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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, FEBRUARY 25, 2024



FROM THE PASTOR

Make the Most of Lent!

Mercy Fasting Prayer

Sacrament of Penance

Thursdays: 7:00-8:00 AM
Saturdays: 3:30-4:15 PM
Monday, 3/25, 7:00-8:00PM
Good Friday, 9:00-10:00AM
Holy Saturday, 9:00-10:00AM
No Confessions Holy Thursday morning
or Holy Saturday afternoon



Visit our Chapel

Monday - Friday
9AM -- 7PM
Spend some quiet time
with Jesus!

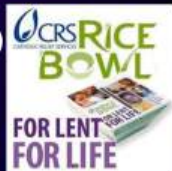
Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 2:00 and 7:00

Minimum Obligations

Fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
Limit of one meal and two snacks. Ages 18-59.
Abstinence: Ash Wednesday and All Fridays:
No meat. Ages 14+.

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2nd
Sunday of
Lent

Reading I: Genesis 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Abraham passes God's test of him, and we witness a powerful sign of the obedience we should give God. Reading to kill Isaac as ordered, his obedience is rewarded; the sword withdrawn, and a glorious reward is promised.

Reading II: Romans 8: 31b-34

This section is a hymn to the love of God for us is made plain to see in the Father's willingness to hand over His Son to death for our redemption, now that same Son intercedes for us with the Father.

The Gospel: Mark 9: 2-10

In the first part of this story Jesus is established as the beloved Son for all the world to know. In the second part, Jesus' obedient sonship is placed in the context of Jewish hopes about the kingdom and resurrection.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:30 AM - Richard Gregorio, Kathryn &
James Gregorio and Rita Creato

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

8:30 AM - Hawks Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

8:30 AM - Thomas Miller

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

8:30 AM - No Mass

4:30 PM - Joseph Lawn

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

8:30 AM - Thomas & Mary Furlong

11:00 AM - For the People of Holy Cross

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
intention is for:

Church - Teresa McCann

Chapel - John Kemmey



COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need \$13,350

Weekly Collection, February 18

Total \$6,298

Electronic \$2,131

Basket & Mail-Ins \$4,167

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Consiglia Borreli	Richard McCullough
Lyndi Butler	Larry McCusker
Mary Ann Carroll	Francis Murray
George Dickinson	Charlotte O'Leary
Dawn Gibbons	Paige O'Leary
Carolyn Henderson	Katherine Patrone
Steven Henderson	Mary Rafferty
Jimmy Keating	Ronnie Sidebottom
Natalie Giorgio Kitts	Joseph Sindoni
Ken Kull	Adeline Sulpizio
Mary Kull	Jean Super
Kendall Lambert	Valerie Thompson
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Bill Homony	Susan Cortese
Mary Ellen Sweeney	Andrea Emilia Bernabey
Roxanne Tamayo	Deacon Frankenberger

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

We say the St Michael prayer after every Mass. **But did you know....**

Pope Leo XIII wrote it in 1886, in response to liberalism in America and other countries, and as a protection for the Church against attacks from Hell.

Souper Bowl of Caring Collection

The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus along with members of the Holy Cross CVO and the Holy Cross Food Pantry volunteers recently collected over 1375 food and personal items from the Souper Bowl of Caring held on the weekend of February 10th & 11th. We wish to thank all of our parish members and local residents for their continual generosity year after year for this event.

Those who received the sacrament of Confirmation at Holy Cross on Sunday, February 25, 2024 by Bishop Michael J. Fitzgerald

Weston Christopher Barnes
Colin Patrick Becker
Maeve Theresa Bradley
Ciara Anastasia Campo
Allismary Mary Castillo
Edward Daniel Dath
Briella Anastasia Dorsa
Liam John Dougherty
Ryan Patrick Erickson
Isabella Catherine Fimple
Emmy Christina Hugo
Priscilla Anastasia Joseph
Jay Michael Maffei
James Patrick Maynard

Caden Roch McAveney
Serafina Lucy McAveney
Maura Katherine Myro
Max Allen Orio
Roman Clement Oropeza
Jack Matthew Palmer
Haley Rose Quinlan
Skylar Mary Ricciardi
Bryce Luke Ridore
Alaina Elizabeth Sammons
Emmett Abraham Saye
Shane Sebastian Shonleber
Parker Joseph Truax
Alexis Theresa Wainwright

Holy Cross Students Excel

Msgr. Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School - First Semester

Sean Erickson, Class of 2026 received First Honors

Josyn Dilbeck, Class of 2024, Brett Johnson and Salvatore Squillacioti, Class of 2025, and Sophia Megill, Class of 2026 all received Second Honors.

Cardinal O'Hara High School - Second Quarter

Students who achieved first honors include: Amber-Joyce Pensyl '25, Miley Woltanski '26, Sophia Campbell '27, Daniel Kull '27, Alyssa Zebuski '27.

Among those earning second honors were the following students from our parish: Harry Donnelly '24, William Donnelly '24, Hannah Nguyen '26, Daniel Cardell '27, Rocco DiMario '27, Hayden Ganley '27, Alyssa Zebuski '27.

Special Event: Alan Ames – Catholic Evangelist, Author and Healer

Alan Ames has traveled to more than 50 countries on six continents since 1994. During his travels, Alan shares his amazing "Saul to Paul" conversion story and a powerful healing gift. Alan has ministered to multitudes suffering from physical, mental, emotional and spiritual ailments around the world.

On Sunday, March 10, a special event featuring Alan Ames will occur at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Morton, PA, starting with the celebration of Sunday Liturgy at noon. Following the conclusion of the Sunday liturgy, we will have Alan's testimony, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and a Healing Service. Confessions will also be offered.

WHERE: Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH) Church, 2130 Franklin Ave., Morton, PA 19070

WHEN: March 10, beginning with Noon Mass
Registration is requested (but not required) by going to www.olphmorton.org. All are Welcome!

School News

As we wait for Spring to get here, Holy Cross Students are busy working hard. On Friday, February 9, student progress reports were available. I am sure our students did wonderful. On Saturday, February 10, Holy Cross students along with PREP students received the sacrament of First Reconciliation. On Saturday, May 4, students will make the sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Wednesday, February 14, students participated in a prayer service to mark the start of Ash Wednesday. Thank you to all our parishioners and families who joined us at this celebration.

Our virtue for the month of February is the virtue of Courage: Mental or moral strength to venture, persevere, and withstand danger, fear, or difficulty. Our students have the unique privilege to live their faith everyday here at our school. This is a practice that sets us completely apart from any public school. The virtue of Courage will be enhanced as we continue our soft roll out of our HCS Expectations and our reward the Good Deed Beads.

The following students were awarded Good Deed Beads this month for following the school expectations: Serafina McAveney, Baize Harley, Ashton Dunbar, Susan Conteh, Ayden Miller, Bryant Cavanagh, Francis Donnelly, Farhageann Cousseillant, Sariah Bishop, Adanna Samuelson, Sean Battle, Mason Corely, Bezawit Kebede, Haniyyah Solis-Morgan

We thank our parishioners and pastor for their continued support of our school. God Bless all of you.

Cardinal O'Hara High School "Mane Event: An Evening in Paris"

Cardinal O'Hara High School invites you to the annual Mane Event: 'An Evening in Paris', on Saturday, April 6, 2024 - COHS Gymnasium - 7pm-11pm. Come out for a fun night that includes food, a four-hour open bar, casino games, and amazing auction items and raffle prizes. All proceeds directly impact student-focused initiatives. Purchase your tickets at www.cohs.com

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There are so many choices for Lent! "Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan For Lent" is an 18 minute discussion with Dr Ben Akers about challenging yourself this Lent, with a link to the FORMEDNOW Lenten daily reflections. "The Catholic Parent" is a new series with real-life families discussing real-life situations, sometimes very funny.

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Three Parish Book Club

The next meeting of the Book Club will be on Wednesday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the Holy Cross Parish Center, At each meeting members and guests offer suggestions for spiritual reading as well as discussing the selected book. You need not have read the month's selection to attend the meeting, If you would like to join the discussion or if you would like more information, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610 328-2095 or at joyvanberg@gmail.com.

February

In the School of the Holy Spirit by Jacques Philippe

March

On the Incarnation by St. Athanasius

Lenten Bible Study

Please join us every week for Weekly Bible Study! We will begin our Lenten series the week of February 25, after the conclusion of our current study of the Gospel of Mark. For LENT this year, we will go deeper into the Weekly Sunday Readings. As always, we study at your convenience, either Monday evenings or Wednesday mornings in the Parish Center, so PICK THE TIME that is best for you. If you choose the Wednesday morning option, we begin right after the 8:30 Mass, so please consider joining us for Mass that morning. Come a few minutes early to meet others and to get your seat. No workbooks are required for this Lenten study, but please bring your Bible. Light refreshments are provided.

When: Mondays, February 26 thru March 25, 7:00 – 8:30 PM

OR: Wednesdays, February 28 thru March 27, 9:15 – 10:45 AM

It is always helpful to have a headcount. To save a seat or for more information, contact Pattie Stevens at pattiejstevens@comcast.net or 484.868.8571

Food Pantry Update

As we prepare for the Lenten Season, many are helping to fill our pantry shelves. Over the last month, the following groups have provided additional support to our pantry.

Our Holy Cross school children collected personal supplies (shampoo, soap, toothbrushes...you get the idea) during Catholic Schools Week. A Big Thank You to our school children.

St. Francis ran a food and sock drive and our Neighbors in Need were very grateful. St. Anastasia runs a monthly collection and we are now the recipient of their goodies. Scenic Hills Elementary school provided a truckload of food to our pantry. Sts. Peter and Paul (West Chester) Confirmation students made kiddie bags (for folks who bring their children for their food pick-ups). The message of our pantry is reaching further out and we are very grateful.

Our Knights of Columbus participated in the "Souper Bowl of Caring" and provided many needed supplies. What a Great Community activity and Thanks to All who participated in this initiative.

If you know anyone in need of food in Delco, please let them know that we are open Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30. We do not open until all our school is closed.

We are always in need of cereal, oatmeal, mac & cheese, pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, rice and beans if you are able to help. (No glass please).

God Bless All of You for your prayers and generosity.
Your Friends from the SVDP Holy Cross Food Pantry

Eucharistic Adoration



LOOKING for some peace and quiet? I know the perfect place.

LOOKING for someone you can TRUST? I know Who you can go to.

LOOKING for some answers? I know Who has them.

St. Catherine Laboure. "If you listen God will speak to you, with the good Lord you have to both speak and listen, God always speaks to you when you approach Him plainly and simply".

We have the perfect intimate chapel here at Holy Cross where you can come to accomplish all of the above!

PLEASE consider visiting with Jesus weekdays from 9:00am to 7:00pm.

We are in need of adorers to maintain our current Adoration schedule!

For more information please contact Eileen 610-213-3369

Divine Mercy Retreat

April 5 - 7, 2024 \$275 in person, 3 days, 2 nights and \$75 virtually This is a co-ed Retreat Assumption and Immaculate Conception Halls Check in at 4:00 PM on Friday Retreat ends with the 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Sunday Sign up: www.malvernretreat.com/events/divine-mercy-2024/

16th Annual Man Up Philly

Men's Spirituality Conference - Saturday, March 2, 2024

From Death Into Life (1 Jn3:14)

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 16th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 2nd at Cardinal O'Hara HS. Speakers include Phillie Phanatic, Mike Schmidt, acclaimed author of Back to Life, Danny Bader, That Man is You VP, Mark Hartfiel, and Coordinator of Young Life, Deacon Nathan Gunn. And back by popular demand, Mark Forrest, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our Eucharistic Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by our archbishop Most Reverend Archbishop Nelson Perez. For more information and to register go to the website: www.manupphilly.com

O'Hara Class of 1974 Reunion

Cardinal O'Hara High School is planning a 50th Reunion for the Class of 1974. The reunion is October 19, 2024 at Llanerch Country Club. For more information or to update your email and mailing address, contact John Caramanico at jcaramanico56@gmail.com or 610.633.0783.

St. Cyril School Reunion

Please join us for St. Cyril's All Class Reunion 95th Anniversary Celebration benefitting SS. Cyril & Philomena Catholic School. It will be held at the Oaks Ballroom in Glenolden, Pa on Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 6:30 till 10:30pm. Tickets are \$65.00 per person. Tickets can be purchased online at tinyurl.com/cyril-95th. For more information contact Jim or Barb Gray at 610- 284-5984 or Jim at jeg19026@gmail.com.



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

February 17th - KOC Spaghetti Dinner & Trivia Contest



Feb 23rd Captain Chucky's



Crab Cakes Pickup

March 17th KOC-Pancake Breakfast



**A Night At
The Races**
April 27th


June 2nd



October 5th -



November 2nd Annual Craft Fair



**March 27, 2024
7:00 PM**

**Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop
Prendergast Catholic High School**
Anthony F. Frederico Class of '69 Auditorium

*Hosted by the Alumnae Committee of
the B&P Alumni Ambassadors Council*

We are blessed and thrilled to have **Sister Mary Scullion R.S.M.** speak to our school community about her life's work, the inspiration that led to her desire to care for the homeless in Philadelphia, and her work at Project HOME.

- No Charge
- Open to the public
- Q&A to follow

Our school community prays daily to St. Augustine and St. Katharine Drexel. In the spirit of these two saints, Sister Mary Scullion models the love through action taught and lived by these two saints. It is an honor to have Sister join us for an evening of conversation.

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