

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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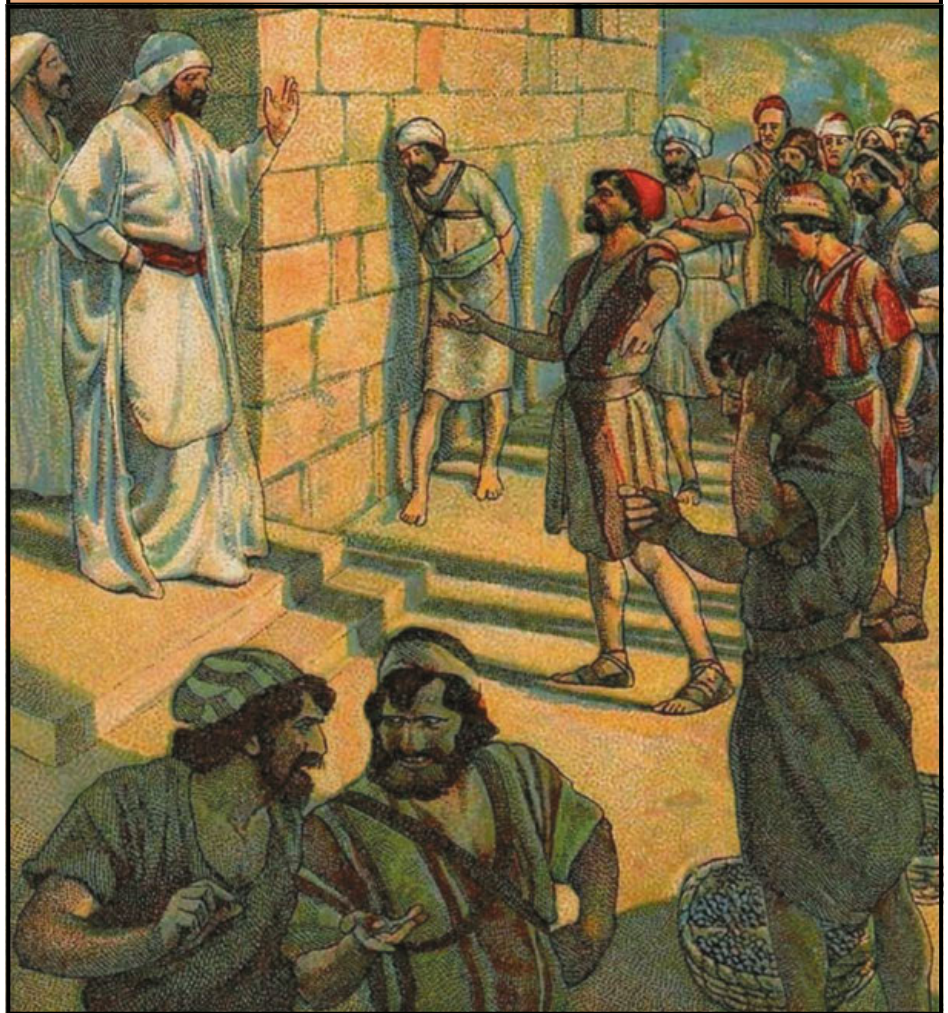
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September 24, 2023

Twenty-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 Szyrzyna Principal: (630) 669-9058
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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,**

From our earliest years, we have been brought up to value justice. Playing fair is part of our earliest training in life. That's why when we hear today's Gospel, the Parable of the Laborers in the Field, we immediately think, "That's just not right. The guys who worked all day have a good argument. They should have been paid more."

But the parable isn't really about who should get paid what. The parable is about God. He is the Good Employer, the Divine Employer. This parable is not about the workers, it is about God who offers His grace to people at various times in their lives. That's what the parable of the laborers in the vineyard is really about. God's grace comes to different people at different times and in different ways. And that includes every one of us. Perhaps some of us feel that we have not been the person we could and should be. Maybe we are correct. But we haven't missed our opportunity for salvation. God's grace is amazing. There is still time for him to radically change our lives.

Look at some of the amazing ways that God has changed people we know. So often we have all encountered a person who has done serious damage to his or her life and family through alcohol or other chemical dependency. Then we marvel at how God's Grace not only led that person to recovery, but made him or her a source of strength for others looking to recover. That is the amazing Grace of the Divine Employer.

The Gospel encourages us not to give up on ourselves. God never gives up on us. We can always start new, whether we have just been lukewarm Christians or whether we have been at war with God. Not only does God refuse to hold us to our past, He forgives us through confession and transforms us to become vehicles of conversion for others. The Divine Employer does not want us wasting any more time. Even if we are pretty well advanced in age, and the day is drawing to a close, He still has work for us to do. He needs us, and He wants us, no matter what our pasts have been.

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:

- Join Father Valdi on 2 different, exciting and meaningful pilgrimages! First, this fall is a pilgrimage to Traverse City and St. Joseph Church. Then in the spring join him in Vietnam and Cambodia. Don't miss out on either of these meaningful experiences. More details can be found in the bulletin and in the back of the church.
- 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.
- Join us on Thursday, September 28th at 7:30 PM to hear Kevin Matthews present, "Broken Mary". More details can be found in the bulletin.
- Wednesday, October 4th, there will be a pet blessing in front of Church at 7:45 AM in honor of St. Francis Of Assisi. Please bring your pets to be blessed.
- Please join your fellow parishioners for Little Flower Triduum in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux, which will be held October 5th, 6th, & 7th right after the morning Mass. Last day there will be a procession in the church and veneration of the relic of St. Therese. Special envelopes to enroll individuals in the Little Flower Novena are on tables in the back of church.
- We are looking for someone or a family ASAP to chair our "Tree of Love" Ministry this Christmas season. If you are interested, please see the bulletin for more information.

**Lemont Walk for Life**

Sunday October 1 is "Respect Life Sunday". The Lemont Catholic Parishes' Pro Life Group is hosting a Walk for Life that day and all parishioners are encouraged to participate. We will begin at 3pm near the Blessed Mother grotto at SS. Cyril and Methodius Church and process past St. Patrick's Church, and then up to St. Alphonsus Church for Benediction and prayers for life. The Rosary will be recited as we walk. Hope you can join us to Support Life!



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

SS. Cyril & Methodius School
2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parishioners,

September has found students and staff involved in a variety of different topics. Walking around our school during the day I observed great things happening in all our classrooms! Just some of the topics our teachers are covering:

- PreK has been learning all about school and busy making lots of new friends!
- Kindergarten has been busy blending sounds together as they learn to read more words.
- Our students in grade 3 have been busy learning how to estimate sums by rounding numbers; and our sixth graders have been learning about the Earth's structure in science.

Many wonderful topics being taught with students working well together!

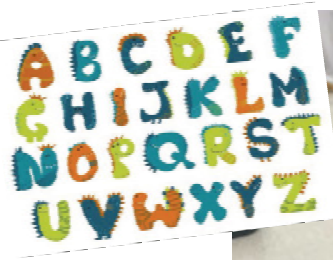
- Students from grades six, seven and eight will be going on a Leadership Retreat at Montini High School. They will be learning different skills and strategies, taught in a faith-filled manner, to help them become great school leaders!
- Our eighth graders will be visiting Springfield this coming Thursday, September 28th.
- Progress Reports for the first trimester will be going home on Thursday, September 28th.

Finally, everyone from grades K-8 completed the first "iReady" online assessment. The data obtained will help teachers identify areas of strength and areas which may need more work.

Sincerely,

Mrs. S. Tkachuk

Principal



PreK 4
Practicing
Writing Their
ABC's and
Numbers!



3rd Graders
Learning What
Dinosaurs May
Have Looked
Like Long Ago!



2nd Graders
Reading Their
First Pen Pal
Letters From
Kansas!



A Catholic Education at
SS. Cyril and Methodius School....

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**
stcyrilre@sscmlemont.org
(630)257-9314

www.re.stcyril.org

Mrs Monika Leja – RE Administrator

Witamy naszych wspaniałych uczniów!!
Nasz pierwszy dzień zajęć
katechetycznych.



Msza Święta na rozpoczęcie roku
Katechetycznego 2023/24

Dziękujemy wszystkim za waszą obecność
oraz wspólną modlitwę.

Oby dobry Bóg nam wszystkim
błogosławił i dodał nam mądrości i mocy
w codziennych wyzwaniach oraz
obowiązkach w szkole i w pracy.



St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION.

The Fall campaign runs Sept 27 thru Nov 5. Our group will gather at Access Health, 1700 75th Str, Downers Grove, each **Friday at 3pm beginning this Friday, Sept 29**. Or individual signup for prayer time at 40daysforlife.com



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.



GROUND ZERO TOUR

Turning Illinois Pro-Life in a Post-Roe America

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2023

Special Presentation by Mary Kate Zander, Executive Director of Illinois Right to Life
St James at Sag Bridge, Wed, Sept 27, 8pm

Join a special Wine & Wisdom to learn about the state of the abortion industry in Illinois in a post-Roe time and how we can make a difference for life!



Join thousands across the country at 3pm **Saturday, Oct 7** praying the rosary for the Catholic Church, the Family & our Nation! We will meet at Access Clinic, 1700 W 75th Str, Downers Grove. Public prayer is powerful!

Theology of the Body

Thurs, Oct 5 – 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 as Fr Koys leads the discussion.



Come hear a wonderful talk about Mother Mary Theresa Dudzik

The foundress of the Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago, she was declared Venerable in 1994 & her remains are at rest at Our Lady of Victory Convent in Lemont. Come hear the current General Vicar Sr Jeanne Marie, tell the remarkable story of this holy, local woman.

Sunday, Oct 15, 2pm in Sag Hall.



The Lemont Knights of Columbus invite you to join a **special Mass to commemorate Our Lady of Lourdes, Sat, Sept. 30 @12:30pm**, celebrated by Fr. Koys. Slovenian Mission Cultural Center, Lemont.

Wednesday Sept 27

Adoration 5-7pm

Confessions 6-7pm Mass 7pm


Wine & Wisdom 8pm

Special presentation by Illinois Right to Life – See addl *Ground Zero Tour* info.

Topic on Oct 4: On the feast of St Francis, come learn more about this beloved saint. Presented by Paul Devitt, a James-er & 3rd Order Franciscan.



The Altar & Rosary Society would like to express its deepest condolences to Fr. Koys and his family on the loss of their beloved mother, Marianne Koys. She was an extraordinary woman, most loving and gracious, who touched the lives of many. May the Koys family always feel her presence in their hearts and souls. A mom's love is a forever treasure.



Praying the Rosary for America...

As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help.

The American TFP - America Needs Fatima - WWW.TFP.ORG

Rosary on the public square sponsored by America Needs Fatima. Join us at noon on Sat, Oct 14, in the park between 326 Main Str & Lemont Nat'l Bank Bldg in Lemont.

Battle Update

The report from the frontline of the Access Clinic is grim. In the 4 weeks ending 9/16, faithful daily pray-ers have estimated that more than **270 little ones were robbed of a chance at life**. Have you ever prayed in front of the clinic? Why not now? What's stopping you?

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Anyone seeking Baptism or the other sacraments of initiation (Eucharist & Confirmation), or who simply wants to learn about the Catholic faith, please contact Fr Koys or the rectory. Classes will be held Sundays at 11:30 in the rectory beginning today, Sept 24.

Morning of Recollection

~with Fr Dwight Longenecker~



Be inspired with a plan to battle the cultural currents of our day and hear a fascinating presentation by Fr. Longenecker. Join us on Saturday, Oct. 21, 8am Mass, 9am-12pm talks, recollections, and refreshments. Tickets \$25.

See our website for additional details. Sponsored by the Sag Bridge Mission Society.

Upcoming Weddings:

Dominika Stasik & Phillip Kolesinski
Caitlin Nelson & Jacob Parduhn



Our weekly *Offertory* collection from September 17, 2023 was \$5,162. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$783. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!**



Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00AM ✠ Marianne Koys
✠ Fred and ✠ Irma Knitter

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:00AM ✠ Stanley Zalik

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:00PM ✠ Vanek & ✠ Cecilia Zalik
Health & Healing—Charlie Hughes

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:00AM ✠ Paul & ✠ Jeannette Hekar

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

6:00PM ✠ Dr. Edward Bruno Jaros
✠ Michael Postregna

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:00AM Birthday Blessings—Paul Kurowski
Health & Blessings—Elvia Solis

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:15AM In Thanksgiving to St Therese-Coughlin Family

10AM: For Our Lady of Fatima Travelling Statue

Participants—May our Lord & Mother Mary grant them wisdom, holiness, courage and protection

12:00PM: ✠ Stanley Zalik

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

**STEVE & DEBBIE SPANSKI—IN MEMORY OF
HENRY & MARY ANN SPANSKI AND
ROBERT & NORBERTA HAYES**

VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 9/24/23

St. James Altar & Rosary Society
All the Poor Souls in Purgatory
United States of America
Health & Healing—Elvia Solis
In Loving Memory—JoAnn Bunetta
In Loving Memory—Mary Aiello

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1	
8:15am	Matthew Rebello, Matthew Sullivan, Christos & Frankie Latsonas	
10am	Will Pawlisz Ricky, Lucas, & Peter Gomez	



VIETNAM - CAMBODIA
PILGRIMAGE
PARISH OF SS. CYRIL AND
METHODIUS IN LEMONT

Spiritual guidance:
 Rev. Waldemar Stawarski

April 7-19, 2024

PRICE: \$3895

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More information and reservations:
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 5825 W. IRVING PARK RD
 CHICAGO, IL 60634


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 WWW.STJOSEPHSTRAVEL.COM

**Hurry ~ Only 18 seats left!
 Payment is possible in
 3 equal installments
 if booked by October
 10th!**




**Tree of Love Needs A
 New Chairperson ASAP!!**

For over 20 years, our parish ministry "The Tree of Love" has been a meaningful way to honor the feast of our Lord's birth. We are currently in need of a new chairperson & committee members ASAP to support our long history of providing Christmas gifts to local children/teens in need. Please consider helping to keep this ministry going and bring a little love to those in need. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 630-257-2776 or contact Valerie Fracaro at fracaro@comcast.net for more details.

**Little Flower Triduum/
 Novena**

Our annual Little Flower Triduum in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux will take place **October 5th, 6th & 7th**, right after the morning Mass. Envelopes are on tables in the back of church to enroll individuals in the Little Flower Novena. They can be placed into the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. "Remember that nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with love."
 ~St. Therese of Lisieux



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 eburno@archchicago.org



**May Perpetual Light
 Shine Upon Him**

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

"Jesus on Wheels", a Ministry formed by Tom & Diann Rinke

In Lemont, IL, a Ministry is in gear to reveal the truth of God's Word where He teaches us to be kind and to provide for those who are in need. Sir Knight Tom Rinke, a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus Council #1599 in Lemont, IL and his wife Diann formed their Ministry called "Jesus on Wheels".

This generous couple searches and finds owners who simply do not have the means to pay for the repairs to their car to make it street legal and drivable. These usually are cars that can be repaired, so Tom & Diann provide parts (funded by donors) that are required and they recruit independent, professional and charitable car mechanics willing to donate their labor necessary to achieve readiness in each vehicle which then is returned to the owner at no charge.


Sir John Hayes, also a 4th Degree member of the K of C Council #1599 is the tall mechanic pictured with Tom & Diann.

This is a virtuous endeavor the Rinke family has undertaken. Anyone can participate with this Ministry by making private donations to jesusonwheels1@gmail.com. Also, owners can donate their stored or unused cars in disrepair to this ministry to be salvaged for parts needed to repair "Jesus on Wheels" cars.

The Rinke Ministry "Jesus on Wheels" is not a function of the Knights of Columbus but Tom Rinke and his wife have agreed to let the Knights of Columbus publish this information locally and nationally.

Written by Mike Steidel, 4th Degree Knight, Council #1599 in Lemont, IL 60439





Only 15 Spots Left!!! Hurry and Sign Up Before September 29th!

We invite our parishioners of St. Cyril and Methodius for an Autumn Pilgrimage, which will take place on October 19 - 20 to Michigan. We will visit St. Joseph's Church, including attending Mass and exploring the beautiful surroundings of Traverse City. Cost is \$450 per person. Full payment required to secure your spot. For reservations, please call 630-257-2776 or 630-863-0128.

Zapraszamy naszych parafian Św. Cyryla i Metodego na jesienną Pielgrzymkę, która odbędzie się w dniach 19 - 20 Październik do Michigan. Odwiedzimy kościół Świętego Józefa, włącznie z uczestnictwem w Mszy Świętej oraz zwiedzanie pięknych okolic Traverse City. Cena \$450 od osoby. Pełna płatność wymagana do zabezpieczenia miejsca. W sprawie rezerwacji prosimy dzwonić na numer 630-257-2776 lub 630-863-0128.

Traverse City Pilgrimage Agenda 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
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 back at SSCM Church (Lemont time)



Respect Life Committee BABY SHOWER!!

The Respect Life Committee is holding a baby shower for Birthright in Joliet.

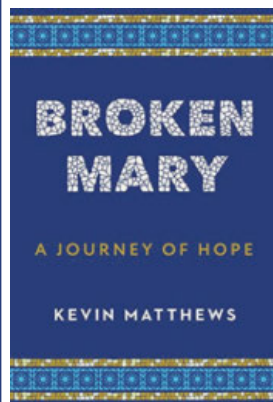
There will be a bassinet in the back of church starting the weekend of Sept. 16th and 17th.

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.

We Are Happy To Welcome Kevin Matthews To Our Parish!
Join Us On Thursday, September 28th at SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish
608 Sobieski Street, Lemont

Church Doors Open at 7:00 PM
Presentation Begins at 7:30 PM



Kevin Matthews is a successful author and has written a "Best Seller" called "Broken Mary A Journey of Hope." He is also one of the most recognized radio personalities becoming a household name in Chicago. He has spoken to over 10 millions radio fans weekly while broadcasting from the iconic Loop Radio studios in Chicago. In the fall of 2008, his wonderful world came crashing down, while on the air, he became partially paralyzed. God was calling Kevin and he will share this incredible journey with us.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear his story!

Sponsored by the St. Al's/St. Pat's Men's Club, Knights of Columbus & SS. Cyril & Methodius



SZLACHETNA PACZKA USA

to projekt prowadzony przez SPRING Foundation na terenie Stanów Zjednoczonych od 2016 roku. W ciągu 7 edycji akcji, dzięki staraniom Wolontariuszy i Darczyńców, pomoc otrzymało już ponad 200 polonijnych rodzin. Do projektu Szlachetna Paczka włączane są rodziny, które z niezależnych od siebie przyczyn znalazły się w trudnej sytuacji materialnej i życiowej, i dla których kontakt z Wolontariuszem oraz mądra pomoc będą szansą na zmianę. W myśl hasła POLONIA pomaga POLONII corocznie wiele rodzin otrzymuje wsparcie i wyjątkową inspirację do wygrzania swojego życia.

Jeśli chcesz mądrze pomóc i stać się bohaterem dla drugiego człowieka, dołącz do projektu SZLACHETNA PACZKA USA i razem z nami zmieniaj świat na lepsze!

JAK SIĘ ZAANGAŻOWAĆ?

-  **Zgłoś do projektu rodzinę, która potrzebuje pomocy.**
Dzięki Twojemu zainteresowaniu ktoś, kto zmaga się z trudną sytuacją może dostać szansę na lepsze jutro!
-  **Zostań Wolontariuszem Szlachetnej Paczki.**
Podlej pracę z rodziną i zobacz jak dzięki mądrej pomocy realnie zmienia się jej świat!
-  **Zostań Darczyńcą dla rodziny w potrzebie.**
Przygotuj dla wybranej rodziny dedykowaną pomoc i pocuj jak Twoje zaangażowanie odměnia czyjeś życie!
-  **Zostań Inwestorem Społecznym.**
Wesprzyj rejon SZP, podkreśl swój wpływ biznesowy i miej wpływ na swoją lokalną społeczność!

KONTAKT
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MUZYCZNE WIECZORY UWIELBIENIA Świadectwa

PIĄTEK - 22 WRZEŚNIA
POLSKA MISJA
DUSZPASTERKA PW. ŚWIĘTEJ TRÓJCY
1118 N. Noble Street, Chicago, IL
7:30pm - msza święta / świadectwa
8:30pm - koncert uwielbienia

WTOREK - 19 WRZEŚNIA
PARAFIA PW. ŚW. FAUSTYNY
5252 S. Austin Avenue, Chicago
6:30pm - koncert uwielbienia
7pm - msza święta / świadectwa

CZWARTEK - 21 WRZEŚNIA
PARAFIA PW. MIŁOSIERDZIA BOŻEGO
21W411 Sunset Avenue, Lombard, IL
7pm - msza święta / świadectwa
8pm - koncert uwielbienia

SOBOTA - 23 WRZEŚNIA
JEZUICKI OŚRODEK MIŁENIUNY
5835 W. Irving Park Rd, Chicago
7pm - msza święta / świadectwa
8pm - koncert uwielbienia w auli Jana Pawła II

NIEDZIELA - 24 WRZEŚNIA
PARAFIA PW. ŚW. CYRYLA I METODEGO
608 S. Sibley Street, Lemont, IL
8am, 11am, 2pm - msza święta / świadectwa
3pm - koncert uwielbienia w sali gimnastycznej w szkole
5:00-7:30pm - SPECJALNE SPOTKANIE DLA MŁODZIEŻY
(KANDYDATÓW DO BIERZMOWANIA) ZE WSZYSTKICH SZKÓŁ POLONIJNYCH
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Iwona Pietrała
Wokalistka, ewangelizatorka, a przede wszystkim - córka Króla! Autorka znanych utworów „Oblubienica”, „Jesteś piękna” i „Niezwykły”. Po spotkaniu z Jezusem w 2013, dzieli się swoim świadectwem nawrócenia. Jest członkiem wspólnoty Koinonia Jan Chrzciel, a jej pasją jest uwielbienie, oraz ewangelizacja.

Grzegorz Miecznikowski
Jako nastolatek został ateistą i gorliwie przekonywał wszystkich, że Bóg nie istnieje. Dziś, opowiada o miłości Boga bezdomnym, więźniom, skinheadom, ludziom spotkanym w metrze... Bóg wyciągnął go z depresji, nerwicy, hazardu i przeprowadził zwycięsko przez chorobę onkologiczną. Na co dzień prowadzi Służbę Ognia Miłości w ramach Apostolskiego Ruchu Wiary.



Dear Father Valdi and the Parishioners of St. Cyril and Methodius Church,

We want to take a moment to thank you for the years of love and support for the multiple projects we were able to accomplish because of your generous donations! As a Sister Parish to the Missionaries of the Poor in Kenya, you have done an outstanding job providing financial means to allow the brothers in Kenya to run the John Paul II clinic. The clinic is open every Saturday and serves the poorest members of the Chokka community in the slums of Nairobi. Without your continued support, many sick who cannot afford medical care in private clinics would be left untreated and without proper medication.

During all Sunday masses of the weekend of **October 7th and 8th**, volunteers from our group will talk about their experiences from their mission trips to Kenya. The volunteers will share about the lives of the missionaries and the important works they have been able to accomplish because of your loving support. **Please join us at any mass that weekend to pray together and to listen to the testimonies of the volunteers along with a 2-3 min video presentation.** Thanks be to Almighty God for using us all as the instruments of his love and mercy when we serve the least of our brothers and sisters.
MOP Support Team.

Drogi Ojciec Valdi i Parafianie kościoła św. Cyryla i Metodego,

Pragniemy z serca podziękować Wam za lata wsparcia wielu projektów, które udało nam się zrealizować dzięki Waszej hojności w Kenii. Jako Siostra Parafia Misjonarzy Ubogich w Kenii już od wielu lat zapewniacie wsparcie finansowe umożliwiające braciom prowadzenie kliniki Jana Pawła II. Klinika jest otwarta w każdą sobotę i służy najbardziej potrzebującym członkom społeczności Chokka w slumsach Nairobi. Bez Waszego stałego wsparcia wielu chorych, których nie stać na opiekę medyczną w prywatnych klinikach, pozostałoby bez pomocy lekarskiej i odpowiednich leków.

Podczas wszystkich niedzielnych mszy świętych podczas weekendu **7 i 8 października** wolontariusze z naszej grupy podzielą się swoimi doświadczeniami wyjazdów misyjnych do Kenii. Wolontariusze opowiedzą o życiu misjonarzy i ważnych dziełach, które misjonarze byli w stanie dokonać dzięki waszemu wsparciu. **Jeszcze raz serdecznie zapraszamy Was do wspólnej modlitwy oraz wysłuchania świadectw wolontariuszy podczas niedzielnych mszy świętych 7 i 8 października.**

Niech będzie chwała Wszechmogącemu Bogu za to, że czyni nas wszystkich jako narzędzi swojej miłości i miłosierdzia, gdy służymy najmniejszym z naszych braci i sióstr.
Wolontariusze MOP

**Drodzy Parafianie,**

Od najmłodszych lat wpajano nam jak wielkie znaczenie ma sprawiedliwość. Uczciwe życie jest częścią szkolenia już od najmłodszych lat. Dlatego, gdy w dzisiejszej ewangelii słyszymy przypowieść o robotnikach na roli, od razu myślimy: "To nie w porządku.

Mężczyźni, którzy pracowali przez cały dzień mają dobry powód do niezadowolenia. Powinni mieli mieć więcej zapłacone."

Jednak przypowieść ta nie mówi o tym, kto ile powinien miał mieć zapłacone. Ta przypowieść jest o Bogu. Bo to on jest Dobrym Pracodawcą, Boskim Pracodawcą, który ofiarowuje swą łaskę ludziom w różnych momentach ich życia.

To jest właśnie prawdziwe znaczenie przypowieści o robotnikach w winnicy. Łaska Boża przybywa do różnych ludzi w różnych momentach ich życia i na różne sposoby. Być może niektórzy z nas czują, że nie byliśmy tą osobą, którą moglibyśmy czy powinniśmy byli być. Może mamy rację. Ale najważniejsze jest to że nie przegapiliśmy jeszcze naszej szansy na zbawienie. Łaska Boża jest nadzwyczajna i nieziemską, a nam nadal dano możliwość radykalnej zmiany naszego życia.

Spójrz na niektóre niesamowite przykłady jak Bóg zmienił ludzi, których znamy. Tak często napotykamy osoby, które wyrządziły krzywdy nie tylko w ich życiu osobistym ale i rodzinnym poprzez alkohol lub inne substancje uzależniającą. Wtedy to właśnie dziwimy się, że Łaska Boża nie tylko doprowadziła tę osobę do odbudowy, ale uczyniła ją źródłem siły dla innych, którzy chcą odzyskać swe życie na nowo. To jest właśnie ta jedyna i niesamowita łaska "Boskiego Pracodawcy".

Ewangelia zachęca nas, abyśmy się nie poddawali, bo Bóg nigdy nas nie opuszcza. Zawsze możemy zacząć na nowo, bez względu na to czy byliśmy tylko chrześcijanami od święta, czy też może nadal trwamy w stanie wojny z Bogiem. Bóg nie chce żebyśmy utknęli w naszej przeszłości. On oczekuje powrotu po przez sakrament pokuty i pojednania, i pragnie abyśmy stali się drogą nawrócenia dla innych. Ten „Boski Pracodawca” nie chce abyśmy marnowali więcej czasu. Nawet jeżeli już nasz wiek jest zaawansowany a każdy dzień zbliża się do końca, On wyciąga do nas rękę, On dla nas ma pracę. Bez względu na naszą przeszłość Bóg nas potrzebuje!

Dziękuję za ciągłe 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:

- Zapraszamy na dwie wyjątkowe pielgrzymki z ks. Waldemarem! Podczas nadchodzącej jesieni wyjazd do Traverse City i kościoła St. Józefa; a na wiosnę do Wietnamu i Kambodży. Niepowtarzalne wspomnienia! Sprawdź terminy zapisu i dołącz do nas. Więcej informacji w biuletynie, dodatkowo ulotki znajdują się w tyle kościoła.
- Komitet ds. Ochrony Życia organizuje „baby shower” dla Birthright w Joliet. W biuletynie zostały zamieszczone informacje odnośnie pomocy i złożenia darowizny potrzebującym matkom.
- Zapraszamy na prezentację Kevina Matthew, „Zniszczona Mary” (Broken Mary), która odbędzie się w czwartek, 28 września o godz. 19:30 wieczorem. Więcej informacji w biuletynie.
- W środę, 4 października, przed kościołem o godzinie 7:45 odbędzie się błogosławieństwo zwierząt domowych ku czci św. Franciszka z Asyżu. Prosimy o przyprowadzenie zwierząt domowych do błogosławieństwa.
- Zapraszam do wspólnej modlitwy z okazji Triduum ku czci św. Teresy od Dzieciątka Jezus z Lisieux, która odbędzie się 5, 6, i 7 października po porannej Mszy św. Ostatni dzień zostanie zakończony procesją w kościele i uczczeniem relikwii św. Teresy. W tyle kościoła na stołach znajdują się specjalne koperty do zapisu na Nowenne św. Teresy od Dzieciątka Jezus.
- Poszukujemy jak najszybciej kogoś lub rodziny, która będzie przewodniczyć naszej Służbie „Drzewo Miłości” w okresie Bożego Narodzenia. Jeżeli jesteś zainteresowany, więcej informacji znajdziesz w biuletynie.

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Mass Intentions

Monday — September 25th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY
✠ STANLEY F. SENDRA
by Mark Sendra
✠ AMELIA PERFETTI
by Family

Tuesday — September 26th

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
O BOŻE BŁ. O OPIEKĘ M.B. DLA GRAŻYNY (urodziny)
by Mąż z Dziećmi
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA TERESY I TADEUSZA (urodziny)
by Rodzina
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA TADEUSZA I MARII KOWALCZYK
by Maria Kowalczyk
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ANNY (urodziny)
by Rodzice

Wednesday — September 27th

7:00 AM ✠ PELA KREROWICZ
by Family

Thursday — September 28th

7:00 AM ✠ STANLEY NOWAK
by Nowak Family
✠ BOB KALKOWSKI
by Family

Friday — September 29th

7:00 AM ✠ ANNA MAK
by Maria Para

Saturday — September 30th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR MARGARET BIALAS (birth)
✠ JUDY JELINSKI
by Johnson & Pecoraro Families
✠ FRANCISZKA DZIABA
by Family

1:00 PM *Wedding: Sylvia Bryja and Adam Petrie*

3:00 PM *Wedding: Michelle Lesiak and Joseph Miklasz*

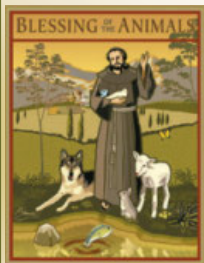
5:00 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR ROBERT & CORRINA
Fr. Rataj AUTEN & FAMILY
by Elaine Mitchener

Sunday — October 1st

7:00 AM ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY
Fr. ✠ DANUTA SKÓRA
Stawiański by Sophie Byrnes
8:00 AM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ŻYJĄCYCH CZŁONKÓW KLUBU
Fr. POLSKIEGO
Mikulski ✠ TADEUSZ I BOGUSŁAW OWCA
by Rodzina
✠ JAN STRAMA
by Rodzina
✠ JOHN KOWALCZYK (2 Rocznicą Śmierci)
by Żona z Rodziną
9:30 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Fr. GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR NICOLE & SAM ASTA
Pollard (1 Wedd. Anniv.)
by Jeannette Bartosz
✠ FELIX ZACZEK
by Zaczek Family
✠ JEROME BLICKHAHN
by Nancy Volrath
11:00 AM DZIEKCZYNNNA W INT. MARII I KRZYSZTOFA
Fr. MATURSKI (Rocznicą Ślubu)
Mikulski O DARY DUCHA ŚW. DLA VICTORI KRAMOWSKI
I JULI GAŚIENICA
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ARTURA I MONIKI
GŁOGOWSKI (10 Rocznicą Ślubu)
by Mama Zofia
✠ ANDRZEJ I HELENA FIGUS
by Rodzina
12:30 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR SUSAN CYCON
Fr. Rataj by Sophie Grele
✠ EUGENE KULMA
by Wife & Family
2:00 PM O DARY DUCHA ŚW. DLA ADRIANA, ALEXA
Fr. I ALICJI WESOŁY
Mikulski O BOŻE BŁ. I OPIEKE M.B. DLA KONRADA
SZKLARZ (urodziny)
by Rodzina Prędkie
✠ KAROL MACHAJ (Rocznicą Śmierci)
by Żona z Rodziną
✠ HELENA I LUDWIG GAŁ
by Córka z Rodziną
7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Fr. Koyas

PET BLESSING

In honor of the Feast of
St. Francis of Assisi, blessing
of pets will take place on
Wednesday, October 4th, at
7:45 AM in front of the
church. Bring your pets!



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

Leo Smietanski

Nadia Skrzecz

Elena (Helen) Prew

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.

Wedding Banns

Michelle Reynoso and Christhian Gonzalez

Madeline Stratman and Bryan Byrne

Natalie Dzbił and Christopher Chraca

Claudia Swiatek and Zack Lambert

Jessica Walkosz and Michael Jerkovich

Joanna Gał and James Biehl

**Parish Contributions
September 16 & 17, 2023**

Envelopes	546	18,712.00
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<i>Budgeted: \$14,200.00 / Actual: 21,305.00 / \$7,105</i>		

546 envelopes plus 117 GiveCentral Sunday donations represent 32% of 2,100 registered parishioner families.

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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

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

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Congratulations and God's Blessings



*Katherine Maslar and Christopher Buh
Married September 16, 2023*

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*Cecilia Komp and Rocco Stachowiak
Married September 16, 2023*

**Baptisms: August 6, 2023 through September 3, 2023
Welcome our Newest Members into our Faith Community**

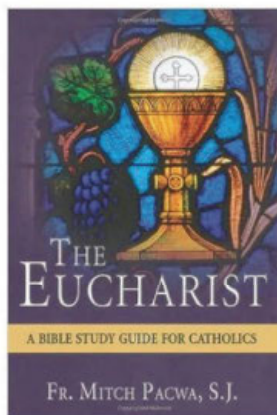


ELIZABETH HELENA LAS, daughter of Daniel & Natalia (Ganczar) Las
 DANIEL SAVICKAS, son of Eimantas & Lina (Kaminskas) Savickas
 JACOB SAVICKAS, son of Eimantas & Lina (Kaminskas) Savickas
 AMELIA ROSE SKORUSA, daughter of David & Jessica (Szeliga) Skorusa
 DANIEL GIL, son of Zbigniew & Monika (Myrda) Gil
 AMELIA MARIE KOUBA, daughter of Joseph & Sara (Bradley) Kouba
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 ELIAN ALEXANDER GIL, son of Adrian & Veronica (Pantoja) Gil Jr.
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This year is the parish renewal season of the National Eucharistic Revival in the U.S. Parishes are asked to implement small group initiatives to renew the church by enkindling a living relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. This time is designed in order to heal, convert, form, and unify both practicing and non-practicing Catholics in appreciation of this Gift. Please join us, and invite others from the area.

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Register at the St. Cyril & Methodius Parish Office, 608 Sobieski, Lemont, IL. WRITE "EUCHARISTIC BIBLE STUDY" on the envelope and include your:

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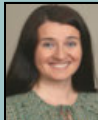
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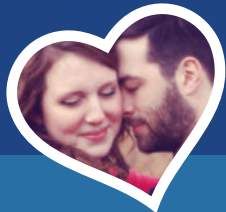
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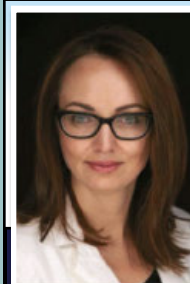
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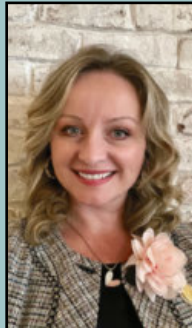
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