



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:

Word & Communion Every Third Friday: 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 Margaret Horak at 862-5027 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 July 30 10:30 am People of St. Cyril

Mon July 31 No Mass
St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest, Religious Founder

Tues August 1 No Mass
St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Wed August 2 9:00 am
Deceased members of Louis & Erma Polash family by Dave & Maureen Polash

Thu August 3 No Mass

Fri August 4 9:00 am **St. John Vianney, Priest**
Alan Stehlik by family

Sat August 5 No Mass

Sun August 6 10:30 am **The Transfiguration of the Lord**
People of St. Cyril

† Tithes & Gifts †

July 23, 2017

63-Adult Envelopes:	\$2,164.00
Loose:	117.00
Children:	.00
1-Special Needs:	25.00
Total:	\$2,306.00
Amount needed each week.....	\$2,100.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/18.....	(\$740.50)

Greeters for August

Clifford & Carol Clark
John & Marilyn Sopocy

Ushers for August

Joe Fabus, Gale Baese
Pete Hurst, Jerry Kusnier

Money Counters

August 1
Marilyn Kuchar & Sheila Hanus

Knight of the month-July

Stephen Hardman Jr.

Family of the month-July

Charlie & Micky Chapko

Altar Servers: August 6-Volunteers needed

Sacristans: August 6-Margaret Horak

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

August 6-TBA

Lectors: August 6-Ellie Bowles and Theresa Sopocy

Stewardship Message: “The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces,” says the psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?

Virtus Training: Will be held at St. Cyril on Monday, August 14th, from 5:30-8:30 pm. This is for any adult that will be working with children. Please call Kris at 862-5270 or Margaret at 862-5027 if you are interested by Friday, August 11th.

Heritage Mass: Is Sunday, August 6th at the 10:30 am Mass. Join us as we gather to worship God and celebrate our heritage. Everyone is encouraged to wear clothing representative of their own nationality. A Polka band will be providing music.



Harvest Festival: The Harvest Festival will be held on Sunday, August 6th, at the ZCBJ Hall in Bannister. A traditional ethnic dinner will be served from 11:30 am through 2 pm. Tickets for adults are \$10, children under 12 are \$5 and preschoolers are free. The program will start at 2:30 pm with dances of all ages performing. A dance will begin at 4 pm with music by Bill Nemanis Band. Admission is FREE. There will be free drawings for children’s bikes as well as drawings for teen and adult prizes. A good time is guaranteed for young and old alike. See you there!

A+D Charitable Foundation: Will host their Second Annual Shamrock Scramble, Friday, August 4th, at Swan Valley Golf Club, 9521 Highland Green Dr., Saginaw. There will be a shotgun start at 9 am as well as lunch, dinner, prizes etc. Proceeds provide therapy/skilled nursing and hospice care/home health services to un-and under-insured older adults in Gratiot, Isabella, Gladwin, Saginaw, Bay, Midland counties. For more information please call Gretchen at (989) 249-0929 or go to: a-dcharitablefoundation.org



Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins: Edward Chapko, Rose Chapko, Jim Hurst, Carole Custer, Emily Sopocy, Jeff Wadell, Clara Cermak, Tom Bradley, Jim Korienek, Shelby Porubsky, Larry Pesda, Shirley Tesarik, Linda Boring, Trevir Kral, Richard Bakita, John Chvojka, Rose Wolfe, Kevin Sopocy, Jerry Horak, Frank Kral, Carl Bowles, Marcella Baese, Ron Betts, Brian Courter, Mary Galko, John & Joan Smolka, Joe Batora, Tillie Bohil, Helen Fabus, Mary Hanacek, Ann Luznak, Joanne Sisco, Frances Surdenik, Elizabeth Chandler



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Catholic Service Appeal 2017-18 (CSA): We are currently at 67% toward our goal of \$21,425.00. So far, \$14,190.00 has been pledged which is over half. Our balance owed is \$7,235.00. Please prayerful consider your contribution. Thank you to everyone who has already pledged.

St. Cyril Knights-1st Degree: St. Cyril Knights will be hosting a 1st Degree on Sunday, August 27th, immediately after Mass. Members must be at least 18 years of age and a practicing Catholic. To find out more of what the Knights stand for and all their benefits for members, information is available at their table located at the front entrance of church. Please contact Terry Loznak, Tom Bradley, John Chvojka or Jerry Horak, if you are interested and want to join.

Fatima Traveling Statue: St. Joseph Church in St. Johns is once again privilege to have the honor of another Fatima traveling statue this year on Tuesday, August 29th. Come with your families and friends for meditation and Veneration. The first presentation will begin at 1:30 pm in the church. This is not the same statue that visited here last year. More information please call 989-224-3475.

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2017: What “the kingdom of heaven is like” is not just a treasure, pearl, or fish net, not some inanimate object located in some physical place, even if these would enhance our net worth greatly. No, what the “kingdom of heaven” is really like is the action response of a person who finds a treasure, a merchant who buys a prized pearl, or a fisherman who sorts the fish he catches. In all three of these gospel metaphors, the persons mentioned are committing themselves to an action response. The “kingdom of heaven” is present in searching for, sacrificing for, and sorting for our greatest Treasure—God’s very Life. We must “sell” all that we are—empty ourselves—so the Life God gives us freely and lavishly is ours forever.

The treasure we go out to seek isn’t some *thing* in some *place*; it is nothing less than the very, *Presence and Life of God* that is breaking in upon us now but which is only fully realized in the future. Now here is where the surprise of the gospel comes in: the kingdom of heaven isn’t some object or realm God gives us. God’s divine Presence and Life given to us is a free, unexpected, and invaluable gift. It far surpasses any treasure, pearl, or great catch. It far surpasses anything we can imagine. The “kingdom of heaven” is the gift of God’s very Self to us that raises us up to a share in divine joy, worth, and righteousness.

For us our discovery of the “kingdom of heaven” is most often in our everyday circumstances when we experience overwhelmingly the in-breaking of God’s Presence. This may be something so simple as the smile of a person’s grateful thanks or the sense of rightness that comes with fidelity to daily prayer. The “kingdom of heaven” demands our all—and nothing less.