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NOVEMBER 14, 2021 • THIRTY-THIRD 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.

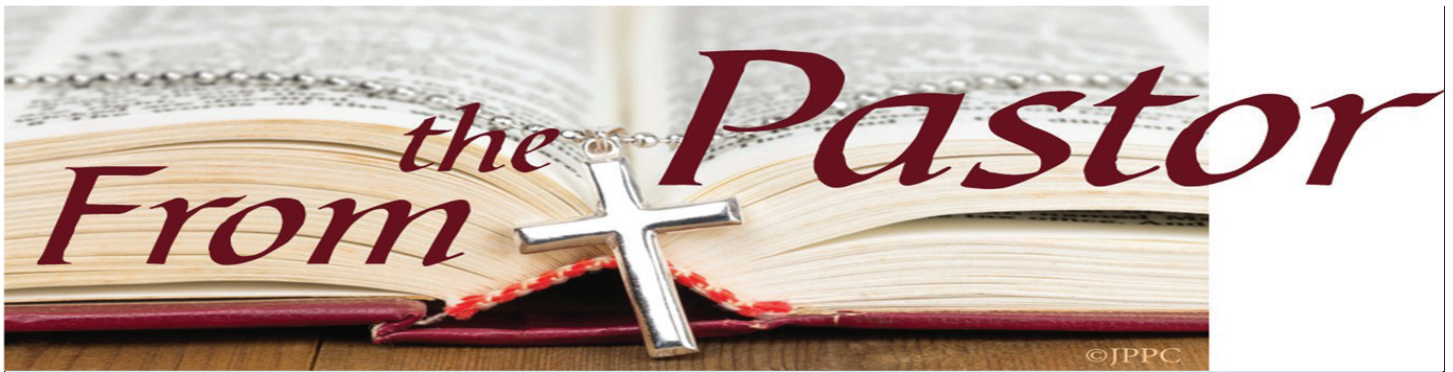
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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.



During my years in the seminary, November was one of my favorite months. Midterms usually took place in October, so you got a chance to breathe and relax a bit once they were over. November started with All Saints and All Souls and the celebration of the Feast of St. Charles Borromeo. Toward the end was Thanksgiving break. While Christmas and Easter breaks were longer, there were always the big liturgical celebrations to help within the parish and at the Cathedral during those breaks. Thanksgiving was just a few days of rest at the end of the month with little to worry about except what pie you wanted for dessert.

The middle of the month brought the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Appeal and the opportunity to go out and visit parishes as a representative of the seminary. Standing in front of a crowd of unfamiliar people to ask for financial support for St. Charles wasn't the easiest thing to do, but it did give me the opportunity to go to places I hadn't been before and meet nice people in various parishes throughout the Archdiocese.

Next weekend, we will be welcoming a seminarian from St. Charles who will speak at all of our Masses about the Seminary and the Seminary Appeal. For the Archdiocese to run its own seminary is a real blessing, and your support of the Seminary Appeal helps them to continue their vital work of forming priests for the future. You should have received information about the Appeal in the mail, and we will have some materials around the church as well. Thank you in advance for your support.

Also happening next weekend, we have the return of the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast on Sunday morning! I haven't been here to experience this yet, but I hear there's usually plenty of good food and lots of fun. The Knights are very generous to the parish not only with financial support, but also with their time. I hope to see you there on Sunday.

The Advent Bible Study begins this week: the first session is Wednesday, 11/17, at 9:15 am. Yes it's a bit before Advent officially begins, but if people can put up their Christmas trees before Thanksgiving, we can start our Advent Bible Study early too! As we enter into a hectic time of year, consider giving yourself an early Christmas gift of a greater knowledge of your faith and Sacred Scripture. You don't have to worry that it won't fit, be the wrong color, or be something you already have.

We are just a week and a half away from Thanksgiving. For those that are looking to do something extra to help the poor around this holiday, please consider donating to our food pantry. Even better, think about offering to help distribute the food on Wednesdays. We are blessed to have so many generous people in this parish helping to support those who need help with food and other basic essentials.

A sneak peek for next week's bulletin: we will publish the financial summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 next week. We've got a couple other announcements about new initiatives and programs lined up for next week and the week after as well. Lots of good things are happening here at Holy Cross, and more are to come!

Fr. Kiernan

Masses For The Week



MONDAY NOVEMBER 15

8:30 AM No Mass

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 16

8:30 AM Domenic & Rosemarie Tricome, Sr.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17

8:30 AM Rita & Edmund Creato

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 18

8:30 AM Nora Gaudiosi

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 19

8:30 AM Joan Margaretta Seal

NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 20

8:30 AM Clement McSwiggian

4:30 PM Paul Tomczyk

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21

8:30 AM People of Holy Cross

11:00 AM The Living & Deceased Members of the Casciano Family

Exciting News about Our Choir !!

Our Holy Cross Choir has been invited to sing at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia on March 26, 2022. We are looking forward to serving as the choir for the Saturday evening Mass. More details will come later so that you can plan to attend if you wish. So, we are looking for additional choir members when we start our choir season again here at Holy Cross this September. We need all voices, especially basses and tenors. You do not need to know how to read music in order to sing. We practice on Tuesday evenings in the choir loft from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. If you would like more information, please contact our Music Director Grete Ingalls at 267.253.4007, or email greteingalls@hotmail.com. Come join us!!



SANTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary lamp intention is for:

The Pelosi Family



Sunday Collection, November 7

Total Collection \$7,060

Electronic \$2,505

Basket & Mail-ins \$ 4,555

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!

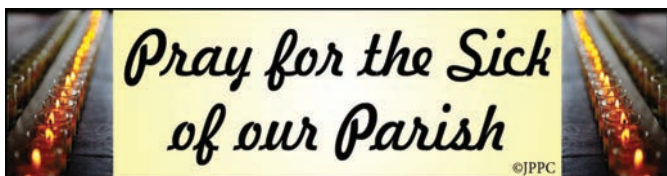
Remembrance Hearts

Our remembrance tree will be on display until the 14th of November. After that date the remembered names will be placed on the Altar for the remainder of the month.

Please pray for our deceased loved ones.

Feast Day Tip St. Elizabeth of Hungary

St. Elizabeth is the patron saint of bakers. A popular Germany Christmas cookie, Elisen-Lebkuchen, is actually believed to be created for the feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. With Christmas foods making their way to the shelves, finding these cookies in a grocery store is a possibility. However, if you can't find them, baking your favorite dessert would be a great alternative.



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George Dickinson
Dawn Gibbons
Carolyn Henderson
Steven Henderson
Jimmy Keating
Carole Kime
Natalie Giorgio Kitts
Ken Kull
Mary Kull
Kendall Lambert
Joann Marks
Maryanne McCauley
Richard McCullough

Barbara McCusker
Francis Murray
Frances O'Callaghan
Charlotte O'Leary
Paige O'Leary
Alexander Ott
Mary Rafferty
Joseph Sindoni
Adeline Sulpizio
Jean Super
Valerie Thompson
Helen Torelli
Amanda Trerotola
Carol Valaitis
George Vrettos

Pancake Breakfast

The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus #15482 are again holding their Semi-Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 21, from 8:00AM until 1:00PM. Tickets for the breakfast will be \$10 for Adults and \$9 for Kids (12 & Under). There will be advanced discounted tickets sold at \$9 for Adults and \$8 for Kids (12 & Under). Advanced discounted tickets will be sold after all Masses on the weekends of November 6 & 7 and November 13 & 14. Tickets will also be available from any of the Knights before November 21. Remember "It's More Than Just Pancakes!"

Three Parish Book Club

Because the last Wednesday in November is the day before Thanksgiving, the Three Parish Book Club's next meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 1, at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Parish Center. Last Wednesday of the month meetings will resume in December.

For more information, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610 32-2095 or joyvanberg@gmail.com.

November

Set Your Heart Free by St. Francis De Sales (Ave Maria Press.)

December

The Infancy Narratives: Jesus of Nazareth by Pope Benedict XVI

Joseph Ratzinger

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

"I have said these things to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete." (John 15:11)

The surest sign that God is alive in you is your joy. We are meant to share the joy of the Gospel with others, inviting them into its radiant light. And one of the best ways to do that is simply by being joyful ourselves.

Church Cleaning

A note of thanks to our Holy Cross cleaning ladies who continue to help keep our church and chapel clean! We are blessed and you are appreciated. Next church cleaning is Dec. 14 after the 8:30 am Mass. Extra hands are always welcomed. Contact Dolores Morroni 610-715-1328.

Annual Cemetery Blanket/Door Wreath Sale

The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus #15482 will again be holding their Annual Cemetery Blanket/Door Wreath Sale beginning on Sunday, 11/21/21 and ending on Sunday, 12/5/21. Unfortunately there was another increase this year from our supplier. Goods and supplies are harder to get and prices reflect that. The price this year will be \$30.00 per Blanket as well as \$30.00 per Door Wreath. To place an order you can call, text or e-mail Andy Grajek @ 610-761-9020 or gfrandy@juno.com and leave your name, phone number & the amount of blankets/wreaths that you wish to order. Please leave your contact information in case we need to contact you. If you contact by e-mail, a form can be sent to you electronically. Checks/orders can be sent by mail. Make checks payable to: Holy Cross K.O.C. #15482. Checks can be mailed to: Cemetery Blankets, c/o Andy Grajek, 492 Indian Rock Dr., Springfield PA 19064. Cemetery blankets will be available for "Contactless" pick up in the Holy Cross School Parking Lot on Saturday - 12/11/21 from 8:30am until 11:00am.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Update

Wow, hard to believe that Thanksgiving is right around the corner. Business has been brisk as the weather. Due to daylight savings time, we are reducing our hours to Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30PM.

Our big push is on to supply our Most-in-Need Neighbors with a turkey or chicken and the fixings for their Thanksgiving dinner. If you are able, either drop off your donation at the pantry on Wednesday during our hours or call the office and we can pick up or meet you at the pantry at a time convenient to you.

For your awareness, the Pantry will be open the following dates for the remainder of this month:

- **Wednesday, November 17, 2021**
- **Final food and turkey distribution for this month will be on Monday, November 22.**
- **The Pantry will be closed the day before Thanksgiving so our volunteers can prepare for their own family celebrations.**

We will provide turkeys or chickens and the fixings while supplies last. When our volunteers think of Thanksgiving, we are humbled, grateful and Thankful for all the support that you provide to us All Year. Thank you for your prayers and your generosity.

*God Bless All of You,
Your Friends from the SVDP Holy Cross Food Pantry*



MULTI-PARISH PRO-LIFE MEETING

Please join us for our monthly pro-life meeting on Wednesday, November 17, from 7 to 8 PM in St. Dorothy's Rectory Basement (Drexel Hill). Entrance is from the parking lot. Your prayers and suggestions are most welcome. For more information, please contact Regina Scheerer at 610-328-2463.

Jesus, protect and save the unborn.



SPECIAL REQUEST!

I am here waiting for you! Talk with me, tell me your concerns. I will help as I love you very much! I will be waiting for you in the Adoration Chapel, Monday thru Friday, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. I am your forever friend,
Signed Jesus



Any questions, please call 610-626-3321

Advent Bible Study

For men and women in Springfield: Advent Bible Study at the Parish Center of Holy Cross. 9:15 AM on Wednesday, November 17, December 1, 8 and 15.

Please join us



Bonne & Prendie Open House
Thursday, November 18, 2021

www.bonnerprendie.com

TWO GIVING TREES

This year we have two recipients of our Giving Tree and therefore we will have two trees.

On Mary's side there will be items for the Delaware County Pregnancy Center, 2508 Edgemont Ave., Chester, PA. Requests will be listed on the ornaments.

On St. Joseph's side, the items will be for the elderly poor residents at Holy Family Home, 5300 Chester Ave., Philadelphia, PA. This is run by the Little Sisters of the Poor. Requests will be listed on the ornaments. Items can be put into gift bags.

The last day for bringing gifts is Sunday, DECEMBER 12.

Thank you for your generosity!



Tuesdays, November 30th, December 7th, 14th, and 21st – 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Event: Zoom discussion on **“Everything You Wanted to Know About the Mass but Were Afraid to Ask!”** Please join St. Augustine Parish (Philadelphia) as we host four virtual discussions during Advent on the what we celebrate at the Mass. *“Is everything we believe in included in the Creed? Are my sins forgiven when we pray the Kyrie? Why don’t we pray the Mass in Latin anymore? Are the Scriptures truly the Word of God?”* We will discuss and answer these and other questions you might have regarding the Mass. Join us and our special guest participants via Zoom on the dates and times listed!

11/30 – What is the Mass? – Rev. David Friel, Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Professor of Theology, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

12/7 – The Introductory Rites – Rev. Daniel Mackle, Director of Liturgy and Professor of Pastoral Theology, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

12/14 – Liturgy of the Word (The Scriptures) – Dr. Kelly Anderson, Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

12/21 – Homily, Creed and Prayer of the Faithful – Rev. Tom Dailey, O.S.F.S., John Cardinal Foley Chair of Homiletics and Social Communications, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

Location: St. Augustine Parish (Philadelphia) via Zoom

More info: Please email Jacob Marquart, O.F.S. at staugustineparish09@gmail.com or call (215) 627-1838 to submit your questions.

To register for the November 30th presentation:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAAtcuugqzsiE9VaKZLU_VBls7TcmgXe_9OT

To register for the December 7th presentation:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsdOyprDliGda3ql-g1mXXTCfM50tnPegy>

To register for the December 14th presentation:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwvc-GsrTwtG9ffkkoCbrYUTyNEKLA94xYP>

To register for the December 21st presentation:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZElc-GhrDMiHN0FyVeKdiJa9uCyH7-Yzi01>

Sacred Heart Church, Clifton Heights Pierogi Sale

(Pierogi is a case of dough filled with a savory potato and cheese filling and cooked by boiling and then pan frying)
Made at NEW LOCATION!! St. Stephen's Church Hall, 199 W. Baltimore Ave. (Baltimore Pike & Church St.), Clifton Heights, November 8-19, 2021, \$8.00 per dozen. Order by Calling Joanne Bidoli at 610-574-7077 or the Rectory at 610-623-0409 between 10AM and 3PM. Pick up times at St. Stephen's Church Hall (pierogi must be ordered first) Weekdays 10AM to 12 Noon or Special Evening Pickup Wednesday of both weeks 5:30 to 6:30PM.

Principal's Corner

Support our school through Amazon Smile. When making a purchase on Amazon go to smile.amazon.com and enter “Holy Cross Church” All proceeds go to Holy Cross School.

Help Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to work in the library. Please call the school office if interested.



Don't miss the 2021 annual Stand Up For Life Dinner.

The event is attended by over 1200 pro-lifers every year, including 300 students! This event is an inspiring opportunity to experience the strength of the Pro-Life Community in the Greater Philadelphia area and to discover how you can play a role in the protection of the unborn and the promotion of the Sanctity of Life.

www.prolifeunion.org

215-885-8150

November 21, 2021
4:30 PM Cocktail Hour
5:30 PM Dinner

Home Care Needed

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

Resident Advisor/Case Manager needed

Mother's House in Darby is in need of a Resident Advisor and a Case Manager. High School Diploma or GED required. Includes shift work—day, evenings and night. If interested please call, Mother's House at 610-583-4663. Skills required are: knowledge of the social service system; skilled in case management; strong counseling skills; ability to work independently and as a team player; ability to work with diverse populations and in multi-disciplinary setting; computer skills.



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