

Ascension of the Lord
May 16, 2021

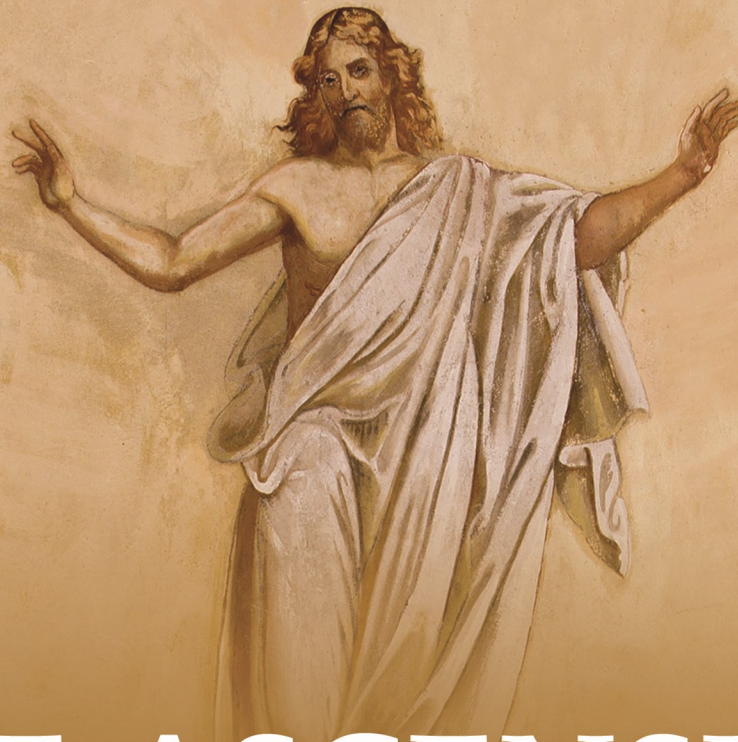


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A Personal Parish Established To Serve The Slovak Catholic Community In The Archdiocese Of Detroit



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Jesus said to His disciples, “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.”

- Mk 16:15-16A

MASS Intentions

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May 15, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Mother's Day Novena
 5:30PM For Denise Pepin (B'Day)
 ❖ For Samuel Hines (B'Day)
 ❖ For Eleanor Burley req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 ❖ †David M. Davis ❖ †Josephine F. Davis
 ❖ †Matthew Margiewicz
 ❖ †Sr. Mary King IHM (6th Ann.)

May 16, Solemnity of the Ascension - Nedela

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20

- 7:30AM For John, Sandi & Family
 ❖ For James and Greete Varchetti
 ❖ For George E. Emmendorfer
 ❖ †Maurice & Irma Borton req. Family
 ❖ †Josephine Davis
 ❖ †John Maciag req. Wife, Irene
 ❖ †Alma Hidalgo Onrumbia req. Julie Siwa
 9:30AM *(Livestreamed)*
 For the Intentions of the Mother's Day Novena
 11:30AM *(Slovak)*
 For the Intentions of All Parishioners
 6:00PM *(Latin)-Tridentine:*
 †Robert Stout, Sr. req Family
 8:30PM For Marvin Shaina ❖ For Mary ❖ For Colleen Lantzy
 ❖ For Eleanor Burley req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 ❖ For Anthony & Emmanuel Korkis
 ❖ For Stephanie Fayad req. Parents
 ❖ †Nancy Elebri req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny

May 17, Monday - Pondelok

- 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Mother's Day Novena
 12:00PM For Michael Louis
 ❖ For Nadine Nelson (B'Day)
 ❖ †Robert Drzewiecki

May 18, Tuesday - Utorok

- 6:00AM For Kola Peter Gojcaj
 ❖ For Eleanor Burley req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 ❖ †Nancy Elebri req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 12:00PM For the Intentions of the Mother's Day Novena

May 19, Wednesday - Streda

- 9:00AM *(Latin)*
 For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ †Eliah, Afife, Angel & Tarek Jazrawi req. Family
 ❖ †Sabry & Naema Jazrawi req. Family
 12:00PM For Jude Joel Haio (1st B'Day)
 ❖ For James and Greete Varchetti
 ❖ †John Maciag req. Wife, Irene

May 20, Thursday - Štvrtok

- 6:00AM For Kola Peter Gojcaj
 ❖ For Philomene Weckhuysen
 ❖ For Ljeza Nikprelaj & Family
 12:00PM For Joe Fuller
 ❖ †John Maciag req. Pauline
 ❖ †Marie, Molly, & Donald O'Briech
 7:00PM For Seminarian Patrick Blenman req. Grandparents
 ❖ For Eleanor Burley req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 ❖ †Nancy Elebri req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny

May 21, Friday - Piatok

- 6:00AM For Matthew Desser (B'Day)
 ❖ For Lawrence Hines III (B'Day)
 ❖ For Eleanor Burley req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 12:00PM For JoMarie Nardi (96th B'Day)
 ❖ For The Noel Nelson Family
 ❖ For the Gill & Gammo Families

May 22, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For Jons Jaison
 ❖ For Paul and Julie Varchetti & Family
 ❖ †Souraya Nehro Moses
 * * * * **NO 5:30PM VIGIL HOLY MASS** * * * *
 7:00PM **Vespers & Pentecost Vigil Holy Mass*
 For a Special Intention
 ❖ For Fr. Juraj & All Priests & Seminarians
 ❖ For Gary Rudzewicz (B'Day)
 ❖ For Annette Rudzewicz
 ❖ For Ron, Clair & Family
 ❖ For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
 ❖ †Ralph J. Weil
 ❖ †Mary & Greg Manning & Family

May 23, Pentecost Sunday - Nedela

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

- 7:30AM For the Intentions of the Members of the St. Monica Sodality
 ❖ For Mark Varchetti
 ❖ †Nancy Elebri req. Dennis & Cindy Zitny
 ❖ †John Maciag req. Wife, Irene
 ❖ †Ray Foley
 ❖ †Donna Gould Lay
 ❖ †Josephine Davis
 9:30AM *(Livestreamed)*
 For Anthony Maya (B'Day)
 ❖ For David Giannone (Bap. Ann.)
 ❖ For Daniel Giannone (Bap. Ann.)
 ❖ For Joseph Lawler req. Family
 ❖ For Keith Bolda req. Dominic Lawler
 ❖ †Paolo Persichetti
 ❖ †Betty Showler
 11:30AM *(Slovak)*
 For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ For Special Intention req. Vicki
 ❖ For Kola Peter Gojcaj
 ❖ For Marie Kerry
 ❖ †Lawrence Michael Opatik
 ❖ †Marge Robine req. Sharon Brown & Family
 ❖ †Jan Patlevič
 ❖ †Anna Cnota
 6:00PM *(Latin)-Tridentine:*
 For Sam & Amy Shamoon
 8:30PM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

Eucharistic Adoration

THURSDAYS † 1:00PM-7:00PM

Welcome

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Jesus Christ, The High Priest

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians, he urges them "Whatever you do, do from the heart" (Colossians 3:23). These words are particularly meaningful since he wrote them from prison, facing persecution and hardship. The faith community at Colossae was facing its own hardships as they strove to live the life Christ called them to whatever their circumstances. Being rooted in the Lord would serve them well as they continued to grow as a faith community, and as the Church continued to grow throughout the world.

Like St. Paul and the Colossians, we too face our own hardships today. But we can also find great wisdom in his words to act from the heart. As an archdiocesan community, we know in faith that even with today's challenges, our mission gives us great hope. In recent years, we have seen our parishes and archdiocese embrace our mission identity in new ways. We have seen the Holy Spirit abundantly at work through our shared work of Unleashing the Gospel.

To continue this work of the Holy Spirit, our 2021 Catholic Services Appeal seeks to Fuel the Mission of our present moment. Each year, the CSA raises critical funds that support more than 170 ministries, services, and programs that fuel the mission. This mission is critical so we can respond to the material and spiritual needs of individuals and families throughout Southeast Michigan. This is how we act from the heart, putting Christ and his mission above all else.

I ask you to prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2021 CSA this weekend. When you join me with your support, you help us to fuel the mission in each parish in our archdiocese and serve thousands of individuals and families throughout Southeast Michigan. Every gift makes a difference in our mission.

Entrusting you to the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, Detroit's own priest Blessed Solanus Casey, and our beloved patroness St. Anne, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron
Archbishop of Detroit



PLEASE NOTE:

Due to an issue at the printer, the green CSA envelopes that are normally included in the May/June packets of parishioner envelopes were delayed and will be included in the July/August packet this year.

Our CSA goal for 2021 is \$160,134. Anyone who has contributed to CSA on behalf of our parish in the last four years should have already received a pledge card in the mail directly from the Archdiocese. To donate you can complete the pledge card mailed to you, go online to givecsa.org or call (888) 331-8695. You can also wait for your green CSA envelope to arrive in your May/June packet of envelopes or complete one of the blank pledge cards found on the table in the vestibule by the bulletin board and drop that along with your payment in an envelope in the collection basket. All checks should be made payable to "Archdiocese of Detroit – CSA". Thank you for your consideration.



Walking With Moms in Need

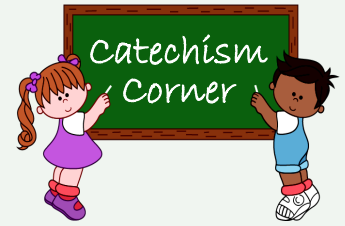
A woman experiencing an unexpected pregnancy often feels alone and frightened. She might not have access to medical care, or enough income to provide for the baby, or even the emotional support she needs. The temptation to solve her difficulties by taking the life of her baby may be intense, especially if it comes from family, friends, or the father himself. She may not realize that there is a place where she can go, where she will be treated with respect and dignity, where she will meet people who will help her find medical care, housing, food and other resources. She might not know there is a crisis pregnancy center nearby. Right now, her greatest need is someone who will help her find that pregnancy help center, someone who will help her make that connection. That someone can be each one of us. But how do we find that place, that center, that will walk this path with her?

Walking With Moms in Need (WWMIN) is a national program available to everyone in the Archdiocese of Detroit through Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan. WWMIN has compiled, and is continually adding to, an online inventory of agencies located throughout the archdiocese that assist pregnant women in need. It includes crisis pregnancy centers, residential centers, food pantries, and much, much more. To access this inventory, go to: ccsem.org/mom/. If you are in need yourself, or if you know someone who is, this list is the place to start to get connected to lifesaving resources.

Also, please pray for these special Moms in need with the new Prayer for Pregnant Mothers. Prayer cards are available on the table in the vestibule.

Catechism Registration 2021-2022 School Year

\$50 Per Student with
\$150 Family Maximum
\$20 Home School Fee
(during Sacrament Years)



Religious Education for Grades Kindergarten thru 8th Grade:

- ◆ Due to limited room availability, only registered parishioners can enroll at this time.
- ◆ **Kindergartners'** tuition is free and must be age of five by December 1st, 2021.
- ◆ Students with **Special Needs** do not have to be registered parishioners.
- ◆ Packets were mailed in April to families enrolled in the 2020-2021 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 the 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 Heights, MI, 48314.

Registration Directions:

When completing the forms, keep in mind that you need to **note the grade of your child for the next school year (2021-2022).**

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) 726-6911 or (586) 254-9212, otherwise payment is expected at time of registration.

Home School Program:

- ◆ **Only those who are home schooled for other academics may home school for religious education.**
- ◆ Home school students looking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2022 (8th Grade) and 2023 (7th Grade) must enroll at this time. The Confirmation Program is a two-year program. You must be enrolled both years to be eligible.
- ◆ Home school students looking to receive their First Holy Communion in 2022 (2nd Grade) must be enrolled at this time.

Catechism Update

Our school year officially ended last Wednesday, May 12. Having in-person classes proved to be difficult but the students and the teachers rose to the challenge. Thank you to Fr. Libor, all of the teachers and other volunteers who helped make this a safe and successful school year; we were blessed to have you. Our appreciation to the Knights of Columbus for acting as our 'Guardian Angels' in seeing that all the children were safe coming to and from their cars. Also thank you to Laurie Dushaj, photographer, for capturing the special moments of our children receiving sacraments. Parents, thank you for bringing your joyful students to class each week to learn about their faith and for keeping them home when necessary for health of all. It is because of that conscientiousness that we were not forced to cancel any classes; praise be to God.

We recognize that we have wonderful parents in the program and are once again asking for your support. Please remind your children that although we have taken a vacation from catechism class, we never take a vacation from God. Please take them to Mass every Sunday (visit masstimes.org for locations and times when you're away from home), stop by to visit with Jesus for Adoration on Thursdays and say prayers daily with them; they learn by your example.

We are always looking for volunteers to help on Wednesday evenings so please let us know if you are interested. Have a safe and happy summer!

Paul & Carroll Schuller, Directors of Religious Ed., (586) 254-9212

Thank You from Fr. Libor

The challenges of the past year made the lives of all people more difficult, but it also prompted us to ponder what matters for our life of faith. Faith leads to external expressions and it also requires a profound understanding, lest we believe and do things that do not belong to faith. Formation and education are indispensable.

I cannot be grateful enough to *Mr. and Mrs. Paul and Carroll Schuller* for their dedication and commitment to the students and teachers in the catechism program at Ss. Cyril and Methodius. They ensured a very smooth running of the program, cared for students and teachers alike. Many thanks to *Mr. & Mrs. Schuller* and all the teachers for investing so much into our children and students, building thus the future of the Church.

Fr. Libor

Life Teen High School Ministry • Monday, May 17

"Bye, Bye, Bye - A Night for All the Grades to Celebrate and Encourage the Outgoing Seniors"

7:00PM - 8:45PM

EDGE Middle School Ministry • Thursday, May 20

"Let your Light Shine - A Night on Witnessing Christ's Love to Others"

7:00PM - 8:45PM

If you have questions about Life Teen or EDGE, please contact: Alexandria Collins, (586) 641-7672 or lifeteen@saintcyriels.church

HOLY MASS, CONFESSION & OFFICE SCHEDULES

HOLY MASSES:

Saturdays: 9AM & 5:30PM (Vigil)

**Sundays: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM (Slovak),
6:00PM (Latin Tridentine) & 8:30PM**

Mondays & Wednesdays: 9:00AM & 12:00PM

Tuesdays & Fridays: 6:00AM & 12:00PM

Thursdays * First Fridays: 6:00AM, 12:00PM & 7:00PM

CONFESSIONS:

Mondays & Wednesdays:

8:30AM - 9:00AM & 11:30AM - 12:00PM

Tuesdays & Fridays:

5:30AM - 6:00AM & 11:30AM - 12:00PM

Thursdays & First Fridays:

5:30AM - 6:00AM, 11:30AM - 12:00PM & 6:30PM - 7:00PM

Saturdays: 8:30AM - 9:00AM

*OFFICE:

Mondays & Wednesdays: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Tuesdays & Fridays: 11:00AM - 2:00PM

Thursdays: 11:00AM - 5:00PM

***Office is closed during 12:00PM Holy Mass**

St. Monica Sodality Mass * Sunday, May 23

We are truly blessed that the monthly St. Monica Mass takes place on Pentecost Sunday. May the Holy Spirit touch the lives and hearts of all people, shower us with His gifts and draw us closer to the Lord Jesus!

The St. Monica Sodality gathers on the fourth weekend of each month for Holy Mass - with a rotating schedule. The next several Masses take place on Sundays at 7:30AM. If you can attend the Mass and prayers afterward (The Divine Mercy Chaplet and The St. Monica Sodality Prayer) please see the whiteboard in the vestibule for seating suggestions and/or listen to the parish announcements for details. If you are unable to join us, know that your intentions and submitted petitions are still included in this Mass. Stop by the St. Monica petition box (between the double doors at the main entrance of the church) for prayer info and petition slips (petitions can be returned anytime).

The St. Monica Sodality monthly Holy Mass is next Sunday, May 23, at 7:30AM. Come Holy Spirit!

For more info, contact: *Anne Marie* (586) 873-2004

Mother's Day Carnation Update from LIFESPAN

Last weekend, Right to Life-LIFESPAN offered carnations for Mother's Day at five Holy Masses. We were blessed to receive donations in the amount of \$1,112 to RTL - LIFESPAN.

A huge thank you to Father Libor, Father Juraj and staff, and all the parishioners and visitors who supported this Mother's Day project! Your generosity was a beautiful witness to your respect for the gift of Human Life! The excitement everyone had in picking flowers for the special women in their lives and the lovely smiles of the women receiving the flowers made my own Mother's Day very fulfilling and joyful! It was so good to be able to offer the flowers from LIFESPAN once again!

God's blessings on all of you!

Lynn Gura, RTL-LIFESPAN Youth Director
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Sacrament of Confirmation † May 7, 2021

Congratulations to all students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, May 7th at the 7:00PM Holy Mass. May each student open their heart to the Holy Spirit in order that He moves them to be a person of resignation to their faith. They have all worked very hard to prepare for this day. Let us pray that they embrace the fruits and gifts given them and find the strength to continue to grow and spread their knowledge of God's truths.

Through their commitment and hard work, the children were able to receive the wonderful Sacrament of Confirmation. Their parents, mentors and sponsors gave them encouragement and should be applauded for that. Most importantly, we must not forget their teachers for their tireless efforts in preparing and supporting each and every student. Our sincere appreciation to them for their dedication and commitment to the children's faith formation. Thank you to the Confirmation teachers, *Vickie & Michael Rolling, Mary & Larry Hines, Keith Bolda* and *Benjamin Langlois* for being exemplary role models for our young people.

Those receiving the Sacrament included:

Benjamin Arkwright, Joseph Brannigan, Anthony Brasile, Joseph Brown, Ava Bunao Justin Cabrera, Aaron Czach, Sophie Dickerson, Alexander Dresen, Gabriel Dudek Rebekah Giroux, Mickayla Gjinaj, Joseph Heilman, Grace Hill, Alexandra Jagustin Genevieve Jones, Peter Kanan, Jacinta Kortebein, Nolan Krause, Maxim Kulha Dominic Lawler, Natalie Lawrence, Victor Leon-Pawlaczyk, Josephine Malysz Maximilian Moenig, Sheelagh Newell, Jayden Nguyen, Liam O'Brien, John Paul Orlosky Gabriel Potempski, Timothy Roddy, Grace Simon, Abigail Stewart, Peyton Suchland Tristan Jedi Sy, Maksymilian Szymd, Rosalia Teeter, Michael Thompson, Nicole Torkos Mercedes Vitale, Salvatore Vitale, Amber Watta, William Wiegand John Wieggers, Sarah Wolf, and Gabriela Bahri (Special Blessing)



A Special Thank You to:

Bishop Robert Fisher for coming to Ss. Cyril & Methodius to celebrate the special sacrament of Confirmation this year!



Thank You:

*Fr. Liber Marek, Fr. Juraj Nuota & Fr. Brian Hurley for concelebrating at this Special Holy Mass and
Dcn. Joe Hulway for assisting!*



May Crowning Ceremony † May 2, 2021



In Honor of Our Blessed Mother

The May Crowning Court is determined by essays that were submitted by the young ladies of the Confirmation Class. Every essay submitted was heart-felt and beautiful, making it a very difficult decision. Each of the ten essays received this year expressed these young ladies' devotion to Our Lady and we will continue to share them with you throughout the month of May, in no particular order.



May Crowning Essay by Jacinta Kortebein

I would like to crown the Blessed Mother at the May Crowning Mass because it would be a big honor to know and get to crown Our Blessed Mother during my Confirmation Year. Another reason is because I feel it will help me grow as a Catholic because I would be able to get a hands on experience with our Blessed Mother and the Church. Other reasons are that I find Mary very adoring because of the way she always protected and cared for Jesus. Crowning her would be like a thank you for being such a great mother and setting such a great example for what kind of mom I aspire to be when I am older. Finally it would mean a lot to crown Mary because I like showing homage to those who helped Jesus on His journey.

Jacinta Kortebein

May Crowning Essay by Josie Malysz

Dear Blessed Mother,

I would really like to be your Flower Girl on your special day. Since the day I was born, I have felt a special connection with you and as I enter into the Confirmation of my faith I will be taking on your name. Again and again you have taken my prayers, polished them up and presented them to your son. I feel beyond blessed to have been born into a family that loves and serves both you and Our Lord.

I love that you led our family to consider fostering children so that we may be a positive influence in their lives. Whenever we have kids visit, I teach them about you and teach them to say the rosary with our family.

But my favorite connection with you by far is our little joke. How you clear traffic for me, regardless of who is driving whenever I say, "Blessed Mother, please grant us safe passage." Once I say this, between ten and thirty seconds, all the traffic clears. This happened by accident, because of one day when we were in a big rush, I made that prayer up, and the traffic cleared! Ever since, my Mom will say "Josie, I need some help here!" and I will say our special prayer.

Another thing that makes a close connection between me and you is the Rosary. My family prays the Rosary every night. Since I was little I have owned the special parts specifically dedicated to you. For example, these parts are, after the Glory Be, I say, "Mary, Queen of peace, pray for us." Also, I start the Memorare.

I have had many challenges in my youth and you are always at my side. During my anxiety moments, I pray to you and you ease my worries. I am so blessed and thankful to have you in my life and for this reason I hope that you will select me to be your Flower Girl this May.

May, Queen of Peace, Pray for Us! Love, *Josie Malysz*