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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.



Recently, I was in Valley Forge National Park making my way on trails rather familiar. It was somewhat eerie in the park that day and quite astounding. Storms passing through our region had hit that area particularly hard. The National Weather Service reported that straight line winds associated with microbursts moved through the area with wind gusts between 70-80 miles per hour. The term for such a storm is “derecho.” Don’t worry. It’s the first time that I’ve ever heard of that also. The derecho destruction overall was great with numerous power outages, much property damage, and sadly, some lives lost. Friends of mine took shelter in their basement for a time fearing the worst. Fortunately, for them there was minimal damage. The park was another story. Trees were down all throughout and normal parking areas were closed due to storm damage. Entering into the park, in fact, I had to literally pass through the “doorway” of a fallen tree. I further discovered trails blocked, more downed trees, split trees, and bent trees. Some of the large fallen trees left divots from their roots so large that it looked like a meteorite struck the earth. The damage was all rather incredible and the man that I passed taking pictures of it agreed with me as did his young son. For all the damage though, there were signs of hope and a beauty that was yet pervasive. First of all, it was quite a beautiful day with plenty of sunshine. People were out and about despite the damage – as were the animals. I stopped and chatted briefly with a deer so used to people that though just feet away, she didn’t flinch. I guess she liked the homily. Squirrels, chipmunks, and a whole assortment of birds were all about their business as well. The forest will regenerate. It has already started. Also, rangers, and perhaps volunteers were evidently already out in the woods and had begun the slow task of clearing paths, creating new ones, and clearing debris. Despite the damage, it was a beautiful day in the park, though my shins paid a price from the tall grass thickets. Our Church, our world, and our society have experienced something akin to severe storm damage – a “derecho” of sorts. And maybe, we’re still in the midst of it. Making a restricted return to church following the damage of the corona virus pandemic, we’ve discovered that things aren’t quite the same with limited seating, hand sanitizing stations, and social distancing requirements. Someone had tears in her eyes at the sight. What’s more, in our world, we seemed to have moved from pandemic to protest. There is always a call to right injustice, but when demonstrations echoing that call become “derecho” in nature, a brand new injustice erupts and all one sees are fallen trees and even the deer runs away. There is indeed hope. There always is. The vast majority of people; the vast majority of Americans reject injustice whether under the banner of the law or in the shell of a burned-out convenience store. Despite images and slogans, the vast majority of people is good and wants what’s good for their family and friends and all of society no matter what one’s ethnic background or skin pigmentation might be. Despite downed trees a whole forest is in bloom. The same is true for the Church. Christ’s rising from the dead inaugurated a “New Normal” that caused some to rebel, but in time that “curve was flattened” and although some still can’t accept it, Resurrection remains – and always will. Therein lies our hope. So, go ahead! Take a walk in the park. It’s beautiful!

*Peace!*  
*Fr. Wilson*



<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 15</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Maurice O'Leary</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 16</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Dolores Purcell</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 17</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Meta M. Gambol</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 18</b>
	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 19</b>
<b>12:15 PM</b>	<b>Susan McDevitt</b>

#### **NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 20</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Angie &amp; Sam Forlano</b>
<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>People of Holy Cross</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 21</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Joseph M. Boyle and Cyrial Zimmerman</b>
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Anthony Torelli</b>



#### **Sunday Collection, June 7**

<b>Total collection</b>	<b>\$11,454</b>
<b>Electronic</b>	<b>\$2,470</b>
<b>Basket &amp; Mail-ins</b>	<b>\$8,984</b>

#### **THANK YOU!**

*There are several Parishioners who have donated their Government Stimulus Check to Holy Cross. We are very grateful for those who have done this. We thank you for your generosity.*

As you know, our Food Pantry volume for "Our Neighbors in Need" has increased significantly as the aftermath of the pandemic continues. If you are able, we are in need of pasta sauce (no glass please), veggies, canned meats, juice and juice boxes, kiddie treats, personal items (soap, deodorant, shampoo, body wash), and paper towels.

If you know anyone in need of food in Delco, please let them know that the pantry is open on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 6:00 PM.

God Bless All of You,  
The St. Vincent de Paul Holy Cross Food Pantry



## Resumption of Public Mass during the Restricted (Yellow) Phase

Archbishop Pérez has announced that parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be able to resume public Masses the weekend of June 6 and 7. Delaware County currently remains in the Yellow Phase. Please take notice of the instructions below. All are asked to follow these when attending Mass during this period. Many thanks!

### GENERAL POINTS

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation continues to be **SUSPENDED** during this time. You are **not required** to attend Mass at this time.

Please **stay home** if you are sick.

Please **stay home** if you are at higher risk of severe illness with COVID19.

Sunday Mass and certain Weekday Masses will continue to be available online at [holycrosscatholics.org](http://holycrosscatholics.org)

### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: 4:30pm (Vigil), 8:30am, and 11:00am

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday Masses at 8:30am

Please note: no public Mass on Friday during Restricted Phase (available online)

Confessions (Lower Church): Saturdays 3:30-4:15pm (Please wear a mask)

### BEFORE COMING TO MASS

Please wash your hands for 20 seconds using soap and water.

Before entering the Church, please put on a face mask or cloth covering. Exceptions to this are (per CDC Guidelines) children younger than 2 years old, anyone who has trouble breathing, and anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove a cloth face covering without assistance.

AGAIN: **Please do not come to Mass if you are sick or are at higher risk for severe illness with COVID19.**

Missalettes will not be in the pews during this period. You are welcome to bring your own missal/readings with you.

### ENTERING THE CHURCH

There will be only one set of doors open on each side

Hand sanitizing stations will be available at each vestibule.

Please use the hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting the Church.

Parishioners are encouraged to bring their own personal hand sanitizer and/or wipes

## SEATING

Every third pew will be open to ensure proper social distancing.  
Members of the same household may sit together as normal.  
Please place 6 feet between your household and members of a different household.

## DURING MASS

There will be no collection taken up during the Offertory.  
A Collection Basket will be located in the front center of the sanctuary. Offerings may be placed there either upon entering church or upon leaving after Mass. Offerings may continue to be mailed in or dropped off (drop box outside parish office or at front door of rectory). Please consider the option of electronic parish giving ([parishgiving.org](http://parishgiving.org)).  
There will be no Sign of Peace during Mass.  
The Precious Blood will not be distributed.  
Only Cry Room restroom is available (advisable to avoid public restroom use if possible).

## RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be distributed from the Center Aisle Only.  
Please maintain social distancing in the Communion line and returning (6 feet).  
All are asked to receive Holy Communion in the hand.  
Anyone receiving on the tongue is kindly asked to present himself last out of respect for other communicants since hand sanitizing is required per archdiocesan directives.  
Please remove your mask before receiving Holy Communion and then reaffix.

## EXITING THE CHURCH

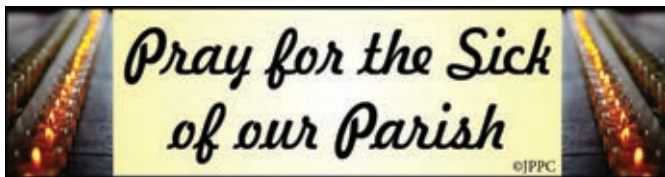
At the conclusion of Mass, please exit the Church and proceed directly to your car.  
Please do not congregate for any reason.  
All are welcome to take a parish bulletin home with you.  
Bulletins will not be handed out.  
Please leave your mask on until you exit the Church.

## YOUR HOLY CROSS PARISH FAMILY

Know that parish staff will strive to follow the guidelines from the CDC for sanitation as we resume public Masses.  
All can help by wiping their area (if personal wipes are brought) before leaving.  
Our first couple of weeks in the Restricted Phase will likely involve some trial and error. Please be patient as we adjust to the “new normal.” THANK YOU!!!

**OUR LADY OF THE HOLY CROSS! PRAY FOR US!**





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Did you know....?

The feast of Corpus Christi was established in 1264 when it was proposed by St. Thomas Aquinas to Pope Urban IV, in order to create a feast focused solely on the Holy Eucharist, emphasizing the joy of the Eucharist being the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

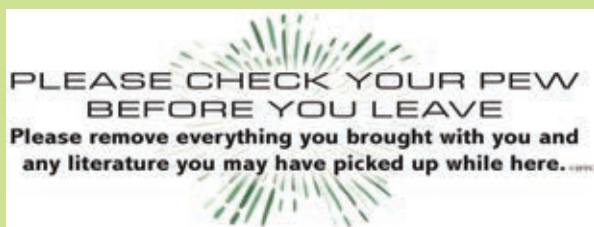


Please Note: Due to the restrictions on this Corpus Christi Feast Day there will be no procession this year.

## U.S.C.C.B WEBSITE

**Readings for daily and Sunday Mass can be found at [usccb.org/bible/readings](http://usccb.org/bible/readings). Click on the calendar on the right to get the readings for the day.**

**For those attending Mass**  
 At this time during the yellow restricted phase there will be no Altar Servers, Ushers taking up the collection or Children's Liturgy.





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