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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 (until 7 minutes before the start of Mass)

Regular Devotions

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

First Friday: Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

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

January 21st 2024

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Masses this Week

Sunday, January 21st

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Eugene Wirkus, Sr.
requested by Eugene & Donna Wirkus
10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo

Monday, January 22nd

Saints Vincent & Anastasius

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Eugene & Josephine Dowd
requested by Susan Dowd

Tuesday, January 23rd

Saint Raymond of Pennafort

7:45 a.m. - Gabrielle Gustilo, Josef Hanson
& Max Roegele
requested by their godmother (Lil Gustilo)

Wednesday, January 24th

Saint Timothy

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Elizabeth Snowden
requested by Lenore & Michael Opalak

Thursday, January 25th

Conversion of Saint Paul

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Sam Vendetti
requested by June Vendetti

Friday, January 26th

Saint Polycarp

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Claudette Palazzo (5th anniversary)
requested by daughter & family

Saturday, January 27th

Saint John Chrysostom

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Thomas Killoran
requested by George & Nancy Whitmore
11:00 a.m. - Nuptial Mass
for Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Bousaleh (Elise Blakeslee)

Sunday, January 28th

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo
10:15 a.m. - Dr. & Mrs. Andrew Wang & Family
requested by Colleen McCarty



Upcoming Events

January 18th to 25th

CHAIR OF UNITY OCTAVE

Week of prayer for the return of heretics and dissidents to the unity of the Catholic Church

Sunday, January 21st

Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 25th

Holy Hour & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 27th

Volunteers are needed in the afternoon to remove the Christmas decorations (before Septuagesima)

Monday, January 29th

FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Plenary indulgence available (Institute patron)

Friday, February 2nd

CANDLEMAS

Blessing of Candles, Procession & High Mass at 6:00 p.m. {*last day of the Manger*}

Saturday, February 3rd

First Saturday devotions after Mass, followed by Saint Blaise throat blessings

Volunteers will be needed to help put away the items from the Manger

Sunday, February 4th

Monthly coffee hour after the High Mass

Saturday, February 10th

Altar boy training and bowling trip after Mass

Please come to the sacristy A.S.A.P. to sign up!

Sunday, February 11th

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

Beginning of the Forty Hours with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10:15 a.m. High Mass

Tuesday, February 13th

SHROVE TUESDAY

Bishop's visit to our parish for the closing of the Forty Hours at 6:00 p.m.

{All servers are needed for this ceremony!}

Festive reception in the church hall afterwards

THE “FORTY HOURS” DEVOTION

Annual Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Quinquagesima Sunday, February 11th

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10:15 a.m. High Mass
Adoration until Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, February 12th

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 7:45 a.m. Mass
Adoration until Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Shrove Tuesday, February 13th

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 7:45 a.m. Mass
Adoration throughout the day, with the solemn conclusion of the Forty Hours Devotion at 6:00 p.m. with His Excellency Bishop Frank Caggiano, who will preach and lead the procession of the Blessed Sacrament and give Pontifical Benediction

We need AT LEAST TWO ADORERS at all times: please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex (there is only one copy, to avoid duplications). It is very important that EVERYONE from the Oratory community plan to attend the concluding ceremony & reception with the bishop!



MERRY CHRISTMAS! We welcome you to Saints Cyril and Methodius!

If this is your first time here, we look forward to meeting you. We hope you will be able to join us for our next coffee hour. 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.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

are announced for

Miss Elise Catherine Blakeslee

daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Russell Blakeslee

& Mr. Edmund Jude Bousaleh

son of Mr. and Mrs. Michel Bousaleh

who are to be married at the Oratory on January 27th

This is the THIRD PUBLICATION of the banns.

ALTAR BOYS TRAINING

MORNING & OUTING

Saturday, February 10th

After the 7:45 a.m. Mass, a light breakfast will be served in the church hall, followed by training in church for the Forty Hours ceremony (*all altar boys* are needed to serve for the ceremony with the bishop).

We will then go for a father-son bowling trip (at Nutmeg Bowl), followed by a pizza lunch.



ADULT THEOLOGY CLASS

The Adult Theology Class will resume on Tuesday February 6th with a meeting in the church hall. The theme for the year is "Our Life in Christ: Introduction to Catholic Moral Teaching." Feel free to invite friends! Non-Catholics welcome to attend.

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