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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 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.

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.

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, July 6, 2025



FROM THE PASTOR

The new cameras in the school have been installed. In addition to installing new cameras in several critical areas, we also were able to reuse most of the older cameras in other locations to give us additional coverage. Whereas we had 7 cameras in the old system, we now have 29. It's not perfect; we still have a few blind spots here and there. But we can observe much more inside the building and even see some of the entrances to other buildings on campus. And God's providence is at work here. I'm not really sure how the grant awarding process works, but after submitting the final invoice, we were told that there was around \$1,700 left for us to use. Odd, because the grant was awarded based on the quote, which matched the final invoice. Perhaps they awarded a bit more for "just in case"? I don't know. Meanwhile, the company put together a quote for a couple odds and ends—like replacing those old cameras they originally thought would work better with the new system, and upgrading the monitor we had to see the cameras in the office. Since they already ran the wires, seemed like a no-brainer. The amount of that quote? Around \$1,700. God is good!

Two weeks ago, had twelve teens and four adults from Worcester, Massachusetts, helping around Holy Cross for four days as part of the Catholic Heart Work Camp. What a group! They worked hard during the intense heat wave and did some amazing things. They cleaned up and organized a couple closets in the church. They hauled a bunch of stuff out of the rectory basement and a whole lot of junk from storage areas in the school. They filled two 20 cubic yard dumpsters with junk—that's equivalent to a 10x13 bedroom filled to the ceiling. And these kids did it joyfully. And quickly: they worked faster than we were prepared to handle. We thought it'd take them the better part of a day to clean out one of the big closets in the school; they were done with it in two hours. We had to keep scrambling to think of the next thing so they wouldn't get bored. Not a bad problem to have. In addition to being grateful to this amazing group of teens, I also have to give a special thanks to Sheila Moeller, Ellen Spurrier, and Ron Gardner for helping with everything as well. Those were definitely some tough days, but the end result was well worth it.





Reading I: Isaiah 66: 10-14c

Mother Zion will comfort her little ones, and the "hand of the Lord" is with His chosen ones.

Reading II: Galatians 6: 14-18

"Let us boast only of the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ, by which we have been crucified to the world."

The Gospel: Luke 18: 1-12, 17-20 or 10: 1-9

Luke alone records this second missionary tour of the 70 disciples. Jesus gives them His "marching orders" that God's reign is near and brings about peace.

Tell someone the Good News of Jesus!



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JULY 7

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, JULY 8

8:30 AM - Rick Siddons

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

8:30 AM - Carmella R. Dolce & Thomas McHugh

THURSDAY, JULY 10

8:30 AM - Fran O'Haren

FRIDAY, JULY 11

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

SATURDAY, JULY 12

8:30 AM - No Mass

4:30 PM - Ben & Dorothy Pelosi

SUNDAY, JULY 13

8:30 AM - For the People of the

Parish 11:00 AM - Anne M. Stivender

The Corner

We observe the **Feast of St Benedict** on Thursday. He founded the Benedictine Order in the 5th century, and we often pray to him for the protection of ourselves and our homes against evil and temptation. His twin sister is also a saint, St Scholastica!



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church - Aimee Ellis Chapel - James Moerman

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need	\$12,000
Weekly Collection, June 22	
Total	\$7,723

Electronic	\$3,302
Basket & Mail-Ins	\$4,421

June 29 totals were not available at the time of submission due to early deadline.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

A name will stay in the bulletin for FOUR WEEKS. The contact person must notify the Parish Office if the person needs to stay on the list or they will be removed. Names can be put on the prayer list or removed from the prayer list by contacting the Parish Office in person, by phone (610.626.3321) or by email (contactus@holycrosscatholics.org).

Consiglia Borreli Lyndi Butler Mary Ann Carroll George Dickinson Dawn Gibbons Carolyn Henderson Steven Henderson Ken Kull Harold Elia Kendall Lambert Joann Marks Maryanne McCauley Matthew Bannon Mary Ann Nero **Bill Homony** Mary Ellen Sweeney Teresa O'Neill Mary Cuccinello Lauren Johnson John Rawle Jordan Champion

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Church Cleaning

The next church cleanings will take place Tuesday 7/15, Monday 8/11 & Monday 9/8, extra hands are always welcome, please use rear door, call Dolores Morroni 610-715-1328.

Thank You!

The Choir wants to thank everyone for their generous support of the Mothers Day and Fathers Day Memorial Trees. Thanks to you, we raised \$1800 for the Music Fund. This will help greatly with our Hymnals and organ repair. God bless you.



APPAREL ALERT!



We still have a few Holy Cross hoodies, sweatshirts and tshirts available. They are excellent quality and make great gifts. Call the office or stop by to get yours today!

Eileen George Prayer Group

Sundays, July 13th , from 2-3 PM

Join us for the Prayer Group in the spirit of Eileen George and her Meet the Father Ministry. We meet on a monthly basis to pray for specific intentions through Eileen's intercession, to study and reflect on her teachings, and to pray for her beatification & canonization. There will be Adoration, Confession and Benediction. Social to follow. For more information about Eileen, visit <u>www.EileenGeorge.org</u>.

Location: Annunciation BVM Church, 401 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, PA

More Info: Questions? Contact Jeanmarie Lorello at 610-547-7308 (phone or text). Next couple of meetings are August 10th and September 14th.

2025-2026 PREP Registration

2025-2026 PREP Registration is open - If you're a **returning family**, please do not fill out a form. You should have received an email from Parish Giving on the morning that registration was open on **April 30, 2025**. This email will contain login credentials for a Parish Giving account that was created for you. There is no need for you to create a Parish Giving account. If registration opens, and you don't receive this automated email, please contact Kelly Meliti at <u>PREPHolyCross@gmail.com</u>.

If you are a **new family** - Welcome to Holy Cross PREP. Please use the link provided on the Holy Cross website - HolyCrossCatholics.org under PREP in the Information section to register.



Gracie Demott Aron Fox Seth Hastings Rozie Jablonski Anthony Kelly Aalana Leopold Weston McWilliams William Pichler Claire Rigney Nolan Sage Adrien Sage Ella Wellman

Mary Mother of Captives is a support group for those coping with a loved one in prison. The group meets every second Thursday of the month in the St Charles Borromeo Parish Hall 3422 Dennison Ave, Drexel Hill, PA at 7PM. The next meeting will be on Thursday, July 10th. For more information, please contact John or Sue at 610-259-3178 or

<u>marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org</u>. Attendees remain confidential.

Visit the imprisoned. Become a Pen Pal

In prison, sometimes the only contact with the outside world is in the form of letters. Pen Pals are needed to write to the poorest of the poor. For more information,

please call John or Sue at 610-259-3178 or email <u>marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org</u>. Thank you very much and God bless you.

Food Pantry Update

It's hard to believe that Summer is almost here. We continue to be busy providing food to Our Neighbors in Need.

We appreciate the support from our Holy Cross parishioners through your generosity of food and prayers. You are always helping our pantry and words cannot express how Grateful we are for "All" of you.

Many additional groups also help with our mission of feeding folks in need including: St. Francis (who recently ran a food drive and shared some of their collected food with us), St. Annie's, Roma Deli, Wawa, Nirvana (pet food donations), and Ancient Order of Hiberians (AOH).

If you are able, we are in need of cereal, peanut butter, jelly, oatmeal, rice, breakfast bars, toaster tarts, pancake mix and syrup, pasta sauce (no glass please), pasta, mac & cheese, canned meats / tuna, stews, chef boyardee cans and kiddie treats (including snack packs, juice boxes, apple sauce and other goodies).

During the summer months, more children are in the cars, while families are picking up needed supplies. We give each of the children a "goodie bag" and the children are always happy for their bag of treats.

Just a reminder. We are open every Wed from 3:45 to 5:30... although, we will be closed July 2nd so our volunteers can take some time to celebrate the upcoming holiday.

If you know anyone in Delco in need of food, please share that our pantry is here.

God Bless you and we hope you will enjoy a restful, safe and Happy Summer. Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Society Holy Cross Food Pantry

Is Life's Journey taking you somewhere?...Is there purpose & meaning?...Does science actually point with fresh new evidence to FAITH & fulfillment? ... ANSWERS for you &/or your loved ones! OUR LADY OF FATIMA Church is offering Chris Stefanick's/Augustine Institute's **The SEARCH** at 6:45pm below Church [on South Avenue in Secane] on Thursdays June 26-August 7. Visually stunning & intellectually stimulating: join us for refreshments & respectful, yet honest, lively discussions following each 25-minute video. ALL are welcome [it's FREE], but we especially hope that you might INVITE [& come with] friends, relatives, neighbors, co-workers who are atheist, agnostic, lapsed Catholics, or those with guestions/doubts. See the 1-minute trailer at https://watch.formed.org/thesearch/season:6/videos/the-search-trailer-1. To REGISTER: contact Kathy McGovern at PREPolfsecane@gmail.com or at 484-498-2463

(landline).

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.

100th ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Good Shepherd Church will be celebrating our 100th anniversary with a Mass at Good Shepherd Church of Divine Mercy parish, 6667 Chester Ave on Sat. July 26, 2025, at the 4PM Mass. Please help spread the word about this celebration Mass to your friends and family.

If you are interested in joining our 100th anniversary committee, we are having a meeting at St. Gabriels rectory in Norwood on Thurs, June 12th at 6:30PM, or if you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Debbie Hanna at 215-520-2097.



IN CONFESSION JESUS HEALS YOU IN ADORATION JESUS LOVES YOU PLEASE STOP BY AND SHARE YOUR LOVE!!

For information please call Eileen at 610-213-3369 <u>Eileengriffin5217@gmail.com</u>

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A Free Gift to you from Holy Cross Parish **PROGRAMS – MOVIES – AUDIO - BOOKS**

It's Summertime!

This summer, have fun exploring all the topics in FORMED, from "The Pope," to "The Sacraments," to "Kids," to "Saints," to "Audiobooks," to "Movie Night" and so much more!! Have a wonderful summer learning something new!

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3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED. No password is needed and you will have full access to the site. ENJOY!

Holy Cross Students Excelling in High School

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

Cardinal O'Hara High School

Students who achieved first honors include: Hannah Nguyen '26, Erin Saye '26, Miley Woltanski '26, Sophia Campbell '27, Daniel Kull '27, Alyssa Zebuski '27, Sean Campbell '28, Anthony Huynh '28, Nicholas Voight '28.

Among those earning second honors were the following students from our parish: Grace Beurket '25, Hayden Ganley '27.

Msgr. Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School

The following students received First Honors: Class of 2025: Olivia Weir Class of 2026: Sean Erickson, Abigail Gannon

The following students received Second Honors:

Class of 2026: Sophia Megill

Did you know.....

We have beautiful greeting cards in the office for enrollment in the Holy Cross <u>Memorial Society</u> or the <u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> <u>Remembrance</u> (in either the Church or the Chapel) for a very nominal donation. Please stop by the office or call to see how you can submit your intentions and have a beautiful card to send.





The Office for Life and Family is now searching for a part-time <u>Operations</u> <u>Coordinator</u>

The purpose of the position is to ensure that the Director of the Office for Life and Family is free for higher level strategic planning and execution of the mission of the OLF. Responsibilities include handling a wide range of administrative and operational tasks, including managing correspondence, financial organization, and interfacing with ministry professionals and volunteers on behalf of the Office. This is an onsite position at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center (222 N. 17th Street, Philadelphia) with the possibility of remote work and flexible hours of service, in consultation with the Director. Ideal for a recent college graduate seeking ministerial and office experience, or for a mission-aligned professional in search of supplemental income at the service of the Church. The Office for Life and Family of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia exists to promote, foster, and defend the richness and the gift of the Church's vision of the human being, focusing in particular on the sacrament of marriage, the family as the domestic church, and the sanctity of every human life from womb to tomb.

Full posting here: <u>https://archdiocese-of-philadelphia.primepay-</u> recruit.com/job/927273/operations-coordinator





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