$2,500 Gold Sponsor:** Sponsorship Display at the Summer Fest and in the school during the 2025/2026 school year.

_____ **\$1,000 Silver Sponsor:** Sponsorship displayed at the Summer Fest

_____ **\$500 Bronze Sponsor:** Sponsorship displayed in the Beer Garden/Stage Area

_____ I would like to make a Cash/Check Donation of \$ _____

Organization/Corporation _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Check # _____

Cash \$ _____

Please drop off your payment at the PLB or mail your payment by Friday, August 8, 2025, to:
SSCM c/o Susan Bradac
607 Sobieski St.
Lemont, IL 60439

Attn: SSCM Summer Fest

Please include this completed form with your donation.

Payment can also be made by Zelle (sscmcomets@stcyril.org) and email the completed form to sscmsummerfest@gmail.com.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Susan Bradac at 708-351-5531 or at sscmsummerfest@gmail.com.



Community
Faith-Based
Cancer Support Group

A GATHERING FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY CANCER
MONDAY, JULY 21, 2025
6:30 – 8:30PM
ST. ALPHONSUS PARISH CENTER
[CORNER OF LOGAN & WALNUT, WALNUT ENTRANCE]
COME & SEE!



<https://www.facebook.com/OJOHLEmont>

MISSION STATEMENT

As a Christian faith-based cancer support group, it is our mission to offer hope to patients, survivors, families, and all those affected by cancer through fellowship, prayer, information, and resources.

GOAL STATEMENT

To provide a safe and loving place for participants to express their feelings, share their stories, and have an opportunity to seek God's grace.

QUESTIONS?

Tess Kearney
tkearney1@gmail.com
630-335-3225

Kevin Cady
kcadyc-stpls@comcast.net
630-257-2371

Wakacje z Bogiem w Lemont

JUBILEE 2025



Wakacje z Bogiem w Lemont – dziękujemy!

To był piękny, intensywny i pełen łask czas! Z całego serca dziękujemy wszystkim **27 wspaniałym wolontariuszom**, którzy wspólnie stworzyli niezastąpioną ekipę „Wakacji z Bogiem”! Na czele tej wyjątkowej drużyny stanął ks. proboszcz **Waldemar Stawiarski**, ks. **Paweł Komperda**, s. **Karolina z Lombard**, **Roman Harmata**, **Marek Predki**, **Grzegorz Miecznikowski**, **Agata** i **Jacek Tomczak** oraz **Marek Stępień** – Wasza obecność i zaangażowanie były bezcenne! Szczególne podziękowania kierujemy również do **Małej Oazy Dzieci Fatimskich**, **Klubu Polskiego** oraz **Diakonii Muzycznej w NIEBOgłosy** pod przewodnictwem **Anety Zianowicz** i **Agnieszki Ptaszek** – Wasza energia, świadectwo i radość wniosły niezwykłą wartość do każdego dnia! Dziękujemy wszystkim **Rodzicom**, którzy nam zaufali i zapisali **116 dzieci i młodzieży** na tegoroczne półkolonie „Wakacje z Bogiem w Lemont”! Dzięki Wam młodzi uczestnicy mogli przeżyć wyjątkowy tydzień w duchu wspólnoty i radości, odkrywając, czym jest **Rok Jubileuszowy 2025** i jak stawać się **Pielgrzymem Nadziei**. Wielką atrakcją była wizyta w **Petting Zoo**, gdzie dzieci mogły zaprzyjaźnić się z Bożymi stworzeniami, a nawet przejechać się na kucykach i konikach! Zajęcia muzyczne, plastyczne, gry i zabawy, piłka nożna oraz szermierka – wszystko to mówiło dzieciom o jednym: **Bóg jest Miłością**. Dziękujemy za wszelkie wsparcie – finansowe, materialne i duchowe – które otrzymaliśmy od: **Parafii SS. Cyryla i Metodego**, **Klubu Polskiego w Lemont**, **PSFCU – Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union**, **Signature Barn Banquet Hall**, **Rodziny Kosel**, **Rodziny Leja**, **Children’s Ark Academy**, **Luke’a Papierza**, **CEO & Founder at MediaDevotion.com**, **Jana Styrzuli** – **Atelier Salon**, **ZIBI Photo & Business Printing** oraz wielu anonimowych sponsorów, którzy nie tylko wspierali nas finansowo, ale – co najważniejsze – **modlitewnie**. Za to wszystko z całego serca mówimy: **Bóg zapłać!** Razem tworzymy coś więcej niż półkolonie – **tworzymy przestrzeń wiary, nadziei i wspólnoty**. Do zobaczenia za rok!



Vacation with God in Lemont – what an unforgettable week! It was a beautiful, grace-filled time full of joy, community, and purpose. With the dedication of 27 amazing volunteers, a truly unique and inspiring camp came to life. Over 100 children and teens experienced a vibrant journey of faith, fun, and discovery – learning what it means to be a **Pilgrim of Hope in the spirit of the Jubilee Year 2025**. From music and art workshops to soccer, fencing, and even pony rides at a Petting Zoo, every moment reminded us of one powerful truth: **God is Love**. We’re deeply grateful for the support—material, financial, and spiritual—that helped make this week possible. Together, we’ve created something more than a summer camp... we’ve built a space of faith, hope, and community. **See you next year!**

Justem Pielgrzymem Nadziei
I am a Pilgrim of Hope



Drodzy Parafianie,

Chrystus w swoim nauczaniu posługiwał się różnymi przykładami, przypowieściami. Dzisiejsza Ewangelia jest przykładem tego jak Chrystus wykorzystywał także najwyklesze wydarzenia życia

codziennego do pouczenia o podstawowych zasadach życia chrześcijańskiego. Dziś patrzymy na gościnę w domu Łazarza i jego siostr Marii i Marty. Maria siadła „u nóg Pana i przysłuchiwała się Jego mowie” (Łk 10, 39). Marta „uwijała się koło rozmaitych posług” (Łk 10, 40), czyli starała się jak najlepiej ugościć Mistrza i Jego uczniów.

Marta i Maria to dwie osobowości. Marta reprezentuje pracowitość, troskliwość. Maria natomiast skupienie, wrażliwość na Słowo Boże, cichą rozmowę z Bogiem. Jaką postawę wobec nich zajmuje Chrystus? Pan Jezus nie karci Marty za to, że przygotowuje posiłek, zwraca jej tylko uwagę na rzeczy ważniejsze, o których nie należy zapominać. Posiłek dla ciała jest konieczny, ale człowiek potrzebuje także chleba, którym jest Bóg i Jego Słowo. Zawsze potrzebujemy ludzi, którzy potrafią jak Maria „usiąść u stóp Pana”, posłuchać Jego słowa i wprowadzić je w życie. Właściwie jest to zadanie dla nas wszystkich. Każdy z nas musi umieć i chcieć rozmyślać i modlić się, wysłuchać Bożego pouczenia i z nim udać się do własnej pracy.

Kiedy tak popatrzymy na siebie i na otaczający nas świat to zauważamy więcej Mart niż Marii. Chorujemy od trosk, zajęć, biegania i zapracowania; zbyt wiele jest troski o chleb, a za mało o Boga, o Jego słowo, o modlitwę. Tłumaczymy się, że nie mamy czasu. Marta też była zabiegana, a Maria znalazła czas na modlitwę.

Chrześcijanin powinien być Martą i Marią. Praca nie zwalnia nas od słuchania słowa Bożego i od modlitwy, a modlitwa nie daje nam prawa do zaniedbywania pracy. Człowiek żyjący w stałym kontakcie z Bogiem jest najlepszym pracownikiem.

Dziękuję za ciągle wsparcie i hojność dla Parafii Św. Cyryla i Metodego. Życzę miłego tygodnia i niech Bóg błogosławi Was i Waszych najbliższych,

Ks. Waldemar

Kilka spraw z życia parafii:

- **Uwaga parafianie ~ Prosimy nie zabierać laminowanych kart zbiórki. Po dokonaniu darowizny prosimy o pozostawienie ich na stojaku w ławkach. Dziękuję!**
- **ZAREZERWUJ DATY:** Zapraszamy na parafialny letni Festyn, który odbędzie się w dniach 21-24 sierpnia. Dołącz do nas! Super muzyka, smaczne dania, atrakcje dla dzieci. Więcej informacji w biuletynie. **Wtedy będzie ogłoszony zwycięzca samochodu i gotówki!**
- **UWAGA PARAFIANIE!! CZY SŁYSZELIŚCIE NIESAMOWITE WIADOMOŚCI??** Szkoła przy parafii Św. Cyryla i Metodego rozlosowuje samochód 2025 Chevy Corvette Stingray 2LT o kolorze Riptide Blue plus \$10,000. Dostępnych jest tylko 1200 biletów w cenie po \$175.00, a dochód trafi bezpośrednio na rzecz naszej szkoły parafialnej!! Druga nagroda wynosi \$7500, a trzecia \$2500. Zwycięzca zostanie ogłoszony ostatniego dnia parafialnego Festynu letniego, czyli w niedzielę 24 sierpnia. **NIE ZWLEKAJ, KUP BILETY JUŻ DZIŚ, ZANIM ZOSTANĄ WYPRZEDANE!!!**

Polska Szkoła w Lemont, IL im. św. Jana Pawła II
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Mass Intentions

Monday — July 21st

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY
✠ MARY F. WOJCIECHOWSKI
by Son

Tuesday — July 22nd

7:00 AM ✠ ZOFIA & STANISLAW KROLCZYK
by Daughter
3:00 PM *Wedding: Austeja Stonkute and Anthony Kalmeta*
7:00 PM ✠ AUGUSTYN PRĘDKI
by Rodzina Prędkie
✠ ADAM LESNICKI
by Walter i Sophie Lesnicki
✠ MARIA I TADEUSZ DŁUGOPOLSKI
by Syn z Rodziną
✠ CZESŁAW ZAGRANICZNY
by Rodzina Prędkie

Wednesday — July 23rd

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED

Thursday — July 24th

7:00 AM ✠ KRISTOFER, KRISTINA & ALBERT ZMARZLY
by Family

Friday — July 25th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR ANNA BOCHENEK
by Rodzina Wontoreczyk

3:00 PM *Wedding: Emilia Pellegrino and Nicholas Hauptmann*

Saturday — July 26th

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
11:00 AM *Wedding: Agata Bizub and David Pantelemoniuł*
1:00 PM *Wedding: Katarina Strbova and Jakub Sobiesiak*
3:00 PM *Wedding: Elizabeth Brzezinski and Benjamin Wishba*
5:00 PM ✠ DECEASED KEDZIOR FAMILY MEMBERS

Msgr Pollard by Marie

✠ JANINA KARDAS
by Family
AN INTENTION KNOWN TO GOD
✠ DANIEL SUCHECKI
by Wolniakowski Family

Sunday — July 27th

7:00 AM ✠ DECEASED MEMBERS OF SROKA & RUTKOWSKI FAMILIES
Fr. Valdi by JoAnn

8:00 AM ✠ JAN I HELENA WALUŚ
Carmelite by K.J. Długopolski
✠ JERZY MATEJA (24 Rocznicą Śmierci)
by Rodzina

✠ ANDRZEJ NYKAZA I SYN BOGDAN
by Siostra Krystyna
✠ PAWEŁ PAWLICA
by Marii

9:30 AM ✠ DCN. NORB LESNIESKI

Fr. Valdi by Mark Sniegowski Family
GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR JOHN & SARA LESNICKI (25 Anniv.)
by Family

✠ FRANCIS & LORETTA KRAMER
by Ruth & Joseph Tomala
✠ KENNETH PAUL GONSCH
by Margaret & Henry Tomecki

11:00 AM ✠ JÓZEF MILAN

Carmelite by Rodzina
✠ KS. MIECZYSLAW JANOSIK
by Rodzina Janosik
✠ STANISLAW I ZOFIA BENDYK
by Siostra Zofia

✠ FRANCISZEK SKUPIEŃ (1 Rocznicą Śmierci)
by Rodzina Janosik

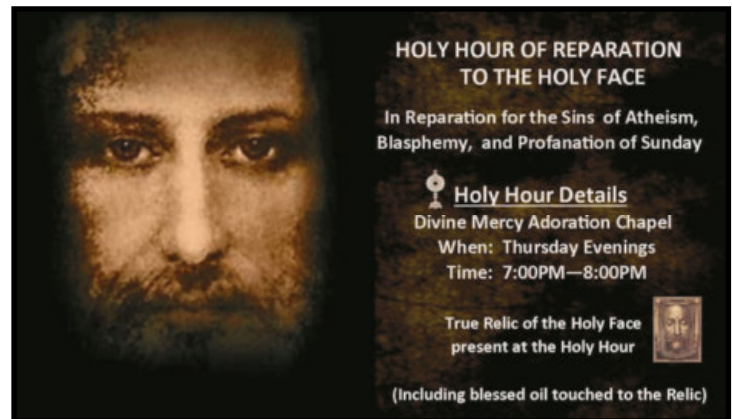
12:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Fr. Valdi GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR ALBERT (birth),
NATHAN & MYKALA KUNICKIS
by Grandmother

✠ KAROL MACHAJ
by Family
✠ ERIC SABANOV
by Parents

2:00 PM ✠ MONICA BACHLEDA (5 Rocznicą Śmierci)
Carmelite by Rodzina

✠ CZESŁAWA BOGUN
by Monika z Rodziną
✠ ZDZISŁAW ŚWIATŁOWSKI
by Rodzina Prędkie
✠ ANIELA I LUDWIK BYLINA
by Dorothy Sądeliski

7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Fr. Valdi



Pray for ...

Please call the parish office if you have a loved one you would like our parish community to pray for.

Emilia Pilecki
Joan Albert
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William Podborny
Cindy Evankoe
Grace Dunbar
Mike Laskowski
Bethany Gryfakis
Ryan McCaugherty
Amanda Wiskup
Adam Kalata
Wendy Ivik
Ed Nieponski
Lorraine Malm

Guy Martin
Irene Forst
Terry Hallandworth
Mark Malewski & Family
John Dzielski
Joseph Dziekan
Bob & Marge Dousset
Frances James
Arthur Zelezinski
Tom Rup
Barbara Ager
Mary Kay Nieponski
Roger Laurella

The name of an individual will stay on the prayer list for two months. Please contact the parish office if you would like to prolong the prayer request.

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**Please pray for...**

We ask you to please keep in your prayers the following parishioners who are on active duty in the military:

Capt. Catherine R. Chappell, Pilot HC130, U.S. Air Force; **Frank Romanowski**, Army Combat Medic; **SPC Ryan Sherwood**; **PVT Robert Kyle O'Hare**, US Army; **Dominic Maiella**, US Marine Corps; **Jonathan Plonka**, US Air Force; **Matas Maleiska**, US Navy; **Cole Kowalczyk**, Army Specialist; **LT. Colonel Ken Hussey**, Army; **Lt. Jacob Halon**

Please inform the parish office if there are any changes or additions to the above list.

Congratulations and God's Blessings

*Ashley DeSando and Scott Johns
Married July 12, 2025*

Congratulations and God's Blessings

*Megan Barnes and Kevin Henneck
Married July 12, 2025*

**Deaths**
*May Perpetual Light
Shine Upon Them*

In your prayers, please remember the souls of
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May their souls and the soul of all our
faithfully departed family and friends rest
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As Catholics, we celebrate so many Feasts that even the *Ordinary Time* between Easter Season and Advent is filled with extra graces. But did you know that Catholics also celebrate 'seasons' during the week? Let's take a look at Fridays and Sundays and what we celebrate each week.

FRIDAY: For Catholics, Friday should have a different feel than the rest of the week. TGIF is NOT our slogan like the rest of the world, unless we mean thanking Jesus for dying for our sins. Fridays should have a penitential nature for us, remembering the Lord's passion and death. Historically, for Catholics, it has been common practice for Friday to be a day of abstinence – to unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice for us on the cross.

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Some Catholics continue to abstain from meat on Friday, and others may choose to do an additional Holy Hour or a penance such as skipping a meal or having smaller meals. When we practice some type of penance on Fridays, we are reminded of the deeper meaning of our lives. The most beautiful gift we have received is God's sacrificial death out of love for us to atone for our sins. Friday is a day to experience more deeply the Lord's love for us and his mercy which gives birth to our Christian joy. Our Friday sacrifices should lead us to humility before God, as well as gratitude for God's generosity.

SUNDAY: We Catholics need to renew our celebration of Sundays. Sundays can't just be the day we go to Mass – that's just the start! Sunday is the day for family celebrations; a special meal together, a time for recreation, some downtime for deeper conversations and connection, locking up our electronic devices, going to the park and playing together, or resting together. Visit a sick relative, write letters to old friends, or bake cookies together and bring them to a lonely neighbor.

Sunday is the day for family and church, getting a little bit more dressed up for Mass, and maybe out for brunch. Life is complicated during the week, so we need to protect our Sundays to refresh our family love whenever we can. Even God rested on Sunday after he created the world. Let's take back our Sundays as a privileged place in the week and make it a day of prayer and rest, good deeds and family. Sundays are a gift from God to us. Let us receive that gift and use it well.

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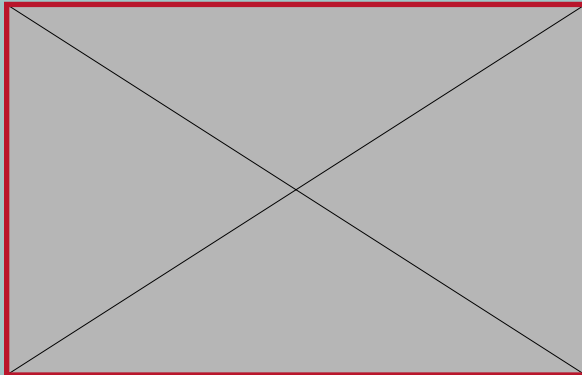
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