



# HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 9, 2020 • FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening ..... 4:30 PM  
Sunday, Upper Church ..... 8:30 and 11:00 AM  
Holy Day ..... As announced  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday ..... 8:30 AM  
Friday..... 12:15 PM

## 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, Lower Church: 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

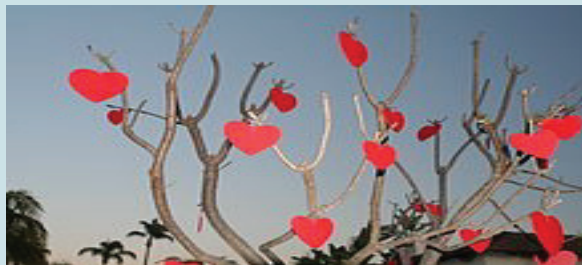
Please call the Parish office or Mrs. Judy Vacca, Pastoral Minister, when a parishioner is hospitalized or home bound.

# G O D K N O W S

*when to send you  
exactly what you need.*

When I was about 11 years old, I wrote a heartfelt love letter to Mary. Mary meant everything to me at that time in my life and I found myself sort of in love. I was so taken up with this beautiful figure — this beautiful woman. She left such an impression upon my young, tender, future priest's heart. Now, Mary, the Mother of God was just fine, but, I was in love with Mary, the sixteen-year-old girl, who lived over on the next block. On more than one summer night, my friend and I would stake out the front of her house, just waiting to catch a glimpse of her as she came to her front door or came out side and stood on her porch. As I recall, it was very hot that summer and the heat was going right to my head. Over the centuries many human hearts have composed many a love song and many a love poem. Among the greatest of these perhaps, *the greatest* — is Saint Paul's written, oh, about 21 centuries ago. In it, Saint Paul beautifully describes the indescribable and eloquently defines the indefinable, so that, finite human minds might better understand the infinite depth of the human heart. *Patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.* Or does it? Alas, Mary never responded to the love letter that I stealthily placed on her front door mat one of those hot summer nights. My young heart sank. I had been rejected. Jesus too, was rejected. He began to challenge people on many of their basic assumptions about God's Love. Being well-off, getting everything one wants, and having many things were not necessarily signs of being blessed by God. In fact, being one of God's "chosen people" didn't merit a whole lot if one didn't practice one's faith. However, Jesus *is* Love and Love never fails, even if at times, we do. His Resurrection proves this definitively, but I have some proof of my own from some warm summer days of my youth. No, Mary never responded to my love letter, but she did speak with me. She never mentioned the letter, but her soft voice, caring smile, and a hand run through my hair have remained with me to this day. And at that moment, an eleven-year-old boy learned a lesson and a key point that we all need to learn and never forget. It was the one Saint Paul knew so well: ***Love never fails!***

***Peace!***  
***Fr. Wilson***



***Happy Saint Valentine's Day***



<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 10</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>ANN CUIRLINO</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 11</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>MANUS FERRY</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 12</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>ARLENE CACIA</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 13</b>
	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 14</b>
<b>12:15 PM</b>	<b>PAUL TOMCZYK</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 15</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>WALT CHRISTIAN</b>
<b>NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 15</b>
<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>WILLIAM SHISLER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 16</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>PEOPLE OF HOLY CROSS</b>
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>JAMES PALMER</b>

### *The Corner*

*Brought to you by your Evangelization Team*  
*"Then call on Me on the day of distress; I will*  
*rescue you, and you shall honor Me." (Psalm*  
*50:15)*

We think of God's mercy in a personal way — that He is merciful to us flawed human believers — but His mercy shines brightly each time He asks His people to spread the good news. With each new believer, God's love multiplies.



<b>Lyndi Butler</b>	<b>Joanne Marks</b>
<b>Margaret Cook</b>	<b>Barbara McCusker</b>
<b>Maryanne Convery</b>	<b>Lee Anne McGough</b>
<b>Stephen Collins</b>	<b>Thomas Miller</b>
<b>Samuel Dephillippo</b>	<b>Dan Murphy</b>
<b>Sharon Diemer</b>	<b>Connie Myers</b>
<b>Kathleen Dixon</b>	<b>Frances O'Callaghan</b>
<b>Janet Doherty</b>	<b>Charlotte O'Leary</b>
<b>Lillian Donahue</b>	<b>Paige O'Leary</b>
<b>Mary Ann Farrell</b>	<b>Laura Palermo</b>
<b>Nicola Giordano</b>	<b>Francis Romano</b>
<b>Donna Giorgio</b>	<b>Ted Rudolph</b>
<b>Carolyn Henderson</b>	<b>Jim Sandusky</b>
<b>Steven Henderson</b>	<b>Rose Marie Santos</b>
<b>Stefanos Karas</b>	<b>Michael Sargent III</b>
<b>Carole Kime</b>	<b>Joseph Sindoni</b>
<b>Mary and Ken Kull</b>	<b>Adeline Sulpizio</b>
<b>Kendall Lambert</b>	<b>George Vrettos</b>
<b>Rose Leto</b>	<b>Lily Walker</b>
<b>Patricia Lyons</b>	<b>Nadia Waltanski</b>
<b>Helen Lyons</b>	<b>Carter Walton</b>



The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus will be hosting their Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, February 15, in the Parish Hall following the 4:30 PM Mass. Prices for tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Children. This is a BYOB event. Tickets will be sold after Masses this weekend. You can also get tickets from any of the Knights before the event. An added bonus! Our Parish Social Committee will again be hosting a "Trivia Night" immediately following the dinner in the Parish Hall.

Please stick around after the dinner to match your wits with your fellow parishioners and guests!





<b>Holy Cross Parish</b> <b>Operating Income Statement</b> For the Six Month Period ended December 30, 2019		
	<b>Current 6 Months</b>	<b>Prior 6 Months</b>
	<b>Jul-Dec 2019</b>	<b>Jul-Dec 2018</b>

<b>Church Revenue (Includes Contributions from Families of Current students)</b>	<b>419,565</b>	<b>425,265</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Salaries and Benefits	235,241	242,145
Maintenance/Utilities (includes new heater for \$24,450)	65,604	44,700
Diocesan Assessment *	49,850	49,700
Other (Property Taxes & Insurance, Altar Supplies, Transportation)***	70,702	77,644
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>421,397</b>	<b>414,189</b>
<b>Church Operating Income (loss)</b>	<b>(1,832)</b>	<b>11,076</b>
<b>Estimated Cost of School Tuition Subsidy **</b>	<b>(28,143)</b>	<b>(28,143)</b>
<b>Combined Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(29,975)</b>	<b>(17,067)</b>

\* Covers Diocesan normal operating costs. None of these funds can be used to fund the legal settlements related to sexual abuse.

\*\* The parish provides a tuition subsidy of \$1,400 per child for active parish families.

\*\*\* No Interest Expense is incurred by the parish as the parish does not have loans with any financial institution. The amount due to the diocese of \$1.2 million which was incurred several years ago is non-interest bearing and payment is not due currently. The parish is current with all payables.



### 2020-2021 School Registration Information!!!

**REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR BEGAN ON JANUARY 26, 2020 FOR NEW STUDENTS IN ALL GRADES. PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR HOLY CROSS FAMILY!**

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION:

\*Birth Certificate \*Baptismal Certificate \*Full Immunization record given to school prior to **Sept. 1, 2020.**

Children will not be admitted to school without immunization records. \* Social Security Card

**\*A non-refundable registration fee of \$100 for one child and \$150 for two or more children** \*Kindergarten students must be 5 years old by **Sept. 1, 2020** \*Pre-K 4 students must be 4 years old by **Sept. 1, 2020** \*Pre-K 3 students must be 3 years old and potty trained by **Sept. 1, 2020**

**It's almost here!!**

**FOLLOWING CHRIST**

**Starts on February 20**

Hello to all of our Discovering Christ participants. We want to remind you that the second part of our journey, **Following Christ**, is starting soon.

Here are some reminders:

\* Sessions are held at **Holy Cross Parish**, again in the Parish Center where we held Discovering Christ. We are meeting on the second floor and there is elevator access. Refreshments will be provided.

\* There is **no dinner** for this series, but snacks and refreshments will be provided.

\* Doors open at 6:15 PM. Come early to meet your fellow participants.

\* Sessions start promptly at 6:45 PM each evening, and end promptly by 8:45 PM.

\*\*\* If you have already said YES to our email invitation, thank you! The easiest way to register is to send your YES to: [discoveringchristinspringfield@gmail.com](mailto:discoveringchristinspringfield@gmail.com) and you can also text your name to 484-868-8571. Pray for God's blessings on all who attend.

The Discovering Christ Team

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*Yes, Jesus is waiting for you*

*In our Adoration Chapel.*

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*Talk to Him.*

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fore the tournament begins.***

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throughout the entire tournament.***

**⇒ *If your total score is in the top 70, you win a prize!***

**⇒ *The 5 lowest scoring cards also win, which means 75  
total prizes are awarded at the end of the tourna-  
ment.***

***For questions, contact: [hcdevelopentfund@gmail.com](mailto:hcdevelopentfund@gmail.com)***

# catholic school VALUES

## Principal's Corner

*We had a great Catholic SchoolsWeek! The children had an ice cream social, grandparents/special persons day, book fair, fitness day. A small animal presentation and a demonstration from Officer Andrel who trains the drug and bomb-sniffing dogs.*

*Our two remaining Smartboards were installed last weekend. In the meantime, we are working on grants for new classroom door locks, a new PA system and to update our wiring system to enhance the Internet.*

*Registration is taking place at our school. Please consider sending your child(ren) to Holy Cross. We would love them to be a part of our school family.*

*Have a great week! God bless you!*

*Dr. WorriLOW*

## Adult Faith Formation Lenten Opportunities for

**St. Francis of Assisi, St. Kevin and Holy Cross Parishes  
2020**

### Lenten Small Church Communities

Meeting in private homes, or parish meeting rooms from March 1—April 8. Call 610-543-0848 at St. Francis of Assisi to be placed in a group.

### Metanoia

A six-week video series which leads the participant on a journey with Christ into conversion. Each of the episodes explores areas of our lives where conversion is so often necessary. Friday evenings following the Stations of the Cross (7:00 PM)—SFA Library—2/28/2020—4/3/2020. No cost to attend. No registration needed.

**A Lenten Scripture Study "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion:"** A five-part video series and full length book that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best selling author, Edward Sri, through video taken in the Holy Land, will guide you through the last hours of Christ's life in this biblical pilgrimage. March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 7:00-8:30 PM—SFA School Building First Floor Full length book and workbook fee: \$25. Please call 610-543-0848 (Ext. 118) to register.

## Catholic Charities Appeal Giving Hope to All

### Beneficiaries

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide necessary support to tens of thousands of people. These individuals are served by a myriad of organizations, programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal are grouped into five key areas:

- \*Education
- \*Social Services
- \*Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life
- \*Clergy
- \*Local Mission Activities

For more information about any of the ways you can support the 2020 Catholic Charities Appeal, please call The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia at 215-587-5650 or email [cca@catholicfoundationphila.org](mailto:cca@catholicfoundationphila.org).

## Bequest to the Parish

You can make a bequest to Holy Cross Parish having the following statement in your will: "I leave to Holy Cross Parish, Springfield, PA, the sum of (whatever it may be) for its religious, charitable and educational works." This is one way of ensuring that Holy Cross will be able to continue to do in the future the good it has done in the past.



*Sunday Collection*

*February 2*

*Amount Received*

*\$9,263*



*Sorry to see you go!*

*If you will be moving or have a change of address, please notify the Business Office at 610-626-3321.*





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