

Corpus Christi Sunday  
June 23, 2019



SAINTS CYRIL AND  
METHODIUS PARISH

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CYRILA A METODA



A Personal Parish Established To Serve The Slovak Catholic Community In The Archdiocese Of Detroit



THEN TAKING THE FIVE LOAVES AND THE TWO FISH, AND LOOKING UP TO HEAVEN, HE SAID THE BLESSING OVER THEM, BROKE THEM, AND GAVE THEM TO THE DISCIPLES TO SET BEFORE THE CROWD.

(LUKE 9:16)

**June 22, Saturday – Sobota**

- 9:00AM LM For the Father's Day Novena Intentions  
1:00PM VP *Wedding Mass: Jennifer Peirce & Stephen Manuszak*  
5:30PM ML For Violet Potemski (14th B'Day)  
❖ For Paul & Julie Varchetti & Family  
❖ For Ken Knop & Family ❖ †Anne Rzepka  
❖ †Dennis Lents ❖ †Greg Manning  
❖ †Robert Wallace req. Toruta Family

**June 23, Corpus Christi Sunday – Nedela**

- Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 16:9:11b-17 (169)  
7:30AM LM For Angie Smith & Baby ❖ For Mark Varchetti  
❖ †Charles Shermetaro ❖ †Elvidio Vennettilli  
❖ †Adelbert & Mildred Novatny req. Family  
❖ †Joe Marine req. Acervo Family  
10:00AM Bp, LM *\*Corpus Christi Mass:*  
For the Father's Day Novena Intentions  
1:30PM ML For all Priests, Religious Deacons & Seminarians  
❖ For the Intentions of the Members of the St. Monica  
Sodality ❖ For Christina, Dave, & Families  
❖ For Sam & Amy Shamoon & Family  
❖ For Brandon & Samantha Monsour & Family  
❖ †James Zabowski  
6:00PM PC (Latin) - Tridentine:  
†Steve & Anita Fredal req. Family  
8:30PM PC For the Intentions of All Parishioners

**June 24, Monday – Pondelok**

- 6:00AM LM For Glen & Amy Varchetti & Family  
9:00AM VP *\*Mass of Thanksgiving of Fr. John McKenzie*  
For the Father's Day Novena Intentions  
12:00PM VP, d For Elizabeth Watta (B'Day) ❖ †Fred & Shirley Ross  
❖ †Bonnie Revell ❖ †Marie Weil req. James D. Weil

**June 25, Tuesday – Utorok**

- 6:00AM LM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory  
❖ For Nate & Theresa Robinson & Family  
❖ †Margret & Joseph Swengros ❖ †Paul Szwarc  
9:00AM LM For the Father's Day Novena Intentions  
12:00PM VP For Paul & Julie Varchetti & Family

**June 26, Wednesday – Streda**

- 6:00AM PC For Paulina Szwarc (B'Day)  
9:00AM LM For the Priests of St. Cyril's  
❖ For Imad & Matthew Abro req. Mother  
❖ For Jennifer Desser (B'Day)  
❖ For Carl & †Stephanie Varchetti & Family  
12:00PM VP For the Holy Souls in Purgatory  
❖ For Lucy Niziolek  
❖ For Wayne & Chelsea Shelton & Family  
❖ For Gungue & †Philip Schultheis

**June 27, Thursday – Štvrtok**

- 6:00AM PC For Fr. John Bustamante  
9:00AM LM For James & Greet Varchetti  
❖ For Ken Knop & Family  
❖ For Lucy Kutil (B'Day) ❖ †Esther Baginski

- 12:00PM VP For the Holy Souls in Purgatory ❖ For Fr. Libor  
❖ For Glen & Amy Varchetti & Family  
❖ †Teresa Lawton (6th Ann.) req. Karen  
7:00PM VP *\*38th Anniversary of Medjugorje Holy Mass*  
For Matthew & Rachel Caldwell (4th Wed. Ann.) req.  
Gramps & Gram Santi ❖ For Kola Gojcaj  
❖ †Robert Nowak Sr. req. Wife  
❖ †Serafino Giovannone

**June 28, Friday – Piatok**

**Feast Day of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

- 6:00AM PC For Stephen Kurian (Ann.)  
9:00AM LM For Fr. John Bustamante ❖ For Amy & Ave  
❖ For Rosie & Lourdes Shamoon  
❖ For Sam & Bernadette Shamoon  
❖ For Brandon & Samantha Mansour  
12:00PM ML For Araletta Natzke (B'Day) ❖ For Laith Hanna (B'Day)  
❖ For Kelly Hudson & Family ❖ For the Hanna Family  
7:00PM VP *\*Special Sacred Heart Holy Mass & Holy Hour*  
For the Members of the Men of the Sacred Heart

**June 29, Saturday – Sobota**

- 9:00AM VP For the Holy Souls in Purgatory  
❖ For Daryl & Rebecca Winowiecki (17th Wed. Ann.)  
❖ For Nate & Julie Robinson & Family  
❖ For Paul Glantz ❖ †Joseph & Margaret Swengros  
11:00AM *\*Baptisms:*  
*Charlotte Catalina Chupa & Kaylee Grace Strahn*  
5:30PM LM For Paul & Julie Varchetti & Family  
❖ For Samantha Babbie req. Sharon Brown & Family  
❖ For Christina & Family ❖ †Viktor Malanoski  
❖ †Adelbert & Mildred Novatny & Family  
❖ †Andrew & Anne Rzepka

**June 30, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Nedela**

- 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62 (99)  
7:30AM VP For Cathryn Torgerson req. Patricia Hollis  
❖ For Paul & Julie Varchetti & Family  
❖ For Carl & †Stephanie Varchetti & Family  
❖ †J.R. Chamness req. Barbara ❖ †John Sardillo  
❖ †Joe Marine req. Pearl Purleski  
9:30AM LM For the Intentions of all Parishioners  
11:30AM VP (Slovak) For Brain Czach  
❖ For Theresa Skrobola  
❖ For Celusnak Family  
❖ †Bernard Ivin req. Millie Rafaidus  
❖ †Richard & Esther Baginski req. Magusin's  
❖ †Helen Urbanec  
1:30PM LM For Jillian Haio req. Mom & Dad  
❖ For Dannie Murphy  
❖ For Agnes Dwyer req. Nash-Brown Family  
❖ †Rodney Argent ❖ †Fred Lombardo  
❖ †Barbara Krolewski req. Jeanette Lenda  
6:00PM PC (Latin) - Tridentine:  
†Patricia Fritzler req. Jazowski Family  
8:30PM PC For Tim, & Victoria Roddey & Family  
❖ For the Lehner Family req. Grandparents  
❖ For Brandon Rice ❖ †Elvidio Vennettilli  
❖ †Paul & Geri Buss ❖ †Zygmunt Linowski

**June 23, 2019 – Corpus Christi Sunday**

Jesus Christ, The High Priest

Fr. Libor Marek, Pastor • [lmarek@saintcyrils.org](mailto:lmarek@saintcyrils.org)  
Fr. Juraj Nuota, Associate Pastor • [jnuota@saintcyrils.org](mailto:jnuota@saintcyrils.org)  
Fr. Paul Czarnota, Priest in Residence • [fr.czar@me.com](mailto:fr.czar@me.com)  
Deacon Phil McCown • [wadephil@yahoo.com](mailto:wadephil@yahoo.com)  
Deacon Gerald Smigell • [vgsmigell@gmail.com](mailto:vgsmigell@gmail.com)  
Parish Office • [parishoffice@saintcyrils.org](mailto:parishoffice@saintcyrils.org)

**Mass Celebrant Legend:**

Bp. Jan Orosz – Bp, Fr. Libor Marek – LM  
Fr. Juraj Nuota – JN, Fr. Paul Czarnota – PC  
Fr. Michael Lenz, OFM-ML, Visiting Priest-VP, Deacon Preaching-d

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

*June 21, 2019: Mr. & Mrs. Edwin & Kelly Feys*  
*June 22, 2019: Mr. & Mrs. Stephen & Jennifer Manuszak*



## The Feast Day of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

By Kathy Schiffer, Taken from the National Catholic Register

*"The Divine Heart was presented to me in a throne of flames, more resplendent than a sun, transparent as crystal, with this adorable wound. And it was surrounded with a crown of thorns, signifying the punctures made in it by our sins, and a cross above signifying that from the first instant of His Incarnation, that is, as soon as the Sacred Heart was formed, the cross was implanted into it and from the first moment it was filled with all the sorrow to be inflicted on it by the humiliations, poverty, pain, and scorn of His sacred humanity was to endure throughout His life and during His sacred passion."* (St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)

"Devotion to the wounded heart of Jesus has its origins in the eleventh century, when pious Christians meditated on the Five Wounds of Christ. There grew up among the faithful prayers to the Sacred Heart, prayers to the Shoulder Wound of Christ—private devotions which helped Christians to focus on the passion and death of Christ, and thus to grow in love for our Savior who had suffered and died for us.

From the earliest days of the Church, "Christ's open side and the mystery of blood and water were meditated upon, and the Church was beheld issuing from the side of Jesus, as Eve came forth from the side of Adam. It is in the eleventh and twelfth centuries that we find the first unmistakable indications of devotion to the Sacred Heart. Through the wound in the side, the wound in the Heart was gradually reached, and the wound in the Heart symbolized the wound of love." (Catholic Encyclopedia)

It was not until 1670, however, that a French priest, Fr. Jean Eudes, celebrated the first Feast of the Sacred Heart.

Around the same time, a pious sister by the name of Margaret Mary Alacoque began to report visions of Jesus. He appeared to her frequently, and in December 1673, he permitted Margaret Mary—as had once allowed St. Gertrude—to rest her head upon his Heart. As she experienced the comfort of his presence, Jesus told her of his great love and explained that he had chosen her to make his love and his goodness known to all.

The following year, in June or July of 1674, Margaret Mary reported that Jesus wanted to be honored under the figure of His Heart of flesh. He asked the faithful to receive Him in the Eucharist frequently, especially on the First Friday of the month, and to observe a Holy Hour of devotion to Him.

And then in 1675, during the octave of Corpus Christi, Margaret Mary received the vision which came to be known as the "great apparition." Jesus asked that the modern Feast of the Sacred Heart be celebrated each year on the Friday following Corpus Christi, in reparation for the ingratitude of men for the sacrifice which Christ had made for them.

The devotion became popular after St. Margaret Mary's death in 1690. However, because the Church is always careful in approving a private apparition or devotion, the feast was not established as an official feast for all of France until 1765.

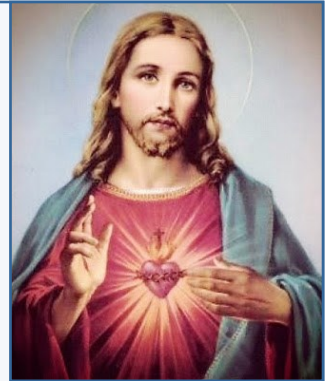
On May 8, 1873, the devotion to the Sacred Heart was formally approved by Pope Pius IX; and 26 years later – on July 21, 1899 – Pope Leo XIII urgently recommended that all bishops throughout the world observe the feast in their dioceses.

### Promises of the Sacred Heart

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places wherein the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.
12. In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.

### Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

*O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.*



### Feast of the Most Sacred Heart Holy Mass

**Friday, June 28 • 7:00PM**

Fr. Marko Djonovic, Chaplain of the Men of the Sacred Hearts,  
will celebrate a 7:00PM Holy Mass on the Feast of the Sacred Heart,  
on Friday, June 28, at Ss. Cyril & Methodius.  
Adoration will follow the Holy Mass.

### Ss. Cyril and Methodius Youth Ministry

Life Teen is Ss. Cyril's high school youth group and EDGE is Ss. Cyril's middle school youth group. Life Teen and Edge are open to all teens, from any parish. Our goal is to create a friendly Catholic community where teens can encounter Christ.

If you have any questions/ to be put on the mailing list, contact the youth minister, *Alexandria Lewis*, (586) 641-7672, [Lifeteencyril912@gmail.com](mailto:Lifeteencyril912@gmail.com) or [Edgecyril678@gmail.com](mailto:Edgecyril678@gmail.com)



Regular Life Nights will resume in September, but registration for the fall 2019-2020 year is OPEN. Parents—register your high school teen for the fall 2019-2020 at: <https://tinyurl.com/cyrilparent>

Life Teen Summer Events (open to incoming freshmen and outgoing seniors) include:

July 22nd:

Rosary and Game Social Night

July 13th:

TRUE – Girls' Day Retreat about being a daughter of God

July 27th:

Guys' Canoe/Kayak Day

Registration forms for retreats and Canoe Day are available via email request. Please turn in signed registration forms as soon as possible.



### EDGE Middle School Ministry

Registration for the 2019-2020 year is OPEN. We will be registering new teens and incoming 6th graders all year, but we would like to have as many teens as possible registered over the summer. You can register online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/cyrilparent>

Encourage your incoming 6th grader's friends to sign up for next year!

To be put on the mailing list, email:

[edgecyril678@gmail.com](mailto:edgecyril678@gmail.com)

Edge Summer Park Nights (open to registered incoming 6th graders and new teens):

July 18th and July 25th:

Join us for popsicles, games, and prayer!



### Mass of Thanksgiving Fr. John McKenzie Monday, June 24

We are blessed to have Father John McKenzie come to our parish this Monday, June 24, at 9:00AM to celebrate a Holy Mass of Thanksgiving. He will also give his new priestly blessing to all the faithful present.

Father McKenzie was ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 8, 2019, in the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament. His first priestly assignment will begin on July 1 at the Shrine of the Little Flower.



### Emergency Food Collection • June 24-30

The food pantry shelves at St. Dominic's Outreach Center in Detroit are nearly empty! To help fill those shelves and feed the 100 parents and seniors who depend on St. Dominic's, we are collecting basic, non-perishable food items this weekend.

Requested Food Items:

- \*Cans of tuna, corn, and peas
- \*Peanut butter and jelly
- \*Ritz crackers
- \*Saltine crackers (low salt or no salt, as well as regular)
- \*Sweetened cereals
- \*Macaroni and cheese
- \*Canned sloppy joe meat
- \*Baked beans
- \*Pork and beans
- \*Drink mixes (lemonade, or kool-aid)

### Young Catholic Professionals • Tuesday, June 25

Young Catholic Professionals' Detroit Chapter is inviting all 20-39 year old adults both single and married to join us for an exciting evening at Sweetest Heart of Mary, 4440 Russell Street, Detroit, this Tuesday, June 25, starting at 7:00PM.

You will enjoy an evening of networking with other young professionals, complimentary food, beer, and wine followed by a very inspiring speaker, Rich Kelly (Principal of LumaCorp. Inc.) who will leave you feeling inspired and challenged as he shares his professional and spiritual faith journey!

For more information please visit our:

Facebook page at YCP Detroit or [www.ycpdetroit.org](http://www.ycpdetroit.org)

Additional questions can be sent to:

Parish Ambassador Coordinator, *Francesca Montana*, at: [francesca.montana@ycpdetroit.org](mailto:francesca.montana@ycpdetroit.org)

### Ss. Cyril and Methodius Book Club News • July 11

Ss. Cyril's Book Club continues to get together on the second Thursday of the month. July's book selection is "Seven Words of Jesus and Mary" by Fulton J. Sheen.

We will meet on Tuesday, July 11, at 7:00PM in Room 115. All are welcome. Come join us as we journey together in faith.

Books can be ordered online or from Faith At Work located at Wattles/John R in Troy, (248) 250-9216. *Gina Smak*

### Monthly Bilingual Rosary • July 12

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018! In honor, appreciation and service to our Lord Jesus Christ and His Blessed Mother, we welcome all parishioners and guests to pray one Rosary in two languages--Slovak and English. Prayer intentions for these Rosaries will focus on our parish and respective countries. We also ask that you send us special prayer requests which will be lifted up during each Rosary. Prayer requests may be sent either by emailing 100rosary@gmail.com or calling or texting (586) 413-4050.

We will pray this centennial Rosary in the Church at 7:00PM on the following days: July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8 and December 13.

As an additional treat, we will have a social after each Monthly Bilingual Rosary in the Slovak Heritage room. Bring a snack to share if you wish.

Organized by: *Maria Lamerova and Cindy & Dennis Zitny*

### Consecration to Jesus thru Mary Prep • July 13

*"The Immaculate alone has from God the promise of victory over Satan. She seeks souls that will consecrate themselves entirely to her, that will become in her hands forceful instruments for the defeat of Satan and the spread of God's kingdom."* St. Maximilian Kolbe

#### What is Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary?

Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary is a beautiful exercise to increase our spirituality and ability to truly serve our Lord Jesus Christ. The basic premise set forth by St. Louis Marie de Montfort is simply that Jesus came into the world through Mary and that for us to always be assured of being close to Jesus, even closer than ever before, we should go through Mary.

St. Louis de Montfort (1673 – 1716) had a profound devotion to the Blessed Mother and he wrote extensively on the virtues of Our Lady. He developed a 33-day devotion consisting of various prayers and readings to help us to grow in holiness and increase our faith and love for our Lord. It is a prayerful and focused method of drawing closer to Jesus than ever before. It will help us to detach ourselves from the world and bond ourselves more closely with Christ through the example and intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Consecration to Jesus is for anyone, who is old enough to understand the love of Jesus and Mary. The preparation is intended to prepare our hearts and minds by praying and meditating. The consecration prayers usually take approximately 10-15 minutes per day. The total consecration begins on a date that will end on a Marian Feast Day.

The next preparation begins Saturday, July 13. The "Total consecration to Jesus through Mary" ceremony will take place on Thursday, August 15, the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Total Consecration book is available in the Parish Office to purchase for \$10.

For registration or for more information, contact:  
(586) 726-6911 or email ALL.SAINTS100@YAHOO.COM

## ADORERS NEEDED

Monday  
3-4AM

Wednesday  
1-2AM, 2-3AM



Tuesday  
1-2AM, 4-5PM

Thursday  
12-1AM, 4-5AM

Questions, please contact: **Jenn Dopke**  
586-530-3674, [jdopke13@gmail.com](mailto:jdopke13@gmail.com)

### Tools for Growing in Faith \* FORMED

As a community, we all have UNLIMITED access to the best Catholic faith formation materials on the market, all in one easy location: [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org). FORMED has resources for all ages. There are in-depth faith formation programs, Bible study programs, Lighthouse Catholic Media audio talks, full length movies, children's audio programs and e-books!

All you have to do to gain access is log onto: [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org).

Scroll down and enter our parish code: 90c575.

You will then be prompted to set up your own personal account so that you can have full access to all of the amazing faith formation materials available through FORMED.

### Mobile App

We have launched a Church App to be used on mobile devices. You will be able to access things like daily readings for Mass, a digital Bible, weekly bulletins and our electronic giving page. As we continue to work to add to the app we hope to include access to event information, homilies and other recorded talks and more.

To download the app, you can either text "SSCyrilApp" to 77977 to receive a text with a link to the app or you can go to your Mobile App Store and download the "My Church by Pushpay" app and search for SSCyrilApp or you can select "Find my church by name" and search for SS Cyril.

### Catholic Services Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the CSA. Please allow six weeks for processing your payment by the Archdiocese. Please remember that any shortfall will come from our parish funds. Don't forget you can choose either nine monthly or quarterly payments if you prefer.

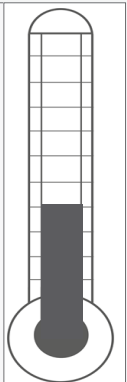
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**PLEDGED-TO-DATE: \$86,877**  
**SHORTFALL: \$105,335**

**NUMBER OF PLEDGES RECEIVED: 247**

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If you have not contributed, please consider doing so as soon as possible. Even if you are only able to contribute a small amount, every bit helps.

Thank you! Questions, please contact:  
*Rob Avery, [ravery@saintcyriels.org](mailto:ravery@saintcyriels.org), (586) 726-6911*





**Friday, August 23 \* Saturday, August 24 \* Sunday, August 25**

Inquiries and questions; please contact:  
*John Fournier, Chairman, Festival Committee*

### Parish Festival Raffle • Early-Bird Raffle • Sunday, June 30

\* Please remember to turn in your money and sold ticket stubs by 5:00PM Friday, June 28, to be eligible for the First Early Bird drawing to be held on Sunday, June 30. \$250 is the winning prize! (Remember: If you win, your winning ticket stub goes back into the drum for the July early bird drawing and for the final drawing on Sunday of the festival weekend.)

\* All parishioners should now have their festival raffle tickets in hand, whether you picked them up in the Gallery or received them via regular mail. If you need additional tickets to sell or buy, please stop by the Parish Office.

\* Please contact *Karen Bove* (248-709-9055 or [kbove1@msn.com](mailto:kbove1@msn.com)) with any questions or if you have not received your festival raffle tickets.

Thank you for your support. It is our parish's largest fundraiser because of you! *Karen Bove, Raffle Ticket Chairperson*

**EARLY BIRD  
PRIZE DRAWING**



### Kids Tent Donations Needed



Donations are needed for the Kids Carnival Games Tent. Please bring new clean toys to the church and place them in the marked bin in the coat room or in the Gallery. It doesn't need to cost an arm or a leg! Items should be priced at \$1-\$5 each. Anything from the games, toys, or crafts section will do.

Following is a list of greatest wants from the kids: \*Chalk \*Markers \*Clay \*Playdough \* Bouncy Balls \* Board Games \*Webkins \*Beanie Boos \*Baby Dolls \*Plastic Animal Figures \* Slinkys \*Craft Kits \*Stickers \*Paint Supplies \*Jewelry-making Sets \*Bubbles \*Squirt Guns \*Mini Skateboards \*Skylander Figures \*Lego Mini Figures & Small Sets (including Lego Friends for girls) \*Glow-in-the-Dark Stickers & Items \*Dress-up Fairy Wings \*Crowns \*Costume Jewelry \*Masks \*Action Figures \*Race Cars \*Pool Noodles \*Pool Kick Boards \*Etc.

Best places to shop are 5-Below & \$1-Tree.

When in doubt, Gift Cards are always welcome. (Please drop Gift Cards off in the Parish Office.) All toys may be placed in the marked boxes near the Parish Hall entrance or in the Coat Room off the vestibule.

Thank you for supporting our Festival! For more information, please contact the Co-Chair: *Ann Marie Szczerba*, (586) 850-5775

### 29th Annual Slovak Festival Planning



It is that time of year when planning begins for the parish's 29th Annual Slovak Festival.

The Slovak Festival Program Booklet Committee is now accepting ads in PDF format for the festival four-color booklet. Ads may be full-page, half-page, or quarter-page. Prices vary depending if one wishes to purchase a 4 foot x 6 foot banner with the booklet ad.

The Committee invites those parishioners with businesses to support an ad in the program booklet. Let's have some fun also by having families or individuals purchase ads and/or banners! Time to get creative — maybe an ad or banner from ministries within the parish? The Committee will help you consider all ideas or possibilities.

The Committee will also accept donations toward the costs to produce the program booklet.

Just be sure to let the Committee know how you wish your name to be acknowledged in the booklet.

DEADLINE FOR PDFs is July 30! If you have questions or want to place an ad:

*Tom Starynychak*, Committee Chair, (586) 489-8661, [tstarynychak@gmail.com](mailto:tstarynychak@gmail.com) or *Frances Schena*, (586) 381-1128, [frances schena@att.net](mailto:frances schena@att.net)

### Memories from Festival, 2018

**Left:** Father Libor with the happy Grand Prize Winner, Tim Buss

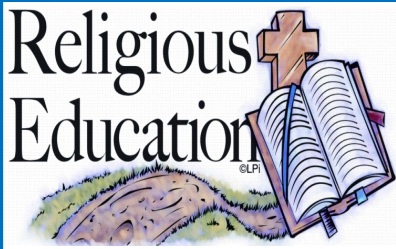
**Below:** Father Juraj with some of the seasoned Slovak Chefs



# WELCOME

## ARCHBISHOP JAN OROSH

### Archbishop of Trnava, Slovakia



#### Catechism Update • Volunteer Opportunities for 2019/2020

Thank you to our retiring Catechists, Parking Lot & Security Volunteers for your dedication, faith, time and love that you shared with the children of our parish. You will be missed dearly, as we were blessed to have many of you with the program for twenty plus years.

As there are some pretty big shoes to fill, we pray, "And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith", Matthew 21:22.

We are looking for volunteers who accept Jesus' challenge to go forth and teach. Your talent may be working with our parish children in a classroom setting, greeting them and their families in the hallways, or securing the parking lot so no harm comes to any of them. EVERY position is IMPORTANT.

You may say, "I am just in my twenties and have no children, they don't need someone like me." Trust me, the students love your energy and enthusiasm. You may think, "I am too old, what do I have to offer?" I would answer, how about a kind ear, a unique skill set and years of experience.

High School Students, we would love for you to come and work as assistants in the classrooms. Many of you are exploring professions or vocations; this experience may help you discern what God wants for you.

I can attest to the joy that comes from working with the children. My husband and I have been a part of this program for 25 years. Our youngest is 24 now, so we could have easily chosen to move on but we see what joy comes from the fruits of our labor. There is immeasurable pride when a child who doubted they could do it, successfully finishes all the requirements and makes his or her Confirmation. Tears flow when a First Communicant walks back to their seat with a look on their face of reverence and recognition that they have just received the Real Body and Blood of Jesus. The rewards outweigh the work, tenfold.

Please consider helping us to catechize the youth at our parish on Wednesday evenings from September through May. Volunteering has many benefits while giving good example to a new generation. It contributes to a longer life, combats stress, gives purpose and most importantly, "You will shine, not that others can see you, but so that through you, all children can see HIM."

(Credit to C.S. Lewis)

Please contact us if you are interested in discussing a position with the Catechism Program,  
Carroll and Paul Schuller, at p\_schuller@yahoo.com or (586) 254-9212. Thank you.

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.)

**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO HAS NEVER BEEN BAPTIZED?**

**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO HAS NEVER BEEN CONFIRMED?**

**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED 1st HOLY COMMUNION?**

**WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WHAT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH TEACHES?**

If you have never been Baptized, Confirmed, received First Holy Communion, and want to;

or if you have, but just want to know more about what the Catholic Church teaches, now is your time to act!

Beginning **Thursday, September 5**, is the Ss. Cyril & Methodius RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*) course.

Classes will be held every **Thursday from 7:00—9:00PM.**

This course will teach you the Catholic Faith in order to prepare you for receiving these Sacraments which will be offered at the Easter Vigil, April 11, 2020.

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

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