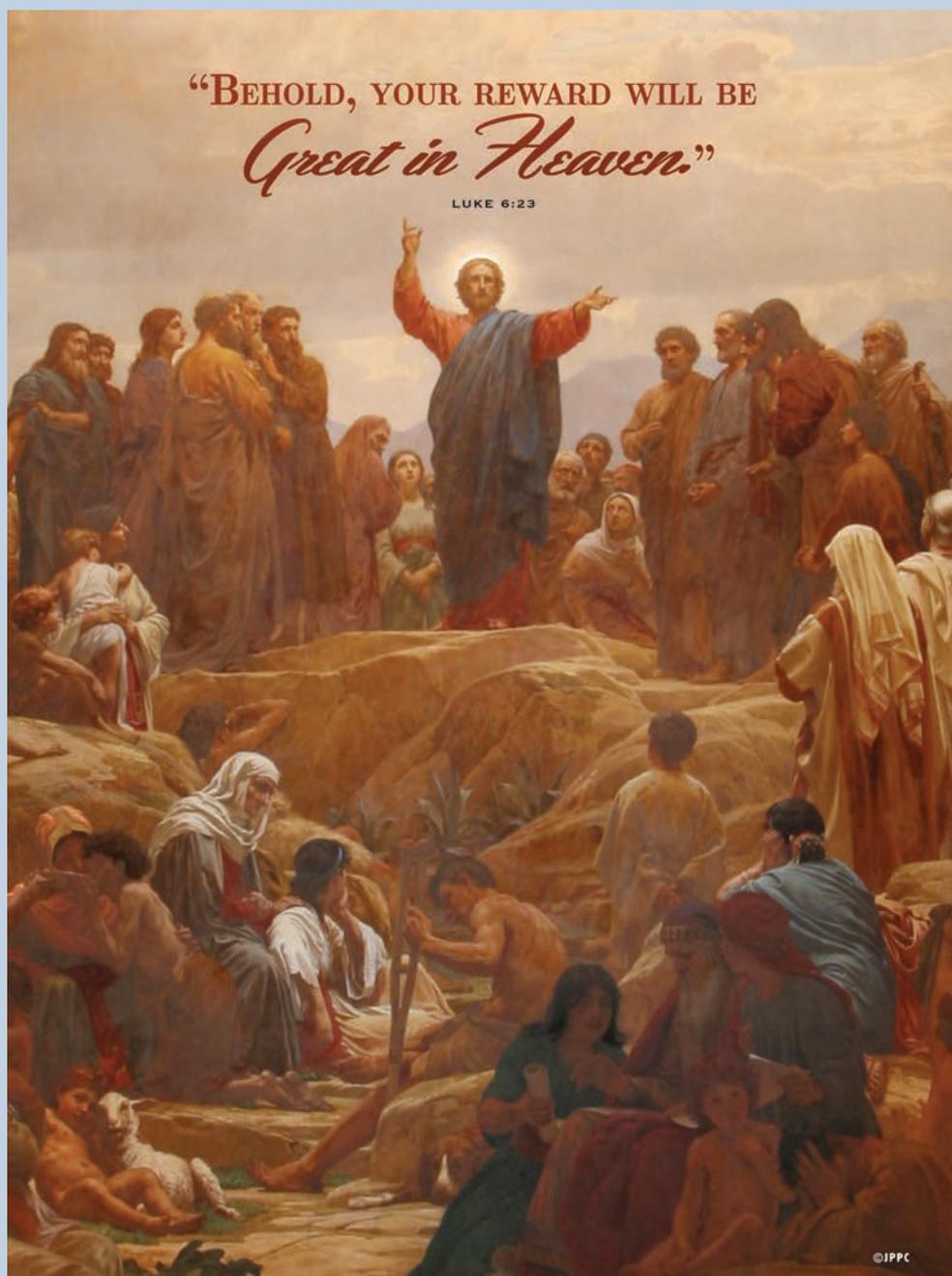


Divine Providence, Holy Apostles, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Katharine Drexel Parishes



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 13, 2022

**Divine Providence Parish at
St. Joseph Church
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**Holy Apostles Parish at
St. John the Evangelist Church
655 East St.
New Britain, CT 06051**

**St. Francis of Assisi Parish
1755 Stanley St.
New Britain, CT 06053
Sunday Mass 10:00a.m.**

**St. Katharine Drexel Parish at
St. Jerome Church
1010 Slater Rd.
New Britain, CT 06053**

**SATURDAY VIGIL
4:00p.m. at St. Jerome**

**SUNDAY
7:30a.m. at St. John
9:00a.m. at St. Joseph
10:00a.m. at St. Francis
11:30a.m. at St. Jerome**

**DAILY MASS at St. Francis
8:00a.m. Monday - Saturday
5:30p.m. Monday - Friday**

**Confessions
will be 1/2 hour before
the weekday Masses
7:30-7:50a.m. and 5:00-5:20p.m.
at St. Francis
3:00-3:45p.m. on Saturday at St. Jerome**

**As of January 1st, St. Andrew, St. Peter and
St. Maurice Churches will no longer be used
for regular Masses.**



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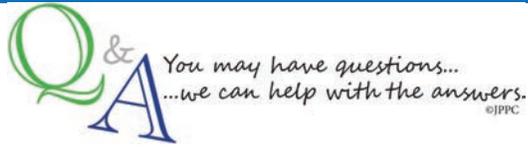


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Next to growth, green naturally awakens in us a sense of hope for the future. Writer John Walsh in *The Mass and Vestments of the Catholic Church* explains, "Green bespeaks hope. As pilgrims and soldiers we walk through a weary life, struggling as we walk, and we should not faint on the way because we are sustained by Our Lord, who in person hath visited us, and by the grace of His Holy Spirit, and, therefore, like the living branch whose life is renewed, we should journey with an indestructible hope toward our true country." Green is a beautiful color, one that should alert us to many profound spiritual truths that we can meditate on during the season of Ordinary Time.

<https://aleteia.org/2020/01/14/why-green-is-used-during-ordinary-time/>

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AA Meetings

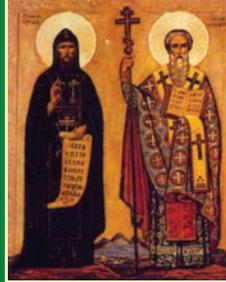
Wednesdays at 7p.m.
in the basement at St. Francis Church

Fridays at 7p.m. (Spanish speaking group)
in the school at St. Joseph

Saturdays at 7p.m.
in the hall at St. Jerome Church

Saint of the Week:

Saint Cyril, Monk, and Saint Methodius, Bishop 827-869; 815-884



Cyril and Methodius are known as the "apostles of Slavs" and were named by Pope John Paul II as the patron saints of Europe, alongside Benedict of Nursia. Their principal missions were to territories encompassed by the modern-day Czech Republic, Croatia, Serbia, and Slovenia. Cyril, whose baptism name was Constantine, was the youngest of seven children born to a senatorial family in Thessalonica. Methodius, his brother, is known only by his religious name. Cyril was educated in Constantinople at the Imperial University and acquired such a reputation as a philosopher that he was subsequently appointed as professor of philosophy there. After ordination to the priesthood, he was appointed librarian at the Hagia Sophia, the principal church in Eastern Christendom. He later joined his brother Methodius, who after a brief government career, entered a monastery in Bithynia.

Both were commissioned by the emperor Michael III ca. 862 to become missionaries in Moravia at the request of the local ruler, Rostislav, who, for political as well as ecclesiastical reasons, was seeking an alternative to the German missionaries who were already ministering there. Rostislav also wanted Cyril and Methodius, who has spoken Slavonic since childhood, to teach in the vernacular. In order to put spoken Slavonic in written form, Cyril invented a Slovanic alphabet based on the Greek alphabet and then he and Methodius together translated major portions of the Bible and liturgy. (Methodius alone translated the rest of the Bible later in his life).

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Picture from: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/february-14-saints-cyril-monk-and-methodius-bishop/>

Prayer Line

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76;
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19;
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5;
Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Mk 8:34-9:1

Saturday: Jas 3:1-10; Ps 12:2-3, 4-5, 7-8; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-2,
3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



St. Jerome:
Mondays 4:00p.m.-5:00p.m.

St. Joseph:
Wednesdays 12:00p.m. - 1:00p.m.

St. Francis:
Thursdays 6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

St. John:
TBD

Pastoral Care Ministry



We are most eager to help anyone who is unable to join us at Mass because of illness, handicap or age. Any parishioner in need of anointing of the sick or sacramental care at home, assisted living, hospital or care facility, please call the Parish Office at 860-224-2411 and we will be happy to arrange a visit.

To schedule a Mass, you may call the parish office, located in the Parish Center at St. Jerome at 860-224-2411. The stipend for all Masses is \$20. *Please note checks should be made payable to **St. Francis Church** regardless of where the Mass is being held.* Also, "requested by" will not be printed in the bulletin. Thank you.

MASS Intentions

Saturday, February 12:

8:00 am: **St. Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant
4:00 pm Vigil: **St. Jerome:** + Anthony Pavio
and Elmer Anderson

Sunday, February 13:

7:30 am: **St John:** + Larry Henry
9:00 am: **St. Joseph:** + Michael Markowski
10:00 am: **St. Francis:** + Deceased Members of
the Collin and Truglio Family
11:30 am: **St. Jerome:** + Paul, Lucy and Robert
Esbaner

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis:

Monday, February 14:

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
5:30 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Tuesday, February 15:

8:00 am: + Stephen King
5:30 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, February 16:

8:00 am: + Jan Dobrowolski
5:30 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, February 17:

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
5:30 pm: Pro populo

Friday, February 18:

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
5:30 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, February 19:

8:00 am: **St. Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant
4:00 pm Vigil: **St. Jerome:** + Carmen Elsie
Arroyo

Sunday, February 20:

7:30 am: **St John:** + Michael Mogielnicki
9:00 am: **St. Joseph:** + Angelina Fiscaro
10:00 am: **St. Francis:** + Mary and Norman Roy
11:30 am: **St. Jerome:** + Sr. Angela Ricciardi



More SEEK
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Welcome to our parishes! We are pleased to have you share in our celebration of the Eucharist. We invite you to register and become part of our Parish family. Please complete the information below and mail it to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket. *You may also use this form for an address change.*

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As was previously announced, we are beginning parish bible studies in the coming weeks. The goal of these is to have small groups of 6-10 people meet each week to read, pray with, and discuss the upcoming Sunday readings. More information will be released in the coming weeks, but for now maybe ask some friends if they'd like to join a group, and starting planning days, times and locations that work for you!



Please pray for the repose of the souls of
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