

# Saint Cyril Parish of Bannister

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## Parish Staff:

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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:

**Wednesday Mass:** 9:00 am

**Thursday Mass @ St Peter\*** 8:00 am

**Sunday Rosary** 10:00 am

## Sacraments:

**Reconciliation:** Sundays, 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 of Bannister! There are registration forms at all entrances of church. You may also stop by the parish office to register for our parish family.

# Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2020



**Sun September 13** Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 10:30 am People of St. Cyril

**Mon September 14** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
 No Mass

**Tues September 15** Our Lady of Sorrows  
 No Mass

**Wed September 16** St. Cornelius, Pope, Martyr  
 St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyr  
 9:00 am Carl Bornemann and Shawna Gruca by John C. Brunger

**Thu September 17** No Mass

**Fri September 18** No Mass

**Sat September 19** No Mass

**Sun September 20** Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 10:30 am People of St. Cyril

† Tithes & Gifts †	
September 6, 2020	
34-Envelopes	\$1,188.00
Loose:	575.50
Children:	.00
9-Special Needs:	102.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,865.50</b>
Amount needed each week . . . . .	\$2,020.00
+/- For Year Ending 6/30/21. . . . .	\$664.50

## Greeters for Sept.

Michael & Denise Denovich  
 Jean Dysinger

## Money Counters

Tom Bradley  
 Ed Fornusek

## Family of the Month-Sept.

Alice Steavens family

## Greeters for October

Keith Homer  
 Jim Korienek

## Ushers for Sept.

Phil Hanus, Sheila Hanus  
 Jerry Skaryd, Brent Denovich

## Knight of the Month-Sept.

Dave Fogarty

## Altar Servers:

**Sacristans:** September 20 –TBA

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:**  
 September 20 –TBA

**Lector:** September 20-Theresa Sopocy

**Stewardship Message:** Stewardship is not optional! “None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master,” says St. Paul. “While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants.”



**Faith Formation:** The 2020-21 Faith Formation will begin in October by going virtual. A mailer has been mailed out. There is important information inside regarding not only registration but how our program will happen for at least the first part of this year. We are excited for a brand new way of sharing our faith with each other and our families. We look forward to a great year! If you do not receive a mailing please call the office at 862-5270 and leave a message. Theresa Sopocy and Margaret Horak.

## Church Update:

Everyone MUST wear a mask or face covering in and around the church.

Please use the hand sanitizer entering and leaving the church. There will be hand sanitizer at all entrances of church.

**Message from Most Rev. Robert Gruss: Beginning October 1st,** I will be reinstating the obligation to attend Mass. In doing so, I will be asking Catholics to, guided by Jesus and a well-formed conscience, prayerfully make their own decision about whether to attend Mass or keep the Sabbath holy from home. There may be many reasons for not attending weekly Mass as obliged by the Church, and I want to make clear that I continue to encourage all people who are sick in any way, who are fearful of contracting COVID-19 or have concerns about underlying health issues and maybe vulnerable to the disease to remain home. It would not be a sin to do so. To read the full letter go to: [www.saginaw.org](http://www.saginaw.org)

## Live Stream of Daily and Sunday Masses:

The Diocese of Saginaw has a live stream from the Cathedral of the Assumption of Mary in Saginaw at 8 am Monday-Saturday and Sunday at 10:30 am. Go to: [www.saginaw.org](http://www.saginaw.org) to view the Masses. Check this site for the latest information and to listen to Bishop Gruss’s reflections.



## Please Pray for Our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Dave Fogarty, Jim Porubsky, Jim Stehlik, Donna Merignac, Gene Schoendorf, Helen Slowinski, Frank Klasek, Terry & Frank 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, Jerry Horak, Frank Kral, Gale & Marcella Baese, Ron Betts, Mary Galko, Tillie Bohil, Ann Luznak, Joanne Sisco



**News from Fr. Bill:** Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, I finally have dates for my two back surgeries. The first will be October 16th and the second on October 19th. I’ll be in the hospital at most until October 22nd. Once I get home I’ll be “out of service” for 7-8 weeks. Weekend Masses will continue. The Diocese will provide a priest. There will be no week day Masses. In the event of funerals every effort will be made to find a priest to come in and preside at the service. Prayers assured, Fr. Bill Gruden.

**Roof Replacement Funds:** The hall roof bill has been paid. There is a deficit of \$1,283.00. Please continue to use the monthly ivory envelopes to make a contribution to this fund.

## Bible Study with Fr. Adam Maher:

There is a Bible Study on Thursday nights at 7 pm with Fr. Adam Maher. He brings Scripture to life in an entertaining way and makes you think! This Bible Study is for all youth in middle school through young adult. Don’t miss out! Go to: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/797760221> each time.

## Altar Society Meeting:

There will be an Altar Society meeting on Sunday, September 13th at 7 pm in the parish hall. Masks are required and social distancing will be observed. Rosemary Houska

## Elsie Food Bank:

The Elsie Food Bank is still open to anyone who needs food. The food bank is open every Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8-9:30 am. We also have produce days on the first Tuesday and third Thursday of the month. We do not allow individuals in the food banks during the social distancing order, however, we will bring the boxes out to your car and put them in the trunk. We would like to help those in need.

## A Reflection of the Gospel from Living Liturgy

**2020:** Grudges are awful things. They can gnaw away at the one harboring them. We may hear “forgive but don’t forget” as a way to remind ourselves of past transgressions we’ve suffered. But today’s gospel calls us to a higher standard. The forgiveness we’ve experienced (worth a hundred million dollars—something we cannot repay) should motivate us to be free with forgiveness when others wrong us. We cannot dole out forgiveness in infinitesimal pieces only to those we deem worthy once some rectification has been made. Instead, forgiveness ought to be given freely.

We must die to the grudges, slights, rudeness and other transgressions we’ve suffered and rise to a sense of freedom that comes through forgiving as we’ve been forgiven.

The lesson for us could not be clearer. We who have been forgiven are to forgive others. It is the Lord’s Prayer that is found in this gospel as well: “forgive us as we forgive those. . .” The Lord’s forgiveness is freely given, but it may be taken back if we do not emulate this same forgiveness in our lives.

The final words of the gospel are a haunting reminder that we may face the same fate as the one handed over to torturers if we do not forgive “from the heart.”