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20[™] SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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August 19, Saturday - Sobota

Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

9:00AM For the Intentions of the Assumption Novena5:30PM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory req. RMG

❖ For Scott & Beth Sier
❖ For Lana Haynes (B'Day)
❖ For Louise Hand (B'Day)
❖ For Luke Laconi (B'Day)

♣†Fred & +Shirley Ross req. Barbara Holcomb

August 20, Sunday - Nedeľa

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1,6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

7:30AM For the Intentions of All Parishioners9:30AM For the Intentions of the Assumption Novena

11:30AM (*Slovak*)

For Michael & Megan Sobolic req. Prusak Family

♦ † For the Deceased Members of the Bucko Family req. Family
♦ † For the Deceased Members of the

†For the Deceased Members of the Holka Family req. Family
†Emil & Anna Holka req. Family
†Zofia Grisakova req. Sobolic Family
†Charles J. Celusnak req. Dymit Family

❖†Emilia Rafaidus req. Hildegard Ivin 8:30PM For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family

❖ For Emily reg. Grammie & Papa

❖ For Jan & Dan Atkinson

❖For Renee Dzieciolowski (B'Day)
❖For the Kasneci & Dukaj Families
❖For Mark Varchetti
❖For Tone Shkreli

August 21, Monday - Pondelok

Memorial of Saint Pius X. Pope

9:00AM For the Intentions of the Assumption Novena

12:00PM For Paul & Judy Pawlowski

❖ For Reese req. Grammie & Papa ❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

❖†Eleanor Trombley

August 22, Tuesday - Utorok

Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00AM For Peter Desser (B'Day)

❖ For Steve Mazurkiewicz II (B'Day) req. Family ❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

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❖†Jennie Keena

12:00PM For the Intentions of the Assumption Novena

August 23, Wednesday - Streda

(Latin)

9:00AM For the Intentions of the Assumption Novena

12:00PM For Ban Frances (B'Day)

❖ For Molly Manor req. Langlois Family

❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

❖ For Shannon O'Neill

August 24, Thursday - Štvrtok

Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

6:00AM For Elise Fuller

❖ For Jack Shubnell req. Langlois Family

❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

❖†Rory M. MacAuley (5th Ann.) req. Zach Gala

12:00PM †Colleen Aujero

7:00PM For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family

❖ For Beth Ledford (B'Day)

❖ For Terry & Anne Haio & Family❖ †Sam Shamoon req. Haishas

August 25, Friday - Piatok

6:00AM For James Fulton Parker req. Langlois Family

❖ For Larry & Mary Hines (44th Wed. Ann.)

❖ For Anne Desser (B'Day)❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

12:00PM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. Denise

❖ For Eli

♦ †Breslin & Stephanick Families

♦†Roy Trombley

August 26, Saturday - Sobota

Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

9:00AM For the Intentions of the St. Monica Sodality

❖ For the Menard & Daniel Families❖ For Nino & Betty Abate (Wed. Ann.)

❖ For Martin Szollosi

5:30PM For Holy Souls in Purgatory req. RMG

❖ For a Special Intention req. Samantha❖ For Scott & Jennifer Brady (Wed. Ann.)

❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

❖ For the Living & Deceased Members of the

Louis & Anna Zelenak Family

♦ †Rafael Drensek
†Paul Daudlin req. Langlois Family

August 27, Sunday - Nedeľa

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

7:30AM For the Intentions of the St. Monica Sodality

❖ For Giovani David Franzese req. Langlois Family

For Cindy

❖†Hana Volaj req. Rrok Vukaj Family

♦†Michael Foley (3rd Ann.)

❖†Janet Wenzel ❖†John Maciag req. Wife

♦†Lou, Michael, John Roy

9:30AM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

11:30AM (Slovak)

For Fr. Libor & Fr. Juraj req. Janet Sullivan

❖ For Living & Deceased Members of the Plzak Family

❖ For Nikoleta Surinova req. Andrew Moynihan

❖ For the Living & Deceased Members of the

Louis & Anna Zelenak Family

❖ For Michael & Megan Sobolic req. Prusak Family

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❖†Paul R. Schoener

†Emilia Rafaidus req. Daniela Grisak

8:30PM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

❖ For Fr. Norman MacPhee (B'Day) req. McIntyre Cousins

❖ For Matthew & Renee Dzieciolowski (Ann.)

❖ For Alexandria White (B'Day)

❖ For Kasneci & Dukaj Families

❖ For Living and Deceased Members of the Dalal Family

❖ For Aurora de la Cruz



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, August 20, 2023

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Ss. CYRIL & METHODIUS HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAYS: 9:00AM & 5:30PM (Vigil)
SUNDAYS: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM (Slovak) & 8:30PM
MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: 9:00AM & 12:00PM
TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS: 6:00AM & 12:00PM
THURSDAYS & FIRST FRIDAYS: 6:00AM, 12:00PM & 7:00PM

Ss. CYRIL & METHODIUS CONFESSION SCHEDULE

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAY: 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
SATURDAY: 8:30AM - 9:00AM

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: 10:00AM - 2:00PM TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS: 11:00AM - 2:00PM THURSDAYS: 11:00AM - 5:00PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAYS: 1:00PM - 7:00PM



Even though the Parish Slovak Festival has been cancelled, the Parish Festival Raffle will still take place!

The main drawing will take place next Sunday, August 27, with five chances to win!!!











Please visit the Parish Office if you would like to purchase raffle tickets.

Sold tickets and money (and unsold tickets) should be delivered to the Parish Office or dropped in the collection basket.

The deadline to turn in raffle tickets is by the end of the 11:30AM Holy Mass next Sunday, August 27.

RAFFLE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE! \$2 EACH or 6 TICKETS FOR \$10

Parish Office Hours:

Mondays: 10:00AM—5:00PM; Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays: 11:00AM—5:00PM; Wednesdays: 10:00AM—2:00PM

The net profit from the raffle benefits the parish.

Thank you for your support! Ben Rybicki, Festival Raffle Chairperson



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS

EDGE AND LIFE TEEN











Edge and Life Teen provide a place for youth to come together to find their faith and to go deeper with the understanding that they are LOVED by our Lord. We strive to offer a place for today's youth to establish a beautiful relationship with Jesus Christ – only He can transform them by His love for who they are. Teens will discover how they are members of the Body of Christ. It is our desire that the youth form profound friendships with each other and, through that, discover how they're vital members of the community. In turn, they will each find ways to become more active in the life of the Church.

It is our mission that each adult COR volunteer member, helps to build these relationships and to meet the youth where they currently are in their lives. Our aim is to help youth summit on their current journey towards holiness and to take what they've learned into the next stages of their lives.

SS. Cyril and Methodius' Edge and Life Teen welcomes teens from any parish. New teens are always encouraged to register and join us year-round.

SEPTEMBER-MAY • PRAYER • TALKS • SNACKS

GAMES • HIKES • SPORTS • RETREATS

INTERESTED? QUESTIONS? Contact our youth minister, Heidi Normile



edge@saintcyrils.church lifeteen@saintcyrils.church (586)-641-7672 Scan to register!



WHO IS OCIA FOR?



- Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or Profession of Faith
- Those who were baptized Catholic as infants but never received religious education, Confirmation, or First Eucharist.

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 so, contact the Parish Office, (586) 726-6911, or email: ocia@saintcyrils.church

Catholic Young Adult Singles • August 23

Catholic Young Adult Singles Holy Happy Hour will take place on Wednesday, August 23 at 6:30PM at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 715 N. Lapeer Rd. Lake Orion, MI.

Join us & other young adult singles for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Confession, & Benediction from 6:30PM - 8:00PM. Ice cream Social follows at Eva's Dairy Café at 8:00PM, followed by continued Happy Hour at Fork n' Pint bar at 8:30PM.

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

St. Monica Sodality Masses • August 26 - 28

The St. Monica Sodality has several Mass intentions coming up, and we hope you can join us. The first Mass takes place next Saturday, August 26, at 9:00AM. The monthly St. Monica Holy Mass takes place on Sunday, August 27, at 7:30AM. August 27th is typically St. Monica's feast day, but since it falls on Sunday, the Sunday Mass takes priority. St. Augustine's feast day is on Monday, August 28, and the Mass intention is at 9:00AM. We also invite you to stay for prayers after all three Masses (Divine Mercy Chaplet, St. Monica Sodality Prayer and the Triduum Prayer in Honor of St. Monica - prayer location will be announced. St. Monica prayers are published on page 7.

Note - All St. Monica petition slips submitted between August, 2022, and July, 2023, are in the process of being delivered to Rome. More info on this will be provided next month. Any newly submitted petition slips will go into the covered album and placed in front of the altar during the Masses.

May Our Blessed Mother and St. Monica walk with us all in our journey of faith!

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

Trail Life Troop MI-0214 • August 29

TRAIL LIFE TROOP MI-0214 is gearing up for the next year of Trail Life Adventure. We will be holding our annual Join the Trail on Tuesday, August 29, from 7-8:30 PM outside on the hill if weather permits and inside the north hall if it does not.

The TRAIL LIFE USA motto "... is to guide generations of courageous young men to honor God, lead with integrity, serve others, and experience outdoor adventure.

Come join us for a year of adventure and excitement as we learn about God, leadership, serving others, and the outdoors. We are looking for boys from 5-18 years of age to join. We have specific programming that is age appropriate for all. We meet most Tuesday's from 7-8:30PM at Ss. Cyril & Methodius.

There will be an information session for new families and those not quite sure what Trail Life is all about, as well as ice cream and games for the kids.

If you have any question, please contact: *Mike Lawler*, (mikelawler3@gmail.com) (248) 482 3199

National Conference for Single Catholics • August 25-27

Looking to meet other single Catholics? August 25-27 join hundreds of single Catholics coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) at the 22nd National Conference for Single Catholics at St. John's Resort in Plymouth. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, Adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more. Regardless of your age or whether you've never been married, are divorced, annulled or widowed, you are welcome. Register with promo code (PARISH23) to get \$50 off for the first 50 sign ups nationwide to use this code. Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. Can't find your question answered on the website, please call: (512) 766-5798.

Flag Retirement Ceremony • September 8

The Knights of Columbus Blessed Virgin Mary Assembly #1839 will hold its Annual "Flag Retirement Ceremony" on Friday, September 8! The ceremony will be held in the back parking lot at Ss. Cyril & Methodius Slovak Catholic Church, beginning at 6:30PM. After the ceremony, hot dogs, apple pie, chips and beverages will be served.

A bin for your retired flags is located in the vestibule. Drop off your retired flags before September 8 or bring them to the ceremony.

For more information, please contact:

Joseph White, Faithful Navigator, (586) 556-2122

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life • September 12 A Study on the Life of Jesus Christ

The marvelous treasures of the Catholic Faith—the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, and the Creed—are all centered on a single figure: Jesus Christ. Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure. He is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God. While many of us already know a lot about him, how well can we say we really know him?

With Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri filming on location in the Holy Land, *Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life* is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who He is, what He is really like, what He taught, and what He did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life on him as you come to know and love him in an ever-deeper and more intimate way.

Register for a 10-week class that begins on Tuesday, September 12, from 10AM - 12PM. Cost: \$33 (payable on the 1st day of class).

Questions and to Register: *Marge Lewandowski*, (586) 822-7902

Catechism Corner • Classes Begin September 13

Catechism classes begin Wednesday, September 13. Are your children registered?

To register or if you have any questions, please contact: *Carroll or Paul Schuller*, cschuller@saintcyrils.church or (586) 726-6911

KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT Child and Youth Protection



Matthew 25:40 says, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." As Christians we are called to look out for the innocent as if they were Christ himself. In response to this call from Christ, the Archdiocese of Detroit has updated the safe environment policies it has in place to protect children and vulnerable adults. You may have seen some of the bulletin articles or heard Fr. Libor talk about the changes that now expand the certification requirements to all volunteers. The changes being implemented have been deemed necessary by the Archdiocese in order to better comply with the regulations set forth in the Charter for Protection of Children and Young People by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

As a result of these changes the following steps must be taken:

- 1. All volunteers will need to sign a Code of Conduct on virtus.org. The virtus system will require you to sign this before you are able to register for a class. If you took the recertification class prior to virtus having this uploaded, you should receive an email asking you to go back into virtus to sign the code of conduct.
- 2. **Adult volunteers who have regular contact with children** are required to have annual background checks. The current paper form only authorizes us to run the initial background check. Virtus is working on uploading a form to be completed online that will authorize the annual background checks so the paper form will need to be completed now and the online form will need to be completed once it is available online. Forms are available by the statue of St. Michael in the entryway, on the table in the vestibule, and in the Parish Office. Completed forms can be dropped off in the Parish Office for Deacon Phil. **
- 3. Adult volunteers who do not have regular contact with children are required to have background checks completed at least biennially.
- 4. Any adult volunteer who took a Protecting God's Children course prior to 2020 will need to take a recertification class online at virtus.org by August 31, 2023. There is also a Vulnerable Adults Module connected to the recertification class. In all, the combined class takes approximately two hours to complete. It is self-paced so, if needed, you can pause and return later to complete.
- 5. Any adult volunteer that has not taken a Protecting God's Children class and has regular contact with children must take a live Protecting God's Children course in-person or via zoom before volunteering. You can sign up for a class online at virtus.org.
- 6. Any adult volunteer who has not taken a Protecting God's Children class and does not have regular contact with children, must take a class but can choose from either the live version or the self-paced on-line class.
- 7. **Any teen volunteer (ages 14 17)** will need to take the Healthy Relationships for Teens module in virtus. Teens should enter their date of birth when registering at virtus.org and the proper teen module will be assigned to them. No background checks are required for teens.
- 8. Every three years an online recertification will be required for the Protecting God's Children & Vulnerable Adults class.
- If you do not know your username or password to login to virtus.org, you can select the blue "I need login help" button to try to recover your login information. If you have taken a Protecting God's Children class in the past, it is important that you access your existing account in virtus so you are properly assigned to the recertification class and it will be linked to your previous class. If you are unable to gain access to your account with the "I need login help" button, please contact virtus at (888) 847-8870.
- If you are a group leader, please send us a list of the names of all the current volunteers involved in your group as well as notify them that they need to take the above steps. From there, it is up to you if you want to have each volunteer notify Deacon Phil or our business manager, Rob Avery, directly when they have completed the class or they may notify you and then you can let us know. Once Deacon Phil is able to complete the background check, confirm the sign off on the code of conduct and confirm the class was completed, we will make sure the group leaders are informed that your volunteers are cleared.
- ** If you have concerns with providing all of the information requested on the form, many times the background check can be completed with as little as your full name, date of birth, race and sex. A phone number is also helpful so if something of concern shows up on the background check we can discuss it with you directly. Please be assured all information provided as well as the results of the background checks are kept confidential. Deacon Phil runs the background checks and in the event that Deacon Phil is unavailable to run the check it will be run by our business manager. If your record is clear, it will be identified as such in the virtus system for recordkeeping purposes. If there is an issue involving violence or abuse on your background check, Deacon Phil will discuss the findings directly with Fr. Libor to determine if the issue is one that will prevent the individual from volunteering. If they are unable to volunteer, the reason will not be discussed with anyone. The background check will consist of a criminal history check only to confirm whether there are any criminal or misdemeanor arrests, charges or convictions. The background check is very important for us to ensure that we are not putting anyone who may have a history of violence or abuse in a volunteer position for the parish.

We greatly appreciate everyone's assistance in ensuring all groups/volunteers are in compliance with these new requirements. Though it certainly is going to take some extra effort by all of our volunteers, we are hopeful that the training is not only helpful in protecting our children and vulnerable adults while at church but also outside of church. I think we can all agree that if we can keep just one child or vulnerable adult from violence or abuse this will all be worth it.

If you have any questions please reach out to either:

ST. MONICA SODALITY PRAYER

Recite this prayer DAILY for your intentions and in union with all those also praying this prayer.

E ternal and merciful Father, I give You thanks for the gift of Your Divine Son who suffered, died and rose for all mankind. I thank You also for my Catholic Faith and ask Your help that I may grow in fidelity by prayer, by works of charity and penance, by reflection on Your Word, and by regular participation in the Sacraments of Penance and the Holy Eucharist. You gave Saint Monica a spirit of selfless love manifested in her constant prayer for the conversion of her son Augustine. Inspired by boundless confidence in Your power to move hearts, and by the success of her prayer, I ask the grace to imitate her constancy in my prayer for [name(s)] who no longer share in the intimate life of Your Catholic family. Grant through my prayer and witness that (he/she/they) may be open to the promptings of Your Holy Spirit, and return to loving union with Your Church. Grant also that my prayer be ever hopeful and that I may never judge another, for You alone can read hearts. I ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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TRIDUUM PRAYER in HONOR of ST. MONICA FIRST DAY: Prayer for Faith (August 26th)

O glorious St. Monica, transfixed with sorrow when you saw your beloved child Augustine living in the dark and gloomy abyss of error and vice, and straying far from the right path which leads to true felicity in the possession of God and His holy grace, hear our prayer, O afflicted mother. By that cruel sorrow, which with so much patience you did bear, and by those earnest sighs and bitter tears with which you did appeal to God to change the heart of your prodigal son, and by your wondrous confidence in God, which was never shaken, O grant to us, your children, that we may, like you, place all our trust in God, and in our trials and troubles be ever resigned to His holy will. While we ask you, O glorious mother St. Monica, to supply for us our special needs, we here earnestly ask you to pray for the erring children of Jesus, so many Augustines, straying from God and hurrying to ruin. Let that earnest prayer of yours go forth once more for us and for sinners, that we may live in the light of divine grace and be united again thereafter to bless the bounty of a loving God for eternity. Amen.

LET US PRAY. O God, look graciously down upon your children who sigh in this valley of tears. With hope we pray for our daily bread, for the forgiveness of our sins, for the never-failing help of Your grace, and for the faithful fulfillment of Your promises; to find life everlasting and a happy abode with You in heaven, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. May God, through the merits and intercession of Saint Monica, increase our faith, strengthen our hope, and enkindle the fire of charity in our hearts. Amen.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be... Saint Monica, pray for us.

SECOND DAY: Prayer for Hope (August 27th)

O glorious mother, St. Monica, although the many means you employed to accomplish the conversion of your son Augustine seemed fruitless, and for a long time God Himself appeared deaf to your earnest prayer and unmoved by your ever-flowing tears, you never lost confidence in obtaining the long-sought grace for Augustine. You lovingly and tenderly admonished your erring son; you watched over him ever with all a mother's love, and fearless of danger and heedless of fatigue, followed him from place to place in his weary and wayward wanderings. In a word, all that a mother's tender love could suggest, all that a mother's anxious solicitude could inspire, all that a wondrous prudence and true wisdom could dictate, you, O great St. Monica, cheerfully did to effect the return to God of your firstborn and darling child. By all these generous efforts, so happily crowned in the end, hear, O mother, the petitions we make to you. Pray for us, too, and pray especially for those who are unmindful of and ungrateful to God. To you, O dearest mother, we are especially dedicated; look upon us, then, as your children, and win for us the grace we need. Regard mercifully the most destitute among us, that sin being diminished, the number of the faithful may increase, and greater glory may be given to Him who is the best of friends, the truest of benefactors, our first beginning and last end, the source of all our hope, our Savior, our God. Amen.

LET US PRAY... Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be... Saint Monica, pray for us.

THIRD DAY: Prayer for Charity (August 28th - Feast Day of St. Augustine)

glorious mother St. Monica who can conceive the consolation that abounded in your heart, so long the home of brooding sorrow, when you saw your child Augustine rising in the light of grace and giving himself generously to God. When you folded your converted son in your arms and tears of every joy streamed forth to tell the glowing jubilee of your heart, Oh, how in that moment God in his mercy recompensed your years of sorrow and anxiety, your long and weary days of racking suspense. It was impossible that a child of tears like yours should perish and when your son Augustine heard the call of God he obeyed it, and his life and his deeds flung a luster all their own on you, St. Monica. O fortunate mother, twice mother of your child, deign to listen to our prayers and present our petitions to God. Look lovingly, and with all a mother's interest on us assembled here, under your protection, to honor you. We love you and let us become, as St. Augustine of old, the objects of your maternal love. Pray that we, too, like St. Augustine, may have strength to cling to God, and triumph over sin and temptation. By your prayers break the fetters of sin that hold in cruel bondage the souls of your sinful children in this world. O mother, pray that the miracle of grace in the heart of Augustine may again and again be repeated in these days of universal sin, and that the erring children of Jesus may be led back to the fold so that united here on earth, we may securely go through the dangers of life and be united with you, our mother, in heaven forever. Amen.

LET US PRAY... Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be... Saint Monica, pray for us.