

6th Sunday Of Easter
Sunday, May 5, 2024



SAINTS CYRIL AND
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“If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and
remain in his love.” - Jn 15:10

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MASS *Intentions*

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May 4, First Saturday - Prva Sobota

- 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Rosary Society
❖ For the Intentions of the Members of the St. Monica Sodality
❖ For Maxine Watkins
❖ †Louis Allawerdi
- 1:00PM *First Holy Communion Mass
For the Intentions of the First Communicants
- 5:30PM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
❖ For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
❖ For Matthew Dubon (B'Day) req. Family
❖ For R. Michael Guarnieri req. Friend
❖ †Margaret DeLorme req. Trombley Family
❖ †Anam Shina & +Edward Hana req. Daughter
❖ †Jessica Hanna

May 5, Sunday - Nedela

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- Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 JN 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17
- 7:30AM For the Daniel & Menard Families
❖ For Lucy Timmerman (B'Day)
❖ For Violet Timmerman (B'Day)
❖ For Sophie Chanko (B'Day) req. Family
❖ †Cindy Desser
❖ †John Maciag req. Wife
❖ †Gene Kucharek req. Wife
- 10:00AM *May Crowning*
For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- 8:30PM For Mar Mari Emmanuel
❖ For Mr. Curley req. Sam
❖ For Jazleen & Sabri Yousif req. Sam
❖ For Victor Gjonaj
❖ †Jessica Hanna
❖ †Arthur Miruzzi req. Family
❖ †Linda Gauci req. Family

May 6, Monday - Pondelok

- 9:00AM For Therese Stout req. Karen Rockholt
❖ †Jessica Hanna
❖ †Arthur Miruzzi req. Family
❖ †Linda Gauci req. Family
- 12:00PM For Andy Gappy req. Aunt Vicki
❖ †Elishwa & Shamoon
❖ †Colette Chupa (B'Day) req. Family
❖ †Francis E. Ruth req. Rita

May 7, Tuesday - Utorok

- 6:00AM For Claire Mazurkiewicz (B'Day) req. Family
❖ For June
❖ †Christine Accomando
❖ †Jessica Hanna
- 12:00PM For All Priests in the World
❖ For Paul, Linda & Families
❖ For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
❖ †Anna Rudzewicz

May 8, Wednesday - Streda

- 9:00AM (Latin)
For Katie Shubnell
❖ For Melanie Bruss req. Uncle Dan & Aunt Jan
❖ †Dennis Rafferty ❖ †David Chupa req. Wife

- 12:00PM For Raymond req. Grandma & Papa
❖ †Elia & Afifa Jazrawi
❖ †Ann Rudzewicz
❖ †Christine & Clair Branch req. Family

May 9, Thursday - Štvrtok

- 6:00AM For Thomas Fuller
❖ For Jordan Zabawa
❖ For Catherine Miller
❖ †Elaine Miller
- 12:00PM For Michael req. Grandma & Papa
❖ For the Hanna Family
❖ For Emmanuel Korkis (B'Day)
❖ For the Shamoon Family
- 7:00PM For Fr. Jim Hass
❖ For Jim & Barb Wisniewski & Family
❖ †Francesca Russo req. Daughter
❖ †Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany

May 10, Friday - Piatok

Memorial of Saint John of Avila,

Priest and Doctor of the Church

- 6:00AM For the Robertson Family
❖ For Jacob Lopiccolo
❖ †Peter Ghazal
❖ †Anna Nguyen Thi Chin req. Thu Ho Nguyen
- 12:00PM For the Living & Deceased Members of the Laszlo & Gail Families
❖ For Habib Family
❖ †Frank Stachurski
❖ †Ann M. Pullis

May 11, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For the Members of Our Lady Mother of Mercy Secular Discalced Carmelites
❖ For Joseph Desser
❖ For Sophia Skrocki & Family
❖ †Marjorie Desser
- 5:30PM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
❖ For Jennifer & Family
❖ For Beth Sier (B'Day)
❖ For Emily Ratchford
❖ For Living & Deceased Members of the Drozdowski Family
❖ †Margaret DeLorme req. Trombley Family
❖ †Rafael Drensek req. Drensek Family

May 12, Sunday - Nedela

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:11-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20

- 7:30AM For Danielle Brown
❖ †Derrick Powell
❖ †Patrick O'Shea req. Family
❖ †Savera DiCicco
❖ †Antonia Pacitto
❖ †Louis Allawerdi
❖ †Matthew Margiewicz
- 9:30AM For Intentions of All Mothers (Natural & Spiritual)
- 11:30AM (Slovak)
Na úmysel všetkých matiek
- 8:30PM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

Welcome

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Fr. Libor Marek, Priest in Solidum • lmarek@saintcyrils.church
 Fr. Juraj Nuota, Priest in Solidum • 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)

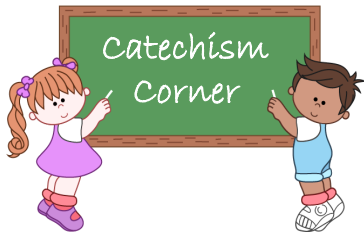
May is the Month of Mary

It is a well-known devotion, to consecrate to most holy Mary the month of May, as the most beautiful and florescent month of the whole year. This devotion has long prevailed throughout Christendom; and it is here common in Rome, not only in private families, but as a public devotion in very many Churches. Pope Pius VII, in order to animate all Christian people to the practice of a devotion so tender and agreeable to the most blessed Virgin, and calculated to be of such great spiritual benefit to themselves, granted, by a Rescript of the Segretaria of the Memorials, March 21, 1815 (*kept in the Segretaria of his Eminence the Cardinal-Vicar*), to all the faithful of the Catholic world, who either in public or in private should honor the Blessed Virgin with some special homage or devout prayers, or other virtuous practices.

(Taken from the Raccolta, a publication of prayers published in the mid-19th century.)

In 1945, Pope Pius XII solidified May as a Marian month after establishing the feast of the Queenship of Mary on May 31st. After the Second Vatican Council, this feast was moved to August 22, while May 31st became the feast of the Visitation of Mary.





Catechism Corner

Wednesday, May 8, 6:15PM:

Last Class (All Grades K-8th)
Catechism Questions, 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. Register for the night with the QR below.

Questions about Life Teen or EDGE? Contact:

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

edge@saintcyrils.church or lifeteen@saintcyrils.church

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:

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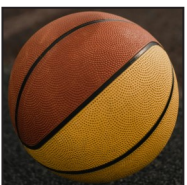
Scan to register!



Family Sports Night

BEGINS FRIDAY, MAY 10

Come and join a night of fun, sports and fellowship with friends and peers at our upcoming Family Sports Night. Soccer, Basketball and volleyball will be waiting for everyone this Friday, May 10, at 6:30PM in the back parking lot. Bring additional games like cornhole, frisbee or board games if you would like. Bring food and snacks for yourself and/or to share with friends and hang around the bonfire too!



Legion of Mary Spring Luncheon • May 16

The Legion of Mary Annual Spring Luncheon will take place on Thursday, May 16, at the Gazebo Banquet Center, 31104 Mound Road in Warren from 12:00PM to 2:30PM. Speaker is Father John Kopson, Administrator of St. Anne Parish in Warren.

Cost is \$25. Please make checks payable to *Mary Peterson* and contact her at (586) 738-1154. Please include your telephone number and address with your check. Payment deadline is Tuesday, May 7. Registration is on a pre-pay basis only. Sorry, no walk-ins allowed.

For additional information, please call:

Mary Peterson, (586) 738-1154 or Yvonne Howrylak, (248) 252-0348

Pancake Breakfast • May 19

The Knights of Columbus, St. Nicholas Council #7011, is hosting a "Free-will Offering Pancake Breakfast" on Sunday, May 19, after the 7:30AM, 9:30AM and 11:30AM Holy Masses. Everyone is invited!

Eucharistic Adoration • Hearts Deepest Longing

THURSDAY, 1:00PM - FRIDAY, 12:00PM

until 7:00PM on FIRST FRIDAYS ONLY

We often fool ourselves. We believe we are better than what we really are. We'll often times compare our living and ways of life according to worldly expectations instead of God's. If we're not murderers, rapists, perpetual thieves, or drunkards, we tend to think we have it pretty much all together. We'll believe that as long as we're not illustrious sinners and perform the occasional good deed we're okay.

This way of thinking is demonic. Satan wants us in sin just enough to have it control us, even if the sin(s) aren't terribly recognizable. As long as we continue to live to the world's standard of sin we're doomed.

The spiritual masters of the Church and our Lord remind us that the first step in overcoming sin and living according to truth (the right standard created by God) is to have knowledge of self and knowledge of God. This is our goal. This is the standard we want to achieve in order to unite ourselves more fully to God and the Eucharistic Lord. If we would take Christ Jesus as seriously as we do our finances, our well-being, our careers, our our children's security and safety, we would see Christianity lived out in a completely new and spectacular way.

Always remember what our Lord commanded us: "*Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things (what I mentioned above) shall be yours a well.*" (Matthew 6:33) We have a lot of work to do. But He promised to supply us with all we need.

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 & 4-5AM

If you have questions about Eucharistic Adoration:

Annette Rudzewicz, (586) 247-7214 or the Parish Office

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.



Walking 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 and evangelicalcharity.org.

For WWMIN Ministry at Ss. Cyril & Methodius, please contact:
Betty Abate, babate@saintcyrils.church

Reporting Sexual Abuse

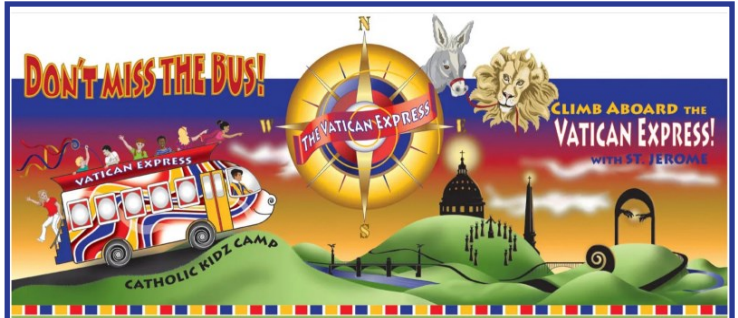
The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others – no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 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 jednotlivcov, ktorí by vedeli o prípadoch sexuálneho obťažovania mladistvých zo strany kleru, 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).



## Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 24-28, 2024, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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)

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parent volunteers are needed in order to provide a safe environment for the campers.

### VOLUNTEER MEETINGS:

TIME: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

LOCATION: Fr. Mikus Parish Hall

DATES: TUESDAY: May 7

WEDNESDAYS: May 15, 22, 29, June 5 & 12

MONDAY: June 17 - Mock VBS

SUNDAY: Set Up (1:00 pm)

REMINDER for VOLUNTEERS:

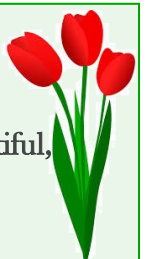
Must take Protecting God's Children & Complete a Background Check

### ALLERGIES

All snacks provided by VBS will be peanut free.

# SPRING

If you like the outdoors and have an interest in keeping our church grounds beautiful,  
**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**  
Please contact the Parish Office.  
*Thank You!*





# Congratulations to our First Communicants of May 5, 2024



## Communion Prayer

My Lord Jesus Christ,  
I firmly believe that I am about to receive, in Communion,  
Your Body, Your Blood, Your Soul and Your Divinity!  
I believe it because You have said it,  
And I am ready to give my life to maintain this truth. Amen.

## Prayer for the First Communicants

Sacred Heart of Jesus ever present in our lives,  
Hear our prayer as our communicants receive their First Holy Communion.  
Grant them, Our Lord, Loving Grace  
And help still their hearts with mindful prayer and worship  
As they receive at the Table of Our Lord  
The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.  
May the Holy Spirit shine a guiding light  
Throughout the course of their lifetimes  
Always leading them one step closer to the Kingdom of Heaven! Amen.

May God Bless all the students who received their First Holy Communion at our parish on Saturday, May 4th. As they begin their newfound personal relationship with Our Lord, we pray that they will always receive the Holy Eucharist with great faith, love, reverence, and devotion!

We extend our gratitude to their teachers for their patience, diligence, and handwork in preparing each and every student to receive not only Our Lord's Body & Blood but also His grace and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Penance. On behalf of the Communicant's parents and parish family, we would like thank Father Libor for his leadership and guidance and their teachers: *Betty Abate, Sheri Kanan, Luma Marinello, Leona Abate, Sophia Baltrinic* and *Rebekah Giroux* for their dedication to our Faith.

## *Those who received the Sacrament include:*

*Benjamin Abbott, Liberty Abbott, Gabriel Anton, Grace Anton, Andrew Dailey  
David Delaney, Elisa Diaz Rojo, Madelyn Dimoff, Roman Dopke, Clare Eastburn  
Benjamin Fuller, Charlotte Haynes, Maia Amer Kareem, Alexis Karrumi,  
Juliana Karrumi, Delanee Karrumi, Avery Kasgorgis, Miles Koziol, Levi Kray  
Evangeline Long, Delainey Mahoney, Andrew Mikulski, Duke Noechel  
Immaculee O'Brien, Carl Schmidt, Jude Sorisho, Jonah Sorisho  
Johnny Suchland, Dominick Szilagyi, Elizabeth Varchetti, and Sylvester Wilkins*

Please include them in your prayers.

Thank you, *Paul & Carroll Schuller*, Catechism Directors



## *Little White Guest*

You have come to my heart, dearest Jesus, I am holding You close to my breast;  
I'm telling You over and over, You are welcome, Little White Guest.  
I love You, I love You, my Jesus, O please do not think I am bold;  
Of course, You must know that I love You, But I am sure that you like to be told.  
And now that You've come, dearest Jesus, To nestle so close to my breast,  
I whisper, "I love You, my Jesus", You are welcome, O little White Guest.  
I'll whisper, "I love You, my Jesus," And ask that we never may part;  
I love You, O kind, loving Jesus, And press You still nearer my heart.  
And when I shall meet You in Heaven, My soul then will lean on Your breast;  
And You will recall our fond meetings, When You were my Little White Guest.



## Sacrament of Confirmation † May 3, 2024



Congratulations to all students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, May 3, at the 5:30PM 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 & 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, *Mary & Larry Hines, Keith Bolda, Jean Fortier and Cassie & Larry Giroux*, for being exemplary role models for our young people. Also, thank you to *Jeanne Langlois, Kathleen McPherson, Joseph Baltrinic, and Daniel Giroux*, who too played important roles in the students Confirmation preparation.

### *Those who received the Sacrament include:*

*Maria Aguero, Carla Aldib, Adelina Bahri, Ivan Blaski, Ramsey Bontomasi  
Anne Brown, Ella Bunao, Benjamin Czach, Grace Giroux, Clara Hammond  
Maria Hayden, Louisa Irwin, Sawyer Jones, Jianna Leon, Renata Martinez-Garcia  
Mary Muglia, Tu Nguyen, Sean O'Brien, Dominic Pearson, Dominik Piatkowski  
Brett Suchland, Matteo Vitale, Julia Weil, Ambrose Wey, and Aaron Wieggers*

*Carla Aldib and Adelina Bahri* (Blessing Only) received a blessing from Bishop Quinn. Both young ladies were confirmed at Baptism but completed the two years of Confirmation with Prep with their peers.

Thank you, *Paul & Carroll Schuller*, Catechism Directors

## *In Honor of Our Blessed Mother*

On Sunday, May 5th, at the 10:00AM Holy Mass, we honored Our Blessed Mother with our annual May Crowning. A spiritual bouquet to all the many parishioners whose helping hands assisted in making this a memorable tribute to Our Heavenly Mother.

Our appreciation to the Rosary Society and Legion of Mary for continuing their tradition of assisting us by exemplifying dignity and honor to Our Lord's Mother. The colorful procession also included the First Communicants as the Children of Mary and any other children of the parish who wanted to honor Mary. This year's Confirmation students composed the Crowning Court.



### Those Participating Included:

Crowners: *Ella Bunao, Clara Hammond and Louisa Irwin*

### Court & Honor Guard:

*Maria Aguero, Carla Aldib, Adelina Bahri, Ivan Blaski, Ramsey Bontomasi  
Anne Brown, Ella Bunao, Benjamin Czach, Grace Giroux, Clara Hammond  
Maria Hayden, Louisa Irwin, Sawyer Jones, Jianna Leon  
Renata Martinez-Garcia, Mary Muglia, Tu Nguyen, Sean O'Brien  
Dominic Pearson, Dominik Piatkowski, Brett Suchland, Matteo Vitale  
Julia Weil, Ambrose Wey, and Aaron Wieggers*

### Children of Mary:

*Benjamin Abbott, Liberty Abbott, Gabriel Anton, Grace Anton  
Andrew Dailey, David Delaney, Elisa Diaz Rojo, Madelyn Dimoff, Roman Dopke  
Clare Eastburn, Benjamin Fuller, Charlotte Haynes, Maia Amer Kareem  
Alexis Karrumi, Juliana Karrumi, Delanee Karrumi, Avery Kasgorgis  
Miles Koziol, Levi Kray, Evangeline Long, Delainey Mahoney  
Andrew Mikulski, Duke Noechel, Immaculee O'Brien  
Carl Schmidt, Jude Sorisho, Jonah Sorisho, Johnny Suchland  
Dominick Szilagy, Elizabeth Varchetti, and Sylvester Wilkins*