

HOLY CROSS PARISH

Of the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau



You who have
heard the
WORD of
TRUTH and
have believed in
JESUS
were sealed with the
promised
HOLY
SPIRIT



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11, 2021

Give joy to the souls
of your servants, O God!

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Holy Mass

Mon- Fri, 9 am
Sat, 5 pm
Sun, 8:30 am & 11 am



Mass is livestreamed on Facebook
weekdays, Sat 5 pm, & Sun 11 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 3- 4 pm or by appointment.

Mission Statement

*There are different ministries, but the same Lord.
You then are the Body of Christ.
Everyone of you is a member of it.*
1 Corinthians 12:5 & 27

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Sunday, July 11, 2021:
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

At times in our life of discipleship, we might be called to accept challenges that we feel ill-equipped to face. And yet, like Amos and the apostles, the only qualification we need is to discern the will of God in our lives and to respond to it faithfully.

This Week at Holy Cross

Mon July 12, 2021

9 am- Mass

Tue July 13, 2021

9 am- Mass

Wed July 14, 2021

9 am- Mass

Thu July 15, 2021

9 am- Mass

Fri July 16, 2021

Parish Office Closed

9 am- Mass

Sat July 17, 2021

3- 4 pm - Confessions

5 pm- Mass

6- 6:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun July 18, 2021

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am- Mass

11 am- Mass

12- 12:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Readings for July 18, 2021
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 23:1-6

I will gather the remnant of my flock and appoint shepherds for them.

Psalms 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Ephesians 2:13-18

Christ is our peace who made both one.

Mark 6:30-34

They were like sheep without a shepherd.

Reflection

Consider What You Carry—Or Don't

Abba Moses, a fourth-century bandit turned desert monastic, was heard to say, "Go, sit in your cell, and your cell will teach you everything." In today's Gospel, I hear Jesus saying, "Go out, and let what you carry—or don't—teach you." If you upended my backpack on the table, it would tell you everything. I'm carrying all the things Jesus warns against: money and food; socks, in case my feet get cold in my sandals. It's entirely possible there's a second tunic buried at the bottom.

I'm tempted to say Jesus' lesson here isn't for me. I'm not one of the Twelve being sent out to vanquish unclean spirits, or even a modern-day missionary. I spend most of my days in my cell-like office, writing and talking with students. Or perhaps I should take it as merely metaphorical advice: don't let yourself get weighed down with things. But I suspect I'd be missing the point. We are all missioned by Jesus, sent out each day to bear the Good News and each other's burdens, whether we are shepherds and dressers of sycamores like Amos, or monks in the desert, or teachers in the classroom.

The Gospel asks me to consider what I carry in the light of Jesus' commission, to see what I have, not from the perspective of my needs, but those of others. If I took out the second tunic, what might I be able to fit in that would help me drive out the demons of injustice, or ease the burdens of the poor, the weary, and the sick?

Michelle Francl-Donnay

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On the way home from Mass...

Jesus knew the assignment would not be easy, so he sent his disciples out in pairs. What does that tell you about Jesus' care and understanding?





*"AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES OF CHRIST,
WE ARE UNITED IN THE TASK OF BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD"*

Thank you to all who have given!

Special Outreach Collection

The Special Outreach Collection for support of the Catholic Communications Campaign and the North Star Catholic as well as the Catholic University of America is scheduled for July 17 and 18. We thank you in advance for your consideration in giving to these essential programs.

Website Redesign

holycrossalaska.net has been updated and is now mobile-ready! If you have any questions (or find any typos) please contact Anna at ffholycrossak@gmail.com or (907) 349-8388.



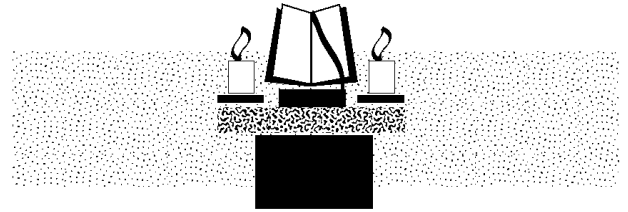
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Library Ministry Coordinator Needed

A special thank you to Debi Wickler who has served as the Holy Cross Catholic Librarian! We are so grateful for Debi's 20 years of volunteer service! If you are a parishioner that has skills or an interest in taking on this special ministry we would love to hear from you! We will help train you and our community would be so appreciative to have this resource continue. Contact Debi for more information at (907)952-1879 and how to volunteer!

Faith Formation

Registration is on-going see the website for more details or come by the church to see information posted on bulletin boards!



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Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites

Everyone has a call to holiness. You are invited to visit the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites. We study and practice contemplative prayer in the tradition of St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross. Our monthly meetings introduce the categories of prayer as found in our Catholic Catechism. Additionally, we learn about Carmelite Saints, such as St. Therese the Little Flower and how we can apply her Little Way to our daily lives. We meet on the 4th Saturday of each month in Anchorage. Please call 907.727.3372 or email carmel907@gci.net for more information.

Denim Collection

If you have any jeans that you do not want anymore please place them in the labeled bin in entry way. At the end of July any donated items will be brought to Covenant House and Clare House.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK (JULY 17/18)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	E M of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	(musicians wanted)	N/A	N/A	Margaret Heatwole Ali Walsh	Julia Morrison-Lugo	Fledz Lastimoso Noel Lastimoso Uju Morah
Sun 8:30 am	N/A	N/A	N/A	Jason Hlasny	Deacon Bill Finnegan OR John Hoppe	Angie Garroutte Vince Garroutte
Sun 11 am	Anna Schulten Sheila Soukup (join the choir: 250-6234)	N/A	N/A	Cindy Barnwell	Mercy Acheson	Mary anne Green Gigi Gueco Justice Maiava Julie Thomas

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers** - Jess Manaos: 230-9418
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- Lawn and Garden** - Kirsten Hoppe: 248-1653
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- Snow Plowing** - Vince Garrouette: 522-3647
- Vocations** - Sister Joan Oberle: 349-8388

TITHING UPDATE

How did we do last week in meeting our offertory goal?

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,712
Weekly Tithing Period:	6/28-7/4/2021	
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	3,313
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-
Online Giving:	\$	4,105
Total:	\$	7,418
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	706
Actual vs. Goal (%):		110.5%

How well are we meeting our income goals (Basket/Online/Rebates from OBOB Appeal) that were established in the current annual budget (FY21) for Holy Cross?

Year To Date (YTD) Period:	7/1/2020 to 05/31/2021	
FY21 YTD Complete (%):	91.7%	
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2021:	\$	349,000
Actual YTD Total Income:	\$	332,611
Budget YTD Total Income:	\$	319,917
Over /(Under) Budget:	\$	12,694
Actual vs. Budget (%):	95.3%	

Breakdown of Actual YTD Total Income for FY21

Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	151,335	45.5%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	10,128	3.0%
Online Giving:	\$	149,308	44.9%
2020 One Bread One Body Rebate(s):	\$	21,840	6.6%
Total:	\$	332,611	100.0%



Online Giving

To sign up for consistent online giving please go to the parish website www.holycrossalaska.net and click on link for online giving.

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