

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 7, 2016

St. Cyril Church
517 E. Main St., PO Box 96, Bannister, MI 48807

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Pastor: Fr. William Gruden
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Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday & Friday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Liturgical Schedule:
Saturday @ St Peter\*: 4:30 pm
Sunday @ St Peter\*: 8:30 am
Sunday: 10:30 am

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 the parish office to make arrangements.

Marriage: Engaged couples must contact the priest at least six (6) months prior to anticipated date of marriage.

Sick or Homebound: If someone in your family or neighborhood is Sick or homebound, please contact the Parish Office.

New Parishioners: Welcome to Saint Cyril Parish. Please call or stop by the parish office to register for our parish family.

MASS intentions

You must be ready.

Sun August 7 10:30 am Heritage Mass-all deceased ancestors of St. Cyril-in memory of Betty Kirby

Mon August 8 No Mass St. Dominic, Priest, Religious Founder

Tues August 9 No Mass

Wed August 10 9:00 am St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr Betty Kirby by Dave & Maureen Polash

Thu August 11 No Mass St. Clare, Virgin

Fri August 12 No Mass

Sat August 13 No Mass

Sun August 14 10:30 am People of St. Cyril

† Tithes & Gifts †
July 31, 2016
51 Adult Envelopes: \$1,886.00
Loose: 107.00
Children: .17
4-Special Needs: 42.00
Total: \$2,035.17
Amount needed each week..... \$2,100.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/17..... (\$870.83)

Greeters for August: Tom & Diane Bradley, John & Marilyn Sopocy
Ushers for August: Joe Fabus, Tom Hedrich, Pete Hurst, Jerry Kusnier

Money Counters: Ed & Joanne Fornusek
Knight of the month –August August 9

Family of the month-August

Altar Servers: August 14-Christa & Rachel Fornusek

Sacristans: August 14-Sonja Homer

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: August 14-Diane Kusnier, John Chvojka and Margaret Horak

Lectors: August 14–Tamara Chapko and Ellie Bowles

Stewardship Message: Am I waiting for the “right” time to become a good steward? Do I plan to share my time and talents “later”? Today’s Gospel warns those who are procrastinating about stewardship to be prepared—at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

Catechist Needed: Faith Formation is still in need of a catechist for 4th & 5th grade starting this October. Would you like to increase your knowledge of the Catholic Faith? This is an excellent way to learn, share and witness your faith. Classes are held every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 9 am from October-May. This is a volunteer position; teacher guide and student text are provided as well as Catechical training. Please pray about this and if moved by the Holy Spirit contact Theresa Sopocy at 862-5909.

Vacation Bible School: We have 22 children signed up for Vacation Bible School on Wednesday, August 10th from 10 am until 2 pm.

Harvest Festival: The Harvest Festival is today, Sunday, August 7th at the ZCBJ Hall in Bannister. A traditional ethnic dinner will be served from 11:30 am -2 pm. Tickets for adults are \$10.00, children under twelve are \$3.00 and preschoolers are free. The program will start at 2:30 pm with dancers of all ages performing. A dance will begin at 4 pm with music by Vesela Kapela Band. Admission is FREE. There will be free drawings for children’s bikes as well as drawings for teen and adult prizes. A good time is guaranteed for young and old alike. Everyone is welcome! See you there!

Chicken & Ham Dinner: It may be summertime but we will need workers for the Chicken & Ham Dinner on Sunday, September 11th. Please consider volunteering for this family event. For more information, call Tamara Chapko at 517-775-5571.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Formation Sessions: The following date is for an upcoming formation session at St. Peter Parish, Chesaning Thursday, November 3rd 6:30-8:00 pm. Please contact Margaret Horak at 862-5027 with any questions.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins: Charles Olson, Jim Korienek, Shelby Porubsky, Ann & Larry Pesda, Shirley Tesarik, 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, Kim Babyock, Joe Batora, Tillie Bohil, Helen Fabus, Sally Foreit, Mary Hanacek, Ann Luznak, Jim Schneider, Joanne Sisco, Frances Surdenik, Josie Vondruska, Elizabeth Chandler

CSA catholic services appeal 2016-17: The total amount pledged so far is \$15,130 which gives us a balance of \$7,915 owed. The participation percentage is 48%. There still is time for you to make a contribution. Your contribution may be put in the collection basket or mailed to the office. Envelopes are available at all entrances of church. Even if you are unable to contribute, please return a pledge card marked “zero”. Thank you.

International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima: St. Joseph Church in St. Johns is hosting the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima on Thursday, August 11th as part of the Fatima Centennial US Tour for Peace, in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions. Mass is at 11:00 am. Contact Elizabeth Dotts at (517) 887-2329 for more information.

Save the Date! Parish Picnic: The parish picnic is Sunday, September 25th after Mass. Meat, beverage, table service will be provided; just bring a dish to pass. We are accepting bingo/game prizes and they can be left in back of church with a note “picnic” on them.

A Reflection on the Gospel from 2016 Living Liturgy: The final line of this gospel is most demanding and directly applicable to our daily paschal mystery living: “Much will be required of the person entrusted with, / and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.” We’ve been entrusted with much: furthering Jesus’ mission of bringing the Good News of salvation to all as his disciples. We have been entrusted with even more: we are not simply servants, but because of our baptism and being plunged into the paschal mystery we become members of the Body of Christ. We followers of Jesus are most vigilant for the master, that is, Jesus himself, when we are being who the Master is because his Life has been given to us. We are to be the presence of the Master himself, continuing his gracious ministry on behalf of others. Our faithfulness is measured by even more than doing God’s will; it is measured by our being the presence of the risen Christ for all those we meet. Any doing must flow from our being. Only then do we truly continue Jesus’ ministry.

The real surprise of the gospel is that we ourselves, in our daily paschal mystery living of dying to ourselves for the sake of others, become more perfectly that presence of the very Master for whom we are vigilant. In a sense our vigilance is less about looking for Someone and more about being Someone. Our vigilance is for our own faithfulness. If we are preoccupied by possessions, schedules, work, sports, entertainment, and so forth, our hearts are already filled with exhaustible, insecure, and corruptible matters. The challenge of this gospel is to redirect our hearts to what is our true treasure, Jesus, and then be faithful disciples. The gift is great. Our Treasure is Jesus.