BOLY CROSS CHURCH

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Deacon Joseph N. Gousie	Retired
Mrs. Theresa Carey	Business Manager
Dr. Mary Rose Worrilow	Principal
Mrs. Kelly Meliti Dire	ctor of Religious Education
Mrs. Grete Ingalls. MM, CAGO	Music Director

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...... 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

Happy Catholic Schools' Week! Students from Holy Cross School will be speaking at the Saturday Evening and Sunday Masses to talk about our parish school and the experiences they've had at Holy Cross. They represent the 260 children who are entrusted to our school each day to be formed in the faith and given a quality education.

Our school is a success because of our amazing, hard-working administration, faculty, and staff. Dr. Mary Rose Worrilow leads the whole school as our principal. Ellen Spurrier coordinates enrollment and tuition management-tracking applications, tuition, and financial aid while coming up with all kinds of ideas to promote and market our school. Sheila Moeller is our faithful receptionist, and I'm not sure how she does her job with only two hands and two feet. In the parish office, Betty McIntyre keeps us compliant with child protection laws and policies, and Terry Carey makes sure the lights stay on and everyone gets his or her paychecks (which are not nearly big enough for all the hard work everyone does). In our classrooms you have Alexandra Leicht, Deirdre Hines, McKinnon Coleman, and Danielle McGuigan working with our littlest ones in Pre-K and Kindergarten, assisted by our amazing aides: Sue Ottaviano, Barbara Matticola, Eileen Gardner, and Diana Oropeza. Shannon Whalen, Makayla Palmer, Morgan DiChiacchio, and Winnie Daciw make our lower grades places of fun, creativity, and learning. Upstairs, Nicole McNichol, Lori Williams, Mark Hager, and Alexis O'Toole guide our middle schoolers and get them ready for high school, Bill Ciavarelli, Evan Campbell, Jovce Sanetrik, Stephanie Eisenman, and Susan Packer liven things up and provide extra help as our physical education, music, art, technology, and learning support teachers. And Mike Thompson and Ron Gardner keep the building clean and in good working order. Without these fine men and women, Holy Cross School would not function.

Nor would our school function without the help and support of our wonderful parishioners. Members of the Knights of Columbus have been very generous—putting up fresh coats of paint and giving scholarships to our graduates. A number of you are helping us offer tuition assistance by using our scrip program—we could always use more people using this program. And so many of you support the various fundraising activities that our school does throughout the year. Thank you, thank you, thank you!



Changing gears, a reminder that this Tuesday, January 31, at 7:00 pm, we will offer a special Mass for the happy repose of the soul of Pope Benedict XVI on the one-month anniversary of his death. I hope you can join us.



Reading I: Zephaniah 2: 3, 3: 12-13

The prophet speaks of a moral recovery involving the "purging of the arrogant." Evil is associated in the prophet's mind with wealth and arrogance.

Reading II: I Corinthians 1: 26-31

The community must not adhere to worldly standards. God did not choose those whom the world might have chosen to carry out His plan.

The Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-2a

A beatitude is "an exclamation of congratulations that recognizes an existing state of happiness." Jesus claims the poor, the mourners, and the hungry as His mission to Israel. The rewards will be realized in the kingdom of God.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

8:30 - Rita Brady

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30 AM - Paul John Shoenberger

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:30 AM - Mary Ann Purcell

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

8:30 AM - Patricia Noone Bonner

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

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

4:30 PM - The People of Holy Cross

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:30 AM - Susan Dunfee

11:00 AM - Stefano Giordano

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

A charming morning prayer from St Columba... "Alone with none but Thee, my God I journey on my way. What need I fear, when Thou art near O King of night and day? More safe am I within Thy hand Than if a host did round me stand."

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church: Joseph Smith Chapel: George Vrettos

COLLECTION INFORMATION

\$12,820		
Weekly Collection, January 22		
\$7,880		
\$3,216		
\$4,664		

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Consiglia Borreli Lyndi Butler Mary Ann Carroll Maryann Convery Bill DeVuono George Dickinson Bob Frankenberger Dawn Gibbons Carolyn Henderson Steven Henderson Jimmy Keating Carole Kime Natalie Giorgio Kitts Ken Kull Marv Kull Kendall Lambert Zachary Halbing Deacon Joe Gousie Lee Anne McGough Carter Claire Walton Joann Marks Maryanne McCauley

Richard McCullough Larry McCusker Francis Murray Frances O'Callaghan Charlotte O'Leary Paige O'Leary Katherine Patrone Mary Rafferty Ronnie Sidebottom Joseph Sindoni Adeline Sulpizio Jean Super Valerie Thompson Betty Tomczyk Rosemarie Colaberdino Janice Mac Bride Madalyn Parr Mike Calbertta



WANTED - A FEW GOOD MEN!

It's a new year, and the choir is getting ready for the upcoming Holy Season of Lent and Easter. Male voices add so much to the liturgical hymns, and we are specifically looking for a few men to join the 3 we have in choir now. We practice 1 night a week, and sing every other Sunday plus special feast days.

You don't have to read music in order to join us, you just need to enjoy singing....like you do in your car or along with your favorite radio station.

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

ROSARY GROUP

The Holy Rosary is prayed every weekday morning in the church immediately after the 8:30 Mass. Please join us!

Scrip Program

Support our organization while you shop! The easy way to raise money, buy gift cards and earn for Holy Cross School.

Start earning with the RaiseRight mobile app today or fill out a Scrip Order Form and return to the Business Office. The Scrip Order Forms are available at the entrances of the church OR Download the RaiseRight mobile app from the app store using your smartphone or tablet or go to <u>RaiseRight.com</u> on your computer.

Have questions about getting started? Call the ShopWithScrip Customer Support team at 1-800-727-4715 option 3.

Three Parish Book Club

The Three Parish Book Club will meet next on January 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Cross Parish Center. Members will discuss the month's chosen book and offer reading recommendations. If one of your New Year's resolutions is to take more time for spiritual reading, we invite you to join us. You do not need to have read the month's selection to attend the meeting. [In February we will return to meeting on the last Wednesday of the month.] For more information, contact Joy Van Berg at 610- 328-2095 or joyvanberg@gmail.com

January <u>Daily Meditations with Saint</u> <u>Augustine John E. Rotelle OS.A ed.</u>

February <u>Padre Pio: Stories and Memories of My</u> <u>Mentor and Friend Father Gabriele</u> <u>Amorth</u>

FORMED

A Free Gift to you from Holy Cross Parish

PROGRAMS - MOVIES - AUDIO - BOOKS

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!

Food Pantry Update

Thanks to many benefactors our food pantry is pretty well stocked. The Boy Scouts Troop 512 and Cub Scouts Pack 240, our Holy Cross School children, St. Francis CYO, St. Kevins Knights of Columbus provided our pantry with many donations.

We appreciate "All of You" for your support and prayers. If you are able, we are in need of cereal, pasta sauce (no glass please), pasta, and macaroni & cheese, and personal items including: shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Just a reminder, we are open every Wednesday (as a drive-thru) from 3:30 to 5:30. If you know anyone in need of food in Delco, please provide them with our info.

God Bless and stay well, Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Holy Cross Conference

Singers & Musicians

We are always looking for additional voices in our choir. You don't have to read music in order to join us, you just need to enjoy singing. If you play an instrument at an intermediate level or above and would like to add to the beauty of our Liturgy, we'd be happy for you to join us.

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

High School Seniors and College Students

St. Mary Polish American Society is accepting applications for the inaugural Felicia Jemionek Rzeznik Memorial Scholarship, a \$1,500 scholarship to a qualified student of Polish ancestry residing within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia pursuing full-time undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university in the United States. All applications are due by 11:59 pm on March 1, 2023. Full information about the scholarship is included in the QR code. For any questions, please call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.



American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive St. Charles Roman Catholic Church

Hall 3422 Dennison Avenue Drexel Hill, PA 19026

Thursday, February 9, 2023 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Saint Charles RC Church to schedule an appointment.

> Card by email, thanks to Amazon. And, Ily be entered for a chance to win a trip ter Beach, FL. Includes travel, hotel, gift





15th Annual Man Up Philly

Men's Spirituality Conference - Saturday, March 4, 2023 The Road to Emmaus- Finding Christ in the Breaking of the Bread

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 15th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 4 th at Cardinal O'Hara HS. Speakers include Timothy Cardinal Dolan, acclaimed speaker, author, and Archbishop of New York City, Jim Wahlberg, writer and producer of Mother Teresa - No Greater Love, Deacon James Mahoney, instructor at St Charles Seminary. Mark Houck, pro-life champion, will offer our reconciliation talk. 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

Seniors Social Club Trip

Norwood Seniors Social Club Presents a trip to Moshulu and Live Casino on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. Presentation of the History of the Moshulu, A tour of the Ship and Three Course Plated Lunch. Cost \$80.00. For information or reservations, please call Nancy at 610-212-7580 or Gerry 610-532-4545.

Holy Cross School News

"Learning is not attained by chance. It must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence." -ABIGAIL ADAMS.

Holy Cross would like to acknowledge and congratulate the following 8th students who were awarded scholarships to area Archdiocesan schools. Thank you to their teachers and their parents who have guided them towards academic success.

Sophia Campbell : Merit Scholarship - Cardinal O'Hara High School Legacy Scholarship - Archbishop Carroll High School Joseph Cleary : Academic Scholarship - Cardinal O'Hara High School Merit Scholarship Cardinal O'Hara High School Roman McAvenney: Academic Scholarship- Cardinal O'Hara High School Academic Scholarship Archbishop Carroll High School Meriam Swaray : Academic Scholarship Cardinal O'Hara High School Rocco DiMario : Academic Scholarship Cardinal O'Hara High School : Merit Scholarship Cardinal O'Hara High School Braxton Carmelo : Academic Scholarship Cardinal O'Hara High School Brandon Lockley Athletic Scholarship St. Joseph Prep Athletic Scholarship Malvern Prep Athletic Scholarship Episcopal Academy Alexa Smith Merit Scholarship Cardinal O'Hara High School

Catholic School weeks is here! On Monday, January 30, the week will begin with our students attending 9:30 Mass. Students will be busy this week with games and special events. Our wonderful Home and School board are doing a special lunch that students may order. There will be a dance party for our Prek3-3rd and our older grades will be performing in a talent show. To end this week of celebration students will be treated to ice-cream.

Thank you, Zachary Hassinger, Joe Cleary and Sophia Campbell our 8th grade students who spoke to our parishioners at Mass about what a Catholic Education means to them.

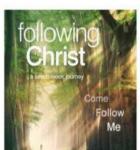
Holy Cross is proud of all our wonderful students.

Winter Bible Study

St Paul's Letter to the Philippians

The Holy Cross Bible Study team will present a FREE 6 week deep-dive into the Book of Philippians. This is St Paul's letter from prison in Rome, written to thank and encourage the Christian community in Philippi. We will concentrate on this single book of the Bible. 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, January 23 thru February 27 ---7:00 to 8:30pm - in the Holy Cross Parish Center OR: Wednesdays, January 25 thru March 1 ---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.



followina

A 7-week journey that explores and encourages Catholic discipleship.

Following Christ is designed to help people grow in friendship and union with God. This course guides people in how to live as a Catholic disciple of Jesus Christ in today's world based on basic disciplines and truths that have been practiced by Christians from the time of the early Church.

Following Christ consists of 7 sessions and a retreat day. The weekly sessions include a time of prayer, a video presentation, fellowship time, and small group discussion.

Video Presentation Following Christ provides practical, down-to-earth teaching based on Scripture, Church teaching, and the witness of the speaker's own journey as a disciple of Christ.

Small Group Discussion Small groups are safe places to freely discuss what was heard in the presentation

Session Dates, Times & Thursday, January 26	7:00-8:30pm
Thursday, February 2	7:00-8:30pm
Thursday, February 9	7:00-8:30pm
Thursday, February 16	7:00-8:30pm
Thursday, February 23	7:00-8:30pm
Saturday, February 25	9:00am-3:00p
Thursday, March 2	7:00-8:30pm
Thursday, March 9	7:00-8:30pm

Introduction and Daily Personal Prayer Hearing God in Scripture The Power of the Sacraments Forgiving One Another The Spirit-Empowered Life Retreat Day - We Are At War: The World, The Flesh, and The Devil The Heart of a Disciple Going On with the Lord

- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 2130 Franklin Avenue, Morton, PA 19070 Card addy of registration registration, 2:39 relation registration, and the registration is required; please go to www.objehmotton.org, Scroll down to the Following Christ posting and click on the link for registration.
 Ss. Peter & Paul Church, 1:325 Boot Road, West Chester, PA 19380
 Registration is required; please go to https://sspeterandpaulic.org/following-christ.

Cost: free! Tell a friend.

To All Parish Faithful and Your Families

Make a commitment to pray the Rosary weekly! Join us Mondays at 8PM to pray virtually via Zoom or phone on the Archdiocesan LIVE World Mission Rosary. United in this most powerful prayer, we ask for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary for our Catholic faith, peace in the world, personal ntentions and for the Missions world-wide. VISIT phillymissions.org for the Zoom link or type in https://zoom.us/i/494480541#success

RACHEL'S VINEYARD A PLACE TO HEAL FROM ABORTION

DATES: MARCH 3 – 5, 2023

LOCATION: IHM SPIRITUALITY CENTER 210 IHM DRIVE MALVERN, PA 19355

If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of an abortion - no matter how much time has past - please know that a Rachel's Vinevard retreat weekend will help your soul transform that pain into a hope for the future. Rachel's Vineyard retreats bring healing and God's forgiveness to the trauma and darkness of abortion for those who think they have committed the unforgivable sin. God's mercy is greater than sin and is waiting for us to reach out for it. Join us for a safe, loving and confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's infinite mercy.

Contact our team to register or for questions: Susan - 610-716-4795 Georgeann - 484-955-4278



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