

The Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2019



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 Jan. 13 10:30 am **The Baptism of the Lord**
Janice Chapko-2nd Anniversary by Bill & family

Mon Jan. 14 No Mass

Tues Jan. 15 No Mass

Wed Jan. 16 9:00 am John S. Fabus by Jerry & Marie Skaryd

Thu Jan. 17 No Mass **St. Anthony, Abbot**

Fri Jan. 18 No Mass

Sat Jan. 19 No Mass

Sun Jan. 20 10:30 am **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
People of St. Cyril

✠ Tithes & Gifts ✠

January 6, 2019

57-Envelopes	\$1,816.00
Loose:	188.00
Children:	.00
17-Special Needs:	254.00
Total:	\$2,258.00
Amount needed each week	\$2,100.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/19.....	(\$1,808.33)

Retired Religious-\$100

Greeters for Jan. Bob & Janet Garcia
Ushers for January William Chapko, Robert Kral
William Chapko Jr, Tamara ZanHaun

Money Counters January 15 Marilyn Kuchar and Joanne Fornusek
Knight of the Month-Jan. Thomas Speer

Family of the Month-January Keith and Sonja Homer

Altar Servers: January 20-Krista & Rachel Fornusek

Sacristans: January 20-Margaret Horak

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: January 20-Sonja Homer, Agnes Galecka and Tamara ZanHaun

Lectors: January 20-Diane Korienek and Tamara ZanHaun

Stewardship Message: Jesus, whom God called “my beloved Son,” is also the “servant” of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.



Faith Formation: The next Faith Formation class is on Sunday, January 20th, at 9 am in the parish hall. Hope to see you there!

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion (EMHC):

In 2015, our EMHC were trained by the diocese to be an EMHC for three years. We have concluded our three years and those wishing to continue will have a short session at St. Cyril on Sunday, January 20, 2019, immediately after Mass. Our names once again will be sent into the diocese for re-certification. If you do not wish to continue to be an Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Communion, please notify Margaret Horak at 862-5027 before this date. Thank you for your years of service to the parish and to Our Lord.

Baptism of Children: Are you in need of having a child baptized? Please contact Margaret Horak at 862-5027 to set up class and arrangements.

Taking Down Christmas Decorations: We are in need of your help again to take down the Christmas decorations after Mass today Sunday, January 13th. Many hands make light the work.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast: Is on Sunday, January 27th from 10:00 am-12:30 pm in the parish hall.

The menu is: pancakes, sausage, fruit cocktail, sweet rolls, coffee, milk & juice. This is a free will offering. Proceeds from the breakfast will go to the Elsie Food and Baby Pantries.



School Closings/Delays: Now that winter weather has arrived just a reminder that if Ovid-Elsie schools are closed or delayed due to weather all activities at St. Cyril for that day will be canceled. This includes week day Masses. Watch your local news or listen to the radio for closings.



Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Helen Slowinski, Frank Klasek, Terry Sefl, John Kusnier, Jr., Audrey Schneider, Edward Chapko, Rose Chapko, Carole Custer, Jeff Wadell, Clara Cermak, Jim Korienek, Shelby Porubsky, Larry Pesda, Shirley Tesarik, Linda Boring, Trevir Kral, John Chvojka, Rose Wolfe, Kevin Sopocy, Jerry Horak, Frank Kral, Gale & Marcella Baese, Ron Betts, Mary Galko, Joan Smolka, Joe Batora, Tillie Bohil, Helen Fabus, Mary Hanacek, Ann Luznak, Joanne Sisco, Elizabeth Chandler

2018-19 Catholic Service Appeal (CSA): We are currently at 86% toward our goal. \$18,263.00 has been pledged so far. The balance owed is \$3,081.00. It is still not too late to contribute. If we do not meet the assessment the balance will be taken out of the general fund. There are envelopes at the entrances of church. Thank you to everyone who has pledged.

Roof Replacement Funds: The estimate for replacing the hall roof is roughly \$15,000.00. \$879 has been donated toward this project. In the monthly envelopes there is an ivory envelope to make a contribution to this fund. Thank you for your support. Finance Council.

From Bishop Hurley: I urge you to pray for an end to abortion and to renew your commitment to protect and respect all human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Please pray this “Gospel of Life” prayer as students and adults attend the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

Grant that all who believe in your Son
may proclaim the Gospel of Life
with honesty and love
to the people of our time.
Obtain for them the grace
to accept the Gospel
as a gift ever new,
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude
throughout their lives
and the courage to bear witness to it
resolutely, in order to build,
together with all people of good will,
the civilization of truth and love,
to the praise and glory of God,
the Creator and lover of live. Amen

A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy 2019:

The baptism of an infant is the cause of much joy, celebration, and love among family and friends. The baby is welcomed into the Christian community, a community of grace, support, and encouragement in the face of all that life can bring. This ritual action has its roots not only in Jesus but in John, “the Baptist” who was so named precisely because of this action he performed at the Jordan River.

As indicated by the gospels, the ministry of Jesus began at or shortly after his baptism. And Luke shows that the Holy Spirit was active at this time, descending upon Jesus “in bodily form like a dove.”

When we are about to make an important or life-altering decision we certainly pause to give it some thought. Before accepting a new position, or making a commitment to someone or something we likely ask God’s guidance and wisdom. Some state simply that this is a prayer. And it seems Jesus did the same: he prayed before he embarked on his ministry.

If Luke is certain to show us that Jesus prayed, we are sure to see this as an example for our own lives. We are to pray. Significantly, Luke does not tell us what Jesus prayed only *that* he prayed. And this has ramifications for us too. We are to be a people of prayer who consult and communicate with the Almighty, seeking direction, guidance, wisdom and insight before embarking on our way. We recognize that prayer is not limited to the liturgy or to formal recitation of memorized texts. Instead, it is a reflection of the relationship we have with God.