

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH

at the
Church of St. Joseph
Hazleton, PA

~ Welcome ~

If you are a visitor to our parish community, we want you to know that you are welcome whether you have come from another state or another Parish.

Please feel comfortable in our Father's house and thank you for worshipping with us.

Reverend Brian J. W. Clarke V.F., Pastor
Reverend Michael J. Piccola, M.Th., M.Ed., V.F. Pastor Emeritus
Deacon Leonard Kassick, **Parish Deacon**
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 9:00AM-3:30PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 2:45—3:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 4:00PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM

Daily Mass: As scheduled in the bulletin

Holy Day Mass: As scheduled in the bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration

On the First Friday as scheduled in the bulletin.

Devotions

Novena of the Miraculous Medal, St. Peregrine and the Infant of Prague following the morning Mass each Monday.

Tuesday mornings after Mass, the Novenas to St. Jude and St. Joseph are prayed.

The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed each weekday before Mass.

The Rosary is prayed each Saturday afternoon prior to the 4:00 Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage

Those interested in getting married should schedule an appointment with the parish priest at least 6 months prior to the intended wedding date. No wedding date will be given until the first appointment with the parish priest.

Hospital and Nursing Home Visitation

If your loved one is in the hospital or nursing home and you would like a parish priest to visit please call the rectory. If you would like your loved ones names to be printed in our bulletin please call the rectory. If you would like to be added to our monthly homebound communion visitation list, please call the rectory. Please keep all of our sick and homebound in your prayers.

A Community Who Shares The Word

Catholic Education: Please consider giving your children a Catholic Education. Our local parishes support Holy Family Academy in Hazleton. To register or for more information on Pre-K to 8th Grade, call 455-9431 or go to our website at: www.holyfamilyacademy.info or www.edline.net

CCD Classes: Held every Sunday for grades K-8, from 9:30 - 11:00AM at Holy Family Academy.



NOVEMBER 23, 2025

(OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE)

MONDAY, November 24th

(St. Andrew Dung-Lac)

**8:00 AM Carlo & Cecelia DiSabella by Daughter
Maria & Family**

TUESDAY, November 25th

(St. Catherine of Alexandria)

**8:00 AM Elizabeth Stefanoski by Stefanoski
Family**

**6:30 PM Students, Teachers and Families
Of Holy Family Academy**

WEDNESDAY, November 26th

8:00 James F. Kelly by Family

THURSDAY, November 27th

**8:00 AM Beverly Bugda by Patrick, Donna,
Holly, Lacey & Bryce Gallagher**

FRIDAY, November 28th

8:00 AM Paul & Dorothy Yashur by Family

SATURDAY, November 29th

2:45 PM to 3:30 PM Confessions

**4:00 PM Michael & Pauline Kushma by
Daughter Pauline**

SUNDAY, November 30th

(1st Sunday of Advent)

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the CCW

10:30 AM David Nilles by Family

YOUR PRAYERS: are asked for all who are confined to their homes, nursing homes and the elderly. May God bless and keep them in His tender care. Also, please remember in your prayers all members of our Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard and Air Force: may God keep them from all harm.

INVITE the Fatima Pilgrim Statue into your home for a week. Call 570-454-3341.

CONGRATULATIONS to Anita Hreha who will celebrate her 80th birthday on November 27th. May God grant her many more happy and healthy years.

HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY students will attend the School Liturgy on Tuesday, November 25th at 6:30 p.m. Please note, this liturgy will be held in the Church.

GIFT CARDS FOR HOLIDAY SHOPPING are on hand at the school. They make great Stocking Stuffers, Teacher and Co-worker gifts. Contact the main Office (570-455-9431) if interested in purchasing any.

CCD CLASSES 2025/2026 GRADESK-8

9:00-10:00 AM at Holy Family Academy

OCIA - If you or anyone you know wants to become catholic or are in need of receiving the sacraments, classes will be held this Sunday at 9:00 am at Holy Family Academy. For more information, call the rectory at 570-454-0881.

SANCTUARY LAMP FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER - In Thanksgiving for Health and God's Blessings Upon Me & My Family

VIGILS AT THE SACRED HEART ALTA

1. In Thanksgiving for Health & God's Blessings & Special Intentions
2. In Thanksgiving for Health & God's Blessings & Special Intentions
3. In Thanksgiving for Health & God's Blessings & Special Intentions

VIGIL AT THE BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

1. In Thanksgiving for Health & God's Blessings & Special Intention

PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Thursday, November 27 & Friday, November 28 in observance of Thanksgiving. Office hours will resume on Monday, December 1.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Wednesday, November 26 at 6:30pm at Beth Isreal Temple, Church St, Hazleton. This service gives people of different faiths the opportunity to praise and thank God for their many blessings. All clergy and members of the community are invited.



Request to participate in the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program

**FOR PURPOSES OF THE PARISH ASSESSMENT REDUCTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM,
PLEASE CREDIT SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH, HAZLETON, WITH MY PLEDGE.**

First Name _____ Last Name _____

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Note: SSN also can be provided via secure electronic portal once commitment is finalized. Leave blank if choosing this option.

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Joint Phone (if applicable) _____ Joint Email (if applicable) _____

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FULL AMOUNT OF MY PLEDGE: _____

*** Minimum is \$1,000 (for a tax credit of \$900). Maximum is your Pennsylvania state tax liability.**

Date _____

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Diocese of Scranton Catholic School System-Greatest Need Amount: \$ _____

School Name _____ Amount: \$ _____

School Name _____ Amount: \$ _____

You will receive an approval for participation. After the final form is signed, you will receive the information on how to make your contribution via email. This is a two-year commitment with the listed pledged contribution amount due upon approval notification and next year upon second-year approval. You will receive a 90 percent refund after you file your taxes.

For questions, contact: RedefinED; info@redefiningeducation.org or 814.419.5505

CCW CHRISTMAS BAKING SESSIONS

Week #1

Monday, December 8th, baking - starting at 5:30 pm

Tuesday, December 9th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Tuesday, December 9th, baking - starting at 5:30 pm

Wednesday, December 10th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Wednesday, December 10th, selling bake goods from 3 pm – 5 pm

Thursday, December 11th, baking - starting at 5:30 pm

Friday, December 12th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Friday, December 12th, selling bake goods from 2 pm – 5 pm

Week #2

Monday, December 15th, baking - starting at 5:30 pm

Tuesday, December 16th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Tuesday, December 16th, baking - starting at 5:30 pm

Wednesday, December 17th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Wednesday, December 17th, selling bake goods from 2 pm – 5 pm

Wednesday, December 17th, baking starting at 5:30 pm

Thursday, December 18th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Thursday, December 18th, selling bake goods from 2 pm – 5 pm

Thursday, December 18th, baking - starting at 5:30 pm

Friday, December 19th, bagging bake goods after 8 am Mass.

Friday, December 19th, selling bake goods from 2 pm – 5 pm

Friday, December 19th if needed to fill orders we may have to bake starting at 5:30 pm

Saturday, December 20th, selling bake goods from 10 am – 1 pm.

Frozen Pirohy and oplatky will also be available throughout the bake sale.

We are asking for pre-orders. We will have a limited supply of bake goods on the tables for walk-ins but are suggesting guaranteeing your bake goods, please place an order. We are doing our best to accommodate everyone. Orders can be placed by calling Loretta at 570-497-4100 Monday through Friday from 11 AM – 8 PM. Email the Rectory at sjc2@ptd.net. Call the rectory at 570-454-0881 Tuesday through Friday from 9 AM to 3 PM. You may also call the church basement at 570-454-9084 Monday, December 8th and Tuesday, December 9th from 6 PM – 9 PM, Thursday, December 11th from 6 PM – 9 PM. Monday December 15th – Wednesday December 17th from 6 PM - 9 PM. Please give your phone number on the orders in case we need to contact you to change your pickup date.

We ask that you enter the church on the 6th side door. You will then proceed down the steps to the basement to pick up your bake goods and exit the church on the 5th Street side door. The front church doors will not be opened. Entrance and exit will be in the back of the church only.

Deadline to place orders is Thursday, Dec. 18th by 3 PM

SPONSOR A MISSALETTE IN MEMORY/HONOR OF SOMEONE SPECIAL

We will begin using the new Breaking Bread Hymnals on the First Sunday of Advent, November 29/30. Please consider donating one or more to our Church this month. It is a beautiful way to remember a loved one or to give one for a Special intention. They are only \$10 each. The intention and donor will be listed on a label on the front of the Hymnals.

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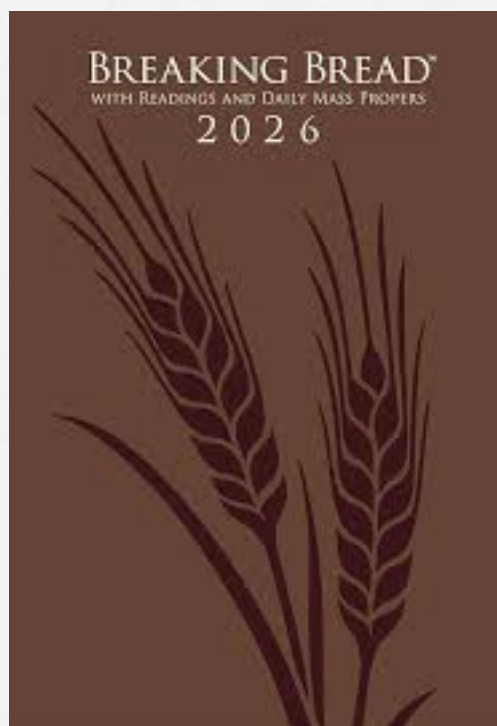
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STOCKING STUFFER SALE BIG BUCKS RAFFLE

Starting Monday, December 1, 2025, Stocking Stuffer tickets will be sold for **\$40.00** per ticket and they will be active from **January 1, 2026, till August 31, 2026**. Tickets will be stamped to reflect the change in date. Since there are eight months of drawings in **2026** the tickets are priced to reflect \$5.00 per month for a total of **\$40.00**. **There are three \$500 prizes left for 2026.**

Please order early to ensure delivery for Christmas.

To date this year, we have sold 517 tickets. Our parish needs your help to make up the revenue that has been lost because of no Annual Festival. There are many costs involved in running a parish. Together we can keep the spirit of St. Joseph and Saints Cyril and Methodius alive in Hazleton for years to come. **Please consider supporting the STOCKING STUFFER SALE either using them as gifts or purchasing another one or two for you or for a friend.**

To purchase Big Bucks Raffle tickets, fill out the form below along with your check and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory and your stub will be mailed to you.

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NUMBER OF TICKETS _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

STOCKING STUFFER SALE

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND
SS CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH

SUNDAY	\$3,403.35
LOOSE	444.00
DUES	390.00
UTILITIES	239.00
BUILD/MAINT	162.00
CANDLES	379.00
MISSION	50.00
CARE & ED	82.00
FLOWERS	442.00
MISC	56.00
THANKSGIVING	68.00
CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPEMENT	216.00
TOTAL	\$5,931.35

Thank you for your generosity!

BIG BUCKS WINNERS FOR 2025:

11/13 (101) Not Sold
 11/14 (661) \$100 Robert Moore
 11/15 (392) \$50 Judith Fellin
 11/16 (453) \$50 Diamond Fire Co.
 11/17 (003) Not Sold
 11/18 (346) Not Sold
 11/19 (052) Not Sold

Marian Catholic High School Blue & Gold Club is holding their 2026 Lottery Calendar Fundraiser! The cost is \$25 per number for the year, Match the daily number on the 7:00 pm drawing. Contact the school at 570-467-3335 or BGC@mariancatholichs.org to purchase tickets.

GIVING TREE is in the vestibule of the church. If you would like to help, please take a Gift Tag. After purchasing the Gift, secure the Gift Tag to the unwrapped gift and return it to church or the rectory by December 14th.

Update on Tax Credit Program:

Thank you to our parishioners who signed up last weekend to participate in PA's EITC tax credit program for the benefit of our parish! Our parish will receive 40% of the participating parishioner's tax credits towards our annual Diocesan Catholic Schools Assessment. Our assessment this year is \$78,612 (\$6,551 per month!) so you can see how important this tax credit program is for the financial health of our parish.

Remember, this does not cost you anything. These are taxes that you have already paid. There is still time for you to participate this year so we urge you to call the rectory for more information.

CHRISTMAS FROZEN PIROHY SALE

Tuesday, December 2 from 3PM – 6PM in the church basement. Please enter through the 6th St side door. Available will be Potato – 2 dozen per bag for \$16.00, Cabbage – 2 dozen per bag for \$16.00 and Prune – 1 dozen per bag for \$8.00. Also available will be Oplatky – 6 per envelope for \$3.00

SINCERE THANK YOU to all who helped with last week's pirohy session. We hope our new volunteers had a wonderful time helping with all the pirohy sessions. We are now reaching out to old and new volunteers to help with the Christmas Baking sessions. Come for more fun rolling and socializing. Everyone is welcome to help. The baking schedule is printed as an insert in this bulletin.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU!!!

We extend our most sincere **THANKS** to the members of our Parish community who have responded to Bishop Bambera's call to help the poor, the needy, our Diocesan clergy, and the young people of our Diocese by their generous donation to the **ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL**. May God bless you for your kind generosity.

Parishioners at Saints Cyril and Methodius Parish have contributed the amount of **\$27,061.00** thus far toward the Parish goal of **\$43,903.00**. Your support and cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

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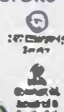
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