



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

651 East Springfield Road • Springfield, Pennsylvania 19064

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 • TWENTY-THIRD 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.



FROM THE PASTOR

Can you do us a favor to help our students in the school? The PA Department of Education is backlogged in providing book and equipment funding, and we need people to voice their concerns to our State Legislators.

Non-public schools (like Holy Cross School) receive funding each year from the Commonwealth of PA for the purchase of textbooks and other instructional materials. This funding is required by the PA School Code. Once the funds are available, we submit bids from different vendors for the materials we need to the Department of Education through their electronic portal. Several weeks ago, as soon as the portal was made available for this year, our school, and most schools in the Archdiocese, submitted their orders. The Department of Education, however, has been slow to fulfill them, and as of last week, only 10% of the schools in the Archdiocese had their book orders processed. Catholic schools (including our school) across the state have had to open without these necessary books and supplies.

The PA Catholic Conference has asked the Department of Education to assign additional staff to help move these orders through. They have also asked that Catholics ask their State Senator and State Rep to contact the Department of Education to encourage them to process the book orders in a more expedient fashion. A sample message can be found at <https://bit.ly/3cAcfTm>

Our school opened this past week. The teachers and students were all sad to see the summer go, but they are eager to teach and eager to learn. Now we need the Commonwealth to do its part so this can happen! (Because of bulletin deadlines, it may be possible that something has changed by the time you read this. It would still be helpful to let our legislators know we're not happy about the situation and the delay to see if it can be prevented next year.)

The other day I received an update from the Catholic Charities Appeal. Holy Cross is at 43.5% of its \$26,201 goal for the 2022 Appeal, which is about \$7,000 below the total raised in 2021. Among our neighboring parishes, we are pretty much the furthest behind our goal. As a procrastinator myself, I know it can be easy to say "I'll get to that later," and sometimes later never comes. So if you are planning to contribute to the 2022 Catholic Charities Appeal, this is just a reminder to consider making your gift sooner rather than later.

I hope everyone enjoys their Labor Day. **We will have Mass Monday morning at 8:30** as we ask for God's blessings on the work we do in and for His Kingdom.

23rd
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

Reading I: Wisdom 9: 13-18b

This is part of Solomon's prayer, in which he acknowledges that all of our deliberations are weak because of our bodily concerns. Therefore, who of us can really know the Lord's ways?

Reading II: Philemon: 9-10, 12-17

Paul asserts that Philemon's slave Onesimus has become like a son to him. Now that he is a Christian, he will be coming back to his owner a better person, a true disciple of the Lord and one who forgives injuries.

The Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33

This section embraces Luke's conditions for being a disciple. A person must necessarily consider those before taking any action. Above all, a true disciple must follow through on his/her resolve to the end.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:30 AM - Mass - Labor Day

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

8:30 AM - Anthony Pauline & William
Fiscella

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:30 AM - Mary Ann Purcell

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:30 AM - Memorial Fund Mass

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:30 AM - Francelline Tucker

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:30 AM - Clinton John Frick

4:30 PM - Sharon Diemer

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:30 AM - Fred Senderoff

11:00 AM - The People of Holy Cross

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's Sanctuary Lamp
intention is for:

Church: James Bellocchio

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need \$12,820

Weekly Collection, August 21

Total \$7,335

Electronic \$2,508

Basket & Main-Ins \$4,827

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Steve Austin

Consiglia Borrelli

Lyndi Butler

Mary Ann Carroll

Maryann Convery

Bill DeVuono

George Dickinson

Bob Frankenberger

Dawn Gibbons

Ryan Hearne

Carolyn Henderson

Steven Henderson

Jimmy Keating

Carole Kime

Natalie Giorgio Kitts

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Mary Kull

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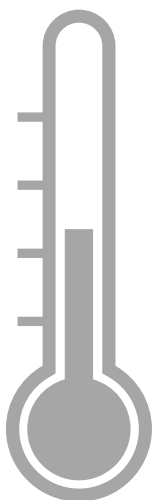
Joseph Sindoni

Adeline Sulpizio

Jean Super

Valerie Thompson

Betty Tomczyk



TAME OUR TEMP!

As of August 28, 2022
we have received
\$14,356 in donations.

We thank you for
your generosity!

It's Choir Time!

Choir season starts in just a few weeks. This year, we have been invited again to sing at the Basilica Cathedral of Sts Peter and Paul. We are in need of all voices. You don't have to read music in order to join us, you just need to enjoy singing. For more information, contact our choir director, Grete Ingalls, at greteingalls@hotmail.com or 267.253.4007.

All Musicians Wanted

If you play an instrument at an intermediate level or above and would like to add to the beauty of our Liturgy, please contact our Music Director, Grete Ingalls, at greteingalls@hotmail.com or 267.253.4007.

Mass Book Opening

The Mass book for 2023 will open on Tuesday, September 13, at 9:00 am. During the first month the book is open, there will be a limit of three (3) Masses scheduled per requestor. After the first month, additional Masses may be requested, with a limit of two (2) at a time. No intentions for 2023 announced Masses will be accepted or scheduled before the book opens (except those we are required to include). Phone calls or e-mails received once the book is open will be processed after those who are present in-person have been tended to.

Scrip Program

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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 [RaiseRight.com](https://www.RaiseRight.com) on your computer.

Have questions about getting started? Call the ShopWithScrip Customer Support team at 1-800-727-4715 option 3.

Beef N Beer Dance Party at Holy Cross



Saturday, October 1st 7PM-11PM

Remember the Holy Cross Dances? Come and Have Some Fun!

Get Your Tickets and Brush Off Your Dancing Shoes!

\$30.00 per Person advanced – Table for 10 Reserved for \$300.00

\$40.00 at the Door



Roast Beef, Baked Ziti, Salads, Beer & Soft drinks Included

BYO for anything else

The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

Recall that at our Baptism we were joined to Jesus Christ, plunged into His incarnate life. We were not baptized *like* Christ, we were “baptized into Christ!” (Romans 6:3)

This union with Jesus in our Baptism has made us “partakers of the divine nature (2Peter 1:4) in such a way that Saint Paul can state in his letter to the Galatians that “it is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me.” (Galatians 2:20)

---Institute of Catholic Culture

FORMED

We celebrate our Parish Feast Day, The Feast of The Holy Cross on September 14. To hear about the development of this feast and more thoughts surrounding the Holy Cross, tune in to an inspiring 30-minute video called “Exaltation of the Holy Cross” with Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers. Next, watch “What is the Mass?” with Chris Stefanik and Fr John Riley. The easiest way to find this 13-minute conversation is to use the search icon and enter What is the Mass. It is in The Search Continues series.

Remember this is a **FREE GIFT** to you from your parish! If you haven't already done so, go to <https://signup.formed.org> to begin exploring. Enter ZIP code “19064” and select “Holy Cross Parish” from the drop-down menu, press “Next.” Enter your name and email address, and you will receive an email for a link to sign in. No password is needed and you will have full access to the site. Enjoy!

Food Pantry Update

As we have shared before, with the increased cost of food and personal items, our pantry continues to be busy. Our parishioners have supported our St. Vincent dePaul Conference with your contributions in the "Help the Needy" church envelopes and food donations. Not sure if we tell you enough.... we appreciate all of your generosity and prayerful support.

If you are able, we are always in need of cereal, pancakes and syrup, pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, veggies, mac & cheese, canned meats, spaghetti, juice, kiddie treats, paper towels and toilet paper.

If you know any Delco residents in need of food, please let them know our pantry is open on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30PM.

God Bless All of You,
Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Society Holy Cross Food Pantry

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH WELCOMES



ALAN AMES

— EVANGELIST — AUTHOR — HEALER —

ONE NIGHT ONLY
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
AT 7 PM

Alan Ames is a Catholic Evangelist, international speaker and author of some 20 books who has traveled to more than 50 countries on six continents since 1994. During his travels, Alan has shared his amazing "Saul to Paul" conversion story and a powerful healing gift. Alan has ministered to multitudes suffering from physical, mental, emotional and spiritual ailments around the world.

Alan personally knows the power of God's redeeming love and grace that dramatically transformed this former motorcycle gang member and violent alcoholic into a passionate disciple of Christ. Alan shares his story with a world that so desperately needs to hear it today.

For one night only, **September 13th at 7:00 pm**, Alan will be at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH) Church, 2130 Franklin Ave., Morton, PA 19070.**

The evening begins with Mass, followed by Alan's testimony, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and a Healing Service. Confessions will also be offered.

This event is co-sponsored by Marian Council #3753 of the Knights of Columbus and the OLPH Evangelization Team. A good will offering will be taken.

Registration is requested (but not required) by going to www.olphmorton.org.



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Benefitting Holy Cross Church & School
651 E Springfield Rd, Springfield PA 19064

Saturday October 22, 2022

Bring your own food and drink event.

Doors open at 5:30pm, Games start at 6:30pm Raffles baskets (If anyone would be willing to donate a basket, please reach out)

Tickets are \$35

Buy Tickets in advance – if you have a group of 10 a table will be reserved for your group!

Contact Kellie Thomas to purchase tickets
kjensen2322@gmail.com



September 14th & 15th, 2022

Nationally known speakers Dr. Bill Lile, the Pro-Life doctor, and Dr Tim Clinton, Executive Director of the James Dobson Family Institute, will deliver messages that are counter cultural. They are joined by Father John Clote from the Diocese of Phoenix, Devin Schadt from the Fathers of Saint Joseph, and several others.

Guests will have the opportunity to enjoy this stunning venue which features an outdoor Stations of the Cross, a magnificent Marian grotto, and a beautiful adoration chapel in the stone tunnel of the Star Barn.

Mass will be offered daily by Monsignor William King of Mount Saint Mary's Seminary and confessions will be available in the outdoor vineyard.

Conference tickets include lunch. Additional options include a ride on the historic Harrisburg, Lincoln & Lancaster Railroad.

The Star Barn Village, Stone Gables Estate
Elizabethtown, PA

Schedule and Ticket Info: StewardshipConference.org





Autumn Bible Study -- The Chosen!!

We're back with Season 2 of The Chosen! Last Winter we presented Season 1, and now we will be showing all 8 episodes of Season 2 of The Chosen. If you haven't heard of it, this is a beautiful series about Jesus' ministry while on Earth. The actual biblical quotes are true, but the other scenes attempt to fill in the blanks about His everyday life. There will be group discussions after the videos. We will show this at 2 different times, so PICK THE TIME that is best for you.

Wednesdays, September 7 - October 26
9:15 am - in the Holy Cross Parish Center

Mondays, September 12 thru October 24
7:00 pm - in the Holy Cross Parish Center

The Bible Study is free! A workbook is NOT necessary, but if you'd like to have one, you can order that on Amazon. Just search for "The Chosen, Season 2", the white book is called "Blessed Are The Chosen: An Interactive Bible Study (Volume 2)." Please join us! To save a seat or for more information, contact Pattie Stevens at pattiejstevens@comcast.net or 484.868.8571.

150th Anniversary of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Philadelphia, PA is celebrating their 150th Parish Anniversary with a Mass and dinner on Sunday, October 16, 2022. The ticket price is \$75 per person. Please call our rectory at 215-465-4050 or visit our website, sacredheartchurchsp.com for more information.

Three Parish Book Club

The Three Parish Book Club will hold its first meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 28 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Family Center. Members will discuss the books read over the summer and select books for the coming year. If you would like to join us, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610 328-2095 or at joyvanberg@gmail.com.

September

The Delight of Being Ordinary
and/or
A Novena for Murder
Bad Faith
The Father Brown Mysteries

October

Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis

St. Jeanne Jugan Gala

September 7, 2022

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Contact our team to register or for questions:

Susan - 610-716-4795

Georgeann - 484-955-4278



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