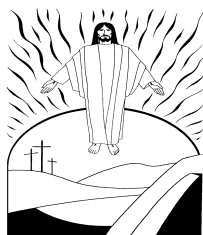


Ascension

May 8, 2016



St. Cyril Church

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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: 9:00 am

Wednesday Mass: 9:00 am

Thursday Mass @ St Peter 8:00 am

Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Sunday, 11:30 am

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the parish office.

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.

Sun May 8 Ascension
 10:30 am People of St. Cyril-All Mothers

Mon May 9
 No Mass

Tues May 10
 No Mass

Wed May 11
 9:00 am Irene Heinze by family

Thu May 12
 No Mass

Fri May 13
 No Mass

Sat May 14 St. Matthias, Apostle
 No Mass

Sun May 15 Pentecost
 10:30 am People of St. Cyril-All Graduates

† Tithes & Gifts †	
May 1, 2016	
60 Adult Envelopes:	\$1,559.00
Loose:	91.00
Children:	.00
18-Special Needs:	199.00
Total:	\$1,849.00
Amount needed each week.....	\$2,250.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/16.....	(\$12,812.79)

Greeters for May **Ushers for May**

Cliff & Carol Clark Malcolm Smith, Terry Loznak

Keith & Sonja Homer Keith Homer, Duane Schneider

Money Counters **Knight of the month –May**

May 10 Gale Baese

Cliff & Carol Clark

Family of the month-May

Carl & Ellie Bowles

Altar Servers: May 15-Emily, Mary, Sarah & Christy Sopocy

Sacristans: May 15-Jim & Diane Korienek

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

May 15-Carol Chvojka, Diane Kusnier and John Chvojka

Lectors: May 15-Dylan Dysinger and Sonja Homer

Stewardship Message: Jesus ascended into heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth—to use our time and talents to spread the good news of salvation.

Pastoral Council Seeking Members at Large: St. Cyril Parish Pastoral Council Norms read as follows: A Council shall be comprised of 9 members, all of whom must be practicing Catholic and registered members of the parish, active and involved in the parish life and at least 18 years of age. If you are interested or know of someone who would be a good contributor to our Council, please give the names to either Tom Bradley, 862-5378 or Margaret Horak at 862-5027. We are need of 3 members. You may nominate yourself. No ones name will go into the drawing without their permission. The Council meets on the third Thursday of each month.

Liturgy Meeting: There will be a Liturgy meeting on Monday, May 9th at 10:00 am.

Baptism Class: If you have a child that you would like baptized in the near future, contact Margaret Horak at 862-5027.

Knights of Columbus/CSA 2015-16: The Knights of Columbus have agreed to match any contribution made to the 2015-16 CSA deficit. There still time to make an additional contribution to the 2015-16 CSA. Please write on your check “CSA 2015-16” so it will be applied to the correct year. For questions or more information please call John Chvojka at 847-4565 or Tom Bradley at 862-5378

Altar Society Meeting: Is Monday, May 9th at 9 am. This will be the last meeting until September 12th. Have safe and nice summer!

Senior Mass: Will be on Sunday, May 15th. All high school and college seniors are invited with their families. There will be light refreshments in the back of church following Mass. Please call Rosemary at 862-5021 for more information.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins: Trevir Kral, Steve Porbusky, Richard Bakita, Ann Remenar, 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 Babycock, 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

CSA Catholic Services Appeal **Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) 2016-17:**

The total amount pledged so far is \$12,220 toward our goal of \$23,045. If you haven't made a pledge yet, please prayerfully consider your contribution. Your contribution may be put in the collection basket or mailed to the office. There are envelopes at all entrances of church. Thank you to those who have already contributed.



K of C Golf Outing Fundraiser: The Knights need and depend on your donations so they can keep helping those in need as well as our parish needs. If you would like to sponsor a hole (\$100) in memory of a loved one or advertise your business, a sign will be made and place on one of the hole the day of the outing (July 16) as well as on the Big Board in the parish hall. Other donations and non-perishable prizes are needed for the golfers. If you can contribute call: Jerry Horak at 862-5027. Thank you to all who have already contributed. Your donation is deeply appreciated. Thank you.

Get Well Cards: Trevir Kral, grandson of Robert & Linda Kral, was recently diagnosed with T-cell leukemia. If you would like to send a get well card his address is: Trevir Kral, c/o Tami Morris, 212 S Sterling, PO Box 132, Ashley, MI 48806.

A Reflection on the Gospel from 2016 Living Liturgy:

In this gospel Jesus speaks to his disciples about being “clothed with power from on high.” We can reject Jesus’ offer of a unique clothing, not pay attention to it, not use it rightly. Or we can wear this clothing with dignity and gratitude. The clothing Jesus offers us is not something made from plant fibers or animal skins. This clothing is a power that is the Holy Spirit who takes up divine abode within us.

Jesus’ ascension is inseparable from Pentecost. The disciples continue Jesus’ ministry of preaching the Good News of death leading to risen Life only after they have been “clothed with power from on high.” This is a “clothing” worn on the inside, a personal Presence—the Holy Spirit who empowers them to be a new Presence of Christ in the world after his ascension. Jesus’ blessing before he was “taken up to heaven” was his last action-word in their midst. His blessing was his affirmation of the action-word they were to become on Pentecost. We disciples become for our world, through the power of the Holy Spirit, who Jesus was for his world: the visible promise of salvation unfolding through action-words that pack the power of the Holy Spirit is neither merely utilitarian nor simply aesthetic. This clothing changes us into those who become members of the very Body of Christ. This clothing becomes a habit of life.

Jesus’ ascension, for us, is a gift and commissioning. We receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. We preach and teach in his name. We don’t do this on our own, as Jesus promised. We can’t set out to take up Jesus’ mission to preach the Good News until we open ourselves to the Holy Spirit’s Presence with and among us. This ensures us that our work isn’t ours but Christ’s. Ultimately our mission is to preach not simply events but a Person Jesus Christ, the risen One. Even more: with the Spirit, we are the Presence of the risen Lord. This clothing is unequalled.

