

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

Parish Staff

Pastoral Ministry
Rev. Waldemar "Valdi"
Stawiarski
Pastor

Rev. Thomas Koys
Associate Pastor

Education
Shirley Tkachuk
Parish School Principal

Monika Leja
R.E. Administrator

R.E. Administrative Assistant

Liturgy
Trish Nickleski
Liturgy Coordinator

Music Ministry
Miroslawa Sojka-Topor
Music Director

Administration
Denise Duda
Operations Director

Lynn Bailey
Ann Noonan
Assistant Business Managers

Roxana Boyden, Debbie Grand
Peggy Sniegowski, Ann Noonan
Parish Secretaries

Nicole O'Hare
Bulletin Editor

Coleen Mast
Evangelization Coordinator

Bernice Raj
Cook/Housekeeper

Ryszard Witkowski
Paul Siro
Maintenance



January 26, 2025

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Schools Week



WE  OUR

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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.

<p>Parish Information</p> <p>Parish Office: 608 Sobieski Street, Lemont, IL Denise Duda, Operations Director (630) 257-2776; (630) 257-9372 Fax rectory@stcyril.org website: www.stcyril.org www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont</p>	<p>Minister of Music: Mira Sojka-Topor musicmin@stcyril.org (630) 257-2776</p>
<p>School: 607 Sobieski Street, Lemont, IL Shirley Tkachuk, Principal (630) 257-6488; shirleyt@stcyril.org</p>	<p>Polish School: www.polschool.com Halina Szyrzyna Principal: (630) 669-9058</p> <p>Polish Club: John Lichacz, President (773) 216-1108 polishclub@stcyril.org</p>
<p>Religious Education: Monika Leja, Religious Education Administrator (630) 257-9314; mleja@sscmlmont.org</p>	<p>Minister of Care: Dave Smietanski (630) 257-2776</p> <p>Parish Council: Stan Brzezniak, President</p>
<p>Mass Schedule: Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday Obligation Sunday: 7:00 AM (English-No Music), 8:00 AM (Polish), 9:30 AM (English), 11:00 AM (Polish), 12:30 PM (English), 2:00 PM (Polish), 7:30 PM (English-No Music)</p>	<p>Bulletin: bulletin@stcyril.org</p> <p>Helping Hands: helpinghands@stcyril.org</p> <p>New Parishioners: 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</p>
<p>Special Masses: Tuesday PM: devotions at 7 PM, 7:45 PM (Polish) First Friday: 7:00 AM (English), 7:00 PM (Polish) First Saturday: devotions at 7 PM (Polish), 9:00 PM (Polish) Holy Days of Obligation: As announced</p>	<p>Baptisms: 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.</p>
<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM Also available by appointment.</p>	<p>Marriage: 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.</p>
<p>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass</p>	<p>Social Media: 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.</p>
<p>Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: Located in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Parish Life Building. Please contact: Lottie (630) 4442-9441, Mark (773) 727-7934, Margaret mtsniesz@gmail.com</p>	<p>Parish Website: www.stcyril.org School Website: www.school.stcyril.org</p>
<p>Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM. Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Saturday & Sunday Closed</p>	<p>Parish Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont School Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/SSCMComets</p>

**Dear Parishioners,**

We live in a society where many people are constantly looking for happiness and joy. Without it, life is empty and tasteless. Living without joy becomes difficult to bear. Sometimes people try to

fulfill the emptiness within their life by working beyond their strength, creating an overwhelmed social life, wealth, power, or by indulging in alcohol or other stimulants. However, at the end, their search for happiness fails.

There is only one source from which joy flows - a joy that can transform human life. This source was discovered by the Israelites in the 5th century BC, when they were once again liberated from captivity in the history of their nation. After years of humiliation and oppression, a sense of dignity was born in them again when they returned not only to their homeland, but also to their cultural and religious roots. They were rebuilding the temple while being united as one nation, simply by following God's law in their lives, given to them in Sinai. In return, they no longer have to fear for their future if they return to their origins and turn their hearts to God.

Joy cannot be obtained by filling the emptiness with temporary sensations or materialistic items. Joy is a gift which God gives to people who place their trust in Him, listen to His word and unite with Him through prayer.

The creator has inscribed in each of us the desire for happiness and joy. At the same time, He showed us the source in which we can find our satisfaction. It's Him - His word, His closeness, His love. True joy is in the Lord and He is our strength ...

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

Fr. Valdi

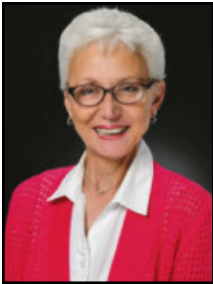
And now a few things the Parish wants you to know:

- A new year means tax time! If you would like a print out of your contributions from 2024, see the bulletin for the form to fill out and send to the office.
- **Catholic Schools Week begins this Sunday with our parish school leading the 9:30 AM Mass and an Open House to follow. There will also be many activities throughout the week. Please, join us to celebrate...**
- On January 25th & 26th, there will be a second collection for the Church in Latin America. Please see the bulletin for more details.
- **Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers Needed!!** SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish is looking for lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for all the English Masses but especially the 5:00 and 12:30 Masses. You can find more information in the bulletin on how to sign up and receive training.



As We Are Now In Catholic Schools Week, This Is The Perfect Time To Consider Checking Out Our Parish School For Your Child's Faith Filled Education...

We are arranging tours and shadow days along with accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact our office at 630-257-6488 to arrange for a tour or shadow day.



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

SS. Cyril & Methodius School
2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parishioners,

Today marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. This week is set aside to honor our school's excellence as we highlight its mission and accomplishments. It is the time to reflect on the high-quality and faith-focused education we offer. It is also the time to remind our entire community of the vital contributions we make to education and the quality of life. Catholic Schools Week is truly a time to celebrate!

The school staff and I are fortunate to experience the wonderful reality of Catholic education every day. It is found in the dedication and integrity of our teachers, staff, and everyone else involved in running SS. Cyril and Methodius School. It is found in the hard work and accomplishments of our students who, day by day, are learning and growing in their faith as they experience an education filled with Catholic values. It is found in the commitment of our parents, guardians and volunteers who selflessly give their time, talents, and energy to help make our school truly excellent! It is found in the constant guidance and support of Fr. Valdi and all our parishioners. Thank you for your commitment to our mission. Together we have all worked to make SS. Cyril and Methodius School a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence!

Please join our Catholic Schools Week celebration. Participate in our Open House and meet the staff and students. Encourage friends and neighbors who may be considering a Catholic school to join our community. Not only is this week a time to celebrate, but it is also a time to spread the word about the education and experiences provided at SS. Cyril and Methodius School

Sincerely,
Mrs. Shirley Tkachuk
Principal



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CALENDAR OF EVENTS!

Sunday, January 26th

SS. Cyril and Methodius School Celebrates our Parish ~

- School Families and Staff gather for the 9:30 Mass.
- Students in full school uniform will receive a special Principal's Dress Down Pass from Mrs. Tkachuk!
- Open House and Book Fair from 10:30-1:00!
- Prospective families are welcome to join us for tours!

Monday, January 27th

SS. Cyril and Methodius School Celebrates our Nation ~

- Dress in red, white, and blue!
- Wheel of Wisdom Assembly! (PreK thru Grade 4 at 9:00) (Grades 5 thru 8 at 10:00)
- Patriotic Sing Along (Parents, please join us in the gym at 1:30)!
- Classes visit the Book Fair!

Tuesday, January 28th

SS. Cyril and Methodius School Celebrates our Faculty and Staff ~

- Special Luncheon for faculty and staff.
- Dress in your teacher's favorite color.
- Classes will visit the Book Fair!

Wednesday, January 29th

SS. Cyril and Methodius School Celebrates our Students and Families ~

- Free Chick-Fil-A for lunch!
- Dress Down Day!
- Free-throw contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus!
- Faith Partner Board Games during the day.
- Classes will visit the Book Fair!
- NO HOMEWORK!

Thursday, January 30th

SS. Cyril and Methodius School Celebrates Careers and Vocations ~

- Special visits from parents and parishioners sharing their careers with the students!
- Students should dress for a career or college!

Friday, January 31st

SS. Cyril and Methodius School Celebrates our Community ~

- All School Mass at 8:15AM! "Special Person/People are welcome to join us and sit with the children during mass! This could be parents, grandparents, Godparents, Aunts or Uncles!
- Dress in spirit wear OR red and white!
- Students will assemble "Bags of Blessings" for the community along with special cards for seniors!

UNITED IN FAITH AND COMMUNITY!



SS Cyril & Methodius
Religious Education Program
stcyrilre@sscmlmont.org
(630)257-9314
www.re.stcyril.org

Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator

On January 11th students from our religious education programs and Everest Academy gathered at their First Reconciliation retreat. They were led in prayer and various activities by Father Tom Koys.

Thank you to Father Tom for spending an afternoon with our students helping to prepare them for this beautiful sacrament of healing. Please keep our parish 2nd graders in your prayers as they receive their First Reconciliation on February 1st.



St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

10600 S. Archer Avenue | Lemont, Illinois 60439-9344 | (Ph) 630.257.7000 |
Email: stjames1833@att.net | Website: www.historicstjames.org

Mass Schedule

WEEKENDS:

Sundays: 8:15am, 10:00am and 12:00pm (TLM)

WEEKDAYS:

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat 8:00am,
Wed 7pm, Fri 6pm

ADORATION:

Adoration on Wednesday 5-7pm.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday 6:00pm & Saturday 8:30am.
Otherwise by appointment.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS:

Contact the rectory office.

SICK & HOMEBOUND PASTORAL CARE:

Please notify rectory.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Wed, Thu & Fri: 9:00am to 2:00pm.



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.

FEBRUARY OPENINGS



Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!

CELEBRATE

The Gift of Your Marriage

Saturday, February 22, 2025

St. James at Sag Bridge
10600 Archer Ave, Lemont

11:00 Talk followed by
Mass with renewal of vows

1:15 Lunch at Alpine Banquets
8230 S Cass Ave, Darien

\$100 per couple



Wine & Wisdom – Jan 29

Come learn about Rachel's Vineyard, a healing ministry offered to post-abortive women. Mary Burruss, a dedicated pro-life volunteer, will present & share her story.

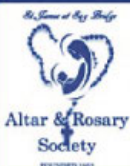
Wine & Wisdom – Feb 5

We hear so much about Vatican II, but do we really know what its documents contain? Come hear Jim Coughlin address the facts about Lumen Gentium, which clarifies the nature and mission of the Catholic Church.

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

First Saturday – February 1

Our Lady of Fatima asked us to show her special devotion on the First Saturday of each month. It's easy to do at St James. We begin with Morning prayer at 7:45, then Mass at 8, then Adoration & the Fatima devotions, including rosary. Join us!



In these extra cold days of January, we can spend extra time with prayers of thanks for our many blessings. Altar & Rosary Society is blessed with growing & keeping some great friendships among our members, and for that we are so grateful. A & R Society recently met in a workshop to organize, clean and brainstorm about new events and prepare for some of our old favorites. All women of the parish are invited to join the A & R Society at our next meeting on Sat, Feb 8th at 9:30am. Whether you want to make a new friend, connect with an old friend or just enjoy some company, we hope to see you there.



Over the next two weeks, the First Communion classes at St James & St Cyril's will experience their First Confessions. Pray for them. And consider: Are you are a good example of regularly receiving this sacrament. Always be prepared!

JOYFUL AGAIN!!

Are you widowed and still hurting?

What: Attend a Joyful Again! 2 day Workshop and Spiritual Retreat
When: March 1st and 2nd, 2025
Where: University of St Mary's of the Lake, Mundelein, IL (Commute or stay overnight.)
For further information, call: 708-354-7211.
 Email us at info@joyfulagain.org
 website: www.joyfulagain.org



Remember to pray for the baby you spiritually adopted.

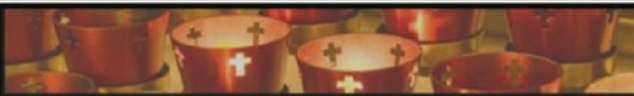
Dr Clark Forsythe, Pro-life Leader, Coming to St James - Sat, Mar 15
 The Sag Bridge Mission Society is proud to present a talk by Dr Forsythe, Senior Counsel for Americans United for Life and prolific writer on pro-life policies. Details to follow.

At 3PM Every Friday

Be part of the St James prayer sentinel! Gather for prayer each Friday at Access Health to pray for the moms & dads considering abortion – and for their babies. Invoke our Lord's Mercy at the Mercy Hour!

Ministry of Care

If you or a loved one is homebound & would like to receive the Eucharist, please sign up online or via paper form in Church, or call Fr Koys or rectory.



VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/26/25

St. James Altar & Rosary Society
 All the Poor Souls in Purgatory
 United States of America
 For Our Children—Heather, Ryan & Colleen
 In Memory of Toni Mannella



Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

- MONDAY, JANUARY 27**
 8:00AM Birthday Blessings—Eileen Dolehide
 Health & Healing—Neal Hartz
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 28**
 8:00AM †Joseph Aiello
 †John & †Jo Henze
 Birthday Blessings—Janus Florczyk
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29**
 7:00PM †Kay McNally
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 30**
 8:00AM Health & Healing—Neal Hartz
 †Toni Mannella
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 31**
 6:00PM †Joanna Henze
 Birthday Blessings—Alex Paul
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1**
 8:00AM †Andy Karas

Presentation of the Lord

- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2**
 8:15AM †Tony Ortiz
 Health & Healing—Irene McGrath
 10AM †Robert Czaja
 Blessings for the Fatima Statue Families
 12:00PM Birthday Blessings—Margaret Gal

Altar Flowers

Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made available by:
BETH DiVIRGILIO
 IN MEMORY OF TONI MANNELLA



Our weekly *Offertory* collection from January 19, 2025 was \$4,387. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$965.

Christmas collection totalled \$18,942
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2
8:15am	Alex Pawlikowski, Joe Beecher, Mark Henze, Christos & Frankie Latsonas
10am	Matthew & Max Naglak, Christian Cozzi, Will & Conor Pawlisz

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



TRANSFORM LIVES

THROUGH THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Chicago's archdiocesan Catholic schools provide a strong academic foundation enriched by values of faith, service and compassion. For many families, especially in areas of the city facing significant financial and social challenges, accessing this life-changing education remains just out of reach.

Catholic schools nurture the whole child – mind, body and spirit – instilling integrity, service and leadership values. These schools foster a sense of belonging and purpose, creating environments where students are educated and inspired to make a difference in their communities.

All of our Catholic schools serve our communities generously, but some schools face significant financial needs. These schools serve diverse, vibrant communities where families often face financial hardships. Your support directly impacts these families, helping to ensure that more children have access to the quality education they deserve— regardless of their economic situation.

Your gift to the Catholic Schools Scholarship Program:

- **Provides Access:** Removes financial barriers for families in need.
- **Transforms Lives:** Gives children the tools they need to succeed academically and spiritually.
- **Strengthens Communities:** Builds neighborhoods with a focus on faith, service and care for one another

Please consider supporting schools where the need is greatest. Every dollar you give helps ensure that Catholic education's values and teachings reach those who will benefit from them most.

Join Us in Making a Difference
archchicago.org/scholarships





Valentine Bingo!

GRAB YOUR BESTIE AND COME JOIN US FOR
 A NIGHT OF BINGO FUN!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025!

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL GYM!
DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 P.M./ STARTS AT 6:30 P.M.

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!

MUST BE 21 YEARS OLD ATTEND-

*hope to see
 you there!*



HOPE & LOVE

◆ are best when shared ◆

DONATE BLOOD


**Saturday
 February
 01
 9:00AM - 1:00PM**

**LEMONT VFW POST 5819
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1599**

LOCATION: COMMUNITY ROOM
 15780 New Avenue, Lemont 60439

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED/WALK INS WELCOME


Please book an appointment on-line using the QR Code attached:-



Every donor makes a difference! Sign up today and be that difference. Each donor impacts 3 lives.

Helpful tip:
 Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

HELP SAVE LIVES IN THE COMMUNITY



Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers Needed!!

SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish is looking for lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for all the English Masses but especially the 5:00 and 12:30 Masses. If you are interested in becoming a lector or Eucharistic Minister for our parish, please see the training information below. You can also call Trish at 630-257-2776 or email her at tnickleski@sscmlemont.org for more information. Please think consider helping out in one of these ministries. You will find it very rewarding!

VICARIATE V ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
 MINISTRY COMMISSION Presents:

LITURGY TRAINING

Initial Training for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist & Initial Training for Lectors

Description of presentation:
 These sessions provide training for Liturgical Ministers. ALL trainees attend Tuesday evening's Scriptural foundation, overview of the liturgy, and discern their call to liturgical ministry. Specific ministry formation follows.

Part 1 Liturgy Formation Tuesday, February 11 (required for ALL called to liturgical ministry).



Part 2 Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is Wednesday, February 12. Participants will learn the theology and practical skills for serving as a Liturgical Minister at Mass. This training is required by the Archdiocese of Chicago for all those serving in this ministry.

Part 2 Training for Lectors is Thursday, February 13. Participants will learn the theological and practical skills necessary to proclaim the Word of God at Holy Mass.

DAY AND DATE OF PRESENTATION:
 Tuesday (All), Wednesday (EOMs),
 Thursday (Lectors) -
 February 11-13, 2025

TIME:
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

LOCATION:
 Incarnation Church
 5757 W. 127th Street, Crestwood, IL
Handicap accessible, park and enter under the canopy

Kathy McNicholas is a pastoral associate and director of lifelong formation at Incarnation St. Terence Parish. Her passion is for Jesus and accompanying adults on their Catholic faith journey.

PLEASE REGISTER AT: <https://ministrycommissionv5.com/>

Share Your Faith

Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

**Second Collection-
 January 25th & 26th
 Church in Latin America**

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Church in Latin America. Many people in Latin America & the Caribbean do not have access to church programs & ministries because of rising secular culture, rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers & sisters in Latin America & the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ.





Polish Club of Lemont
in Association with SS Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church

January 11, 2025

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are delighted to extend a formal invitation to you to join us for the **20th Annual Polish Heritage Day**, hosted by the Polish Club of Lemont. This year's theme is **"The Katyn Massacre"**. Together, we will honor the memory of its victims with a heartfelt tribute to this significant chapter in history while celebrating the rich heritage of Polish culture.

Please join us on **February 23, 2025**, at the Father Gilewski Center at SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish, located at 607 Sobieski St. in Lemont. The festivities will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the opening of the Exposition Hall, where you'll have the opportunity to explore a variety of exhibits.

To make this community-driven event possible, we rely on your generous support. **Sponsorship tables** will be available for purchase to showcase your business (\$200 for a full 2x8 table and \$100 for a half table). We will also happily display your business advertisements for free in our PowerPoint presentation, welcome banner, and posters, should you choose to provide them. In addition to sponsorship tables, we will also be promoting a **newspaper bulletin**, within which you can purchase an advertisement (\$100 for a full page ad, \$60 for 1/2 page, \$40 for 1/4 page). Businesses that sponsor a table will receive a special rate of 50% off newspaper bulletin advertisements. A donation of any amount will also be greatly appreciated. We encourage you to bring your family, friends, and colleagues and share the joy and warmth of the Polish culture with them.

The main program will start at 2:00 pm with a Polish Mass, followed by a ceremony and selection of the **"Pole of the Year 2025"**. This is an occasion to recognize and honor an exceptional individual who has made a significant impact in our community.

We hope that you will be able to join us for this special occasion and experience the vibrant and welcoming Polish community in Lemont. We appreciate your continued support, and we look forward to your attendance.

To RSVP or inquire about sponsorship opportunities, contact us via email at polishclub@stcyril.org or phone at (773) 216-1108 by February 17, 2025.

Respectfully,

Committee of Polish Heritage Day



XX DZIEŃ DZIEDZICTWA POLSKIEGO W LEMONT - 20th POLISH HERITAGE DAY



PROMOTE YOUR COMPANY OR BUSINESS

23 LUTEGO 2025

**WYKUP STOISKO REKLAMOWE
oraz/lub WYKUP REKLAMĘ**

Cały Stół: \$200 / Połowa: \$100

Jako sponsor wykupienia stołu otrzymasz 50% zniżki

Reklama w Gazecie Dnia Polskiego

Cała strona - \$100, 1/2 - \$60, 1/4 - \$40

To świetna okazja do promocji swojej firmy i ukazania zaangażowania w życie polskiej społeczności i parafii Św. Cyryla i Metodego w Lemont

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

**SPONSOR A TABLE
and/or PURCHASE AN AD**

Full Display Table: \$200 / Half: \$100

Table sponsors also receives a 50% advertising discount

Event Bulletin Ad

Full page \$100, 1/2 page \$60, 1/4 page \$40

A great opportunity to promote your business and demonstrate your commitment to the life of the Polish community and the parish of SS. Cyril and Methodius in Lemont



Contact Us:

Ph. 773-216-1108

Email: polishclub@stcyril.org

RSVP by February 17, 2025



Drodzy Parafianie,

Żyjemy w społeczeństwie, w którym wielu ludzi bez ustanku poszukuje szczęścia i radości. Bez niej życie jest puste i pozbawione smaku.

Życie bez radości staje się trudnym do zniesienia. Nieraz ludzie próbują wypełnić pustkę życiową pracą ponad siły, siecią kontaktów towarzyskich, majątkiem, władzą, alkoholem czy innego typu używkami. Ich poszukiwania kończą się jednak niepowodzeniem.

Jest tylko jedno źródło, z którego wypływa radość – i to taka radość, która potrafi przemienić ludzkie życie. To źródło odkryli Izraelici w V wieku przed Chrystusem, kiedy zostali po raz kolejny w historii swego narodu wyzwoleni z niewoli. Po latach poniżenia i ucisku rodzi się w nich na nowo poczucie godności, gdy powracają nie tylko do swojej ojczyzny, ale i do swoich kulturowych i religijnych korzeni. Zabierają się do odbudowy świątyni i przekonują się, że mogą stać się na powrót jednym ludem, kierując się w swoim życiu prawem Bożym przekazanym im na Synaju. Okazuje się, że o swoją przyszłość nie muszą się już lękać, jeśli powrócą do swoich początków i zwrócą swoje serca ku Bogu.

Radości nie można uzyskać, wypełniając pustkę życiową chwilowymi doznaniem czy zdobyczami materialnymi. Radość jest darem, którego Bóg udziela ludziom pokładającym w Nim swoją ufność, zasłuchanym w Jego słowo i zjednoczonym z Nim poprzez modlitwę.

Stwórca wpisał w każdego z nas pragnienie szczęścia i radości. Równocześnie wskazał nam źródło, w którym może ono znaleźć swoje zaspokojenie. To On sam – Jego słowo, Jego bliskość, Jego miłość. Prawdziwa radość jest w Panu i to ona jest naszą siłą...

Dziękuję za ciągle wsparcie i hojność dla Parafii Św. Cyryla i Metodego. Życzę milego tygodnia i niech Bóg błogosławi Was i Waszych najbliższych,

Ks. Waldemar

Kilka spraw z życia parafii:

- Nowy rok to również okres podatkowy! W celu uzyskania zestawienia złożonych składek w roku 2024 proszę wypełnić formularz znajdujący się w biuletynie a następnie przestać go do biura.
- **Tydzień Szkół Katolickich rozpoczyna się już w tę niedzielę. Zapraszamy wszystkich dzisiaj i podczas tygodnia do odwiedzenia naszej szkoły. Wstąp i zobacz co wpływa pozytywnie na rozwój twojego dziecka...**
- Podczas weekendu, 25 i 26 stycznia druga kolekta zbierana będzie na rzecz Kościoła w Ameryce Łacińskiej.
- **Potrzebni lektorzy i szafarze Eucharystii!!** Nasza parafia SS. Cyryla i Metodego poszukuje lektorów i szafarzy Eucharystii do pomocy we wszystkich Mszach św. w języku angielskim, zwłaszcza w sobotę o godz 5:00PM i w niedzielę o godz. 12:30PM. Po więcej informacji odnośnie zapisania się i wzięcia udziału w szkoleniu znajduje się w biuletynie.

SAVE THE DATE
XX Dzień Polski w Lemont
XX Polish Heritage Day
February 23, 2025
Szczegóły wkrótce!

Mass Intentions

Monday — January 27th
7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY

Tuesday — January 28th
7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
7:00 PM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA TOMKA TYBEL (urodziny)
by Ciocia z Rodziną
✠ WOJCIECH I MAREK STASZEL
by Rodzina

Wednesday — January 29th
7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR TRISTAN CONRAD
(29 birth)
by Parents

Thursday — January 30th
7:00 AM ✠ FOR ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY
✠ JOHN C. WOJCIECHOWSKI
by Son
✠ JOZEF DZIABA
by Family

Friday — January 31st
7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR ANGELIKA GAL (birth)
by Family

Saturday — February 1st (First Saturday)
7:00 AM MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA
GIFTS OF HOLY SPIRIT FOR GRANDCHILDREN
by Grandparents
5:00 PM ✠ JANE GRZYBOWSKI
Fr. Koys by Mike & Laura Kurniec
✠ FRANK GLIVA
by Pat & Joyce Nagle
✠ BETTY PASIUT
by John & Rose Wilczewski
9:00 PM W INT. PANU BOGU ROIADOMEJ
Fr. Valdi

Sunday — February 2nd
7:00 AM ✠ FRANK WOZNIAK
Fr. Noga by Beverly Marzec
8:00 AM W INT. PRÓSB ZANOSZONYCH W KAPLICY
Fr. Valdi WIECZYTEJ ADORACJI
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ŻYJĄCYCH CZŁONKÓW KLUBU
POLSKIEGO
✠ IRENA URKOSKI-SKRZYPCZAK
(5 Rocznicą Śmierci)
by Danuta i Peter
✠ JÓZEF I WŁADYSŁAWA ZYCH
by Syn
9:30 AM ✠ RAYMOND PERISIN
Fr. Noga by Nancy Smyth
✠ HELENA & ANTONI SAWICKI
by Kosmowski Family
✠ FRANCES GALASINSKI
by Husband, Wayne
11:00 AM ZA WSZYSTKICH PARAFIAN, ŻYJĄCYCH I ZMARŁYCH
Fr. Valdi O BOŻE BŁ. DLA MAKSIĄ (5 urodziny)
by Rodzina
✠ ALOJZY WONTORCZYK (8 Rocznicą Śmierci)
by Dzieci
✠ JÓZEF CUDZICH
by Żona z Rodziną
12:30 PM FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS IN OUR CHAPEL
Fr. Rataj INTENTION BOOK
2:00 PM O BOŻE BŁ. I OPIEKĘ M.B. DLA VIOLETKI
Fr. Valdi SZKLARZ (urodziny)
by Dziadkowie
O BOŻE BŁ. DLA KAYA KOS (2 urodziny)
by Dziadkowie Kos
7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Fr. Rataj



*Blessed Sacrament Candle Intention
For Week of January 27th Through
February 2nd ~Church*

✠ ZA DUSZĘ Ś.P. IRENY URKOSKI-SKRZYPCZAK
W (5 ROCZNICA ŚMIERCI)

by Danusia i Peter



*Blessed Sacrament Candle Intention
For Week of January 27th Through
February 2nd ~Chapel*

✠ ZA DUSZĘ Ś.P. ALOJZY WONTORCZYK

by Żona z Dziećmi

SENIOR LUNCHEON

Tuesday, February 4th
12 Noon ~ PLB

Our next senior luncheon will be held on
Tuesday, February 4th at 12:00 PM
in the PLB. To reserve your spot,
please place \$10 in a sealed envelope
with your name on it and hand it into
the PLB front offices by 10:00 AM on
Friday, January 31st.

****No admission will be allowed into the
luncheon if you do not have a prior
reservation.**

Looking forward to seeing you
all at the luncheon! Have a safe
and warm January!

Pray for ...

Please call the parish office if you
have a loved one you would like
our parish community to pray for.

Emilia Pilecki	Guy Martin
Carol Preis	Joan Albert
Irene Forst	Ray Przedziecki
Terry Hallandworth	William Podborny
Nick Gorisch	Stanislaw Kopera
Mark Malewski & Family	Cindy Evankoe
Malgorzata Bies	John Dzielski
Grace Dunbar	

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.

**Parish Contributions
 January 18 & 19, 2024**

Envelopes	565	12,695.00
Children's Envelopes	2	2.00
GiveCentral (1/13-1/19)	112	<u>2,472.00</u>
Total		15,169.00

Budgeted: \$15,700.00 | Actual: 15,169.00 | (\$531)

565 envelopes plus 112 GiveCentral Sunday donations represent 32% of 2,100 registered parishioner families.

Your donations help meet our immediate needs, repairs and improvements. We sincerely appreciate your generosity.



Please consider using GiveCentral for online parish donations. Sign up at givecentral.org



Please pray for...

We ask you to please keep in your prayers the following parishioners who are on active duty in the military:

Capt. Catherine R. Chappell, Pilot HC130, U.S. Air Force; **Frank Romanowski**, Army Combat Medic; **SPC Ryan Sherwood**; **PVT Robert Kyle O'Hare**, US Army; **Dominic Maiella**, US Marine Corps; **Jonathan Plonka**, US Air Force; **Matas Maleiska**, US Navy; **Cole Kowalczyk**, Army Specialist; **LT. Colonel Ken Hussey**, Army

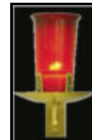
Please inform the parish office if there are any changes or additions to the above list.



**Knights of Columbus Tamale Sale
 Sunday, February 9th**

The Lemont Knights of Columbus will again offer Tamales for sale after all February 9th, Sunday Masses for Super Bowl Sunday. The cost of the Tamales are \$11.00 per 1/2 dozen and \$22.00 per full dozen. Pork or Chicken Tamales will be available at the end of each Sunday mass-while supplies last.

Proceeds support charitable works of the Lemont Knights of Columbus, particularly in the Lemont community.



The Blessed Sacrament candle that burns above the altar 24/7 is available to be sponsored for an intention or in memory of loved ones. This candle is replaced every Monday morning. We also have a Blessed Sacrament candle in our Divine Mercy Chapel which is available for intentions. Please call our parish office to make arrangements to book your week and to specify which Blessed Sacrament candle you would like to sponsor. A donation of \$100 is requested, and the intention along with the name of the donor will be acknowledged in our bulletin.

2024 Contribution Statements

Contribution statements for 2024 will be mailed upon request only. If you would like your statement, please fill out the information below and return it via the PLB drop box, by mail or place it in the collection basket at church. Please include your envelope number. Your statement will be mailed to you after January 31st.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Envelope #: _____

**HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION
 TO THE HOLY FACE**

In Reparation for the Sins of Atheism, Blasphemy, and Profanation of Sunday

Holy Hour Details

Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel
 When: Thursday Evenings
 Time: 7:00PM—8:00PM

True Relic of the Holy Face
 present at the Holy Hour

(Including blessed oil touched to the Relic)





What is an Indulgence? How do We Acquire One in This Jubilee Year?

Many Catholics around the world are excited for the Jubilee Year 2025, a time of grace, renewal, and celebration for Catholics! Special graces are available to all Catholics who choose to participate in the Jubilee Year devotions.

This special Jubilee, declared by Pope Francis in his written declaration last year, *Spes Non Confundit* ("Hope Does Not Disappoint") calls us to reflect this year on God's boundless mercy and embrace our mission to live out the Gospel in everyday life.

Pope Francis has granted special Indulgences to the faithful who observe and take part in the celebration of the 2025 Jubilee of Hope. HOW? By participating in any Pilgrimage to the designated Jubilee pilgrimage sites, and while fulfilling the usual conditions, one may gain this special Indulgence, which is removal of the temporal punishment due for our sins. The Pilgrimage could be by an individual, a family group, or a group of the faithful from a parish organization.

WHAT MUST ONE DO IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL PLENARY INDULGENCE?

1. make sacramental Confession before, during, or after visiting a designated Jubilee pilgrimage site
2. receive the Eucharist at Mass before, during or after visiting a designated Jubilee pilgrimage site
3. make a profession of faith and offer prayers for the Holy Father's intentions
4. Perform works of mercy (e.g., visiting the sick, helping the disabled, etc.)
5. Be free from all attachment to sin. (stop your habitual sins and turn them into good works)

Where are these Pilgrimage sites?

Hint: They are not all in Rome. They will be listed in next week's bulletin.

A plenary indulgence is a special grace that completely removes the temporal punishment for sins already forgiven, cleansing the soul as if the person had just been baptized.

HOW DOES A PLENARY INDULGENCE WORK?

To understand how a plenary indulgence works, it's important to understand sin, forgiveness, and temporal punishment:



Sin and Forgiveness: When we sin, God forgives us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). After forgiveness is received, consequences or effects caused by the sin may remain. These effects need healing.



Temporal Punishment: This is the effect of sin that needs to be healed after forgiveness is granted. Spiritually, temporal punishment is a way of restoring and healing the relationship with God and others, often seen as purification that can happen in this life or in purgatory after death.

Quality Work – Reasonable Prices

DEMMS PLUMBING & SEWER

Ask for a PARISHIONER DISCOUNT

EMERGENCY SERVICE **630.991.3641**

www.demmisplumbing.com

Lic# 055-044826

ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS

DR. JOHN MASTRUD, D.D.S.

• General & Cosmetic Dentistry • Implants

Parishioner

15947 W. 127th St., Suite H, Lemont 630-257-2133

HOME IMPROVEMENT DISCOUNT

30%-70% OFF RETAIL

Mowimy Po Polsku

- Bathubs
- Vanities
- Toilets
- Light Fixtures
- Bath/Kitchen Sinks

FREE ESTIMATE

HOME IMPROVEMENT & REMODEL

We specialize in all aspects of home and commercial construction, renovations, remodels, and repairs.

MANY REFERENCES

Call LUKE (630) 670-9058

Store Address
12626 W 159th St Homer Glen • (630) 670-9058



DOES YOUR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION NEED A NEWSLETTER?

Engaging, ad-supported print and digital newsletters to reach your community.

Visit Ipicommunities.com

OUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



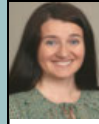
Scan to contact us!

Celina's FRESH MARKET

- Deli Meats • Catering • Bakery
- Party Platters • Produce • Salads
- Grocery • Carry Out Dinners • Sandwiches

14164 McCarthy Rd.
630/243-1669

www.celinasfreshmarket.com



Potrzejubiesz ubezpieczenie na auto, dom, życie lub biznes?
Zadzwoń do Emilii po darmową wycenę
847-585-2484.

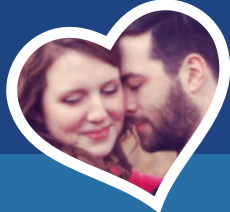


David Oberwise
1403 W Schaumburg Rd
Schaumburg IL 60194

**Ed the Plumber
Ed the Carpenter**
630.663.1444
Best Work • Best Rates
PARISHIONER DISCOUNT

catholicmatch®

Illinois



CatholicMatch.com/IL

Fire & Water Restoration

SERVPRO

Cleaning, Restoration, Construction.

SERVPRO® of Joliet
SERVPRO® of Plainfield/Shorewood
SERVPRO® of Naperville South
SERVPRO® of Lockport/Lemont/Homer Glen

815-436-5735
Independently owned and operated

BARREL & VINE

206 Main Street, Lemont, IL
630.312.8687

Brunch on Sunday's from 10am-3pm

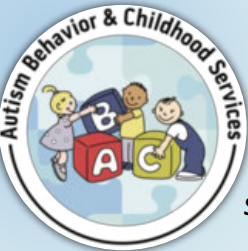
Lemont Paving Co.

MURPHY'S • EST. 1957

11550 Archer Ave. 630-257-6701 phone
Lemont, IL 60439 630-257-5194 fax

Asphalt Paving and Sealing www.lemontpaving.com

COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL • RESIDENTIAL • CART PATHS



"Extraordinary Services for Extraordinary People"

Specializing in ABA Therapy

312-420-2093

www.abctherapyforme.com

Lemont, Illinois

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME Janet Axtell

jaxtell@4LPi.com • (800) 950-9952 x2539

Say Good-bye to Clogged Gutters!

Receive a \$100 Visa gift card with your FREE in-home estimate

\$99 Installation*

Call today for your FREE estimate and in-home demonstration
CALL NOW 708-462-6373

*Guaranteed not to clog for as long as you own your home, or we'll clean your gutters for free.

LeafGuard® is guaranteed never to clog or we'll clean it for FREE*

- Seamless, one-piece system keeps out leave pine needles, and debris
- Eliminates the risk of falling off a ladder to clean clogged gutters
- Durable, all-weather tested system not a flimsy attachment

ENGLERT LeafGuard®
Get it. And forget it.™

RE/MAX MILLENNIUM

CECYLIA KACZMARCZYK
Broker - IL & IN Licensed

Office: 708-369-6772
cecyliairealty@gmail.com
14148 S Bell Rd.
Homer Glen, IL

Each Office Independently Owned and Operated

Enhance Your Retirement Lifestyle at Franciscan Village

Franciscan Ministries sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago

- Life Enrichment Programming
- Nutritionally Balanced Dining
- Enhanced Spiritual Health & Wellbeing
- Indoor & Outdoor Amenities

Call today to Schedule your Personalized Tour
630-243-3479
1270 Village Drive • Lemont
www.franciscanministries.org

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!

Instantly create and purchase an ad with

AD CREATOR STUDIO

Scan to create an ad

4lpi.com/adcreator

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!





Markiewicz Funeral Home

108 Illinois Street, Lemont, Illinois
630-257-6363
www.markiewiczfh.com

A Vibrant Senior Living Community

Call 630.243.3479
1270 Village Drive, Lemont, IL 60439
FRANCISCAN VILLAGE
FRANCISCAN COMMUNITIES



Independent Living
Assisted Living
Memory Care
Skilled Nursing
Long-term Care
Therapy Services

Guess Who's Selling
Medicare Plans?
Czy Wiesz Ze Medicare Nie
Pokrywa Wszystkiego W 100%?

**AGATA
CZERWOSZ**



**773.600.7474
708.876.8484**

By calling the number above, you will reach a licensed insurance agent. Not affiliated with or endorsed by the Government or Federal Medicare Program
9844 S. Roberts Rd., Palos Hills



- All Occasions
- Funeral Luncheons
- Catering

630.257.0200
12416 S. Archer Ave.
CrystalGrandBanquets.com

Let the expert handle your real estate purchase or sale.
Zadzwoń do eksperta w sprawie kupna i sprzedaży nieruchomości



ANETA LIPINSKI-WALKOSZ
Broker - Parish Member
(312) 404-3726

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!



ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide

Authorized Provider | SafeStreets | **833-287-3502**

DR. JULIANNE KOS
Optometrist
Vision Care
15531 127th St., Ste. 102, Lemont
(630) 257-6145
Parishioner

State Farm
Auto, Home, Condo, Renters, Business, Life, and Pet Insurance
Tina Biscan, Agent
630-789-1866 | www.TinaInsuresMe.com




Alex's BUTCHER SHOP
VARIETY OF FRESH & SMOKED MEATS
WHOLESALE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

HIGH QUALITY WHOLESALE FRESH MEAT

15900 S Wood Street
Harvey, IL

Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/p/Alexs-Butcher-Shop-100093114101461/>

THE ESTABLISHED PROFESSIONALS SINCE 1965
Leo and Sons CARPET CLEANING

✓ RESIDENTIAL ✓ COMMERCIAL

- Carpets • Upholstery
- Fine Rugs • Tile & Grout
- Green Cleaning
- Pet Odor Removal
- Air Duct & Dryer Vent
- Water Damage Restoration

Certified • Bonded • Insured

DAVID O'ROZCO
Parishioner
Call for a free estimate
(630) 257-2719
www.leoandsons.com



DM FOOT & ANKLE ASSOCIATES
COMPREHENSIVE, QUALITY FOOT CARE
Diana Emini, DPM Michelle Kim, DPM
Podiatric Physicians & Surgeons
630.863.7517 (Derby Plaza)
14236 McCarthy Rd., Lemont
www.dmfootandankle.com



No Job Too Large or Small
JOHN YERKES & SONS, INC.
PLUMBING AND Lic. #10238
SEWERAGE CONTRACTORS
773.776.1300

MARTIN PTASINSKI
Attorney
708-467-0000
Wills - Trusts - Closings



AIR TEMP HEATING & COOLING INC.
773-715-0912
24 HR EMERGENCY SERVICE
Mowimy po Polsku

SALES • INSTALLATION • SERVICE • REPAIR
LICENSED • BONDED • INSURED

PARISHIONER DISCOUNTS
TOMMY TRIPOLIS ROOFING INC.
SIDING • GUTTERS • WINDOWS
815-485-1900

Proudly sponsoring
St. John Paul II Polish School & Polanie Dancers

PRCUA Life
Life Insurance & Annuities
Member Benefits

Polish Roman Catholic Union of America
PRCUA.org | (800) 772-8632 | 

COMFORTEMP

Comfort's Best Friend.

HEATING
COOLING
INDOOR AIR QUALITY

PARISH MEMBERS
(630) 425-6943
mycomfortemp.com