

Fourth Sunday of Advent • Sunday, December 22, 2025
Nativity of the Lord • Thursday, December 25, 2025



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

Fourth Sunday of
ADVENT



Unto us a Child is Born!



*O Come,
Let Us
Adore Him!*

MASS Intentions

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December 20, Saturday - Sobota

- 9:00AM For Kaleigh Zabawa req. Langlois Family
❖ For the Glenn Wilkins Family
❖ † Steve Sandelands req. Plzak Family
❖ † Anthony Rybicki
- 5:30PM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
❖ For the Intentions of the Members of the St. Monica Sodality
❖ For Monir & Alia Korkis & Family
❖ For Hikmat Saco req. Daughter
❖ For Paul & Carroll Schuller & Family
❖ † Charles Spindler & Family
❖ † Kenneth Nowak req. Mom

December 21, Sunday - Nedela

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Matt 1:18-24

- 7:30AM For the Hines & Desser Families
❖ For Marvin Shaina & Grandfather
❖ † Age Dushaj
❖ † John Mangano req. Schena Family
❖ † Marge Lewandowski req. M/M Eugene Tomaszewski
❖ † Nicholas Vitale
❖ † Gene Kucharek (15th Ann.) req. Wife
- 9:30AM For Poor Souls in Purgatory req. M/M Steve Mazurkiewicz
❖ For the Vitale & Monsu Families
❖ For Zach Gala
❖ For Nathan & Rena, Nathan Jr. & Christian Abrhiem req. Edmunds Family
❖ For Marie & Danny Hollerud
❖ † Rafael Drensek req. Drensek Family
❖ † Paul Truchan req. Family
- 11:30AM (Slovak) For Ss. Cyril & Methodius Priests & Staff
❖ For Jan Lopatka & Nadaska Lopatkova & Family
❖ For Stacey Gjeloshaj req. Friend
❖ For Richard Litten req. Daughter
❖ For Viktoria Drozdowski
❖ For Martin Labas (B'day) req. Parents
❖ † Eliska Karrumi req. Stefan Sobolic & Family
❖ † Anna Magusin req. Stefan & Marta Sobolic
- 8:30PM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

December 22, Monday - Pondelok

- 9:00AM For Ilene & Stefano & Family
❖ For Antonina Albino req. Friends
❖ † Donald Sosnoski ❖ † Gjon & Pashka Lulgjuraj
- 12:00PM For Napolian Daniel
❖ For Lorraine Drozdowski req. Sharon Brown & Family
❖ † John Abundis req. Family
❖ † Cherian Xavier req. Daughter

December 23, Tuesday - Utorok

- 6:00AM For Pope Leo & All Priests
❖ For Marko Gojcaj
❖ † Prenta Lulgjuraj req. Family ❖ † Kostika Fushi
- 12:00PM For Paul, Linda & Families ❖ For Napolian Daniel
❖ For Andrew Ruhlman req. Dan & Jan
❖ † Alice Killewald req. Family

December 24, Wednesday - Streda

- 12:00PM For Living and Deceased Members of the Drozdowski Fam.
❖ For Samantha, Brandon & Family
❖ For Sam and Amy Shamoon & Family
❖ † Audrey Bustillo (Ann.) req. Parents
- 4:00PM For the Intentions of All Parishioners

12:00AM (Midnight) For the Members of the Knights of Columbus - Council 7011 & Assembly 1839

- ❖ For Rosemary & Simon & Family
❖ † John Mangano req. Schena Family
❖ † Salam Farjo req. Wife
❖ † Emily Hilborn Smith req. Friends & Family
❖ † Paul & Anna Magusin req. Friends
❖ † Louis & Catherine Brady req. Family

December 25, Thursday - Štvrtok

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

- 7:30AM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
❖ For Gary & Jo Davis & Family ❖ For the Hanna Family
❖ † Marge Lewandowski req. St. Paul on the Lake Legion of Mary ❖ † Zef Kol Doka Lulgjuraj req. Family
❖ † Helene Maciag ❖ † John Maciag req. Wife
- 9:30AM For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- 11:30AM (Slovak) For Nick & Groshe Lulgjuraj & Family
❖ For Michael Guarnieri req. Friends
❖ For Dan & Jan Atkinson req. Friends
❖ For Lourdes, Bernadette, Eli & Ave
❖ For Stacey Gjeloshaj req. Friend
❖ For Gjoni Gieloshaj (3rd B'Day) req. Mom & Dad
❖ For Viktoria Drozdowski
- 5:30PM For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
❖ For Theresa Nikprelaj & Family
❖ For Eli, Bernadette & Lourdes
❖ † Agatha & Natale Mangano req. Daughter
❖ † Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany
❖ † Paolo Persichetti req. Family
❖ † James Persichetti req. Family

December 26, Friday - Piatok

Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr

NO 6:00AM Holy Mass Today

12:00PM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena

December 27, Saturday - Sobota

Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

- 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena
- 5:30PM For Poor Souls in Purgatory req. Menard Family
❖ For All Priests, Seminarians, Deacons & Religious
❖ For Joseph Hanna (B'Day) ❖ For Laura Izquierdo
❖ For Thomas James Langlois req. Langlois Family
❖ For Steve Forster (B'Day) req. Family
❖ † Michael Pullis

December 28, Sunday - Nedela

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

- 7:30AM For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- 9:30AM For the Intentions of the Christmas Novena
- 11:30AM (Slovak) For Jan Lopatka & Nadaska Lopatkova & Family
❖ † Vladimir & Terezia Krizik req. Sobolic Family
❖ † Stefan & Anna Sobolic req. Sobolic Family
❖ † Gjergje Nucullaj req. Fam. ❖ † Tone Nucullaj req. Family
❖ † Nikkola Lulgjuraj req. Family
❖ † Anna Magusin req. Mary Ellen Dembeck
- 8:30PM For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
❖ For Living & Deceased Members of the Drozdowski Family
❖ For Jeff & Jenny Drozdowski (Wed. Ann.)
❖ For Mary Mutti
❖ For the Francis Family
❖ For Von Kama
❖ † Maria Ivezaj

4th Sunday of Advent • Sunday, December 21 & Nativity of the Lord • Thursday, December 25

Welcome

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Confession Schedule

Monday, December 22: Big Christmas Confession Day: 10:00AM-12:00PM & 6:00PM-9:00PM

No Confessions will be heard from December 23 through January 4.

Regular Confession Schedule will resume Monday, January 5, with Confessions heard 1/2 hour before each weekday Holy Mass and on Saturdays from 8:30AM-9:00AM.

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 22: Daily Masses at 9:00AM & 12:00PM

Tuesday, December 23: Daily Masses at 6:00AM & 12:00PM

Wednesday, December 24: Daily Mass at 12:00PM (See Christmas Eve Schedule Below)

Nativity of the Lord:

Wednesday, December 24, Christmas Eve: 4:00PM (w/Living Nativity) & Midnight Mass

Thursday, December 25, Christmas Day: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM (Slovak) & 5:30PM

Friday, December 26: Daily Mass at 12:00PM (No 6:00AM Mass Today)

Saturday, December 27: Daily Mass at 9:00AM & Vigil Mass at 5:30PM

Sunday, December 28: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM (Slovak) & 8:30PM

Eucharistic Adoration Schedule

Thursday, December 25 & Thursday, January 1: NO ADORATION

Thursday, January 8: Adoration Resumes: 1:00PM until Friday, 12:00PM

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God:

***HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Wednesday, December 31, 2025: 5:30PM (Vigil Mass)

Thursday, January 1, 2026: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM (Slovak) & 5:30PM

Office Schedule

The Parish Office will be open on Tuesday, December 23, from 10:00AM-12:00PM.
The Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday, December 24, thru Sunday, January 4,
and reopen on Monday, January 5, 2026, at 10:00AM!



CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS † Monday, December 22

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE FOR ADULTS

1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.

- Do I give God time every day in prayer? • Do I seek to love Him with my whole heart?
- Have I been involved with superstitious practices or have I been involved with the occult?
 - Do I seek to surrender myself to God's word as taught by the Church?
 - Have I ever received communion in the state of mortal sin?
- Have I ever deliberately told a lie in Confession or have I withheld a mortal sin from the priest in Confession?
 - Are there other "gods" in my life? Money, Security, Power, People, etc.?

2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

- Have I used God's name in vain: lightly or carelessly? • Have I been angry with God?
- Have I wished evil upon any other person? • Have I insulted a sacred person or abused a sacred object?

3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

- Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation?
- Have I tried to observe Sunday as a family day and a day of rest? • Do I do needless work on Sunday?

4. Honor your father and your mother.

- Do I honor and obey my parents? • Have I neglected my duties to my spouse and children?
 - Do I try to bring peace into my home life?
- Have I given my family good religious example? • Do I care for my aged and infirm relatives?

5. You shall not kill.

- Have I had an abortion or encouraged or helped anyone to have an abortion? • Have I physically harmed anyone?
 - Have I abused alcohol or drugs? • Have I participated in or approved of euthanasia?
 - Did I give scandal to anyone, thereby leading him or her into sin?
 - Have I been angry or resentful? • Have I harbored hatred in my heart?
- Have I mutilated myself through any form of sterilization? • Have I encouraged or condoned sterilization?
- Have I engaged, in any way, in sins against human life such as artificial insemination or in vitro fertilization?

6. You shall not commit adultery.

- Have I been faithful to my marriage vows in thought and action?
 - Have I engaged in any sexual activity outside of marriage?
 - Have I used any method of contraception or artificial birth control in my marriage?
 - Has each sexual act in my marriage been open to the transmission of new life?
- Have I been guilty of masturbation? • Do I seek to control my thoughts and imaginations?
- Have I respected all members of the opposite sex, or have I thought of other people as mere objects?
 - Have I been guilty of any homosexual activity?
- Do I seek to be chaste in my thoughts, words, actions? • Am I careful to dress modestly?

7. You shall not steal.

- Have I stolen what is not mine? • Have I returned or made restitution for what I have stolen?
- Do I waste time at work, school, and home? • Do I gamble excessively, thereby denying my family of their needs?
 - Do I pay my debts promptly? • Do I seek to share what I have with the poor?
- Have I cheated anyone out of what is justly theirs, for example creditors, insurance companies, big corporations?

8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

- Have I lied? Have I gossiped? • Do I speak badly of others behind their back?
- Am I sincere in my dealings with others? • Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my thoughts of others?
- Do I keep secret what should be kept confidential? • Have I injured the reputation of others by slanders?

9. You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.

- Have I consented to impure thoughts? • Have I caused them by impure reading, movies, television, conversation or curiosity?
 - Do I pray at once to banish impure thoughts and temptations?
- Have I behaved in an inappropriate way with members of the opposite sex: flirting, being superficial, etc.?

10. You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.

- Am I jealous of what other people have? • Do I envy the families or possessions of others?
 - Am I greedy or selfish? • Are material possessions the purpose of my life?

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PREPARE FOR A GOOD CONFESSION

Additional Guides for a Good Confession can be found at: www.saintcyrils.church for:

Younger Children: <https://saintcyrils.church/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Guide-for-a-Good-Confession-for-Children.pdf>

Older Children: <https://saintcyrils.church/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Guide-for-Confession-for-Children.pdf>

Adults: <https://saintcyrils.church/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Guide-for-a-Good-Confession-2018-Adult.pdf>

PRAYER BEFORE CONFESSION

O most merciful God! Prostrate at your feet, I implore your forgiveness. I sincerely desire to leave all my evil ways and to confess my sins with all sincerity to you and to your priest. I am a sinner, have mercy on me, O Lord. Give me a lively faith and a firm hope in the Passion of my Redeemer. Give me, for your mercy's sake a sorrow for having offended so good a God. Mary, my mother, refuge of sinners, pray for me that I may make a good confession. Amen.

ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of Thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

POŽENANÉ VIANOCE!
Wishing You a Blessed Christmas!

**Christ is Born for us;
Come, Let Us Adore Him!**

*Father Libor, Father Juraj
Deacon Phil & Deacon Gerald*

DEARS
FROM STS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS,
DETROIT

Wishing you a Merry
Christmas filled with love,
joy, and laughter! May this
festive season bring you
warmth and happiness.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

2026

Yours in Christ

*+ Christopher Ndizeye Nkoronko
Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese
of Kahama*

2025 Parish Advent Giving Projects



Local Monetary Donations – White Envelopes or PushPay for these donations (until December 25):

During the month of December, donations to the **Parish Christian Service Fund** will be distributed between these ministries listed below. Donations to the Parish Christian Service Fund can be made online via PushPay; or place cash or a check made out to *Ss. Cyril & Methodius* in a **white Advent Giving envelope** and put it in the Sunday collection basket no later than December 25.

- † **Image of God Crisis Pregnancy Centers:** Women experiencing a crisis pregnancy find friendly and much-needed assistance at Image of God's three centers, one of which is in nearby Madison Heights. The centers help women set goals and provide for their own and their baby's needs from pregnancy through the baby's first 2 years. Our donation will help cover Image of God's operational costs so they can continue their lifesaving and life affirming mission in 2026.
- † **St. Christine's Christian Services** is located in the Brightmoor neighborhood of Detroit. Their soup kitchen and food pantry currently feeds 500 people each week. Our donation to their general fund will go toward purchasing fresh foods, paying utility bills or wherever most needed.

International Monetary Donations – Blue Envelope for these donations (until December 25):

To donate to either or both of these projects, indicate the amount of your donation for the program(s) you wish to donate to, and place it in the Sunday collection basket no later than December 25.

Note: per the IRS, this international donation is not tax deductible.

- † **Slovak Seminary Donation:** Future priests from all five Slovak dioceses are currently studying at St. Gorazd Seminary in Nitra. This year 50 theology students are in formation at St. Gorazd. This annual donation from our parish is a small way for us to support the church in Slovakia. Rather than a direct sponsorship, our donation will be used at the rector's discretion to provide financial assistance or to help fund retreats or other formation events.
- † **Catholic Medical Clinic in Kahama, Tanzania:** The town of Kahama, home of our sister parish Holy Family, desperately needs a medical clinic for immediate medical concerns. Since Bishop Christophe's last visit to our parish, construction of a building for this clinic started but additional funds are needed to complete this much-needed Catholic medical clinic. The incomplete project is currently at a stand-still. Our donations will allow construction to continue and move closer to providing this loving and essential resource to the people of Kahama that cares for each patient's heart and soul.

If you have questions about any of the projects, please contact Raffaella, rdalio@saintcyrils.church

Christmas Novena Begins Friday, December 26

Our Christmas Novena begins on Friday, December 26. Christmas Novena Holy Mass Cards are available (in Slovak and English) after all Holy Masses on weekends and in the Parish Office on weekdays.

On back of picture (Luke 2:11-14): "For today in the city of David a Savior has been born for you who is the Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God saying:

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

Suggested Donation: \$10 each

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the Most Precious Gift Anyone can Receive!



LIFE

Our Sign of Hope

RESPECT LIFE MONTH 2 - I'M DANCING

The baby is developing all its external and internal organs. During the 2nd month, baby teeth form as well as fingers and toes. Ears, nose, and lips and tongue can now be clearly seen, and the skeleton changes from cartilage to bone. The central nervous system is now functioning with 40 different muscle sets. By eight weeks, all body systems are present. Ultrasound reveals the first dance steps!

You can follow your baby's growth and development each month by checking the "WATCH ME GROW" posters in the vestibule and in the bulletin. If you would like to spiritually adopt a baby, please contact the Parish Office, (586) 726-6911, to obtain a prayer card and become part of the Spiritual Adoption Program.

Eucharistic Adoration • Heart's Deepest Longing

NO ADORATION ON: Thursdays, December 31 & January 1

We have been discussing separating ourselves from the world. Remember that the world is in league with Satan, its prince, and he seeks for souls to destroy, whereas Christ longs for souls to save. We cannot, therefore, serve the world and Jesus; for if we become friends with the world we become enemies of Christ. If you are an admirer of the world you will perish by the world. But if we follow the Heart of Christ we will have life everlasting. What we must do is drive away from us the ways of the world, i.e., its ideologies, philosophies, idols, allurements, and offer it to God. This offering will be pleasing and honorable to Him. The angels and saints will applaud the deed, and the world itself will be compelled to admire the lofty heroism of your mind. Blessed is the person who withdraws their affections from the things of the world and consecrates them to Jesus alone! What does the world have to offer? It is filled with the desires of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. And the end of all these things is death and hell. If, then, you love the world, or the things which are of the world, you take unto yourself and embrace everlasting death. What good has the world done for you that you should show it all your attention? Doesn't it always result in evil? Does it not fill you with anxieties, fears, worries, concerns, and perhaps even despair? Why then, would anyone freely choose to devote their heart to it? The Heart of Christ grants peace of mind, order, instruction, calm and leaves us with a firm resolve to do that which is good and wholesome, not only for ourselves, but for those who surround us in our everyday lives.

- Paul Ray

Consecration to St. Joseph

Prep Begins: Monday, December 22

Consecration (Performed Privately): January 23

Mary is our spiritual mother, and St. Joseph is our spiritual father. The spiritual fatherhood of St. Joseph is extremely important for our spiritual growth. Everything we have given to Jesus and Mary can also be given to St. Joseph. The hearts of Jesus, Mary, and St. Joseph are one.

Program Overview: Consecration to St. Joseph emulates the tried-and-true preparation method employed by St. Louis de Montfort in his Marian consecration, highlighting many of St. Joseph's titles, privileges, and heroic virtues. The program of preparation and consecration takes 33 days. You'll spend about 20-30 minutes a day on a short exposition on one of the invocations in the powerful Litany of St. Joseph, followed by a reading on St. Joseph, concluding with the recitation of the Litany of St. Joseph. If you miss a day, just make it up and continue your preparation. On the day of your consecration, feel free to use whichever act of consecration you like best; you can also make up your own, if you like. A limited number of books are available in the Parish Office for \$15.

Consecration to Jesus thru Mary

Prep Begins: Wednesday, December 31

Consecration on the Presentation of the Lord: February 2

The next 33-day preparation for the Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary, St. Louis de Montfort, begins on Wednesday, December 31, for all who wish to make, or renew their Consecration on February 2, the Presentation of the Lord. Once you make the consecration, it is for life. It can then be renewed annually. This is a formal consecration to Our Lady, like a vow. You are giving Mary ALL of yourself - your heart, your mind, and your soul - in order to bring you closer and help you be more faithful to her Son, Jesus Christ and that she may use you as a holy instrument in her battle with Satan. She assists you, through the Holy Spirit, to conform to her virtues and to use your prayers, sacrifices, and sufferings for the greater glory of God. "Preparation for Total Consecration" books are available in the Parish Office for \$10.

Questions about making your Total Consecration, or to register to make (or renew) your Total Consecration, please contact: The Parish Office, (586) 726-6911

Bottle & Can Drive • January 1-31

Turn your empties into something amazing! The N.O.W. Youth Ministry will be conducting a Bottle & Can Drive next month, from January 1-31! Donations will go towards the teens' 2026 Rome Pilgrimage. So, save your bottle and cans this Christmas Season and drop them off between January 1-31 at the drop off bin by the outside shed. Questions: Heidi, (586) 859-0194

First Friday Rosary • January 2

In honor, appreciation and service to our Lord Jesus Christ and His Blessed Mother, everyone is invited to join us to pray a public Rosary in the church on the First Friday of the month. The next rosary takes on Friday, January 2, beginning at 6:00PM before the 7:00PM Holy Mass.

All are invited to send in special prayer requests or intentions which will be read and offered before each Holy Rosary. Please submit prayer requests no later than Wednesday, December 31, by sending an email to babate@saintcyriels.church

Questions, please contact: Betty Abate, (586) 726-6911



Catechism Corner

CLASS SCHEDULE

Wednesdays: December 24 & 31 - NO CLASS

Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at 6:15:

Class (First for New Year)

Sunday, January 11, 9:30AM: Commitment Mass

(for all 7th Graders & 8th Graders who didn't attend in 7th Grade)

If you have any questions, please contact: *Carroll or Paul Schuller*

at cschuller@saintcyrils.church or (586) 726-6911

N.O.W. Teen Youth Ministry

N.O.W. NIGHTS RESUME MONDAY, JANUARY 12

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 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. You're welcome to come and bring a friend too!

Questions about N.O.W., please contact: *Heidi*, (586) 859-0194

EDGE Middle School Youth Ministry

EDGE NIGHTS RESUME THURSDAY, JANUARY 15

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 Nights take place every Thursday (except the first Thursday of each month) from September through May, in the Parish Hall from 7:00 – 8:45PM. Meet with old friends and make new ones. Together, we are embarking on a journey towards Christ, where we all walk together.

Questions about EDGE, please contact: *Heidi*, (586) 859-0194

Winter Wonderland Daddy Daughter Dance • January 23

Daddies and Daughters: Mark your calendars for a beautiful night together with music, appetizers, dancing & unforgettable memories on Friday, January 23, from 7:00PM-10:00PM.

Cost: \$25 (per Dad & Daughters)

Please use the QR code on the right to sign up for this evening of fun.



Highlights from St. Mark's Bible Study

We concluded our study of St. Mark's Gospel. The main takeaway was to watch and listen to the Lord in hopes of increasing our understanding of His mission and ours. Staying close to Jesus helps us in storms of life when then come. Lastly, as we prepare to celebrate Christmas the Good News is that God is with us.

If you have any questions: *Deacon Phil & Janice McCown*

New Year's Resolution? Can You Help Serve Your Church?

Anyone who consistently attends a weekend Holy Mass, please consider that you could help your Church as a Lector or Usher!

LECTORS: If you would like to read the Word of God, lectors are needed at each Holy Mass. Please talk to a lector at the Mass you attend or call the Parish Office at (586) 726-6911.

USHERS: Gentlemen who would like to meet and greet parishioners and/or help with collections during the Holy Mass, your assistance is needed and appreciated.

Please talk to an usher at Mass or call:

Frank Moran, (586) 254-6534, *Lou Persichetti*, (248) 561-1240

or the *Parish Office*, (586) 726-6911

HELP NEEDED TO WASH ALBS & CASSOCKS: We are in great need of volunteers to help wash Altar Boy Albs & Cassocks once every four weeks. If you would like information on how you can help, please contact: *Patricia Suda*, (586) 214-5088



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 2026 comes with 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 2025 in fervent prayer asking the Holy Spirit to inspire us with what we must do to attain great holiness, thus becoming true saints!

My 2026 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 2026: _____