

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 8, 2026



SAINTS CYRIL AND  
METHODIUS PARISH

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



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**February 7, Saturday - Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
- For the Intentions of the Rosary Society
- For the Hanna Family
- For Michele Zabawa req. Langlois Family

11:30AM

*\*Baptism: Lucille Rose Virga*

5:30 PM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
- For Nick Nuculovic & Family
- For Gloria Duzey req. Drane
- For Chris Rymarz
- For Sandi & John Brady req. Drane
- For Carroll & Paul Schuller req. Drane
- +Armando Dubon req. Family

**February 8, Sunday - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 AM

- For Kendall Keil B'Day req. Sharon Brown & Family
- For Mary Ghesquiere
- For Renee Rymarz
- For Retrouvaille Of Northwest Ohio Couples
- For Kelly Misuraca req. Dailey Family
- +John Maciag req. Wife
- +George & Helen Emmendorfer

9:30 AM

- For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- +Alex Pretti

11:30 AM (Slovak)

- For Fr. Juraj
- For Andrew Fuller
- For Renata Labas (50th B'Day) req. Mirka
- For William Winowiecki req. Cousin Bernadette
- +Jiri Macevic req. Mirka Plzak
- + Rodičia Hrkovi
- +Mark & Lena

8:30 PM

- For Lily & Ave Mansour
- For Paul Varchetti & Family
- For Nate & Theresa Robinson & Family
- For Florenc & Emanuel Pepaj
- +Claire Bosscher req. Family
- +Sander Noc Shkreli
- +Theresa Nguyen Thi Xuan Lan req. Ho Thu
- +Renee Nicole Good

**February 9, Monday**

9:00 AM

- For Charlie Fuller
- For Janine & Don Burzynski req. Family
- +Sucely Rios Cruz req. Cousin Janet
- +Luka & Aleykutty Ouseph

12:00 PM

- For Teresa Carreon (B'Day)
- For Jake Rymarz
- For Amy Shamoon req. Zinah Hanna
- +Raphael Cayetano (B'Day)

**February 10, Tuesday - Memorial of Saint Scholastica**

6:00 AM

- For Patrick Fuller
- For Rosemary Leonart
- For Kasprzak Family req. Koehler Family
- +Louis Allawerdi

**February 10, Tuesday - Memorial of Saint Scholastica (Cont.)**

12:00 PM

- For Roddy & Gjonaj Families
- For Beckett & Family
- For Alben Rymarz
- +Michael Beste req. Family

**February 11, Wednesday - Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes**

9:00 AM

- For Hana Frances
- For the Hanna Family
- For Joe Rymarz
- + Cheryl Warrix
- 12:00 PM
- For Sam & Amy Shamoon
- For Gloria Duzey
- For Drozdowski Family
- +Sarkon

**February 12, Thursday**

6:00 AM

- In Thanksgiving req. Kola Peter Gojaj
- For Kimberly Schultz
- For Barb Garrisi
- For Shirley Bates req. Friend
- 12:00 PM
- For Sawyer Jones
- For Fadi (B'Day)
- For Amy Shamoon
- +Sabriya, Hanna & Iman Boutany & Family

7:00 PM (LATIN)

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. RMG
- For Cindy & Michael Galea
- For Lorraines's Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren
- +Diana Doyle req. Barbara Manzo

**February 13, Friday**

6:00 AM

- For Drew Manor req. Langlois Family
- For Artie Schultz
- For Peter Hines
- For Lily Mansour & Family

12:00PM

- For Danielle M Brown & Family req. Sharon Brown & Family
- For Jillian Haio
- For Ethan Drozdowski
- + Mary Manning & Sons

**February 14, Saturday - Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius**

9:00 AM

- For the Members of Our Lady Mother of Mercy Secular Discalced Carmelites
- For Chiara Bernadette Brown (B'Day) req. Sharon Brown & Family
- For Mark Hornbacher B'Day req. Family
- For John Desser (B'Day)

5:30 PM

- For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
- For Djela Dusevic & Family
- For the Womack Family
- For the Jebroo Family
- For Sandi Brady & Family req. Anne Haio
- For Carroll Schuller & Family req. Anne Haio
- For Tim & Victoria Roddy & Family

# Welcome

## SS. Cyril & Methodius Slovak Parish

Father Libor Marek, Priest in Solidum • [lmarek@saintcyrils.church](mailto:lmarek@saintcyrils.church)  
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Parish Office • [parishoffice@saintcyrils.church](mailto: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.

## ATTENTION!!

Dear Parishioner,

We have been made aware that some parishioners have received fraudulent emails claiming to come from a parish leader or clergy member and requesting a favor, money, gift cards, or other financial assistance.

Please know: These messages are not from SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish, and no parish representative would ever request financial assistance in this manner.

For your protection, we recommend the following:

- Do not respond to any unexpected requests for money or personal information
- Do not click links or open attachments from suspicious emails.

- If in the future you receive emails like these and are unsure whether they are legitimate you can confirm by calling the parish directly at (586) 685-3046. All calls regarding other items of business should continue to be made to (586) 726-6911.

This notice is being shared to keep you informed and to help protect you from fraudulent activity. If you have received one of these messages, you may delete it.

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

In Christ,  
SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish



## Knights of Columbus Fish Fry



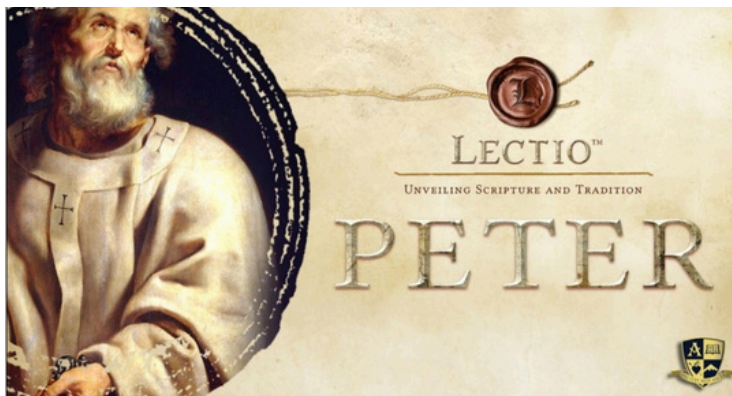
## Calling All Parishioners! Lenten Fish Fry Volunteers Needed

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.**



### 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



## Catechism Corner Class Schedule

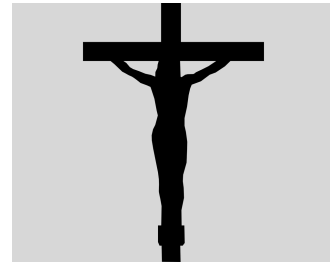
**Wednesday, Feb 11th at 6:15 PM** – Class w/Benediction for Grades K-4th

**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, February 9, 16, and 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 12, 19 and 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



### MONTH 4 "I had a Dream Today"

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

We are now beginning the 2nd trimester. A brief review of the 1st trimester: Month 1: the baby's heart started beating by week 3. Month 2: All the internal and external organs started rapidly developing. Month 3: Formation of nails and fingerprints began, and the baby is now able to squint and swallow. By 9 weeks, the baby can even suck its thumb.

Month 4 highlights include: The baby's brain continues to develop, and this will continue until 14 years of age. Taste buds now function. Fine hair is growing on the head along with eyebrows and eyelashes. Rapid eye movement means the baby can now dream.

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.**



### *Be the Change*

Right to Life - LIFESPAN is pleased to announce that our 7th annual Be the Change event will take place in two different locations at the same time on Saturday, March 21, 2026.

We have two speakers from Protect Life Michigan doing the training in Sterling Heights from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and two speakers from Protect Life Michigan doing the training in Livonia from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

We hope you can join us at one of our two new host locations for 2026! We will offer awesome pro-life "apologetics-style" training which will be more extensive than past years, delicious catered food that will be different than last year (brunch at the Sterling Heights location and lunch at the Livonia location), and great fellowship too!

<https://righttolifelifespan.regfox.com/2026-be-the-change-event>

## In unitate fidei



### Apostolic Letter of Pope Leo XIV

In November 2025, during the Holy Year, Pope Leo XIV issued the Apostolic Letter “In unitate fidei” marking the 1,700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea. Promulgated on the Solemnity of Christ the King, the document accompanied the Pope’s Apostolic Journey to Türkiye and offered a strong call to Christian unity rooted in the shared profession of faith.

The Church commemorated the anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea, convened in A.D. 325 by Emperor Constantine I. That council addressed major theological disputes, affirmed Christ’s divinity, and gave the Church the Nicene Creed — a lasting summary of Christian belief.

Pope Leo’s Letter is, above all, a call to unity. Christians, he writes, are called to walk together in faith, guarding and sharing the gift they have received. The Creed, he explains, expresses this shared faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God who came for our salvation.

### The Creed gives us hope

The Pope highlights the enduring importance of the profession of faith at the heart of Christian life.

For centuries, he notes, this confession of faith has been the common heritage of Christians and must continue to be understood in meaningful ways today. The proclamation of faith in Christ made at Nicaea remains “the heart of the Christian faith,” and is still recited every Sunday in the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed.

In a world marked by war, injustice, suffering, and fear, the Pope says, this Creed remains a source of hope.

## What unites us is greater than what divides us

Nicaea also has lasting ecumenical significance. The search for Christian unity was a key goal of the Second Vatican Council, and was strongly reaffirmed by St. John Paul II in his encyclical *Ut Unum Sint* (May 25, 1995).

While full visible unity among Christians has not yet been achieved, ecumenical dialogue has helped believers recognize one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. Christians share faith in the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — a unity deeper than existing divisions.

In a fractured world, the Pope says, the universal Christian community can be a sign of peace and an instrument of reconciliation. He also recalls the shared witness of Christian martyrs from different Churches, whose sacrifice continues to unite believers.

### The Nicene Creed as a guide for the journey

Pope Leo stresses that credible Christian witness requires walking together toward unity and reconciliation.

The Nicene Creed, he writes, can serve as a foundation and reference point for this journey, offering a model of unity that respects legitimate diversity. He calls Christians to move beyond outdated controversies and grow in shared understanding and prayer to the Holy Spirit.

This vision of ecumenism does not mean returning to a pre-division past or simply accepting current divisions, but seeking reconciliation through dialogue and the sharing of spiritual gifts. Restoring unity, the Pope concludes, enriches the Church rather than diminishing it.

He closes the Letter with an invitation to pray together, asking the Holy Spirit to guide Christians in the work of unity — a call that continues to resonate beyond the jubilee year.

Scan the QR code  
to read the full document:

[https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/apost\\_letters/documents/20251123-in-unitate-fidei.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/apost_letters/documents/20251123-in-unitate-fidei.html)







## Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary

33-Day Preparation Begins: February 20

Following the teachings of St. Louis de Montfort, this 33-day spiritual preparation helps the faithful grow closer to Jesus through devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The consecration includes prayers and readings that lead to a lifelong dedication to Jesus through Mary and may be renewed annually.

The next preparation begins Friday, February 20, with consecration on Wednesday, March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation.

Preparation books are available in the Parish Office for \$10.

To register or for questions, please contact the Parish Office at (586) 726-6911.

## Parish Holy Hour

Committed Adorers are needed:

Fridays

2:00 - 3:00 am

7:00 - 8:00 am

9:00 - 10:00 am

Substitute Adorers needed for all times

Thursday 1:00 pm - Friday 6:00 am

Please contact me if you have an hour to spend  
with Jesus.

Annette Rudzewicz 586-247-7214

