DECEMBER 8TH & 15TH, 2019

St.Cyril's Mass Schedule

Sunday 12/8 - 2nd Sunday of Lent 9:00am +Ed and Eddie Joe Maglich by Virginia Maglich

Monday 12/9 – Our Lady of Peace Prayer Group 6:00pm

Wednesday 12/11 – Advent Weekday 6:00pm +Amy Masters by Howard and Jean Kaiser

Sunday 12/15 – 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:00am + Jacob Kriz Sr. by Marie Juchelka

Monday 12/16 - Our Lady of Peace Prayer Group 6:00pm

Wednesday 12/18– Advent Weekday 6:00pm +Robert Novak by Katherine Novak and Family

Sunday 12/22 – 4th Sunday of Advent 9:00am +Mildred "Pat" Tapko by Katherine Novak & Family

Lectors

12/8 Tom Topi 12/15 Stan Salva 12/22 Genevieve Pinter

Weekly Offering

 Nov. 24 & Dec. 1, 2019,
 \$3,206.00

 Mass Stipends
 10.00

 Tomorrow's Priests
 317.00

DECEMBER 22 THE FIRST DAY OF WINTER

Please pray for the sick and suffering members of our parish:

Jim Visnich, Dorothy Lucas, Ruby Tapko,
Dorothy Cardenas, Emil Dykal, Jeff Workman,
Jason Hale, Sophia Halastik, Karen Williamson,
James Collins, John Mikula, Jason Julian, Dorothy
Halastik, Patricia Cholak Weaver, Charles and
Mary Lou Woods, Annie Moran, Suzanne
Halastik, Jack and Beverly O'Renick, Michael
Stefancik, Mary Thomas, Darlene Sampson, Bill
Ramsey and Jack and Mary Beal, Bob and
Genevieve Pinter, Alberta Bukaty and Cody
Meyers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE FOR SALE

We have new varieties of Mystic Monk Coffee, hot chocolate, tea and chocolate covered caramels available in back of church. Price is marked on each item. It would be a great Christmas gift.

CALENDARS

St. Cyril's 2020 calendars are also available in back of church. We thank Dignity Memorial Noland Road Chapel for providing them for our parish.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

They are hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday December 15th from 8:30am until 11:00am. St. Ann's Catholic Church 10113 E. Lexington. Items they will be serving are pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee. The cost will be \$6 for adults or \$20 for a family.

CHILI FUNDRAISER

The City of Sugar Creek will proudly celebrate their 100 year Centennial Anniversary in 2020. The Centennial Committee will kick off the year with a Chili Dinner Fundraiser to be held on Saturday, January 4, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Moose Lodge located at 504 North Sterling, Sugar Creek, Mo.

Come and enjoy a bowl of chili and a drink for \$5.00. Desserts will be available for sale for \$2.00 each. Proceeds from the dinner will be used for special celebration events during 2020. A sampling of Sugar Creek historical items will be available for viewing as well as Centennial t-shirts and information about upcoming events in 2020.

END OF THE YEAR APPEAL

You may have recently received an end-of-the-year appeal at your homes. This is a perfect opportunity to reflect on the time, talent and treasure you have shared over the past year. With 2019 quickly coming to a close, you still have an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of those in our communities. If you did not receive a mailing, please contact Lynn Lichte, Donor Stewardship Specialist, to make a donation at llichte@ccharities.com or 816-659-8243. We would also ask that you consider making this a monthly gift and check to see if your employer would be willing to match your donation.

SUGARCREEK'S COMMUNITY POTLUCK

December 10 at Mike Onka Hall at 12:00 Noon. They will furnish ham and salad, please bring a side dish, dessert or donation. Everyone welcome!

For bulletin announcements or events please contact Mary Puhr at 816-769-5177 or email her at dwmkphr1@swbell.net. The bulletin is available for online viewing at St. Cyril's website https://saintcyrilsparish.org/bulletins

ASK FATHER CARLYLE

- **O.** What does fear of the Lord mean?
- **A.** We can fear the Lord in two ways. First, we can fear God's punishment for our sins. And so, we read in the Book of Sirach, "the fear of the Lord drives out sin." Second, we can fear offending God because of our great love and respect for God. So, St Paul writes, "let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God."

The first kind of fear of the Lord is called <u>servile</u> <u>fear</u>. The second is called <u>filial fear</u>.

Both kinds of fear are appropriate. God does punish sin, and we're right to fear his punishment. God is also and more importantly our loving heavenly Father, and the more we grow to love him in return, the more we'll be afraid of offending or disappointing him. This is why we read in Psalm 111, "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Of course, as we grow in loving God and conforming our lives to his will, the less will we have reason to fear his punishment. And so, St. John writes, "perfect love casts out fear."

Both senses of fear are reflected in this;

Act of Contrition:

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven, and the pains of hell [servile fear]; but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all my love [filial fear]. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life.

Amen.

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