

# *SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish*

## *St. James at Sag Bridge Mission*

### **Parish Staff**

#### **Pastoral Ministry**

Rev. Waldemar "Valdi"  
Stawiarski  
*Pastor*

Rev. Thomas Koys  
*Associate Pastor*

#### **Education**

Shirley Tkachuk  
*Parish School Principal*

Monika Leja  
*R.E. Administrator*

Bernadeta Palka  
*R.E. Administrative Assistant*

#### **Liturgy**

Trish Nickleski  
*Liturgy Coordinator*

#### **Music Ministry**

Mirosława Sojka-Topor  
*Music Director*

#### **Administration**

Denise Duda  
*Operations Director*

Lynn Bailey  
Ann Noonan  
*Assistant Business Managers*

Roxana Boyden, Debbie Grand  
Peggy Sniegowski, Ann Noonan  
*Parish Secretaries*

Nicole O'Hare  
*Bulletin Editor*

Coleen Mast  
*Evangelization Coordinator*

Bernice Raj  
*Cook/Housekeeper*

Ryszard Witkowski  
Paul Siro  
*Maintenance*



*May 18, 2025*

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

**Congratulations to our newly  
elected Pope**



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**Pope Leo XIV**

#### **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.**

<b>Parish Information</b>		<b>Minister of Music:</b>	Mira Sojka-Topor musicmin@stcyril.org (630) 257-2776
<b>Parish Office:</b>	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	<b>Polish School:</b>	www.polschool.com Halina Szyrzyna Principal: (630) 669-9058
<b>School:</b>	607 Sobieski Street, Lemont, IL Shirley Tkachuk, Principal (630) 257-6488; shirleyt@stcyril.org	<b>Polish Club:</b>	John Lichacz, President (773) 216-1108 polishclub@stcyril.org
<b>Religious Education:</b>	Monika Leja, Religious Education Administrator (630) 257-9314; mleja@sscmlmont.org	<b>Minister of Care:</b>	Dave Smietanski (630) 257-2776
<b>Mass Schedule:</b> Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday Obligation Sunday: 7:00 AM (English-No Music), 8:00 AM (Polish), 9:30 AM (English), 11:00 AM (Polish), 12:30 PM (English), 2:00 PM (Polish), 7:30 PM (English-No Music)		<b>Parish Council:</b>	Stan Brzezniak, President
<b>Special Masses:</b> 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		<b>Bulletin:</b>	bulletin@stcyril.org
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM Also available by appointment.		<b>Helping Hands:</b>	helpinghands@stcyril.org
<b>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:</b> Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass		<b>New Parishioners:</b> 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	
<b>Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:</b> Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building. Please contact: Lottie (630) 4442-9441, Mark (773) 727-7934, Margaret mtsniesz@gmail.com		<b>Baptisms:</b> 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.	
<b>Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.</b> Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Saturday & Sunday Closed		<b>Marriage:</b> 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.	
		<b>Social Media:</b> 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.	
		<b>Parish Website:</b> www.stcyril.org	
		<b>School Website:</b> www.school.stcyril.org	
		<b>Parish Facebook Page:</b> www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont	
		<b>School Facebook Page:</b> www.facebook.com/SSCMComets	



**Dear Parishioners,**

Today we hear Jesus saying farewell. Judah made the decision to betray his Master and consistently implemented it, ignoring and not counting on the clear and specific gestures of Jesus' love for him. The immediate student becomes a traitor. Judas rejects the love of Jesus so openly, but Jesus asks the other disciples to learn the new commandment of mutual love.

Jesus revealed the greatest love through His creation. He died on the cross for us. Jesus wanted to extinguish egoism and hatred in the heart of the individual man of faith, so that the kingdom of love could prevail in the world. The real reason for the present crisis in Christianity could have its source in the lack of authentic mutual love. Christian communities, families, and parishes do not always radiate evangelical love. A man looking from the outside has a hard time noticing that love is the basic foundation of our mutual relationships.

Jesus in today's Gospel shows us that our love comes from His love for us. Jesus loved us to the end; He made us worthy of love, worthy in sharing this received love. Jesus loved every man, even the most lost or compromised in our human eyes. That is why we are called to specific attitudes. It is not enough to simply tolerate another man, but you have to love him. It is not enough to do no harm to anyone, but you must do good to others as well. It is not enough to sympathize with someone, but you have to be able to wipe their tears.

It is left up to us to draw from the love of Jesus, to finally have and be able to share this precious gift, which is the love of Christ.

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

**Fr. Valdi**

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

- **Attention Parishioners ~ Please do not take the laminated collection cards with you, please leave them in the pew rack after you make your donation. Thank you!**
- There will be a Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 26th at 9:00 AM at SS. Cyril & Methodius Cemetery. More details are in the bulletin.
- There will be a second collection the weekend of May 17th & 18th, for our parish school. Please consider making a donation to help keep SSCM School Excellent.

Please Join Us For A  
**Retirement Celebration**  
Honoring Our Principal  
**Shirley Tkachuk**  
Tuesday | 3 | June 2025

There will be a closing mass beginning at 8:15 am that will include a Final Farewell to our Principal. Following mass, please join us for a reception honoring Shirley's 19 years at SSCM!!

SS. Cyril & Methodius School  
607 Sobieski, Lemont  
Reception in Gym or Outside Based on Weather





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

*SS. Cyril & Methodius School*  
*2019 National Blue Ribbon School*

Dear Parents,

We only have a little over two weeks left in the 2024-25 school year! It is hard to believe how quickly time has gone by. As we reach the end it is time to thank all the people who have helped our school family.

An incredibly special thanks to all the parishioners who have contributed to this year's School Challenge. You have helped our school so much! We have held you and your intentions in our morning prayers each day.

Thanks to the work of the PSO the students and staff enjoyed many great special moments throughout the year. We appreciate the work of the PSO Board and all the members.

Our School Board provided me with extra guidance and support. This year they were involved with our three fish fries, the first Alumni Reunion, and the upcoming SSCM Summerfest.

Many school parents have helped with field trips and class parties. All the extra special moments students look forward to during the year could not happen without extra help!

Thank you! Staff and students deeply appreciate everyone who helped us during the year. Please join us for the school mass on Tuesday, May 20th at 8:15. We will celebrate with everyone who helped and supported our school this year!!

Please enjoy the pictures we are including from the Class of 2025's Ribbon Mass which took place on Tuesday, May 13th. One of the highlights is the special Faith Partner Blessing which happens at the very end of mass.

Mark your calendars! The SSCM Summerfest is back and will run from August 21st through the

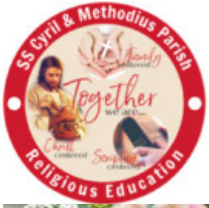
24th. Purchase your wristbands and join us for a fun time!

Thank you for your commitment and support of SS. Cyril and Methodius School!

Mrs. S. Tkachuk







SS Cyril & Methodius  
Religious Education Program  
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(630)257-9314  
[www.re.stcyril.org](http://www.re.stcyril.org)

Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator



Thank you to all of our Monday and Wednesday session staff for helping us to have another successful catechetical year. Your dedication and love of the Catholic faith is very much appreciated! We hope that you all have a restful, relaxing and fun summer.

Thank you to all of our RE families for trusting our program in helping to pass on our faith to all of your children. Enjoy the break! We will see everyone in September. God bless!

#### Wednesday Staff

Tina Madanowski  
Pam Dzik  
Donna Lichacz  
Katherine Hilgard  
Lori Barnett  
John Pazdziora  
Mary Ameriks  
Dave Smietanski  
James Zahorick  
Karina Madanowski  
Andrea Zarzycki  
Kerri Poniatowski  
Olivia Myrda  
Eva Mattingly  
Edith Brown  
Ewa Baginski  
Mary Montague  
Alexandra Bogun  
Daniel Styrzula  
Dave Bozych  
Matthew Cherry

#### Monday Staff

Debbie Grand  
Nicole Jaronczyk  
Laurie Gornick  
Monika Morajka  
Margaret Las-Marusarz  
Laura Sciacca  
Allen Pratt  
Jim Crockett  
Sue Cunningham  
Anna Mietus  
Corrina Auten/  
Beata Mucha  
Agnes Hurtuk  
Geno Sciacca  
Andrea Loos  
Jenny Grazalano  
Bernadeta Palka  
Michelle Budz



*For I know well the plans I have in  
mind for you, says the Lord,  
plans for your welfare, not for woe!  
plans to give you a future full of hope.*  
-Jeremiah 29:11

On 5/5/25 and 5/7/25 we celebrated a graduation mass for our Monday and Wednesday session 8th graders as well as the closing of our catechetical year. We would like to thank Fr. Pawel Barwikowski and Fr. Pawel Adamus for celebrating with us!!

We would like to congratulate all of our 8th graders on completing 8 years of catechesis. We wish them all the best as they take on their next adventure... high school!

May the Holy Spirit guide you and Jesus be your constant companion as you grow into young adults! God bless!





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## 40<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary

You can congratulate Fr Koys on this milestone anniversary at a cake reception following 8:15 and 10:00 Masses today, May 18. The noon Mass attendees will share cake after Mass on May 25. May God bless the faithful with many more years of Father's service.



## Our Lady of Fatima Statue

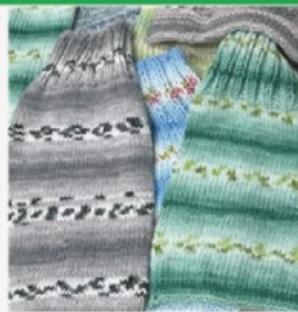
You may host our beautiful statue for one week (Sun to Sun). Scan to sign up or go to [historicstjames.org](http://historicstjames.org).

## JUNE OPENINGS



## Knit & Crochet for Life!

The knitters have been busy creating items to be donated to Waterleaf Women's Center later this summer. So far they have amassed: 9 hats, 12 pairs of booties, 8 sleep sacks, 6 baby blankets. Help them increase the donation every Wednesday in the rectory from 10-12. All skill levels/beginners are welcome!



## Wine & Wisdom – May 21 (~8pm)

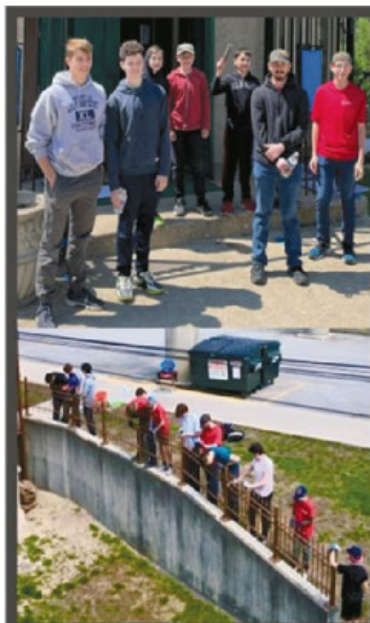
Join us each Wednesday: Adoration (5-7), Confession (6-7), and Mass (7pm). Then come to Sag Hall to enjoy the company & food & learn from the good conversations.



## First Communion – May 10, 2025

Congratulations to twenty precious children, their parents, teachers, and priests! The 2025 First Communicants were Leona Baetzel, Naomi Block, Mackenzie Booth, Brady Chmiel, John Paul Fairclough, Juliana Gomez, Emiliano Gonzalez, Charles Johnson, Anita Krynska, Zofia Maka, Maura McCague, Timothy Logan Miranda, Antoni Mirowski, James Passarelli, Alexander Payne, Kristian Pisani, Aubrie Schreiber, Adrian Severance, Harlee Szczesna, Violet Szklarz, Jacqueline Tadros, Jacob Wodka





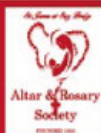
**With help from parishioners, scouts & friends...**

St James benefitted from the efforts of Joe Beecher (1<sup>st</sup> on the left) et al. Our wrought iron got a fresh coat of paint including gold accent. Check it out! All the work was for Joe's pursuit of the Eagle Scout designation, which will hopefully follow shortly. Many thanks to all his friends as well. A really top rate excellent job!

**Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!**

### **Congratulations to Monika Pawlikowski!**

She was recently awarded one of the highly sought-after St John Paul the Great Scholarships. She is a sophomore in college with a double major: Engineering Science & Biomedical Engineering. Monika is pictured here with Bishop Wypych & Fr Koys at the awards ceremony. St James applauds you!



Today we celebrate our dear Father Koys on his 40th Jubilee. Forty years of sharing the word of God and shepherding all with his many words of wisdom on our faith. Eternally devoted to the Church, he is a shining example of God's great creation of mankind. Please join A&R Society as we serve cake to honor Father today, May 18th, after the 8:15 and 10:00 am masses.

### **At 3PM Every Friday**

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

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

**THE PEARMANS-IN MEMORY OF ADALBERT STACH  
AND  
IN HONOR OF FR KOYS ON HIS 40TH JUBILEE**



### *Mass Intentions*

*Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions*

#### **MONDAY, MAY 19**

**8:00AM** ✠Adalbert "George" Stach  
Blessings & Safe Return—Jacob Halon

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 20**

**8:00AM** Birthday Blessings—Robert Cahill  
Jacob & Karoline Halon—Wedding Anniv

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 21**

**7:00PM** Blessings for Stanley  
✠Michael McGrath

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 22**

**8:00AM** ✠Joseph M. Slowik  
✠Irene McGrath

#### **FRIDAY, MAY 23**

**6:00PM** ✠William L. Mueller  
✠Barbara Doyle

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 24**

**8:00AM** ✠Carole Marlowe  
Birthday Blessings—Erin Lynch

### *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

#### **SUNDAY, MAY 25**

**8:15AM** ✠Monica Murphy  
✠Kathy Coughlin  
**10AM** Blessings for Mike & Shawn Wilson  
✠Henry and ✠Jozef Matlawski  
**12:00PM** Birthday Blessings—Aneta Florczyk



### **Spiritual Adoption Prayer**

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

### **Our Weekly Offering**

Our weekly *Offertory* collection from May 11, 2025 was \$4,094. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$4,797. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!**

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, MAY 25	
8:15am	Alex Pawlikowski, Eric Delatorre, Christos & Frankie Latsonas	
10am	Daniel Newsom, Matthew Sullivan, Christian Cozzi	



**Sponsorship  
Opportunities  
Can Be Found  
On Page 9!!**

# **SSCM SUMMER FEST**

**AUGUST 21 - 24, 607 SOBIESKI ST.  
2025 LEMONT, IL**



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



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

## **DATE & TIMES**

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

**DAILY RIDE  
PASSES  
AVAILABLE  
ONSITE**

## **~ FEATURED BANDS ~**

**Aug. 21 ~ 6pm School of Rock ~ 8pm ~ 88WEST  
Aug. 22 ~ 6pm Billy Gray Music ~ 8pm Nashville Electric Company  
Aug. 23 ~ 3pm RevDog ~ 5pm Grungeworthy ~  
7:45pm Chicago Rockhouse  
Aug. 24 ~ 1pm Keith Stras & Polka Confetti ~  
3pm The Breakfast Club Band**

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





**LAST SENIOR LUNCHEON**  
Tuesday, June 3rd  
12 Noon ~ PLB

Our next senior luncheon will be held on Tuesday, June 3rd at 12:00 PM in the PLB. Father Valdi will be grilling for us! To reserve your spot, please place \$10 in a sealed envelope with your name on it and hand it into the PLB front offices by 10:00 AM on Friday, May 30th.

**\*\*No admission will be allowed into the luncheon if you do not have a prior reservation. Looking forward to seeing you all at the luncheon!**

## 2nd Collection May 17th & 18th SSCM Parish School

There will be a second collection for our SSCM School. Please support our parish school & help them to continue to keep providing an excellent Catholic education.

SSCM

Faith, Family...Future!  
www.school.stcyril.org2019 National  
Blue Ribbon School

## Part-Time Bookkeeper Needed

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish office is looking for a part-time book keeper. This is an in-person office position. QuickBooks & Microsoft 365 knowledge preferred. The position's salary is \$17-19 per hour. If you are interested, please call Denise at 630-257-2776.



Dear Sponsor,

I am writing you regarding a sponsorship opportunity for the 2025 St. Cyril Summer Fest taking place August 21 - 24, 2025. I know that your Organization/Corporation has as its mission a desire to give back to the local community and we welcome your help to support our community and our school where we provide a quality, faith-based Catholic education for our young people. This is our 2nd year hosting this Summer Fest which will feature food & drinks from local eateries, variety of rides and games, bingo, raffles, beer tent and live music. We are actively looking to make this an annual tradition that will help bring together the community and to generate awareness for our school and village. We are anxiously looking forward to achieving success at this year's event with your help.

Below are the details concerning this year's sponsorship levels:

- **\$7,500+ Diamond Sponsor:** Prominent Sponsorship Display at the Summer Fest and in the school during the 2025/2026 school year along with advertisement at the 2026 SS. Cyril & Methodius Lenten Fish Fry's and sponsorship at the St. Cyril Golf Outing.
- **\$5,000 Platinum Sponsor:** Prominent Sponsorship Display at the Summer Fest and in the school during the 2025/2026 school year along with advertisement at the 2026 SS. Cyril & Methodius Lenten Fish Fry's.
- **\$2,500 Gold Sponsor:** Sponsorship Display at the Summer Fest and in the school during the 2025/2026 school year.
- **\$1,000 Silver Sponsor:** Sponsorship displayed at the Summer Fest
- **\$500 Bronze Sponsor:** Sponsorship displayed in the Beer Garden/Stage Area

If your organization/company would like to participate in this year's event as a sponsor, please complete & send back the form or contact Susan Bradac at [708-351-5531/sscmsummerfest@gmail.com](mailto:708-351-5531/sscmsummerfest@gmail.com) with your donation information by Friday, August 8, 2025.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Shirley Tkachuk, Principal  
S.S. Cyril & Methodius School  
607 Sobieski St.  
Lemont, IL 60439



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

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

Organization/Corporation \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop off your payment at the PLB or mail your payment by Friday, August 8, 2025, to:

SSCM c/o Susan Bradac  
607 Sobieski St.  
Lemont, IL 60439

Attn: SSCM Summer Fest

Please include this completed form with your donation.

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

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



# Piknik Rodzinny

Klubu Polskiego w Lemont

**1 CZERWCA, 12-8PM**

Lemont Centennial Park  
16028 W 127th St, Lemont, IL



**Zapraszamy dzieci, młodzież  
i dorosłych każdy znajdzie coś dla siebie!**



**Wielka Loteria  
\$1,000**

TV, rower, hulajnoża  
elektryczna, hoverboard,  
głośniki i inne...

Bilety na loterię: \$5 – nie trzeba być obecnym podczas losowania.

**Mecz Siatkówki**  
Klub Polski  
vs. Reszta Świata



**Smaczne posiłki**  
i różnorodne  
napoje

**I oczywiście  
dobra muzyka**  
do tańca,  
słuchania  
i śpiewania



# Family Picnic

Polish Club of Lemont

**JUNE 1st, 12-8PM**

Lemont Centennial Park  
16028 W 127th St, Lemont, IL



**A day of fun for kids, teens,  
and adults – something for everyone!**



**Raffle  
\$1,000**

TV, bike, electric  
scooter, hoverboard,  
speakers, and more...

Raffle tickets: \$5 – you do not need to be present to win.

**Volleyball match:**  
Polish Club vs.  
The Rest of the World



**Tasty meals**  
and a variety  
of drinks

**Great music**  
for dancing,  
listening,  
and singing along



## Are you, or someone you know, widowed?

If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to help you move forward with life because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories.

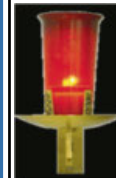


**Joyful Again!** is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life.

This unique retreat/workshop will be held at several locations in the next few months.  
All are welcome!

**What:** 2 Day Overnight Retreat/Workshop for Widowed Men & Women  
**When:** **June 28-29, 2025** - St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park, IL (overnight accommodations not available)  
**September 20-21, 2025** - University of St. Mary of the Lake, Mundelein IL  
**October 15-16, 2025** - St. Mary's Retreat House, Lemont, IL

For more information on upcoming retreats, visit our website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)  
call: 708-354-7211 or e-mail us at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com)



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





**Drodzy Parafianie,**

Dzisiaj słyszymy Jezusową mowę pożegnalną. Judasz powziął decyzję o zdradzie swojego Mistrza i konsekwentnie ją realizował, nie zważając i nie licząc się z jasnymi oraz konkretnymi gestami miłości ze strony Jezusa wobec niego. Najbliższy uczeń staje się zdrajcą. Judasz w tak jawny sposób odrzuca miłość Jezusa, a On prosi pozostałych uczniów, by się uczyli nowego przykazania wzajemnej miłości.

Jezus wobec swojego stworzenia objawił największą miłość. Za swoje stworzenie umarł na krzyżu. Jezusowi zależało, by w sercu poszczególnego człowieka wiary wyniszczyć egoizm i nienawiść, by w świecie mogło zapanować królestwo miłości. Kryzys chrześcijaństwa w obecnych czasach może mieć swoje źródło w braku autentycznej wzajemnej miłości. Wspólnoty chrześcijańskie, rodziny, parafie, nie zawsze promieniają ewangeliczną miłością. Człowiek patrzący z zewnątrz ma trudność w zauważeniu, że to miłość jest podstawowym fundamentem naszych wzajemnych relacji.

Jezus w dzisiejszej Ewangelii wskazuje nam, że nasza miłość ma źródło w Jego miłości do nas. Jezus ukochał nas do końca, sprawił, że jesteśmy godni miłości, godni w dzieleniu się tą otrzymaną miłością. Jezus umiłował każdego człowieka, nawet najbardziej pogubionego czy skompromitowanego w naszych ludzkich oczach. Dlatego jesteśmy wezwani do konkretnych postaw. Nie wystarczy tylko nie nienawidzić drugiego człowieka, ale trzeba go miłować. Nie wystarczy nie wyrządzać nikomu krzywdy, ale trzeba czynić wszystkim dobro. Nie wystarczy nikomu nie wyciskać łez, ale trzeba umieć je ocierać.

Pozostaje nam czerpać z miłości Jezusa, by ostatecznie mieć i umieć się dzielić tym najcenniejszym darem, jakim jest miłość Chrystusowa.

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

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## Mass Intentions

**Monday — May 19th**

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY  
✠ STEFANIA, TOMASZ & STANISLAW SKOWRON  
by Daughter

**Tuesday — May 20th**

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED  
7:00 PM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA BARBARY I BOGDANA TYBEL  
by Siostra z Rodziną  
DZIĘKCZYNNO-BŁAGALNA DLA DAWIDA  
(30 urodziny)  
by Rodzina  
✠ ZOFIA I ANDRZEJ KALATA  
by Wnuczka  
✠ LETICIA DIAZ  
by Halina z Rodziną

**Wednesday — May 21st**

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR CHRIS SOKOL (birth)  
✠ STANLEY NOWAK  
by Nowak Family  
✠ DAVID BARRY

**Thursday — May 22nd**

7:00 AM ✠ BETTY REDWINSKI  
by Rodriguez Family

**Friday — May 23rd**

7:00 AM ✠ ROBERT JOLLY  
by Nitchoff/Klaer Families

**Saturday — May 24th**

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED  
3:00 PM *Wedding: Cara Warming and Frank Demkosi*  
5:00 PM ✠ ADAM KOZIEL  
by Lottie & Walter Koziel  
Fr. Noga ✠ JADWIGA RUSNAK  
by Carol & Rick Seiner  
✠ WILLIAM WORKMAN  
by Jeannette Bartosz  
✠ JOSEPH KLEIN  
by Tom & Edna Casica  
7:00 PM ✠ HELENA FLORYN  
by Władzia Kubrak z Rodziną

**Sunday — May 25th**

7:00 AM ✠ MARY BETH RUDIS  
by Larry Rudis  
Fr. Valdi 8:00 AM O BOŻE BŁ. I OPIEKĘ M.B. DLA KRYSTYNY Z  
Fr. Leo RODZINĄ  
by Mama  
DZIĘKCZYNNA W INT. RODZINY KNAPCZYK  
✠ ZMARLI Z RODZIN CHOLEWA I GIZA  
✠ MARIA, STANISLAW I WOJCIECH BARTOSZEK  
by Syn z Rodziną  
9:30 AM ✠ EUGENE KULMA  
Fr. Valdi by Family  
✠ ALTHEA WESOŁOWSKI  
by Son, Danny  
✠ EMILY CUNNINGHAM  
by Altar & Rosary  
✠ CARMELLA KINSLEY  
by Michael Kinsley  
11:00 AM ZA WSZYSTKICH PARAFIAN, ŻYJĄCYCH I ZMARŁYCH  
Fr. Leo ✠ ANNA I STANISLAW SIECZKA  
by Córka z Rodziną  
✠ STANISLAW JAGIEŁŁO  
by Żona Aniela Jagiełło  
✠ ANDRZEJ I KATARZYNA BENDYK  
by Rodzina Grele  
12:30 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR ALEXANDRA  
Fr. Valdi (18th birth) & DOMINICK (16th birth)  
by Family

✠ KAROL MACHAJ

by Family

✠ LOUIS ZIOLKOWSKI

by Carol Schimpf

✠ STANISLAW TYLKA (9 Anniv)

by Anna &amp; Jacek Klejka

2:00 PM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA OLIVII I ALMOND SANCHEZ  
Fr. Leo (Rocznica Ślubu)  
DZIĘKCZYNNO-BŁAGALNA DLA DAWIDA  
I THERESA (1 Rocznica Ślubu)  
by Rodzina

✠ EDWARD ŻUKOWSKI

by Żona z Dziećmi

✠ FRANCIDZEK I ZOFIA BARNAŚ (Rocznica Śmierci)

by Córka

7:30 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR KEN, PATTY  
Fr. Valdi & HANNAH HUSSEY  
by Mom

## Memorial Day Mass

Monday, May 26, 2024

9:00 AM

SS. Cyril & Methodius Cemetery  
(In case of bad weather, Mass will be held  
in church.)


Pray for ...

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

Emilia Pilecki

Guy Martin

Carol Preis

Joan Albert

Irene Forst

Ray Przezdziecki

Terry Hallandworth

William Podborny

Mark Malewski &amp; Family

Cindy Evankoe

Malgorzata Bies

John Dzielski

Grace Dunbar

Joseph Dziekan

Mike Laskowski

Bob &amp; Marge Douset

Bethany Gryfakis

Angie Korab

Frances James

Ryan McCaugherty

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



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*Maggie Krol and Corey French*

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*Ashley Butkiewicz and Joseph Doyle*

**Please pray for...**

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

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



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*Community  
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Cancer Support Group*

**May Gathering**  
**Monday, May 19, 2025**  
**6:30 – 8:30PM**  
**St. Alphonsus Parish Center**  
**[Corner of Logan & Walnut, Walnut entrance]**

Remembering  
*My Mom*



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


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

**QUESTIONS?**  
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