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APRIL 3, 2022 • THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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. Our Welcome Center located in the hallway behind the sanctuary is open on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(Entrance through the middle, rear door of the Church)
 Monday-Thursday only ... 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
 Friday..... 8:00 AM-2:30 PM
 (Closed for lunch 12:00-1:00 PM)

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.

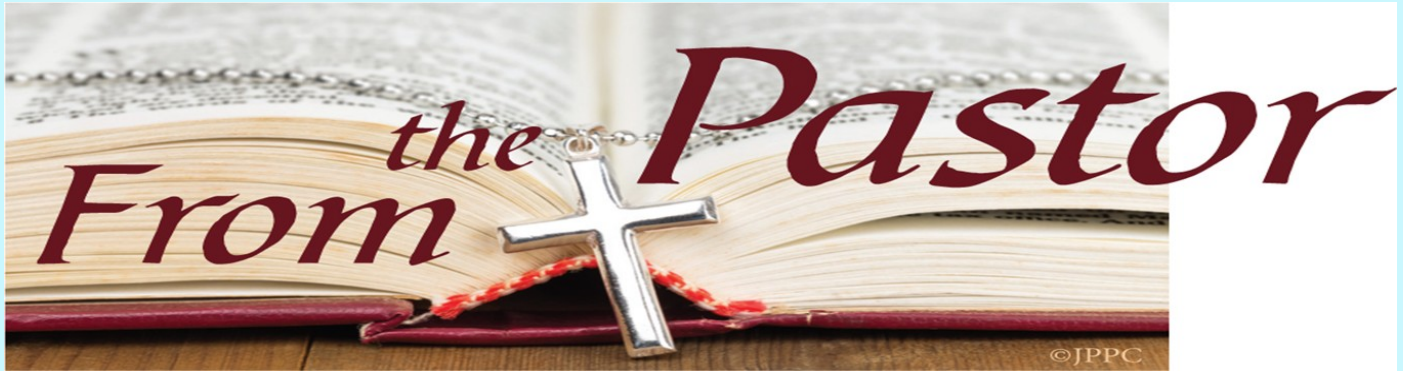
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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.



Last chance! The Disciple Maker Index closes TOMORROW! (Monday, April 4). If you haven't completed this important survey, please go to our website and click the image that will take you there. It only takes a few minutes, and the result will help us plan future pastoral initiatives and programs in the parish.

As of my writing this, we are up to 162 completed surveys. I was kind of hoping we'd get to 200, which would put us at a higher-than-average completion rate and make us stand out a bit. Are there 38 people reading this who can take a few minutes to help us hit this goal? We will get the results in a few weeks, and after taking some time to digest, I'll share some of the key findings here in the bulletin.

Next week is Holy Week! (Already!) You should have gotten a schedule of services in the mail. The schedule will also be posted to our website and available here in the bulletin. I would encourage everyone to review the schedule for changes to what may have been the usual schedule in prior years. Between disruptions caused to familiar routines by the pandemic and the changes in some of our parish staff, some things may have been tweaked as we get settled. I hope you and your family will make plans to join us for the beautiful liturgies of this most sacred time of the year.

At the beginning of Lent, volunteers from our Evangelization and Faith Formation committee offered a three-part series on the Sacrament of Penance using the videos from Formed.org. I hear the sessions were well-attended, and it seems like the program was a great success. A big thank you to all who participated, and an even bigger thank you to the members of the team who put the series together. If you didn't get a chance to join them, you can always watch the videos for free on Formed—along with a whole host of other great content to help you learn and grow in your own faith.

Finally, don't forget that the Knights of Columbus are running pancake breakfast this weekend! Join them Sunday morning in the school gym for some good food and an opportunity to socialize with your fellow parishioners.

Have a great week!

Fr. Kiernan



MONDAY	APRIL 4
8:30 AM	No Mass
TUESDAY	APRIL 5
8:30 AM	Betty McGarvey
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 6
8:30 AM	Thomas Miller
THURSDAY	APRIL 7
8:30 AM	Francelline (Sissy) Tucker
FRIDAY	APRIL 8
8:30 AM	Mary Ann Purcell

NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	APRIL 9
8:30 AM	Sue Dunfee
4:30 PM	Thomas, Judge, Sr.
SUNDAY	APRIL 10 (Palm Sunday)
8:30 AM	Dorothy & Thomas Cassidy
11:00 AM	People of Holy Cross

Mass Intention Correction

Sunday, April 3, 2022, 8:30 AM Mass is for
Bob Miller

Church Cleaning

A note of thanks to our Holy Cross cleaning ladies who continue to help keep our church and chapel clean! We are blessed and you are appreciated. Next church cleaning is Tuesday, April 12, after the 8:30 am Mass. If there is a funeral on April 12, the cleaning will be done on Wednesday, April 13, Extra hands are always welcomed. Contact Dolores Morroni 610-715-1328.

SANTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church: Mr. Patrick Purcell

Chapel: Deacon Gerry Cassidy & Family



Sunday Collection, March 27

Total Collection	\$7,802
Electronic	\$2,658
Basket & Main-Ins	\$5,144

The Disciple Maker Index Survey

Time is Running Out!

Please Read and Help!

Don't forget to share your feedback on the Disciple Maker Index! The Survey is LIVE and will be open until **April 4, 2022**. You can visit <http://holycrosscatholics.org> and click on the picture when the slide about the survey shows up. If you prefer a paper copy, you may pick it up after daily Masses. They will be located in the **Church Business Office**. To submit the completed paper survey, please drop off **at the Business Office**. To make special arrangements for getting a paper copy, please contact Terry Carey at 610-626-3321. We really need your help in making this a success, so please participate!

Literature Racks

The literature racks have been restocked for Lent. Pick up a book or booklet to take on your Lenten journey. There are also books and DVDs to share with your (grand)kids.



Pray for the Sick of our Parish

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Steven Henderson
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Ken Kull
Mary Kull
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Larry McCusker
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The Corner

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"Confession is an act of honesty and courage – an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God. It is an act of the prodigal son who returns to his Father and is welcomed by Him with the kiss of peace."

---Pope St John Paul II

TECA Restaurant is proud to Support Holy Family Home

Join The Little Sisters of the Poor for dinner on Wednesday, April 13, at Teca Restaurant, 4-9PM. 20% of your bill will benefit the elderly residents at Holy Family Home. Teca is located at 191 S. Newtown Street Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073. Call 484-420-4010 for reservations! Be Sure to express your desire in supporting the Little Sisters of the Poor! We are grateful for your assistance. www.tecanewtownsquare.com

Lenten Confession Schedule 2022

Thursday Mornings, 7:00-8:00 AM

April 7

No Confessions Holy Thursday

Saturday Afternoons, 3:30-4:15 PM

April 9

No Confessions Holy Saturday Afternoon

Additional Opportunities

Saturday, April 9: 9:00 – 10:00 AM*

Palm Sunday, April 10: 10:00 – 10:45 AM

Monday of Holy Week, April 11:

7:00 – 8:00 PM

Good Friday, April 15: 9:30 – 10:00 AM*

Holy Saturday, April 16: 9:30 – 10:00 AM*

**(Start time will be shortly after the conclusion of the earlier liturgical celebration.)*

IHM Conference Center

401 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Bryn Mawr

Conference Day: "Laudato Si: Care for our Common Home"

Tuesday, April 26, 2022, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Sister Julia Keegan, OSF

Stipend: \$40 (includes Continental Breakfast, lunch and Mass)

This day will be a reflection on "Laudato Si," the encyclical by Pope Francis addressed to "every person living on this planet". It is a call to enter into a dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet and a teaching about humankind's responsibility to care for God's creation and protect and care for the most vulnerable. To register please call 610-581-0120 or

Fast and Abstinence and Other Acts of Penance for Lent

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday (with the exception of Friday, March 25, The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord). Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light. All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.





Food Pantry Update

Everyone is definitely focused on special works of mercy this Lenten Season. Our neighboring St. Kevin's community (Coordinated by their Knights of Columbus) ran a food drive last weekend and we were the grateful recipient of 6 carloads of food and personal items for our Most in Need Neighbors. This will go a long way to stock our shelves. Great Team Effort St. Kevins!

As we have shared before, with the increased cost of food and personal items, our pantry continues to be busy. Our parishioners have supported our St. Vincent dePaul Conference with your contributions in the "Help the Needy" church envelopes and food donations. Not sure if we tell you enough.... *we appreciate all of your generosity and prayerful support.*

If you are able, we are always in need of cereal, pancakes and syrup, pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, veggies, canned meats, mac & cheese, spaghetti, juice, kiddie treats, paper towels and toilet paper.

If you know any Delco residents in need of food, please let them know our pantry is open on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30PM.

God Bless All of You,
Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Society Holy Cross Food Pantry

St. Kevin Pioneers Club, Springfield, PA

St. Kevin Pioneers Club is planning an event. The event is *David*, Sight and Sound Millennium Theater on Tuesday, May 10. Cost is \$145 per person. Lunch is included. Contact information is Mary Nagle at 610-566-3239 or Betsy Boyd at 610-627-4991.

Spring Bible Study "Our Father"

Do you think you really know the "Our Father"? We will dig deeper into the richness and meaning of this beautiful gift of prayer that was given to us by Jesus Himself. This Study will be offered at 2 different times, so pick the option that works best for you! Bring your bible, or we will have some available for you to use. Light refreshments will be served.

When: Monday evenings April 18 through May 23 --- 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm OR Wednesday mornings April 20 through May 25 --- 9:15 am to 10:45 am.
Where: Holy Cross Parish Center

More Information: Contact Pattie Stevens
484.868.8571

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****April Watchlist****

In this blessed season of Lenten preparation and Easter, we have some appropriate suggestions for April for viewing by the whole family.

Go directly to the **"Lent"** banner on the Homepage. There are so many choices! Here's a few:

FORMED Live: Understanding Palm Sunday --- a 30 minute discussion about the meaning and symbolism behind this Holy Day.

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage --- a 29 minute tour and commentary on Jesus' path to Calvary, filled with real-life images and artwork (not graphic, suitable for all ages).

The Shroud of Turin --- an 18 minute discussion about the miraculous and scientific background of the Shroud.

And of course, if you haven't already watched it, **FORGIVEN: The Transforming Power of Confession** --- a beautiful series on God's gift of this Holy Sacrament.

Crab Cake Sales are BACK! The Knights of Columbus at St. Kevin's will be having an Easter Crab Cake Sale. All proceeds will be donated to UKRAINIAN RELIEF. We will be taking pre-paid orders after all Masses on Saturday, March 26, Sunday, March 27, Saturday, April 2 and Sunday, April 3. Orders can also be mailed in to Mike Diemidio, 305 West Ave., Springfield, PA 19064. Questions can be made to Mike at 610-761-4007. All orders must be received by Sunday, April 3. Orders must be picked up at the St. Kevin Parish Life Center, 200 W. Sproul Rd., Springfield on Thursday, April 7 between the hours of 4:15 and 7:00pm. Thanks in advance for your support and we wish you a very Blessed and Happy Easter Season with family and friends!



If you are a 7th, 8th, or Transfer student looking for a remarkable all-girls, Catholic, College prep high school, visit Merion Mercy this spring to see if our school would be a good fit for you. We offer several visiting opportunities for both students and parents, as well as private tours. Register at <https://www.merion-mercy.com/page.cfm?p=815> and learn more about Merion's visit opportunities.

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Spring Cleaning, De-Cluttering, Down-Sizing???

Here is a chance to make some money on your things ...

Community Flea Market @ Holy Cross Church - Saturday April 23rd

9:00AM – 3PM

If you are interested in renting a space, contact us at HCDdevelopmentFund@gmail.com

Household Items - Tools - Garden Items - Books - Clothing – Furniture -
Art - Jewelry
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Holy Cross School Principal's Corner

During the Lenten season the children are attending the Stations of the Cross on Friday afternoons. This has been a tradition of the church for many years.

Students in the 7th grade were confirmed on Sunday, March 6, by Bishop Senior. The students were able **to answer the bishop's questions with ease. We pray** that the Holy Spirit will strengthen the students in their faith and guide them throughout this life.

We are in need of 2 people for our CARES program. The hours are from 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm. There is no CARES on half-days or when school is closed. Clearances are needed, and we will help you obtain them. If you are interested, please call Dr. WorriLOW at 610-626-1709.

We are taking registrations for the new school year. If you are interested, please register now as there is no guarantee there will be a spot for your child(ren). Have a great week! God bless you!

Dr. WorriLOW



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus #15482 will be holding their Semi-Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 3, from 8:00AM until 1:00PM. Tickets for the breakfast will be \$10 for Adults and \$9 for Kids (12 & Under). There will be advanced discounted tickets sold at \$9 for Adults and \$8 for Kids (12 & Under). Advanced discounted tickets will be sold after all Masses on the weekends of March 19 & 20 and March 26 & 27. Tickets will also be available from any of the Knights before April 3. Remember, "It's More Than Just Pancakes!"

St. Philomena School, Lansdowne ALL CLASS REUNION AND MASS

A Mass & reunion is being planned for Saturday, May 14, 2022. For more information, please contact Suzanne McShane Hall '76 at suzhall@verizon.net or 610-331-2630. We hope you can join 100 years of graduates.

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