

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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August 27, 2023

Twenty-first 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.

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Mass Schedule:		Parish Council:	Joe Martello, President
Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM		Bulletin:	bulletin@stcyril.org
Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday Obligation		Helping Hands:	helpinghands@stcyril.org
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)		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.	
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)		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.	
Holy Days of Obligation: As announced		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	
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM Also available by appointment.		School Website: www.school.stcyril.org	
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:		Parish Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont	
Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass		School Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/SSCMComets	
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:			
Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building.			
Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.			
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM			
Tuesday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM			
Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM			
Saturday & Sunday Closed			



Dear Parishioners,

"Who do people say that I am?" Jesus asks his disciples. And they gave him different answers. And who do we say Jesus is? Not with our words but with our lives. Do we radiate the presence of Christ? Is He really the motivation, the foundation, the beginning and the end

of our lives? Who do we say that Jesus is? We have to ask ourselves this question, and then we have to follow it with yet another question: how can I live His Life, my Christianity? How can I, like Peter, become his Rock, his foundation?

Here are five considerations. First, you and I need to spend more time in prayer. If we want Him in the center of our lives, we have to spend time with Him. That might mean giving up sleep, or giving up computer games for a while, less texting, less time on Facebook, giving up some TV, or giving up that long phone conversation. It is worth it. There is nothing that we lose which is beautiful and great. Christ takes nothing worthwhile from us.

Here's a second thing we need to do. We need to read the Bible. Read a psalm a day. Read a chapter of the New Testament a day. We need to be people of the Word. And no, we shouldn't be all that concerned about the exact meaning of every phrase. Bible study is good, but Bible prayer is great. This is the Word of God. His Spirit is there. We just need to let God speak to us.

Here's the third thing. We need the sacraments. We need the Eucharistic nourishment every Sunday. When we receive communion, we need to adore Him within us as well as in our adoration on First Friday of each month after the morning Mass throughout the whole day. He is there in the sacrament calling out to us. It is in the Blessed Sacrament that our lives merge with Jesus' life. We also need Christ's sacramental presence in confession. There are way too many occasions of sin in the world. There are so many temptations. We need the grace of penance to conquer the evil that we and others put into life.

The fourth thing we need is each other. We need the community of people of faith. We need to reach out to each other and to others of faith. We need to support each other and seek out those who need our support. We are the People of God.

And finally, we need to keep Christ alive in our hearts. We can't just say we love Him. We have to serve Him, serve his presence in the poor, in the sick, in the hurting, serve His presence in our homes, with our children, our families, our friends, our workmates.

Prayer, Scripture, Sacraments, Community and Service. These are all ways that we can proclaim to the

world the answer to Jesus' question: Who do you say that I am? May our actions speak loudly who we are and to Whom we belong.

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:

- ****PLEASE NOTE**** Due to the SSCM Summerfest, there will NOT be a 2:00 PM Mass on Sunday, August 27th. All other Masses will take place as scheduled on Sunday, August 27th.
- The Respect Life Committee is having a baby shower for Birthright in Joliet. Please see the bulletin for more details and how to donate to those mothers in need.

Traverse City, Old Mission Autumn Pilgrimage Thursday, October 19th—Friday, October 20th \$450 pp (35 people)

Thursday, October 19, 2023

7:00 am Mass (optional for those traveling).

8:00 am Sharp Leave SS. Cyril and Methodius parking lot

11:30 am – 12:30 pm Subway lunch box on the bus (Michigan time)

4:00 pm – 4:30 pm Check in/Welcome Champagne at Delamar Hotel Traverse City (DJ from 2-9pm)

6:00 pm Dinner at Sorrelina's Italian Restaurant

Remaining evening On Own - Options: Rest at Hotel, visit Traverse City Front Street, Turtle Creek Casino (free shuttle from hotel), etc.

Friday, October 20, 2023

7:00 am – 8:00 am Gourmet Breakfast Buffet at Delamar Hotel & check out of hotel.

8:10 am Leave Hotel

8:30 am - 10:00 am St Joseph Church Mass & quick tour of The Vineyard

10:15 am – 11:15 am Visit Mission Point Lighthouse & Beach

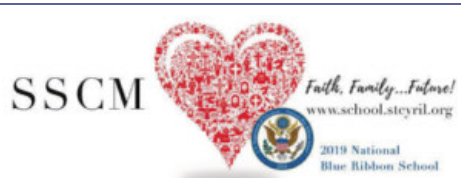
11:30 pm – 12:30 pm Lunch at Peninsula Grill

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm Wine Tasting Tour at Chateau Chantal

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Arrive Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo MI

Leave 9:15 pm Sharp Dinner & Free time

10:30 pm Arrive at SS. Cyril & Methodius Church (Lemont time)



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

SS. Cyril & Methodius School
2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parents,

Our new school year is off to a great start! The students and our staff enjoy being together and going back to work in school.

Thanks to the work of our School Board and Carnival Committee for their efforts to help us have a carnival this year! Many individuals have worked hard over the past several months. Thank you to the Parish for help and support and to everyone for your patience. Funds raised will benefit our school.

This coming Friday, September 1st we will gather in prayer for our first mass for the year. Our students will take their "Faith Partner Pledge", we will recognize new students and staff, and have the 5th graders Bibles blessed.

Enjoy new pictures from the beginning of the year!

Reminders:

- Doors open at 7:15 and classes begin at 7:40.
- Join us for the Keepataw Parade on Sunday, September 3rd. SS. Cyril and Methodius School will have their own float!
- No school on Monday, September 4th-Enjoy the Labor Day weekend!
- School pictures: Thursday, September 7th.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to SS. Cyril and Methodius School.
All the best,

Mrs. S. Tkachuk,
Principal

We are still looking for help in our school's lunchroom. Please consider joining us and helping SS. Cyril and Methodius School! This is a paid position.

Call the office at 630-257-6488 or stop in during the day if you are interested!

Team Building Activity in 4th Grade



A Catholic Education at
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It's a choice based on a commitment to students with leadership, integrity, and respect.

For information and to arrange a personal tour, please call 630-257-6488, ext. 19 or email lazowski.jackie@stcyril.org or shirleyt@stcyril.org

Financial aid is available!



**SS Cyril & Methodius
Religious Education Program**
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Mrs Monika Leja – RE Administrator

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!
2023/24 CATECHETICAL YEAR
BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

BILINGUAL FRIDAY SESSION 9/8/2023
ENGLISH MONDAY SESSION 9/18/2023
ENGLISH WEDNESDAY SESSION 9/20/2023



Faith Formation

2023/2024 Registration

is still available!

Registration link: <https://re.stcyril.org/registration/>

**Any Questions please contact the SSCM Faith
Formation Office**

Tel: (630)257-9314 or Email:

stcyrilre@sscmlemont.org

**SSCM RE Program Website/ Strona
internetowa www.re.stcyril.org**



Volunteers Needed!

*The RE Department is in need of
volunteers for all 2022/23 sessions. We
invite you to share your faith with our
parish children once a week. Volunteers
needed include:*

****Catechists *Catechist Aides***

****Safety Patrol *Office Staff***

*Please call the RE Office (630)257-9314 if
interested. Tuition discount is available,
inquire for details.*



Pan Jezus wzywa Ciebie po Imieniu...

**Dołącz do naszej wspaniałej grupy
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na pracę z dziećmi. Będzie wspaniale!!!!**

**Program katechetyczny przy naszej
parafii poszukuje dodatkowe osoby do
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St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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Email: stjames1833@att.net | Website: www.historicstjames.org

Spiritual Adoption - MONTH 6



Your spiritually adopted baby is developing quite beautifully now. His/her weight is approaching 2 pounds. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed.



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.



September Firsts

First Friday - Sept 1

After 6pm Mass, pray the Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle Rosary in rectory

First Saturday - Sept 2

Morning prayer 7:45, Mass 8, then Adoration & devotions



Patriotism is Catholic!
Join us at 8:15am, **before 9am Mass** on Labor Day, Sept 4, for a **Patriotic Rosary**
Seeking Mary's intercessory power to protect our country.



ROSARY Coast To Coast

Save the Date: Oct 7

Discuss Theology of the Body

Thurs, Sep 7 - 7 to 8:30pm - Sag Hall

"Theology of the Body" is a series of talks given by St. Pope John Paul II at his papal audiences. He explores many wonderful aspects of human love. All adults are invited to join in this vital discussion.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Anyone seeking Baptism or the other sacraments of initiation (Eucharist & Confirmation), or simply to learn about the Catholic faith, please contact Fr Koys or the rectory. Classes will begin late September.

Wednesday August 30

Adoration 5-7pm

Confessions 6-7pm Mass 7pm

Wine & Wisdom 8pm

Mrs Madonna Muscarello will give us insight into G K Chesterton & the upcoming class on "The Everlasting Man."

Topic on Sept 6: Catholic lawyer & great pro-life speaker & author, Paul Esposito, will educate & inspire us to speak out for the unborn.



LET'S PICNIC! - Today 1-4PM at Sag Hall grounds

Family, Friends, Food and Fun

A sincere thank you to all parishioners who have very generously purchased raffle tickets to help support our picnic. Thank you to all volunteers who have helped in so many ways to plan, set up, cook and lend a hand in preparation for today's event. A fun afternoon is promised! Hope to see you there!

Is God calling you to step up?

Fr Koys is looking for some leadership assistance for two important initiatives. In July 2024, there will be a **Eucharistic Congress** in Indy. How can St James prep and participate to promote the miracle of true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist?

And our **pro-life efforts** are far from over. In IL, warriors for life are needed more than ever since Roe was overturned! Could you help drive activities in one of these areas? Please think & pray about it, and contact Fr Koys for more info or to offer help. If not you, who?



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

Pro-Life

15 Minutes?

Every day there is a **battle for life**. Every day there are pray-ers & counselors standing outside of the Access Clinic, 1700 75th Str, Downers Grove, asking the Holy Spirit to move the hearts of expectant moms and dads to save their babies. The **week of Aug 7-12**, our **battle was lost more than 99 times**. The clinic was open every day, and 99 is the estimated number of abortions in those six days. We will publish lives lost periodically, because in light of that sobering number, we hope you'll see the need to stop at the clinic whenever you can – even for just 15 minutes – to pray as the voice of the unborn. Every baby deserves an advocate; can you be one? **Just 15 minutes?**

G.K. CHESTERTON
THE
EVERLASTING
MAN



The Everlasting Man A Chesterton classic! Walk through this masterpiece chapter by chapter with a wonderful, experienced instructor, Mrs. Madonna Muscarello. Classes will run from Sept 5 thru Nov 7, 7pm in Sag Hall. Sign-up via our website. Then further info will be emailed to you.

Our
Weekly Offering



Our weekly *Offertory* collection from August 20, 2023 was \$5,047. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$1,313.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

8:00AM Birthday Blessings—Joseph Walsh
Birthday Blessings—Michael Cimino

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

8:00AM Birthday Blessings—Joyce Coughlin
Health & Healing—Irene McGrath

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

7:00PM Birthday Blessings—John Kurowski
In Thanksgiving for Answered Prayers
✠Joseph Aiello

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

8:00AM ✠Joanna Henze
✠Jane Brookes

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

6:00PM ✠Joyce Heinz Molenaar

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:00AM ✠Michael Alagno
✠John & ✠Rose Kurowski

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

8:15AM ✠Marty Fleckenstein
Blessings for the Guzior Family

10AM: Birthday Blessings—Mary Noonan
Mario & Giovanna Imbarrato—

25th Wedding Anniversary

For Our Lady of Fatima Travelling Statue
Participants—May our Lord & Mother Mary
grant them wisdom, holiness, courage and protection

12:00PM: ✠Benjamin George Damiani

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

**THE DOBRZYNSKI FAMILY
AND
BOB POULIOT—IN MEMORY OF ELLEN KANE
AND MARY FRANTZ**

VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 8/27/23

St. James Altar & Rosary Society
All the Poor Souls in Purgatory
United States of America
Health & Healing—Elvia Solis

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3	
8:15am	Mark Henze, Joe Beecher, Christos & Frankie Latsanos	
10am	Will & Conor Pawlisz, Marty, John, and Tommy Comer	




VIETNAM - CAMBODIA

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Spiritual guidance:
Rev. Waldemar Stawiariski

April 7-19, 2024

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Christ Giving the Keys to St. Peter 1369
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Wedding Banns

Natalie Cimbalista and Dillon Shannon
Angela DeLongis and Charles Janik
Yanina Moberg and Quinn Stratton
Molly Rademacher and Mike Madsen
Izabela Ustupski and Chris Sprys
Shannon Rodonis and Eric Calderon
Katherine Maslar and Christopher Buh
Cecilia Komp and Rocco Stachowiak



Please consider using GiveCentral for
online parish donations. Sign up at
givecentral.org



Respect Life Committee BABY SHOWER!!

The Respect Life Committee is
holding a baby shower for Birthright in Joliet.
There will be a bassinet in the back of church
starting the weekend of **Sept. 16th and 17th**.
Take a tag with a gift suggestion and return your
unwrapped gift by the end of the month.
Birthright focuses on loving the mother,
reminding her there is hope and insuring
she is not alone.





ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
a journey of faith

BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA/OCIA)

- Are you or someone you know unbaptized?
- Have you considered baptism?
- Are you baptized in another faith community and have considered becoming Catholic?
- Are you a baptized Catholic, but haven't completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation)?

If you answered yes to one of the questions above, it's not too early to think about starting the process. We are here to speak with you.

Adult Faith Formation invites you to journey with us through the process of the Order (Rite) of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA/RCIA). Through this wonderful process, you'll learn about the Catholic faith, establish a deep relationship with Christ, and connect with others in our faith community.

For more information, please contact Eileen Bruno at 630-257-2414 or email at ebruno@archchicago.org



September Senior Luncheon Tuesday, September 5th 12:00 Noon in the PLB

The time has come for us to return to our monthly senior luncheons. I'd like to welcome all the seniors that attended last year and any newcomers that would like to join us. The September luncheon will be on **Tuesday, September 5th, at 12 noon in the PLB**. The cost is \$14 per person. To reserve a spot, please send your money in an envelope with your name on it, and attention to, **James Gliwa**, & turn it in to **Monika** by **9:00 AM on Friday, September 1st**.

In addition to our luncheon, we again will be having a 50-50 drawing, a program presentation & door prizes, as we did at our last meeting in June. In the near future, we would like to begin having bingo too.

Our September luncheon guest speaker will be our very own, Mayor John Egofske! Hand in your reservation and until then, enjoy the rest of the summer. ~~ Sincerely, James Gliwa ~~



ARONIA BERRY HARVEST TIME!

This season's aronia berries are maturing very quickly and are ready for harvest. If you are interested in purchasing any berries, they will be sold after each Mass on **Sunday, August 27th**. Please call or text Nancy at 217-412-8560 to place an order.
1, 5, or 10 lb. bags ~ \$7/lb.

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.

ANCHOR PRESENTS

Discerning Your Vocation

GUEST SPEAKER FR. TOM KOYS

SUN. AUG. 27TH | 7-9 PM

SAG HALL

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WIETNAM-KAMBODZA

PROGRAM PIELGRZYMKOWY
PARAFIA SS. CYRYLA
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Przewodnictwo duchowe:
Ks. Waldemar Stawiarski

7-19 Kwietnia 2024

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Lekcje odbywają się w piątki, w godzinach 6:00PM – 8:45PM
lub w soboty, w godzinach 10:00AM – 12:45PM.


Oferujemy również:

- Zajęcia w **Kółku Plastycznym**
- Zajęcia w **Grupie Tanecznej Polanie**

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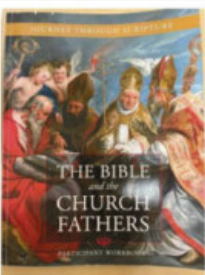


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Meet the Great Fathers of our church. Learn how the Fathers approached Scripture.
See why the ancient faith is the Catholic Faith.

- When? Starting Monday August 28th weekly for 12 Weeks at 7:00 PM
- Where? St. Alphonsus Church Hall
- Workbooks? Purchase at stpaulcenter.com for \$25.00
- Led by Deacon Dan Rittenhaus with videos & books by Dr. Scott Hahn

Register through the St.Als/St.Pats Office 630-257-2414 or stals-lemont@comcast.net



Drodzy Parafianie,

"Za kogo ludzie uważają Syna Człowieczego?" Jezus zapytał swoich uczniów, a oni dali mu różne odpowiedzi. A więc kim jest Jezus? Odpowiedzmy na to pytanie nie naszymi słowami ale naszym życiem. Czy emitujemy obecność Chrystusa? Czy On naprawdę jest

motywacją, fundamentem, początkiem i końcem naszego życia? Kim On jest dla nas? Musimy zadać sobie to pytanie a potem rozważyć następne: Jak mogę naśladować Jezusa w moim chrześcijańskim życiu? Czy mogę, tak jak Piotr, stać się Jego Skalą, Jego fundamentem kościoła?

A oto pięć rozważań. Po pierwsze, ty i ja musimy spędzić więcej czasu na modlitwie. Jeśli chcemy aby Jezus stał się najważniejszą częścią naszego życia to musimy poświęcić mu swój czas. To może oznaczać trochę mniej snu, lub przez chwilę zrezygnowanie z gier komputerowych, mniej wysyłanych smsów, mniej czasu na Facebooku, telewizji lub porzucenie od czasu do czasu tej długiej rozmowy telefonicznej. Warto jest to zrobić. Nie mamy nic do stracenia co piękne i wspaniałe. Dla Chrystusa to właśnie my jesteśmy najważniejsi.

Druga rzecz, którą powinniśmy robić to czytać Pismo Św., codziennie psalm czy rozdział Nowego Testamentu. Starajmy się być ludźmi godnymi naśladowania. Co nie oznacza że musimy znać w szczególności znaczenie każdego wyrażenia z Pisma Św. Rozszerzając wiedzę.

Trzecia rzecz to potrzeba sakramentów. Potrzebujemy eucharystycznego pokarmu w każdą niedzielę. Kiedy otrzymamy komunię, musimy uwielbić Boga w nas, a także w naszej adoracji w pierwszy piątek każdego miesiąca po porannej lub wieczornej Mszy św. jak i również w ciągu dnia. On tam jest, właśnie w tym Sakramencie wołając do nas. Za przyczyną Najświętszego Sakramentu łączymy nasze życie z życiem Jezusa. Potrzebujemy również sakramentalnej obecności Chrystusa podczas spowiedzi. W świecie czeka na nas wiele pokus do grzechu. Dlatego potrzebujemy łaski pokuty, aby pokonać zło, które my i inni wprowadziliśmy w nasze życie.

Czwarta rzecz, której potrzebujemy to siebie nawzajem. Potrzebujemy wspólnoty ludzi wiary. Musimy dotrzeć do siebie nawzajem i do innych chrześcijan. Musimy wspierać się nawzajem.

Wreszcie musimy utrzymać Chrystusa w naszych sercach. Samo Kocham Cię Boże nie

wystarczy. Musimy służyć Mu, pokazując Jego obecności w ubogich, chorych, zranionych.

Modlitwa, Pismo Święte, Sakramenty, Wspólnota i Służba. To są nasze możliwości głoszenia światu odpowiedzi na pytanie Jezusa: "Za kogo ludzie uważają Syna Człowieczego?" Niech nasze czyny głoszą kim jesteśmy i do kogo należymy.

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:

- **UWAGA! Ze względu na nasz parafialny Letni Festiwal nie będzie Mszy św. w niedzielę, 27 sierpnia o godz. 14:00. Rozkład pozostałych Mszy św. bez zmian.**
- Komitet ds. Ochrony Życia organizuje „baby shower” dla Birthright w Joliet. W biuletynie zostały zamieszczone informacje odnośnie pomocy i złożenia darowizny potrzebującym matkom.

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Mass Intentions

Monday — August 28th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY
✠ DECEASED MEMBERS OF PRZYBYTEK FAMILY
by John Stach

Tuesday — August 29th

7:00 AM ✠ ROZALIA & MICHAL ZAGATA
by Jozefa Zagata
7:30 PM ✠ STANISŁAW CUDZICH (Rocznica Śmierci)
by Syn z Rodziną
✠ KAROL JAZOWSKI
by Rodzina Jazowski
✠ MICHAŁ GRELE
by Rodzina Grele
✠ ANTONI ZAGRANICZNY
by Maria Zagraniczny

Wednesday — August 30th

7:00 AM SPECIAL INTENTION
by Mszal Family
✠ PIOTR SENDRA
by Waleria Sendra

Thursday — August 31st

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR MAXIMILIAN
KOŁODZIEJ (5 birth)
by Parents
✠ ROSMARY SCOTT
by Scott Family

Friday — September 1st (First Friday)

7:00 AM ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
✠ DECEASED MEMBERS WOLNIAKOWSKI FAMILY
by Wolniakowski Family
✠ WILLIAM P. BENNER
by Family
✠ ZBIGNIEW PACZOSA (Anniv.)
by Daughter & Family
7:00 PM ✠ ALOJZY WONTORCZYK
by Alex & Dominika
Fr. HELENA I WŁADYSŁAW NOWOBILSKI
Stawiarski ✠ by J. S. Nowobilski
✠ JAN MUCHA
by córka z Rodziną
✠ WŁASYSŁAW I MARIA ZIĘBA
by Rodzina

Saturday — September 2nd (First Saturday)

7:00 AM MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA
✠ JOSEPH TINOCO
by Family

11:00 AM *Wedding: Heather Duffy and Nick Kendzora*

1:00 PM *Wedding: Christine Moloczny and Michael Butler*

3:00 PM *Wedding: Lauren Arseneau and Cody Salkeld*

5:00 PM ✠ ROSE NOWAK
Fr. Noga by Nowak Family
✠ CLAUDETTE WALSCHLAGER
by Arts & Environment Group

9:00 PM ✠ ANNA MAKA
Fr. by Maria Oprządek
Stawiarski ✠ AUGUSTYN PRĘDKI
by Syn z Rodziną
✠ CZESŁAW ZAGRANICZNY
by Maria Zagraniczny
✠ IRENA URKOSKI-SKRZYPCZAK
by Danuta i Peter

Sunday — September 3rd

7:00 AM ✠ DONNA BARANOSKI
Fr. Koys by John Cisek
✠ ROGER MALAK
by Wife

8:00 AM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ŻYJĄCYCH CZŁONKÓW KLUBU
Fr. POLSKIEGO

Stawiarski ✠ FRANCISZKA DZIĄBA
by Rodzina
✠ MARIOLA KACZMARSKI
by córka z Rodziną

✠ JAN MUCHA
by Rodzina

9:30 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR FRANCES OPRZEDEK (birth)
Fr. by Family

Noga ✠ FRANCIS OPRZEDEK (birth)
by Family
✠ DEBRA M. MALZONE
by J.

✠ FRANCES GALASINSKI
by Family

11:00 AM O BOŻE BŁ. I ZDROWIE DLA MARII
Fr. I STANISŁAWA KRĘŻEL

Stawiarski by Rodzina Maj
O SZCZĘŚLIWE ROZWIĄZANIE DLA JOANNY
by Rodzice

✠ HENRYK GIEDROJĆ
by Halina Milanowska

✠ JÓZEF MYRDA (Rocznica Śmierci)
by Rodzina

12:30 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR MARGARET & HENRY
Fr. Rataj TOMECKI & FAMILY
by Parents

✠ KRISTINE LONG KOWALCZYK
by Frank & Maria Kowalczyk

✠ STANISŁAW POLACZEK (1 Anniv.)
by Family

✠ BETTE WENCL
by Janice & Diar Dylla

2:00 PM ✠ HELENA I WŁADYSŁAW NOWOBILSKI
Fr. by Rodzina Michniak

Stawiarski ✠ JÓZEF I JERZY HODUREK
by Rodzina Hodurek

✠ JÓZEF MILAN
by Rodzina Milan

✠ JÓZEF I MAŁGORZATA GIĄDŁA
by Rodzina

7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED

Fr. Rataj ✠ JOSE LUIS GUZMAN & FAMILY
by Guadalupe Sanchez



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

Leon Chmielewski Jr.

Emilia Pilecki

Terri Sowa

Lori Reagan Suski

Anita Anderson

Bob Wheeler

Grace Dunbar

Joan Albert

Irene Forst

Patricia Senn

Joseph Gallik

Luca Russo

Ria Supan

Miloslav Rusin

Brayden Hensley

Karen Singer

Ray Walschlager

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.

**Parish Contributions
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*Brittany Thele and Nico Musto
Married August 18, 2023*

Congratulations and God's Blessings

*Barbara Kłikusowian and Grzegorz Kobylarczyk
Married August 19, 2023*

**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

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

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Po więcej informacji skontaktuj się z Peggy secretary@stcyril.org.

**Labor Day Mass**

Monday, September 4th, our Labor Day Mass will take place at 9:00 AM at SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish.

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In your prayers, please remember the soul of
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May his soul and the soul of all our faithfully departed family and friends rest in everlasting peace.

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"Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." John 2:21

Action Item # 14: Decide to get involved in one of the parish clubs or activities – Religious Education aide, Usher, Lector, Server, Evangelization Team, Respect Life group, Little Catholics Book Club, Senior Luncheons, All Are Welcome Greeters, etc. Call the parish office for their contact number and join!

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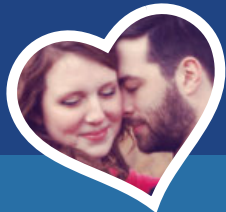
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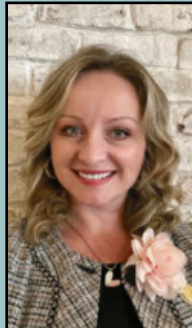
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