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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 (except during the summer months)
First Saturday: After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

May 18th 2025

Fourth Sunday after Easter

Masses this Week

Sunday, May 18th

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Jesse Michael Alvarado

requested by Jean Zamora

Monday, May 19th

Saint Peter Celestine

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Patrick & Margaret O'Donovan

requested by Colleen Rowe McCarty

Tuesday, May 20th

Saint Bernadine of Siena

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Price Family Deceased

requested by Scott & Suzanne Price

Wednesday, May 21st

Mass of the Preceding Sunday

7:45 a.m. - Janelle Manoni

requested by George Smith & Denise Manoni-Smith

Thursday, May 22nd

Votive Mass of the Holy Ghost

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Charlotte Vendetti

requested by June Vendetti

Friday, May 23rd

Votive Mass of the Holy Cross

7:45 a.m. - Rita Castillo

requested by Mary L. Nelson

Saturday, May 24th

Our Lady's Saturday

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Michael Grogan

requested by Mario & Maureen Ciardiello

Sunday, May 25th

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - ✠ Maria Begej

requested by Irene Morgan



Upcoming Events

Month of May

Throughout the month of May, please feel free to bring fresh flowers for Our Lady

Sunday, May 18th

After the High Mass, Te Deum & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on the occasion of the enthronement of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV
Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 20th

Adult theology talk at 7:00 p.m. in church hall
Theme: "Prayer, part 1 – Personal Prayer"

Thursday, May 22nd

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

Monday, May 26th

ROGATION DAY

Procession & High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 27th

Our rector, Canon Altieri, will be giving a presentation on "100 Years of the Feast of Christ the King" to the young adults Faith on Tap at Towne Parlor Pizza in Stamford at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 29th

ASCENSION OF THE LORD {*holy day of obligation*}

Low Mass at 7:45 a.m. & High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 1st

Monthly social in the church hall after High Mass
Visit from the Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus, the Sisters of the Institute of Christ the King

Tuesday, June 3rd

Adult theology talk at 7:00 p.m. in church hall
Theme: "Prayer, part 2 – Liturgical Prayer"

Saturday, June 7th

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 19th

CORPUS CHRISTI

Solemn Mass & Procession at 6:00 p.m.

National Sursum Corda Young Adult Retreat

From the Heights of Heaven to the
Depths of Hell: The Angelic Realm

2025 Speakers



**Canon JB
Commins**

A short treatise on
the Angels (Good
and Bad)

The Holy Mass and
the Angels



**Canon Alexis
Rouquayrol**

Stories from a
missionary in
Africa



**Canon Stephen
Sharpe**

The Three
Archangels

The Fallen
Angels



**Father Dave
Tomaszycski**

On the Demonic,
by Fulton Sheen



Friday, June 6 - Monday,
June 9



Colombiere Retreat Center
Clarkston, Michigan

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 parish social next month. 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.

TIME FOR GARDENING!

We are looking for volunteers to help with planting some of the leftover Easter perennials in the lawns around church, and to help with weeding the lawns and sidewalks (especially before the Rogation and Corpus Christi processions). After the flowers are planted, people will be welcome to take home the extras for planting.



Liturgy Corner: WHAT IS A HOUSELLING CLOTH?

You may have noticed a linen cloth now attached to our communion rail. This is our new "houcelling cloth" (sometimes spelled with one *l* and sometimes with two). It takes its name from an archaic English word for communion (*houcel*), much as *christen* is still often used for "baptize" and *shrive*, *shrove* refers to confession. The rubric of the missal (*Ritus servandus* X, 6) prescribes: "if anyone is to receive communion during Mass ... a server extends a white linen cloth or veil before them." In practice, this linen cloth is attached directly to the communion rail and then flipped up when needed. Symbolically, it links the communion rail to the altar. The use of the houcelling cloth is even older than the communion plate, but it serves the same purpose: to catch any host which by misadventure might happen to fall. What to do: after kneeling down, place your hands under the cloth at about the height of the top of the railing, with your palms up, in order to make a little "platform." Don't bring your hands up too high: the communion plate will still be placed directly beneath your chin as usual.

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