

Pentecost Sunday
May 31, 2020



SAINTS CYRIL AND
METHODIUS PARISH

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



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has
sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

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MASS Intentions

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May 30, Saturday – Sobota - *(Outdoor Mass) (Pentecost Vigil)

- 5:30PM** *Baptism of the Catechumens &
Reception into the Catholic Church
For Fernando Siwa (B'Day)
❖ For Jim Glantz ❖ For the Glenn Wilkins Family
❖ For the Gammo & Gill Families
❖ †Richard Francis Martus
❖ †Charles & Isabella Varchetti
❖ †Stefania Bak ❖ †Michael Couet
❖ †Gary Schwendy

May 31, Pentecost Sunday - Nedela

Acts 2:1-11, 1 Cor 12:32b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23 (63)

- 7:30AM** **** (Mass Inside Church)**
For the Intentions of all Parishioners
- 9:30AM** ***(Outdoor Mass)**
For Fr. James Brent ❖ For Jo Marie Nardi
❖ For George and Helen Emmendorfer
❖ For the Czach Family req. Fayad Family
❖ †Richard Francis Martus
❖ †Richard & Margarete Charen
- 11:30AM** (Slovak) **** (Mass Inside Church)**
For Fr. Juraj Nuota req. Rosary Society
❖ For Stefan Korcek (86th B'Day) req. by Maria Korcek
❖ For Ruzena Kovacova (69th B'Day) req. Stefan &
Maria Korcek ❖ †Paul Magusin req. Pilarski Family
❖ †Otilia Sefcikova (100th B'Day) req. by Stefan &
Maria Korcek
- 6:00PM** (Latin)-Tridentine: **** (Mass Inside Church)**
❖ For RoseAnn Lebioda
- 8:30PM** ***(Outdoor Mass)**
For Marvin Hanna Shaina
❖ For the Tonietti Family

June 1, Monday – Pondelok - (Outdoor Mass)

- 12:00PM** For Sophia & Family
❖ For Prudence Lantzy req Husband
❖ For Jeffrey Lee Pawlowski
❖ For Paul & Mary Glantz (Wed. Ann.)
❖ †Agatha Mangano req. Family
❖ †Mr. & Mrs. Pepin ❖ †Richard Francis Martus

June 2, Tuesday – Utorok - (Outdoor Mass)

- 12:00PM** For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
❖ For Al & Ann Varchetti
❖ †Joe Basirico ❖ †Robert Stout Jr.

June 3, Wednesday – Streda - (Outdoor Mass)

- 12:00PM** For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
❖ For Paul & Julie Varchetti & Family
❖ For Paul & Family
❖ For the Czach Family req. Fayad Family
❖ †Sylvia Bieniek req. Frank & Bev Moran

June 4, Thursday – Štvrtok - (Outdoor Mass)

- 12:00PM** For Mark Varchetti
❖ For Elizabeth Laconi (B'Day)
❖ For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
❖ †Natale Mangano req. Family
❖ †Mary & +Greg Manning & Family
❖ †Illuminada & Petronilo Figueroa
❖ †Richard Francis Martus

June 5, First Friday – Prvý Piatok - (Outdoor Mass)

- 12:00PM** For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
❖ For the Rosary Makers & their Families
❖ For Donna & Steve Mazurkiewicz (Wed. Ann.)
❖ For Marybeth & Frank Banks (Wed. Ann.)
❖ For Glen and Amy Varchetti and Family
❖ †Cynthia Yanik req. Family
❖ †Brother Gabriel Fagan
❖ †Cecilia Raska req. Daughter
❖ †Joe Basirico

June 6, First Saturday – Prvý Sobota - (Outdoor Mass)

- 5:30PM** For the Members of the Rosary Society
❖ For Nate and Theresa Robinson and Family
❖ For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
❖ For Paul & Trisha Brady (Ann.)
❖ †Gary Gasparski req family
❖ †Andrew Lebioda req. Family
❖ †Peggy Zwolinski (B'Day)
❖ †Anna Sutherland
❖ †Joe Basirico
❖ †Tom Fritz

June 7, Most Holy Trinity Sunday - Nedela

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9, 2 Cor 13:11-13, Jn 3:16-18 (164)

- 7:30AM** **** Mass Inside Church**
For Carl and †Stephanie Varchetti and Family
❖ †Mark Latkovic
- 9:30AM** *** Outdoor Mass**
For 2020 High School Graduates
❖ For Jeremy Langlois req. Langlois Family
❖ For Judy Zabawski
❖ †George King
❖ For the Czach Family req. Fayad Family
❖ For the Vitale & Monsu Families
❖ For the Dec. Mem. of the Knights of Columbus St.
Nicholas Council & their Families
❖ For the Dec. Mem. of the De La Salle Class of 1963
- 11:30AM** (Slovak) **** Mass Inside Church**
† Paul Magusin req. Stefan & Marta Sobolic
❖ †Lada Konstacky
- 6:00PM** (Tridentine) **** Mass Inside Church**
❖ For the Intentions of all Parishioners
- 8:30PM** *** Outdoor Mass**
† Fr. Val Rykowski req Shirley Polakowski
❖ †Gene Kucharek (Karen Kucharek)
❖ †Paolo Persichetti req. Men of the Ushers' Club
❖ †Robert Stout Jr. req. by Family

*Outdoor Holy Masses:

*Please pre-register (www.saintcyriels.church)

This will assist in liturgical planning.

Please wear face mask & bring folding chair & hand sanitizer.

**Indoor Holy Masses:

**Registration REQUIRED (www.saintcyriels.church.church)

Limited # of people allowed at indoor Holy Masses.

Please wear face mask & bring hand sanitizer.

Arrive 20-30 minutes prior to Holy Mass.

~ IF YOU ARE SICK, PLEASE STAY HOME ~

This weekend, our R.C.I.A. candidates finally received
the Sacraments of Initiation,
entering into full communion with the Catholic Church.

Denise Charen, Connor Chupa & William Metz

received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Daniel Gaetke, Branden Jones, & Linda Kleinsorge

received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.

Weekend Holy Mass Schedule

Due to limited space available, **confirmed** registration is required for Indoor Holy Masses.
Pre-registration requested for Outdoor Weekend Holy Masses. (*For Liturgical Planning*)
Registration begins on Wednesday each week at www.saintcyrils.church

SATURDAY HOLY MASS: 5:30PM (Vigil) OUTDOOR

SUNDAY HOLY MASSES:

7:30AM	9:30AM	11:30AM (Slovak)	6:00PM (Tridentine)	8:30PM
INDOOR	OUTDOOR	INDOOR	INDOOR	OUTDOOR

WEEKDAY HOLY MASSES (Monday- Friday): 12:00PM - OUTDOOR

(Registration not required for Weekday Holy Masses)

Please wear face masks and bring hand sanitizer if possible to ALL Holy Masses.
For Outdoor Holy Masses, please bring a folding chair and dress appropriately.

Confession Schedule: (Registration Required)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 10:30AM - 11:30AM / Tuesday & Thursday: 6PM - 7PM

Registration Forms for Confession are Available on the Parish Website:

www.saintcyrils.church/confession

Confessions are outdoors by the Slovak cross and by the garage behind the church building.

Please wear a face mask.

CATECHISM REGISTRATION for the 2020-2021 School Year

\$50 per student

\$150 Family maximum

\$20 Home School Fee (during Sacrament Years)

- ◆ Unfortunately, due to limited room availability, only registered parishioners can enroll.
- ◆ Packets were mailed in April to families enrolled in the 2019-2020 School Year. If you did not receive your packet or were not in the program last year, please go to the Parish website and print the catechism registration documents or contact Paul or Carroll Schuller at (586) 726-6911. Complete the information requested and mail to **Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish Office, Attn: Carroll Schuller, 41233 Ryan Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48314.**
- ◆ The ideal method of payment is online through the parish's electronic method of payment, **PushPay**: please be sure to select the drop down for Religious Education and include the date, receipt number and authorization code on your registration form in the upper **LEFT hand corner**. Don't forget to include the medical and media forms with registration in your envelope.
- ◆ If necessary, tuition may be paid by check (payable to Ss. Cyril & Methodius) and mailed with all registration, media, and medical forms to the church address: Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish Office, Attn: Carroll Schuller, 41233 Ryan Rd, Sterling Hgts, MI, 48314.

Homeschool Program

◆ **Only those who are homeschooled for other academics may homeschool for Religious Education.**

◆ Homeschool students making the Sacrament of Communion in 2021 must enroll at this time.

◆ Homeschool students making the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2021 (8th grade) and 2022 (7th grade) must enroll at this time. The Confirmation Program is a two-year program. You must be enrolled both years to be eligible.

◆ **Kindergartners** are free tuition but must be age of five by December 1st, 2020.

◆ Students with **Special Needs** do not have to be registered parishioners.

Registration Directions

◆ When completing the forms, keep in mind that you need to **note the grade of your child for the next school year (2020-2021).**

1. Print clearly all family information or review all information if your form came preprinted.

2. Fill out Media Form and list all your students under Name – example John, Mary & Ann Smith

3. Fill out Medical Form in its entirety and if possible include copy of medical card.

Please assist us by registering your student no later than July 1st, so we can begin securing teachers, books and classrooms.

If tuition assistance is needed, please contact Paul or Carroll Schuller at (586) 254-9212, otherwise payment is expected at time of registration.

ADORATION 101 • *Trying Harder and Seeing Results* By: Paul Ray

There are so many of us who have things in our lives that cause us distress. It's easy to repeat and hear simple phrases such as, "Worrying is doubting God", or "God is in control", and other such quotations. All of which are true, and can be helpful, but what can we do in a practical sense to tame these unpleasant emotions of ours? After all, we do not have an "on/off" switch to our worries, fears and anxieties in life so that we can control them. It simply comes with being human. So how do we actually handle these sometimes crippling situations that befall us in everyday life?

Experts in the field have their own methods from techniques in tweaking our lifestyles to medication. I'm no expert but there's one thing I know that most experts don't include in their diagnosis: God. Don't get me wrong, the experts usually have terrific advice that does work but most often it leaves out the divine.

Our Lord taught us, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life?" (Matthew 6:25-34) And Our Lord would never give us a commandment He knew we could never achieve.

What we have to do from a spiritual perspective to resolve this problem of worry is really dig deep down within ourselves. God looks at our hearts in a way no human can. Oftentimes we're not completely honest with Him (starting with myself) and what that does is leave us without an avenue where He can work in our lives to assure us peace of mind and soul. We're afraid to approach Him because of something we feel we've done to make Him mad at us, or ashamed of us.

Remember these precious and beautiful words from Jesus, "But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." (Matthew 6:6) My advice, therefore, in ridding ourselves of worry is just this. We HAVE to talk to God as if He was standing next to us. Talk to Him absolute naked honesty, leaving nothing out. Ask for His grace, praise Him, thank Him, and repent; every day if possible. Get to know Him on a new level. Don't just tell Him your problems ... what friend does that to another? Know within your heart He is listening and absolutely loves talking with you! Once this friendship begins, He will act in ways you've NEVER known before! – Paul A. Ray

A CHALLENGE TO DISCIPLESHIP from MAY 31 through JUNE 6:

For this week's challenge I suggest taking some time each day to be alone. There are 1,440 minutes in one 24 hour day. 1% of that is only 15 minutes. Give to God at least 1% of your day in solitude with Him. This does not include Holy Mass, just you and God one-on-one at home in quiet. Just talk to Him like you're on the phone with a friend or loved one. – Paul A. Ray



American Red Cross Blood Drive • July 23

Donating blood products is essential to community health and the need for blood products is constant.

As part of our nation's critical infrastructure, healthy individuals can still donate in areas that have issued shelter in place declarations. (At the time of this publication, Michigan's shelter-in-place order is in place through June 12.) The Red Cross follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and volunteer donors are the only source of blood for those in need.

Continuous blood and platelet donations are needed for the regular blood supply and in a fight against coronavirus. In times of crisis, the Red Cross is fortunate to witness the best of humanity as people roll up a sleeve to help those in need.

Please schedule an appointment to donate blood today! Whole Blood donations can be made every 56 days, Power Red donations every 112 days, Platelet donations every 7 days and AB Elite Plasma donations every 28 days.

If you wish to be a Whole Blood donor at our Blood Drive on July 23, between 1:00PM - 6:45PM, please sign up to donate blood. Thank you for your generosity!

www.redcross.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

Parish Slovak Festival 2020

Publicity Chairperson Needed

We have a great Parish Slovak Festival here every August. We know it. We need to let others in the community, near and far, know about it.

The Festival Planning Committee is seeking a volunteer to fill the new role of Chairperson for Publicity. We need someone who will be able to publicize our festival in order to reach a wide audience by: * Contacting local press to promote the festival (e.g., newspapers, radio stations, and TV stations) * Maintaining a social media stream before and during the Festival (e.g., Facebook and Twitter) * Reaching out to various organizations so they can disseminate festival information to their members (e.g., Slovak organizations and our Vicariate) * Distributing festival information to local businesses for display (e.g., festival flyer)

Please prayerfully consider if you could fill this role for our festival, the parish's largest fundraising event. It could be filled by one person or a couple of people who would like to work together in publicizing the festival.

For more information, please contact John Fournier at j4nier58@gmail.com or 248-410-5866

Financial Peace University • June 2

How different would your experience with COVID-19 have been if you had NO DEBT? Learn the tools to recession proof your family's financial life with Financial Peace University (FPU).

Financial Peace University is a nine-lesson class designed to help you build a budget, dump debt, grow your wealth, and leave money stress behind. Each lesson is based on biblical wisdom and common sense. Sign up for this class and start your 14-day free trial of Financial Peace at fpu.com/1115269. The online class starts on Tuesday, June 2, beginning at 6:30PM. Each class runs approximately 60-90 minutes.

Hello, my name is Jenny Long; my husband Joe and I went through FPU two years ago. We have an average household income and are NOT financial wizards. Like many of us, we didn't think we were in financial trouble, but we did struggle to 'get ahead.' This program gave us the tools and motivation to eliminate our non-mortgage debt, save for the future and build an emergency fund.

When the 2020 recession hit, we knew our family was going to be okay, and we want to share these tools with others. If you have need of assistance with purchasing the class materials (the only cost associated with the class, teaching is on a volunteer basis only), please email us at: jenny_anne2007@yahoo.com. We don't want the cost of the class to keep you from attending and learning, like us, how to have financial peace.

SCHEDULE

Lesson 1 Baby Step 1 & Budgeting - June 02

Lesson 2 Baby Step 2 - June 09

Lesson 3 Baby Step 3 - June 16

Lesson 4 Baby Steps 4, 5, 6, & 7 - June 23

Lesson 5 Buyer Beware - June 30

Lesson 6 Understanding Insurance - July 07

Lesson 7 Building Wealth - July 14

Lesson 8 Real Estate & Mortgages - July 21

Lesson 9 Outrageous Generosity - July 28

God Bless you, *Jenny Long*

**Please Remember to Pray for Our
Sick Parishioners,
Family Members & Friends
and Those who are Serving in the Military**

We All Need Prayers

Evangelization Prayers During This Pandemic: Our Parish Evangelization Group knows that many parishioners are hurting in many ways during this pandemic and is offering to take special prayer requests during these difficult times.

If you have any prayer intentions - general or specific- please send me a brief email and write in the Subject Line: Pandemic Prayer Intentions. Send your intentions and I will share them with our members - on a confidential basis - and we will pray for them for the next 30 days.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am in the midst of them."

God bless and stay safe, *Ken Pullis*, email: kpullis@gmail.com

Bilingual Rosary Prayer Requests: During the pandemic, the Monthly Bilingual Rosary has still taken place. The May Bilingual Rosary was recorded and can be found on our website: www.saintcyrls.church, go to the "Resource" tab and then "Media". The June Bilingual Rosary will be recorded on Friday, June 12, and will be available on our website shortly after that date.

If you have prayer intentions that you would like included in the June Bilingual Rosary, (which will also be included in a private rosary for the month of June), please either email them to: 100rosary@gmail.com or call or text: (586) 413-4050.

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

Pentecost and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit ~ by Fr. Chad Partain

The Easter Season is brought to a close as the Church celebrates the Feast of Pentecost. We invoke the Holy Spirit and call to mind that marvelous moment when the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles and the Blessed Mother in the upper room in Jerusalem. The Holy Spirit filled the upper room with a mighty wind, which fell upon them like tongues of fire, and in that moment, their minds were enlightened, their hearts were enlarged, and their wills were strengthened so that they might go out and conquer the world for Christ. It is a marvelous moment which is not limited to history. We do not celebrate the Feasts of the Church in the same way we celebrate other anniversaries.

We celebrate the Fourth of July and Memorial Day, and it is a moment of remembrance and recalling to mind that which has occurred in the past. When we celebrate Feasts of the Church, it is not something static. It is not just a memorial or calling to mind of what once was. When we celebrate the Feasts of the Church, it is something dynamic because it is something eternal. As we enter into the celebration of Pentecost, we are not entering into a remembrance, but into the reality of Pentecost. We are able to do that through the Mystery of the Liturgy. When we participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we are not partaking in an event that is limited by time or space. The Holy Mass takes place within time, but it also has the power to transport us outside time. When we enter into the Mystery of the Mass, we enter into the rhythm of the Church's worship, and in doing so, we enter into Eternity. We step outside of time. This is the reason when we celebrate Pentecost, we are able to enter into the Mystery, not as a remembrance of things past, but we are able to enter into the actuality of that moment. We are called to take part in Pentecost.

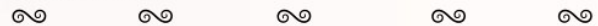


As we celebrate this marvelous Feast, we need to remember that we are in the upper room with the Blessed Mother and the Apostles, the wind is blowing and tongues of fire are descending. What effect will it have upon us? This is an important question!

How do we know that God is alive and active in our hearts? How do we know that we are sharing in the gifts of the Spirit? How do we know that our relationship with God is alive? St. Paul tells us that there are certain "Fruits" by which we can see the effects of the Spirit in our lives. The Fruits of the Holy Spirit are twelve:

*Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience,
Goodness, Kindness, Generosity
Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty,
Chastity, & Self-Control*

Are we modest? Are we chaste? Do we practice Self-control? The Holy Spirit comes to give us courage and fortitude so that we may not be ruled by our passions and desires. This is what we must desire: the life of the Holy Spirit within us. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit will give us the power to become the saints God has created us to be!



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

*Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,
that my thoughts may all be holy.*

*Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
that my work, too, may be holy.*

*Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
that I love but what is holy.*

*Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
to defend all that is holy.*

*Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,
that I always may be holy. Amen.*



The Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary

With Meditations by St. Maximilian Kolbe



The Resurrection

Dearest children, in difficulties, in darkness, in weaknesses, in dejection remember that paradise... paradise... is approaching. Every day that passes is a whole day less to wait. Courage, then! She awaits us there to clasp us to her heart. Also, pay no heed to the devil, if he ever wants to make you believe that heaven exists, but not for you, because, even if you had committed all possible sins, one single act of perfect love washes everything clean, to the point that not even a shadow remains.



The Ascension

This life shall pass and then our true reward will begin. Nothing, not even the smallest effort, even the smallest suffering embraced for the glory of God will escape a lavish reward, and that for all eternity... As we can see from history, God will reward not only what we have done, but also what we would have desired to do, even though we did not have enough strength to put it into effect. We should desire, then, but desire without limits!



The Descent of the Holy Spirit

Even after Christ's death the Holy Spirit works all things in us through Mary. In fact, what the Creator said to the serpent in reference to the Immaculata, "She will crush your head" [cf. Gn 3:15], is, according to the teaching of theologians, to be understood to have no limitations of time. It is the task of the Holy Spirit to form the new members of those predestined to the Mystical Body of Christ until the end of the world. But, as St. Louis Grignion de Montfort demonstrates, this work is brought to fruition with Mary, in Mary, and through Mary.



The Assumption

The Immaculata is the ultimate limit between God and creation. She is a faithful image of God's perfection, of His sanctity. One's degree of perfection depends on the union of one's will to the will of God. The greater the perfection, the closer the union. As the Blessed Mother, with her perfection, surpassed all the angels and saints, so also her will is united and identified most closely with the will of God. She lives and works solely in God and through God. Therefore, by fulfilling the will of the Immaculata, we fulfill by that very reason the will of God.



The Coronation

What could we possibly wish her who, exalted above all creatures in heaven and earth, became the Mother of God and now reigns eternally in heaven? She is Queen of heaven and earth, Mediatrix of us all; through her hands all graces flow unto the earth. What should we wish you, therefore, most noble and sweet Lady? Many still do not know you... Well then, Holy Queen, with all our hearts and with all our souls we wish you to take full and swift possession of our hearts and the hearts of one and all, without exception, be they Catholic, Protestant, Schismatic, Jew, pagan, good or bad. Reign over us all and in us all, poor inhabitants of this earthly globe which glides across the heavens; reign not only during this our earthly pilgrimage, but also forever and ever, for all eternity!