

# HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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APRIL 2, 2023 • PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening ..... 4:30 PM  
 Sunday, Upper Church ..... 8:30 and 11:00 AM  
 Holy Day ..... As announced  
 Tuesday through Saturday ..... 8:30 AM  
 No Mass Monday

## NEW PARISHIONERS

All Catholics living in the parish should register. Stop by the Business Office, Monday through Thursday, 9:00AM - 12:00PM or 1:00PM - 4:00PM or register online by accessing the registration forms on our website under parish registration.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(Entrance through the middle, rear door of the Church)  
 Monday-Thursday only... 8:00 AM-4:00 PM  
 Friday..... Closed

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:30 to 4:15 PM or by appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 12:00 PM.

First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made at least six months before the intended wedding date. Weddings are reserved for active parishioners. Pre-Cana Session is required. Please call Parish Office for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call Deacon Thomas Taylor or the Parish Office when a parishioner is hospitalized or home bound.



# 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?

## 2023 Holy Week Schedule

### Sacrament of Penance

Monday, April 3: 7:00 PM—8:00 PM

Friday, April 7: 9:00 AM—10:00 AM

Saturday, April 8: 9:00 AM—10:00 AM

### Holy Thursday, April 6

No Morning Mass

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

Adoration follows

Night Prayer: 10:00 PM

### Good Friday, April 7

Morning Prayer: 8:30 AM

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

### Holy Saturday, April 8

Morning Prayer: 8:30 AM

Easter Vigil: 8:00 PM

There is no 4:30 Mass.

### Easter Sunday, April 9

Masses: 8:30 & 11:00 am

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

## Palm Sunday

### Reading I: Isaiah 50: 4-7

The servant-prophet places his confidence in God, so that he can face any neglect, even the spittle on his face. Jesus did not shield His face from such insult.

### Reading II: Philippians 2: 6-11

St. Paul quotes an early Church hymn that puts Christ's debasement in the context of His love and offers a haunting tribute to His humility. As it continues there is also a celebration of Christ's triumph.

### The Gospel: Matthew 26: 14 -27: 66, or 27: 11-54

Closely following the account of Mark, Matthew expands on it with details that enrich our understanding of Christ's ordeal, in which He offers His life on the cross for us sinners.



# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

## MONDAY, APRIL 3

8:30 AM - No Mass

## TUESDAY, APRIL 4

8:30 AM - Catherine Tropa

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

8:30 AM - Thomas Miller

## THURSDAY, APRIL 6

7:00 PM - Priests' Intentions

## FRIDAY, APRIL 7

3:00 PM - Liturgy of the Passion of Our Lord

## SATURDAY, APRIL 8

8:30 AM - No Morning Mass

8:00 PM - Priests' Intentions

## SUNDAY, APRIL 9

8:30 AM - Priests' Intentions

11:00 AM - Phyliss Kapusta

## The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

"And when He entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked 'who is this?' " ---Matthew 21:10

In ancient Middle Eastern countries, leaders would ride in on horses if they were going to war, but on a donkey if they came in peace. Jesus is the best kind of royal figure: just, gentle, and humble. He comes not to conquer, but to save.

# SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church: Steve Austin

Chapel: Jeffrey Scolis

## COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need \$12,820

Weekly Collection, March 26

Total \$7,450

Electronic \$2,517

Basket & Mail-Ins \$4,933

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Consiglia Borreli     | Maryanne McCauley     |
| Lyndi Butler          | Richard McCullough    |
| Mary Ann Carroll      | Larry McCusker        |
| Maryann Convery       | Francis Murray        |
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| Ken Kull              | Betty Tomczyk         |
| Mary Kull             | Rosemarie Colaberdino |
| Kendall Lambert       | Madalyn Parr          |
| Zachary Halbing       | Carter Claire Walton  |
| Deacon Joe Gousie     | Mike Calbertta        |
| Lee Anne McGough      | Louise Casciano       |
| Joann Marks           |                       |

## Holy Week Missions

Holy Week Missions have become one of the most life-changing events for many high schoolers around the area. Each year we have over 100 high schoolers come with us for a week into Kensington and Center City to bring Christ to each person we encounter. In order for us to be able to support our missionaries during the week, we need your help with meal donations. The QR code will bring you to a link with all our food needs during Holy Week. Thank you for your generosity and openness to help.

If you think a link is preferred, here it is:  
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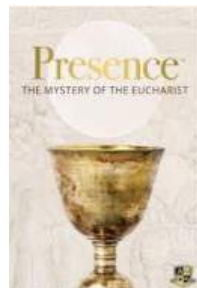
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## PRO-LIFE PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED

Prayer warriors needed to commit to saying 5 Hail Mary prayers each day to petition Our Blessed Mother for the end of abortion through the conversion of hearts and minds. Abortion needs to become unthinkable.

## Church Cleaning

The next Church cleaning will take place on Tuesday, 4/4/2023, after the 8:30 am Mass. Extra hands are always welcome.



## Spring Bible Study

“Presence: The Mystery of The Eucharist”

Do you think you know all about the Sacrament of the Eucharist? Come and see what you may not know! The Holy Cross Bible Study team will present a FREE 6 week study of this “source and summit” of the Christian life. Workbooks will be provided for this series. There will be short videos and valuable group discussions. Light refreshments will be served. We will present this at 2 different times, so PICK THE TIME that is best for you.

When: Mondays, April 17 thru May 22 ---7:00 to 8:30pm - in the Holy Cross Parish Center

OR: Wednesdays, April 19 thru May 24 ---9:15 to 10:45am – in the Holy Cross Parish Center

The Bible Study is free. Come a few minutes early to meet others and get your seat. Please join us!

It is helpful for us to have a headcount to ensure we have enough workbooks. To save a seat or for more information, contact Pattie Stevens at [pattiejstevens@comcast.net](mailto:pattiejstevens@comcast.net) or 484.868.8571.

# FORMED

A Free Gift to you from Holy Cross Parish  
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Here are 2 beautiful selections for April. “Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage” walks through the locations of the Holy Week story. “Divine Mercy with Fr Michael Gaitley” is a 10 part series that tells the story of God’s mercy in His message to St Faustina. If you haven’t already done so, go to <https://signup.formed.org> to begin exploring all the content on FORMED. Enter ZIP code “19064” and select “Holy Cross Parish” from the drop-down menu, press “Next.” Enter your name and email address, and you will receive an email for a link to sign in. No password is needed and you will have full access to the site. ENJOY!

## Food Pantry Update

The Pantry continues to support our community's "Most in Need" Delco Neighbors and we want to send Special Thanks to you for your efforts.

- Our Holy Cross school children did an Awesome job with their "Personal Items" collection during Catholic Schools Week. The pantry received all the collected items. (Our clients often ask for these... and we provide personal items when we have them...) How Blessed we are for the support.

- Also, our Knights of Columbus participated in the "Souper Bowl of Caring" effort and provided over 2700 food items to our pantry. In addition to the food collection, some of the Knights volunteer at our pantry each week.... A Great Collaborative effort.

If you are able, we are in need of mac&cheese, cereal, canned meat / tuna, peanut butter, pasta sauce (no glass please) and pasta.

If you know anyone in need for food in Delco, please share that the pantry is open every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 in back of Holy Cross School.

Thank you all for your generosity and prayers.

God Bless,  
Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Holy Cross Food Pantry

## Eucharistic Adoration

And Jesus said to them "...remain here and keep watch with me." ---Matthew 26:38  
We are blessed to have a very INTIMATE Eucharistic Adoration chapel at Holy Cross Parish, where JESUS is waiting for YOU. In good times and in bad, **JESUS LOVES YOU.**

We are in need of visitors and hourly adorers to maintain our current adoration schedule. Please consider keeping Jesus company in our chapel, open weekdays 9:00am to 7:00pm. For more information, call Eileen at 610.213.3369.

### THE POWER OF ADORATION

St. Teresa of Calcutta has said that without Eucharistic Adoration she would never have been able to do what she did to the level she did it. She even hinted that without it she would have burned out. Mother Teresa required her sisters to do a daily Holy Hour that gave them strength and peace to accomplish their extraordinary work among the poorest of the poor. She attributed the doubling of vocations to the Missionaries of Charity to the nuns' faithful hour of Adoration.

## SAVE THE DATES!



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

April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Annual Flea Market



June 4<sup>th</sup> - 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Parish Family Fun Day



October 7<sup>th</sup> - Beef N Beer



Holy Cross All Class - All Parish Reunion



Nov 4<sup>th</sup> – Annual Craft Fair



## ROSARY GROUP

The Holy Rosary is prayed every weekday morning in the church immediately after the 8:30 Mass. Please join us! Your prayers and suggestions are most welcome.

## Drexel Swim Club - become a member!

Looking for something fun to do this summer? Make a splash at Drexel Swim Club! With new renovations and upgrades, family-friendly events, and the home of the Drexel Dolphins Swim Team, we truly are the place to be! We are currently accepting new members and would love to have you and your family! For pricing and inquiries, please email us at [DrexelSwimClubMembership@gmail.com](mailto:DrexelSwimClubMembership@gmail.com).

## Holy Cross School News

Holy Cross students enjoyed a little time away from the classroom to attend two assemblies sponsored by our generous Home and School Association. Grades 4 through 8 enjoyed guest speaker Eddie Cortes. Mr. Cortes mission is to empower students to build resilience and positive self-worth.

Our younger grades enjoyed watching Puss and Boots performed by the traveling theater group Family Stages.

Our Krispy Kreme Doughnuts sale will begin on Monday, April 17, and end on Friday, April 28. The cost will be \$15.00 a dozen. This is a pre-order sale, parishioners who would like to purchase, please visit us in the back vestibules of church the weekends of April 15 and 29. Delivery date and details regarding pick-up will be forthcoming.

Our students will start their Easter break with a half day of school on Wednesday, April 5 and return on Wednesday, April 12. When they return on Wednesday students will have their Spring pictures taken and our 8th grade will pose for their graduation photos..

Please continue to keep our 2nd grade students at Holy Cross and our PREP class as they continue to prepare for the sacrament of First Holy Communion in May.

Parents/Parishioners please do not forget to follow us on social media: Instagram handle: hcs.crusaders  
Twitter handle: HCS\_Crusaders  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/people/Holy-Cross-Catholic-School/100085015732347/>

## DIVINE MERCY

SUNDAY - APRIL 16, 2023  
at St. Joseph Church  
500 Woodlawn Ave  
Collingdale PA 19023

There will be a Holy Hour to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday from 2:00 to 3:30PM. This Holy Hour will include recitation of the rosary and chaplet of Divine Mercy, readings from The Diary of St. Faustina, and ending with Benediction. All are welcomed.

"I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment". On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened". (Diary,699)



Coming to Saint Francis  
of Assisi Parish:

### A Presentation on The Shroud of Turin

A Silent Witness of the Passion, Death  
& Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ



Lecture Presentation by Mr. Massimo Paris  
Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 7:00 PM  
In Church  
136 Saxer Avenue, Springfield, PA 19064

Mr. Paris, born and raised in Rome, Italy, has studied all the aspects of the Holy Shroud, the ancient linen cloth that bears the image of a crucified man, believed by millions to be Jesus Christ. A life size replica of the Shroud will be displayed. For information please call Massimo Paris at 610-356-6778.

[A basket will be available for those who may wish to make a free-will donation.]

## Bereavement Support Group

St. Bernadette's Church

Starts: Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Time: 7:00 to 8:30 Tuesday evenings for 8 weeks

Where: The Wright Center, 1st Floor, St. Bernadette's Church, Harper Ave. Drexel Hill, Pa, 19026. Park in lot between School and Church on Harper Ave.

More Information: Call George Salloom @ 610 306-0252 or email- [georgesalloom@hotmail.com](mailto:georgesalloom@hotmail.com). Experienced bereavement group facilitator.

Program is open to adults who have experienced the death of a family member or friend 18 years or older. Eight-week commitment is encouraged. Reading material will be available. There is no fee for the program and the program is non-denominational.



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