

# Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## January 31, 2016



**Sun Jan. 31** Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am People of St. Cyril

**Mon Feb. 1**  
No Mass

**Tues Feb. 2** The Presentation of the Lord  
No Mass

**Wed Feb. 3**  
9:00 am Irene Heinze by family

**Thu Feb. 4**  
No Mass

**Fri Feb. 5** St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr  
9:00 am Pamela Miceak by Dave & Maureen Polash

**Sat Feb. 6** St. Paul Miki, and Companions, Martyrs  
No Mass

**Sun Feb. 7** Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am People of St. Cyril

† Tithes & Gifts †	
January 24, 2016	
60 Adult Envelopes:	\$1,559.00
Loose:	92.00
Children:	.00
3-Special Needs:	25.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,676.00</b>
Amount needed each week.....	\$2,250.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/16.....	<b>(\$8,941.79)</b>

<b>Greeters for February</b> Tom & Diane Bradley John & Marilyn Sopocy	<b>Ushers for February</b> John Fabus, Jim Fabus, Jr. Ed J. Fornusek, volunteer
<b>Money Counters</b> February 2 Mary Jane Schoendorf & Alice Steavens	<b>Knight of the month -Jan.</b> Jerry Kusnier
<b>Family of the month-February</b> Terry & Toni Ornelas	

**Altar Servers:** February 7-Sarah, Emily, Mary & Christy Sopocy

**Sacristans:** February 7- Jim & Diane Korienek

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**  
February 7-Theresa & Steve Sopocy and Ellie Bowles

**Lectors:** February 7-Sonja Homer and Dylan Dysinger

### St. Cyril Church

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#### Parish Staff:

**Pastor** Fr. William Gruden  
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**Lay Minister** Margaret Horak

**Organist** Geraldine Winkler

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#### Phone Numbers:

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#### Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday & Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
(Bulletin items need to be in by 4:00 pm Tuesday prior.)

#### Liturgical Schedule:

**Saturday @ St Peter\*** 4:30 pm

**Sunday @ St Peter\*** 8:30 am

**Sunday** 10:30 am

\* St. Peter Parish, 404 S. Wood Street, Chesaning

#### Weekday Schedule:

**Friday Word & Communion:** 8:00 am

**Wednesday Mass:** 9:00 am

**Thursday Mass @ St Peter** 8:00 am

#### Sacraments:

**Reconciliation:** Sunday, 11:30 am

**Baptism:** Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

**Marriage:** Engaged couples must contact the priest at least six (6) months prior to anticipated date of marriage. Weddings are not celebrated during the Lenten Season.

**Sick or Homebound:** If someone in your family or neighborhood is *Sick or homebound*, please contact the Parish Office. When entering a hospital, please register as a member of Saint Cyril Parish and notify the parish office.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to Saint Cyril Parish. Please call or stop by the parish office to register for our parish family.

**Stewardship Message:** Jeremiah declares that the Lord knew him before he was born, and dedicated and appointed him to his role as prophet even before he drew breath. We, too, are known and sent by the Lord. What deeds of love and service are mine to perform?



**Faith Formation Classes:** The next class is Sunday, February 7th at 9:00 am.

**The Art and Environment Committee:** Will be changing the appearance of the altar to enhance the celebration of the seasons of the Church. Items may be temporarily moved to other locations or stored. The committee will not permanently remove any item, they will reuse all pieces of art/items of decoration in the future.

**Altar Serving Training:** Anyone who has made their First Communion and interested in being trained to be an Altar Server should call Steve Sopocy at 862-5909. You will be notified of a date for training.

**Lenten Holy Hour:** Each Friday during Lent we will be having a Holy Hour of prayer at 4 pm with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and then followed by Stations of the Cross at 5 pm. Everyone is welcome to come and join us for all or part of the time.

**Catching Fire Becoming Flame:** The next DVD presentation by Albert Haase, OFM is Wednesday, February 17th from 9-11 am in the St. Peter Parish Hall in Chesaning. The topic is: *The Examen and Seven Principles of Prayer*. To register or for more information, please call Colleen Ontko at 989-845-1794 or Diane Hungerford at 989-845-6856.



**Spirit Hockey Faith Night:** Watch hockey, get faith! The Most Rev. Joseph R. Cistone will be a featured speaker during "Spirit Hockey Faith Night" at the Dow Event Center in Saginaw on Saturday, February 20th at 5 pm. The program also includes musical entertainment by Modern Day Cure and much more. The event aims to combine faith and sports into a day of fun for the entire family. The program begins at 5 pm; the puck drops at 7:05 pm. The cost is \$10.50 per person for groups of 10 or more (\$15-\$19 for individuals) and includes admission to faith night, a ticket to the game, live music and guest speakers. Tickets also can be purchased in advance by calling 989-497-7747.

**Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins:** John Chvojka, Rose Wolfe, Kevin Sopocy, Barb Pumford, Mary Bernath, Jerry Horak, Frank Kral, Carl Bowles, Marcella Baese, Ron Betts, Brian Courter, Mary Galko, John & Joan Smolka, Kim Babyock, Joe Batora, Tillie Bohil, Helen Fabus, Sally Foreit, George Goscinski, Mary Hanacek, Betty Kirby, Ann Luznak, Jim Schneider, Joanne Sisco, Frances Surdenik, Josie Vondruska, Elizabeth Chandler

**Save the Date!** St. Peter Parish will be having a Lenten Mission "Rekindling the Fire" from Sunday, March 12th ending Wednesday, March 16th. Fr. Jack Conley, PC from Chicago will be the speaker. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

**Lay Ministry Formation Program:** There will be an informational meeting for anyone interested in the Lay Ministry Formation Program on Wednesday, February 3rd from 6:30-8:30 pm at St. Peter Parish Hall in Chesaning. It is a four-year formation experience designed for lay people who wish to expand their knowledge of Scripture and Catholic theology, deepen their relationship with God, and fulfill their baptismal call by serving others. This meeting is not only for those interested in applying to Lay Ministry, but also for anyone wishing to learn about the Lay Ministry Formation Program. For more information, please contact Kellie Deming, Coordinator of Lay Ministry Formation at kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org or 989-797-6609.

**Palms:** If you would like to bring your old palms to be burned for Ash Wednesday, there will be basket in the gathering area for the palms.

**Little Black Books:** We will once again have the Little Black Books for Lent. They will be available next week.

#### A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2016 Living Liturgy:

Whose side do we want to be on? The winners, of course! But unwittingly the people in the gospel story choose to be on the wrong side! At first they "all spoke highly of" Jesus. But then they heard him say what they didn't like and turned on him. "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." However, more than one Scripture passage is being fulfilled in this gospel. The words and deeds of Jesus fulfill the Scripture passage from Isaiah about the coming of salvation: glad tidings for the poor, liberty for captives, sight for the blind, freedom for the oppressed. The words and deeds of the people fulfill the Scripture passages about rejecting and killing God's prophets: they question Jesus' origins, become furious at his words, and act to destroy him. The people choose the wrong side! Which Scripture passages do we hear? Which do we fulfill?

When Jesus challenges the people's narrowness with the examples of Elijah's and Elisha's outreach to Gentiles (Sidon and Syria), they grow furious. Jesus challenged the crowd because the Good News is always broader than selective preferences or limited understanding—yes, salvation would be for Gentiles as well as Jews. While the gospel is always good news, it is not always comfortable because it stretches us beyond where we are now. Which Scripture passages do we hear? Which do we fulfill?

And what is our response to the challenge of the gospel? Amazement or fury? Welcoming Jesus or expelling him from our midst? Growing in discipleship or stagnating in narrowness? Which Scripture passages do we hear? Which do we fulfill?