



# Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

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### Clergy & Staff

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### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Low Mass  
10:15 a.m. High Mass

**Monday-Saturday:** 7:45 a.m. Low Mass

**Holy Days:** *please consult the bulletin*

### Confessions

*30 minutes before Mass every day (Sundays before both Masses) & First Fridays from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. (during Adoration)*

### Devotions

**Every Thursday:** Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.

**First Friday:** Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5:00 p.m.

**First Saturday:** After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

May 28<sup>th</sup> 2023

Pentecost Sunday

## Masses this Week

Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

### **PENTECOST SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Eugene Wirkus, Sr.  
*requested by Gene & Donna Wirkus*

10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo

Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

### **Whit Monday**

7:45 a.m. - Health & Blessings for  
Dr. Anthony Mongillo  
*requested by the Whitmore Family*

Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

### **Whit Tuesday**

7:45 a.m. - Tristan S. Michaels  
*requested by Robert A. Setele*

Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

### **Ember Wednesday of Pentecost**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Alice McMahan  
*requested by Paul McMahan*

Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Whit Thursday**

7:45 a.m. - Cheryl Pina  
*requested by Tim Watkins*

Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **Ember Friday of Pentecost**

7:45 a.m. - Mark Tarantino  
*requested by Larry & JoEllen Pline*

Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

### **Ember Saturday of Pentecost**

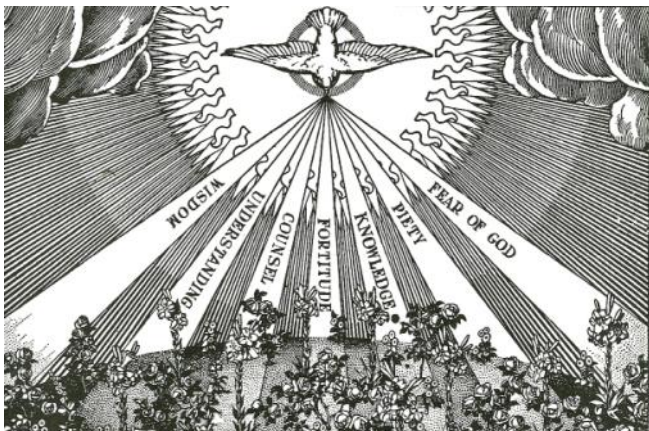
7:45 a.m. - Maud Joseph  
*requested by Maud Joseph*

Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

### **TRINITY SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. - Douglas & Bernadette Rowe & Children  
*requested by Colleen M. McCarty*

10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo



## Upcoming Events

May 28<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Canon Altieri away on annual silent retreat  
*Daily morning Mass and confessions as usual, but no evening Vespers, Holy Hours, Masses or confessions*

May 31<sup>st</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

SUMMER EMBER DAYS

Traditionally days of fast & abstinence

Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

FIRST SATURDAY

Devotions & Benediction after Ember Day Mass

Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

Server practice after High Mass for the Corpus Christi procession (approximately 10 minutes)

Week of June 5<sup>th</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>

First Holy Communion catechism tests

*Please contact the church office to schedule an appointment for your child*

Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Solemn Mass & Procession at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>

First confessions and rehearsal for First Holy Communion at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>

SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CORPUS CHRISTI

First Holy Communion at the High Mass

Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>

Adult Theology Class at 7:00 p.m. in church hall  
Theme: "The Church: the Hierarchy"

Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

High Mass & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>

Visit of Monsignor Wach to our parish

*It has been several years since the founder of the Institute of Christ the King has been able to visit our parish, so please plan to attend the festive reception after Mass!*

\* Annual Collection for the Institute's Sisters \*

## THE HOLY GHOST AND THE CHURCH

The Church which, already conceived, came forth from the side of the second Adam in His sleep on the Cross, first showed herself before the eyes of men on the great day of Pentecost. On that day the Holy Ghost began to manifest His gifts in the mystic body of Christ, by that miraculous outpouring already foreseen by the prophet Joel (2:28-29), for the Paraclete “sat upon the apostles as though new spiritual crowns were placed upon their heads in tongues of fire” (S. Cyril Hier. *Catech.* 17). Then the apostles “descended from the mountain,” as St. John Chrysostom writes, “not bearing in their hands tables of stone like Moses, but carrying the Spirit in their mind, and pouring forth the treasure and the fountain of doctrines and graces” (*In Matt.* Hom. L, II Cor. 3:3). Thus was fully accomplished that last promise of Christ to His apostles of sending the Holy Ghost, who was to complete and, as it were, to seal the deposit of doctrine committed to them under His inspiration. “I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now; but when He, the Spirit of Truth, shall come, He will teach you all truth” (John 16:12-13). For He who is the Spirit of Truth, inasmuch as He proceedeth both from the Father, who is the eternally True, and from the Son, who is the substantial Truth, receiveth from each both His essence and the fullness of all truth. This truth He communicates to His Church, guarding her by His all powerful help from ever falling into error, and aiding her to foster daily more and more the germs of divine doctrine and to make them fruitful for the welfare of the peoples. And since the welfare of the peoples, for which the Church was established, absolutely requires that this office should be continued for all time, the Holy Ghost perpetually supplies life and strength to preserve and increase the Church. “I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Paraclete, that He may abide with you forever, the Spirit of Truth” (John 14:16, 17).

By Him the bishops are constituted, and by their ministry are multiplied not only the children, but also the fathers — that is to say, the priests — to rule and feed the Church by that Blood wherewith Christ has redeemed Her. “The Holy Ghost hath placed you bishops to rule the Church of God, which He hath purchased with His own Blood” (Acts 20:28). And both bishops and priests, by the miraculous gift of the Spirit, have the power of absolving sins, according to those words of Christ to the Apostles: “Receive ye the Holy Ghost; whose sins you shall forgive they are forgiven them, and whose you shall retain they are retained” (John 20:22, 23). That the Church is a divine institution is most clearly proved by the splendour and glory of those gifts and graces with which she is adorned, and whose author and giver is the Holy Ghost. Let it suffice to state that, as Christ is the Head of the Church, so is the Holy Ghost her soul. “What the soul is in our body, that is the Holy Ghost in Christ’s body, the Church” (St. Aug., *Serm.* 187, *de Temp.*). This being so, no further and fuller “manifestation and revelation of the Divine Spirit” may be imagined or expected; for that which now takes place in the Church is the most perfect possible, and will last until that day when the Church herself, having passed through her militant career, shall be taken up into the joy of the saints triumphing in heaven.

— from the encyclical *DIVINUM ILLUD MUNUS* of Pope Leo XIII (1897)

### FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI - Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

#### Solemn Mass & Procession



*Four men will be needed to carry the canopy during the procession outside.*

*Children who received their First Holy Communion last year or who will receive this year are welcome to walk in the procession in their suits and dresses (the boys will carry a candle and the girls will scatter flower petals).*

*Please contact Canon if you or your children are able to participate in either of these roles.*

## We welcome you today to Saints Cyril and Methodius Oratory!

If this is your first time here, we look forward to meeting you. We hope you will be able to join us for our upcoming special Masses and the festive reception next month. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, forms are available at both entrances.

Holy Mass every day and all the sacraments at Saints Cyril & Methodius Oratory are celebrated in the traditional Latin Rite. This form of worship, which developed many centuries ago, is a priceless treasure of our Catholic faith. On Sundays and feasts, there are handouts containing English translations of the Propers (the prayers and readings proper to the day). If you are unfamiliar with the traditional Latin Mass, please do not hesitate to approach the clergy of the Oratory with any questions you may have. The pastoral care of the Oratory has been entrusted by the Bishop of Bridgeport to the clergy of the Institute of Christ the King, a Catholic priestly society founded in 1990 and currently ministering in dioceses across the United States, Europe and Africa.

Holy communion may be received by practicing Catholics in the state of grace. In the traditional Roman Rite, holy communion is received kneeling at the communion rail (unless you are impaired from doing so) and directly on the tongue. The mouth should be open with the tongue slightly extended. You do not reply when the priest places the host in your mouth. The sacrament of confession is available every day 30 minutes before the start of Mass (ending approximately 5 minutes before Mass begins).

### ONE IN CHRIST – 2023 BISHOP’S APPEAL

#### Saints Cyril and Methodius Parish

*Progress as of May 26<sup>th</sup>*

ABA Goal:	\$11,000.00
Total Pledged:	\$8,035 (73%)
Donors to Date:	24 Donors



To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at [2023 BishopsAppeal.org](https://2023BishopsAppeal.org), call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

### ANNUAL PRIEST RETREAT

The canons of the U.S. province of the Institute of Christ the King will be gathering in Saint Louis this week for their annual silent retreat.

During this time, the normal morning Mass and confession schedule will continue as usual, thanks to coverage from local priests. However, there will NOT be Sunday Vespers, Thursday Holy Hour or First Friday *evening* Mass, Holy Hour or confessions.

## Young Adult Retreat

2023

#### Dates & Time

Friday, July 7 at 2:30 pm  
Monday, July 10 at 12 pm

#### Location

Colombiere Conference & Retreat Center (45 minutes NW of Detroit)

#### Pricing

\$260 for 3 Nights  
\$200 Commuter Rate (includes meals)

#### Who?

Young Adults Ages 18-35



<https://form.jotform.com/ickspsursum-corda-annual-retreat-2023>



Withdraw from the world to strengthen your spiritual life!  
This year's theme is 'Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi'  
*the law of prayer constitutes the law of belief.*

#### QUESTIONS?

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Pentecost Sunday