

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2015

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:

Monday Word & Communion: 8:00 am

Tuesday Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions 7:15 pm

Wednesday Mass: 9:00 am

Thursday Mass @ St Peter 8:00 am

Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Sunday, 11:30 am

Baptism: Please contact the parish office 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.

"I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

Jn 12:28



Sun March 22 Fifth Sunday of Lent
 10:30 am St. Cyril Parish Family

Mon March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
 8:00 am Word Communion

Tues March 24
 No Mass

Wed March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord
 9:00 am Irene Baert by Bill & Janice Chapko

Thu March 26
 No Mass

Fri March 27
 No Mass

Sat March 28
 No Mass

Sun March 29 Passion Sunday
 10:30 am St. Cyril Parish Family and Frank Chapko Anniversary

† Tithes & Gifts †

March 15, 2015

57 Adult Envelopes:	\$1,505.00
Loose:	71.00
Children:	.00
1 Special Needs:	2.00
Total:	\$1,578.00
Amount needed each week.....	\$2,250.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/15.....	(\$13,274.27)
<i>Easter flowers-\$190; CRS-\$335</i>	

Greeters for March

Cliff & Carol Clark
 Keith & Sonja Homer

Ushers for March

Jim Faber, Jary Fox
 Steve Sopocy, Richard Maxa, Jr.

Money Counters

March 24th
 Cliff and Carol Clark

Knight of the month –March

George Goscinski

Family of the month-March

Ed & Joanne Fornusek

Altar Servers: March 29-Aaron, Matthew & Katy Hurst

Sacristans: March 29-Sonja Homer

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

March 29-Annie Mikulka, Margret Horak and Diane Kusnier

Lectors: March 29-Terry Ornelas and Sonja Homer

Gift Bearers: March 29-Micky Chapko and family

Stewardship Message: "If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will by servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting *me* to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

Faith Formation for Students in Grades K-8th:

The next class is Sunday, March 29th at 9:00 am. Theresa



Stations of the Cross: Will be on Friday, March 27th at 5:00 pm at St. Cyril.

Holy Thursday Pot Luck Supper: Holy Thursday Pot Luck Supper will be on April 2nd at 5:30 pm at St. Cyril's parish hall. Table service and beverage will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass. If you have any questions, please contact Annie Mikulka along with any of the Christian Service members. Mass will follow at 7:00 pm with adoration until 9:30 pm. We hope to see you there.

2015 MYE Faith Event: All 7th-12th grade students and young adults that interested in attending the 2015 MYE Faith Event at Saginaw Valley State University on Saturday, August 8th from 8:30-10:00 pm please contact Jim Dennis at (989) 862-5621. Please let Jim know by **Sunday, April 5th.**



Church Cleaning Bee: We will be cleaning the church for Easter on Monday, March 23rd starting at 9 am. Please bring your cleaning supplies.

Thank You: *From the Knights of Columbus to all who donated desserts, to the ladies that pitched in to help and those who helped clean up after the dinner, and all the other workers who helped in anyway at our recent fish dinner. Thank you to the great help we had in the kitchen that prepared the meal and worked so hard to keep up with the demand for food. God Bless, Terry*

New Evangelization: The Diocese of Saginaw has been selected as one of 19 remote host-sites in North America for the New Evangelization Summit to be held on Saturday, April 25th. The Summit is taking place in Ottawa, Canada and will be live-streamed to host-sites, including the diocesan Center for Ministry. Fr. Michael Gatitley, Fr. James Mallon and Patrick Coffin are just a few of the speakers. Go to www.newevangelization.ca for more information and to register. Pre-registration is necessary. Invite some friends and attend together. Any questions can be directed to Peg McEvoy at (989) 797-6608.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins: Rose Wolfe, Kevin Sopocy, Barb Pumford, Eric Kremer, Mary Bernath, Jerry Horak, Frank Kral, Carl Bowles, Marcella Baese, Ron Betts, Brian Courter, Mary Galko, John Smolka, Kim Babyock, Joe Batora, Tillie Bohil, Helen Fabus, Sally Foreit, Evon & George Goscinski, Mary Hanacek, Irene Heinze, Mary Johnson, Betty Kirby, Ann Luznak, Rocky Malachowski, Jim Schneider, Joanne Sisco, Frances Surdenik, Josie Vondruska, Elizabeth Chandler

Catholic Service Appeal: The assessment for this year is \$21,073. Please take time to pray in regards to what you feel you can contribute. We would like to have full participation, but if you are unable to give this year, please return your pledge card marked with a zero. This still counts as participating in CSA. We are currently at 19% participation. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, there will be some available at all four entrances for your convenience. Fr. Bill



Passion Play: The St. Peter Youth Ministry program will once again be performing the Passion Play during Holy Week. The first performance is Sunday, March 29th at 6 pm. The second performance will be on Good Friday, April 3rd at 1:30 pm. Both performances will be in church. The youth, dressed in mime, perform the Passion Play which depicts the last week of Jesus' life. It is a very powerful performance and a great way to spend part of Holy Week.



Rummage Sale: Mark your calendars and start cleaning out your closets! St. Cyril's Rummage Sale will be April 16, 17, & 18th in the parish hall. You may bring

items on **Sunday, April 12th after Mass.** Sorting will be on Monday, April 13th. More information to follow.

A Reflection on the Gospel from the 2015

Liturgy: In this gospel Jesus speaks of different kinds of pain. There is the physical pain of his crucifixion, alluded to when he speaks of his being "lifted up from the earth." He also speaks of the pain of dying, of losing our life, of serving him by following him. In all this pain, the focus is not on suffering, but on the fruits that come from being faithful. The dying grain "produces much fruit"; losing one's life now "preserves it for eternal life"; serving brings "honor." In all these examples, Jesus does not so much emphasize the pain, but the gain.

By Jesus giving his life over for our salvation, glorification bursts forth. The Father is glorified in the very giving over of the Son. The Son is glorified in giving himself over to the cross. We are glorified in giving ourselves over to following Jesus to the cross. And this glorification is fullness of Life.

All three images in this gospel lead us to the basic truth of the mystery of salvation, the paschal mystery: by dying to self for the good of others we come to new life. Giving ourselves for the sake of others is never easy. Sometimes it even makes demands on us that seem impossible. Both the gospel and second reading make clear that Jesus did not want to suffer. Jesus, however, taught us the most important lesson about the paschal mystery: death (self-giving) is the way—the only way—to fullness of Life. The dying itself is a gift and grace because it is a harbinger of new Life. Our glorification is *in* the very dying because in dying we fully identify with Jesus, who passed through death to risen Life. So will we.