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Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 am

Holy Day & Holiday Masses

As Announced

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm

or by appointment

Parish Devotions

Holy Rosary

Tuesday-Friday after Mass

Adoration Chapel

Monday-Friday 9am-7pm

Chapel located in back of rectory

Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

2nd and 4th Sundays at 12 noon

*Please call the office to schedule
the baptism of children. Parents and
godparents must attend a Baptism
Preparation Session.*

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call the parish office or
speak to the priest after Mass to
request the Anointing of the Sick.
If in a hospital or nursing home,
please ask the staff to notify the
parish that covers that facility.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples looking to get married at
Holy Cross should contact the
pastor at least six months before
the intended wedding date to
discuss marriage preparations and
schedule the wedding.

Holy Communion for the

Homebound

Please call the parish office.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00-12:00 & 1:00-4:00

Closed Fridays, Holidays and Holy Days

Office is located in the back of the church building

Sunday, April 13, 2025



FROM THE PASTOR

It's the most holy week of the Church year. Will you make it a holy week by joining us for our celebrations of the events that won our salvation?

Holy Monday, April 14

Sacrament of Penance: 7:00-8:00 PM

Tuesday & Wednesday, April 15&16

Mass: 8:30 AM

Holy Thursday, April 17

No Morning Mass or Confessions

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM

Adoration follows at the Repository

Night Prayer: 10:00 PM

Good Friday, April 18

Church Open from 8am-8pm for Private Prayer

Morning Prayer: 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Penance: 9:00-10:00 AM

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 PM

Holy Saturday, April 19

Morning Prayer: 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Penance: 9:00 – 10:00 AM

Easter Vigil: 8:00 PM

No afternoon confessions; No 4:30 Mass

Easter Sunday, April 20

Masses: 8:30 & 11:00 am

The parish office will close early on Holy Thursday and be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

Palm
Sunday



Reading I: Isaiah 50: 4-7

This passage is called by scholars the "Third Servant Song." The servant here is the prophet himself, who speaks God's word, even as he suffers persecution for doing so.

Reading II: Philippians 2: 6-11

Possibly an early Christian hymn, this passage speaks of the mystery of Christ, who suffered brutally for our salvation.

The Gospel: Luke 22: 14 – 23:56, or 23: 1-49

St. Luke's Passion account opens with the Last Supper and ends with the Lord's burial. True to his calling, Luke writes with the details of an observant doctor.

Come to Confession before Easter!



MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, APRIL 14

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

8:30 AM - Rita Creato, Kathryn
Gregorio & Anne Creato

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

8:30 AM - Gus Ranieri (12th Anniv.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

7:00 PM - Evening Mass of The Lord's
Supper

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

3:00 PM - Liturgy of The Lord's
Passion

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

8:30 AM - No Mass

8:00 PM - Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

8:30 AM - For the People of the
Parish
11:00 AM - Tom & Mary Furlong

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
intention is for:

Church - Maryann Redding
Chapel - Maryann Redding



COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need	\$12,000
Weekly Collection, April 6	
Total	\$8,696
Electronic	\$3,189
Basket & Mail-Ins	\$5,507

PRAY FOR THE SICK

A name will stay in the bulletin for FOUR WEEKS. The contact person must notify the Parish Office if the person needs to stay on the list or they will be removed. Names can be put on the prayer list or removed from the prayer list by contacting the Parish Office in person, by phone (610.626.3321) or by email (contactus@holycrosscatholics.org).

Consiglia Borrelli	Rich Meroney
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George Dickinson	Francis Murray
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Carolyn Henderson	Paige O'Leary
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Ken Kull	Mary Rafferty
Mary Kull	Ronnie Sidebottom
Kendall Lambert	Joseph Sindoni
Lee Anne McGough	Adeline Sulpizio
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The Corner



Remember the
beauty of God's
GRACE:
God's
Riches
At
Christ's
Expense



PALM SUNDAY

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First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Please join us for the Nine First Fridays Devotion of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion will begin on Friday, October 4th and end on Friday, June 6th, fulfilling our Lord's request of nine consecutive Fridays.

The Schedule for First Fridays:

First Friday Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 am. Adoration will be in the Church from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Confessions will be held from 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm.

If you would like more information about First Friday and First Saturday devotions, pamphlets are available at the entrance of either side of the Church.

Pre-Caná

Pre-Caná will be the second Friday of each month at St Gabriel's in Norwood PA.

Our next class will be on April 11, 2025, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. If interested, please call St Gabriel's Rectory at 610-586-1225.

SAINT COLMAN CHARITIES CLOTHING DRIVE

MAY 3RD, 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Saint Colman Church Parking Lot

On May 3 from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. Saint Colman Church will host the Thrifty Irishman donation truck in their parish parking lot to benefit the needs of the poor through The Society of Saint Vincent dePaul Philadelphia Archdiocese. Please help us fill the truck! Acceptable donations are usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes, books, kitchenware, linens/bedding, sporting goods, small appliances, electronics, CDs & videos, furniture, games/toys. Large appliances cannot be accepted. To learn more visit: <https://thethriftyirishman.com>. Thank you for your generosity.

School News

April is here, and the Easter Season is upon us. In this season of rebirth and rising anew, we are reminded of the Passion of our Lord, His Death and Glorious Resurrection. Jesus' sacrifice is reflected in the virtue for the month of April.

This month our Virtue is Trustworthy: being reliable, honest, truthful and having sympathetic consciousness. Students who display this virtue will be awarded our Good Deed Beads, and one student per class will be selected by the teacher to receive the Virtue of the Month award.

Our Home and School members are working hard, planning our first annual Spring Fling Dance.

The event will be on Saturday, April 26, in the school gym. This is a family dance for students and parents.

New this year: Our Mother's Day Tea. Students in grades Prek-4th are asked to bring one special person to enjoy tea and treats. This will be held on Thursday, May 8.

LEGO club for all grades has started, our Pre-k classes will enjoy our "Builders Club".

Our new Garden club will be decorating our school entrance with beautiful plants and flowers.

So many new things are happening here at Holy Cross School, and more fun and educational events are planned for next school year.

We thank our dedicated teachers, staff, Pastor, and Principal for their support. Most especially we thank you, our supporting parishioners, who make it possible for us to be here at Holy Cross School.

Food Pantry Update

Thanks to all for your prayers and support. Our Pantry has been busy with high volume (and Thankfully, better Wednesday weather).

St. Kevin's did a Lenten Food Collection on March 23rd; and, we were 1 of the recipients of their generosity along with Trinity Methodist church. We received hundreds of bags of food, and we are Very Grateful. We always say it takes a village to help so many and.... we are humbled for all the generosity.

AOH (Ancient Order of Hiberians) provided a van full of food. What a Great way to celebrate St. Patrick's day. God Bless.

If you are able, we are always in need of: cereal, oatmeal, canned meats, pasta sauce (no glass please), pasta, rice, mac & cheese, beans, peanut butter, jelly, and kiddie treats.

If you know anyone in need of food in Delco, please let them know we are open every Wednesday from 3:45 to 5:30.

Thank You to All who keep us going every week. Happy Spring and we hope everyone is enjoying this warmer weather.

We appreciate All of you and Our Neighbors in Need are always sharing how "Thankful" they are that we are here and able to provide the essentials to them.

God Bless,
Your Friends from the SVDP Holy Cross Food Pantry

Three Parish Book Club

The Parish Book Club will hold its April meeting in the Holy Cross Parish Center on Wednesday, April 30th at 7:00pm. If you would like to join the meeting or would like more information, please contact Terry Price at 610.506.6449 or via email at termprice@verizon.net.

April Book - **Essentialism: The Disciplined Pursuit of Less** by Greg McKeown

Mothers' Home in Darby

Mothers' Home in Darby, our area's only residential shelter for homeless pregnant women and their newborns, is seeking volunteers with skills in the areas of social media/networking, event planning/organization for our residents and donors, computer technology, and data entry to work with us approximately five hours per week. Interested individuals may contact Board Member Dennis McAndrews at dmcandrews@mcandrewslaw.com.

CAN YOU NOT SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME IN ADORATION??



Congratulations to Students Making their Confirmation

Adam Peter Brozzetti
Kaitlyn Anne Clark
Allie Mary Clifford
Kasey Ann Clifford
Caden Joseph Gehret
Logan Gabriel Hutton
Emily Elizabeth Kelly
Isabella Gemma Masterson
Adrianna Theresa Mitchell
Molly Margaret Murphy
Mackenzie Kathryn Price
Olivia Cecilia Prunty
Logan Frederick Redding
Dominic Michael Schumacher

PHILLY CATHOLIC SINGLES

SAT 4/26 @ 6:30PM



SPEED DATING AGES 30-45

St. Margaret of Antioch Church (Narberth)

6:30 Event starts / 5:15 optional Vigil Mass
\$30 Ticket includes event, wine, and pizza.

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Take time this month to learn about Carlo Acutis, a fifteen-year-old boy from Italy who researched and documented over 100 Miracles of The Eucharist. He is the Church's first millennial Saint, and he will be canonized on April 27. Take advantage of this free gift from Holy Cross. There are movies, podcasts, daily reflections, audio books and more for the whole family! Signing up for FORMED is EASY and FREE!

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Mark your Calendars now so you don't miss out on any of these upcoming fun events. Tell your Family and Friends!



Sunday, April 6

*Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast*

8 -11 am



Friday, April 11

*Special Evening Service
with Stations of the Cross*

6:15 pm



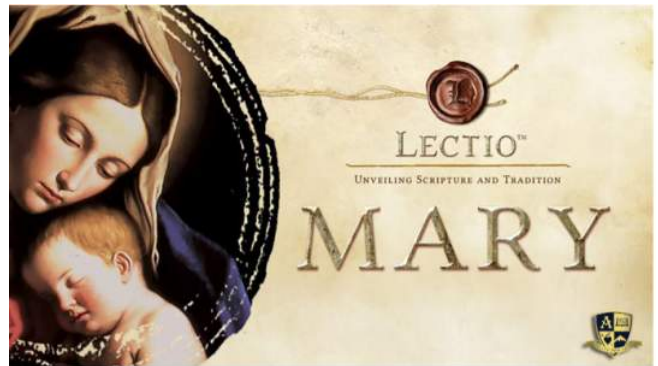
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Spring Bible Study at Holy Cross



For May, the month of Mary, we ask the question: who is Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and why is she so important to Catholics? In this series, "**MARY: The Bible and the Mother of God**" Dr Brant Pitre explores Sacred Scripture and the connections between the Old and New Testaments. As always, we study at your convenience, either Monday evenings or Wednesday mornings, so PICK THE TIME that is best for you. We have valuable group discussions after the videos, and light refreshments are provided.

When: Mondays, May 5 thru June 23 --- 7:00 – 8:30 **PM** - in the Holy Cross Parish Center

Or: Wednesdays, May 7 thru June 25 ---9:15 – 10:45 **AM** – in the Holy Cross Parish Center

Please join us and bring a friend! Come a few minutes early to meet others and to get your seat. If you attend the Wednesday morning session, please also join us for 8:30 Mass that morning.

It is always helpful to have a headcount. We have comprehensive workbooks available at a discounted group price of \$20. To save a seat or for more information, contact Jane Collins at elizabeth.collins3@verizon.net, or 610.623.3412.



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