

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

651 East Springfield Road • Springfield, Pennsylvania 19064

JULY 17, 2022 • SIXTEENTH 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
 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.



FROM THE PASTOR

This weekend we welcome **Fr. Celestine Madubuko** to Holy Cross. Father is speaking to us as part of the Missionary Cooperative Plan. Originally from Nigeria, Father currently is chaplain to the Igbo Catholic Community in Philadelphia and resides at St. Gabriel's in Norwood. We are glad he is joining us to preach at all the Masses.

The Church in Nigeria is experiencing a great deal of suffering from anti-Christian violence. In early June, on Pentecost Sunday, for example, terrorists opened fire on worshippers in a Catholic Church in a town in Southwest Nigeria. There were at least fifty fatalities and many more injuries. Sadly, this sort of violence is becoming more common.

Your prayers and financial support of the Missionary Cooperative Plan collection are a way of showing solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who already face so many material challenges. Thank you for your generosity and for welcoming Father to our parish this weekend.

Some good news on the home front. I mentioned a couple weeks ago about the **damage to our fence** along Bishop Avenue. That was caused by a late-night car accident during the last week of school. After some back-and-forth and a bunch of questions, the driver's insurance company accepted our estimates for fence and tree repair/replacement, and the check has arrived. Now we just have to schedule the repairs, and hopefully everything will look good-as-new in a couple of weeks.

A note of gratitude today to the members of our **Garden Committee**. This small group of dedicated volunteers helps maintain the planters around the church entrance and some of the garden areas around the campus. It's a lot of work (sometimes in less-than-pleasant weather), but it pays off in the beauty it brings beauty to the campus.

Thank you to all for your continued support of our parish. Have a great week!

--Fr. Kiernan

16th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

Reading I: Genesis 18: 1-10a

Abraham, "our father in faith" graciously hosts three visitors to his encampment. They actually represent the Lord. In accepting the favor, they prophesy that Abraham's wife Sarah, barren up 'til now, will soon bear a son.

Reading II: Colossians 1: 24-28

Part of the mystery of Christ is that He reaches us ordinarily through one another. Because of his stewardship of Christ, St. Paul rejoices even in his sufferings.

The Gospel: Luke 10: 38-42

Martha and Mary host Jesus. He tells them of "the one thing necessary," which is openness to His person and message. He cites Mary to her sister Martha for her having chosen "the better part" while He is present.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JULY 18

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, JULY 19

8:30 AM - Charlie Hober

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

8:30 AM - Mary Ann Purcell

THURSDAY, JULY 21

8:30 AM - William Greenan

FRIDAY, JULY 22

8:30 AM - Helen & Ed Collins

SATURDAY, JULY 23

8:30 AM - Carol O'Leary

4:30 PM - The People of Holy Cross

SUNDAY, JULY 24

8:30 AM - Gerry Canterino & Tom Bunting

11:00 AM - The Living and Deceased

Members of the Casciano Family

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church: The Pelosi Family

Chapel: Antonio Borrelli

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need **\$13,613**

Weekly Collection, July 10

Total **\$6,830**

Electronic **\$2,793**

Basket & Main-Ins **\$4,037**

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Steve Austin

Consiglia Borrelli

Lyndi Butler

Mary Ann Carroll

Maryann Convery

Bill DeVuono

George Dickinson

Bob Frankenberger

Dawn Gibbons

Ryan Hearne

Carolyn Henderson

Steven Henderson

Jimmy Keating

Carole Kime

Natalie Giorgio Kitts

Ken Kull

Mary Kull

Kendall Lambert

Joann Marks

Maryanne McCauley

Richard McCullough

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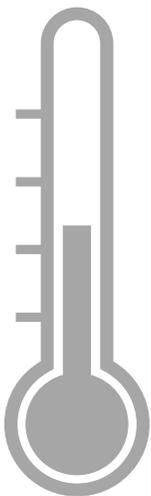
Joseph Sindoni

Adeline Sulpizio

Jean Super

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Betty Tomczyk



TAME OUR TEMP!

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Summer Study of the Psalms

Please join us for a summer short course on the book of Psalms, 5 weeks, Wednesdays 9:15 – 10:30 am, June 29 to July 27 in the parish center. We will be using Psalm Basics for Catholics by John Bergsma. For more information and to reserve a book contact Elizabeth Austin at elizabethaustin@gmail.com.

150th Anniversary of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Philadelphia, PA is celebrating their 150th Parish Anniversary with a Mass and dinner on Sunday, October 16, 2022. The ticket price is \$75 per person. Please call our rectory at 215-465-4050 or visit our website, sacredheartchurchsp.com for more information.

Home Care Needed

4 days a week for a 94-year-old. Please call Vicky at 610-623-7729.

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

If the thought of Purgatory frightens you, here's a thought: aim for heaven!!

Father John Ricardo says, "Purgatory is like being on the bus to heaven and it doesn't turn around. Don't worry about the length of the trip, just praise God that you made it on the right bus!"

Formed

This summer, take the opportunity to become familiar with all that FORMED has to offer. There are movies for the whole family, children's series and cartoons, lectures, Bible Studies, tours, books... so much to explore and learn, all with a Catholic perspective.

Remember this is a **FREE GIFT** to you from your parish! If you haven't already done so, go to <https://signup.formed.org> to begin exploring. 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!

Life in the Spirit Seminar 2022

You who are dispirited due to the challenges in this world, come and receive the Spirit of Hope to witness.

Fridays only, July 15 to August 26, 2022, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. St. Raymond of Penafort Church, 1350 Vernon Road, Philadelphia, PA.

For more information and to register visit www.PhillySpirit.com

Food Pantry Update

As we have shared before, with the increased cost of food and personal items, our pantry continues to be busy. Our parishioners have supported our St. Vincent dePaul Conference with your contributions in the "Help the Needy" church envelopes and food donations. Not sure if we tell you enough... we appreciate all of your generosity and prayerful support.

If you are able, we are always in need of cereal, pancakes and syrup, pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, veggies, mac & cheese, canned meats, spaghetti, juice, kiddie treats, paper towels and toilet paper.

If you know any Delco residents in need of food, please let them know our pantry is open on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30PM.

God Bless All of You,
Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Society Holy Cross Food Pantry

DCPC "Christmas in July" Restock Event

Please help the Delaware County Pregnancy Center restock their boutique for needed supplies for their expectant moms and their babies. Needed items are head-to-toe baby wash, baby lotion, bibs, backpack diaper bags, diaper rash ointment, diapers (especially sizes 3, 4 & 5), wipes, sleep 'n' play pajamas (sizes 3 mos. to 24 mos.), fitted crib sheets, soft snuggle toys, burp cloths, and Tommie Tippee, Avent and Dr. Brown bottles. Call Regina Scheerer at 610-328-2463 to pick up your donations or drop off at Delaware County Pregnancy Center at 2508 Edgmont Ave., Chester 19013, Monday thru Thursday, 10 AM to 4 PM. Thank you for helping to save the next generation!

Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 19 - 21 and October 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Three Parish Book Club Summer Reading Suggestions

1. Ready for a road trip with Pope Francis and the Dalai Lama?

The Delight of Being Ordinary by Roland Marullo

2. Want to solve a puzzle or two? Try one or more of these vintage mysteries.

A Novena for Murder by Sister Carol Anne O'Marie - introducing Sister Mary Helen and her "side kick" Sister Eileen, Bad Faith by Aimee and David Thurlo - whose sleuth is Sister Agatha, an exturn nun in a Southwest Monastery, The Father Brown Stories by G. K. Chesterton - oldies but still goodies.

3. Up for something different? Take the Miss Rumphius challenge. Read Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney (to a child or another adult.) Then decide together on a "third thing" and make it happen.

Book club meetings resume on September 28. For more information contact Joy Van Berg at 610 328-2095 or at joyvanberg@gmail.com

Students From Holy Cross Excel

Our parish recently received notification of the performance of our high school students on the end of the 4th quarter. We are particularly proud of those who demonstrated academic excellence.

Cardinal O'Hara High School

First Honors:

Natalie DiMario '22, Caitlin Henzel '23, Elizabeth Simpson '23, William Donnelly '24, Abigail Henzel '25, Amber-Joyce Pensyl '25

Second Honors:

Brian Young '22, Ava Devenney '23, Mia Macciocca '23, Victor Madu '23, Peter Vu '23, Anthony Yost '23, Grace Beurket '25, Kayleigh Kelly '25

Msgr. Bonner Archbishop Prendergast High School

First Honors:

Domenica Brunetti '22, Zachary Maiorano '23

Second Honors:

Sherlyn DeLaRosa '22, Alyssa Gannon '22, Brielle Terinoni '22

Adventure Island Vacation Bible Camp

OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL
31 Pennswood Road, Bryn Mawr, PA
August 15-19
9:00 AM to Noon

All children ages 4-9 are invited to join us for a week of discovering more about God in our Vacation Bible Camp August 15-19, 2022. Join us on Adventure Island to discover the Light of God in our lives! The cost of the camp is \$50. Scholarships are available. Contact Karen Carey at 610-525-0147 for information. To register go to www.omgcp parish.org and follow the prompts for VBC!

Registration for PREP

PREP 2022-2023 Registration is NOW OPEN! For forms and information please see the PREP Information tab on the website at holycrosscatholics.org.

Parish Business Manager – Help Wanted

Partnering Parishes of Sacred Heart (Clifton Heights) and St Charles (Drexel Hill) need a person who is proficient in QuickBooks, or at least familiar with bookkeeping. Person would be in charge of 2 Parish staffs, reporting to the Pastor. Responsibilities would also include upkeep for Parish grounds, with a rented School Building and a Cemetery at St. Charles, and with a Convent at Sacred Heart. Person should be faith-filled. Inquiries should be sent to Msgr. Majoros (mmajoros@scbdh.org) and Marty Kelly (mkelly@scbdh.org).

The IHM Center for Literacy

An educational mission of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) - is seeking volunteers to help teach English to immigrant adult learners at its new location in Juniata Park (Holy Innocents Parish). Volunteers are especially needed for evening classes (6:45pm to 8:15pm). Classes begin in late September 2022. No previous teaching experience is required. Teacher training is provided. For more information or to volunteer contact: jennifer@ihmcenterforliteracy.com

Mass of Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life

Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter & Paul
18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway,
Philadelphia, PA
Sunday, July 31 at 11:00 PM
Celebrant: Archbishop Nelson J. Perez



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