

3rd Sunday Of Easter  
Sunday, April 14, 2024



SAINTS CYRIL AND  
METHODIUS PARISH

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



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled ... You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

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# MASS Intentions

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## April 13, Saturday - Sobota

### Memorial of Saint Martin I, Pope and Martyr

- 9:00AM For the Members of Our Lady Mother of Mercy Secular Discalced Carmelites  
❖ For the Intentions of the Rosary Society  
❖ For Jillian Haio ❖ For Annette Rudzewicz (B'Day)
- \*11:00AM \*Baptism Liam Vincent Kotulski
- 5:30PM For Danielle Brown  
❖ For Sylvester Wilkins (B'Day) req. Family  
❖ For Amy (B'Day) ❖ For the Vacaj Family  
❖ †Robert Shiner req. Visintainer Family  
❖ †Brendan Heaton  
❖ †Walter Lobur req. Therese Stout

## April 14, Sunday - Nedela

### Third Sunday of Easter

- 7:30AM Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48  
For All Ss. Cyril & Methodius Families & Friends  
❖ For Annette Rudzewicz  
❖ For Carl & Maureen Varchetti ❖ For Vicki Babbie  
❖ For Lisa Johnston req. Lewandowski Family  
❖ †Bob Shiner req. Dianne Marine  
❖ †Germaine Evely
- 9:30AM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG  
❖ For Larry & Cassie Giroux & Families  
❖ For the Intentions of the Knights of Columbus-St. Nicholas Council & Families  
❖ For Debra Konowalski & Family req. Antonia Albino  
❖ For Beverly Zech  
❖ †Kathy Howell  
❖ †Rafael Drensek req. Drensek Family
- 11:30AM (Slovak) For a Special Intention  
❖ For Fr. Libor Marek ❖ For Fr. Juraj Nuota  
❖ †Emil & Anna Holka req. Family  
❖ †Bernard Ivin req. Family ❖ †Jessica Hanna
- 8:30PM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

## April 15, Monday - Pondelok

- 9:00AM For Therese Stout req. Karen Rockholt  
❖ For Gary & Annette Rudzewicz  
❖ †Stefania Bak ❖ †Ken Bishop req. Therese Stout
- 12:00PM For Fr. Juraj Nuota (B'Day)  
❖ †Teresita Culala req. Merla Pablo  
❖ †Walter Mikulak (B'Day) req. Daughter  
❖ †Matthew Margiewicz

## April 16, Tuesday - Utorok

- 6:00AM For Anna Fuller ❖ For Emma Timmerman (B'Day)  
❖ For Paul Varchetti & Family  
❖ †Gladys Langlois
- 12:00PM For Beth Ledford  
❖ For Lourdes & Eli ❖ For Vicki Babbie  
❖ †Angus McIntyre (B'Day)

## April 17, Wednesday - Streda

- 9:00AM (Latin) For a Special Intention  
❖ In Thanksgiving req. Samantha Babbie  
❖ For Mark Varchetti  
❖ †For Jessica Hanna req. Vicki Babbie
- 12:00PM For Priests in the World  
❖ For Lourdes & Eli ❖ For Rosemary & Sam  
❖ †Tidel Mansoor req. Vicki Babbie

## April 18, Thursday - Štvrtok

- 6:00AM For Glen & Amy Varchetti & Family  
❖ For Anna Fuller ❖ For Samantha & Brandon  
❖ †Jeff Laszczak req. Family
- 12:00PM For Chelsea-Rose & Joylene-Alena Jabboori-Ryan  
❖ For Rummana-Mary & Daniel-August Jabboori-Ryan  
❖ For Lourdes & Eli  
❖ †Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany
- 7:00PM For Nicholas Harnadek req. Donna & Steve Mazurkiewicz  
❖ For Vicki Babbie req. Sharon Brown & Family  
❖ For R. Michael Guarnieri req. Friend  
❖ †Zarifa Dalal

## April 19, Friday - Piatok

- 6:00AM For Calvin Abro (B'Day) req. Family  
❖ For Renee Dzieciolowski ❖ For Vicki Babbie  
❖ For Nate & Theresa Robinson & Family
- 12:00PM For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family ❖ For Lourdes & Eli  
❖ For Amy & Bernadette ❖ †Helene Maciag

## April 20, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For James & Family  
❖ For Joseph Pawlowski ❖ For Brooklyn Hebert  
❖ †Rafael Drensek req. Family
- 5:30PM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

## April 21, Sunday - Nedela

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

- Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18
- 7:30AM For Ss. Cyril & Methodius Altar Servers  
❖ For Carl & Alyssia Varchetti & Family  
❖ For Sage Anne Barbat (1st Holy Communion) req. Family  
❖ †Doris Stinga req. Mary Kessler  
❖ †Patricia Mrocza req. Dianne Marine  
❖ †John Maciag req. Wife  
❖ †Dianne Shekell req. Lewandowski Family
- 9:30AM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG  
❖ For Members of Group 16 Slovak Catholic SOKOL  
❖ For Debbie Konowalski (B'Day) req. Family  
❖ For Catherine Simpson  
❖ For Andrew Melnyk req. Mom  
❖ For Anne Simoneau req. Joe & Sonia Honce  
❖ †Bill Melnyk req. Wife
- 11:30AM (Slovak)  
For Fr. Libor Marek ❖ For Fr. Juraj Nuota  
❖ For Lucia Tomkova req. Plzak Family  
❖ For Sofia Filickova req. Plzak Family  
❖ For Katarina Drabova req. Plzak Family  
❖ †Magdalena Bojova req. Rodina Labasova  
❖ †Jessica Hanna
- 8:30PM For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family  
❖ For Living & Deceased Members of Beni Family req. Marie Louisa Potempski  
❖ †Tawitha Farida ❖ †Arthur Miruzzi req. Family  
❖ †June Brennan req. Stefani Family  
❖ †Linda Gauci req. Family ❖ †Gloria Jean Mosed

MONDAY, APRIL 15  
MAY GOD BLESS FR. JURAJ NUOTA  
ON HIS BIRTHDAY AND ALWAYS!





Welcome

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Fr. Libor Marek, Priest in Solidum • [lmarek@saintcyrils.church](mailto:lmarek@saintcyrils.church)  
Fr. Juraj Nuota, Priest in Solidum • [jnuota@saintcyrils.church](mailto:jnuota@saintcyrils.church)  
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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:**

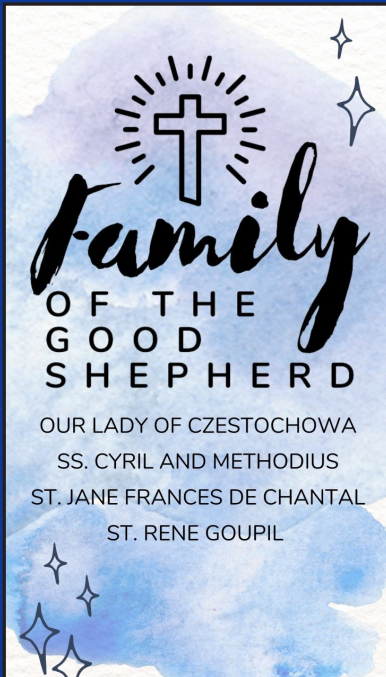
MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: 8:30AM - 9:00AM & 11:30AM - 12:00PM  
TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS: 5:30AM-6:00AM & 11:30AM-12:00PM  
THURSDAYS & FIRST FRIDAYS: 5:30AM - 6:00AM, 11:30AM - 12:00PM & 6:30PM-7:00PM  
SATURDAYS: 8:30AM - 9:00AM

**REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:**

MONDAYS: 10:00AM - 5:00PM  
TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS: 11:00AM - 5:00PM  
WEDNESDAYS: 11:00AM - 2:00PM  
\*Office is closed during 12:00PM Holy Mass

**OVERNIGHT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

THURSDAYS, 1:00PM - FRIDAYS, 12:00PM (until 7:00PM on First Fridays)



**FAMILY OF PARISHES WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULES:**

**Our Lady of Czestochowa**

3100 18 Mile Road, Sterling Heights, 586-977-7267  
SATURDAY (Vigil Masses): 4:00PM (Polish) & 5:30PM (English)  
SUNDAY (All Polish): 9:00AM, 11:00AM, 1:00PM & 7:00PM

**St. Jane Frances De Chantal**

38750 Ryan Road, Sterling Heights, 586-977-8080  
SATURDAY (Vigil): 4:00PM  
SUNDAY: 9:00AM & 11:30AM

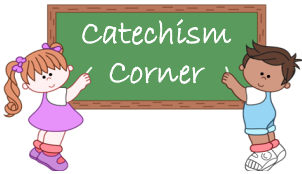
**St. Rene Goupil**

35955 Ryan Road, 586-939-7500  
SATURDAY (Vigil): 4:00PM  
SUNDAY: 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 5:30PM

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:**

- ◆ Our Sick Parishioners
- ◆ Those who have Died
- ◆ Family Members & Friends
- ◆ Those who Serve in the Military





### Catechism Corner Class Schedule

**Wednesday, April 17, 6:15PM:**

Class with Benediction

**Wednesday, April 24, 6:15PM:** Class

**Wednesday, May 1, 6:15PM:**

Class for K-7th Grades. Also May Crowning & Confirmation Rehearsals and Confessions for 8th Grade Students Only.

**Thursday, May 2, 6:15PM:**

First Confessions & First Communion Rehearsal

**First Friday, May 3:**

Confirmation Holy Mass 7:00PM (Arrive at 6:00PM)

**Saturday, May 4:**

First Holy Communion Holy Mass 1:00PM (Arrive by 12:30PM)

**Sunday, May 5:**

May Crowning Holy Mass at 10:00AM (Arrive by 9:30AM)

**Wednesday, May 8, 6:15PM:**

Last Class (All Grades K-8th)

Catechism Questions, please contact:

*Paul & Carroll Schuller, (586) 726-6911*

*p\_schuller@yahoo.com or cschuller@saintcyrils.church*

### Life Teen Ministry

Life Teen offers high schoolers a variety of ways to deepen their relationship with God through weekly youth group meetings called "Life Teen Nights." They include games, snacks, spiritual formation, small group discussions, and prayer. We ask that teens have turned 14 years old before December 1 of last year and be at least freshmen to attend.

Life Teen Nights take place every Monday (except the first Monday of each month) from September through May, in the Fr. Mikus Hall from 6:45PM – 8:45PM. For more information:

<https://saintcyrils.church/discover/youth-programs/life-teen/>

### EDGE Youth Ministry

EDGE offers 6th, 7th, and 8th graders a variety of ways to deepen their relationship with God through weekly youth group meetings called "EDGE Nights." They include games, snacks, spiritual formation, small group discussions, and prayer. EDGE also seeks to complement Ss. Cyril's Catechism program by giving teens a place to discuss and practice what they learn about at Catechism. Teens benefit from being part of both. For more information:

<https://saintcyrils.church/discover/youth-programs/edge/>

EDGE Nights take place every Thursday (except the first Thursday of each month) from September thru May, in the Parish Hall from 7:00PM – 8:45PM.

Questions about Life Teen or EDGE? Contact:

*Heidi Normile, Youth Minister, (586) 859-0194*

*edge@saintcyrils.church or*

*lifeteen@saintcyrils.church*

Scan to register!



## Fellowships ~ April 21

BAGELS & COFFEE



Fellowship with Bagels & Coffee will take place in the Fr. Mikus Hall after the 9:30AM Holy Mass next Sunday, April 21.

*Everyone is Invited!*

### 2,000 Cross to Stand Against Abortion

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish display of 2,000 white crosses in front of the Parish will be in place until Thursday, April 25. Each cross represents all of the children that will die from abortions this year. This is another pro-life project that the Knights of Columbus, St. Nicholas Council 7001 supports.

Please pray for an end of abortion in our time.



### Office of Priestly Vocations • April 17

The Office of Priestly Vocations' discernment group for men (18-55) considering the priesthood is having its next meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 from 7:00-8:30pm. New members can join at any time, as there is no requirement to have been at the last meeting. The previous nights have been a great success with many men excited to talk about their possible vocation to the priesthood.

Meetings are led by Fr. Craig Giera, Director of Priestly Vocations, and will include prayer, group discussion on discernment, light refreshments, and fellowship with other-like-minded men.

For more info, please contact the vocation office:  
[detroitpriestlyvocations.com/discernment-groups/](http://detroitpriestlyvocations.com/discernment-groups/).

### Our Lady's Rosary Makers • Friday, April 19

Our Lady's Rosary Makers will meet this Friday, April 19, in Room #113 from 1:00PM-3:00PM. Everyone is invited:

For more information or questions: *Jo Ann, (586) 979-1078*

### Slovak Catholic Sokol Annual Meeting • April 21

Slovak Catholic Sokol (SCS) was founded over 100 years ago and continues its great tradition to the present day. Based upon our Catholic faith, the organization encourages education by providing scholarships at all academic levels. Our theme promotes a healthy mind and body through gymnastics and athletic events and activities. SCS is financed through a life insurance and annuity program available to all members. SCS is a charitable organization and for many years was the Heart and Soul of the Ss. Cyril & Methodius community. Our Group 16, originally in Detroit, was founded in 1926. Headquartered in Passaic, NJ, the website is: [www.slovakcatholicsokol.org](http://www.slovakcatholicsokol.org) Our assembly 36/214 Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 21, in the Heritage Room following the 9:30AM Holy Mass. Members are welcome to attend, however, an information table will be available for anyone who would like to learn more about SCS. Local contact is:

*John Papcun, (810) 798-8475 or [johnpapcun@yahoo.com](mailto:johnpapcun@yahoo.com)*

### Lenten Projects ~ Thanks

Thank-you to all the parishioners and friends who contributed to the parish Lenten projects. Because of your sacrifices and generosity St. Dominic's Outreach Center provided beautiful Easter baskets to 28 families and children. Our donations helped stock the shelves in the Baby Boutique at Image of God Pregnancy Centers, providing much needed items for moms and babies will into the Easter season. Thank you also to everyone who helped collect and deliver the Easter baskets and baby items. The gift of your time is greatly appreciated!

In the coming months the Knights' baby bottle collection and the monetary donations to Camp Ozanam and to the Malta Medical/Dental Clinic will provide assistance to many that will make memories and beautiful smiles that will last a lifetime.

## Total Consecration to Jesus thru Mary

Preparation Begins: April 28

### Consecration: Visitation of the Blessed Virgin 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) 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 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 next preparation begins on Sunday, April 28, for all who wish to make, or renew their Consecration on May 31, the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. "Preparation for Total Consecration" books are available in the parish office for \$10.

Questions or to REGISTER to make (or renew) Consecration, please contact the Parish Office: (586) 726-6911

### Regina Caeli Classical Homeschool Hybrid Touring Event

Monday, April 29

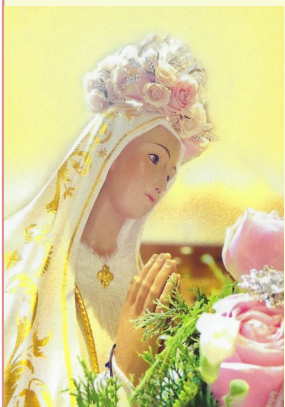
"Training the mind to form the soul" Our mission is to help our students achieve salvation, deepen in intellect and character, grow spiritually, develop the ability to win others for Christ and perceive and elect his or her God-given vocation. Come to our Touring Event on Monday, April 29, from 10:00AM - 12:00PM to discover what students and parents love about Regina Caeli Academy. Detroit Location: 42259 Hayes Rd., Sterling Heights.

Questions or to RSVP, please contact Mrs. Jeanne Baltrinic, (989) 402-5109 or mjbaltrinic.det@rcahybrid.org

### Lentercize Participants Reminder

Please turn in your completed Lentercize calendar sheet(s) to the Parish Office by Sunday, April 21, to be eligible for prizes. If you no longer have your calendar sheet(s) and you tried to complete each daily challenge, please stop in the Parish Office to register for prizes as well or call (586) 726-6911.

## Mother's Day Novena



Don't forget the special lady in your life with the perfect gift — a beautiful Mother's Day Novena card for mothers, grandmothers, Godmothers, mother-in-laws, stepmothers, wives, aunts, sisters, friends or any woman who has kindly nurtured you with a special motherly love. Mass cards will be available this week in the Parish Office. The 9-day Novena will begin Monday, May 13. \$10

*The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the most precious gift anyone can receive.*

## Attention Parish Families

with 2024 High School Graduating Seniors

**SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, May 26, 9:30AM Holy Mass**

Please mark your calendars to attend a Mass with intentions for all of our parish high school seniors (public, private, co-op and homeschool) on Sunday, May 26, at 9:30AM. There will be a special Fellowship following this Holy Mass.

A photo board with each senior will be displayed on the wall in the vestibule. Please plan to include your graduating senior by dropping off or mailing a 4" x 6" picture of your senior to the Parish Office by Monday, April 29. Include an easy-to-read spelling of your child's first and last name, and the school from which he or she is graduating. Make sure to mark on the envelope "Grad Pic" so it gets to the right person. Thank you.

We hope each of you will be able to attend this Mass as we observe this wonderful accomplishment. Attire for the Mass will be modest Sunday Best and there will be no assigned seating for the graduates. They will sit with their families. We look forward to seeing each of you then. Until then, finish strong, Seniors! Questions, please contact: Stacey Lawler, (248) 227-0885

### Baby Bottle Returns

The Knights of Columbus St. Nicholas Council 7011 thanks everyone who returned their baby bottles on the weekend of Palm Sunday. All donations will go to Mary's Mantle, a Catholic residence for homeless expectant women. If you did not return your bottles last weekend, please drop it off in the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you for helping these ladies and babies in need.

### Mobile App

To download our Church 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 Push-pay" app and search for SSCyrilApp or you can select "Find my church by name" and search for SS Cyril. Through this App, you are able to access things like daily readings for Mass, a digital Bible, weekly bulletins and our electronic giving page.

### Women With Moms 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](http://aod.org/walking-with-moms-in-need) and [evangelicalcharity.org](http://evangelicalcharity.org).

For WWMIN Ministry at Ss. Cyril & Methodius, please contact:

Betty Abate, [babate@saintcyriels.church](mailto:babate@saintcyriels.church)

For a current list of pregnancy resources:  
<https://ccsem.org/mom/>







# Adoration ~ Come Let Us Adore Him

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAY, 1:00PM - FRIDAY, 12:00PM until 7:00PM on FIRST FRIDAYS**

## A HEARTS DEEPEST LONGING

From the very beginning, from the humblest beginnings of the Church up until now, the Heart of Christ has been our sanctification. It has been the zeal of the Apostles, the fortitude of the martyrs, the unshaken determination of confessors, the purity of virgins, and the perseverance of the just. In short, It has been the perfection of all the saints. We too, must follow the Heart of Christ wherever HE may lead us and the more closely we follow Him the nearer and complete to perfection we will be. We must pray, therefore, for the Lord to arouse our hearts and help us to understand and imitate His Heart. For it is the standard of virtue and the pattern of sanctity. We must pray for the Lord to free us from illusion, every obstacle, with a guileless and pure heart so we may seek Him. We want to desire that our thoughts, the feelings of our heart, may be similar to His. Now is the time for all of us to begin our sanctification, which we have so long put aside for other things. We must cry out to be made whole and proclaim, "Cheer me up, Jesus most kind - give help, give courage; behold, now I begin!"

- Paul A. Ray, stpolycarp77@yahoo.com

### PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS: WE ARE IN NEED OF COMMITTED ADORERS

At Gethsemane Jesus said to the apostles, "Couldn't you watch with me even one hour? Keep watch and pray so that you will not give into temptation. For the spirit is willing but the body is weak". (Matt 26:40-42) Our Lord is calling you to stay with Him for one hour..

**Weekly Committed Adorers are needed during the following times:**

**FRIDAYS: 3-4AM (need 2 adorers), 4-5AM & 8-9AM**

**If you have questions about Eucharistic Adoration,**

**or would like to commit to one hour weekly with Our Lord, please contact:**

**Annette Rudzewicz, (586) 247-7214 or the Parish Office or sign up on the sheet in the vestibule.**



## Volunteers Clean Up Parish Grounds

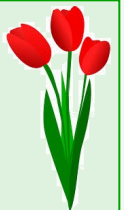
Last Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, our Trail Life Troop - Mountain Lions Patrol and their families (parents and siblings) along with Mr. Lawler - cleaned up flower beds on the church property. Thank you to the young people for raking and bagging approximately 75 bags of pinecones, needles and leaves. Our appreciation also to the Confirmation Students, you know who you are, who braved the cold temperatures on Friday, April 5, and also assisted in cleaning up Our Blessed Mother's Grotto. Thank you to all the volunteers who do all they can donating their time to help beautify the parish grounds.



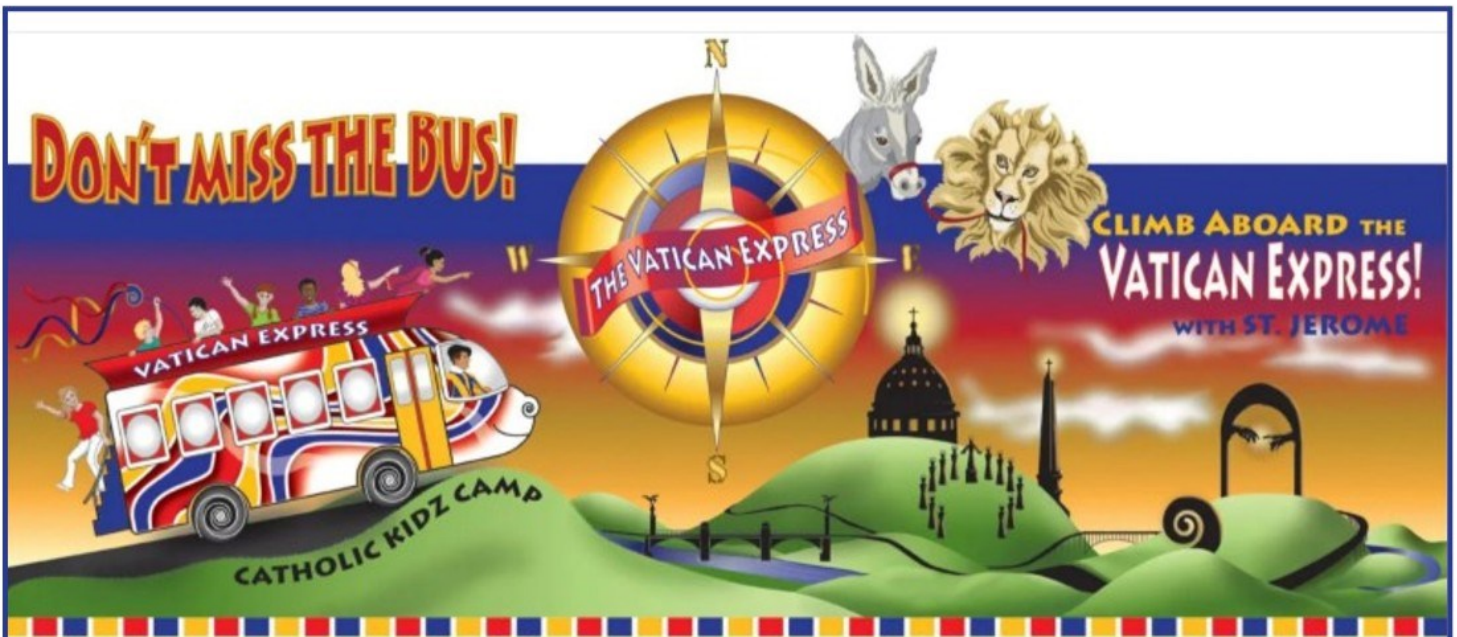
Members of Trail Life beautifying the Parish grounds!



**SPRING**  
If you like the outdoors and have an interest in keeping our church grounds beautiful, please contact the Parish Office!







# VBS

## Vacation Bible School

**WHEN:** June 24 - 28, 2024  
9 am - 1 pm

**WHERE:** Ss. Cyril & Methodius  
41233 Ryan Road, Sterling Heights

### FEATURING:

- St. Peter's Square • St. Peter's Basilica •
- Sistine Chapel • Early Church History •
- St. Peter • Pope Francis • St. Jerome •



### OPEN TO

KINDERGARTEN - 7th GRADE

### REGISTRATION (QR Code)

(before May 22):

1st Child in Family: \$35

All Other Children: \$25

(after May 22):

1st Child in Family: \$45

All Other Children: \$35

### QUESTIONS

Moe Jones

586-219-6678 or

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

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are entering 8th grade  
this Fall or higher, you are  
welcome to volunteer.

### ALLERGIES

All snacks provided by VBS  
will be peanut free