4th Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 30, 2025



## SAINTS CYRIL AND FARNOSŤ SVÄTÝCH METHODIUS PARISH CYRILA A METODA

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



Mosaic: "The Prodigal Son" as depicted at Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish

" is son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again."

- Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

# MASS Intentions

March 29, Saturday - Sobota		12:00PM	For Rosemary Shadda & Samantha Mansoor
9:00AM	For Nate & Theresa Robinson & Family		✤For Rita Bacik (B'Day)
	✤For Glen & Amy Varchetti  ♣For Kevin Davis		*†Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany
	For Joanna Siekiera req. Steve	7.00014	♦ †Iluminada I & Petronilo Figueroa req. Family For Poor Sould in Durratory and Class
5:30PM	For Fr. Stanley Obloj	7:00PM	For Poor Souls in Purgatory req. Clara ❖For Jack Brady & Family ❖For Dennis Zitny
	For Justin Langlois req. Langlois Family		<ul> <li>♦ For Jack Brady &amp; Faining</li> <li>♦ For Dennis Ziting</li> <li>♦ TJan Waclaw &amp; Helena Ciezobka req. Family</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>For Carl &amp; Alyssia Varchetti &amp; Family</li> <li>For Look Parala &amp; Family</li> </ul>	April / F	First Friday - Prvý Piatok
	For Jack Brady & Family For Gojcaj Famiy	_ ·	l of Saint Isidore,
March 20	♦ For Maria Laconi ♦ For Zina Rafiel req. Sister	memoria	
March 30, Sunday - Nedeľa		6.00435	Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Fourth Su	inday of Lent	6:00AM	For Hana Frances
700414	Josh 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32		†Paul & Helen Szwarc *†Stephanie Varchetti *†Cumthia Vanik
7:30AM	For Patrick Miller (B'Day)	12:00PM	☆†Cynthia Yanik For a Special Intention
	✤For Victoria Tena (B'Day) req. Family✤For Mark & Liz Russell & Family	12.00F W	<ul> <li>For the Intentions of the Rosary Makers &amp; Families</li> </ul>
	✤For Margaret Lewandowski		<ul> <li>Tori the intentions of the Rosary Makers &amp; Families</li> <li>+ fGreg &amp; Mary Manning &amp; Family</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>◆For Daniel Wilkins</li> <li>◆For Al &amp; Ann Varchetti</li> </ul>		*†Members of Maria & Constantino Quiboloy Family
	♦ Thomas Lewandowski	7:00PM	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
9:30AM	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG		✤For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
	✤For Andrew Dubon (B'Day) req. Family		✤For Lawrence MacDonald
	✤For Rob Avery req. Anna Plzak		For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
	For Annie Avery req. Anna Plzak	April 5, F	irst Saturday - Prvá Sobota
	❖For Natalia Plzak (B'Day) req. Anna Plzak	9:00AM	For a Special Intention
	For President Trump & Cabinet		For the Intentions of the Rosary Society
	♦ †Maristella D'Alio & Family req. Friends		❖For Amelia req. Meme & Papa ❖For Samantha Sabbagh
11:30AM	(Slovak) For Lillyann & Family	5:30PM	For the Intentions of All Parishioners
	For Jack Brady req. Rita	April 6, S	unday - Nedeľa
	*†Mirna Matti req. Varly Abshara	<b>Fifth Sur</b>	nday of Lent
	*†Deceased Members of Eichbauer Family		Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14, Jn 8:1-11
	*†Bobby Yax req. Rita	7:30AM	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
	<ul> <li>◆†Patricia Louise Simon req. Cousin</li> <li>◆†Anna Magusin req. Mirka Plzak</li> </ul>		For Carl & Maureen Varchetti
8:30PM	For the Intentions of All Parishioners		For Jack Brady & Family
March 31, Monday - Pondelok			♦†Zef Kol Doka Lulgjuraj
9:00AM	For the Noel Nelson Family		♦†Casimir & Theodora Kochan ♦†Mary Kelly
9.00AM	✤For James & Greete Varchetti	9:30AM	For Chasney & Mazurkiewicz Families
	<ul> <li>◆For Jack Brady &amp; Family</li> <li>◆For Maria Laconi</li> </ul>		For Eric & Susie Suchland & Family
12:00PM	For Alia Korkis (B'Day) *For Amy & Sam Shamoon		For Sharon Brown req Drensek Family
	♦ TFr. Mark Beard ♦ Tarek & Angel req. Family		‡Leonard Pagano req. Steve & Donna Mazurkiewicz
April 1, Tuesday - Utorok			+Judy Engel req. Mike MacDonald
6:00AM	For Kevin Davis		* †Rafael Drensek req. Drensek Family
	♦ TRichard Humbach req. Wife	11 00 4 1 6	♦ †Jessica Hanna
	Charles & Isabella Varchetti	11:30AM	(Slovak) For Fr. Michael Lenz req. Marsha Schoener
	†Roger Cayetano (B'Day) req. Family req. Family		For Carroll Schuller req. Mirka Plzak
12:00PM	For Alia Korkis (B'Day) 💠 For Rita MacDonald		For Mirka Plzak & Family req. Friend
	♦†Mildred Hand ♦†Gene Kucharek req. Wife		❖ For Samantha req. Friend ❖ For Maria Balaz req. Mirka Plzak
April 2, W	/ednesday - Streda		<ul> <li>For Maria Baraz req. Mirka Pizak</li> <li>†Anna Magusin req. Marsha Schoener</li> </ul>
9:00AM	(Latin) For Nadhim Haddad		<ul> <li>TAIna Magusin req. Marsha Schoener</li> <li>†Peter Noga req. Slovak Community</li> </ul>
	†Patricia Louise Simon req. Cousin	8:30PM	For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
	†Nick Vitale req Dan & Jan Atkinson	0.501 101	♦ For the Mansour Family ♦ For Bahri Family req. Friend
	♦ †George & Helen Emmendorfer		<ul> <li>◆ For Lamei Samlo req. Family ◆ For Louie Herfy req. Fam</li> </ul>
12:00PM	For Genevieve Dailey req. Papa & Grandma		<ul> <li>For Sami &amp; Linda Herfy (48th Ann.) req. Family</li> </ul>
	For Shelly McIhalgie (B'Day) req. Aunt Rita		For Jeff & Raquel Herfy (10th Ann.) req. Family
♦ + Elia and Afefa ♦ + Roger Farrier Jr. req. Sister April 2 Thursday, Sturtok			
April 3, Thursday - Štvrtok			STATIONS OF THE CROSS
6:00AM	For Al & Ann Varchetti & For Mazin & Bushra Korkis		Wednesdays, 11:30AM
	♦For Rosemarie Suau (B'Day) req. Gus & Marilou ♦†Mirna Matti req. Varly Abshara		Fridays, 6:30PM

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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 7PM on 1st Fridays)



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#### Eucharistic Adoration HEART'S DEEPEST LONGING

The tenth recommendation to discover God's will in our lives is to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet daily. At whatever time the chaplet is prayed, the important thing is to understand that in this prayer we ask the Father to look at us through the wounds of His Son, Jesus, and so that by looking at us through the wounds of His Son, He won't treat us as our sins deserve but treat us according to His great goodness and mercy. Jesus told St. Faustina (the saint to whom Jesus revealed the Divine Mercy Chaplet and devotion to His mercy), "Say the chaplet as I taught you, through the chaplet, you will obtain everything if what you ask for is compatible with my will. (Diary 1731)" And this is precisely the topic through which I write this series of articles. By praying it, it develops an attitude of trust in God. How often we choose to depend on ourselves or others to get the job done instead of first asking God to accompany us and walk before us? We'll find extraordinary graces by praying the chaplet. And grace is what we absolutely need to imitate Christ in our daily lives; we simply cannot do it on our own. What's more is it only takes roughly 5-7 minutes to pray and you can pray it at any time (Jesus suggests 3:00PM, the hour of Divine Mercy). By doing all these things along with everything I've previously mentioned in past articles, you will notice a significant change within yourself. You will be doing what your heart truly longs for ... God! And there's still eight left more to go! - Paul A. Ray

#### Can You Spend One Hour with Our Lord?

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.

**If you are able to commit to spend one hour with Our Lord EACH WEEK**, please contact: *Annette*, (586) 247-7214

Going Deeper into What the Catholic Church Teaches Tuesday, April 1 • 7:00PM • Overflow Room <u>TOPIC:</u>

#### **BEGINNING TO LIVE LIKE A CATHOLIC**

All are welcome to join the OCIA sessions to learn more about what we believe as Catholics. Whether you've already been Baptized & Confirmed doesn't matter. On April 1 we will discuss practical ways in which we can develop our spiritual lives around our busy schedules. Simply come to listen and learn.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers • Friday, April 4

Our Lady's Rosary Makers will meet this Friday, April 4, in Room #112 from 1:00-3:00PM. We welcome new members. No experience is necessary.

We also repair rosaries and accept donations of rosaries and rosary parts.

For more information, call: Jo Ann, (586) 979-1078

#### Catechism Corner <u>Class Schedule</u> <u>Wednesday, April 2:</u> Class <u>Wednesday, April 9:</u> Class <u>Wednesday, April 16:</u> NO Class (Holy Week) <u>Wednesday, April 23:</u> Class



<u>Wednesday, April 30:</u>

Class (May Crowning & Confirmation Rehearsal)

If you have any questions about Catechism, please contact:

Paul or Carroll Schuller

(586) 685-1069 or cschuller@saintcyrils.church

#### N.O.W. Teen Ministry

N.O.W.-Navigating our World with Christ-offers high schoolers a variety of ways to deepen their relationship with God through weekly youth group meetings called "N.O.W. Nights." They include:

- ◆ Teaching & Testimony
- Spiritual Formation
- Games & Social Time
  - Snacks
  - Prayer Time

We ask that teens have turned 14 years old before December 1 of last year and be at least a freshmen to attend.

Questions about N.O.W. Teen Ministry:

Heidi Normile, (586) 859-0194

#### **EDGE Middle School Youth**

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:

Teaching and Testimony

 Prayer Time
 Games & Social Time
 Snacks and Fun!
 Questions about EDGE Middle School Ministry: *Heidi Normile*, (586) 859-0194



We are in the midst of our adoption journey and we humbly ask for your help again. First and foremost, please continue to pray for us. Secondly, please join us for an evening with dinner and prizes to help us reach our funding goal.

With love & gratitude ~ *Rob & Krista Houbeck* 

<u>Menu:</u>

Pasta w/Marinara, Pasta w/Meat Sauce GF Spaghetti Option Salad, Bread Sticks, Desserts <u>Cost:</u> Free-Will Offering

To RSVP, please sign up in the vestibule or email Rob at Rob.Houbeck@gmail.com or call/text (586) 742-2518. Walk-ins are welcomed too!

Can't attend but would still like to donate: Venmo: @KHoubeck or PayPal: @KristaLynneH



#### Easter Novena

Our Easter Novena will begin on Easter Monday, April 21. Mass Cards are for living or deceased relatives and friends and are available in English and in Slovak. Available after Masses on weekends or in the Parish Office on weekdays!

Suggested Donation: \$10 each The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the most precious gift anyone can receive.

#### Rosary Society Meeting • First Saturday, April 5

First Saturday, April 5, the next Rosary Society Meeting will take place. The meeting follows the 9:00AM Holy Mass and Rosary and will begin at approximately 10:15AM in the Fr. Mikus Hall. Some of our important topics of discussion will be our:

- Easter Bake Sale (April 12 & 13)
- May Crowning Reception (May 4)
- Rosary Society 100th Anniversary Celebration (May 17)
- Corpus Christi (June 22)

All ladies of the parish, 18 years and up, are invited to join us to help us plan these events that make our Parish so special. If you have any questions about the Rosary Society or would like more info about how you can be involved, please contact:

Kathy Holka, Rosary Society President (586) 703-4043 or kholka@aol.com

#### Northland Family Prayer News • Saturday, April 5

One of our prayer meditations for the Sorrowful Mysteries contains: 'Jesus was not condemned by the power of wicked people. He was condemned because of the silence of good people... Let us pray that we may never be silent about abortion but rather will clearly speak up to save babies from death.' Please join us for Pro-life prayer this Lent: We'll gather on the public sidewalk in front of the Northland Family Planning Clinic, 3810 17 Mile Road (just west of Ryan Road) for a peaceful prayer and witness event this Saturday, April 5, from 11:30AM - 12:30PM. Bring your friends, family, rosary, and weather gear. Park in the shopping center lots nearby-parking is not allowed at the clinic. The prayer event (rosary, chaplet and other prayers) lasts about an hour-you can also pray nearby from your car. Note - A small group usually does clinic prayer on Tuesdays, starting around 9:40AM.

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

#### **FOCUS Ministry Summer Project**

Hello! My name is Scarlette Suchland. I lector here at the 9:30AM Holy Mass, was a Cor member for the Edge youth ministry for two and a half years, and helped in the Catechism program for four years. This summer, I have been given the opportunity to go to Montana with the FOCUS ministry, Summer Projects, program. I will be learning how to maintain a firm relationship with Christ, while working a 40 hour work week. This opportunity will include catholic speakers, bible studies, and spiritual direction with different priests from around the country, during the whole summer. I am, first of all, seeking your prayers for a great Christ-filled summer, and also your help to fundraise for this exciting endeavor. Any amount will be greatly appreciated. I will pray for all the parishioners of Ss. Cyril & Methodius, and thank you for your support!



This QR code will take you to a link to donate! Thank you in advance for any donations!

God Bless you, Scarlette Suchland

#### 2025 Parish Lenten Projects

### There is still an opportunity to join together this Lent as a parish family to help those in need:

**Easter Dinner Baskets:** If you signed up to bring an Easter Dinner Basket for a family at St. Dominic's Outreach Center, please drop off your basket(s) before any Holy Mass next weekend, April 5 or 6, or they may be dropped off in the Parish Office this Thursday or Friday, April 3 or 4. Each Dinner "Basket" should include the following items for a family of 5: instant mashed potatoes, canned vegetables, macaroni and cheese mix, dinner rolls, a dessert mix and a Kroger or Walmart gift card to purchase a ham and perishable items. If you wish, you may include Easter-themed disposable plates, napkins or tablecloth. Please pack your dinner items in a sturdy box or a reusable, sturdy bag rather than a basket.

**Baby Bottle/Change Collection for Mary's Mantle:** Baby bottles are still available (in the church vestibule or Parish Office) to fill up with loose change from around your house or with the savings from your Lenten sacrifices. You may fill your baby bottles with coins, dollars or checks (made payable to: *"St. Nicholas Council, 7011".* The filled bottles will be collected by the Knights of Columbus, St. Nicholas Council, on Divine Mercy weekend, April 26 & 27. Our individual bottles combined will

offer real assistance to Mary's Mantle, a local Catholic residence for homeless pregnant women. You can also make a donation to Mary's Mantle directly on their website: marysmantle.net or use the code on the right:



**Catholic Relieve Services:** THIS WEEKEND, March 29 & 30, a special collection will be taken for people living in developing countries around the world through innovative solutions that strengthen communities and equip them with resources and skills to prosper. Your donations help our brothers and sisters in the United States and around the world. Envelopes for this collection can be found on the table in the vestibule or in the Parish Office. Checks should be made payable to *"Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish"* with *"CRS"* on the memo line.

**Serve as an Usher** (Gentlemen): Contacts: *Frank Moran,* (586) 846-4930, *Lou Persichetti,* (248) 561-1240, or Parish Office.

**Help Clean the Church:** Wednesday, April 16, after the 12:00PM Holy Mass. Sign up on the sheet in the vestibule or call the Parish Office, (586) 726-6911

Bring a Friend to a Fish Fry: Fridays, April 4 & 11 from 4:00PM - 7:00PM

Bring a Friend to Stations of the Cross: Wednesdays at 11:30AM & Fridays at 6:30PM

Blood Drive • April 15

Our next Blood Drive is in only two weeks, during Holy Week on Tuesday, April 15, from 11:00AM—5:00PM, and many blood donors are still needed. The American Red Cross' blood supply is critically low. Without the



proper amount of blood on-hand, patients (perhaps even our family members or friends) may not have blood available for necessary operations or emergencies.

Please sign up today on the schedule in the vestibule, or visit: www.redcross.org/give.html/find-drive, 1-800-RED-CROSS, use QR Code to the right or call the Parish Office, (586) 726-6911.





## Easter Bake Sale



The Easter Bake Sale, organized by the Rosary Society, will take place on Palm Sunday weekend and we need your help. Break out your favorite cookie, cake, pie or your specialty baked good recipe and consider donating to the Bake Sale.

May Our Lady of the Rosary bless all the willing & productive hands! Questions: *Mirka Plzak,* (248) 390-1101 Homemade baked good donations may be delivered on:

Friday, APRIL 11, from 11:00AM - 5:00PM to the PARISH OFFICE Saturday, APRIL 12, from 8:30AM-12:00PM to the PARISH HALL

Thank you in advance for taking time during your Easter preparations to bake something for the Bake Sale. Please label your items and indicate if they contain nuts.

Thank you for your support! All proceeds go to our church!





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