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To receive e-mail and text updates from the parish, text
holycrossdelco to 84576.

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, AUGUST 20, 2023



FROM THE PASTOR

While on vacation the other week, the first day of school happened for the local school district. I couldn't believe it: they start school on August 10! Around here the big debate is whether we should start before or after Labor Day. Imagine starting three weeks earlier. Either way, the reality is that it's back-to-school time, even for us.

This week, our school faculty will be gathering for their back-to-school organizational day, and next week, the buses roll and the students will be roaming the halls of Holy Cross School once again. It looks like our enrollment will be up a little bit compared to last year. Parents are still calling the school office to inquire about the school, coming for tours, and enrolling their children. It's great to see so much interest in our parish school!

With the looming end of summer, some of our activities start to resume again at the parish. A new Bible Study series is about to start; take a look and check it out. You may learn something interesting. The choir will soon resume rehearsals; they are always looking for new voices.

Finally this week, mark your calendars for our 75th anniversary Beef and Beer party. It will be on October 7 in the school gym. Music, food, drinks, dancing, and an opportunity for a whole lot of fun. I hope you'll plan to join us!

20th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7: The LORD calls for righteousness and justice. Foreigners who love and serve Him, keeping the covenant and observing the Sabbath, will find acceptance in His house—a house of prayer for all nations.

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32: Brothers and sisters, as the apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify my ministry, making my race envious for salvation. Rejection brings reconciliation, and God's gifts and call endure. Mercy awaits all.

Matthew 15:21-28: A Canaanite woman pleads for Jesus' help, seeking healing for her possessed daughter. Though initially hesitant, Jesus praises her great faith. Her daughter is healed instantly.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 21

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

8:30 AM - Dr. Nicholas Robak

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

8:30 AM - Donna Kay

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30 AM - Angie Testa

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

8:30 AM - John P. Doherty

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

8:30 AM - No Mass

4:30 PM - Eleanor Miller

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

8:30 AM - Tony Carlino

11:00 AM - For the People of the Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church: **Tracy Katz**

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Due to the summer vacation schedules 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 | Richard McCullough |
| Lyndi Butler | Larry McCusker |
| Mary Ann Carroll | Francis Murray |
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| George Dickinson | Paige O'Leary |
| Bob Frankenberger | Katherine Patrone |
| Dawn Gibbons | Mary Rafferty |
| 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 | Alexander Passquini |
| Maryanne McCauley | Melissa Dunsee |
| Linda Hackett | Brian O'Riordan |
| Matthew Bannon | Mildred Mancini |
| Mary Ann Nero | |

The Corner

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When you carry the Bible, satan has a headache; when you open it, he collapses. When he sees you reading it, he loses his strength, and when you stand on the Word of God, satan can't hurt you!

Parish Secretary Needed

Part-time Tuesday & Thursday 9AM-4PM
St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill. Please
see the link below for a detailed job
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Wanted: Singers and Musicians

Choir season starts in September. We are already preparing for 2 big events this year; our Christmas and Easter concerts. We are always looking for additional voices, and we especially need some male voices. You don't have to read music in order to join us, you just need to enjoy singing. We practice on Tuesday evenings, and we sing the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at the 11:00 Mass, plus some other holidays and special events.

In addition to the choir, if you play an instrument at an intermediate level or above and would like to add to the beauty of our Liturgy, we'd like for you to be part of our music ministry.

For more information, please contact our Music Director, Grete Ingalls, at greteingalls@hotmail.com or 267.253.4007.

Alumni Giving/Sponsor a Student

Calling all Holy Cross Alumni and Parishioners: If you are interested in donating to Holy Cross School, please check out our website

www.hcscrusaders.com.

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The faculty, staff and students thank you for your support.

Holy Cross School CARES

Holy Cross School is searching for a part-time employee for their afterschool CARES program. CARES Staff provide a safe and joyful environment for students who stay after school until their parents pick them up. This position would begin with the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. The hours are 2:30pm until approximately 6:00pm, Monday through Friday when school is in session for a full day. CARES is not offered on early dismissal days for students.

Qualified and interested candidates please send your resume and cover letter to espurrier@hcscrusaders.com. If the position is offered, the candidate will be required to complete the "Protecting God's Children training" Clearances will be required as well as other documentation.

Holy Cross School Welcomes New Principal: Mr. Salvatore



Mr. Salvatore is a third-generation teacher, following in his mother's and grandfather's footsteps. He has a strongly rooted Catholic faith, in which he and his wife, Jennifer actively

model and teach the Catholic values to their two daughters, Caileigh and Victoria. He finds it important to positively impact people daily by modeling the Catholic values and teaching, and asking oneself, "What good have you done today?" He believes in the philosophy that there is not a saint without a past, nor a sinner without a future.

Mr. Salvatore comes with several years' experience as a classroom teacher and strong years of experience as an administrator. A graduate of Penn State University, Cabrini University, Widener University and Point Park University, Mr. Salvatore earned his bachelor's in arts with a minor Art History, his master's in education, Educational Leadership & Administrative certification and completed additional graduate studies. He is a lifelong learner who has a wealth of knowledge, information, and practice to cultivate and grow a vibrant school community. His primary beliefs in education are to teach students as if they are their own children, and great educators make learning relevant and therefore are surprised by their students daily.

Mr. Salvatore is an advocate for researching and applying proven educational practices to increase the quality of education for the staff and students. Bringing the community members together to help grow and serve the school and greater community is an aspiring goal for Mr. Salvatore. He envisions that all school community members can use their many, different, God given gifts and talents to work together as One Body of Christ.

If you would like more information about our school, please contact Mrs. Spurrier at espurrier@hcscrusaders.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

MARRIED COUPLES – "Live your best life in love" in 2023: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? The next in-person experiences are Sept. 15-17 and Nov. 10-12 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/>.

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We hope you enjoyed the Divine Mercy series during Eastertide! Summer is here and you can try these 2 favorites to keep the kids entertained for hours. For your teens, go to the banner "Saints" and be inspired by the true stories and movies you'll find there. 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!

Autumn Bible Study-- The Chosen!!



We're back with Season 3 of The Chosen! We will be showing all 8 episodes of Season 3 of The Chosen. If you haven't heard of it, this is a beautiful series about Jesus' ministry while on Earth. The actual biblical quotes are true, but the other scenes attempt to fill in the blanks about His everyday life. There will be group discussions after the videos, exploring the related Bible passages and the video production details. Light refreshments will be served.

We will show this at 2 different times, so PICK THE TIME that is best for you.

When: Mondays, September 11 thru October 30 --- 7:00 – 8:30 PM - in the Holy Cross Parish Center

Or: Wednesdays, September 13 thru November 1 ---9:15 – 10:45 AM – in the Holy Cross Parish Center

The Bible Study is free! A workbook is NOT necessary, but if you'd like to have one, you can order that on Amazon. Just search for "The Chosen, Season 3", the dark gray book is called "The Way of The Chosen: An Interactive Bible Study (Volume3)". Please join us!

To save a seat or for more information, contact Pattie Stevens at pattiejstevens@comcast.net or 484.868.8571.

Fall Bereavement Support Group St. Bernadette's Church

Starts: Tuesday, September 5, 2023

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

Where: The Wright Center, 1st Floor

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

For more information and registration call George Salloom @ 610 306-0252 or email-georgesalloom@hotmail.com.

Catholic Support for Mental Health

Be Encouraged: Catholic Support for Mental Health Website (archphila.org/support) Resources to assist with healing, accompaniment, and flourishing. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a website with resources to support those who are experiencing mental health struggles and those who love them. The website offers links to find Catholic clinicians, local crisis response phone numbers and ministries that can assist with recovery and healing. In addition, there are tools to help parishes, schools and institutions cultivate a deeper awareness of and responsiveness to these realities, suffered by so many. Visit the Be Encouraged website at archphila.org/support.

Food Pantry Update

The summer has been challenging, since our Food Pantry "Neighbors in Need" volume continues to be high.

If you are able, we are in need of mac&cheese, cereal, canned meat / tuna, pasta sauce (no glass please) and pasta, peanut butter, jelly, rice, beans, oatmeal, kiddie treats and personal items (soap, body wash, shampoo, tissues).

We are adjusting our pantry hours for July and August to 3 until 5 on Wednesdays.. In September, we will return to our normal hours (3:30 to 5:30) on Wednesdays.

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

Thank you all for "All you do" for our Neighbors in Need with your generosity and prayers.

God Bless and Be Safe... as many of you travel over these summer months.

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Three Parish Book Club

The Book Club will resume meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 27 at Holy Cross Church Parish Center. Members will choose books for the coming year and will discuss the September selection. You need not have read the selected book to attend the meeting. If you would like more information, or if you would like to join us, please contact Joy Van Berg at joyvanberg@gmail.com. or 610 328-2095.

Summer Reading Suggestions

Best Wishes, Sister B by Fran Smith
Poetry by your favorite poet or some favorite poems

September

Voyage of Mercy by Stephen Puleo

Home Care Needed

Home Care Needed – Home Care needed to stay overnight with an elderly woman 2 or 3 nights per week. The elderly woman generally takes care of her own needs. The Home Care worker would need to do light housework. Please call (484) 343-6610 for details.

INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE (ST. ANASTASIA PARISH)

This is a basic 'getting to know the Bible' course that's very easy, interesting, practical, and fun! You will learn: how the Bible is laid out logically, how to find your way around it, what the overall story and timeline of the Bible is, how to pray with scripture, why the Bible matters to the Church, to the world today, and, most especially, to YOU!

Join us for three sessions on Wednesdays: August 9, 16, 23, 6:30 pm Come to one or all sessions! NO previous bible experience needed! There is no cost for these sessions! Bring a bible, but if you don't have one we will have some inexpensive bibles available for sale.

Location: Saint Anastasia Rectory basement meeting room, 3301 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA (enter through the rectory basement door)

Please let me know in advance if you are coming so that we have enough supplies available. To learn more, or to sign up contact Theresa Haggerty, 610-504-5558 or thaggerty@saintannies.org

Eucharistic Adoration



The Eucharist is described in the Catechism as the “source and summit” of our faith. Finding the time to go to Adoration can be difficult. But if you can make it happen, committing to regular Adoration with an open heart can have some surprising results.

You experience peace in other areas of your life Jesus said “Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you.” (John 14:27) The outward peace we can experience in Adoration (the quiet and the stillness) reaches much deeper. It leads to an inner peace that affects all areas of our lives. It doesn't mean everything in our life will be perfect and without suffering, but Christ's peace means we know the storms of life can't shake us.

We are in need of visitors and hourly adorers to maintain our current adoration schedule. Please consider keeping Jesus company in our intimate chapel here at Holy Cross Parish which is open weekdays 9:00am to 7:00pm. For more information, call Eileen at 610.213-3369.



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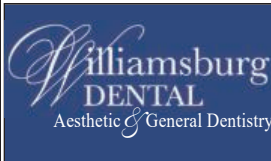
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