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Office Hours

9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

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Mass Times

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Low Mass
10:15 a.m. High Mass

Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. Low Mass

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. Low Mass

Holy Days: *please consult the bulletin*

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass every day

Regular Devotions

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

First Friday: Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament {*except summer months*}

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

May 10th 2026

Fifth Sunday after Easter

Masses this Week

Sunday, May 10th

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Felice & Louise DeFelice

requested by Mr. & Mrs. Felice DeFelice

10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo

Monday, May 11th

Rogation Monday

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Margaret Short

requested by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas DeFelice

6:00 p.m. - ✠ Brendan O'Donovan

requested by Colleen McCarty

Tuesday, May 12th

Saints Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla & Pancras

7:45 a.m. - Alessandro Zamora

requested by Jean Zamora

Wednesday, May 3th

Vigil of the Ascension

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Emanuele Balliro & Nicholas J. Balliro

requested by Mr. & Mrs. James T. DeSilva

Thursday, May 14th

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

7:45 a.m. - Pro Populo

6:00 p.m. - Roderick & Lillian Hamar

requested by Daniel Hamar

Friday, May 15th

Saint John Baptist de la Salle

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Rolanda Murdocca

requested by Joseph & Mary Murdocca

Saturday, May 16th

Saint Ubaldu

8:30 a.m. - Zachary Fagan

requested by Alex Fagan

Sunday, May 17th

SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - ✠ Edward Reyen

requested by Grace Monks



Upcoming Events

Month of May

Throughout the month of May, please feel free to bring fresh flowers to place at the statue of Our Lady of Grace in the transept

May 3rd to September 14th

Between the two feasts of the Holy Cross, the weather blessing will be given every Friday with the relic after Mass

Sunday, May 10th

May Crowning & Procession after the High Mass
Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, May 11th

ROGATION MONDAY {*servers needed for this Mass!*}
Procession & High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12th

Adult Theology talk at 7:00 p.m.
Theme: "Extreme Unction & Indulgences"

Thursday, May 14th

ASCENSION OF THE LORD {*holy day of obligation*}
Low Mass at 7:45 a.m. & High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 17th

First Communion catechism class after High Mass

Tuesday, May 19th

Spiritual conference at 7:00 p.m.
Theme: "Preparing for Pentecost"

Saturday, May 23rd

VIGIL OF PENTECOST {*known as "Whitsun Eve"*}
Vigil ceremonies & Mass beginning at 10:15 a.m.
Church will open at 9:15 a.m., with confessions held at 9:45 a.m. There will not be an early Mass.

Thursday, June 4th

CORPUS CHRISTI – **save the date**
Solemn Mass & Procession at 6:00 p.m.
This is always one of the highlights of the year!

Sunday, June 7th

First Holy Communion at the High Mass
At the coffee hour after Mass, there will be a cake for the First Communion children to celebrate this milestone.



NATIONAL SURSUM CORDA YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

June 5 – 7

**CONFERENCES &
FORMATION**

June 8

**(OPTIONAL ADD-ON DAY)
RECREATION & KAYAKING**

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT:

- ROSARY WALKS
- DAILY CONFERENCES
- DAILY MASS
- ALL NIGHT ADORATION
- COMPLINE
- SCHOLA/CHOIR PARTICIPATION
- DEBATE PARTICIPATION
- CONFESSION
- QUIET TIME FOR REFLECTION
- 1-ON-1 SPIRITUAL DIRECTION
- GROUP MEALS
- GAME NIGHT
- BONFIRE
- MUSICAL TALENT SHOW
- FREE TIME TO SOCIALIZE
- KAYAKING (MONDAY)

2026 CONFERENCE THEME

BEYOND THE SURFACE: CATHOLIC DIALOGUE ON MODERN TABOOS

Engage in today's most challenging cultural issues—AI technology, drugs and alcohol, NFP and sexuality, usury, and more—through the lens of timeless Church teaching and reasoned dialogue. An optional add-on day offers recreation and kayaking for fellowship and rest.

 Colombiere Retreat Center
Clarkston, MI

 Young Adults ages 18-35
are invited to join!

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 Registration deadline
May 11th

 3 days: \$270
4 days: \$320
Commuter rates available

SCAN ME



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).

CARDINAL NEWMAN ON MARY'S MONTH OF MAY

Why is May called the month of Mary, and especially dedicated to her? Among other reasons there is this, that of the Church's year, the ecclesiastical year, it is at once the most sacred and the most festive and joyous portion. Who would wish February, March, or April, to be the month of Mary, considering that it is the time of Lent and penance? Who again would choose December, the Advent season – a time of hope, indeed, because Christmas is coming, but a time of fasting too? Christmas itself does not last for a month; and January has indeed the joyful Epiphany, with its Sundays in succession; but these in most years are cut short by the urgent coming of Septuagesima.

May on the contrary belongs to the Easter season, which lasts fifty days, and in that season the whole of May commonly falls, and the first half always. The great Feast of the Ascension of our Lord into heaven is always in May, except once or twice in forty years. Pentecost, called also Whit-Sunday, the Feast of the Holy Ghost, is commonly in May, and the Feasts of the Holy Trinity and Corpus Christi are in May not unfrequently. May, therefore, is the time in which there are such frequent Alleluias, because Christ has risen from the grave, Christ has ascended on high, and God the Holy Ghost has come down to take His place.

Here then we have a reason why May is dedicated to the Blessed Mary. She is the first of creatures, the most acceptable child of God, the dearest and nearest to Him. It is fitting then that this month should be hers, in which we especially glory and rejoice in His great Providence to us, in our redemption and sanctification in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.



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Fifth Sunday after Easter