

# *SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish*

## *St. James at Sag Bridge Mission*

### Parish Staff

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*Maintenance*



October 6, 2024

*Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*



### Our Parish Mission Statement

We are a family of faith, entrusted with the gospel message of Jesus Christ. Rooted in a rich tradition of worship, service and prayer, we foster the unity and faith of this community. Enlivened by the Spirit, we share our gifts, talents and resources to bring about the Kingdom of God.

The Parish Staff of St. Cyril's and St. James welcomes all to our historic parishes that have carried on the mission of Jesus Christ.

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|--|---|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Parish Information</b>  |   | <b>Minister of Music:</b>    | Mira Sojka-Topor<br>musicmin@stcyril.org<br>(630) 257-2776   |
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| <b>Mass Schedule:</b>  |   | <b>Parish Council:</b>       | Stan Brzezniak, President  |
| Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM  |   | <b>Bulletin:</b>             | bulletin@stcyril.org   |
| Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday Obligation  |   | <b>Helping Hands:</b>        | helpinghands@stcyril.org   |
| Sunday: 7:00 AM (English-No Music),<br>8:00 AM (Polish), 9:30 AM (English),<br>11:00 AM (Polish),<br>12:30 PM (English), 2:00 PM (Polish),<br>7:30 PM (English-No Music) |   | <b>New Parishioners:</b>     | Download the new parishioner form online on our website. The form can be handed into the donation basket at Mass, mailed in, or brought into the parish office   |
| <b>Special Masses:</b>   |   | <b>Baptisms:</b>             | Parents need to be registered, active and supporting parishioners prior to arranging a baptism at St. Cyril's. If this is a firstborn child, the parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class. Both sponsors should be adults and one an active, practicing Catholic.                              |
| Tuesday PM: devotions at 7 PM, 7:45 PM (Polish)  |   | <b>Marriage:</b>             | The bride and groom are encouraged to be registered, active, contributing parishioners of SS. Cyril & Methodius. Arrangements are to be made with a priest or deacon as soon as possible. A Marriage Preparation Program is a requirement of the Archdiocese. To schedule a wedding, please contact the parish office. |
| First Friday: 7:00 AM (English), 7:00 PM (Polish)  |   | <b>Social Media:</b>         | In an effort to enhance communication with our parishioners and visitors, please visit these websites to stay better connected with the many events and ministries of our parish.  |
| First Saturday: devotions at 7 PM (Polish),<br>9:00 PM (Polish)  |   | <b>Parish Website:</b>       | www.stcyril.org  |
| Holy Days of Obligation: As announced  |   | <b>School Website:</b>       | www.school.stcyril.org   |
| <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b>  |   | <b>Parish Facebook Page:</b> | www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont  |
| Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM   |   | <b>School Facebook Page:</b> | www.facebook.com/SSCMComets  |
| First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM  |   |                              |  |
| Also available by appointment.   |   |                              |  |
| <b>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:</b>   |   |                              |  |
| Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass  |   |                              |  |
| <b>Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:</b>  |   |                              |  |
| Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building. Please contact: Lottie (630) 4442-9441,<br>Mark (773) 727-7934, Margaret mtsniesz@gmail.com              |   |                              |  |
| <b>Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.</b>  |   |                              |  |
| <b>Monday, Wednesday &amp; Thursday</b>  | <b>9:00 AM to 3:00 PM</b>   |                              |  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>9:00 AM to 8:00 PM</b>   |                              |  |
| <b>Friday</b>  | <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b>   |                              |  |
| <b>Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>   | <b>Closed</b>   |                              |  |





**Dear Parishioners,**

Our purpose in life is not just to get by and on to the next day, nor do we just eat to survive and have peace. We desire higher human needs: dignity, belonging, to do something noble, dedication and love. These are values that give meaning to our lives. These values are built on some truth. Of course, there is only one truth for a Christian. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life." It is very important that Jesus says He is the path to the Truth that gives life and not just any kind of life; He gives eternal life, fulfilled life, happiness ...

The path of truthfulness leading to joy is through the sacraments. One of them is marriage, the path of common self-improvement according to the truths of Jesus. Love is certainly not the time of falling in love, affection, fascination, but the constant concern for someone, constant caregiving, constant selection of only this and not another person. Jesus gave his life for the disciples and did not change even one in the group of the Twelve. He persevered in love for them.

To give yourself away to someone and give your life to someone is the essence of Christian marriage. It is a constant agreement to not only what's appealing to us in the other person, but as well as their imperfections. Jesus did not have perfect disciples, but thanks to the community they became better and better. One who sustains a marriage must remember that it is not just because someone is beautiful, attractive or intelligent, but also agrees to a joint maturation to eternal life. Love is possible if two people sacrifice in the same way and choose each other.

There is nothing more beautiful in the whole universe than sacrifice for another human being. It gives meaning to our existence. There is no shortage of opportunities for this in marriage and interpersonal life. May these daily opportunities for sacrifice and good will be our path to mutual sanctification ...

**Thank you for your support of our church and school and may God bless you and your loved ones,**  
**Fr. Valdi**

**And now a few things the Parish wants you to know:**

- **PLEASE RSVP:** By now, you should have received your invitation by mail for our parish's 140th Anniversary Mass & Dinner Dance Celebration on **November 9, 2024**. To sign up to become a sponsor and find more details about the event, please see the flyer in the bulletin.
- Join Father Valdi in May of 2025 for a sentimental journey to Poland. Don't miss out on this meaningful experience. Please see the bulletin for more details.
- Please plan on participating in some Pro-Life activities during the month of October listed in the bulletin...

## *Spare Change Saves Babies*



**Your nickels and dimes do make a difference!**

**It's as easy as one, two, three:**

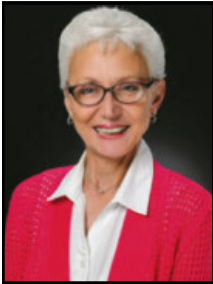
- 1. Pick up a baby bottle**
- 2. Take it home and drop in your spare change and Say a Prayer for the babies**
- 3. Return the bottles on Nov. 3rd**



**Thank You!**

**The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland**

Crisis pregnancy counseling, medical and social service referrals, material goods assistance. [www.GoTWC.org](http://www.GoTWC.org) or call us at 773.794.1313  
Offices located in: Chicago • Des Plaines • Evergreen Park



**SS. Cyril & Methodius School**  
**"Strength for the Journey"**

*SS. Cyril & Methodius School*  
*2019 National Blue Ribbon School*



Dear Parishioners,

We have now started the beautiful month of October. Everyone is settled in school, moving forward with learning a variety of new and challenging concepts, and enjoying the chance to be outside in the cooler temperatures.

On Thursday students brought home their first trimester progress report and teachers are preparing for Parent Teacher Conferences. Those will take place on Thursday, the 10th.

This past week found our Morning Prayers focusing on the Book of Sirach and all of God's wonderful works.

Congratulations to all the students in our school! In August, the staff challenged them to achieving at least twenty-five "shout outs" during the month of September. What is a shout out? That is when an adult in our building notices a student (or students) demonstrating a positive character trait towards someone else in our school. We discuss positive character traits during our Monday Morning Prayer Time. To celebrate receiving twenty-eight shout outs the students were able to play board games with their Faith Partners!

Next week we will enjoy a nice long weekend. Students are off on Friday, October 11th for a teacher professional development day and everyone will be off on Monday, the 14th for Columbus Day. It will be good to have a short break after working so hard the past several weeks!

As always, thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. S. Tkachuk  
Principal

**Our 7th  
& 8th  
Graders  
Visiting Our  
State Capital!**



**Congratulations SSCM Students  
On Earning 25 "Shout Outs" and  
Enjoying Some Well Deserved  
Game Time!**







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Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator

As we gather together to celebrate the monthly RE masses we invite you to learn about...

**Why to we "have to" go to Mass? - Part 1**

Whether you're a 3rd grader, a grandparent, or anything in between, at some point you've probably struggled with the question, "Why do we have to go to Mass?"

- Sometimes you don't feel like going to church.
- You may not like the homilies or the music.
- Maybe you think Mass is boring.
- You may not feel welcomed.
- You might try to convince yourself that you can pray anywhere.

**The Power of Negative Thinking**

Even though you know that going to Mass is a good thing, you can talk yourself out of going by focusing on the negatives. At first, you may feel a little guilty, but eventually, you can justify your decision by convincing yourself that you are too busy, too tired, too bored, too frustrated.

When that happens, you miss the great gift that God gives us in the Eucharist!



Friday Session Opening Mass 9/29/2024 11:00AM

**Thinking Positively**

What if you changed your attitude about going to Mass? What if you began to think of Mass as the time in the day when you can connect with God and with other people in a special way? What if you concentrated on the things you like about your parish instead of what you don't like? What if you made Mass a priority?

The effects of these kinds of positive attitudes may surprise you. Research studies show that people who go to church every week are:

- Less likely to suffer from depression.
- Less likely to abuse drugs or alcohol.
- More likely to have a solid sense of right and wrong.
- More likely to live a longer and happier life.

Stay tuned for part 2 next month...



Mon & Wed Session Opening Mass 9/29/2024  
12:30PM

Thank you to Father Valdi and Father Jason for celebrating our 2024/25 Catechetical Year Opening Masses with us!

Thank you to our catechists for reading and thank you to all RE families that attended!

We are looking forward to our 2nd and 8th grade classes participating in the next RE monthly mass on 10/27/2024.



# St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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## September 25th - November 3rd. 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

St James pray-ers will gather at Access Health, 1700 75<sup>th</sup> Str, Downers Grove, each **Friday at 3pm through Nov 1**. Pray with us &/or sign up for individual prayer time 7am to 7pm at [40daysforlife.com](http://40daysforlife.com). For the babies.



### Our Lady of Fatima Statue

You may host our beautiful statue for one week (Sun to Sun). Scan to sign up or go to [historicstjames.org](http://historicstjames.org).



Join thousands across the country at 3pm **Sunday, Oct 6** praying the rosary for the Catholic Church, the family & our country! We will meet at Access Clinic, 1700 W 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Downers Grove. Public prayer is powerful!

### FR JOHN HARDON'S CATECHISM

There's always something to learn in the treasure of our Catholic faith. Whether as a first-timer or repeat attendee, Michelle Rebello's course, **Commentary on the Catechism of the Catholic Church** by Servant of God Fr. John Hardon, is an engaging, challenging venue. Classes **begin at St James on Oct 22** and will be held Tuesdays from 7-9pm. Cost is to cover materials only. \$0/\$40/\$65 depending on your status/preference. Whether new or repeat student, please see additional info & the Sign-Up Genius link on our website.



### Save the Date ~ All Souls Day Saturday, November 2

Remember your dearly departed at Mass at 5pm followed by "Soup for the Souls" dinner & an opportunity for sharing in Sag Hall following Mass.



### Sunday, October 13, 1:30pm 107<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima, Portugal

When Our Lady spoke to the three children, Lucia, Jacinta & Francisco, she asked for rosaries for peace & salvation of souls. We are still called to grant her request. Join us in honoring Our Lady of Fatima with a Rosary Procession through the cemetery.

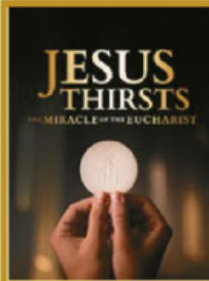
### The Women's Centers

are again asking for help during October, Respect Life Month. Please take a baby bottle, fill it with spare change & return. All proceeds benefit The Women's Centers, helping women choose life & then helping them & their babies.



Altar & Rosary Society's next meeting is Saturday, October 12th at 9:30am in Sag Hall. October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Let us honor our Blessed Mother with our prayers. Praying the rosary is a gift from our Holy Mother to honor Jesus through her, while we ask for her help in our world which faces so much moral crisis.





**Fri, Oct 25, 7pm, Sag Hall**  
 Thanks to the Sag Bridge Mission Society, everyone is invited to a showing of this documentary as a continuation of the Eucharistic revival. The film explores the transformative power and impact of the Eucharist, the most profound means by which God shares Himself with humanity. Come & invite anyone who does not believe!

**Wine & Wisdom – Oct 9**  
 Jonathan O'Brien recently published a book, *Called to Compiègne*, on French Carmelite martyrs during the French revolution. Come hear about his research & the story of these inspirational sisters.

*Wine & Wisdom – Oct 16*  
 Our own Vicki Anzalone will lead a discussion on invitro fertilization. What is it? Why is the Catholic Church against it? Where are we in the legal realm?

Wednesdays join us for: Adoration 5 to 7pm. Confessions 6 to 7pm. Mass 7pm, Wine & Wisdom ~8 to ~9:15pm

**Our Beautiful Grotto**  
 A Fall look at the amazing work of so many dedicated gardeners who diligently labor virtually all year to keep the garden around Our Lady so beautiful. See more pictures in the photo album on our website.



**Sr Deirdre Byrne**  
 & Fr Koys at the Catholic Citizens of Illinois Annual Dinner. The delightful Sr “Dede” gave an analysis of issues that Catholic voters must consider as elections draw near.

**Upcoming Weddings:**  
 Paulina Stafira & Matthew May  
 Adam Wiesner & Anna Gannon  
 Michael Madetko & Tara McIvor

**VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/6/24**  
 St. James Altar & Rosary Society  
 All the Poor Souls in Purgatory  
 United States of America  
 For Our Children—Heather, Ryan & Colleen  
 Birthday Blessings—Helen Matlawski  
 For a Healthy Great-Grandson



**Mass Intentions**  
*Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions*

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
 8:00AM ✚ Frank Esposito  
 Intentions of Anna Krasowski

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8**  
 8:00AM ✚ Joe Slowik  
 Health & Healing—Fr Robert Coleman

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9**  
 7:00PM ✚ Mary Lou Donzelli  
 ✚ Mary Carol Cahill

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10**  
 8:00AM ✚ Piotr Gacek  
 Birthday Blessings—Lydia Kwak

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
 6:00PM ✚ Maria Walkosz  
 Birthday Blessings—Walter Obrochta

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12**  
 8:00AM Birthday Blessings—Kevin Fera  
 Blessings for Laura Karas

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
 8:15AM ✚ James Marlowe  
 ✚ Edward Szewczyk  
 ✚ Vince Bianco  
 10AM: Blessings & Thanksgiving—Pabin Family  
 For Our Lady of Fatima Travelling Statue  
 Participants—May our Lord & Mother Mary grant them wisdom, holiness, courage and protection  
 12:00PM: ✚ Louis & ✚ Eleanor Galluzzi  
 Wedding Anniv Blessings—Martin & Marta Razo

**Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made available by:**  
**BOB & JOAN SWIGON—IN LOVING MEMORY OF JAMES J. SENDZIAK**

**Our Weekly Offering**  
 Our weekly *Offertory* collection from September 29, 2024 was \$4,209. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$1,170.  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!**

| MASS   | ALTAR SERVERS<br>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13                 |
|--------|---|
| 8:15am | Matthew & Max Maglak<br>Will & Conor Pawlisz        |
| 10am   | Matthew Rebello, Aden Burke,<br>Marty & Tommy Comer |






**OCTOBER BINGO NIGHT!**

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL GYMNASIUM!  
**DOORS WILL OPEN AT 5:00 PM!**  
 CASH PRIZES AWARDED TO ALL WINNERS!  
 WE KINDLY ASK THAT NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK  
 BE BROUGHT IN-  
 CONCESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE  
 INCLUDING BEER AND WINE!

**THURSDAY STARTS AT 6:30 607 SOBIESKI  
 OCTOBER 10 LEMONT**

**COME JOIN US!** FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE  
 CONTACT MICHELLE VAGNONI 312.315.1099



**Respect Life Rosary Procession**

Sunday, October 6th is RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY. Please join us and the community of SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish as we honor the sanctity of life. While reciting the Rosary, we will process from the Grotto of SS. Cyril & Methodius to St. Patrick Church and then to St. Alphonsus Church. We will conclude with a prayer service inside St. Alphonsus.

Please meet at the SSCM Grotto at 3:00 PM (In case of rain the prayer service will be held in St. Alphonsus Church at 3:00 PM)

If you are unable to walk in the procession, St. Alphonsus Church will be open at 3:00 PM for individual prayer.

**What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion**

*Read the full version at [respectlifeprogram.org/l-o-v-e](http://respectlifeprogram.org/l-o-v-e).*

When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby? First, prioritize listening over speaking. Ask her about her feelings, thoughts, values, beliefs, and wants. When her story is fully shared, it is your turn to provide factual information, in a loving and caring way. Encourage her.

**Reassure her that she is not alone.**

Help her set goals that extend beyond her due date to help her see life beyond her pregnancy. Reassure her that she is not alone, and provide practical support. Pray with her, offering Christ's love at a crucial life-saving and life-defining moment.

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**Dinner Dance Sponsorship Opportunities**  
 Join us at the **GOLD** or **SILVER** level and be part of an unforgettable celebration.

**GOLD LEVEL Event Sponsor**  
**\$3,000** per sponsorship

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- 2 Event Tickets Included
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- Enjoy Bottle Service at your Gold Table
- Receive prominent Recognition at the Event and on our Sponsors Board

**Don't delay, secure your commitment and sponsorship today!**

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Your contribution will directly support our event expenses and planned activities, ensuring its success!

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- ↳ State Farm Insurance, Annie Kinsley
- ↳ Mr. John Cisek & Ms. Marianna Bak
- ↳ Ms. Rosemarie McAdam
- ↳ Mr. & Mrs. John & Agnieszka Nowobilski
- ↳ Mr. & Mrs. Mark & Judy Merzlock

**Your Silver Sponsorship Includes:**

- 2 Event Tickets Included
- Recognition at Event and Sponsors Board

**Sponsorships Opportunities are still AVAILABLE!**

Mark your calendars and join us for an unforgettable evening of dining, dancing, and entertainment at our 140th Anniversary Dinner Dance! Eagerly anticipating your presence at the event!

**Join Us November 9, 2024**

**ALL LEVELS OF SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME!**





Foto: Dariusz Pilka, Dziennik

**Gratulujemy! Congratulations!**

Z ogromną radością informujemy, że nasz parafianin Marek Prędkie został odznaczony medalem Pro Polonia et Ecclesia przyznawanym przez Konferencję Episkopatu Polski w uznaniu zasług dla Polonii i duszpasterstwa polskojęzycznego. Marek Prędkie otrzymał medal 15 września 2024 roku podczas uroczystej Mszy świętej w kościele pw. Trójcy Świętej w Chicago. Uhonorowany medalem Marek Prędkie uroczysto podziękował Bogu za otrzymywane łaski oraz księżom: księdzu Andrzejowi Totzke – dyrektorowi Polskiej Misji Duszpasterskiej pod wezwaniem Trójcy Świętej w Chicago za wręczenie, księdzu Waldemarowi Stawiarskiemu – proboszczowi parafii Świętych Cyryla i Metodego w Lemont za przedstawienie do

medalu, a abp Tadeuszowi Wojdzie SAC – Przewodniczącemu Konferencji Episkopatu Polski oraz bp Piotrowi Turzyńskiemu – Delegatowi KEP ds. Duszpasterstwa Emigracji Polskiej za przyznanie medalu."

With great joy, we would like to inform you that our parishioner, Marek Prędkie, has been awarded the Pro Polonia et Ecclesia medal, granted by the Polish Bishops' Conference in recognition of his services to the Polish merits and Polish-language pastoral care. Marek Prędkie received the medal on September 15, 2024, during a solemn Mass at the Holy Trinity Church in Chicago. Honored with the medal, Marek Prędkie solemnly thanked God for the graces received, as well as the priests: Father Andrzej Totzke, Director of the Polish Pastoral Mission of the Holy Trinity in Chicago, for presenting the medal; Father Waldemar Stawiarski, pastor of the Parish of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Lemont, for recommending him for the medal; Archbishop Tadeusz Wojda SAC, Chairman of the Polish Bishops' Conference; and Bishop Piotr Turzyński, Delegate of the Polish Bishops' Conference for Polish Emigration Pastoral Care, for granting the medal.





# NABOŻEŃSTWO FATIMSKIE



Nabożeństwa Fatimskie w Parafii świętych Cyryla i Metodego, odbywają się 13-go dnia każdego miesiąca, od maja do października. To jedna z dodatkowych okazji na pogłębienie naszej relacji z Matką i Jej Synem.

**13 października - 3PM**  
13 maja | 13 czerwca | 13 lipca | 13 sierpnia | 13 września | 13 października

**Serdecznie zapraszamy Wszystkie Dzieci!**

Parafia Św. Cyryla i Metodego | St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

## SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY TO POLAND

**\$200 DISCOUNT**  
FOR EACH PERSON WITH A PAYMENT OF \$1500 BY 09/30/24

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Under spiritual guidance of:  
Fr. Waldemar (Waldi) Stawarski



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Final payment by 03/01/2025  
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## ZAPROSZENIE NA PIELGRZYMKĘ DO JAPONII



Ks. Tadeusz Dzieszko, proboszcz parafii św. Faustyny Kowalskiej w Chicago, serdecznie zaprasza na 12 dniową Pielgrzymkę do Kraju Samurajów i Kwitnących Wiśni, czyli Japonii. Pielgrzymką będzie miała miejsce w dniach od 1-go do 12-go kwietnia, 2025 roku, śladami św. Maksymiliana Marią Kolbe i św. Jana Pawła II. W programie jest również wizyta w miejscu objawień Matki Bożej w Akita.

Program jest bardzo bogaty. Liczba osób jest ograniczona. Jeśli chcecie wziąć udział w tej pielgrzymce to dajcie znać zanim zabraknie miejsc. Za całą organizację jest odpowiedzialne polskie biuro pielgrzymkowe z Rzymu, które specjalizuje się w wyjazdach grupowych między innymi do Japonii. Po więcej informacji prosimy dzwonić do ks. Tadeusza Dzieszko na nr. (708)932-1102



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Próby będą się odbywać w każdy wtorek o godzinie 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM w budynku parafialnym. Pierwsze spotkanie odbędzie się 8 października, 2024.

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### **Kilka spraw z życia parafii:**

- **PROSIMY O ODPOWIEDŹ:** Napewno do tej pory otrzymaliście zaproszenie na uroczystą Mszę Św. i kolację z okazji 140 rocznicy powstania naszej parafii, która odbędzie się 9 listopada 2024 r. Aby zarejestrować się jako sponsor i uzyskać więcej szczegółów na temat wydarzenia, prosimy o zapoznanie się z ulotką w biuletynie.
- Dołącz do pielgrzymko-wycieczki z ks. Waldemarem „Valdi” w maju 2025 roku i wybierz się na jedną z najpiękniejszych podróży do Polski. Więcej strzeżół w biuletynie.
- Zapraszam do wspólnej modlitwy i udziału w spotkaniach Pro-Life w obronie życia dzieci nienarodzonych.

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## Mass Intentions

**Monday — October 7th**

7:00 AM LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIALS  
GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY  
GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR FELICIA MADURA (birth)  
by Family

**Tuesday — October 8th**

7:00 AM LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIALS  
✠ STANISLAW ZACHENSKI  
by Tadeusz & Helena Las

7:00 PM ✠ WŁADYSŁAW MUCHA  
by Siostra z Rodziną  
✠ TADEUSZ MUCHA  
by Siostra z Rodziną  
✠ ANNA KAMIŃSKA  
by Małgorzata

**Wednesday — October 9th**

7:00 AM LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIALS  
✠ ANNIE COLEMAN (1 Anniv.)  
by Sciacca Family

**Thursday — October 10th**

7:00 AM LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIALS  
THANKSGIVING & GRATITUDE FOR PETER  
SKRZYPEK (22 Anniv. of Accident)  
by Danuta  
GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR CHRISTIAN SOKOL  
(birth)  
by Grandparents  
✠ LOUIS ZIOLKOWSKI  
by Mary Balash  
✠ MARV GONSIOROWSKI  
by Family

**Friday — October 11th**

7:00 AM LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIALS  
✠ MARY PAULA IDA ABBINANTE  
by Kasia

**Saturday — October 12th**

7:00 AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA  
LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIALS

11:00 AM *Wedding: Honorata Jaworska and Lukasz Janik*

1:00 PM *Wedding: Monika Wielocha and Grzegorz Górczyca*

3:00 PM *Wedding: Karina Madanowski and Dylan Konchan*

5:00 PM ✠ DOROTHY PAVLOVIC

**Fr. Valdi** by Family  
✠ VIRGINIA KWASNESKI (Anniv.)  
by Ron Bozych Family

7:00 PM ✠ KS. MIECZYŚLAW WOLANIN

**Fr. Valdi** ✠ KS. STANISŁAW BĄK  
✠ KS. CZESŁAW PRZYBYŁO I MAMA TERESA  
by Rodzina Cislo

**Sunday — October 13th**

7:00 AM ✠ ANDREW & CLARA ZOLECKI  
**Fr. Valdi** by Family

✠ JOANNA ZAGATA  
by Walter & Sophie Lesnicki

8:00 AM ✠ WŁODZIMIERZ JARNUTOWSKI

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✠ ANDRZEJ KALATA  
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✠ ZOFIA I LUDWIK GAWRON  
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✠ MARIA I STANISŁAW MIŚKIEWICZ  
by Anna Miśkiewicz

9:30 AM ✠ HERBERT WOLF

**Fr. Valdi** by Friend  
✠ FRANCES GALASINSKI  
by Family

11:00 AM ✠ MICHAŁ CISKAŁ  
**Carmelite** by Monika Bochenek

✠ JÓŻEF MILAN  
by Rodzina

✠ ALOJZY WONTORCZYK  
by Alex i Dominika

✠ MARK HOKE  
by Mama

12:30 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR TADEUSZ  
**Fr. Valdi** (birth)

2:00 PM ZA WSZYSTKICH PARAFIAN, ŻYJĄCYCH I ZMARŁYCH  
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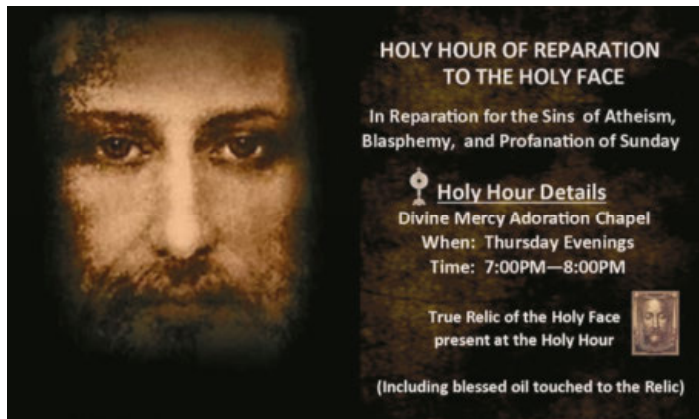
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O BOŻE BŁ. I OPIEKĘ M.B. DLA RODZINY  
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✠ STANISŁAW SĄDELSKI  
by Rodzina

7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED  
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| Marge Doucet          | Mike Laskowski        |
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| Charlie Wickey        | Alexander Dziaba      |
| Guy Martin            | Hieronima Palasiewicz |

The name of an individual will stay on the prayer list for two months. Please contact the parish office if you would like to prolong the prayer request.



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*Please inform the parish office if there are any changes or additions to the above list. Thank you.*

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*Natalia Pacura and Austin Davis  
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*Wedding Banns*

- Megan Martin and Zach Traina*
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*Congratulations and God's Blessings*



*Weronika Abram and Daniel Michalik  
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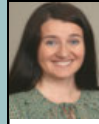
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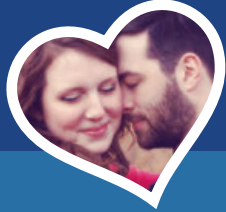
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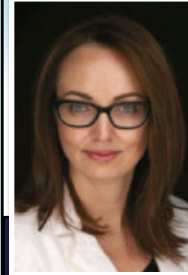
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