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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

October 1st 2023

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Masses this Week

Sunday, October 1st

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

{*Saint Remigius*}

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - ✠ Philip & Louise DeFelice

requested by Thomas & Lisa DeFelice

Monday, October 2nd

Holy Guardian Angels

Note 7:15 a.m. - Kevin & Linda Gaboardi

requested by Linda Gaboardi

Tuesday, October 3rd

Saint Therese of Lisieux

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Brian J. Zerrenner

requested by Michael & Crystal Howley

Wednesday, October 4th

Saint Francis of Assisi

7:45 a.m. - In Thanksgiving

requested by Gemma Lily Malanao

Thursday, October 5th

Votive Mass of Jesus Christ

Eternal High Priest

7:45 a.m. - ✠ James H. Redmond

requested by Gene & Donna Wirkus

Friday, October 6th

Votive Mass of the Most Sacred Heart

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Marion L. Malanao

requested by Gemma Malanao

Saturday, October 7th

Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:45 a.m. - Paul & Christina DeRaffele

requested by Eric & Michelle Ciardiello

Sunday, October 8th

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

{*Saint Bridget of Sweden*}

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Delimarie Malanao

requested by Delimarie Malanao



Upcoming Events

September 29th to October 7th

NOVENA FOR VOCATIONS

Special prayer cards are available in church

Sunday, October 1st

Mass request forms will be available for 2024

(please do not submit requests before October 2nd)

Monthly coffee hour after the High Mass

Monday, October 2nd

Special Mass time: 7:15 a.m. (Canon needs to leave for the airport immediately after Mass)

Mass intentions for 2024 can be dropped off in the office

October 2nd to 6th

Canon Altieri will be in Louisiana attending the Institute's U.S. provincial convocation

Saturday, October 7th

First Saturday Devotions & Benediction after Mass, followed by Meeting of the SSCM Ladies' Guild in the Rectory (please bring refreshments to share)

Sunday, October 8th

Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

October—Month of the Holy Rosary

Devotions daily at 6:00 p.m., beginning October 9th

Tuesday, October 10th

Adult Theology class in the church hall at 7:00 p.m.

Theme: "The Life of Grace"

Saturday, October 14th

Father-Son outing for the altar boys after the morning Mass (*remember to R.S.V.P. this week!*)

Tuesday, October 24th

Adult Theology class in the church hall at 7:00 p.m.

Theme: "Law and Conscience"

Saturday, October 28th

First Holy Communion catechism class at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 5th

ALL SAINTS PARTY

During the social hour after High Mass, children are invited to dress as their favorite saint

FROM THE RECTOR

Here we are already once again at the beginning of the Month of the Holy Rosary! The Rosary is a staple Catholic devotion that should be part of our spiritual life all year long, but especially in the month of October we should make a concerted effort. The Church has always recommended the Rosary not only as a pious devotion but also as a spiritual weapon in times of calamity. To help you observe the Month of the Rosary, we will have public **October Devotions** every week-day in October (Monday to Friday), beginning on October 9th after I return from Louisiana. The October Devotions will be held at 6:00 p.m. on week days and will consist of the recitation of the Holy Rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, the Litany of Loreto, the October prayer to Saint Joseph (prescribed by Pope Leo XIII) and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. It is my hope that you will invite friends and that **every family** will make an effort to attend these devotions **at least once a week**. As I have said before, we cannot complain about the state of world if we do not employ the means provided by heaven.

We are happy to welcome to the Oratory **Abbé Patrick MacGinnis**, a fourth-year seminarian from the Institute of Christ the King. He is originally from Wales and will be helping out at our parish on his pastoral year. We hope you can meet him today at the coffee hour after the High Mass. Now that we have a “full house” once again (relatively speaking), we are grateful to anyone who would like to sign up for the rectory **Meal Train**.

Every two or three years, the canons of the U.S. province of the Institute gather for a **Convocation** with our prior general Monsignor Wach. This year we will be meeting in Lake Charles, Louisiana for three days of solemn liturgies, spiritual conferences, enriching cultural outings and fraternal charity. During these challenging times, this period of priestly fraternity is very welcome indeed. Please note the **special earlier Mass time on Monday**, as I need to leave sufficient time to get to the airport. From Tuesday to Friday, we will have our usual morning confession and Mass times, thanks to help from local priests, but please note that there will not be evening confessions or Mass for First Friday. Please pray for the success of the Convocation.

You can read in the special insert this week about the new assignments of our canons. In particular, we are grateful to divine providence for our new retreat house in Wisconsin, and our **new apostolates** in Cleveland, Ohio, and Warren, Massachusetts, where our priests will continue their mission of spreading the Catholic faith and holy Tradition.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2024

If you wish to request any Masses for the next calendar year, please pay careful attention to these guidelines, which are intended to promote the common good and to facilitate the very complicated work of scheduling. The pastor is morally bound to see to it that all our parishioners have the same opportunity to have Masses offered for their loved ones and personal intentions, which is the reason for the directives explained below. Thank you for your cooperation in abiding by these norms.

- ◆ Beginning on **Monday, October 2nd** we will start accepting Mass intentions for 2024. No intentions will be accepted before that date (no exceptions).
- ◆ Please make sure only to **use the forms** which will be available in church beginning Sunday, October 1st in order to fill out your Mass requests.
- ◆ For the time being, we are only able to accept Mass intentions from regular parishioners.
- ◆ In the first round of scheduling, there is a **strict limit of 10 (ten) Mass intentions per household**. If a greater number is submitted, all the requested intentions will be returned. After the new year, we will inform you in the bulletin if there are any remaining available spots for 2024.
- ◆ You may request specific dates, which will be accommodated to the extent possible, but we cannot make any promises about dates.
- ◆ It is not possible to reserve multiple Sundays.
- ◆ As a spiritual good, there is no “price” for a Mass. However, according to the longstanding custom of the Church, Mass offerings are used for the material support of the clergy. Therefore, a **minimum stipend of \$10** is suggested per Mass.
- ◆ It is not possible to request a Mass by 'phone or e-mail. No Mass will be scheduled until the **written request and accompanying Mass offering** are received in the office. These may be submitted in the collection basket, by mail, or by coming in person to the office during office hours.

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 coffee hour today. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, forms are available at both entrances.

Holy Mass 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 7 minutes before Mass begins).

The church narthex (vestibule) functions as a cry room during Mass. As a courtesy to others, please feel free to make use of it when you have a crying child by exiting quietly down one of the side aisles. Everyone is kindly reminded that all conversations should be held outside.

Out of respect for God's house, please bear in mind the importance of modest and decent attire. Ladies who wish to do so may borrow a veil to wear at Mass (available in baskets by the entrances).

If you are not a Catholic, you are warmly invited to learn more about our faith. The Catholic Church was founded 2000 years ago by Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to carry on His work for the salvation of souls. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Oratory offers individual instruction. We look forward to hearing from you.

New Choir Members Welcome!

The ADULT CHOIR rehearses each Thursday evening and sings the Ordinary and polyphonic motets each week, while the MEN'S SCHOLA prepares and sings the chant Propers for sung Masses each Sunday and on high Feast Days. The CHILDREN'S SCHOLA rehearses each Wednesday afternoon to sing chant and simple polyphony for one Mass per month.

To inquire about any of these ensembles, please speak to Dr. Sam Schmitt either after Mass or via e-mail: samuel.schmitt@carlschmitt.org.

FATHER-SON OUTING FOR OUR ALTAR BOYS Saturday, October 14th

After the morning Mass, there will be a brief training session and snack, then we will head to Plasko's Farm (Trumbull) for the Corn Maze and a hayride, followed by packed lunch.

We hope all our servers and their fathers can come! Please make sure to sign up this week by calling or e-mailing the church office.

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