

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 26, 2017



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:

Word & Communion Every Third Friday: 9:00 am
Wednesday Mass: 9:00 am
Thursday Mass @ St Peter 8:00 am

Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Sunday, 11:30 am

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the parish office.

Baptism: Please contact Margaret Horak at 862-5027 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.

Sun March 26 10:30 am **Fourth Sunday of Lent**
People of St. Cyril
Mon March 27 No Mass
Tues March 28 No Mass
Wed March 29 9:00 am Sally Foreit by John & Nancy Chimiko
Thu March 30 No Mass
Fri March 31 No Mass
Sat April 1 No Mass
Sun April 2 10:30 am **Fifth Sunday of Lent**
People of St. Cyril-Frank Chapko by Micky & Charlie & family

† Tithes & Gifts †	
March 19, 2017	
60-Adult Envelopes:	\$1,912.00
Loose:	85.00
Children:	.00
Special Needs:	.00
Total:	\$1,997.00
Amount needed each week.....	\$2,100.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/17.....	(\$4,847.50)
<small>Easter Flowers-\$20 Catholic Relief Services-\$20</small>	

Greeters for April Bill & Tamara Chapko Robin & Karen Wooley	Ushers for April David Polash, Mark Horak John Kusnier, Tom Hedrich
Money Counters March 28 Mary Jane Schoendorf & Alice Steavens	Knight of the month April
Family of the month-April Duane & Lyna Schneider	

Altar Servers: April 2-Rachel and Christa Fornusek
Sacristans: April 2-Sonja Homer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: April 2-Pete & Debbie Hurst and Margaret Horak
Lectors: April 2-Dylan Dysinger and Theresa Sopocy

Stewardship Message: The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?



Faith Formation: The next class will be Sunday, April 2nd at 9:00 am.

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Will be held at 3 pm each Friday during Lent, except Good Friday. Stations of the Cross will begin at 4 pm.



Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: The K of C Fish Fry is Friday, March 31st from 4:30-7:00 pm in the parish hall. Adults: \$10, kids 5-12: \$4.00 and under 5 are free. The menu includes: fried and/or baked cod, tator tots, macaroni & cheese, au gratin potatoes, coleslaw, corn, beans, rolls, fruit cocktail and homemade desserts! Plus our famous Czech pastries!

Altar Cleaning for Easter: Ladies and gentlemen, we will be cleaning the church for Easter on Saturday, April 1st at 9 am. Please bring your cleaning supplies and come to help. Thank you! If you have any questions, please call Rosemary at 862-5021.

Catholic Service Appeal (CSA): The CSA letter/pledge cards have been mail for 2017-18. Please prayerfully consider your contribution.



St. Cyril's Rummage Sale: Start cleaning out those closets! We are going to have a Rummage Sale on April 20, 21, and 22nd. Here is a schedule of events going on each day: Sunday, April 16th-bring clothes/items to the parish hall after Mass. Tues. April 18th- 9:00 am set up and sort. Thurs. April 20th & Fri. April 21st-Rummage/bake sale from 9:00 am-3 pm. Sat. April 22nd-rummage sale/bag day from 9:00 am-noon. We could use your help during the sale and to clean up. Don't forget to bring your baked goods on Thursday, April 20th. Any questions, please call Rosemary at 862-5021.



Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins: Tom Bradley, Jim Korienek, Shelby Porubsky, Larry Pesda, Shirley Tesarik, Dave Forgarty, Linda Boring, Trevir Kral, Richard Bakita, Ann Remenar, John Chvojka, Rose Wolfe, Kevin Sopocy, Mary Bernath, Jerry Horak, Frank Kral, Carl Bowles, Marcella Baese, Ron Betts, Brian Courter, Mary Galko, John & Joan Smolka, Joe Batora, Tillie Bohil, Helen Fabus, Mary Hanacek, Ann Luznak, Joanne Sisco, Frances Surdenik, Elizabeth Chandler

RCIA: Please pray for RCIA Catechumen, Billy Joe Shevrovich who will be Baptized at St. Peter during the Easter Vigil. Please pray for Billy and his family as we journey toward these Easter Sacraments.

Yellow Barrel for Lansing Rescue Mission: The barrel will be back for the remainder of Lent if you haven't had a chance to donate and still wish to. Thank you to all who have given so generously to this Mission. They were especially grateful for the baby items, as they have had 5 new born babies arrive. Thank you! Questions please call Margaret Horak at 862-5027, St. Cyril Christian Service.

St. Peter Parish Lenten Prayer Service: On Sunday, March 26th at 6 pm in church will be The Rosary. Everyone is welcome! Next Lenten prayer for Sunday, April 2nd is the Taize Prayer. Please join us if you are able.

Knights of Columbus in Owosso: Is having an all you can eat broasted chicken dinner on Sunday, April 2nd from 11-1:30 pm. The cost is \$10.00.

Plastic Bags: The Elsie Food Pantry needs your clean, plastic grocery bags. You may drop them off in the donation area by the choir stairs. This is an ongoing project.

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

2017: God was the first to have the pleasure of taking dust and water, mixing it and smoothing it, and then drawing it into a divine image into which God breathed God's very own life. This Sunday's gospel tells of another divine potter—Jesus, the Son of God—who uses his own saliva to mix with the dust of the earth, make clay, and use it to bring new seeing and believing out of a blind beggar. All the man needed to do was to obey Jesus' command to "Go wash." He did so, and was recreated to see with the new eyes of faith.

Through baptism we come to a new seeing and we are recreated into being more perfect members of the Body of Christ, more truth-filled images of God. Our own believing responding to Jesus continually recreates us with new spiritual insight, with deeper believing, with more sure understanding of who Jesus is for us and who we are to be for others.

The miracle recorded in this gospel is less about a blind man receiving his sight that it is about the openness of the blind man to having an encounter with Jesus, his willingness to enter into conversation with him, and his readiness to believe and respond in worship. This gospel challenges those who are preparing for the Easter sacraments to deepen their faith in Jesus' power to recreate them as members of his Body. It challenges all of us to deepen our faith so that we, too, are recreated with ever new Life. Then, like the blind man whom Jesus helps to see, we can exclaim "I do believe" and worship with raised hearts and voices.