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OCTOBER 3, 2021 • TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mrs. Grete Ingalls. MM, CAGO..... Music Director

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.

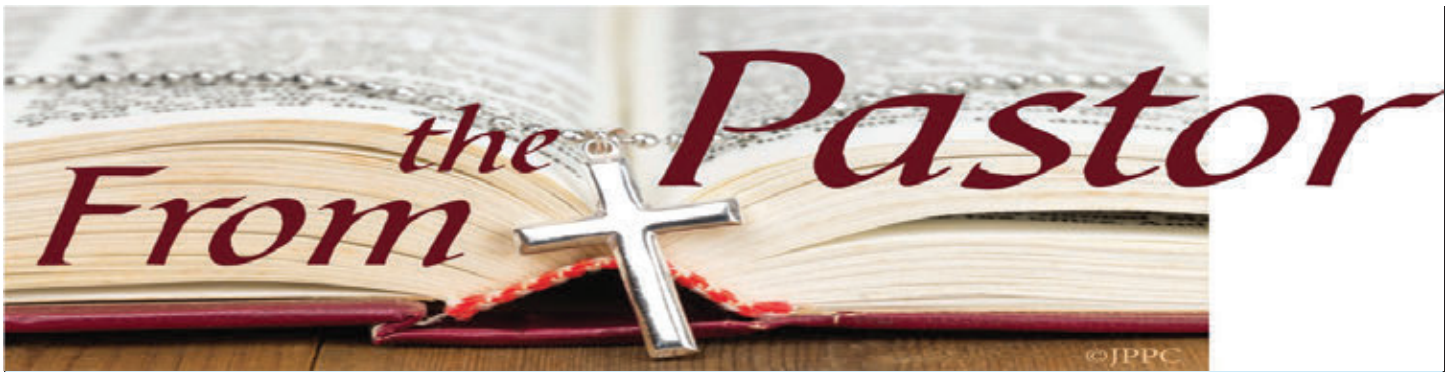
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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.



Holy Cross Parish is honored to welcome Bishop McIntyre on Sunday for the celebration of the 11:00 Mass and my official installation as the pastor. I'm humbled to have been entrusted with the pastoral leadership of this parish. We have an inspired past and a great future ahead of us. We also have to be honest: there are some serious challenges ahead of us that we have to confront. Since my first days as a priest, I've always advocated trusting in God's providence, and I firmly believe that He will provide what we need to be the best parish we can be. Let us pray for one another that we may be successful in doing the work entrusted to each of us.

I do want to express a public thank-you to the parish staff who worked so hard behind the scenes to make this installation celebration possible. As with any big event, a lot of work goes into planning and executing it, most of which is unseen and thus unappreciated by many. Coming into a new assignment as a priest always has its challenges, but I am very blessed that my colleagues here at Holy Cross have made the transition happen much more smoothly. We have great people working here!

October is a great month. For one thing, Autumn is my favorite season of the year. There's just something about vibrant colors, hayrides, campfires, cool temperatures, and hot cider that makes the season for me. As a kid, getting a pillowcase full of candy at the end of the month wasn't too bad either! As a Church, we also celebrate some great saints this month: Therese of Lisieux, Francis, Teresa of Avila, the North American Martyrs, and Pope John Paul II among others. October is also the month of the Rosary, and we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (aka Our Lady of Victory) this Thursday, recalling the great victory in the Battle of Lepanto.

The month of October is also designated as Respect Life month by the US Bishops. A lot of press has been given lately to some key life issues that are again in the forefront of political discourse. As a Church, we are called to stand strong to give a pro-life witness, not only by advocating for legal protection for the unborn, but also by our exercise of charity in supporting those who find themselves in difficult situations. As this issue continues to boil, we should do our best to ensure our voices are heard. That may involve contacting our legislators to encourage them to support the rights of the unborn; it may involve having respectful conversations with others about what we believe; and it should involve prayer for our nation and its people. I would suggest praying the rosary during October along with invoking the prayers of the saints we celebrate this month for this critical intention for our nation.

Some good news to share: our parish school recently applied for a technology grant to purchase additional Chromebooks for our students. I am thrilled to report that the grant was approved! We are in the process of working out getting the funding and procuring the equipment. Dr. WorriLOW has written several other grants for technology upgrades and for safety/security upgrades for the school. We're still waiting to hear about those and praying we'll hear good news when we do. Like I said earlier, we trust in God's providence!

Fr. Kiernan



MONDAY	OCTOBER 4
8:30 AM	No Mass
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 5
8:30 AM	Michael Mitchell
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 6
8:30 AM	Kenneth MacDonald
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 7
8:30 AM	Teresa Nero Lawrence
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 8
8:30 AM	Natalie Mary Herman

NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	OCTOBER 9
8:30 AM	Josephine Ferro
4:30 PM	Ben & Dorothy Pelosi
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 10
8:30 AM	People of Holy Cross
11:00 AM	Joan & Charles Dunleavy

In Loving Memory

The flowers on the altar this weekend were donated in loving memory of:

Rocco and Magdalena Gentile

***Today we celebrate the Installation of
Reverend Steven W. Kiernan
As Pastor of Holy Cross
Congratulations Fr. Kiernan!***



Sunday Collection, September 26

<i>Total Collection</i>	<i>\$8,724</i>
<i>Electronic</i>	<i>\$2,475</i>
<i>Basket & Mail-ins</i>	<i>\$6,249</i>

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!

WE NEED YOU!

To stay with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel for just one hour. There are many "open" hours where He is alone! Why not commit to just one hour per week?? We are open 9 AM to 7 PM Monday thru Friday. If you need directions, please call the office at 610-626-3321.





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George Dickinson	Frances O'Callaghan
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Steven Henderson	Paige O'Leary
Jimmy Keating	Alexander Ott
Natalie Giorgio Kitts	Mary Rafferty
Ken Kull	Joseph Sindoni
Mary Kull	Adeline Sulpizio
Kendall Lambert	Jean Super
Maryanne McCauley	Valerie Thompson
Richard McCullough	Helen Torelli
Barbara McCusker	Amanda Trerotola
	George Vrettos

Respect Life Mass, March and Rally

Please join us in Philadelphia for the 2021 Respect Life Rally on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 11:00 am. It will be held in front of the largest abortion center in PA, Philadelphia Women's Center at 777 Appletree Street. At 12:00 pm we will march to the Liberty Bell to proclaim liberty for the unborn. We will see you there!

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat

October 22—24, 2021

Malvern-Frazer, PA

For information call Georgeann 484-955-4278 or Susan 610-716-4795

Merion Mercy

Families of girls in 6th – 8th grade are welcome to join us at Merion Mercy Academy's Open House on Sunday, October 3, between 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon in the gym. Students in 8th grade can take Merion Mercy's Scholarship and Entrance Exam on either Saturday, October 9, or Sunday, October 10, from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. To register for either event, please visit: www.merion-mercy.com/openhouse

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

"This is what the Church means by saying that the priest, by virtue of the sacrament of Holy Orders, acts *in persona Christi Capitis*:

It is the same priest, Christ Jesus, whose sacred person His minister truly represents. Now that minister, by reason of the sacerdotal consecration which he has received, is truly made like to the High Priest and possesses the authority to act in the power and place of the person of Christ himself."

---Catechism of the Catholic Church #1548



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!!

Unbound Conference

What if you could reach out and touch God's love, and never be the same? More than ever before we are struggling to find our way. The Unbound: Freedom in Christ Conference will empower you to break the powerful chains in your life, so that you can walk in the fullness of freedom. When: October 8 and 9. Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Morton, PA. How: More info and registration - www.hearttothefather.com/event. Cost: \$95 before Sept. 25th/Couple or group pricing available.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Update

Our Food Pantry has been busy and we are still providing food as a drive-thru. Through numerous benefactors including Staples, Rosemary Bannon, the O'Shea family, Acme and several others, we were able to provide school bags, school supplies, hand wipes and masks to almost 100 children.

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, veggies, mac & cheese, peanut butter & jelly, pasta sauce, canned fruit, soup, baked beans, rice, pancake mix and syrup, cereal, paper products, and personal items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant).

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

God Bless All of You and please know you are all very much appreciated.

Your Friends from the SVDP Holy Cross Food Pantry



AUTUMN BIBLE STUDY

Do you want to dig deeper into the Bible but don't know where to start? Come join us! You'll receive a Study Pak, including your own DVD series at the end of the course!

What: *"The Turning Point, A Study of the Gospel of JOHN"*

This is an easy way to start. We will study in **depth** only 1 book of the Bible

Where: Holy Cross Parish Center

When: 9 Wednesdays, September 8 thru November 3, 2021

Time: 9:15—10:45 am, right after the 8:30 Mass

Who's Invited: Everyone!

Contact: Elizabeth Austin 803.556.7459 or Pattie Stevens 484.868.8571

Please call to register so we know how many Study Paks to order!

Annual Delaware County Life Chain

Our annual Life Chain returns this year on Sunday, October 3, from 1 to 2 PM along the sidewalks of Baltimore Pike in Springfield starting at Saxer Avenue. Please come to witness for Life from conception to natural death. Bring your rosary and pro-life signs. We will also have some pro-life signs. Bring a chair, if you want, and bring an umbrella if it rains. Let's witness for Life!



Maternity B.V.M. School, Class of 1970, 50+1 Reunion

The Class of 1970 Reunion will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2021, from 7-11 PM, at Maternity BVM Parish Hall, 9322 Old Bustleton Avenue. Please send a check to Maternity B.V.M. Rectory, 9220 Old Bustleton Avenue, Phila, PA 19115. \$50 per person; payable to Maternity B.V.M. Church; Attention: Denise. Please include the names of attendees, a contact number and email address. For additional information, please email dvoisard@maternitybvm.net.



Eighth Grade Scholarship Exam
Sunday, October 17, 2021
Tuesday, November 9, 2021
To register, be sure to visit:
www.bonnerprendie.com

Bonne & Prendie Open House
Sunday, October 17, 2021
Thursday, November 18, 2021

Pro Life Union of Greater Philadelphia

Our Family Life Center, The Cenacle, serving over 100 women is in need of Size 5 and Size 6 diapers. You can place the order on Amazon and send directly to The Cenacle.

Place the below address into the shipping address section wherever you order from.

The Cenacle at St. Joachim's
1527 Church Street
Philadelphia, PA 19124

If you have any questions, please email cpinto@profilefunion.org.



St. Eugene Parish Community Family

Sunday Funday

Sunday, October 17, 2021, 1:00pm – 5:00pm at St. Eugene Field

Featuring COWPIE 50/50 BINGO!! \$10.00/Ticket
For more information or to purchase tickets visit:
Website: sainteugenechurch.net
Email: cowpiebingo2021@gmail.com

OTHER FUN ACTIVITIES

Flea Market, Raffle Baskets, Games, Music, Food

Flea Market Vendors Needed - contact Denise at 610-331-7130

Home Care Needed

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

Church cleaning

Yes we are back! Our "HC Church Cleaners" have returned to help keep our Church looking its best! Our next date for cleaning is Tuesday, 10/5, after the 8:30 am Mass. We are looking for a few volunteers to help. Feeling ambitious then feel free to join us. Bring your bucket and towel and be ready to help out. Any questions feel free to contact Dolores Morroni at 610-715-1328 and leave a message. Thank you and looking forward to seeing you.

ST. EUGENE CHURCH

Introduces

REV. THOMAS R. MC CARTHY, O.S.A.

Parish Mission

What does it mean to be Catholic today?

Sunday, October 31, Monday, November 1 & Tuesday, November 2.

Father Tom is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher. More information to follow.

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

Part-time position in our after school C.A.R.E.S. program, 15 to 20 hours per week, 3:00 to 6:00 PM, Monday thru Friday.

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



Class 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 6PM to 10PM**. For additional information email bonnerprendie1970@gmail.com or contact John Matthews (215) 260-4568; matthewstown@comcast.net.

Good Society

Looking for a few Holy Cross parishioners to field test a new interactive program in development for Catholics to learn and discuss the Church's social, economic, and political teaching. We will meet on Monday, October 4, 2021, at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. If interested, please contact Steve Austin at stephenwaustin@live.com or 803-556-7481. Disclaimer: This curriculum is still in development and has not yet received an ecclesiastical review.



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