

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 18, 2026



SAINTS CYRIL AND
METHODIUS PARISH

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January 18, Sunday - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM

- For Anthony Nelson (11th B'Day)
- For Gary Funk req. Langlois Family
- For Carl & Alyssia Varchetti & Family
- For Alex Rolling (B'Day)
- +John Fontana req. Daughter
- +Diana Doyle
- +John Maciag req. Wife

9:30 AM

- For Brett Suchland req. VBS
- For the Terry Reed Family
- For Sebastian & Cinthia Abate
- For the Orlosky Family
- For Alcantara Family req. Orlosky Family
- +Elias Jamila req. Amira Kizy
- +Ken Bishop req. Family

11:30 AM (Slovak)

- For Fr. Libor
- For Alison Doka req. Mirka
- For Jan & Natalia Plzak
- For Tim Fuller
- +Bohuslav Bacik req. Wife
- +Eliska Karrumi req. Hildegard Ivin

8:30 PM

- For the Intentions of All Parishioners

January 19, Monday

9:00 AM

- For the Souls in Purgatory
- For Jenna Fuller
- For James & Greete Varchetti
- For Kola Peter Gojcay

12:00 PM

- In Thanksgiving req. Antonina Albino
- For Michael Semaan & Family
- For Lourdes & Bernadette Shamoon
- +Chris Warman req. Family

January 20, Tuesday

6:00 AM

- For Kola Peter Gojcay
- For Thomas Fuller
- For Gabrail Family
- +Anna & John Badowski

12:00 PM

- For Toma and Marko & Families
- For Majdolin Kama
- For Mansour Family
- +Marie DeMerle req. Dan & Jan Atkinson

January 21, Wednesday - Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

9:00 AM

- For Cecilia Fuller
- For John Paul Mansour req. Mother
- For Margaret Tallman
- +Charles & Isabella Varchetti

12:00 PM

- For Vera & Liliana & Families
- For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
- +Mary Borst
- +Lamont Brown req. Nash Brown Family

January 22, Thursday - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:00 AM

- For Human Life International Staff
- For the Center for Family Human Rights Staff
- For Alex Abbott (B'Day) req. Family
- +Joseph & Paul Szwarc

12:00 PM

- For the Atonement for Sins of Abortion & Contraception

7:00 PM (LATIN)

- For Mandy & Rick McNew & Family
- For Zinah Hanna
- For Amy Shamoon
- For Lorraine Drozdowski

January 23, Friday

6:00 AM

- For Marie Laconi
- For Anna Fuller
- For Jack Fischer (B'Day)
- For Sophia Marcum (B'Day)

12:00 PM

- For the Souls in Purgatory req. Clara Mansour
- For Womack Family
- For Roddy & Gjonaj Families
- +Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany & Family

January 24, Saturday - Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM

- For Michael Fuller
- For Ann Marie Meldrum req. Mom
- +Diana Doyle req. Laura Warner
- +George & Helen Emmendorfer

5:30 PM

- For the Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
- For the Intentions of the Members of the St. Monica Sodality
- For Michael Drozdowski (B'Day)
- For Sophie Stelzer req. Barbara Sikora
- For Maria Nuculovic & Family
- For Jebroo Family
- +Cheryl Lynn Barnick req. Mary

January 25, Sunday - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM

- For the Intentions of All Parishioners

9:30 AM

- For the Living & Deceased Members of the Buckley Families
- For the Souls in Purgatory
- For Christopher Baltrinic req. VBS
- For Gerald Mazurkiewicz (B'Day) req. Family
- For Margaret Funk req. Langlois Family
- For Patrick & Sophia Hines
- +Karim Curioca req. Amira Kizy

11:30 AM (Slovak)

- For Fr. Juraj
- For Joe Fuller
- For Agnes Bawol req. Niece Amy
- +Anna Celusnak req. Julie Celusnak
- +Marie Horacek req. Mirka
- +Eliska Karrumi req. Daniela Grisak
- +Magdaléna Bojová, req. dcéra Renata s rodinou

8:30 PM

- For the Souls in Purgatory req. Hanna Family
- For Al & Ann Varchetti
- For Amanda Nuculovic & Family
- For Mina Allo B'Day
- For Jamila & Family
- For Mansour Family
- +Jacob Henning req. Parents

Welcome

SS. Cyril & Methodius Slovak Parish

Father Libor Marek, Priest in Solidum • lmarek@saintcyrils.church
Father Juraj Nuota, Priest in Solidum • jnuota@saintcyrils.church
Deacon Phil McCown • pmccown@saintcyrils.church
Parish Office • parishoffice@saintcyrils.church

Regular Mass Schedule:

Saturdays:
9:00am & 5:30pm (Sunday's 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

Overnight Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays–Fridays: 1:00pm-6:00am
First Fridays: extended until 7:00pm

Adoration is interrupted during the celebration of Mass.

Regular Confession Schedule

Mondays & Wednesdays:
8:30–9:00am & 11:30am–12:00pm

Tuesdays & Fridays:
5:30–6:00am & 11:30am–12:00pm

Thursdays & First Fridays:
5:30–6:00am & 11:30am–12:00pm & 6:30–7:00pm

Saturdays:
8:30–9:00am

Regular Office Hours

Mondays: 10:00am–5:00pm
Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays: 11:00am–5:00pm
Wednesdays: 11:00am–2:00pm

The office is closed during the celebration of Mass.

Tax Statement Request for 2025

If you made a single donation of \$250 or more in 2025, you will automatically be issued a tax statement per government requirements. Those that have used Pushpay or have given us an email address to enter into our database in the past will receive a tax statement automatically. If we have your email address before the third week in January, the email will come directly from a Pushpay email and not from the church email so please be aware of this when looking for the email. If your email address is received after the third week of January the email will likely come from a parish email.

If you are not sure if we have your current email address and would like to receive a tax statement via email you can go to our website, www.saintcyrils.church, to complete the tax statement request form there or contact the Parish Office to ensure your correct address is in our database. If you would like a paper tax statement for your 2025 tax deductible contributions, please complete the form on our website or fill out the form located in the vestibule and place it in the collection basket or drop it off in the Parish Office. Emailed tax statements should go out by January 22nd and paper statements will be available by the end of January.

Questions, please contact:
Rob Avery, (586) 726-6911 or business@saintcyrils.church

Tax Statement Request for 2025

Please send a statement for tax deductible contributions made to Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish during 2025 to:

Name	
Env #	
Address	
Phone	
Email	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Please mail my Contribution Statement when: it is available.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I will pick up my sealed Statement in the vestibule box marked "Tax Statements".
<input type="checkbox"/>	Please email my tax statement.

St. Monica's Sodality Mass January 24th 5:30PM

For those new to our parish and those not familiar with our ministry, the St. Monica Sodality is a group that comes together to pray for those who are struggling with or away from the Catholic Faith. Our monthly masses take place on Saturday evenings at 5:30PM and after mass we usually gather for 15-20 minutes in the Chapel for prayer. Visit the St. Monica box located in between the double doors at the main church entrance for prayer info and petition slips.

You can list the names or initials of all your loved ones on a slip and place it into the box. These petition slips go into a covered album that is placed in front of the altar during our masses. We also encourage you to say the St. Monica Sodality Prayer for your loved ones every day. St. Monica prayed for her son Augustine for almost 20 years, and her prayers were heard and answered in God's time.

Please join us at the next St. Monica Sodality Mass on Saturday, January 24th at 5:30PM and for prayers in the Chapel after mass (the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and St. Monica Sodality Prayer). See the church bulletin or the St. Monica box for future mass dates and times.

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

HEART'S DEEPEST LONGING

Continuing in our look into how dangerous the ways of the world are, and how we must steer clear of them we read a reminder from St. John: "Do not love the world of the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever" (1 John 2:15-17).

If we indulge in the ways of the world, and are pulled into their seduction, misuse them, we will not enjoy them in the long run and it will lead to our ultimate unhappiness even if it may "feel" good, or right, at the time. By utilizing them, we willfully torture our own souls. We must have faith to believe that the happiness of man consists, not in having an abundance of the things of the world, but rather from within, if it keeps itself free from the world and seek calmness and satisfaction in Christ alone. Consider, if you will, our end. Once our lives are called from us what then remains? We certainly cannot take our worldly goods and delights with us when we have to give an account of our lives; they will avail us nothing. The question we must ask ourselves now is whether we're willing to endure and perhaps suffer for a time on earth in order to gain eternity life, or indulge now in the plenitude of worldly desires and suffer torment for eternity later.

Paul A. Ray

Catechism Corner Class Schedule

- **Wednesday, Jan 21st at 6:15 PM** – Class w/ Benediction for Grades 5th - 8th
- **Wednesday, Jan 28th at 6:15 PM** – Class w/Benediction for Grades K-4th
- **Wednesday, Feb 4th at 6:15 PM** – Class w/ Benediction for Grades 5th - 8th
- **Wednesday, Feb 11th at 6:15 PM** – Class w/Benediction for Grades K-4th
- **Wednesday, Feb 18th** - No Class (Ash Wednesday)
- **Wednesday, Feb 25th** - Class w/ Benediction for Grades 5th - 8th

If you have any questions, please contact:

Carroll or Paul Schuller at
cschuller@saintcyrils.church
or 586-685-1069

N.O.W. and EDGE Teen Youth Ministry

N.O.W. Nights will be held on Monday, January 19th and 26th

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!

EDGE Nights will be held on Thursday, January 22nd and 29th

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 NOW and EDGE, please contact:
Heidi Pope (586) 859-0194



Peter: Cornerstone of Catholicism

The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives. After all, if Jesus could bring out the very best in someone like Peter, then there is hope for the rest of us.

Class: Tuesdays, 10AM - 11:30AM (March 31 - June 9)
Cost: \$25 (for Study Guide)
Registration Deadline: March 17
 (so Study Guides can be ordered in time for the first class)
Registration & Questions:
 Janice McCown, (248) 376-2223



DETROIT 80S TRIVIA NIGHT

Break out the neon, tease that hair, and get ready to test your knowledge of all things 80s!

- PRIZE FOR THE WINNING TEAM
- BEST DRESSED 80S OUTFIT CONTEST
- SILENT AUCTION
- DINNER
- CASH BAR

When: February 7th, 2026
Where: 41233 Ryan Road
 Sterling Heights, MI 48314

Purchase Tickets Here



*Tickets will NOT be sold at the door

REGINA CAELI
Catholic Renewal House

Behold & Be Held

A Women's Retreat Experience

Saturday, March 7, 2025
 (Feast of Ss. Perpetua and Felicity!)

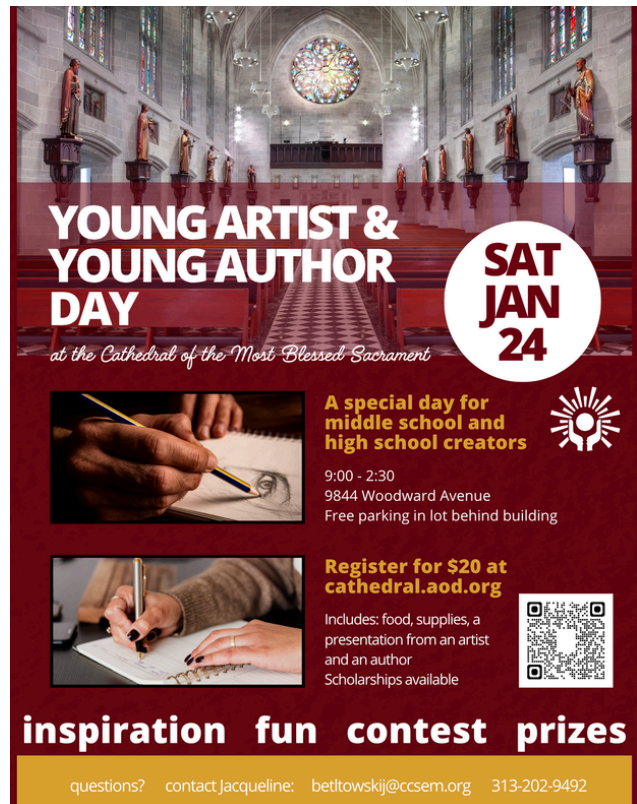
Join us for a day of connection, inspiration, joy, and laughter.

Keynote: Meg Hunter-Kilmer
 Celebrant: Fr. Mario Amore
 Adoration: Fr. John Riccardo

We'll gather at Marygrove University. <3



More info and register at Beholdbeheld.com



YOUNG ARTIST & YOUNG AUTHOR DAY

at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament


SAT JAN 24

A special day for middle school and high school creators

9:00 - 2:30
 9844 Woodward Avenue
 Free parking in lot behind building

Register for \$20 at cathedral.aod.org

Includes: food, supplies, a presentation from an artist and an author
 Scholarships available



inspiration fun contest prizes

questions? contact Jacqueline: betltowskij@ccsem.org 313-202-9492

Epiphania Domini



Homily of Pope Leo XIV

Dear brothers and sisters,

The Gospel (cf. Mt 2:1-12) described for us the great joy the Magi experienced when they saw the star once again (cf. v. 10), and at the same time how Herod and all in Jerusalem were troubled by their searching (cf. v. 3). Indeed, every time Sacred Scripture speaks of God manifesting himself, it does not hide the contrasting reactions, such as joy and agitation, resistance and obedience, fear and longing. Today we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, aware that in his presence nothing stays the same. This marks the beginning of hope, for God reveals himself and nothing remains unchanged. His presence puts an end to that type of melancholic complacency which causes people endlessly to say, “There is nothing new under the sun” (Eccles 1:9). Something new begins which determines the present and the future, as the Prophet announced: “Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you” (Is 60:1).

Homo Viator

The ancients referred to homo viator, and indeed all of our lives are a journey. The Gospel challenges the Church not to be afraid of this phenomenon, but to appreciate it, and orient it toward God who sustains us. He is a God who can unsettle us because he does not remain firmly in our hands like the idols of silver and gold; instead, he is alive and life-giving, like the Baby whom Mary cradled in her arms and whom the wise men adored. Holy places like cathedrals, basilicas and shrines, which have become Jubilee pilgrimage destinations, must diffuse the aroma of life, the unforgettable realization that another world has begun.

Reflection Questions

Let us ask ourselves: is there life in our Church?

Is there space for something new to be born?

Do we love and proclaim a God who sets us on a journey?

Epiphanies

How many epiphanies we have been given and how many more could be given to us! Yet they must lead us away from the intentions of a Herod, from fears that are always ready to be turned into aggression. “From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force” (Mt 11:12). This mysterious expression of Jesus, reported in the Gospel of Matthew, cannot but make us think of the many conflicts by which men resist and even damage the new things that God has in store for everyone. Loving and seeking peace means protecting what is holy and, consequently, that which is newly born like a small, vulnerable, fragile baby. Around us, a distorted economy tries to profit from everything. We see how the marketplace can turn human yearnings of seeking, traveling and beginning again into a mere business. Let us ask ourselves: has the Jubilee taught us to flee from this type of efficiency that reduces everything to a product and human beings to consumers? After this year, will we be better able to recognize a pilgrim in the visitor, a seeker in the stranger, a neighbor in the foreigner, and fellow travelers in those who are different?

God’s Reveals Himself to Man

Yes, the Lord still surprises us! He reveals himself and lets himself be found. His ways are not our ways, and the violent do not succeed in controlling them, nor can the powers of the world block them. This is the great joy of the Magi, who left palace and temple behind in setting out for Bethlehem; it is only at that moment that they see the star once again

Pilgrims of Hope

Thus, dear brothers and sisters, it is wonderful to become pilgrims of hope. It is wonderful for us to continue to be pilgrims together! The faithfulness of God continues to amaze us. If we do not reduce our churches to monuments, if our communities are homes, if we stand united and resist the flattery and seduction of those in power, then we will be the generation of a new dawn. Mary, Star of the Morning, will always walk before us! In her Son we will contemplate and serve an extraordinary humanity, transformed not by the delusions of the all-powerful, but by God who became flesh out of love.

Scan the QR code
to read the full
document:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/homilies/2026/documents/2026-0106-epiphania.html>





SILENT WEEKEND
RETREAT FOR
WOMEN, MEN, &
COUPLES



A Lifetime of Blessedness



RETREAT ON
THE BEATITUDES



MONTH 3

"I can suck my thumb now!"

Thank you for continuing to pray for your spiritually adopted baby!

Month 3 highlights include: Around week 9, the baby began to suck his thumb.

The baby also began to "sleep". Toenails are starting to form, and the baby has its own unique fingerprints.

The baby is breathing amniotic fluid to help develop and strengthen the respiratory system, but he gets the oxygen he needs throughout the umbilical cord.

By the end of the third month, the baby can squint, swallow, and move his tongue. Our babies are about 3-4 inches long and the size of a small lime.

You can follow your baby's growth and development each month by checking the "WATCH ME GROW" posters in the vestibule.

Our daily prayer by Archbishop Fulton Sheen:

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much.

I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."