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

#### **Parish Staff**

#### **Pastoral Ministry**

Rev. Waldemar "Valdi" Stawiarski *Pastor* 

Rev. Thomas Koys
Associate Pastor

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Parish School Principal

Monika Leja *R.E. Administrator* 

Roxana Boyden R.E. Administrative Assistant

#### Liturgy

Trish Nickleski *Liturgy Coordinator* 

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Operations Director

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November 24, 2024
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe



**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.

Parish Information

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**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)

**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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM First Fridays: 6:00 - 7:00 PM Also available by appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:

Following the Monday morning 7:00 AM Mass

**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 mtsniez@gmail.com

Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.

Monday, Wednesday & 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**Thursday** 

Tuesday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday Closed

**Polish School:** www.polschool.com

Halina Szyrzyna

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**Bulletin:** bulletin@stcyril.org

Helping Hands: helpinghands@stcyril.org

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

**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.

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.

**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.

Parish Website: www.stcyril.org

School Website: www.school.stcyril.org
Parish Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/

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School Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/

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## SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish "United in Faith"



#### From the desk of Father Koys Dear Parishioners,

What could be better for some pre-Thanksgiving dinner spiritual reading than to feast on some G.K. Chesterton quotes.

"I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought, and

that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder." For instance: When I thank God for my ability to put on my socks one foot at a time, I make a happy start to my day. Why? Because I wonder how my brother, who spent most of his adult life in a wheelchair managed to do it at all while being such a happy guy. And I wonder about the God who created me and has thus far saved me from such a cross that my brother had to carry.

"The aim of life is appreciation; there is no sense in not appreciating things; and there is no sense in having more of them if you have less appreciation of them." For instance: I do appreciate having a car. But there is no sense in having more cars, because I would have to divide my attention between the two and appreciate them less. But what about children? I often find moms with many children appreciate children more than those with only one or two. Appreciating children is not the same as spoiling one of them.

"When it comes to life the critical thing is whether you take things for granted or take them with gratitude." Do you take your coffee with or without sugar? Do you take your apple pie with or without ice cream? I do think this is why soldiers coming home from war find incredible joy just sitting at a table to eat whatever is put in front of them. I'll add, if you don't encourage for priestly vocations, you're in danger of

taking our Catholic Mass for granted.

"You say grace before meals. All right. But I say grace before the concert and the opera, and grace before the play and pantomime, and grace before I open a book, and grace before sketching, painting, swimming, fencing, boxing, walking, playing, dancing and grace before I dip the pen in the ink." And when we thank God for our turkey, do we not also need to thank God

for the Jewel Store and all the employees, for the farmer, for the truck drivers, for the Oil Companies that make the fertilizers to help the turkeys eat the grain that makes them fat? Etc. Etc. Where does it all end? With God of course.

And one of my favorites: "Do you know what day of the year is the hardest day for an atheist? It's Thanksgiving. He finds himself with the great spirit of thanksgiving but finds he has no one to whom he should be ultimately thankful."

#### Fr Thomas Koys, M.A., S.T.L.

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

- 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.
- We invite everyone to our Thanksgiving Mass Thursday, November 28th at 9 AM. May this beautiful feast be for us a day of gratitude to God for all that he gives us. Feel free to bring some food to be blessed at this Mass.
- The SSCM "Tree of Love" ministry will begin their 35th year bringing Christmas joy to those in need. Please grab a tag or 2 from the trees in the back of the Church and help fulfill the wishes of others. See the bulletin for more details.
- Wishing you all a very blessed and Happy
  Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on
  the things we are grateful for and to share that
  gratitude with the people we are thankful for.
  Wishing you the gift of faith and the blessings of
  hope.







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

SS. Cyril & Methodius School 2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parishioners,

Thanksgiving is a day for us to "count our blessings" and give thanks to God!

SS. Cyril and Methodius National Blue Ribbon School is thankful for the opportunity to continue serving the Parish. We are proud to help guide our students to live their faith and be prepared to successfully lead others in the future.

Everyone who is a part of our school is also so very thankful to be a part of the SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish Family. Daily our school receives help from wonderful people whose energy, commitment and generosity are evident. Your generous and continued support and guidance help us to do our best every day!

On a personal note, I am thankful for the wonderful students, great families, and outstanding staff who work hard and are a delight to see each day. I am also thankful for the genuine care, concern and love I receive from our entire parish community.

This week, as we all reflect on Thanksgiving, please take time to remember those who will go without food or shelter, those who are sick, and those who have lost a loved one during the year. Happy Thanksgiving to all! Wrs. Shirley Tkachuk Principal





We are so grateful for the many special people in our lives. We are sharing a few more pictures from Grandparents/Special person day. One of your favorite days!



It is not too soon to begin thinking about the 2025-26 academic year. Call our office (630-257-6488, ext. 21) to arrange for a private, individual tour or shadow day for your child. We are a 2019 National Blue-Ribbon School of academic excellence!

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Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator



Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.







We would like to invite all RE students, families, and staff to join us in worship at Thanksgiving Day Mass on
Thursday, November 28, 2024 at 9:00AM.



# 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 "Truth, Beauty, Goodness & Unity"



# Our Lady of Fatima Statue You may host our beau statue for one week (

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



Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!

# Advent Begins December 1 As we enter the beautiful season of

As we enter the beautiful season of anticipation of our Savior's birth, the Sag Bridge Mission Society is happy to present each household with a copy of the Magnificat Advent Companion. Get your family's copy anytime Nov 24 through Dec 1.



#### As cold weather arrives...

Can you help homeless men stay warm this winter? Place blankets & men's coats, new or in good condition, in the box in Charlie's Chapel. (Please no women's or children's.)

#### No Wine & Wisdom - Nov 27

Happy Thanksgiving! Thank you, God, for the gift of the St James community! May we serve you well!

Wine & Wisdom – Dec 4
Our sacristan & altar server leader, Dr Mike Haklin, will
share his story, a sort of Broken Mary - Revisited

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



Be inspired. Coming to theaters on Nov 22 for a limited run. From the makers of The Chosen.



As we gather with friends and family this Thanksgiving may we call to mind ALL the MANY gifts God has given us, while we hold deep in prayer all families or individuals struggling with faith, hope or love. A special prayer of Thanksgiving for our St. James Church and

for Father Koys for being such a wonderful example of our Catholic faith. Happy Thanksgiving from the Altar & Rosary Society. Don't Forget to register for our Christmas dinner, Sunday, Dec 8th, 3-6 pm!

# Happy Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving Day - Mass at 9am No CCD on Nov 25





Relics! The topic at a recent
Wine & Wisdom presented by
Fr Koys & David Avignone.
Highlights included bandages
from Padre Pio & a new
addition to St James'
reliquary, St Carlo Acutis.

#### 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!



Register for a Vendor Table Adults: \$50; Children: \$35

tirzahspang⊕gmail.com (630) 703- 9761

Christmas gifts and crafts All are welcome!



#### VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 11/24/24

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



#### Mass Intentions

Note: Please allow 2 weeks notice to book Mass intentions

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25 8:00 AM PDiana Matlawski PAnna Matlawski

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 8:00AM PJames Baly For the Sick & Homeless

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27
7:00PM Birthday Blessings—Karolina Halon
Patrick Reidy

FRIDAY, NOV 29-PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIME 8:00 AM PKrystyna Kocon

PAI, PAnne, & PPatrick Macfarlane

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30 8:00 AM PAndy Karas Poor Souls in Purgatory

#### First Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1
8:15AM PWalter Drust

Birthday Blessings—Jo Jackson 10AM: Tadeusz & TW and a Ziolkowski

♥Barbara Becker

12:00PM: Deceased Members of the Salmon Family

♥Vince Bianco

Our beautiful bouquets of flowers surrounding our altar were made available by:

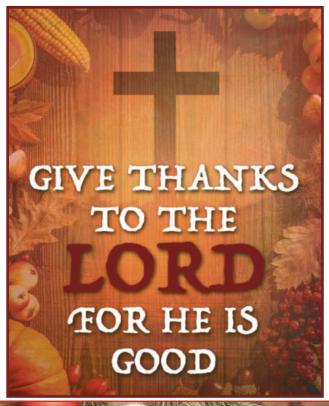
TERRY & BARBARA WOOD AND

THE PEARMANS—IN MEMORY OF SERAFINA RUTKOWSKI



Our reporting of the weekly Offertory collection from November 17, 2024 will be delayed due to early submission to the bulletin publisher. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

Mass	Altar Servers Sunday, December 1	
8:15am	Joe Beecher, Mark Henze, Aden Burke, Alex Pawlikowski	
10am	Matthew & Max Naglak, Matthew Sullivan, Will & Conor Pawlisz	







The PLB offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 27th beginning at 12 Noon, Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th in observance of Thanksgiving. We will reopen on Monday, December 2nd.





## SS. Cyril & Methodius "Tree of Love"

As Christmastime draws near, once again we are asking that you open your hearts and help the needy through our "Tree of Love."

Starting the weekend of November 16th and 17th, we will begin our 35th annual "Tree of Love" ministry. Our trees will be up in the back of the church decorated with tags designated with items from the wish lists of persons in need. This year we are collecting gifts and gift cards. Our gifts will benefit the following organizations:

- Mercy Home (a Catholic run home for abused and abandoned boys and girls)
- Helping Hands program of SS. Cyril & Methodius parish
- The Women's Center (a South suburban pro-life center)
- Sister House (a Catholic run homeless women's shelter in Chicago)

Please follow these simple guidelines:

- Select a tag from the tree
- · Purchase the gift card or item on your tag.
- If a gift card, please attach Gift Card (with authorization receipt) to the gift tag and place under or on the tree.
- If a gift, please tape your Tree of Love tag on the outside of your wrapped gift.
- Return the unwrapped gift by <u>SUNDAY</u>, <u>DECEMBER 1st.</u>

Merry Christmas and may God bless you for supporting the work of SSCM Tree of Love. For any questions, please contact: Hannah at 630-644-6777

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." John 3:16





# Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Ltd. invites you & your family to our annual

Holiday Remembrance Service & Tribute Concert



Join us to honor & remember our loved ones that have passed with Prayer, Music & Reflective Moments.

Saturday, November 30, 2024

Doors Open, 6 p.m. - Service Begins, 6:30 p.m. - Refreshments, afterwards.

8999 Archer Avenue, Willow Springs

R.S.V.P. by November 25 to (708) 839.8999



#### Z biurka wikariusza pastora Drodzy Parafianie,

Nie wyobrażam sobie lepszej duchowej lektury o podłożu Święta Dziękczynienia, niż delektowanie się niektórymi cytatami G.K. Chestertona?

"Twierdziłbym, że wdzięczność jest najwyższą formą myślenia i szczęściem

podwojonym przez cud." Na przykład: gdy dziękuję Bogu za to, że jestem w stanie założyć skarpetki bez problemu, to zaczynam dzień z radością. Dłaczego? Bo zastanawiam się, jak mój brat, który spędził większość dorosłego życia na wózku inwalidzkim radził sobie z tym problem okazując w tym samym czasie radość drugiemu człowiekowi. Zastanawiam się też nad Bogiem, który mnie stworzył i do tej pory oszczędził przed noszeniem tak ciężkiego krzyża jaki miał mój brat.

"Celem życia jest docenianie, a więc nie ma sensu nie doceniać rzeczy i nie ma sensu mieć ich więcej, jeśli mniej je wtedy doceniamy." Dla przykładu powiem, że doceniam posiadanie samochodu. Ale myślę że nie ma sensu mieć ich więcej, gdyż wtedy musiałbym dzielić swoją uwagę między nimi a tym samym doceniać je mniej. A jak to zrozumiemy w odniesieniu do rodziny wielodzietnej? Często spotykam mamy z wieloma dziećmi, które bardziej doceniają swoje dzieci niż te, które mają tylko jedno lub dwoje. Zaznaczę, że docenianie i kochanie dzieci to nie to samo, co rozpieszczanie jednego z nich.

"W całym naszym życiu najistotniejsze jest to, czy myślisz że dane jest nam coś na zawsze jako rzecz oczywista, czy z podchodzisz do tego z wdzięcznością." Czy zastanawiasz się nad takimi prostymi rzeczami jak na przykad picie kawy z cukrem, czy bez? Czy jesz szarlotkę z lodami czy bez? Dlatego żołnierze wracający z wojny cieszą się niezmiernie, że mogą po prostu usiąść przy stole i sporzyć posiłek jakikolwiek im podano. Dodam tutaj jeszcze, że jeżeli nie będziemy zachęcać do powołań kapłańskich, to z ogromnym ryzykiem traktujemy naszą Mszę św. za coś oczywistego, coś co się nigdy nie kończy bez żadnego wysiłku z naszej strony.

"Mówisz błogosławieństwo przed posiłkiem.

Oczywiście zgadzam się z tym. Ale ja mówię błogosławieństwo przed koncertem i operą, błogosławieństwo przed przedstawieniem i pantomimą, błogosławieństwo przed otwarciem książki, błogosławieństwo przed szkicowaniem, malowaniem, pływaniem, szermierką, boksem, spacerowaniem, graniem, tańczeniem i błogosławieństwo, zanim zanurzę pióro w atramencie." A kiedy dziękujemy Bogu za indyka i inne pokarmy, czy nie powinniśmy także dziękować za sklep, który je sprzedał i wszystkich pracowników, za rolnika, za kierowców ciężarówek, za firmy, które produkują nawozy, dzięki którym indyki jedzą ziarno, które ich tuczy? I tak dalej. Gdzie to się wszystko kończy? Oczywiście na Bogu.

Na koniec załączam jeden z moich ulubionych cytatów: "Czy wiesz, jaki dzień w roku jest najtrudniejszy dla ateisty? To Święto Dziękczynienia. Czuje wielkiego ducha wdzięczności, ale nie ma do kogo skierować swojej ostatecznej wdzięczności." Fr Thomas Koys, M.A.,S.T.L.

#### Kilka spraw z życia parafii:

- Dołącz do pielgrzymko-wycieczki z ks. Waldemarem "Valdi" w maju 2025 roku i wybierz się na jedną z najpiękniejszych podróży do Polski. Więcej strzegółów w biuletynie.
- Zapraszamy wszystkich na Mszę Dziękczynną w czwartek, 28 listopada o godzinie 9:00. Niech to piękne święto będzie dla nas dniem wdzięczności Bogu za wszystko, co nam daje. Zachęcamy do przyniesienia ze sobą pokarmów, które zostaną poświęcone podczas tej Mszy.
- Pragniemy podzielić się z Wami wspaniałą nowiną odnośnie organizacji w naszej parafii "Drzewko Miłości", która w tym roku obchodzi 35-lecie swojej służby niosąc świąteczną radość potrzebującym rodzinom. Zabierz karteczkę z choinki umieszczonej w tyle kościoła i pomóż wprowadzić radość w serca tych, którzy są w potrzebie. Więcej informacji w biuletynie.
- Święta Dziękczynienia to dzień refleksji nad rzeczami, za które
  jesteśmy wdzięczni i dzielenia się tą wdzięcznością z innymi.
  Życzę Wam wszystkim ducha wdzięczności wobec Boga,
  a także i drugiego człowieka, który wnosi dobro w nasze życie.



## SS. Cyril & Methodius "United in Faith"

#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday - November 25th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY

→ SHARON CISEK by John Cisek

Tuesday — November 26th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR EDWARD KALATA

by Marie & Family

7:00 PM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA GABRIELI GAL (urodziny)

by Rodzina

† JÓZEF CUDZICH

by Rodzina **†** JAN JAGIEŁŁO

by Synowa Aniela Jagiełło

→ ANNA I STANISŁAW OKULAR (Rocznica Śmierci)
by Rodzina Cudzich

Wednesday - November 27th

7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR KRYSTYNA

PREDKI (birth) by Predki Family

♥ ROBERT V. WHEELER

by Pam & Roger Nogel

Thursday — November 28th (Thanksgiving)

9:00 AM T MAREK LICHOSYT (Anniv.)

by Sister

† JOSEPH & FRANK MARUSARZ
by Joseph & Maria Marusarz

Friday - November 29th

7:00 ÅM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR THOSE WHO SERVE IN

THE MINISTRY OF CARE

by Prew Family

→ MARY BETH SMITH
by Robert Todd Jelinski

Saturday - November 30th

7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED

5:00 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR ANDRZEJ OWCA

Fr. Valdi by Niece

† JAMES & VIRGINIA KWASNESKI

by Ron Bozych Family

♣ EUGENIUSZ & GRZEGORZ MSZAL

by Jozef & Janina Mszal

† LEONARD & ANN BOZYCH

by Ron Bozych Family

Sunday — December 1st (First Sunday of Advent)

7:00 AM LLOYD BAHNICK (Anniv.)

Fr. Koys by Adeline

8:00 ÅM O BOŻE BŁ. DLA ŻYJĄCYCH CZŁONKÓW KLUBU

Fr. Valdi POLSKIEGO W LEMONT

W INT. WSZYSTKICH PRÓŚB ZANOSZONYCH

W KAPLICY WIECZYSTEJ ADPRACJI

₱ JÓZEF I WŁADYSŁAWA ZYCH

by Syn

₱ MIECZYSŁAW GOSTKIEWICZ

by Żona z Dzieci

9:30 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR DAVID &

Fr. Noga VICTORIA SMIETANSKI (Wedd. Anniv.)

by Children

**♦** STANLEY FIGUS

by Jane & Stanley Nowobilski

→ FRANCESCO PERFETTI

by Family

**†** ROSEMARY NEVINS

by David & Guadalupe Sanchez

11:00 AM ♥ WALTER JARNUTOWSKI

Fr. Valdi by Kara Alvarez & Steve Topper

♣ ANNA KAMIŃSKA by Rodzina Grele † AGNIESZKA I ANDRZEJ GAZDA by Syn Andrzej z Rodziną

♥ KAROL MACHAJ

by Rodzina

12:30 PM FOR ALL PRAYER REQUESTS IN OUR CHAPEL Fr. Noga INTENTION BOOK

INTENTION BOOK THE MAX L. CHMIELEWSKI

by Wife

→ KONSTANTY PUSTULKA by Pustulka Family

DUIS ZIOLKOWSKI

by Jim & Diane Sniegowski

2:00 PM TJAN KUMOROWICZ

**Fr. Valdi** by Żona

♣ ANDRZEJ BENDYK

by Żona z Rodziną

† CZESŁAW ZAGRANICZNY (Rocznica Śmierci)

by Wnuki

† JANE JANOWIAK MICHALAK (2 Rocznica Śmierci)

by Siostra Maria

7:30 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED



May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her

In your prayers, please remember the soul of **Jane Grzybowski.** 

May her soul and the soul of all our faithfully departed family and friends rest in everlasting peace.



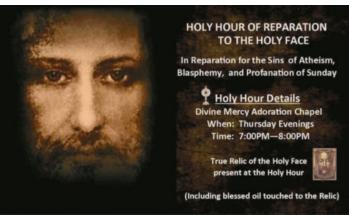
Please call the parish office if you have a loved one you would like our parish community to pray for.

Emilia Pilecki Arthur Zelezinski Jaeann Sangerman Michael Rajski Daniel Byrne Szafoni **Bob Duscet** Marge Doucet Mike Laskowski Ann Pere Denise Johnson Charlie Wickey Alexander Dziaba **Guy Martin** Hieronima Palasiewicz Carol Preis Joan Albert Irene Forst Ray Przezdziecki Terry Hallandworth William Podborny

Nick Gorisch

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. Due to an earlier publication deadline, the contribution totals for the weekend of November 16th & 17th are unavailable for this bulletin. They will be in next weeks bulletin.







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



#### ALTAR SERVER RECRUITMENT

We are currently looking for girls and boys in the 4, 5, 6, & 7 grades who are interested in becoming altar servers at SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish. Servers would be scheduled to serve for Sunday

Masses, Holy Day Masses, Weddings, and Funerals.

Training for new servers will take place on Sunday, December 8 at 3:00 pm in the church.

If your child is interested in becoming an altar server registration forms for the training can be found on the back tables in church or have been emailed to you through the school or religious education program.

All children interested in serving must complete a registration form. For more information, please contact Trish Nickleski at 630-257-2776 or email her at tnickleski@sscmlemont.org.



#### Please pray for...

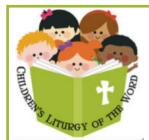
We ask you to please keep in your prayers the following parishioners who are on active duty in the

**November 24, 2024** 

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.



# Children's Liturgy of the Word

Beginning December 1st during 9:30 AM Mass each Sunday for Kindergarten – 4<sup>th</sup> graders

Join us!

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.



#### **ATTENTION:**

As of November 28th, SS. Cyril & Methodius will no longer have a subscription to FORMED. Since SSCM & St. James are one parish, you can still access FORMED through St. James' subscription.

### How to Prepare Your Children for the Children's Liturgy of the Word



Children's Liturgy of the Word begins next Sunday, December 1, during 9:30 AM Mass each Sunday, and will continue until Mother's Day.

All children from kindergarten through fourth grade are invited to participate. They will be asked to come forth after the opening prayers of Mass and line up in twos behind the adult leaders. The priest celebrating the Mass will bless them before they move to their room.

- 1. Participating families should sit in the front seven pews either the middle or side aisles.
- 2. Children will join their prayer hands with their thumbs at their heart and fingers pointed toward heaven from the time they leave the pew until they are seated in their meeting room in the parish life building. (Practice this at home?)
- 3. When Father calls them up, children are to line up in twos quietly at the front of church behind the leaders and follow.
- 4. During the session they should listen, obey, and participate.
- 5. When it's time to some back to church, they will join their prayer hands again and walk reverently while they think about Jesus and what they learned.
- 6. Quietly and joyfully return to their parents in the pew.



'Thank you' to the adults and teens who volunteered as leaders and helpers!

We look forward to serving our parish children,
helping them to know and love Jesus more each week.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14





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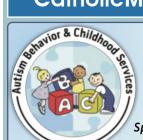
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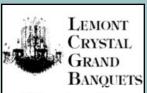
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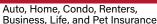
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