

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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February 8, 2026

Fifth 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 Szyszyna Principal: (630) 669-9058
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Mass Schedule:			Parish Council: Stan Brzezniak, President Bulletin: bulletin@stcyril.org Helping Hands: helpinghands@stcyril.org
<p>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)</p>			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
Special Masses:			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.
<p>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)</p>			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.
<p>Holy Days of Obligation: As announced</p>			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.
Sacrament of Reconciliation:			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
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:			
Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass			
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:			
Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building. Please contact: Lottie (630) 442-9441, Mark (773) 727-7934, Margaret mtsniez@gmail.com			
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			


Dear Parishioners,

Today Jesus calls us and reminds us that we are the salt of the earth. As His followers, we should be the people who will become as necessary and needed as the salt in the kitchen to others. The kind that without it, even the best dish will lose its taste.

We live in an era that is characterized by enormous technical advances. The world has become a global village, however, at the same time man has never been so lonely and unhappy. And here, God Himself, came into this situation. In Jesus, He became one of us. Through Him, He shared our fate and experienced what it means to be unnoticed and marginalized. Recall Christmas: the stable, there was no place for Him in the inn, the escape to Egypt ... That is why His words about the salt of the earth are so important and come from deep experience. At the same time, Jesus tried to do everything to remedy this human poverty.

He obliged us, His followers and believers: Share your bread with the hungry, bring the poor wanderers home, clothe the naked, and do not turn away from your compatriots ... – as the prophet Isaiah teaches us. In addition, St. Paul points to Christ, without whom man's life is even more barren than the unflavored dish.

We must hear again and be concerned about the word of Christ addressed to us, to be truly the salt of the earth, the light of the world. The fate of our fellow men and their everyday life may depend on it. Will it be marked only by hardship, poverty, loss in the world of values, or will it become a pilgrimage on clear and certain paths of life towards the ultimate goal of eternal relationship with God?

Don't allow the removal of Christ from our life, who is the salt and the light for us. What's more, let us be the salt and the light for others.

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:

- The Lemont Knights of Columbus will once again sell their delicious tamales on Super Bowl

Sunday, February 8, after all SSCM and St. James Masses. Please stop by their table to support this fundraiser—**while supplies last.** More details are in the bulletin.

- This month of February begins our yearly Annual Catholic Appeal. You will be receiving, or may have already received, a mailing from Cardinal Cupich to answer the call, "Together We Bring Light." Please see the details in this and upcoming bulletins.
- **We are currently looking for altar servers.** If your child is in 4th through 7th grade and is interested in serving at the altar, please contact Szymon Koszarek for more information and to sign up for the training sessions this month. Registration forms are available on the tables in the back of church. Please note that the second training date was updated since last week; the correct date is listed on page 9 of this bulletin. Families are encouraged to consider this ministry.
- Please join us next Saturday, February 14th, after the 5:00 PM Mass to **celebrate the feast day of SS. Cyril & Methodius.** Check out the bulletin for more details & how to sign up!
- **We will be burning palms** after the 7:00 AM Mass on Tuesday, February 17th. Please bring in your palms as we prepare for Ash Wednesday.
- **Wednesday, February 18th, is Ash Wednesday.** Please join us as we begin the Lenten season. See the bulletin for a complete list of times ashes will be distributed at SSCM.


Collection & Burning of Palms

We will be collecting your old palms the weekend of February 14th & 15th to be used in the Rite for Burning of Palms in preparation for Ash Wednesday. This service will take place on Tuesday, February 17th immediately following the 7:00 AM Mass in front of the church. Palms can be placed in the baskets in the back of church.



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

SS. Cyril & Methodius School 2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parents and Parishioners,
Week Twenty-Two Recap - Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week was a joyful celebration of who we are and the many blessings that shape our school community, beginning Monday with a heartfelt Celebration of Families as students dressed as family members, enjoyed the Book Fair, and cheered on classmates and faculty at a spirited Horse assembly. The week continued with appreciation for our dedicated faculty and staff through a special luncheon and themed dress day, alongside academic focus with the i-Ready Reading Diagnostic. Wednesday shined a spotlight on our students with a dress-down day, free Chick-fil-A lunch, Bingo assembly, and the gift of no homework, while Thursday blended learning and service as students concluded diagnostics and celebrated our wider community by representing their towns and assembling Bags of Blessings. We closed the week with pride and faith during our Celebration of our Nation, gathering for All-School Mass, dressing in red, white, and blue, enjoying a patriotic movie, and ending the day with a memorable Daddy/Daughter Dance—an unforgettable week of faith, learning, service, and togetherness.

Go Comets!!
Mr. Turney, SSCM Principal

Congratulations to Michael Bialas and Cassandra Krupa! They were awarded this year's "Barbara Waller Scholarship" during Catholic Schools Week closing Mass.

Congratulations!



NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL

"GUIDING STUDENTS TO REALIZE THEIR UNIQUE TALENTS AND POTENTIAL"

SSCM OFFERS

- Flexible Scheduling for Preschool 3 & 4
- AM & PM Comet Club (Extended Care)
- Weekly School Mass & Faith in Action Opportunities
- Student-Led Worship
- Monthly School-Wide Service Projects
- Weekly Specials (PK - 8): STEM, Foreign Language, Art, Music
- Junior High Leadership Classes
- NJHS, Student Council & NJAHS
- Band, Theater, Choir, Art Club
- Little Pebbles Program (Birth - Age 3)

THE SSCM ADVANTAGE

- Data-Driven Instruction
- Personalized Learning
- 1:1 Technology Program
- Leadership Development Courses
- Student Services Department
 - Math/Reading Specialists
 - Instructional Aides
 - SEL Coordinator
 - Special Services with District 113A
- 15:1 Student - Teacher Ratio
- Talented, Faith-Filled, Joyful Faculty & Staff

HOME OF THE COMETS!

BASKETBALL ~ VOLLEYBALL ~ SOCCER ~ CHEER ~ AND MORE!

SCHEDULE A PERSONAL TOUR OR LEARN MORE! 630.257.6488

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL 2026 FUNDRAISER

CASINO NIGHT PARTY

ALL GAMES USE PLAY MONEY ONLY. NO REAL MONEY IS BET OR WON

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026
7PM - 12AM

CRYSTAL GRAND BANQUETS
12416 S. ARCHER AVE. LEMONT, IL 60439

JOIN SSCM PSO FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING
OF PLAY-MONEY GAMING, DINING, DANCING, AND FUN!

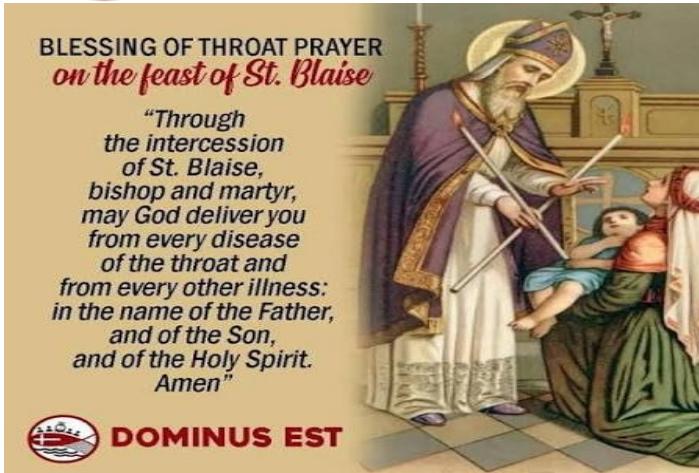
ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE SCHOOL
& STUDENT EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

TICKETS \$125 EACH / PURCHASE HERE

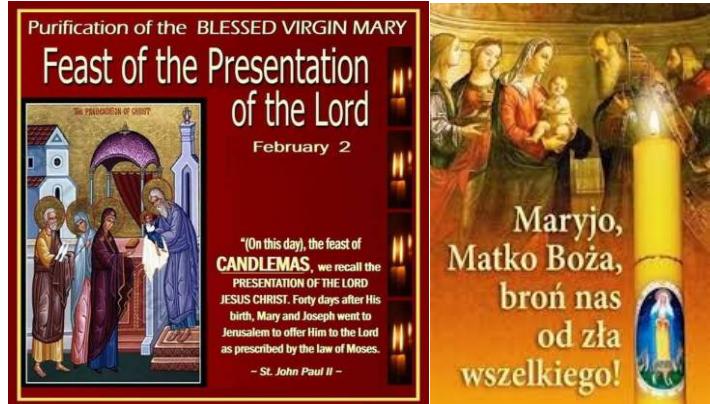


SS Cyril & Methodius
Religious Education Program
stcylre@sscmlemon.org
(630)257-9314
www.re.stcyl.org

Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator



Our 1st grade students from the Monday Session/Mrs. Grand's class, were learning about St. Blaise Bishop and Martyr. They also learned the importance of throat blessing.



Students from the Monday 3rd grade class made a Valentine's Day craft with their catechist, Mrs. Gornick.



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.

CONFESION 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.

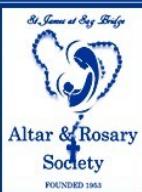


Our Lady of Fatima Statue

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



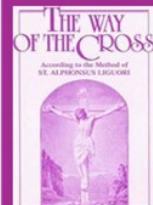
Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!



Reminder A&R meetings are the 2nd Sat. of the month. Our next meeting is Feb. 14th. All Ladies are welcome to come celebrate St. Valentine's Day with us. Meeting starts with the Rosary at 9:30 am in Sag Hall. Light refreshments are served as we get down to the business of planning our next event. **SAVE THE DATE** for our Saints & Birthdays celebration. It will be on **March 15th!** Details to come.

Stations of the Cross – Fridays

A beautiful Lenten tradition! Each Friday in Lent, join us for a meatless soup 5:30-6:30 in rectory basement. Then pray St Alphonsus Ligouri's Stations of the Cross followed by Mass. Walk with Jesus!

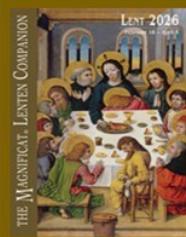


40 DAYS FOR LIFE THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION.

The Spring campaign begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Palm Sunday. Access Health, 1700 75th Str, Downers Grove. Our standard Friday 3pm prayer hour will continue & many more pray-ers are needed for the daily 12 hour vigil. 40daysforlife.com



The Pilgrims for Life from St James gathered in DC for the March for Life. We are proud of their witness for the unborn!



Lent Begins February 18

The Sag Bridge Mission Society has announced it will distribute the Magnificat Lenten Companion to St James parishioners free of charge. Watch for it on Feb 15.

Learning from Tradition

In the traditional calendar of the Roman Catholic Church (used for most noon Masses at St James), today is **Sexagesima Sunday**. The word is derived from the Latin for "sixtieth" which is roughly the number of days until Easter and continues this "pre-Lent" season. Even the liturgical color advanced to purple. Have you begun to plan your Lent? Determined which virtues you might work to grow? Or vices to minimize? Can you envision how you might improve in your practices of prayer, fasting & almsgiving? Resolve now to take advantage of this special penitential time to grow closer to Jesus. He gave His all for us - let's be ready to give our all to Him.

Wine & Wisdom – Feb 11

Learn about the mystic Mother Eugenia, an Italian nun in the 20th century. Her revelations were from God the Father & received the imprimatur from her bishop. Come hear her message & accomplishments.

Feb 18 – No Wine & Wisdom on Ash Wednesday

Make your Wednesdays special! Each week: Adoration (5-7), Confession (6-7), Mass (7pm), W&W (7:45).



Theology of the Dance returns to Young Married Couples – **February 17** at **6:30pm**! See info, including childcare RSVP, on the flyer in church or at historicstjames.com.



Catholic Citizens of Illinois – Feb 13

Come hear Kevin Kijewski, aspirant to the Office of Michigan Attorney General & former superintendent of Catholic schools for the Detroit Archdiocese speak on a faithful & lawful approach to immigration. Info & tickets at catholiccitizens.org

It's the middle of winter!

Can you help homeless men stay warm? Put hoodies, blankets & men's coats, new or in good condition, in the box in Charlie's Chapel. (Please no women's or kid's.)

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!



Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8:00AM †Virginia Schneider

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8:00AM For an End to Abortion

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

7:00PM †Kathy Latham

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:00AM †Ruth Lawler

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

6:00PM †Raymond Graceffa

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00AM †Juana Marino

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:15AM †Anthony Cimino

10AM †Salvatore Tessitore

†Juana Marino

12:00PM †Louis & †Liane DeSitter

Our Weekly Offering

Our weekly *Offertory* collection from February 1, 2026 was \$5,064. Our *Maintenance* collection was \$432. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$1,115.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

Altar Flowers

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

**THE SWIGONS—IN LOVING MEMORY OF
KAROLINE & ANTHONY SADLEK**

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15
8:15am	Mark Henze, Christos & Frankie Latsonas
10am	Christian Cozzi, Daniel Newsom, Matthew Sullivan



Please Make Your Gift To The 2026
Annual Catholic Appeal ~
Together we bring light

Many families in our parish should have received the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries of the parishes and schools that receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers us an opportunity to join with others and affirm that "together we bring light." In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help here in our parish. As we consider God's many gifts to us, we should also reflect our gratitude by using and sharing those gifts. Your financial support for the work of our parish, our archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is one way to express that gratitude. Please make a donation as you are able to the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal.

**HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION
TO THE HOLY FACE**

In Reparation for the Sins of Atheism, Blasphemy, and Profanation of Sunday

Holy Hour Details
Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel
When: Thursday Evenings
Time: 7:00PM—8:00PM

True Relic of the Holy Face present at the Holy Hour

(Including blessed oil touched to the Relic)

**SAINTS
CYRIL & METHODIUS**

**SS. Cyril & Methodius
Feast Day Celebration!**

Join Father Valdi and SSCM parishioners to celebrate SS. Cyril and Methodius Feast Day after the 5pm mass on Saturday, Feb 14th. There will be a short presentation about our patron saints followed by light snacks and drinks till 7pm. Those interested please reserve your space thru the Signup Genius link on our parish website or Facebook page or email scmreachout@gmail.com.

**STS. CYRIL AND
METHODIUS**

February 14th

PRAY FOR US

**Our collection on
Ash Wednesday,
February 18th,
will go towards
helping:**

**Aid for the
Church in Central
and Eastern
Europe**

The Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe serves essential pastoral needs in more than 25 countries.

**SUPPORT THE
CHURCH IN
CENTRAL AND
EASTERN EUROPE**

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Please join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9:30 AM Mass each Sunday September 7th through May 31st for Kindergarten – 4th graders **Join Us!!!**



Knights of Columbus® Lemont 1599

Knights of Columbus Tamale Fundraiser Super Bowl Sunday, February 8, 2026

The Lemont Knights of Columbus will hold a Tamale Fundraiser after each of the Masses at these Lemont Churches: SSCM, St. Al's-St. Pat's, & St. James on Sunday, February 8th. The cost is \$12.00 per 1/2 dozen. Pork and chicken tamales will be available- while supplies last.

Proceeds support charitable works of the Lemont Knights of Columbus, particularly in the Lemont community.



A little love CAN SAVE A LIFE

DONATE BLOOD

Saturday
February
21

9:00AM - 1:00PM

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

Lemont V.F.W Post 5819 & Knights of Columbus Council Blood Drive

Location: Lemont V.F.W Post 5819

15780 New Avenue
Lemont, IL 60439

Appointments appreciated; Walk-Ins welcome!
To schedule, go to www.versiti.org/IL, load the Versiti Donor app, call (800) 7TO-GIVE, or scan the QR code below

Photo ID Required



1-800-7TO-GIVE

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Blood Center of Illinois



ALTAR SERVER RECRUITMENT

We are currently looking for children in the 4th, 5th, 6th, & 7th grades who are interested in becoming altar servers at SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish. Servers would be scheduled to serve for Sunday Masses, Holy Day Masses, Weddings, and Funerals.

Training for new servers will take place on Tuesday, February 17 at 5:30 PM and on Saturday, February 21 at 6:00 pm (corrected from last week) in the church. If your child is interested in becoming an altar server, registration forms for the training can be found on the back tables in church or have been emailed to you through the school or religious education program.

All children interested in serving must complete a registration form. For more information, please contact Szymon Koszarek at 630-257-2776 or email him at skoszarek@archchicago.org.



Bereavement Ministry Volunteers Needed

If you feel called to serve families in grief and support funeral liturgies, please consider joining our bereavement ministry. Volunteers assist with compassionate outreach, planning, and preparation for funeral Masses. For more information, please contact Szymon Koszarek at skoszarek@archchicago.org or the parish office.



Are you or anyone you know in need of a 24/7 caregiver?

English/Romanian speaking caregiver available for a 24/7 position. For more details contact Connie at 630-257-5496.

**Baptisms: November 22, 2025 through January 4, 2026
Welcome our Newest Members into our Faith Community**

ANA ROSE, daughter of Kevin and Olívia (Basiorka) Koerner
 JAMES DANIEL, son of Kevin and Samantha (Kulpa) Lombard
 RHYS ELLIOTT, son of Robert and Gabrielle (Gousset) Redd III
 MAXIMUS DOUGLAS, son of Douglas and Kelly (Cappy) Contorno
 ELEANOR CLAIRE, daughter of Nickolas and Heather (Duffy) Kendzora
 ARLO XAVIER, son of Xavier and Anna (Motola) Namnum
 PARKER JOSEPH LONGORIA-WERNAU, son of Eric Longoria and Jennifer Wernau
 JOSEPH JAMES, son of Lukasz and Nicole (Kowalczyk) Kowalczyk
 PATRICK ARTHUR, son of Patrick & Erin (O'Donnell) Mahoney
 CHLOE SOPHIA PLOUSSARD VALENTINO, daughter of Quentin Ploussard and Lauren Valentino



The Blessed Sacrament candle that burns above the altar 24/7 is available to be sponsored for an intention or in memory of loved ones. This candle is replaced every Monday morning. We also have a Blessed Sacrament candle in our Divine Mercy Chapel which is available for intentions. Please call our parish office to make arrangements to book your week and to specify which Blessed Sacrament candle you would like to sponsor. A donation of \$100 is requested, and the intention along with the name of the donor will be acknowledged in our bulletin.



XXI DZIEŃ POLSKI
250 LAT - POLACY W WALCE
O NIEPODLEGŁOŚĆ AMERYKI

22 lutego 2026

Sala księdza Gilewskiego
 Parafia Świętych Cyryla i Metodego w Lemont (608 Sobieski St.)

2 PM - Uroczysta Msza Święta
 3 PM - Akademia i główne uroczystości

Całodniowa wystawa historyczna:
 "250-lecie Ameryki oraz udział Polaków w walce o niepodległość Kościuszko & Pułaski - bohaterowie wolności

Kiermasz polskich biznesów z Lemont i okolic

Smaczne zakąski i poczęstunek

Ogłoszenie "POLAKA ROKU 2026"

Występ Orkiestry "TRÓJCOWO"







Polish Club of Lemont
 In Association with SS Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church

Serdecznie Zapraszamy!

Klub Polski w Lemont ma zaszczyt zaprosić Państwa na XXI Dzień Dziedzictwa Polskiego, który odbędzie się 22 lutego 2026 roku. Tegorocznym tematem będzie "250 Lat - Polacy w Walce o Niepodległość Ameryki". Już od godziny 8:00 rano zapraszamy na wystawę tematyczną w sali ks. Gilewskiego przy Parafii św. Cyryla i Metodego. Wystawa będzie otwarta dla wszystkich zainteresowanych. Będzie także możliwość spotkania się z naszymi sponsorami, m.in.: z Polsko Słowiańską Federalną Unią Kredytową, Radio Maryja, Doma, Sports Outlet Express, Thermomix, oraz wieloma innymi!

Dla osób zainteresowanych promocją swojego biznesu lub firmy jest możliwość wykupienia stoiska reklamowego: pełny stół - \$250, pół stół - \$125
 Istnieje również możliwość zamieszczenia reklamy w specjalnej gazetce Dnia Polskiego, która będzie szeroko rozpowszechniona.

Główne uroczystości Dnia Polskiego rozpoczną się Mszą Świętą w języku polskim o godzinie 14:00. Z radością informujemy, że podczas obchodów zostanie wręczona nagroda "Polak Roku 2026".

W programie:

- prezentacja tematu Dnia Polskiego pt. "Polacy w walce o niepodległość Ameryki", ze szczególnym uwzględnieniem postaci Tadeusza Kościuszki i Kazimierza Pułaskiego
- występ Polonijnej Orkiestry Dętej "Trójcowa"

Serdecznie Państwa zapraszamy! Z niecierpliwością oczekujemy Waszej pozytywnej odpowiedzi i wspólnego świętowania bogactwa polskiego dziedzictwa. Prosimy o potwierdzenie obecności do 12 lutego 2026 r. email: polishclub@stcyril.org tel. (773) 216-1108.

Z wyrazami szacunku,
 Klub Polski w Lemont - Stróżem Wiary, Tradycji i Kultury Polskiej



Website: www.klubpolskilemont.org Phone: 773-216-1108 Email: polishclub@stcyril.org Address: 608 Sobieski Street Lemont, IL 60439

**Drodzy Parafianie,**

Jezus dziś wzywa nas i przypomina nam, że jesteśmy solą ziemi. Jako Jego wyznawcy, naśladowcy mamy być takimi ludźmi, którzy dla innych staną się tak niezbędni i potrzebni jak sól w kuchni, bez której najlepsza nawet potrawa nie będzie miała swego smaku.

Żyjemy w czasach, które charakteryzują się ogromnym postępem technicznym. Świat stał się globalną wioską. Ale równocześnie człowiek nigdy nie był tak samotny i nieszczęśliwy. I oto sam Pan Bóg wszedł w tę sytuację. W Jezusie stał się jednym z nas. W Nim dzielił nasz los i doświadczył na sobie, co znaczy być niezauważonym i zepchniętym na margines. Przypomnijmy sobie Boże Narodzenie: stajnia, nie było dla Niego miejsca w gospodzie, ucieczka do Egiptu... Dlatego Jego słowa o soli ziemi są tak ważne i wypływają z głębokiego doświadczenia. Równocześnie Jezus starał się czynić wszystko, aby tej ludzkiej biedzie zaradzić.

I do tego zobowiązał również nas, swoich wyznawców i naśladowców: *Dziel swój chleb z głodnym, do domu wprowadź biednych tulaczy, nagiego, którego ujrzyś, przyodziej i nie odwracaj się od współziomków... – poucza nas prorok Izajasz. A św. Paweł wskazuje na Chrystusa, bez którego życie człowieka jest jeszcze bardziej jałowe niż niedoprawiona potrawa.*

Trzeba abyśmy na nowo usłyszeli i przejęli się słowem Chrystusa skierowanym do nas, by być rzeczywiście solą ziemi, światłem świata. Od tego może zależeć los naszych bliźnich, ich codzienność. Czy będzie ona naznaczona jedynie trudem, biedą, zagubieniem w świecie wartości, czy też stanie się pielgrzymowaniem po jasnych i pewnych drogach życia ku ostatecznemu celowi, jakim jest wieczne przebywanie z Bogiem?

Nie pozwólmy odebrać sobie Chrystusa, który jest dla nas solą i światłem. I bądźmy solą i światłem dla innych.

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

Ks. Waldemar

Kilka spraw z życia parafii:

- Rycerze Kolumba (Knights of Columbus) w Lemont po raz kolejny będą sprzedawać swoje pyszne tamales w Niedzielę Super Bowl, 8 lutego, po wszystkich Mszach u św. Cyryla i Metodego i mszii św. Jakuba. Prosimy zatrzymać się przy ich stoliku, aby wesprzeć tą

akcję — do wyczerpania zapasów.Więcej szczegółów znajduje się w biuletynie.

- **W tym miesiącu lutym rozpoczyna się nasza Coroczna Kwesta Katolicka.** Otrzymacie Państwo, albo być może już otrzymaliście, przesyłkę od kardynała Cupicha z prośbą o odpowiedź na wezwanie: „Razem przynosimy światło.” Prosimy o zapoznanie się ze szczegółami w tym oraz w kolejnych biuletynach.
- **Poszukujemy ministrantów.** Jeśli Państwa dziecko jest w klasie 4-7 i jest zainteresowane służbą przy ołtarzu, prosimy o kontakt z Szymonem Koszarkiem, aby uzyskać więcej informacji i zapisać się na sesje szkoleniowe w tym miesiącu. Formularze rejestracyjne są dostępne na stolikach z tyłu kościoła. Prosimy zauważać, że druga data szkolenia została zaktualizowana od zeszłego tygodnia; poprawna data znajduje się na stronie 9 tego biuletynu. Zachęcamy rodziny do rozważenia tej posługi.
- Prosimy dołączyć do nas w sobotę, 14 lutego, po Mszy Świętej o godz. 5:00 PM, aby wspólnie świętować święto św. Cyryla i Metodego.Więcej informacji oraz zapisy znajdują się w biuletynie.
- We wtorek, 17 lutego, po Mszy Świętej o godz. 7:00 rano, **będziemy palić palmy.** Prosimy przynieść zeszłoroczne palmy w ramach przygotowania do Środy Popielcowej.
- **Środa, 18 lutego, jest Środą Popielcową.** Zapraszamy do wspólnego rozpoczęcia okresu Wielkiego Postu. Pełna lista godzin posypywania głów popiołem w parafii św. Cyryla i Metodego znajduje się w biuletynie.

Ash Wednesday
February 18, 2026
Schedule of Services

Ashes will be distributed at
all services.

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

7:00 AM English Mass
11:30 AM Polish Mass
4:30 PM English Prayer Service
6:00 PM English Mass
7:30 PM Polish Mass

Distribution of Ashes only
10:00 AM-11:00 AM
3:00 PM-4:00 PM

Mass Intentions

Monday — February 9th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY
† FRANK WOZNIAK
by Ray Walschlager

Tuesday — February 10th

7:00 AM † MARIA & JAN KRUPA
by Family
7:00 PM † ANDRZEJ I ZOFIA JANKOWICZ
by Wnuczka z Rodziną
† WŁADYSŁAW LUDWINA I JÓZEF STASZEL
by Siostra
† EMILIA I MAREK LICHOSYT
by Siostra
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ZION GACZOREK
by Dziadkowie

Wednesday — February 11th

7:00 AM † JULIANNE KALATA
by Marie

Thursday — February 12th

7:00 AM † FOR ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY
† ROSE NOWAK (6 Anniv.)
by Nowak Family

Friday — February 13th

7:00 AM † JOSEPH DiGIACOMO & PATRICIA DURACELL
DIGIACOMO
by Labuda Family
† HELEN MANKOWSKI
by Charles & Ann Sniegowski

Saturday — February 14th (Feast of SS. Cyril & Methodius)

7:00 AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA
1:00 PM Wedding: Brittany Barron and Colton Wojnowski
3:00 PM Wedding: Adela Janik and Giovanni Velasco
5:00 PM † MARIAN CWIK & KAZIMIERZ KUCIEMBA
Fr. Noga by Family
Sunday — February 15th (Polish Heritage Day)

7:00 AM † EDMUND & THERESE BREZINSKI

Fr. Noga by Philip Brezinski
† STELLA FRYDA
by Marianna Bak
† WŁADYSŁAW LESNICKI
by Justyna Kruk & Family

8:00 AM † ANDRZEJ HRESKA (Rocznica Śmierci)
Fr. Valdi by Córka

† MARIA BAFIA
by Rodzina
† FRANCISZEK POLAK
by Żona z Córkami
† JAN KOWALCZYK
by Żona z Dziećmi

9:30AM † ANDREW LACEK
Fr. Noga by Family

† JULIA KOZIEL
by Lottie & Walter Koziel

11:00 AM † DZIADEK FRANCISZEK (49 Rocznica Śmierci),
Fr. Valdi WUJEK FRANCISZEK, IRENA, ZYGMUNT,
I WŁADYSŁAWA
by Danuta Skrzypczak i Peter
DZIĘKCZYNNO-BŁAGALNA W INT. RODZINY
POLAK

† KS. JAN BORZECKI
by Rodzina Janosik
† ANNA GUROŚ

by Rodzina Niemiec
12:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Fr. Rataj † EVELYN NOVAK
by Her Children: Denise, Mike & John

† ANDRZEJ RYCHTARCZYK
by Wife & Children

† JOZEF GARB
by Family

2:00 PM † LUCYNA PROKOPCZUK (2 Rocznica Śmierci)
Fr. Valdi by Rodzina

† WIKTORIA SIECZKA
by Rodzina
† O BOŻE BŁ. I OPIEKĘ M.B. DLA JOSEPHINE
SZKŁARZ
by Dziadkowie
O BOŻE BŁ. I OPIEKĘ M.B. DLA BOŻENY
I GRZEGORZA KOSZAREK W (33 Rocznica Ślubu)
by Rodzina Koszarek

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



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† Ś.P. WŁADYSŁAW LESNICKI

by Zofia z Rodziną



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In your prayers, please remember the souls of
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Please call the parish office if you
have a loved one you would like
our parish community to pray for.

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Cindy Evankoe

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Kassidy Heidegger

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Mark Hussey

The name of an individual will stay on the prayer list for
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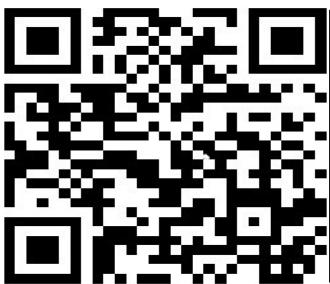
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