

# HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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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.

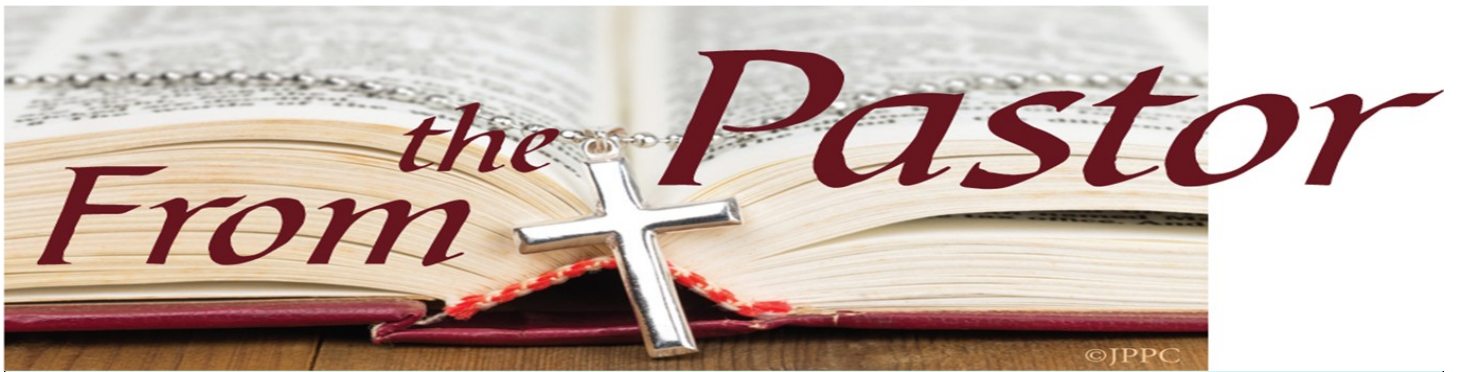
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

## 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.



Well, Winter finally decided to arrive recently, didn't it? A small snow storm, the chance of some freezing rain and ice, and a frigid blast of the coldest air we've seen in a couple years has been a vivid reminder of what season we are in right now. As I was getting ready to go stand in the car line outside the school on one of the colder days this past week, I had to think for a moment about where I put all the cold-weather gear when I moved in. The hats, gloves, and wool socks were the last thing on my mind as I was unpacking in the 100-degree days of July. Thankfully, I found them just in time.

With the burst of Winter weather, it seems like a good time to remind everyone to please be careful in our parking lot and on our sidewalks when you come on campus. I've come to learn that there are some areas on this campus that seem to be perpetually shaded, and can be slick and icy when you're not expecting it. (In case you want to know *how* I learned this valuable information; let's just say I'm thankful nobody was around and I was out of the view of the security cameras when I did my amateur figure skating routine unexpectedly the other day.)

The cold weather is also a good time to give an update on our new boiler. As of my writing this column, the new boiler has been installed. We are waiting for it to receive a final tuning and for it to be inspected before we fire it up. We had done some creative plumbing so that the one boiler could heat both the upper and lower churches, and it did a decent job of it thanks to the mild weather. Now that the new boiler is in, we've reset things to their normal state, which means it might be cooler in the church than we would like until we get the new machine running. The other morning, when it was around 20 degrees outside, the temperature inside of the church was still in the 60's, so we're holding our own. I've said it before and I'll say it again, thank you for your patience and dealing with discomfort as we work to get these systems working the way they should.

Now that Christmas is over, the church looks rather empty, doesn't it? I do have to say the church looked absolutely beautiful during the Christmas season, and we received a few compliments from visitors and parishioners alike. A number of dedicated parishioners and staff members were very generous in lending a hand to decorate—and even more generous in lending a hand to take everything down and clean up last Sunday! I am grateful for their help. Thank you also to those who gave to the Christmas flower fund; we were blessed with a good crop of poinsettias this year, and they gave the church a nice festive atmosphere. I should also mention a word of gratitude to the hard-working ladies who come in to clean the church periodically. They were in this past week, and they do a fine job keeping our building beautiful.

Finally, a reminder about our parish memorial opportunities. The sanctuary lamps in the church and chapel will be lit each week for a particular intention. We've established the memorial fund as a way to remember our deceased loved ones, with a Mass being offered once per month for those enrolled. Donations for sanctuary lamps and the Memorial Fund will be used to help us update some of our worn-out vessels and vestments when necessary. Please call the office for more information.

Have a great week, everyone! Stay warm and stay safe!

Fr. Kiernan



<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 17</b>
8:30 AM	No Mass
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 18</b>
8:30 AM	Tom Bunting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 19</b>
8:30 AM	Mary DeFelice
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 20</b>
8:30 AM	Bernadette McMenamin
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 21</b>
8:30 AM	John Baselice

#### NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 22</b>
8:30 AM	Jim Mullen
4:30 PM	Tom & Mary Furlong
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 23</b>
8:30 AM	People of Holy Cross
11:00 AM	Cass & Bob Kling

### Collection for Catholic Relief Services

The collection for Catholic Relief Services will be held this weekend, January 15 and 16, 2022. The funds collected support vital Catholic programs that share in the Catholic mission of promoting the sacredness of human life. In providing humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and advocating on behalf of victims of atrocities, the organizations supported by the CRS collection act from their belief that every individual is an equal heir of Christ's love and care. We thank you for your generosity.

**The Parish Business Office will be closed Monday,  
January 17, 2022, Martin Luther King Day.**

### SANTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

**Church: Tom Bunting**

**Chapel:**



### Sunday Collection, January 9

<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$10,989</b>
<b>Electronic</b>	<b>\$ 3,378</b>
<b>Basket &amp; Main-Ins</b>	<b>\$ 7,611</b>

### BE THANKFUL!

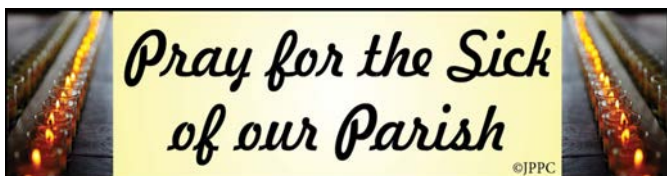
"COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS, NAME THEM ONE BY ONE, AND YOU WILL BE SURPRISED WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE", yes we sometimes forget all that Jesus has done for us! Take some time and be thankful. I would like to hear it from you. Our Adoration Chapel is open, 9AM to 7PM, Monday thru Friday.



### On-Line Giving

Join the growing number of Holy Cross Parishioners who contribute to the Sunday offertory by electronic means. It is convenient and easy. Please visit our website and click on "Our Parish" and then the "Parish Giving" tab or contact the Business Office for assistance. Thank you to all those who give electronically!





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**Dawn Gibbons**  
**Carolyn Henderson**  
**Steven Henderson**  
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**Maryanne McCauley**  
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**Francis Murray**  
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**Charlotte O'Leary**  
**Paige O'Leary**  
**Alexander Ott**  
**Mary Rafferty**  
**Joseph Sindoni**  
**Adeline Sulpizio**  
**Jean Super**  
**Valerie Thompson**  
**Helen Torelli**  
**Amanda Trerotola**  
**George Vrettos**

### Winter Bible Study – The Chosen!!

We have a real treat for you for our 3-Parish Winter Bible Study. We will be showing Season 1 (all 8 episodes) of The Chosen! If you haven't heard of it, this is a beautiful series about Jesus' ministry 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.

When: Wednesdays, January 12 thru March 2 - 9:15 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 for \$13.30. Just search for "The Chosen", the teal-colored book is called "What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?: An Interactive Bible Study (Volume 1)". Please join us!



## The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

On Saturday January 22 we recognize the **"Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children."**

Reflect on these words from *Robert M Haddad* in his book *"1001 Reasons Why It's Great To Be Catholic."*

"The Catholic Church recognizes that human dignity and human rights are based on being created in the image and likeness of God, rather than on human laws or human whims."

### MARCH FOR LIFE BUS FOR JANUARY 21

St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Springfield will be sending a bus to the March for Life in Washington, DC on Friday, January 21. The bus will leave St. Francis of Assisi parking lot at 6:30 AM, park at the Basilica in time for Mass (masks required), and then leave to come back after the March. St. Francis Parish is partially covering the cost of the bus and a free will offering will be taken to cover the balance. Please contact Anita Galligan at [anitagalligan1@verizon.net](mailto:anitagalligan1@verizon.net) or call or text her at 610-585-0142 to reserve a seat. Spread the word. Let's go to Washington and witness for LIFE

### Three Parish Book Club

The Three Parish Book Club's next meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 26, at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Parish Center. The Club meets on the last Wednesday of the month from September through June to discuss the chosen book and to share other reading suggestions. We welcome new members. You do not need to have read the chosen book to attend the meeting.

For more information, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610 32-2095 or [joyvanberg@gmail.com](mailto:joyvanberg@gmail.com).

January

The Shepherds' Prayer by Richard M. Barry

February

Let Nothing Disturb You by St. Teresa of Avila

# FOOD PANTRY

## Food Pantry Update

The Food Pantry will reopen on January 5th. We wish all of you a Safe, Blessed and Healthy New Year.

If you know of anyone in need of food in Delco, please let them know our Pantry Hours (Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30) and that we are here to help.

Our volunteers have worked tirelessly and we are humbled and grateful for your prayers and generosity all year, *without our parishioners' support all year... we would not be able to do what we do every week.* Also, Special Thanks to Piazza Honda and their employees for their truckful of food and monetary donation, which was delivered right before Christmas.

From our homes to yours, God Bless All of You...  
Your friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Holy Cross Food Pantry

Thank you to Piazza Honda who provided a truckload of food and \$320 in cash to our food pantry.



# FORMED

## \*\*Using your Christmas Present\*\*

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## St. Francis Nursing Home Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to assist residents to daily Mass in the late morning and to devotions on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at St. Francis Nursing Home in Darby. Volunteers must be fully vaccinated. If interested, please call Fr. John Gabin at 484-493-7173. If no answer, please leave a message.

**Home Care Needed** - Home Care needed 4 days a week for 94 year-old. Please call Vicky at 610-623-7729.

## Assistance Needed

Grandmother needs assistance during the week caring for her 4 grandchildren. If interested, please call Monica Dougherty at

## MARRIED COUPLES

Resolve to "Live your best life in love" in 2022: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? In-person experiences in the new year are: February 11-13 and April 22-24 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/>.



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**Mothers Home**, a Delaware County shelter for homeless pregnant women and their infants, is soliciting applications for its Board of Directors. Mothers' Home is now 30 years young, and is the only local comprehensive shelter for pregnant women and babies, and is a magnificent comprehensive program providing shelter, instruction, and support for women and children 365 days per year. Interested individuals may contact Board Chair, Dennis McAndrews at [dmcandrews@mcandrewslaw.com](mailto:dmcandrews@mcandrewslaw.com).



## Holy Cross Development Fundraiser



### \$\$ 365 Chances to Win \$\$

Purchase a Calendar for \$50.00. Each calendar has a 4-digit number. Each day (365) has a cash prize.

Daily	\$50.00
Weekends	\$100.00
Holidays	\$150.00

If your assigned number matches the PA nightly Pick 4 daily number (straight match) you win the cash prize on the calendar for that day. Fill out a calendar fundraiser form and return to the Business Office or place in the Sunday collection basket. For any questions, please contact [hcdevelopment-fund@gmail.com](mailto:hcdevelopment-fund@gmail.com). Can be a great Christmas gift for a family member or friend!



## Holy Cross School Principal's Corner

The children are now working on the second trimester requirements. We are back from vacation and ready to go!

Catholic Schools Week begins on Monday, January 31st. The children will be working on some special projects. Our service project is for the Little Sister of the Poor. They are in need of Clorox Wipes and Cottonelle Wipes. Our Book Fair will take place that week as well as Student Appreciation Day and Teacher Appreciation Day. We are celebrating Catholic Education.

If you are interested in the Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4 and K, you have to register early. Those grades fill up quickly. We will be happy to accept your registration for all other grades as well. Registration will begin the end of January and continue through February. Come take a look at your parish school. Our school has been named a School of Distinguished Instruction. Our teachers work very hard to instruct the students in a variety of ways. They are truly dedicated to their assigned grades.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish school.

God bless you!

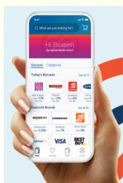


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## Knights of Columbus

### Free Throw Championship



The Holy Cross K of C will have a Free Throw Championship on Sunday, January 23, 2022 at the Holy Cross Gym from 1pm to 3 pm. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are welcome to attend. The age deadline as of January, 1, 2022. All winners will advance to the District Championship in February (date and time to be announced). It is "FREE TO ENTER".

## Football Crazz Winner

Congratulations Atlas M! He tied for the lowest score (26)and is our first winner of the year! Holy Cross Council 15482.

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To register for any event, please call [610-581-0120](tel:610-581-0120) or email [ihmconferencecenter@gmail.com](mailto:ihmconferencecenter@gmail.com). God bless you!

**Movie With Meaning: "First Dog"**  
**Wednesday, January 26, 2022**

10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Stipend: "\$25 (includes lunch)

\*Lunch will be served at noon for both groups





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