

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish

St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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August 25, 2024

Twenty-first 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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| Parish Information | | Minister of Music: | Mira Sojka-Topor musicmin@stcyril.org (630) 257-2776 |
| 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 | Polish School: | www.polschool.com Halina Szyrzyna Principal: (630) 669-9058 |
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| Religious Education: | Monika Leja, Religious Education Administrator (630) 257-9314; mleja@sscmlmont.org | Minister of Care: | Dave Smietanski (630) 257-2776 |
| Mass Schedule: | | Parish Council: | Joe Martello, President |
| Monday thru Saturday: 7:00 AM | | Bulletin: | bulletin@stcyril.org |
| Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday Obligation | | Helping Hands: | helpinghands@stcyril.org |
| 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) | | 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 |
| Special Masses: | | 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. |
| Tuesday PM: devotions at 7 PM, 7:45 PM (Polish) | | 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. |
| First Friday: 7:00 AM (English), 7:00 PM (Polish) | | 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. |
| First Saturday: devotions at 7 PM (Polish), 9:00 PM (Polish) | | Parish Website: | www.stcyril.org |
| Holy Days of Obligation: As announced | | School Website: | www.school.stcyril.org |
| Sacrament of Reconciliation: | | Parish Facebook Page: | www.facebook.com/SSCMLemont |
| Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM | | School Facebook Page: | www.facebook.com/SSCMComets |
| 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 mtsniesz@gmail.com | | | |
| Parish Office Hours: Each weekday the office will be closed between the hours of 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM. | | | |
| Monday, Wednesday & Thursday | 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM | | |
| Tuesday | 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM | | |
| Friday | 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM | | |
| Saturday & Sunday | Closed | | |



Dear Parishioners,

The annual celebration of Our Lady of Czestochowa is August 26. The image of the "Black Madonna," whose copy we have in our church, is Poland's holiest and most important relic. Its sanctuary is visited by hundreds of thousands of pilgrims every year.

The first reference to the painting comes from the first half of the fifteenth century. The monastery documents: "The author of the painting is Saint Luke the Evangelist. At the request of the faithful, he painted the image of Mary with the Baby on the table at which she sat. The Emperor Constantine ordered to transfer the image from Jerusalem to Constantinople and place it in the temple. There the picture became famous for its miracles."

A popular legend also tells, that in Ladislaus' time, a Tartar arrow struck the painting leaving a mark on the Virgin's throat. In 1430, Hussites stole it and vandalized it. Not only did they break it into three pieces, but one of the robbers took his sword and left two gashes in the image. As he was getting ready to leave the third, he fell on the ground and flailed in agony until he died.

Czestochowa is regarded as the most popular shrine in Poland, with many Polish Catholics making a pilgrimage there every year. Throughout the month of August, walking pilgrims head to the shrine from every corner of Poland. The pilgrimage can last between three to fourteen days covering up to 200 miles. Pope John Paul II secretly visited the shrine as a student pilgrim during World War II and had visited the shrine officially as Pope each time he traveled to his native country.

The American National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa is located in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. Our Lady of Czestochowa, pray for us. Happy Feast!

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:

- **SAVE THE DATE: November 9, 2024** will be our parish's 140th Anniversary Mass & Dinner Dance Celebration. To sign up to become a sponsor and find more details about the event, please see the flyer in the bulletin.
- The 2025 Mass Book will be opening on Wednesday, September 4th. Please contact Monika Bochenek to schedule an appointment with her to book your Masses. Please see the bulletin for more information.
- Join Father Valdi for a Pilgrimage to Wisconsin on September 26th & 27th. For more details and to sign up, please see the ad in the bulletin.
- **SUMMER FEST:** Join us for the last 2 days, August 24th & 25th, of our parish school's summer fest. Enjoy food, drinks, rides, music and a great time with friends. See you there!

September 26-27, 2024

\$395

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THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Meals other than those listed in the services
- Entrance tickets to Oktoberfest (cost approx. \$30/person)
- Wine tasting at one of the local wineries (cost approx. \$20/person)
- Personal expenses: beverages, customary tips, etc.
- Single room supplement \$100

ENROLLMENT STARTS: 6/25/2024
FINAL PAYMENT: 8/15/2024

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

SS. Cyril & Methodius School
2019 National Blue Ribbon School

Dear Parents,

Our new school year is off to a great start! The students and our staff enjoy being together and going back to work in school.

Today is the final day of the SSCM Summerfest. Thank you to the members of our School Board/Carnival Committee for all their hard work to make the event a success. Thank you to the Parish for help and support and to everyone for your patience. Funds raised will benefit our school.

With the help of our outstanding school staff, we have brought back gathering in the gym on Monday mornings. We pray, acknowledge student accomplishments and birthdays. What a wonderful way to build community and celebrate our students!

This coming Tuesday, August 27th we will gather in prayer for our first mass for the year. Our students will take their "Faith Partner Pledge," we will recognize new students and staff, and have the fifth graders Bibles blessed. Enjoy some new pictures from the beginning of the year!

Reminders:

- Doors open at 7:20 and classes begin at 7:40.
- Join us for the Keepataw Parade on Sunday, September 3rd. SS. Cyril and Methodius School will once again have their own float!
- No school on Monday, September 2nd-Enjoy the Labor Day weekend!
- School pictures: Thursday, September 5th.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to SS. Cyril and Methodius School.

All the best,

Mrs. S. Tkachuk
Principal

::HAPPY::
FIRST
DAY of SCHOOL

Mrs. Tkachuk Has Tradition of Getting The Students An Ice Cream Truck For The First Day of School! YUM!



LUNCH TIME

HELP WANTED

We are looking for lunchroom helpers. Your time would be greatly appreciated!!

~ Hours are 11-12:45

~ Paid position

~ Choose one day or several

Please contact Kim Gardner at 630-257-6488 or email gardner.kim@stcyril.org for more details.



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

Mrs. Monika Leja – RE Administrator



Faith Formation

**THERE IS STILL TIME... REGISTER
TODAY!!!**

2024/2025 REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Dwujęzyczny Program

Katechetyczny

Rejestracja na rok 2024/2025 jest już otwarta

All Are Welcome!!!

Zapraszamy Wszystkich serdecznie!!!

*Please visit our website to register or use the
link below*

*Rejestracji można dokonać w poniższym linku
lub na naszej stronie internetowej*

**Registration link: [https://re.stcyril.org/
registration/](https://re.stcyril.org/registration/)**

**Any Questions please contact the SSCM Faith
Formation Office**

**Jakiegolwiek pytania prosimy kierować
bezpośrednio do nas**

**Tel: (630)257-9314 or Email: [stcyril-
re@ssclemont.org](mailto:stcyril-re@ssclemont.org)**

**SSCM RE Program Website/ Strona
internetowa www.re.stcyril.org**



Volunteers Needed!

*The RE Department is in need of volunteers
for all 2024/25 sessions. We invite you to
share your faith with our parish children once
a week. Volunteers needed include:*

***Catechists *Catechist Aides**

***Safety Patrol *Office Staff**

*Please call the RE Office (630)257-9314 if
interested. Tuition discount is available,
inquire for details.*

Pan Jezus wzywa Ciebie po Imieniu...

**Dołącz do naszej wspaniałej grupy
Katechetów oraz Asystentów poświęcając
jedną godzinę w tygodniu na pracę
z dziećmi. Będzie wspaniale!!!!**

**Program katechetyczny przy naszej parafii
poszukuje dodatkowe osoby do pomocy!!!**

**Prosimy o kontakt z naszym biurem aby
uzyskać więcej informacji.**

Tel: 630 257 9314

Email: stcyrilre@ssclemont.org

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!
2024/25 CATECHETICAL YEAR BEGINS ON THE
FOLLOWING DATES:**

**BILINGUAL FRIDAY SESSION 9/6/2024
ENGLISH MONDAY SESSION 9/23/2024
ENGLISH WEDNESDAY SESSION 9/25/2024**

St. James at Sag Bridge Mission

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Email: stjames1833@att.net | Website: www.historicstjames.org

St. James Annual

PARISH PICNIC

Altar & Rosary Society invites you to have some old fashioned fun!

White Elephant prize donations needed for BINGO! Please

3 Raffles \$100 \$200 & \$300 prizes

Main dish grilling items provided by A&R

Bingo
Yard Games
Live Reptile Show
Panning for Gold - Bubble Station

September 8th | **Sag Hall**
Sunday | Free - Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm



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.



Pray the rosary daily & in public when possible!

CCD REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Last day to register for CCD class is **Monday, Sept. 2**. First day of class is Monday, Sept. 9. Classes are held on Mondays, 6:30pm - 8:00pm. **Mandatory parent attendance** on first day of class (9/9) for Mass, Parent Meeting and Meet & Greet with the teacher. NO student is to be dropped off for CCD that day - all children must accompany parent for first session. Arrive in church at 6:30pm, dismissal from classroom at 8:00pm. Go to historicstjames.org to register, or pick up forms at the rectory or at the back of church.



Knights of Columbus

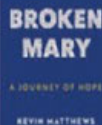
Bike for Life

September 21 at 9:00 AM

Join the ride from Aurora's Planned Parenthood to Randy Morris IVF Clinic in Naperville. See flyer in Church or contact John Zabinski 630-747-8439

Friday, September 13, in Church

Kevin Matthews, author of *Broken Mary*, is completing a new documentary. On Sept 13, at St James, he will be filmed giving an updated talk about this journey. Come for Mass at 6pm and stay to be inspired by how our Blessed Virgin Mother influenced Kevin.



Fri, Aug 30, Sag Hall, 7pm

Come view this important documentary by Eric Metaxas which challenges us to take a stand in the face of evil as it points out parallels between America today & the 1930's Germany. We can't be silent.



This Sunday, Aug 25th, as well as Sunday September 1st, the Altar & Rosary Society will sell raffle tickets for the 3 large prize baskets for the Annual St. James Parish Picnic. Available after all masses, tickets are \$5 a chance or 5 chances for \$20. Each basket features a large gift card: \$100 Jewel, \$200 Amazon, & a \$300 Menards. Clear your calendar, the picnic is only two weeks away. White elephant gift donations for BINGO would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the rectory (labeled for the picnic) or to Sag Hall the day of the picnic.

Wine & Wisdom – Aug 28
 None of us can know with certainty what awaits us at our personal judgment. It's best to consider the possibilities very carefully & Jim Coughlin will share the unique perspective of the Purgatory Nun.

Wine & Wisdom – Sept 4
 E. Michael Jones, Catholic writer, former professor at Saint Mary's College in Indiana, and the current editor of Culture Wars magazine

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

A new high that is SO low
 Faithful pro-life pray-ers and sidewalk counselors are at the abortuary, Access Health, most of their open hours, so they have a pretty good idea how many babies are lost, and they publish the estimate each week. The week of Aug 12, they estimated more than **80 babies** lost their lives. It's a helpless feeling to see that huge number, but we can't give in & we must pray! Join us there 3pm each Friday!




Join the world in prayer!
 Pray with Cardinal Burke's
 Nine-month Novena
novena.cardinalburke.com

Theology and Sanity
 We have the opportunity to join in a book study of this wonderful book by Frank Sheed that makes theology accessible. Sessions will be led by Mrs Madonna Muscarello on Tuesdays at 7pm in Sag Hall from Sept 3 through Nov 5. Sign up link is on our website.

F. J. SHEED

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
 Anyone seeking Baptism or the other sacraments of initiation (Eucharist & Confirmation), or who simply wants to learn more about the Catholic faith, please call Fr Koys or the rectory. Classes will begin in Sept.

VOTIVE OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 8/25/24
 St. James Altar & Rosary Society
 All the Poor Souls in Purgatory
 United States of America
 For Our Children—Heather, Ryan & Colleen
 Blessings for the Florczyk Family



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

MONDAY, AUGUST 26
 8:00 AM ☩ John Kent
 ☩ Leopold Kulach

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27
 8:00 AM ☩ Mary Madden
 ☩ Leopold Kulach

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28
 7:00 PM Birthday Blessings—Joseph Walsh
 Birthday Blessings—Michael Cimino
 ☩ Otto Pospisil

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29
 8:00 AM ☩ Rev. Edwin Bohula

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30
 6:00 PM ☩ Joseph Aiello
 Birthday Blessings—John Kurowski

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31
 8:00 AM Blessings for Charles & Josephine Worobiew
 Confirmation Blessings—Gunner Chapman

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
 8:15 AM ☩ Maria Walkosz
 Health & Healing—Steve Rohrbacher
 10 AM: ☩ John Kent
 ☩ James Henry
 12:00 PM: ☩ James Marlowe

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

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ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Our Weekly Offering

Our weekly Offertory collection from August 18, 2024 was \$5,464. Online giving (Give Central) for regular and maintenance collections totalled \$850.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

| MASS | ALTAR SERVERS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:15am | Joe Beecher, Mark Henze, Christos & Frankie Latsonas |
| 10am | Daniel Newsom, Matthew Sullivan, Marty, John & Tommy Comer |



2025 Mass Book Opening

The Mass book for 2025 will open for booking Mass intentions on **Wednesday, September 4th at 10:00 AM**. Please call the parish office to **make an appointment** to sign up for intentions.

The PLB hours are:

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

9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Tuesdays & 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Fridays

Prior to booking your Masses, please complete a Mass intention form which is available in the back of the church, on the parish website or in the parish offices. Offering for an intention is \$15. To accommodate all SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish families, we allow four (4) weekend Mass intentions (Saturday, 5:00 PM and Sunday) per family, per year.

Due to space constraints, intention text may be limited.

*Książka z intencjami Mszy św. na rok 2025 zostanie otwarta we **Środa, 4 września o godz. 10:00 AM**. Proszę zadzwonić do biura parafialnego w celu **umówienia się na odpowiednią godzinę**. Przypominamy że biuro jest otwarte w następujących godzinach:*

poniedziałek, środa i czwartek 9:00AM – 3:00PM

wtorek 9:00AM – 8:00PM i piątek 9:00AM – 1:00PM

Przed przyjściem do biura proszę wypełnić formularz intencji Mszy św., który jest dostępny w tyle kościoła, na stronie internetowej parafii lub w biurze parafialnym. Ofiara intencji wynosi \$15. Aby umożliwić każdej rodzinie wpisanie Mszy św. niedzielnej prosimy o ograniczenie ich do 4 na rok na rodzinę. Pozostałe dni są bez ograniczeń. Prosimy również o zwięzły tekst int. Mszy św. ze względu na ograniczoną przestrzeń w biuletynie.



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



Respect Life Committee "Gift Card" Shower

The Respect Life Committee will be hosting a "Gift Card" shower for Waterleaf Womens Center in Aurora the first 2 weeks in September, starting on September 1st. Along with **baby saving pregnancy support**, Waterleaf has an Education and Resource Center that offers classes to equip clients with information needed for their specific situation. Some of the topics included in the lessons are pregnancy, parenting, life skills or love lessons to name a few. Each course completion earns points which are redeemed for gift cards which can be used for food, baby supplies, gas, etc. We encourage our parishioners to participate by picking a gift card suggestion/reminder card from the baskets on the back tables, purchase the gift card and return to the box by Sept 15th. Their website is waterleafwc.org to see what they offer to women in need. Call Vicki 630-303-2945 with any questions.



Please pray...

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. Thank you.

Dinner Dance Sponsorship Opportunities

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

GOLD LEVEL Event Sponsor
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- Receive prominent Recognition at the Event and on our Sponsors Board

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

SILVER LEVEL Event Sponsor
\$1,000 per sponsorship

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

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- Recognition at Event and Sponsors Board

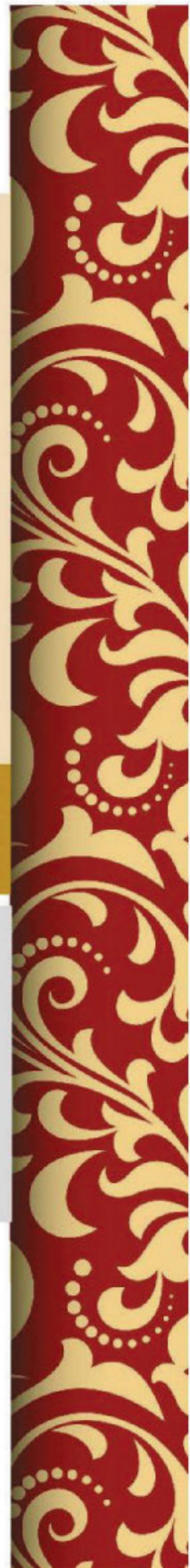
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- ☞ CPHM Construction, Michael Hope
- ☞ Organization "Kolo 37-Gron-Lesnica", Stanislaw Janik, President
- ☞ John Cisek & Marianna Bak

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!

Invitations to follow in August!

ALL LEVELS OF SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME!





It's unfortunate that it ended so quickly! The "Vacation with God in Lemont" will be a memorable experience for many children and their parents. We want to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Special Guests of these summer camps: Sister Antonia, Mrs. Coleen Mast, and Mr. Marek Stępień, as well as to all the Volunteers who prepared the activities with great enthusiasm to bring joy and help the children feel loved by Jesus.



Aż szkoda było że tak



szybko się skończyło! "Wakacje z Bogiem w Lemont" na długo zapadną w pamięci dla wielu dzieci i ich Rodziców. Szczególne podziękowania kierujemy dla Gości Specjalnych tych półkolonii: dla Siostry Antonii, Pani Coleen Mast, oraz Pana Marka Stępnia, oraz dla wszystkich Wolontariuszy, którzy z tak wielkim sercem przygotowali wszystkie zajęcia aby przyniosły one radość, oraz sprawiały iż dzieci poczuły że Jezus ich kocha!





Drodzy Parafianie,

26 sierpnia, to dzień dorocznej uroczystości Matki Bożej Częstochowskiej. Obraz "Czarnej Madonny", którego kopię mamy w naszym kościele, to chyba najsłynniejszy wizerunek Matki Bożej w Polsce. Jej sanktuarium co roku odwiedza setki tysięcy pielgrzymów.

Pierwsza wzmianka o obrazie pochodzi z pierwszej połowy XV wieku. W dokumentach klasztoru czytamy: "Autorem obrazu jest św. Łukasz Ewangelista. Na prośbę wiernych wymalował wizerunek Maryi z Dzieciątkiem na blacie stołu, przy którym siadywała. Cesarz Konstantyn kazał przenieść obraz z Jerozolimy do Konstantynopola i umieścić w świątyni. Tam obraz zasłynął cudami. Urzeczony cudownym obrazem książę ruski Lew, pozostający w służbie cesarza, uprosił Konstantyna o darowanie mu obrazu, który też przeniósł do swojego księstwa i kazał go bogato ozdobić. Obraz znowu zasłynął cudami. W czasie wojny prowadzonej na Rusi przez Ludwika Węgierskiego obraz ukryto w zamku belskim. Po poddaniu się zamku Ludwikowi namiestnik króla, książę Władysław Opolczyk zajął obraz. W czasie oblegania zamku przez Litwinów i Tatarów strzała wpadła do zamku i ugodziła w prawą stronę wizerunku. Wtedy nieprzyjaciół otoczyła mgła, która ich przeraziła. Książę wypadł na nich z wojskiem i ich rozgromił. Kiedy chciał wywieźć obraz do swojego księstwa, mimo dużej liczby koni wóz z obrazem nie ruszał z miejsca. Wtedy książę uczynił ślub, że wystawi kościół i klasztor tam, gdzie umieści obraz. Wtedy konie lekko ruszyły i zawiozły obraz na Jasną Górę. Tam książę umieścił go w kaplicy kościoła, gdzie obraz ponownie zajaśniał cudami".

Popularna legenda głosi, że istniejące na obrazie rany są pozostałością po napadzie husytów na klasztor w roku 1430. Weszli oni do klasztoru w poszukiwaniu cennych skarbów, które miały być tam ukryte. Nie znajdując cennych przedmiotów zniszczyli oni obraz zadając Mu ciosy mieczem.

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

Ks. Waldemar

Kilka spraw z życia parafii:

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Mass Intentions

Monday — August 26th (Our Lady of Czestochowa)

- 7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GUZIOR FAMILY
GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR KATHY & FAMILY (birth)
by Katarzyna
✠ JOHN KENT
by Family & Friends
✠ LUKAS PETRAITIS
by Jodwalis Family
- 7:00 PM O BOŻE BŁ. I ZDROWIE DLA KRZYSZTOFA (urodziny)
by Rodzice
O BOŻE BŁ. I ZDROWIE DLA KAZIMIERZA
I KAZIMIERY CISŁO (Rocznica Ślubu)
✠ JÓZEF MILAN
by Rodzina Milan
✠ JÓZEF CUDZICH
by Przyjaciele

Tuesday — August 27th

- 7:00 AM ✠ ESTELLE STACH
by John Stach
- 7:00 PM ✠ MICHAŁ GRELE
by Siostra

Wednesday — August 28th

- 7:00 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS & HEALTH FOR ROBERT
CISŁO JR. (birth)
by Grandmother
✠ LOUIS ZIOLKOWSKI
by Carol Schimpf

Thursday — August 29th

- 7:00 AM ✠ GENE SCHALLER
by Ed & Maripat Scott

Friday — August 30th

- 7:00 AM ✠ JANET HAGGERTY
by Geno & Laura Sciacca

Saturday — August 31st

- 7:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
Wedding: Virgilia Gaska and Dariusz Lelis
- 3:00 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS LIVING & DECEASED
- 5:00 PM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR AUDRY BUJAK (birth)
by Grandmother
GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR GREGORY & ANETA
PADOLEJ (10 Anniv.)
by Blesson Vowel Plaque

Sunday — September 1st

- 7:00 AM ✠ ANIELA I WLADYSŁAW ZAGATA
Fr. Koys by Jozef & Janina Mszal
✠ ROSEMARY SCOTT
by Scott Family
✠ GENEVIEVE & JULIAN DZIAK
by John Cisek
- 8:00 AM ✠ FRANCISZKA DZIĄBA
Fr. Valdi by Rodzina
✠ MARIOLA KACZMARSKI I ZBIGNIEW PACZOCHA
by Córka z Rodziną
✠ ANDRZEJ KALATA
by Rodzina Łukanus
- 9:30 AM GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR AMELIA POGUE (7 birth)
Fr. Noga by Mom
- 11:00 AM W INT. WSZYSTKICH PROŚB ZANOSZONYCH
Fr. Valdi W KAPLICY WIECZYSTEJ ADORACJI
✠ HELENA I WLADYSŁAW NOWOBILSKI
by Frank i Mary Kowalczyk
✠ JACEK KNAPCZYK I MATEUSZ BOBAK
(Rocznice Śmierci)
by Rodzina
✠ STANISŁAW CUDZICH (32 Rocznica Śmierci)
by Syn z Rodziną

12:30 PM ✠ STANISŁAW & ANNA DACHOWSKI

Fr. Noga by Alicja Pach
✠ MIECZYSLAW & MARIA GUZEK

2:00 PM O DARY DUCHA ŚW. DLA KAYLEE BIELSKI I IZABELA

Fr. Valdi ✠ STEFAN I KAROLINA MACHAJ
by Rodzina

✠ JAN KAPŁAN

by Rodzina Kakareko

7:30 PM FOR ALL PRAYER REQUESTS IN OUR CHAPEL INT. BOOK

Fr. Koys ✠ JOHN KENT
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If possible, please fill out the OCIA Application Form which is available in the back of the church and bring it to the Parish Office.

Classes began September 24, 2024, and end a couple of weeks after Easter. Classes are held in conjunction with St. Alphonsus / St. Patrick Parish. We meet on Tuesday evenings in the St. Alphonsus Ministry Building from 7-8:30 PM.

Feast of Our Lady of
CzestochowaMonday, August 26th
Polish Mass at 7:00 PM

Święto Matki Bożej Częstochowskiej

Msza Św. o godz. 7:00PM
w poniedziałek, 26 sierpniaPlease call the parish office if you
have a loved one you would like
our parish community to pray for.

Emilia Pilecki

Madison Permar

Arthur Zelezinski

Matt Przybocki

Marcia Nowak

Michael Rajski

Estelle Blickhahn

Jaeann Sangerman

Daniel Byrne Szafoni

Betty Rae Kazakauskas

Bob Duscet

Marge Doucet

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Alexander Dziaba

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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| Children's Envelopes | 2 | 2.00 |
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*Jennifer Puchacz and Lukasz Sulka
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*Stephanie Guerra and Christopher Galassi
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Wedding Banns

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 Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel
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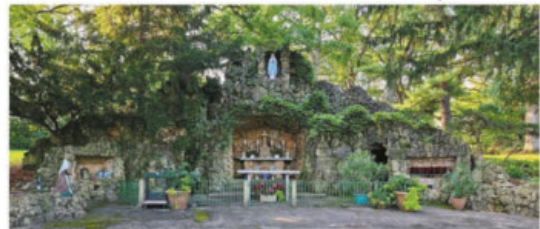
When: Saturday, September 7, 2024 (Service begins at 12:00 noon)

Where: St. Mary's Franciscan Center, 14252 Main St., Lemont

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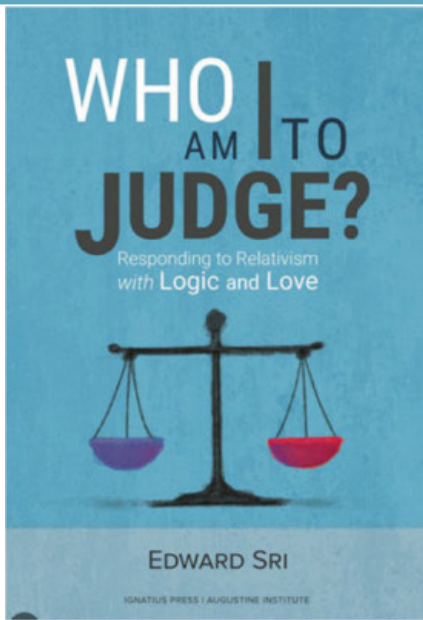
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At the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes

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Three ways to register:

- online at the parish website
- call or text Sue at 1-708-673-4828
- or return this form and your \$20 to the parish office by September 10th.

Who am I to Judge? Registration Form – Please print clearly!

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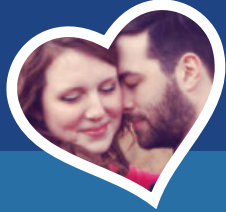
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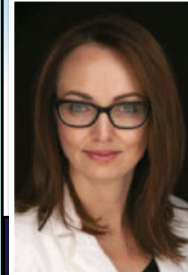
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