

First Sunday of Lent
February 22, 2026



SAINTS CYRIL AND
METHODIUS PARISH

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February 21, Saturday - Memorial of Saint Peter Damian

9:00 AM

- For Donna Mazurkiewicz B'Day req. Family
- For Manfred Beni
- +Diana Doyle req. Laura Warman
- +Trudy Hand

5:30 PM

- For Jebroo Family
- For Jennifer Brady (B'Day) req. Family
- For Dave Rymarz
- For Samantha Sabbagh req. Mom
- For Hayley Schuller & Family
- +James Robert Thomas III req. Mike MacDonald
- +David Bird req. Mike MacDonald

February 22, Sunday - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 AM

- For Jennifer Scheidt
- For Kathy Rymarz
- For Glen & Amy Varchetti & Family
- For Norbert Woloszyn & Family req. Rampin Family
- +George & Helen Emmendorfer
- +John Maciag req. Wife
- +Marge Lewandowski req. Family

9:30 AM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
- For Fr. Michael Lenz (B'Day)
- For Steve Mazurkiewicz Jr B'Day req. Family
- For Heidi Normile & Family
- For Solomon Family req. Paul Wojnar
- For Rosemary Leonart
- +Rafael Drensek req. Drensek Family

11:30 AM (Slovak)

- For Kola Peter Gojcaj
- For the Mansour Family
- For Viktoria Drozdowski
- +Walter & Michael Couet req. Sharon Valenti
- +Otilia & Alojz Sefcik req. Daughter Maria & Family
- + Henry Plzak req. Family Plzak
- + Anna Patlovičová
- + súrodenci Hrčkoví

8:30 PM

- For the Intentions of All Parishioners

February 23, Monday - Memorial of Saint Polycarp

9:00 AM

- For the Pope, Priests and Religious
- For Nicole Rymarz
- For Carl & Alyssia Varchetti & Family
- For William Winowiecki req. Cousin Bernadette

12:00 PM

- For Timothy Mann req. Uncle Dan & Aunt Jan
- For James & Elsa Thottathil req. Family
- For Margaret Mary Elizabeth (B'Day) req. Family
- +Juan Orellana req. Family

February 24, Tuesday

6:00 AM

- For Elise Langlois req. Langlois Family
- For Jeff Scheidt
- For James & Greete Varchetti
- For John-Paul Mansour req. Family

February 24, Tuesday

12:00 PM

- For Firas Joseph (B'Day)
- For Eli Mansoor (B'Day)
- For Roddy & Gjonaj Families
- For Jeannette Boucher req. Carol

February 25, Wednesday

9:00 AM

- For Sam Rymarz
- For Alexander & Emanuella Stipcevic
- For Gloria Hudson req. Anne Marie
- + Charles & Isabella Varchetti

12:00 PM

- Michael & Family
- For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family
- For Eli & Samantha
- +Manuel, Amira & Robert Qasguargis req. Family

February 26, Thursday

6:00 AM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. Clara
- In Thanksgiving req. Kola Peter Gojaj
- For Matt Scheidt
- +Ernest & Maria Gaiera

12:00 PM

- For Dwayne & Debbie Henderson
- +Sabri & Naima Jazrawi 7 Family
- +Tarik & Angel Jazrawi & Family
- +Mary Kosir (4th Ann.) req. Drensek Family

7:00 PM (LATIN)

- For Lorraines's Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren
- +Anthony Gerard Battaglia req. Rita
- +Diana Doyle req. Donna Lesko
- +Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany & Family

February 27, Friday - Memorial of Saint Gregory Narek

6:00 AM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
- For Erin Scheidt
- For Paul Varchetti & Family
- +Edward & Mary Kelly

12:00 PM

- For Rick Wood req. Friend
- For Jonathan Wilkins B'Day req. Family
- For Michelle Schmidt req. Family
- +Zef Kol Doka Lulgjuraj req. Family

February 28, Saturday

9:00 AM

- For Paul & Family
- For Claire, Ron & Family
- For Jeanette & Pascal Girard B'Days
- +Jiovanna, Alessandro, Loretta Pacitto req. Family

5:30 PM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
- For the Intentions of the Members of the St. Monica Sodality

- For Don Miller, Jr. (B'Day) req. Family
- For Donzelle Ringold
- For Brendan Rymarz
- +James Robert Thomas III req. Mike MacDonald
- +David Bird req. Mike MacDonald

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.

Bulletin Due Date

Dear Ministries and Parishioners,
 Bulletin submission deadlines are Monday evening at 6:00 PM, one week prior to the print date. Submissions received after this deadline will not be accepted. Thank you.
 Sincerely,
 Bulletin Editor

New Bathroom Policy

Bathroom Reminder:
 Bathrooms are for restroom use only—no playing, running, or gathering. Parents should supervise young children. Please do not allow children to linger, play games, shout, or gather in or near the bathrooms. Report any messes or damage to a volunteer and remind children to wash hands and throw away paper towels properly.
 Thank you for helping keep our bathrooms clean, safe, and respectful for everyone.

ATTENTION!

Dear Parishioner,
 We have been made aware of fraudulent emails claiming to be from parish leaders or clergy and requesting money, gift cards, or favors. Please note: these messages are not from SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish. Parish representatives will never request financial assistance in this way.

For your safety:

- Do not respond to unexpected requests for money or personal information.
- Do not click links or open attachments from suspicious emails.
- If you are unsure about an email's legitimacy, please call the parish at (586) 685-3046. All other parish business should continue to be directed to (586) 726-6911.

If you receive one of these messages, you may safely delete it.

Thank you for your vigilance and continued support of our parish community.

In Christ,
 SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry



Calling All Parishioners!

Lenten Fish Fry Volunteers Needed

The Knights of Columbus will again host Lenten Fish Frys in 2026 in partnership with Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish, and we need your help! Volunteers are needed to set up, serve, and clean up every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday). Adults and teens are welcome to help for one Friday or several.

Dates: Feb. 20 & 27; March 6, 13, 20 & 27
Time: 3:00–8:00 PM

To volunteer, contact Joseph White, Grand Knight, at GK7011@mikofc.org or (586) 556-2122, sign up in the church vestibule, or leave your information with the Parish Office.

**Protecting God’s Children training is required!
Please let us know if you need assistance.**

Catechism Corner
SAFE ENVIROMENT PROGRAM



We will once again be having our Safe Environment Program on Wednesday, March 4 th , to teach our young students how to seek help from a trusted adult. This year’s topics are Being a Safe Friend/Feelings and Facts. We must trust God’s Grace and the funny feeling in the stomach the Holy Spirit gives us when something just isn’t right; that message from Him telling us to run to a trusted adult for help. If you decide that your wish is for your child not to attend, please fill out the ‘Opt Out Form’ sent home February 4 th, or contact your child’s teacher to receive another copy. So, it is not confusing, if you choose for your child to attend, you do nothing but bring them to class. The students whose parents are opting out will go to another classroom during the lesson and return when it is over. All student please report to their normal classrooms that evening. Of course, if you have any questions, you are free to contact :

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

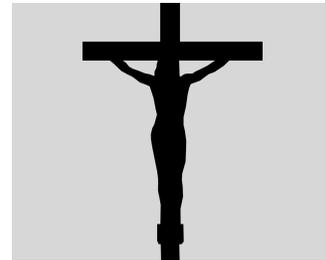


Catechism Corner
Class Schedule

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, February 23**

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, February 26**

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



2026 Lentercize Challenge

Beginning the weekend of February 21–22, our annual “Lentercize” challenge sheets will be available in the vestibule. Each sheet includes twenty age-appropriate Lenten activities to complete throughout Lent.

Available sheets:

- Two for Children
- One for Teens
- One for Adults
- One “Bible Passages” sheet for all ages

This year, each person may submit up to two completed sheets.

Please return completed sheets to the parish office with your name and telephone number clearly written.

Prizes will be awarded after Easter.

Easter Novena

Our Easter Novena will begin on Easter Monday April 6th through April 14th.

Novena Mass cards are for the living and deceased relatives or friends. Cards are available in both English and Slovak. Available after Masses on the 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.

Ss. Cyril and Methodius’ Liturgical Lenten Schedule

Stations of the Cross
Wednesdays at 11:30 AM
Fridays at 6:30 PM

March 6th: First Friday
Stations at 6:30 followed by Mass at 7:00 PM

Holy Thursday
Mass at 7:00 PM

Good Friday
• Liturgy at 3:00 PM
• Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM

2026 Parish Lenten Projects



During this sacred season of Lent, as we purify our hearts through prayer and fasting, we are called to complete our journey through almsgiving—turning our renewal outward in concrete acts of charity and solidarity. At St. Cyril's Parish, we are blessed with several meaningful opportunities to embrace this third pillar of Lent, coming together as a community to serve our neighbors in need.

01 ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE: NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION MARCH 14-19

In honor of the Solemnity of St. Joseph (March 19), we will renew the tradition of bringing food to be blessed and shared with those in need. Donations of non-perishable items may be dropped off March 14–19 in the large boxes in the vestibule and gallery.

On March 19, the food will be blessed and delivered to Sr. Marcine Food Pantry at St. Veronica Parish in Eastpointe, which serves 70–80 families each month.

02 EASTER DINNER BASKETS MARCH 19-22

Help families in need celebrate Easter! Our parish is collecting Easter Dinner “Baskets” for 25 families.

Each basket (for a family of 5) should include:

- Instant mashed potatoes
- Canned vegetables
- Mac & cheese
- Dinner rolls
- Dessert mix
- Kroger or Walmart gift card (for ham and perishables)
- Optional: Easter-themed disposable plates, napkins, or tablecloth.

Please pack items in a sturdy box or reusable bag (not a basket).

Return before any Mass the weekend of March 21–22, or drop off at the Parish Office March 19–20.

Sign up in the vestibule or contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@saintcyriels.church or Raffaella D'Alio at (734) 276-1834 or christianservice@saintcyriels.church.

Thank you for your generosity!



03 RTL/LIFESPAN BABY SHOWER TO BENEFIT WEE CARE MARCH 21-22:

Once again the parish will be participating in the RTL/Lifespan Annual Baby Shower collection of items to support mothers and their children. See upcoming bulletins for more details.

04 CHRISTIAN SERVICE FUND LENTEN MONETARY PROJECTS

During this holy season of Lent, your generous gifts to St. Cyril's Christian Service Fund will support two meaningful parish initiatives that strengthen faith and share Christ's love.

- Youth Ministry Pilgrimage to Rome – May 2026

Help send our parish teens on a life-changing journey to the heart of the Church. This pilgrimage will offer opportunities for prayer, spiritual growth, and encounters with the universal Church at sacred sites such as St. Peter's Basilica and Vatican City.

- Community Easter Outreach – Inviting Neighbors to Church

We will reach out to families in our surrounding neighborhoods with warm invitations to join us for Easter Mass. Donations will help purchase supplies for candy bags with treats and thoughtful invitation cards. Our Youth Ministry teens, along with adult volunteers, will assemble and hand-deliver these bags, offering a simple yet powerful gesture of welcome to those who may feel distant from the Church.

OCIA

The 2025–26 OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Team invites all parishioners who desire to learn more about the richness of the Catholic faith and how to live it in everyday life to attend our weekly sessions.

Classes are held every Tuesday from 7:00–9:00 PM in the Overflow Room.

Feel free to bring a family member or friend.

This Tuesday’s topic is: Love of God and Neighbor.

For questions, please see Fr. Juraj or contact Paul Ray at stpolycarp77@yahoo.com

St. Monica Sodality Mass
February 28 at 5:30 PM

As we begin Lent, we are called to fast, pray, and do penance. The St. Monica Sodality prays especially for loved ones who are struggling with or away from the Catholic faith. Let us offer our sacrifices for them and ask for the grace and strength to follow God’s will.

Join us on Saturday, February 28 at 5:30 PM, followed by prayers in the Chapel (Divine Mercy Chaplet and St. Monica Prayer).

Please place your petition slip in the St. Monica box so your loved ones will be remembered at Mass. See the bulletin or St. Monica box for future dates.

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



Enjoy the Best Fish Fry in Town
Fridays, February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20 & 27
4:00PM - 7:00PM

MEAL MENU:

- Battered Cod (2 pcs.) with French Fries, Cole Slaw & Roll (\$14)
- Battered Cod (2 pcs.) with Mac ‘N Cheese, Cole Slaw & Roll (\$14)
- Butterfly Shrimp (6 pcs.) with French Fries, Cole Slaw & Roll (\$14)
- Butterfly Shrimp (6 pcs.) with Mac ‘N Cheese, Cole Slaw & Roll (\$14)
- Blackened or Grilled Salmon with Rice & Roll (\$14)
- Battered Cod (3 pcs.) with French Fries, Cole Slaw & Roll (\$16)
- Battered Cod (3 pcs.) with Mac ‘N Cheese, Cole Slaw & Roll (\$16)

SIDE ORDERS AVAILABLE:

- Joe’s Home-made Clam Chowder (\$6), Mac ‘N Cheese (\$3)
- NEW** Grilled Cheese (\$3), French Fries (\$3), Cole Slaw (\$2) & Rice (\$1)

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