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APRIL 9, 2023 • EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION 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

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Happy and Blessed Easter!

A word of thanks is due to all those who have played a role in our liturgical celebrations over the past week. Our choir under the direction of Grete Ingalls always blesses us with the gift of sacred music. A lot of work has to happen behind-the-scenes to set up and clean up pretty quickly for all the special liturgies, and I'm grateful to John Kemmey, Martin McCann, and Zach Maiorano for keeping everything going. Deacon Tom and our altar servers, along with the lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are also invaluable to all the liturgical celebrations. And of course, thanks to all of you, our Holy Cross family, for your participation in the celebrations of Holy Week.

I want to offer a special welcome to all those who are visiting us today, or those who are coming back to this corner of Delco to visit with family for the holiday. We're glad you're here. And a special welcome to those who join us on Easter but perhaps aren't here on other Sundays. We'd love to see you more often.

Given that we do have a larger-than-normal congregation on Easter, this is a good opportunity to talk briefly about parish membership and registration. We routinely receive requests for various letters of reference from the parish. They're needed if someone is asked to be a godparent/sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. They may be needed for applications for scholarships for kids or for employment for those looking to work in a Church-related organization. It's happening more and more that such a request comes in, and we find that the person making the request does not appear in our database. That's usually a clear indication that the person is not really a part of parish life and is not coming to Mass regularly. In fairness, it's not possible for us to provide any kind of reference that says the person is. Sometimes people assume they are registered in the parish and are surprised to find out that they are not.

I'd like to encourage everyone to verify that you are actually registered here at Holy Cross so we don't end up in an awkward situation down the road. There's an easy way to check. If you're getting regular mailings of envelopes from us, you're in our database. If you're not getting envelopes (and you haven't told us not to send them since you use e-giving), then odds are we don't have you in our database. If you've realized that this applies to you, please call or e-mail the parish office, and we'll be happy to get you the information you need so we can add you to our records.

Once again, Happy Easter!



Reading I: Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

St. Peter's sermon amounts to a summary of Jesus' earthly life, followed by the definite proclamation that "this man God raised on the third day." He will be the judge of everyone.

Reading II: Colossians 3: 1-4

St. Paul's reference to Christ as "seated at the right hand of God" was often used in the early church to point out how the Old Testament promises about the coming Messiah had been fulfilled.

The Gospel: John 20: 1-9

John not only describes here the miracle of "the first day of the week" but also insists that Jesus "had to rise from the dead." The very core of our faith.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, APRIL 10

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

8:30 AM - Constance Croushore

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

8:30 AM - Mary Ann Purcell

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

7:00 PM - Augustus (Gus) Ranieri (10 th Anniversary)

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

3:00 PM - Chas (Chuck) Bobelick

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

8:30 AM - Dorothy & Thomas Cassidy and Dorothy Ruane

4:30 PM - The People of Holy Cross

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

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

11:00 AM - The Living & Deceased Members of the Casciano Family

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

“On entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, ‘Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; He is not here.’” ---Mark 16:5-6

Christ’s Resurrection from the dead gives us our ultimate hope. We cannot call ourselves Christian if we are “hopeless,” for our hope is truly in Christ and our everlasting life with Him in Heaven.

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week’s Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church: Parishioners of Holy Cross

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Due to the Easter Holidays the numbers for the Sunday Collection were not available at the time of Bulletin submission.

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 |
| Bill DeVuono | Charlotte O’Leary |
| George Dickinson | Paige O’Leary |
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| Carolyn Henderson | Ronnie Sidebottom |
| Steven Henderson | Joseph Sindoni |
| Jimmy Keating | Adeline Sulpizio |
| Carole Kime | Jean Super |
| Natalie Giorgio Kitts | Valerie Thompson |
| 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 | |

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

ROSARY GROUP

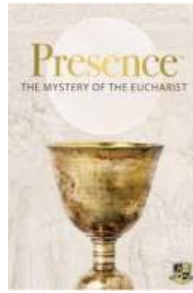
The Holy Rosary is prayed every weekday morning in the church immediately after the 8:30 Mass. Please join us! Your prayers and suggestions are most welcome.

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!



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 or 484.868.8571.



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.

Married Couples

"Live your best life in love" in Spring 2023: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? The next in-person experience April 21-23 will be held at Sheraton Great Valley, Frazer. For more info visit: <https://www.wvme-philly.org/>.

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He is Risen

Mothers' Home Charity Golf Tournament

Monday, May 15, 2023 at Paxon Hollow Country Club
Noon lunch / 1:00PM Shotgun Start
Please join us for a fun day of lunch, golf, cocktail reception, and outdoor barbeque on Monday, May 15th at the beautiful Paxon Hollow Country Club in support of Mothers' Home in Darby. Mothers' Home's mission is to transform the lives of pregnant women in crisis by providing safe housing and programs that prepare them for motherhood and provide a strong foundation for themselves and their children.
For more information and registration please visit our golf website: www.mothershomegolf.com.

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)

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/>

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 22nd – Annual Flea Market



June 4th - 75th Anniversary - Parish Family Fun Day



October 7th - Beef N Beer



Holy Cross All Class - All Parish Reunion



Nov 4th – Annual Craft Fair



Upcoming Events Benefiting The Little Sisters of the Poor

Teca Restaurant Fundraiser for General Operating
April 13, 2023
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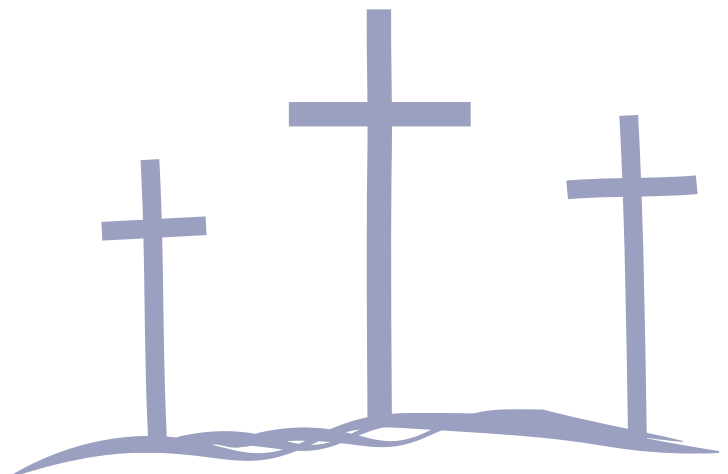
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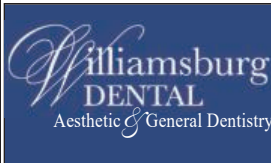
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