

Mary, the Mother of God
Sunday, January 1, 2023



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MASS Intentions

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December 31, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena
 5:30PM In Thanksgiving req. Nash-Brown Family
 ❖ In Thanksgiving req. Samantha Babbie
 ❖ For John & Marina Santi (Wed. Ann.)
 ❖ For Maria Lulgjuraj
 ❖ †Fr. John Hardon, S.J.
 ❖ †Sophia Desmarais Daigle
 ❖ †Catherine Brady req. Family

January 1, Sunday - Nedela

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Num 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

- 7:30AM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena
 9:30AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
 ❖ For the Louis Family
 ❖ For Isidora Lim ❖ For Kathy Fuller
 ❖ †Anansa Bakko req. Mother
 ❖ †Evelyn Nona req. Sharon Brown
 ❖ †Julie Wojas req. Sandy Suworow
 11:30AM (Slovak)
 In Thanksgiving ❖ For Grace Normander
 ❖ For Michael McIntyre ❖ For Celeste Chirco
 ❖ For Nancy Podkowa req. Sister
 ❖ For Sam & Amy Shamoon
 ❖ †Mary Douglas req. Marsha Schoener
 8:30PM For the Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ For a Special Intention ❖ For the Hanna Family
 ❖ For Dorothy Bohach ❖ For Jina Matti
 ❖ For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
 ❖ For Thomas Jones

January 2, Monday - Pondelok

Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

- 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena
 12:00PM For Special Intentions
 ❖ †Luigi Guidotti ❖ †Ann M. & Michael Pullis
 ❖ †Howard Belton req. Sharon Brown

January 3, Tuesday - Utorok

Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

- 6:00AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ For Kola Gojaj ❖ For the Louis Family
 ❖ For Olivia Shubnell req. Langlois Family
 12:00PM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena

January 4, Wednesday - Streda

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

- 9:00AM (Latin)
 In Thanksgiving ❖ For Lafi & Angela Reyes & Family
 ❖ For Aaron Chupa ❖ †Mary Douglas req. Frank & Bev

- 12:00PM For the Thottam Family ❖ For Thomas Jones
 ❖ For Bob Wiertel req. Marie Kerry
 ❖ For Laura Kerry req. Marie & Bob

January 5, Thursday - Štvrtok

Memorial of Saint John Neumann, Bishop

- 6:00AM For Kola Peter Gojaj
 ❖ For Rumel & Angela Aslivo & Family
 ❖ For Aaron Chupa ❖ For the Calleros Family
 12:00PM For Patrick & Stephanie Korkis & Family
 ❖ For Thomas Jones
 ❖ †Jack & Jean Babenko ❖ †Fernando Isip req. Family
 7:00PM For Anne Marie Krahala
 ❖ For Vicki & Samantha Babbie
 ❖ For Kathleen & Duane McPherson
 ❖ †Anthony & Lorraine Battaglia

January 6, Friday - Piatok

- 6:00AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ For Sam & Amy Shamoon ❖ For Andrew Laizure
 ❖ †Cynthia Yanik req. Yanik Family
 12:00PM For the Rosary Makers & their Families
 ❖ For the Hanna Family
 ❖ †Greg & Mary Manning & Family
 ❖ †Arnetta O. Nash req. Family
 7:00PM For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
 ❖ For Kola Peter Gojaj ❖ For Aaron Chupa
 ❖ †Larry Asker

January 7, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ For the Intentions of the Rosary Society
 ❖ For the Hanna Family ❖ For Mary Ann Wilkins
 5:30PM For Julie Schuster (B'Day)
 ❖ For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
 ❖ For the Edwards Family
 ❖ †Herman Bratfish req. Marge
 ❖ †John & Anthony Roginski
 ❖ †Hedwig Richiert ❖ †Phyllis & Mike Chemny

January 8, Sunday - Nedela

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

- 7:30AM For the Menard & Daniel Families
 ❖ For Donna Lesko ❖ For the Abate Family
 ❖ For John & Bridget Hines
 ❖ †Luba Koryeowski ❖ †David Chupa
 ❖ †Mary Douglas req. Rosary Society
 9:30AM For the Intentions of All Parishioners
 11:30AM (Slovak)
 For David Rafaidus req. Family
 ❖ †Milan Haverl req. Ivin Family
 8:30PM For the Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
 ❖ For Ryan Swita ❖ For Nancy Brent req. Grandpa Leo
 ❖ For White & Persichetti Family
 req. Lucio & Yvonne Persichetti
 ❖ †Anansa Bakko req. Mother

Wishing you a Blessed New Year ~ 2023!
Fr. Libor, Fr. Juraj, Fr. Michael, Deacon Gerald & Deacon Phil



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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF JANUARY 1:

MONDAY, January 2, & WEDNESDAY, January 4: 9:00AM & 12:00PM

TUESDAY, January 3, & FRIDAY, January 6: 6:00AM & 12:00PM

THURSDAY, January 5: 6:00AM, 12:00PM & 7:00PM

SATURDAY, January 7 (Regular Mass Schedule): 9:00AM & 5:30PM (Vigil)

SUNDAY, January 8 (Regular Mass Schedule): 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM (Slovak) & 8:30PM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

No Confessions will be heard January 1, 2 & 3

The regular Confession Schedule will resume Wednesday, January 4, with Confessions heard 1/2 hour before each weekday Holy Mass and on Saturdays from 8:30AM - 9:00AM.

OFFICE HOURS:

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2023, and reopen on Tuesday, January 3, from 11AM - 2PM.

Parish Office Hours the remaining of the week:

Wednesday, January 4, 10AM - 2PM, Thursday, January 5, 11AM - 5PM & Friday, January 6, 11AM - 2PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Adoration resumes on Thursday, January 5, from 1:00PM - 7:00PM.

CHOOSE A PATRON SAINT FOR 2023

After all Holy Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, all are welcome to take a saint card from the basket at the entrance of the church.

The saint on the card you choose will be your special Patron for 2023!

On New Year's Eve, 1895-1896, St. Gemma Galgani wrote: *"During this new year I resolve to begin a new life. I do not know what will happen to me during this year, but I abandon myself entirely to You, my God, and my aspirations and all my affections will be for You. I feel so weak, dear Jesus, but with Your help I hope and resolve to live a different life, that is, a life closer to You."*

Writing to her spiritual director Gemma wrote: *"Father, do you know the latest idea that has come into my head? It is to become a saint at all costs."*

While 2023 comes with many uncertainties about the future, the vocation and goal of each and every one of us remains the same - to become saints and strive for Heaven!

Let us, therefore, spend these final days of 2022 in fervent prayer asking the Holy Spirit to inspire us with what we must do to attain great holiness, thus becoming true saints!

My 2023 New Year's Resolution!

I virtue I would like to grow in: _____

I sin I would like to eliminate: _____

I book of Scripture I would like to read completely: _____

I spiritual book I would like to read: _____

I prayer I would like to learn: _____

I way to improve my Sacramental Life: _____

Special Intention for 2023: _____



Bilingual Rosary 2023 Update

We have been praying monthly our special Bilingual Rosary in both Slovak and English languages at Ss. Cyril & Methodius continuously since our church's 100th Anniversary celebration in 2018. And praise be to God, we will continue in 2023!

The Bilingual Rosary is prayed at 6:00PM on First Fridays before the 7:00PM Holy Mass (except the Fridays in Lent). We begin with a Marian Hymn, read the intentions (general for the parish community followed by individual specific parishioner intentions), recite five decades of a fitting Mystery in turns (Slovak, English, etc.), have a reflection by Deacon Phil McCown, and end with a beautiful Slovak Hymn.

Our next date is this week on First Friday, January 6, at 6:00PM. If you have a request, we would love to pray for you. Please either call the office or email babate@saintcyrls.church by Wednesday, January 4. Make it one of your 2023 resolutions to join us at least once to pray in this special way with and for our parish community!

Organized by *Maria Lamerova* and *Betty Abate*

Northland Pro-Life Prayer News • Saturday, January 7

What mixed emotions we have when reflecting on Calendar Year 2022. While the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, we've seen the abortion issue returned to the states - some have imposed restrictions, while others, including Michigan, have opted for more liberal laws. We pray that Our Lord enlightens us all to the sanctity of life from conception to natural death and that we come together to support expectant parents, as well as those who have lost children (born or unborn).

Please join us for the following Pro-Life events:

- The monthly prayer and witness event outside the Northland Family Planning Clinic, 3810 17 Mile Road (just west of Ryan Road), takes place Saturday, January 7, from 11:30AM to 12:30PM. Bring your friends, family, and rosary. Park in the shopping center lots nearby - no parking is allowed at the clinic. Prayer events usually last around an hour, but they may be shortened due to the weather, and you can also pray from your car.

- A Pro-Life rosary is prayed each Saturday at church. The Joyful and Luminous Mysteries are prayed before Mass, starting at 8:10AM, and the Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries are prayed after the 9:00AM Mass, starting around 9:45AM.

CSA Update

Thank you to everyone who has already contributed to CSA.

Thanks to your generosity we are at \$92,371 or 74% of our \$124,037 goal already being pledged. Your CSA contributions are greatly appreciated since CSA contributions are the most beneficial way to donate to the Parish.

If you have not contributed to CSA yet, but would like to you can return the pledge card that was mailed by the Archdiocese to all registered parishioners, use one of the blank pledge sheets found in the vestibule by the bulletin board, go to givecsa.org and select our parish or call (888) 331-8695.

If you are not comfortable with those methods you can also write a check to "Archdiocese of Detroit - CSA" and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you again for your generosity!

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

Start the New Year with a new devotion to our Blessed Mother and to our Church by joining the Rosary Society. The Rosary Society will meet this Saturday, January 7, at approximately 10:15AM in the Fr. Mikus Hall. The meeting will begin after the 9:00AM Holy Mass and Rosary.

ALL women of the parish are welcome to the meeting. Prayerfully consider joining the Rosary Society as we enter our 98-year-old mission of devotion to the Blessed Mother and our support to the Parish.

Questions, please contact:

Kathy Holka, (586) 703-4043 or at kholka@aol.com

Saturday, January 7, 10:15AM

Catechism Corner Class Schedule

Wednesday, January 4: Class for All

If you have any questions, please contact:

Paul & Carroll Schuller, (586) 726-6911, ext. 112, or P_schuller@yahoo.com or cschuller@saintcyrls.church

Life Teen High School Ministry

All high school teens are welcome to Life Teen. Life Nights are dynamic youth gatherings including snacks, games, small group discussions, and an opportunity for teens to learn more about the Catholic faith with their peers. We welcome new teens to join us in the coming year.

We are OFF January 2 & 9 but look forward to seeing teens in the Fr. Mikus Hall at 7:00PM on January 16 for a Night about seeking affirmation from God rather than other people.

To be added to the email list, please contact:

Alexandria Collins, (586) 641-7672 or lifeteen@saintcyrls.church

EDGE Middle School Ministry

All middle school teens (6th, 7th and 8th grade) are welcome to our EDGE Nights. EDGE Nights are dynamic youth gatherings including snacks, games, small group discussions, and an opportunity for teens to learn more about the Catholic faith at a middle school level.

We will be off until January 12. We look forward to seeing teens then in the Fr. Mikus hall for a Night on the goal of heaven and the book of Revelation at 7:00PM.

If you have questions, please contact:

Alexandria Collins at edge@saintcyrls.church or (586) 641-7672

Women and Families in Need

Abortion is now legal in Michigan at an unprecedented level and the Archdiocese of Detroit is committed to accompanying women and families in need, with greater resolve than ever. In the AOD, we do this largely through Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan, our charitable arm, and through the Archdiocese's Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship Department. In particular, *Walking with Moms in Need* (WWMIN) is a ministry to help parishioners identify and create local resources that provide assistance to pregnant and parenting moms in need, and Project Rachel is an important ministry for individuals who have been harmed by abortion.

For more information and to get involved in these ministries, visit:

aod.org/walking-with-moms-in-need and evangelicalcharity.org

Mark Your Calendars • Sundays, January 8 & 15

Fr. Mikus Hall

Fellowship - January 8 after the 9:30AM Holy Mass**Pancake Breakfast - January 15 after Morning Holy Masses****Commissioning Mass & Social • January 12****Family of the Good Shepherd:***Our Lady of Czestochowa**Ss. Cyril & Methodius**St. Jane Frances de Chantal**St. Rene Goupil*

Everyone is invited to celebrate with members of each of our Families of Parishes at a special Commissioning Holy Mass, celebrated by Bishop Robert Fisher, on Thursday, January 12, at 12:00PM at Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish.

This special Holy Mass is an opportunity for members of all of our Families of Parishes to come together and formally witness as each priest takes his Oath of Fidelity during Mass, followed by a meet and greet with the Bishop, the priests and fellow attendees at a Social in the Fr. Mikus Hall after Holy Mass.

Mark your calendar so that you can attend this special event as our parish communities come together to pray and socialize as a family and as we celebrate as one.

Catholic Young Adult Singles • January 18

Holy Happy Hour for Young Adult Singles will take place on Wednesday, January 18, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, located at 280 E. Square Lake Road in Troy.

Join other young adult singles for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, & Confession, (closing with Benediction) from 6:30PM - 8:00PM. Social Hour will be at McVee's Pub & Grub in Troy beginning at 8:10PM.

If you have any questions, email us at hhcyagroup@gmail.com

Reporting Sexual Abuse

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others – no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing: vac@aod.org. In addition the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 (Monday through Friday from 8:00AM -5:00PM) or by email at: aginvestigations@michigan.gov. More information about the AOD's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

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Detroitská Arcidiecéza povzbudzuje jednotl ivcov, ktorí by vedeli o prípadoch sexuálneho obťažovania mladistvých zo strany kléru, aby ich ohlásili bez ohľadu na to, kedy sa tieto prípady vyskytli. Jednotlivci môžu kontaktovať orgány činné v trestnom konaní, alebo upovedomiť Detroitškú Arcidiecézu prostredníctvom koordinátora pre pomoc obetiam na tel. číslo 866-343-8055, alebo emailom [vac@aod.org](mailto:vac@aod.org). Úrad generálneho prokurátora v Michigane možno kontaktovať na bezplatnom telefónnom čísle 844-324-3374 (od pondelka do piatku, od 8:00 do 17:00), alebo emailom [aginvestigations@michigan.gov](mailto:aginvestigations@michigan.gov). Viac informácií o snahe Detroitskej Arcidiecézy predchádzať zneužívaniu je k dispozícii na adrese [protect.aod.org](http://protect.aod.org).

**Thank You!**

Thank you all so much and thanks be to God through His Blessed Mother; I have made the fundraising goal for my Pergola Project at the Capuchin Retreat Center and have already purchased most of the lumber for the project (below). I plan to start the building this coming spring. I hope and pray that you all will be able to enjoy the pergola when it is completed. Please keep me and those who will help with the building in your prayers.

Thank you again and God Bless, *Patrick Lawler*

**Tax Statement Request for 2022**

If you made a single donation of \$250 or more in 2022, you will automatically be issued a tax statement per government requirements. Those who have used PushPay or have given us an email address to enter into our database in the past will receive a tax statement automatically via email. If we have your email address before the third week in January, the email will come directly from a PushPay email, not from the church email so please be aware of this when looking for the email. If your email address is received after the third week of January, the email will likely come from a parish email.

If you are not sure if we have your current email address and would like to receive a tax statement via email, please go to our website: [www.saintcyrils.church](http://www.saintcyrils.church) to complete the tax statement request form there or fill out the form below to ensure your correct address is in our database.

If you would like a paper tax statement for your 2022 tax deductible contributions, please complete the form on our website or fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or drop it off in the Parish Office.

Emailed tax statements should go out around January 20 and paper statements will be available by the end of January.

Any questions, please contact: *Rob Avery*,  
(586) 726-6911 or [business@saintcyrils.church](mailto:business@saintcyrils.church)

**Tax Statement Request for 2022**

Please send a statement for tax deductible contributions made to Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish during 2022 to:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Envelope #:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Telephone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Request:** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please mail my Contribution Statement when it is available.

☐ I will pick up my sealed Statement in the vestibule box marked "Tax Statements".

☐ Please email my tax statement.



A hand holding a white cloth over a golden chalice. The background is a warm, brownish-gold gradient.

# Family

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OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA  
SS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS  
ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL  
ST. RENE GOUPIL

## Family Commissioning Mass

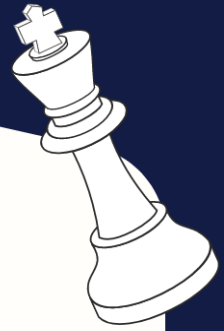
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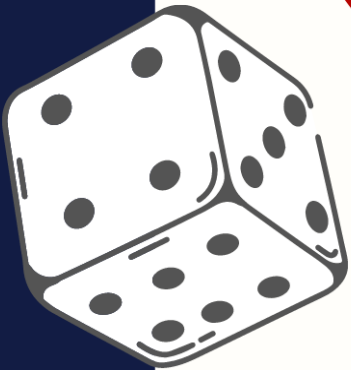
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Saturday, January 21st, 2023

1pm-5pm

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Slovak Catholic Church in  
the Fr. Mikus Hall.

More information: email Amy Hastings [ahastings.det@rcahybrid.org](mailto:ahastings.det@rcahybrid.org)