



Lent

40 days of
reflection, prayer, and renewal



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YOUR GENEROSITY DIRECTLY IMPACTS
OUR STUDENTS AND HELPS CREATE
OPPORTUNITIES THAT TRULY
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Dear SSCM Parents,

Parent-Teacher Conferences are one of the most important ways we live out our mission at SS. Cyril and Methodius School. As a vital Catholic school community that exists to build the Kingdom of God, we are committed to developing each student spiritually, academically, physically, and emotionally — in partnership with you, the primary educators of your children. Conferences provide an essential opportunity to strengthen that partnership, clearly communicate student growth, and reinforce the academic excellence we strive to deliver each day.

As we continue working toward our vision of being *Lemont's premier Catholic learning community*, it is important that these conversations reflect the rigor, faith-filled leadership, and culture of excellence that define SSCM. To allow for more accessible and fruitful discussions, we are adjusting the conference schedule.

Please review the updated details below:

- **Conference Dates:** Tuesday, February 24; Wednesday, February 25; Thursday, February 26
- **Conference Times:** 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. each day
- **Format Options:** In-person or virtual (Google Meet), based on family preference
- **Scheduling:** Parents should contact teachers directly to schedule conference times during the times outlined above
- **Principal Presentation:** Each day at 4:00 p.m., I will host a formal presentation sharing our academic progress and how SSCM compares with other institutions
- **Friday, February 27:** 11:00 a.m. dismissal for all students

We look forward to meaningful conversations that celebrate growth, address areas for continued development, and strengthen our shared commitment to forming students who live Christ-centered lives with discipline, confidence, and purpose.

Thank you for your partnership and continued trust in SS. Cyril and Methodius School.

Go Comets!!

Daniel Turney
Principal
SS. Cyril and Methodius School



Lenten Faith Challenge

Lent is a 40-day, solemn Christian season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, beginning with Ash Wednesday (Feb. 18, 2026), honoring Jesus' time in the desert. This is a period of repentance, spiritual reflection, and preparation for the resurrection on Easter Sunday. As we prepare for this most sacred holiday, we challenge our students and their families to celebrate Sunday mass together through these next 6 weeks, Beginning Feb 22nd.

RULES:

Children must attend all 7 masses at St. Cyril and Methodius. The challenge begins February 22nd.

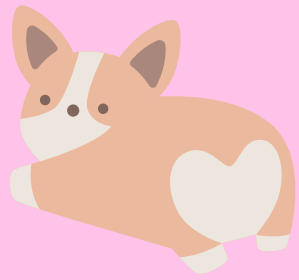
After attending mass, students will pick up a mass attendance card located in the back of church. The mass attendance cards are provided at every mass. The child should fill out the mass attendance card with his or her name and grade level, and drop it into the card box, also located in the back of the church. The cards will be collected each week.

CHALLENGE:

If a student collects all 7 mass attendance cards during lent, Mr. Turney will reward the student(s) with a Dress-Down Mass pass! Any classroom with **100% attendance** throughout Lent will receive a **classroom pizza lunch!**

We are so excited to celebrate with all of you!!





PET DRIVE

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 23RD TO FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 20TH**



ABOUT

Our school's National Junior Honor Society is hosting a pet drive from January 23rd to February 20th. All of our donations will be going to NAWS, located in Mokena. Please consider donating! Every little bit helps!!

ITEMS NEEDED

- ▶ Dog or cat food
- ▶ Dog or cat treats
- ▶ Blankets
- ▶ Newspapers
- ▶ Pee pads
- ▶ Scoopable cat litter
- ▶ Paper Towels
- ▶ Pet waste bags

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Hello SSCM Families,

This year has been a rousing success at SS. Cyril & Methodius, and it is one filled with much to celebrate!

SSCM is experiencing a year of incredible growth. Enrollment is up 6%, we have exceeded our academic goals and surpassed last year's benchmarks, and as we look ahead to the 2026–2027 school year, we are proud to share a 94% student retention rate—a high for SSCM and within the Archdiocese of Chicago.

These successes are not accidental. They are the result of committed educators, engaged families, and a community that believes deeply in forming students academically, spiritually, and emotionally.

One of the greatest highlights of this year has been our all-time high in volunteerism. From Bingo, Carnival, and the Gala to our Room Parents, families have stepped forward in incredible ways. These events not only support our school, they create opportunities to connect, laugh, and build lasting relationships within our community.

As we look ahead, we are excited to build on this momentum. An upcoming opportunity to do just that is our Fish Fry, where we have set a \$15,000 fundraising goal. Proceeds will directly support curriculum development and educational resources, helping us sustain and grow the academic excellence already taking place in our classrooms.

To continue this growth, we ask for your help. Volunteering is not only vital to the success of these events, it is also a wonderful opportunity to socialize with friends, meet new families, and connect more deeply with members of our SSCM community. Whether you are helping prep, serving meals, or working side by side in the kitchen, these moments often become some of the most enjoyable and meaningful ways to be involved.

We invite you to join us by signing up to volunteer at an upcoming event, including the Fish Fry.

Click here to register and volunteer:

[Fish Fry Sign Up](#)

Every helping hand makes a difference—and every shared moment helps strengthen the community we are building together.

A heartfelt thank you to Jason Zagraniczny, our Fish Fry Event Leader, for his leadership and dedication. As Jason shares:

"My name is Jason Zagraniczny, and I'm a proud graduate of St. Cyril's and the father of two—soon to be three—students at our school. From my time as a student to now, St. Cyril's has always felt more like a family than just a community. Many of my closest friendships today began here, and that's why this school means so much to me."

I look forward to sharing these fun evenings with you all. Thank you for being part of this joyful, growing, and faith-filled community.

With gratitude,
Mr. Turney



JOIN US FOR SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS
SCHOOL'S

fish fry-days

FEBRUARY 20, MARCH 6 & 20

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

SSCM GYM

**OPTIONS
INCLUDE**

FISH/SHRIMP,
FRIES, COLESLAW,
KIDS MENU

CASH BAR

**FUN FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY!**

RAFFLES/GAMES
& STUDENT BAKE
SALE

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT SS CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL



Fish Fry Bake Sale!



Our Fish Fry is right around the corner and we are looking to add some extra sweetness to it all!

Grades to Sponsor...




February 20...Grades K,2,6,7

March 3...PK3, 1,3,8

March 20...PK4,4,5

**THANK YOU FOR
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SSCM Comets

Team Photo Night



Tuesday, March 24, 2026



**Team and Individual Photos
will be taken on**

Tuesday, March 24, 2026, starting at 6:00 pm.

The team photo schedule will be sent to coaches and posted in the VRE in early March.

Approximately ten days after Photo Night, proofs will be shipped to school and distributed to your child. Proofs have a QR code that will take parents directly to a secure online gallery. From there you can view and purchase photos. All pictures will be shipped directly to your home.

**Any Questions please
Contact Bob Villasenor (708-212-0088) or Beverly Marzec (630-234-3670)**

S.S. Cyril & Methodius School Drama Club
proudly presents

Disney
**THE LITTLE
MERMAID**



Wednesday, March 11th

Thursday, March 12th

Friday, March 13th

7:00 PM

S.S. Cyril & Methodius School Gymnasium
607 Sobieski St, Lemont, IL



TICKETS GENERAL
ADMISSION

Available for purchase at the door or [buy online now!](#)

Adults -- \$15

Seniors & Students -- \$10

SSCM Students, Volunteers & Kids Under 2 -- FREE

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Program Advertisements



All proceeds go to the SS Cyril and Methodius Drama Club.

Price for Ads

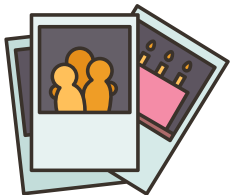
Quarter page ad = \$25

Half page ad = \$50

Full page ad = \$100

Need ad ideas?
See last year's program
from SSCM's production of
Frozen Jr.

Ad Specs



Please submit your artwork and/or photo(s) with your message, and an ad will be created for you. Email your materials to Amanda Krupa at amanda.krupa@outlook.com.

Purchase Ads & Show Tickets Here

igfn.us/form/UpZg6Q



IMPORTANT!

All program ad materials and payment must be received no later than Sunday, March 1st.



Raise Your Kids To Be Strong, Smart & Pure

Do You Know How to Teach the Truth and Beauty of Catholic Teachings on Life, Love, Marriage and Purity to the Next Generation?

LoveEd

LoveEd (as in Love-Education) is a Catholic book/video discussion event that empowers parents to teach their children about God's plan for life, love, sexuality, relationships, and purity.

PARENT-GUIDED | FOSTERS PARENT/CHILD CONVERSATION | AGE-APPROPRIATE | GENDER SPECIFIC

Parent Seminar

Hosted by SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish, School, & RE program

- Gain the Confidence & the Sacred Language to Use With Your Kids -

Parent & Adult-Only Seminar: Sunday, Feb 22 | 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Open to all adults | Presented by Coleen Kelly Mast, MS, Author of LoveEd

Hear some fun stories & learn the words, ideas, methods and timing.

Location: SSCM PLB. A \$25 donation is suggested to cover the cost of the parent workbook & videos.

Parent/ Child sessions will follow on later Sundays at 6:30 PM with boys in PLB, Girls in school: 7th & 8th graders with parents on March 1. 5th & 6th graders with parents on March 22. More info is on the online registration page.

You Will:

- Find out what your kids need to know at their various ages beginning at 3 years old.
- Gain confidence to teach the beauty of Catholic teachings, whether or not you lived them yourselves.
- Learn how to keep your kids 'innocent but not ignorant.'
- Prepare responses for when your child sees or says something inappropriate.
- Receive a LoveEd Parent Guide for answering the questions that arise over the years.
- Discover the sacred language to use so that your children respect life, love, chastity, and marriage.
- Be empowered to raise your children to be leaders in the faith, not victims of temptation.

"These were the most significant conversations I have ever had with my son in his entire life."

- Father of a 12-year-old boy

"My daughter loved the video clips, and we both were surprised how much we learned."

Mother of a 14-year-old girl

Questions:
Info@LoveEd.com

Register online or bring this form & payment to the school or RE office by Feb 14.

Adult/Parent Full Name _____

Email (print clearly) _____

Child First Name _____ Grade _____

Session(s) Attending (choose all that apply)

Parent Session _____ Level 1 Boys _____ Level 1 Girls _____ Level 2 Boys _____ Level 2 Girls _____

To register
online &
preview
materials.





Presents



Exploring World Wonders

An 8 Week After-School Art Adventure For Kids K-6th Grade

Send your child back in time and across the globe to uncover the mystery & history behind awe-inspiring human-made landmarks! Each class, kids create a unique landmark-inspired masterpiece while building their skills, confidence, and sense of wonder.

Each week, your child will:

- Discover the history behind World Wonders
- Experiment with different art techniques
- Learn about ancient civilizations
- Create a one-of-a-kind artwork

Limited spots available - Don't miss out!

Why You'll Love It:

- Kids build their art skills and cultural awareness
- Encourages creativity, confidence, and curiosity
- Combines history & architecture with hands-on fun
- Weekly take-home artwork & materials included

Landmarks Kids Will Explore:



Chichen Itza - Shadow Sculptures

Uncover ancient Mexican mysteries! Kids use Model Magic and flashlights to create their own version of El Castillo pyramid's iconic light-and-shadow effect.

Colosseum - Watercolor Wonder

Step into the bustling city of ancient Rome. Kids bring the Colosseum to life in vibrant watercolors and learn more about its structural feats.

Fairytale Castle - Painted Palace

Fairytales come to life as kids learn about the stunning Neuschwanstein Castle and create their very own palace painting.

Great Wall - Pop-Up Perspective

Travel back 2000 years and 10,000 miles along the Great Wall of China! Children learn how to construct their own pop-up version.

Island Statues - Model Moai

The Moai, mysterious stone figures of Easter Island, inspire kids' sculptures as they uncover ancient Polynesian history.

Machu Picchu - Diorama Discovery

Kids capture the stunning landscapes and woolly wildlife of Machu Picchu as they craft a colorful diorama box.

My Monument - Make Your Mark

It's kids' turn to create their own remarkable monument, inspired by their favorite epic landmarks!

Sphinx and Pyramids - Monumental Models

Let's travel to the land of the pharaohs! Kids learn how to sculpt the Sphinx as they discover ancient Egyptian pyramids.

Stonehenge - Solstice Silhouettes

Slip back into the mysterious world of prehistoric Britain with these ancient standing stones. Stonehenge's captivating history is explored as kids create stunning silhouette collages.

Taj Mahal - Precious Paper

Embark on a colorful journey to India and explore the beauty of the Taj Mahal. Kids create their own 3D paper version of this world wonder.



Register Now!

Sts. Cyril & Methodius

Offered right at your child's school!

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ChicagoWest.ImagineArts.com

Dates & Time:

Mondays-3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4
Time- 2:15-3:15