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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: Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament {*except summer*}
First Saturday: After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

September 7th 2025

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Masses this Week

Sunday, September 7th

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Maria Patricia Tourigny
requested by the Tourigny Family

Monday, September 8th

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:45 a.m. - Keira Richmond
requested by Thomas & Lisa DeFelice

Tuesday, September 9th

Saint Gorgonius

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Deceased of the Vendetti Family
requested by June Vendetti

Wednesday, September 10th

Saint Nicholas of Tolentino

7:45 a.m. - James Thomas & Mary Marjorie De Silva (10th wedding anniversary in two days)
requested by Mr. & Mrs. James T. De Silva

Thursday, September 11th

Saints Protus & Hyacinth

7:45 a.m. - Rachel Manoni
requested by George Smith & Denise Manoni-Smith

Friday, September 12th

Most Holy Name of Mary

7:45 a.m. - Abbé Luke Ball
requested by parishioners

Saturday, September 13th

Mass of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary

8:30 a.m. - Mr. James & Mrs. Joy DeSilva
requested by Neo Neal Bernardo Natividad

Sunday, September 14th

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

{*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*}

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo
10:15 a.m. - The Cleary Family
requested by Richard & Rita Cleary



Upcoming Events

Fridays of the Summer Months

that is, between the two feasts of the Holy Cross celebrated on May 3rd & September 14th

Weather blessing with the relic after Low Masses

Sunday, September 7th

“INVITE-A-FRIEND SUNDAY”

Monthly coffee hour after the High Mass
Solemn Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, September 8th

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Traditional blessing of seeds after Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Thursday, September 11th

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

Friday, September 12th

FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY

Chanted Vespers at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 14th

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Procession with the relic of the True Cross after the 10:15 a.m. High Mass

September 26th to 28th

“Pilgrimage for Restoration” to the Shrine of the North American Martyrs. For information, visit:

<https://pilgrimage-for-restoration.org>

Tuesday, September 30th

Adult Theology class will resume, to be held on alternate Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

The theme for this year is THE SACRAMENTS

Weekdays of October

{*except while Canon is on retreat*}

Rosary & Benediction at 6:00 p.m. every day

Tuesday, October 7th

Spiritual Conference at 7:00 p.m.: “Preparing to celebrate 100 Years of the feast of Christ the King”

October 17th to 19th

SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART RETREAT

This retreat is open not only to existing members but also to all those discerning membership.

Registration closes on September 26th!

BLESSING OF SEEDS ON THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE VIRGIN MARY

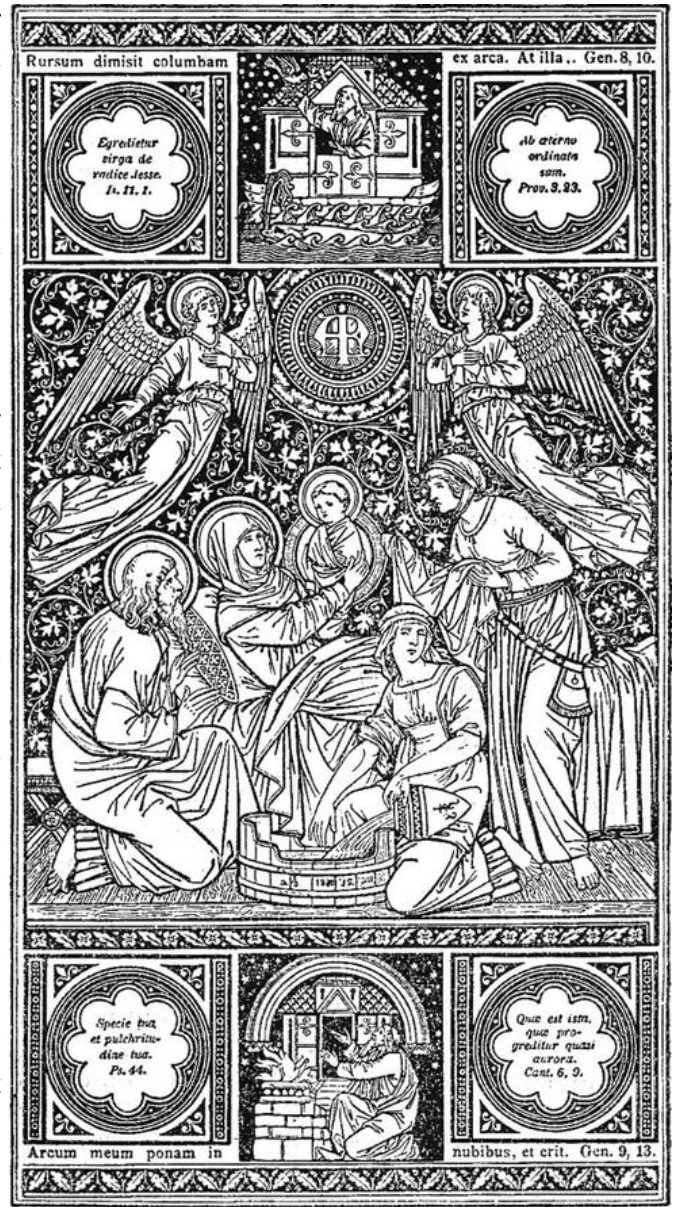
☩. Our help is in the name of the Lord. 🙏. Who made heaven and earth.

☩. The Lord be with you. 🙏. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God: we request and we beseech that Thou wouldst deign to look upon these seedling fruits and seeds with merry eyes and a cheerful countenance. And as Thou didst promise to Thy servant Moses, saying: Say unto the children of Israel: When you shall have entered into the land which I will give you, that they may offer their first fruits to the priests, they will be blessed, so too, we beseech Thee, Lord, that through the help of Thy mercy Thou wouldst send upon this seedling fruit, which Thou hast deigned to bring forth for the harvest, the blessing (☩) of Thy right hand. May it not be crushed by hail or drowned by a flood of rain, but may it ever remain safe and sound for the use of soul and body, and mayest Thou deign to bring it well to full and abundant maturity. Thou who livest and reignest in the perfect Trinity unto ages of ages. 🙏. Amen.

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, sower and tiller of the heavenly Word, who tillest the topsoil of our hearts with spiritual tools: kindly be present to our prayers, and pour fourth Thy abundant blessing upon the fields in which these seeds are to be planted, and by the grace of Thy defense turn away from them the violence of storms: that every one of these fruits may be filled with Thy blessing (☩), and may reach the granaries without hindrance; through Christ our Lord. 🙏. Amen.

They are then sprinkled with holy water and incensed.



MASS INTENTIONS

In October it will be possible to submit your Mass requests for 2026. Please do not submit any intentions before the date that will be given (early intentions will be returned). Precise instructions will be published in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Parents whose children need to receive their First Holy Communion this year are kindly asked to contact the church office this week. Catechism classes will be held one Saturday each month. These classes are mandatory. The text is the *Saint Joseph First Communion Catechism*. Please be ready to provide a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.

We welcome you today to Saints Cyril and Methodius Oratory!

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

Coffee Hour after Mass today!

Our **next parish social** will be held today after the High Mass! Please invite your friends to these monthly gatherings. They provide the perfect opportunity to introduce newcomers to the Oratory and the beauty of the traditional Latin Mass. As we kick off a new pastoral year, we look forward to seeing everyone downstairs, so that we can gather again as a parish family after summer travels. Feel free to come back if you attended the Low Mass!

Special Sacred Music Collection Sunday, September 28th

The Oratory is blessed to have an exceptional music program, which is an essential part of glorifying God through the liturgy. We are grateful for your support, especially in this jubilee year, as we have a special program planned for Christ the King, including a hired brass quintet!

Adult Theology Class

Our faith formation program will resume on Tuesday, September 30th and continue on alternate Tuesdays, as will be announced in the bulletin. The theme this year is "The Sacraments."

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