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JUNE 20, 2021 • TWELFTH 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
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.

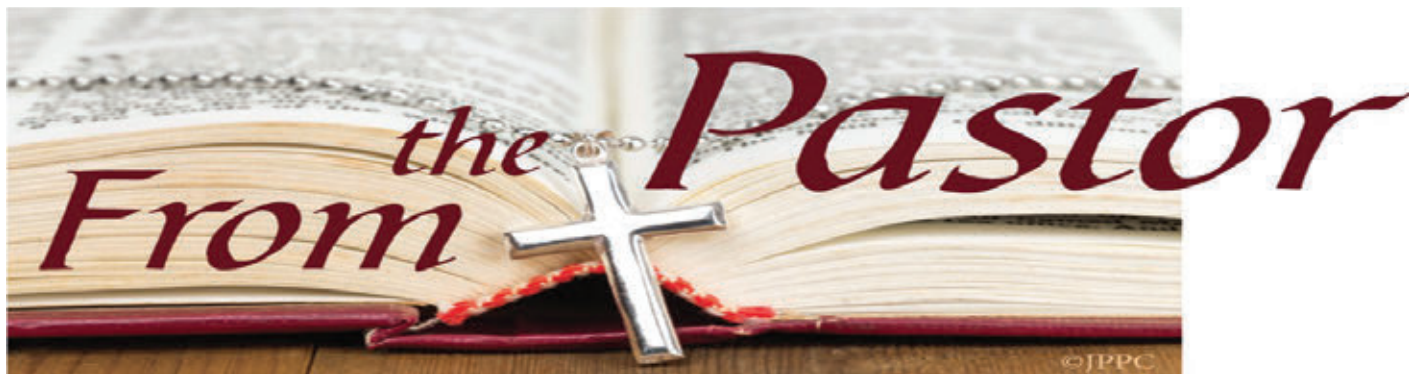
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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 Deacon Thomas Taylor or the Parish Office when a parishioner is hospitalized or home bound.



I was “dragging my feet” (as usual) as was my “adopted” mom, Teddy. My father was furious. We would be late arriving at the surprise party for a relative’s birthday. In fact, we would be about forty-five minutes late. We might spoil the surprise. Teddy, unsurprisingly, essentially got off the hook. I did not. My father berated me the entire ride to the hall. “You’ll be late for your own funeral.” I’m quite certain that that will



be the case. Anyway, we found a place to park the car. We wanted him to enter the American Legion Post Hall first, but he made us precede him. “This is embarrassing and it’s your fault,” he said, pointing at me! Everyone there immediately yelled “Surprise!” My father looked behind him and then in front and then all around. His perplexed look was priceless. Everyone was looking right at him! “What, who, what the...?” His confusion and shock soon turned to tears. All his friends were there, co-workers, and family. My father was ever so truly surprised. This party was for him in honor of his recent retirement. “Surprise, Dad,” I quietly said in his ear as I hugged him. Retirement is a time of transition in life that should be celebrated. There is a retirement of sorts taking place right here at Holy Cross. The Religious Sisters of Mercy accepted then Father Meyer’s request to teach the children at Holy Cross School beginning on that first opening day on September 1, 1950. That began a time of dedication, love, and service continuing right up until the present day. Even though no longer teaching in the school in more recent times, the Sisters have been very much engaged in a ministry of presence here at the parish. The Sisters and their Community have now decided on some change – a retirement of sorts. Though soon (the end of June) they may no longer be present here at Holy Cross, their presence, prayers, love, and good influence will always be felt. Sister Laverne King will be living at Saint Dorothy, Drexel Hill and Sister Linda Jean Nadzan will be residing at Saint Denis in Havertown. Sisters Catherine McAlpin and Loretta Saudarg will be moving back to the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse in Merion. I can’t thank the Sisters enough for their kindnesses over my brief time here at Holy Cross! I am especially indebted to Sister Loretta, who as my able business manager helped me navigate parish finances here in my first year as pastor. Thank you, Sister! Indeed, I want to thank all the Sisters! Maybe you can “surprise” them with a thank you of your own as they “retire” from Holy Cross! Sisters, please keep us in your prayers and know that you are in ours! We will miss you and know that we love you! Although I did help surprise my own father at the time of his retirement, try hard NOT to surprise your own father this weekend! Don’t forget (and don’t be late)! This Sunday is Father’s Day and to forget dad really would be an unfortunate surprise! To all of our dads, grand-dads, and all of those who have been like dads to us, thank you! Enjoy your most special day and have a most Blessed and Happy Father’s Day!

Peace!
Fr. Wilson





MONDAY	JUNE 21
8:30 AM	Ellen Linehan
TUESDAY	JUNE 22
8:30 AM	Bill Sidebottom
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 23
8:30 AM	Tony & Judy Niewinski
THURSDAY	JUNE 24
8:30 AM	No Mass
FRIDAY	JUNE 25
12:15 PM	Dante (Danny) Angelini

NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	JUNE 26
8:30 AM	Margaret R. McNicholas
4:30 PM	Paul J. Tomczyk
SUNDAY	JUNE 27
8:30 AM	People of Holy Cross
11:00 AM	Margaret A. Groux

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!



Sunday Collection, June 13

<i>Total Collection</i>	\$6,647
<i>Electronic</i>	\$2,505
<i>Basket & Mail-ins</i>	\$4,142



A Big Thank You!

We are ever so grateful for all the food, desserts and special touches that helped us make Father Wilson's farewell a memorable occasion.

Our parishioners are the best!

Gratefully,

The Social Committee & Holy Cross Knights

Second Collection for Peter's Pence

The Peter's Pence collection will be held this weekend, June 19-20, 2021. This collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined for Church needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. Thank you for your generosity.



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Father's Day World Mission Rosary

On June 21, we invite you for a special Father's Day edition of Mission Monday on the ongoing Archdiocesan Rosary Live! Anthony Raymundo, MD, father of seven, will be leading this special Rosary with his family. Dr. Raymundo is a Wharton MBA Alumnus, who works as a medical consultant, retreat director and Catholic speaker. Go to www.phillymissions.org or www.phillyevang.org/rosary to learn more.



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The Corner

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We have many Fathers in our lives. Above all, we have God our Father, who loves us unconditionally and eternally. We have our own fathers, who gave us life. We have brothers, grandfathers, uncles, cousins, sons, and men who have been like fathers to us in so many ways. And we can't forget our priests, who are the ones we call Father every time we see them.

"Dear God, thank you for being my loving Father, and thank you for all the fathers you have placed in my life. Bless them all with peace and love. Amen."

Casserole Drop-off Date

The next drop-off is Wednesday, June 23, between 6:00 and 7:00 PM at the gym annex. This month we are donating casseroles to Anna's Place in Chester. Mary Ann and Mike O'Shea will be delivering them. You can make any casserole that you like. Please mark the casserole with the date prepared. Call Connie Labowitz at 610-328-0599 with any questions.

Pro-Life Union

You can make a difference! You can save lives! Join The Pro-Life Union and The Sisters of Life on Wednesday, June 30, 7pm, at Saint Katherine of Siena Church in Wayne (104 S. Aberdeen Ave, Wayne, PA 19087) for a Sidewalk Servants Training Session. Be trained to effectively pray, witness, and offer alternatives to women outside of abortion centers ... and save lives! This is an outstanding training program that you won't want to miss. Do it for the women and do it for the babies in the womb.

Please RSVP by emailing cpinto@prolifeunion.org.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Update:

Our Food Pantry has been busy and we are still providing food as a drive thru. As we all know, summer is around the corner and the needs for kiddie treats, juice boxes/pouches are a staple, along with granola bars, always increases during this time of the year.

We are so blessed to continue to be able to assist our Neighbors in Need through your generosity and support. If you are able, we are in need of the following: canned meats/tuna, peanut butter, pasta and pasta sauce, canned fruit, condiments, baked beans, rice, pancake mix and syrup, cereal, and paper products (especially, paper towels and toilet paper).

Just a reminder, we are open to Delco residents every Wednesday, from 3:30 to 6:00. If you know anyone in need of food, please let them know that we are here.

God Bless All of You and Happy Almost Summer,
Your Friends from the SVDP Food Pantry Team

St. Vincent DePaul Society Assistance Needed

The St. Vincent DePaul Society Food Pantry Team is looking for someone to clean the Parish Center twice a month. If interested, please contact Ellie Epperson at 610-960-6989.

Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union

Holy Cross Church is now a member of the Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union. All parishioners, students and employees may now open an account and become a member of FMFCU. The local branch is on Baltimore Pike in Springfield. For all things FMFCU visit fmfcu.org.

Recycling Dumpsters

The paper recycling dumpsters have been removed from our property. There is no longer a benefit for Holy Cross Parish to house the dumpsters on our property. For the past four years we have no longer been receiving a stipend from the recycling company. With issues of the dumpsters overflowing and papers blowing all over campus the decision was made to remove the dumpsters.

50th Reunion



Msgr. Bonner and Archbishop Prendergast High School Class of 1970 will gather for a 50th reunion celebration at The Drexelbrook Catering and Event Center, 4700 Drexelbrook Dr., Drexel Hill, PA, on Friday, October 22, 2021, from 6 PM to 10 PM. For additional information, email bonnerprendie1970@gmail.com or contact John Matthews at 215-260-4568 or matthewstown@comcast.net.

Three Parish Book Club

The Three Parish Book Club's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 30, at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Church. Members will discuss One Ordinary Sunday by Paula Huston and will offer suggestions for other reading. You need not have read the book to join the meeting. For more information, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610 328-2095 or at joyvanberg@gmail.com.

Summer Reading Suggestions

Coffee with Nonna by Vincent Iezzi

The Lost Ravioli Recipes of Hoboken by Laura Schenone

A favorite book from your childhood

Chairlift available

If anyone is in need of a chairlift for stairs, please contact Rita Gentile at ritagentile5@gmail.com. The family of a deceased loved one would like to offer this chairlift to someone in need. You would need only to pay for installation.

Companion Needed

My Mom lives in Colonial park and is in need of a companion two days per week. Although she is very independent (and an amazing woman), she could use assistance with light cleaning, laundry, meal organization, and conversation. Having support two afternoons per week for 3 to 4 hours would be great. If you are interested, please call Anne at 267-283-8148.

Saint Joseph Novena

Let us pray.

O Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Foster Father of the Divine Child, Jesus, you were entrusted as the protective guardian of the Holy Family in Nazareth.

Give today this same protection to the family of the Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Intercede with Christ before the Father of us all:

For the clergy and faithful,
For married couples and single men and women,
For all those in the consecrated life,
For families and young people,
For the poor, the lonely and neglected,
For all the sick, suffering and dying.
For a deepening of our spiritual life,
For a strengthening of the moral life,
For a bolder witness to the truth of the Gospel.

For all of us, Saint Joseph, with you as our firm example, may we remain confident in the plan of the Father for us, with lives of faith rooted in the saving death and resurrection of his Son and ever faithful to the demands of the Christian life with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Saint Joseph, patron and protector of the Universal Church. Pray for us!



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Principal's Corner



If you are considering a Catholic Education for your child(ren), Holy Cross School is accepting registrations for Grades Pre-K 3 to 8th grade. We provide students with a strong academic program, spiritual development, social and emotional growth. We have a dedicated staff of teachers who are able to provide in-person and virtual instruction. We educate children in a loving and caring atmosphere and would love to provide an excellent education for your child(ren). A considerable amount of grant money is available through BLOCS, if you meet the criteria.

If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Spurrier in the school office at 610-626-1709.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Cassandra Henderson who graduated from Monsignor Bonner Archbishop Prendergast High School on June 11, 2021! We are very proud of all that she has accomplished and wish her continued success in the future!

Delaware County Emergency Rental Assistance

Are you behind on your rent due to COVID-19? The DELCO Emergency Rental Assistance (DELCO ERA) grant program helps renters who suffered disruption and/or loss of income due to the COVID-19 pandemic by assisting with past due rent and utilities. Residents are encouraged to apply beginning April 1, 2021, and will be considered on a first-come, first-qualified and approved basis. Funds are required to be distributed by the end of 2021. Assistance is available for financial obligations incurred after April 1, 2020. Visit delco-era.com or if you have questions, please email info@delco-era.com or call 484-729-4200.



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