Basilica of ST. MICHAEL the Archangel

16 MARCH

SAINT PATRICK

MASS SCHEDULE Sundays 9:00 am & 11:00 am Mon.—Fri. 12:10 pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE Mon.—Fri. 11:00 am—11:45 am

ADORATION / EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION Mon.—Fri. 11:00 am—12:00 pm

> OFFICE HOURS Mon.—Wed., Fri. 9:00 am—2:00 pm

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT March 16, 2025

MEMORIAL OF SAINT CYRIL OF JERUSALEM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

The crises that the Church faces today may seem minor when compared with the threat posed by the Arian heresy, which denied the divinity of Christ and almost overcame Christianity in the fourth century. Cyril was to be caught up in the controversy, accused of Arianism by Saint Jerome, and ultimately vindicated both by the men of his own time and by being declared a Doctor of the Church in 1822.

Raised in Jerusalem and well-educated, especially in the Scriptures, he was ordained a priest by the bishop of Jerusalem and given the task during Lent of catechizing those preparing for Baptism and catechizing the newly baptized during the Easter season. His Catecheses remain valuable as examples of the ritual and theology of the Church in the mid-fourth century.

Those who imagine that the lives of saints are simple and placid, untouched by the vulgar breath of controversy, are rudely shocked by history. Yet, it should be no surprise that saints, indeed all Christians, will experience the same difficulties as their Master. The definition of truth is an endless, complex pursuit, and good men and women have suffered the pain of both controversy and error. Intellectual, emotional, and political roadblocks may slow up people like Cyril for a time. But their lives taken as a whole are monuments to honesty and courage.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

3/16: Gail Hozman, Matt Ernde, Dakota Smith, Joseph Treen, Matthew Wanek

3/17: Dan Thomas

3/18: Karen Hunter

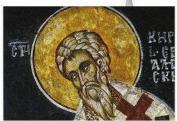
3/20: Brenda King, Mike Massey, Joey Hornilla

3/22: Irwin Wengierski, Genevieve Mead

Stewardship of Treasure for March 9, 2025

In-Church Offering: \$15,544.26
Online Offering: \$5,722.57
Total Offertory: \$21,266.83

"May the Lord reward your generosity with abundant blessings."



Saint Cyril of Jerusalem



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DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH???

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SAINT PATRICK OF TRELAND

DID YOU KNOW?



- ~He was kidnapped by Irish pirates at age 16 and sold into slavery in Ireland.
- ~He was never formally canonized by the Catholic Church.
- ~He lived before the Catholic Church established its canonization process.

Liturgies & Mass Intentions for the **Week of March 16, 2025**

SUNDAY

For the People of the Parish †

IIAM

Stuart Pratt †

MONDAY

The Torromeo Family

TUESDAY Nancy Scholls †

WEDNESDAY
George Harootian †

THURSDAY Mary Lee Rothwell Corr †

> <u>FRIDAY</u> Michael Seitz†

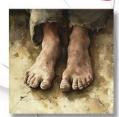
This Week @ the Basilica

3/17 Mon: Pack Lunches 8am

3/19 Wed: Women's Study Group 9:00am

3/21 Fri: Bereavement Mass 12:10pm

SODALITY SOCK DRIVE



1,200 pairs of white socks needed for the homeless in our area in support of the ALFRED-WASHBURN (ENTER during Lent. Drop-Off basket located in vestibule.

*White Athletic Socks

THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



is a Catholic feast day celebrated on March 19th. It's a day to honor Saint Joseph, who was the legal father of Jesus and the husband of the Virgin Mary.

OUTREACH FOR THE POOR

HELP SERVE DINNER TO THE HOMELESS / POOR

MARCH 28: MLK, JR. PLAZA @ 6 PM

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