

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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January 8, 2023
The Epiphany of The Lord



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 Bulletin: bulletin@stcyril.org Helping Hands: helpinghands@stcyril.org
Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM St. Cyril's 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)			New Parishioners: Please fill out the registration forms on the welcoming table in the back of church & place in the registration box, collection basket or return them to the parish office. You may also complete the form online on our website.
Special Masses: Tuesday PM: devotions at 7 PM, 7:45 PM (Polish), First Friday: 7:00 AM (English), 7:00 PM (Polish) First Saturday: devotions at 7 PM (Polish), 9:00 PM (Polish) Holy Days of Obligation: As announced			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.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM Also available by appointment.			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.
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass			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.
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building.			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
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			


From the desk of Father Kloys
Dear Parishioners,

Many years ago, Al Capone virtually owned Chicago. He had a lawyer nicknamed "Easy Eddie." He was Capone's lawyer for a good reason. Eddie was very good!

In fact, Eddie's skill at legal maneuvering kept Big Al out of jail for a long time. To show his appreciation, Capone paid him very well. He and his family occupied a fenced-in mansion with all of the conveniences of the day. Eddie lived the high life of the Chicago mob and gave little consideration to the atrocity that went on around him. Eddie did have one soft spot, however. He had a son that he loved dearly. Despite his involvement with organized crime, Eddie even tried to teach him right from wrong. Eddie wanted his son to be a better man than he was. Yet, with all his wealth and influence, there were two things he couldn't give his son; he couldn't pass on a good name or a good example. One day, Easy Eddie reached a difficult decision. He decided he would go to the authorities and tell the truth about Al "Scarface" Capone, clean up his tarnished name, and offer his son some semblance of integrity. To do this, he would have to testify against The Mob, and he knew that the cost would be great but did it anyway. Within the year, Easy Eddie's life ended in a blaze of gunfire on a lonely Chicago Street. But in his eyes, he had given his son the greatest gift he had to offer, the greatest price he could ever pay. Police removed from his pockets a rosary, a crucifix, a religious medallion, and a clipping from a magazine. It read: "The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own."

Fast forward a few years. Lieutenant Commander Butch O'Hare was a fighter pilot in the South Pacific. During a mission, he saw that he would not have enough fuel to get back to his ship. So, he dropped out of formation and headed back to the fleet. Then he encountered a squadron of Japanese aircraft heading toward the American fleet. Laying aside all thoughts of personal safety, he dove into the formation of Japanese planes. Wing-mounted 50 caliber's blazed as he charged in,

attacking one surprised enemy plane and then another. Butch wove in and out of the now broken formation and fired at as many planes as possible until all his ammunition was finally spent.

Miraculously, Butch O'Hare made his way back to the carrier. This took place on February 20, 1942, and for that action Butch became the Navy's first Ace of W.W.II. A year later Butch was killed in aerial combat at the age of 29. There's a memorial at "his" airport between Terminals 1 and 2. This is a new year for you and me so to help you make some good New Year's resolutions, I thought you should know that Butch O'Hare was "Easy Eddie's" son.

Fr Thomas Kloys, M.A.,S.T.L.
And now a few things the Parish wants you to know:

- Please consider donating to the Archdiocese Tax Credit Scholarships to help a child with their educational future. Take advantage of the limited time offer of a 1 to 1 matching gift.
- INVEST IN YOURSELF! IT'S NOW HERE!! An exciting new online program to enrich your faith! Use the QR code in the bulletin to sign up with FORMED.
- The 2022 Contribution Statement forms are in the bulletin. Tax time will be here before you know it. They will be mailed out after January 31st.
- This Sunday, January 8th, is the Epiphany of The Lord. Please pick up a piece of blessed chalk in the back of church to use to bless your home. Instructions are in the bulletin.
- Thank you to all who participated in helping us to celebrate our Christmas Masses. Thank you to the many volunteers for decorating our church inside and out so beautifully. Thank you to Mira and the choir for providing the great music. Thank you to the Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers for your help. Thank you to Father Kloys, and the entire parish staff for your work during Christmas and all year. Also, thank you parishioners for helping to keep the spirit of Christmas alive.



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"Strength for the Journey"

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2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parishioners,

Happy 2023 from SS. Cyril and Methodius School! May this new year be filled with good health and happiness for all.

Our students and staff are finishing up their Christmas vacation, and we will return to school on Monday, January 9th.

I am happy to announce that this year we will be able to enjoy all our traditional Catholic Schools Week celebrations! Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us at the 9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, January 29th. This will be followed by our Open House and Social immediately following the mass. School tours for prospective new families along with the chance to meet the staff will be available until 1:30 PM. Please stop and visit our National Blue Ribbon School and hear about all we have to offer! We do also offer tuition assistance.

It's not too late to still make a donation to the State of Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program. Thanks to very generous donors in our parish, we are currently providing over \$130,000 to students who attend our school. Please help so we can continue to have the funds available for all students who apply. We hope you will join us in supporting Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools and provide more children a quality Catholic school education. For more information, please contact me or the archdiocese's Tax Credit Scholarship Office at tos@archchicago.org or 312.534.2617.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Shirley A. Tkachuk
Principal



TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES APPLYING:

Empower Illinois SGO
(scholarship granting organization)

Reservations for the 2023-2024 Empower Tax Credit Scholarships will open at 6:30 with submission at 7:00PM on Wednesday, January 18th. Reservations are timestamped.

Please visit www.empowerillinois.org for more details.

Big Shoulders SGO

Reservations will open on Thursday, January 12th at 8:00AM. Please visit the following site: www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org for more details.

**Our 7th & 8th grade boys took 2nd place in the St. John Vianney Tournament!
Go Comets!**



Catholic Schools Week 2023
January 29–February 4

[#CSW23](http://www.NCEA.org/csw)



**SS Cyril & Methodius
Religious Education Program**
stcyrilre@sscmlemon.org
(630)257-9314
www.re.stcyril.org
Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator

Welcome back!!

**Religious Education
Classes Resume:
Friday session 1/6/2023
Monday session 1/9/2023
Wednesday session
1/11/2023**

Our December projects are currently on display at the Parish Life Building. The students did a beautiful job, some of the projects are very, very creative. We invite everyone to stop by the display before or after mass.



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



Hardy hikers braved the frigid temps on Dec 26 to complete the 8th annual St Stephen's Day hike! James-ers – young and old – are a tough bunch!



Our Lady of Fatima Statue

You may host our beautiful statue for one week (Sun to Sun).
Jan & Feb openings!

Sign up at historicstjames.org
Questions?
Call Maria Kwak
at 312-439-0022



The Thomas A Kempis Altar Servers show appreciation to Dr Mike Haklin. The St James Mission is so blessed to have such reverent & wonderful servers adding to our liturgies & we add our gratitude to Dr Mike & these young men (and their families)!

Wednesday January 11

Adoration 5-7pm
Confessions: 6-7pm Mass: 7pm
Wine & Wisdom 8-9pm

Theology of the Body

Thursday, Jan 12 – 7 to 8:30pm – Sag Hall

"Theology of the Body" is a series of reflections given by St. Pope John Paul II at his papal audiences. While Fr Kois originally intended sessions as marriage prep, all adults are invited to join him as he leads this monthly discussion on JPII's rich content on human love. Profound insights.

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CCD Classes Resume on Jan 9

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Thanks to everyone who contributed to make Christmas brighter for some refugees! Fr Kois delivered gift cards to 150 grateful families!



Our Wishes for You in 2023!

We wish you Health, so you may enjoy each day in comfort.

We wish you the Love of friends and family, and peace within your heart.

We wish you to see the Beauty of nature, that you may enjoy the work of God.

We wish you Wisdom to choose priorities, for those things that really matter in life.

We wish you Generosity, so you may share all good things that come to you.

We wish you Happiness, Joy and Blessings for the New Year.



Thanks to a connection through Fr Scott Haynes, the people of St. James at Sag Bridge may receive a free lifetime membership to "The Rosary Experience." This app is a Video Streaming Platform that helps you beat prayer distraction by visually immersing you into the mysteries. The offer is through the creator of the app, Andrew Weyrich, and is a free gift valued at \$99.

Visit www.therosaryexperienceapp.com and click on "Contact" in the top bar to send an email requesting your membership. Please identify yourself as a member of St. James at Sag Bridge (Lemont, IL) to obtain this special offer. If you do not use email, you can call:

970-OUR-LADY (970-687-5239)

TOGETHER, WE CAN CREATE
a world where the beauty and dignity of
every human life are valued and
protected.

Roe v Wade was overturned, but the battle for life continues. We have filled the bus to DC for the 50th March for Life. Please pray for safe travels, a holy pilgrimage, and for life!



Easy Giving
Use this QR code to go
straight to St James'
Christmas Fund
Thank you!



Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made available for the intention:

IN THANKSGIVING FOR FR. KOYS

VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/8/23

St. James Altar & Rosary Society

All the Poor Souls in Purgatory

United States of America

In Memory of Mary Piech & Barbara Medala



Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

8:00AM †Fr. Raymond Skriba

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

8:00AM Health & Blessings—Anna Wilczek

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

7:00PM †Irene Starrs

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

8:00AM †Mary Aiello

†Janice Snyder

Birthday Blessings—Diana Kurowski

Birthday Health & Blessings—Joe Gal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

6:00PM †Joseph Donzelli

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00AM †Bryant Rosas

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

8:15AM: Health & Healing—Kathleen McNally

†Rochelle Haklin

10AM: †Jaroslaw Olszewski

12PM: †Edward W. Claffy



Our weekly *Offertory* collection from December 18, 2022 was \$4,532. Online Giving (Give Central) for regular and Maintenance collections totalled \$748.

Our weekly *Offertory* collection from December 25, 2022 was \$5,290. Online Giving (Give Central) for regular and Maintenance collections totalled \$1,758.

Our weekly *Offertory* collection from January 1, 2023 was \$9,456. Our *Maintenance* collection was \$858. Online Giving (Give Central) for regular and Maintenance collections totalled \$988.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

Totals from our Christmas Collection will be reported at a later date.

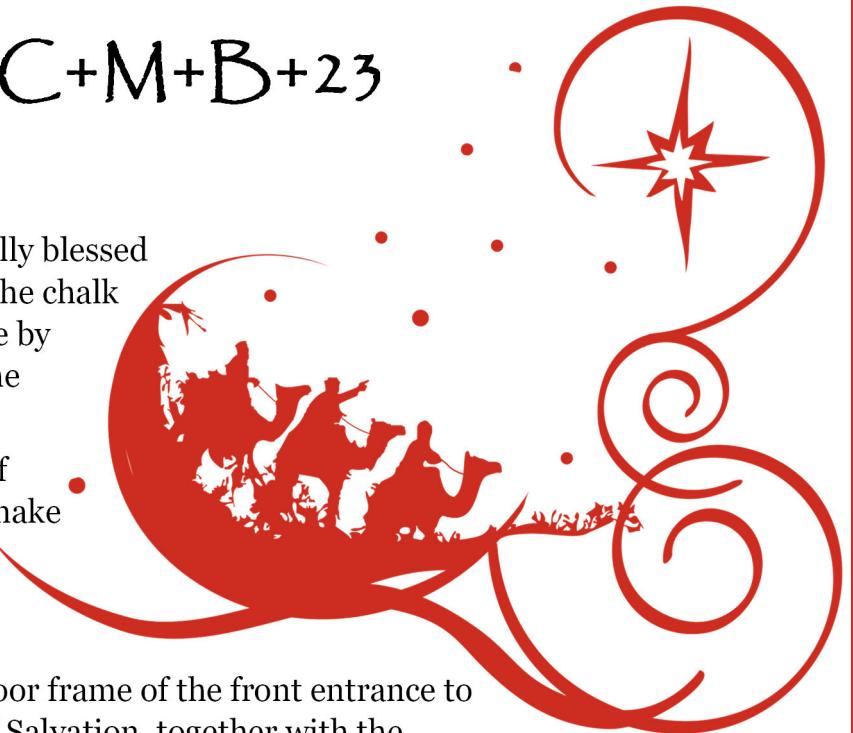
Bless Your Home on Epiphany (January 8, 2023)

20+C+M+B+23

The blessing of homes, using specially blessed chalk, is a popular Epiphany custom. The chalk is blessed at Mass and then taken home by families where the senior member of the household leads the blessing.

Chalk, a product of clay, symbolic of the human nature of Jesus, is used to make the inscription which reminds us that we have invited God's presence and blessing into our home.

The upper horizontal piece of the door frame of the front entrance to the home is inscribed with the Cross of Salvation, together with the indication of the year and the initials of the Three Wise Men. Their names were established in the eighth century and are traditionally remembered as Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar, although these names are not found in Scripture. The inscription also stands for Chistus Monsionem Benedict, which means “Christ, Bless this Home”.



The popular form of the inscription is: 20+C+M+B+23

As the inscription is being made on the doorway the following prayer can be said:

*May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us;
and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus
who is your incarnate Word, now and forever. Amen.*

*God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten One to every nation by the guidance of
a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it.*

*Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love.
We ask this through Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Loving God, bless this household.

*May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness, and abiding in your will.
We ask this through Christ our Savior. Amen.*



Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
1927-2022

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him
Oh Lord.
May Perpetual Light Shine
Upon Him.

Akademia Liturgiczna

Szkolenie dla Lektorów oraz Nadzwyczajnych Szafarzy Komunii Świętej

8 Stycznia 2023 - 3PM
15 Stycznia 2023 - 3PM

Szkolenie prowadzi diakon Mariusz Kośla z Archidiecezji Chicago

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KOŁĘDOWANIE

8 stycznia 2023
GRUPA KOŁĘDNICZA
KLUBU POLSKIEGO W LEMONT
 Zaprasza na tradycyjne
 Kolędowanie przy Szopce.

January 8th, 2023
 A group of Christmas carolers from the Polish Club of Lemont will be Christmas caroling outside of St. Cyril church. All welcome!

Za kolędę dziękujemy, zdrowia, szczęścia winszujemy,
 byście sobie długo żyli, zdrowi i szczęśliwi byli na ten Nowy Rok!



**Z biurka wikariusza pastora
Drodzy Parafianie,**

Wiele lat temu Al Capone był praktycznie właścicielem Chicago. Miał prawnika o pseudonimie „Łatwy Eddie”. Nie bez powodu był prawnikiem Capone. Eddie był po prostu bardzo dobry w tym co robił! Prawda jest taka, że umiejętności Eddiego w zakresie legalnych manewrów chroniły Big Ala przed więzieniem przez długi okres czasu. W ramach wdzięczności i uznania, Capone wynagradzał go hojnie. On i jego rodzina zamieszkiwali w ogrodzonym dworze ze wszystkimi wygodami życia dostępnymi w tamtym czasie. Eddie prowadził luksusowe życie chicagowskiej mafii i nie zwracał uwagi na okrucieństwa, które działały się wokół niego. Jednak Eddie posiadał wyjątkową słabość.

Miał syna, którego bardzo kochał. Pomimo swojego zaangażowania w zorganizowaną przestępcość, Eddie próbował nauczyć go zasad dobrego życia, aby mógł odróżnić dobro od zła. Eddie chciał, aby jego syn był lepszym człowiekiem niż on sam. Jednak przy całym swoim bogactwie i wpływach jakie posiadał, były dwie rzeczy, których nie mógł dać swojemu synowi. Mianowicie nie mógł przekazać dobrego imienia ani dobrego przykładu. Pewnego dnia „Łatwy Eddie” postanowił podjąć bardzo trudną decyzję. Zdecydował, że pójdzie do władz i powie prawdę o Al Capone „Człowieku z Blizną”. W ten sposób oczyści swoje splamione imię i przekaże synowi wzór uczciwość.

Ale żeby to zrobić, musiałby zeznawać przeciwko Mafii, a wiedział, że cena takiego zeznania będzie ogromna. Wbrew wszystkich przeciwnościom, zrobił to. W przeciągu tylko jednego roku zakończył swoje życie w ogniu strzałów na niezamieszkalej Chicagowskiej ulicy. W jego oczach dał swojemu synowi największy dar, jaki miał do zaoferowania płacąc za to najwyższą cenę, jaką mógł kiedykolwiek zapłacić, cenę życia. Policja wyjęła z jego kieszeni różaniec, krucyfiks, medalion religijny i wycinek z czasopisma. Było na nim napisane: „Zegar życia jest nakręcony tylko raz i żaden człowiek nie jest w stanie powiedzieć, kiedy wskazówka się zatrzymają, nikt nie wie kiedy jego godzina wybije. Teraz jest Twój jedyny czas, który posiadasz”.

Przeskakując pewien okres czasu historii do przodu, muszę wspomnieć o komandorze poruczniku Butch O’Hare, który był pilotem myśliwca na południowym Pacyfiku. Podczas misji zobaczył, że nie starczy mu paliwa, by wrócić na swój statek. Wypadł więc z formacji i wrócił do floty. Następnie napotkał eskadrę japońskich samolotów zmierzających w kierunku amerykańskiej floty. Nie bacząc na swoje osobiste bezpieczeństwo, wplótł się we flotę japońskich samolotów. Zamontowane na jego

skrzydłach karabiny kalibru 50 plonęły, gdy szarżował, atakując jeden po drugim zaskoczone samoloty wroga. Butch wplatał się i wychodził z rozbitej już formacji i strzelał do jak największej liczby samolotów, aż w końcu wyczerpała się cała jego amunicja. Cudem Butch O’Hare wrócił spowrotem. Działo się to wszystko 20 lutego 1942 roku i za tę akcję Butch dostał najwyższe odznaczenie Marynarki Wojennej II wojny światowej. Niestety, rok później Butch zginął w walce powietrznej w wieku 29 lat. Na „jego” lotnisku, między terminalami 1 i 2, znajduje się pomnik.

Co więc mają ze sobą te dwie historie? No cóż, narodziny Chrystusa zmieniły historię. To jest nowy rok dla Was i dla mnie, więc aby Wam pomóc w podjęciu dobrych noworocznych postanowień, pomyślałem, że powinniście wiedzieć, że Butch O’Hare był synem „Łatwego Eddiego”...

Fr Thomas Koys, M.A., S.T.L.

Kilka spraw z życia parafii:

- Zachęcamy do złożenia donacji na cel twz. Archidiecezjalnego Stypendium Ulgi Podatkowej, aby pomóc dzieciom w ich edukacji. Składając ofiarę skorzystasz z limitowanej oferty 1 do 1.
- JEDYNA OKAZJA!! ZAINWESTUJ W SIEBIE! Atrakcyjny nowy program online, który wzbogaci Twoją wiarę w parafii SSCM!! Więcej informacji podczas weekendowych Mszy św. odnośnie rejestracji za pomocą kodu URL znajdującego się w bieletynie!
- Formularz w celu uzyskania rozliczeń podatkowych za rok 2022 znajduje się w bieletynie. Proszę wypełnić i przesłać do biura.
- Dzisiaj obchodzimy uroczystość Objawienia Pańskiego i Trzech Króli. W tyle kościoła została umieszczona poświęcona kreda do użycia w domu. Więcej informacji w bieletynie.
- Wyrażam ogólną wdzięczność wszystkim, którzy pomogli w przygotowaniach do godnego przeżycia tegorocznych świąt Bożego Narodzenia. Dziękujemy licznym wolontariuszom za tak piękne udekorowanie naszego kościoła wewnętrz i na zewnątrz. Dziękujemy Pani Mirze i chórowi za wspaniałą oprawę muzyczną. Dziękuję Marszalkom, Lektorom, Szafarzom Eucharystii i Ministrantom za pomoc. Dziękuję księdzu Koys i caemu personelowi parafialnemu za waszą pracę w okresie Świąt Bożego Narodzenia i przez cały rok. Dziękuję również całej wspólnocie parafialnej i gościom za tak liczny udział i wspólną modlitwę podczas świąt. Niech radość Bożego Narodzenia pozostało w Waszych sercach na długo.

Mass Intentions**Monday — January 9th**

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY
 † DECEASED MEMBERS OF SNIEGOWSKI &
 KENDZIORSKI FAMILIES
 by Anna Wozniak
 † THERESA HARTWIG & FAMILY
 by Friend
 † LUPE SCHAEFER
 by John Stach

Tuesday — January 10th

7:00 AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS
 † ALBINA KONOPKA
 by Family
 † ANTONINA & FRANCISZEK TYLKA
 by Family
 7:30 PM O BOŽE BŁ. DLA MONIKI Z RODZINĄ
 by Danuta i Peter
 † IRENA DALEKA
 by Rodzina
 † ANNA MĄKA
 by Zofia Gil
 † MAREK LICHOSYT
 by Siostra

Wednesday — January 11th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR RABIANSKI FAMILY
 † JANE JANOWIAK-MICHALAK
 by Jane-Emil Janowiak
 † FOR ALL DECEASED IN UKRAINE
 by Alma Krzeminski

Thursday — January 12th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR CONOR SCOTT (birth)
 by Scott Family
 † STANISLAW SOLTYS
 by Bialas Family
 † FRANCISZEK & MARIA MAJ
 by Family

Friday — January 13th

7:00 AM CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL
 † MICHAEL WINKE
 by Dale Hennebry
 † EVELYN TERRUOLO
 by Las Family

Saturday — January 14th

7:00 AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES
 † EDWARD A. TERRUOLO
 by Las Family
 † EVELYN TERRUOLO
 by Las Family
 † ELEANOR CAITHAMER
 by Teresa Tinoco
 5:00 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR BONNIE (birth)
 by Mom
 Fr. Koys † STANISLAW SADELSKI
 by Wife & Family
 † DECEASED MEMBERS OF TASARZ FAMILY
 by Wolniakowski Family



*Blessed Sacrament Candle Intention
 For Week of January 9th
 Through January 15th (Church)*

**GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR
 KALATA-KEDZIOR FAMILIES IN 2023**
 by Marie Kedzior

Sunday — January 15th

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
 Fr. Idzi † SANDRA HYMES
 by Scott Family
 8:00 AM O BOŽE BŁ. DLA CÓRKI ANNY I WNUKA
 Fr. ALEKSANDRA
 Stawiarski by Babcia Maria
 O BOŽE BŁ. DLA MARII I STANISŁAWA
 KOWALCZYK (Rocznica Ślubu)
 † JAN, ANIELA I STANISŁAW STASZEL
 by Siostra
 † ROZALIA I KAZIMIERZ SZUŁAKIEWICZ
 by Rodzina
 9:30 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
 Fr. Idzi † BRYAN JEPSEN
 by SSCM Parish Staff
 11:00 AM † JAN I LUDWIKA CISÓŃ
 Fr. by Córka z Rodziną
 Stawiarski † ANDRZEJ LEJA (12 Rocznica Śmierci)
 by Tadeusz i Monika Leja
 † JANINA I STANISŁAW KARDAS
 by Rodzina
 † ZOFIA I JÓZEF WALKOSZ
 by Anna Milan
 12:30 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR SUSAN CYCON
 Fr. Idzi by Sophie Grele
 † DESIREA SOUKAL
 by McKeough Family
 † JAMES MCKEOUGH
 by McKeough Family
 2:00 PM O BOŽE BŁ. I ZDROWIE DLA RODZINY SKOBEL
 Fr. † JAN I GENOWEFA BIAŁAS
 Stawiarski by Rodzina Bialas
 † JULIA KOZIEL
 by Walter i Lottie Koziel
 † HELENA RAFACZ
 by Rodzina Rybak
 7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
 Fr. Noga

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Adoration of the Magi**Jan de Bray, 1674****Oil on canvas****Historisches Museum, Bamberg, Germany**

Pray for ...

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

Chester Skibinski

Emilia Pilecki

Jody Nowosielski

J.R. Stanley

Irene Forst

Patricia Senn

Anita Anderson

Leon Chmielewski Jr.

Kristen Juarez

Joan Albert

Jack Mohamed

Terri Sowa

Lori Reagan Suski

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
December 31, 2022 & January 1, 2023

Envelopes	544	13,829.00
Children's Envelopes		00
GiveCentral (12/26-1/1)	113	<u>2,354.00</u>
Total		16,183.00

Budgeted: \$14,200.00 / Actual: 16,183.00/ \$1,983

544 envelopes plus 113 GiveCentral Sunday donations represent 31% of 2,100 registered parishioner families.

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



Wedding Banns

Christina Tzinares and Brian Biscan

Dana Coppoletta and Tomasz Gorczak



*May Perpetual Light
Shine Upon Them*

In your prayers, please remember the souls of Margaret Marie Povalish & Bryan M. Jepsen. May their souls and the souls of all our faithfully departed family and friends rest in everlasting peace.



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Contribution statements for 2022 will be mailed upon request only. If you would like your statement, please fill out the information below and return it via the PLB drop box, by mail or place it in the collection basket at church. Please include your envelope number. Your statement will be mailed to you after January 31st.

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EVANGELIZE: The Greatest Gift is God's Life in Our Soul!

You probably gave Christmas gifts to the people you care about. What was the best gift you gave? What was the best gift you received? In our words and songs, we say that Jesus Christ is the Best Gift of all. But do we really mean that? And how do we let that truth transform us, our loved ones, and our community? How do we share that Truth with others; both the baptized and the unbaptized?

Catholics know that Baptism is a Sacrament instituted by Jesus Christ. We believe that through Baptism, all sin, original sin and actual sin, is wiped away. At Baptism, the life of God, called sanctifying grace, is infused into the soul, and a person is born again of water and the Holy Spirit. Jesus made baptism a condition for entering heaven (Jn 3:5; Mk 16:16.) The Theological Virtues of faith, hope, and love are infused by God into our soul at Baptism. We also receive the grace and strength from God to avoid sin and say no to sin.

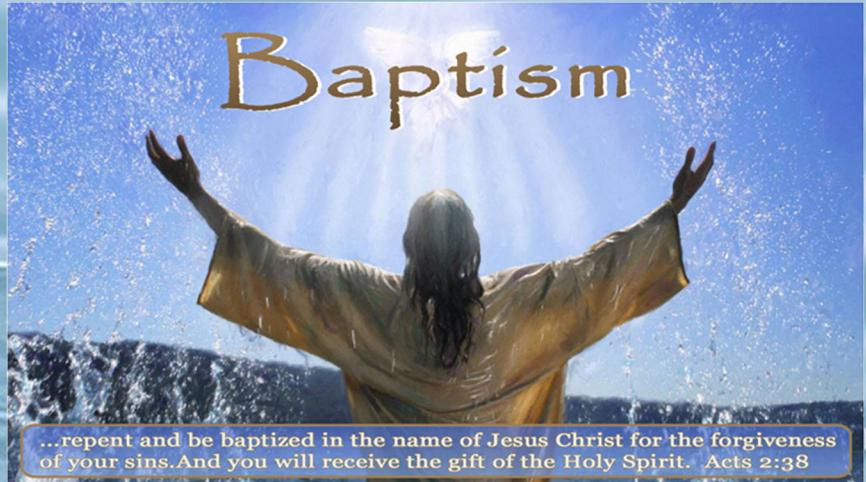
Are you really doing your best each day to live your Baptismal promises of renouncing Satan and all his empty promises? Or have you fallen for some of those empty promises? Have you become complacent or lazy about growing your faith, hope, or love? Do you know someone who needs some encouragement to come back to Confession and live the life of grace? Do you know someone who was never baptized and needs you to reach out to them? The New Year is a good time to refresh our own identity in Jesus Christ and to be another Christ for this broken world.

Many people today are looking for their identity. The three Kings came from afar to find and meet the Savior Jesus Christ. Catholics do not have to look too far. We belong to God. He loves us and cares for us, and He wants us with Him in heaven. He sent His Son, Jesus to show us the way. At our Baptism, we became adopted children of God and heirs to his Kingdom. Let us live and share that Good News!

EVANGELIZATION ACTION IDEAS for this week:

- Renew your Baptismal promises to God each day this week and pray the Apostles Creed. Renounce Satan at every temptation to think, do, or say anything that Jesus would not think, do, or say. If you do not know what Jesus would do, read some of the Bible or Catechism each day until you learn.
- If you have any friends or relatives who did not receive the gift of Baptism from their parents when they were a baby, invite them to get baptized now, no matter what age they may be.

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