

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 21, 2025

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church - Clarkson

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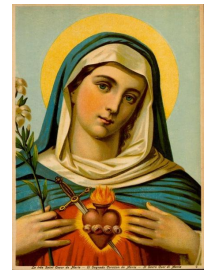
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Confessions begin at 10 AM before Sunday Mass

Mass Times and Intentions



September is dedicated
to Our Lady of Sorrows.

Sunday, September 21	SCM	10:30 AM	Jarett & Kathy Doernemann's 50th Anniv. and L/D Family Members
Tuesday, September 23	SJN	10:15 AM	L/D Family Members of Rudy & Helen Konicek
Thursday, September 24	SJN	10:15 AM	+Souls of the Faithful Departed
Sunday, September 28	SCM	10:30 AM	Ron & Jeanetten Vavrina's 75th Anniv.

Liturgical Assignments: Sunday, Sept. 28 - 10:30 AM at SCM

Lector	EMHCs	Gift Bearers	Servers
Trina Brabec	(9:30 Sun. AM- Nursing Home) Anita Steffensmeier Jared Svehla	Miranda & Shawn Sayers Family	Tynzlee Hake Mason Hake Maddix Paprocki

Gift Bearers: **Sept. 28** - Miranda & Shawn Sayers Family **Oct. 5** - Nick & Samantha Sayers Family
Oct. 12 - Brian & Lisa Sayers **Oct. 19** - Brian & Camille Steffensmeier Family **Oct. 26** - Chris & Peg Steffensmeier

News from Ss. Cyril & Methodius & St. John Neumann School

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* PRE News - Wed., Sept. 24th Classes: Gr. 1-6 (4 - 5 PM) at the Parish Center

* Fall Fest sign-up sheets are on the tables in the vestibule. We still have open slots for preparing/serving the meal and kitchen clean-up. Please help us fill these jobs so we're ready to go next Sunday.

* Fall Fest News: Please read the attached page - One Week Countdown Reminders.

There are copies of the poster and postcards in the vestibule for you to advertise our Fall Fest.

* Autumn Environment: Please contact the church office if you have any pumpkins/gourds to donate that can be used to enhance the beauty of our church environment for the fall.

*** *Winners of the SS. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church Prize-A-Day Calendar Fundraiser:***

(Sept 15 - Sept 21) Bryce Sayers - \$25 Shelby Paprocki - \$25 Jolie Stoklasa - \$25 Hayley Podany - \$25 Louise Schlindler - \$25 Hudson Brabec - \$25 Briella Cerny - \$50

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Collection: September 14, 2025

Adults - \$2010 Plate - \$164 Children's Collect - \$15 Votive Candles - \$22 Fuel for Church - \$80
Fuel for School - \$545 August Automatic Contributions - \$2925

SCM Collection Total - \$2836

2nd Collection - (Gaza Relief) - \$486

Contribution Counters for September 28: Kevin & Trina Brabec, Bob & Ann Prokopec

Upcoming Events:

*** Check out the fliers on the church vestibule bulletin board for upcoming retreats at the St. Benedict Center**

*** Understanding Your Grief Support Program:** Group sessions will be offered starting Mon., Oct. 6th running thru Nov. 24th from 6:00 - 7:30 PM in West Point at St. Joseph Retirement Community in the Steven Room. Registration is required as space is limited and for material purposes. Call or email Chaplain Tom Manhart @ (402-372-6708) tmanhart@franhealth.org to register or if you have any questions. See the flier in the vestibule for more details.

*** Sun., Oct. 12th - St. John the Baptist Annual Bazaar in Prague:** Czech Buffet featuring duck or pork, dumplings, kraut, homemade dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberries, roll, kolach, dessert, & drink, Serving from 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM; Adults (\$22), Ages 5-10 (\$10) Polka Music, Parish Raffle, Country Store, Quilt Raffle, Beer Garden, Live & Silent Auctions.

*** *Laudato Si'* Reading Group - October thru November:** This year marks the 10th anniversary of the encyclical *Laudato Si'* in which the Church deepens its call to care for God's creation. Pope Leo XIV has stressed the importance of *Laudato Si'* to his papacy. United with the Holy Father, the Archdiocese is hosting virtual six-week *Laudato Si'* reading groups modeled after Live Lent Together. Visit <https://archomaha.crg/laudato-si> to join. Check the flier in the vestibule.



Fall Fest Update - One Week Countdown!

Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025 - A Very Special Day for SCM

This is an exciting day for our parish as we all get to connect with each other and work for a great cause.

Look at the Auction List and see if your donation is listed. Many wonderful donations have come in already; grain, hogs, and beef along with many useful and interesting items to be auctioned off.

* If anyone needs assistance to transport a donation, call SJN School (402-892-3474) and someone will assist you.

The baskets are coming together with Mary Rupprecht and her crew working to assemble them attractively. There's a basket for everyone's interest from young to old. View them online at <https://www.facebook.com/SJNClarkson> after this Sunday.

* Bidding begins Sept. 27th at 7:30 AM and runs thru 4:00 PM on the day of Fall Fest. At least one basket is sure to catch your eye and is waiting for your bid!



The Country Store will be open at 7:00 AM Sunday to accept your donations - anxious to sell your eggs, garden produce, and baked goodies. It is sponsored by FCSLA *Life* - a great organization that supports many of our parish activities.

FALL FEST will be successful because it is in YOUR hands and we know our parishioners are kind and generous people! We still have some open slots to fill for meal prep, but we desperately need volunteers for kitchen clean-up. If you can help in this capacity for even a short time, please let Holly Svehla (402-750-9045) or Trisha Steffensmeier (402-910-4295) know as soon as possible. *Many hands make light work!* These two chairwomen are going the extra mile to prepare a wonderful meal for our parish.



Are you ready for a Celebration - Great Food and Good Fellowship? If so, join us on Sept. 28th for a delicious meal and an interesting auction!!



The Fall Fest Committee -

Thanks to all who are doing their part!

*** Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

O Mary, Virgin Most Powerful, and Mother of Mercy, Queen of Heaven, and Refuge of sinners, I consecrate my being and my life, all that I have, all that I am, and all that I love. To you I give my body, my heart, and my soul. To you I give my home, my family, and my country. I desire everything in me, everything around me, belong to you.

To make this act of consecration purposeful and lasting I renew this day, at this time my promises of baptism. Finally, O Glorious Mother of God and loving Mother, I promise I shall try to inspire in others the devotion to you so as to hasten, through the Queenship of Your Immaculate Heart, the coming Kingdom of the Sacred Heart. Amen.

Prayer After Communion.... Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You. **Stay with me, Lord**, because I am weak and I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often. **Stay with me, Lord**, for You are my life, and without You I am without fervor. **Stay with me, Lord**, for You are my light, and without You I am in darkness. **Stay with me, Lord**, to show me Your will. **Stay with me, Lord**, so that I hear Your voice and follow You. **Stay with me, Lord**, for I desire to love You very much, and always be in Your company. **Stay with me, Lord**, and help me be faithful to You. **Stay with me, Lord**, and let my poor soul be a place of consolation for You, a nest of love. **Stay with me, Lord**, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit; because I love You and ask no other reward but to love You more and more. Amen. Adapted from Padre Pio's Prayer After Communion

Prayer For the Sick

***Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant (Pope Francis) to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your holy will and know that whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen**

***Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need (especially the Holy Father, Pope Francis). Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these people close to your heart find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.**

Prayer for the Sick = last 2 paragraphs of prayer included above

***Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden.**

~ Prayer in Preparation for Holy Communion ~

"Mother of mercy and of love, most Blessed Virgin Mary, I, a poor and unworthy sinner, fly to thee with all my heart and all my affection, I implore thy loving kindness, that even as thou did stand beside thy dear Son as He hung upon the Cross, so will thou also stand by me, a poor sinner, and beside all thy faithful people receiving the most sacred Body of thy Son. Grant us, that by thy grace, we may receive it worthily and fruitfully, Amen."



