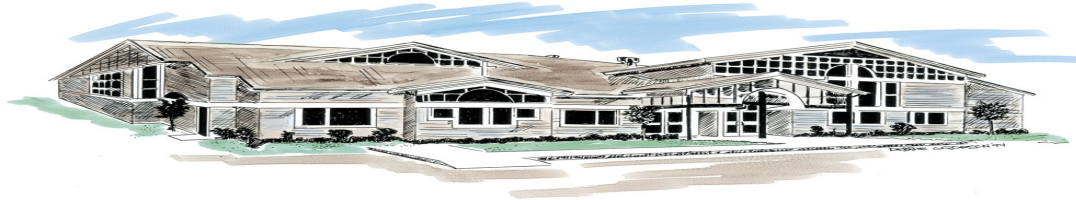


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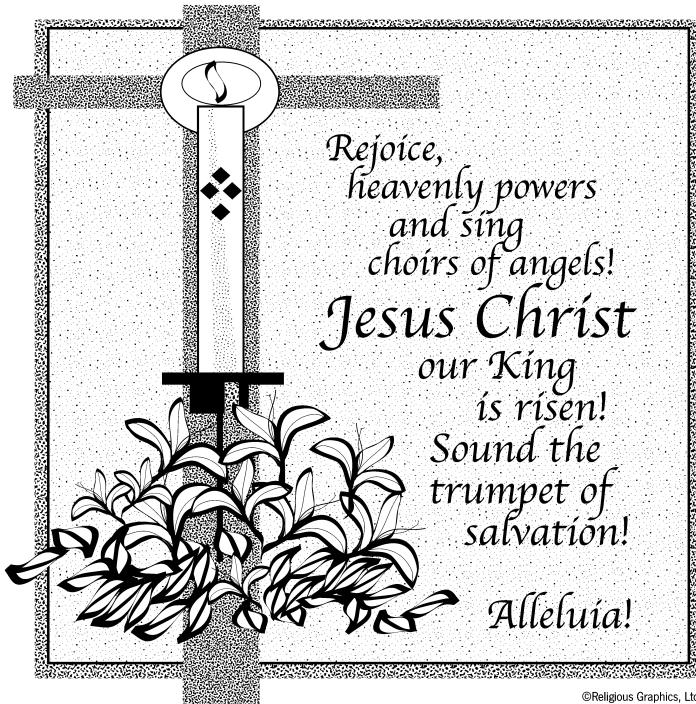
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## Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

April 17, 2022

The Lord is risen, truly!



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### Holy Mass

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



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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 3-4pm 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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## This Week at Holy Cross

**Mon Apr 18- EASTER MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED**

9am- Mass

1pm- Aspen Creek Service

**Tue Apr 19**

9am- Mass

6:30pm- Youth Night

**Wed Apr 20**

9am- Mass

**Thu Apr 21**

9am- Mass

**Fri Apr 22- Parish Office Closed**

9am- Mass

5:30pm- First Communion Retreat

**Sat Apr 23**

**11am- First Communion**

1pm- Legion of Mary

3-4pm- Confession

5pm- Mass

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

**Sun Apr 24**

8:30am- Mass

9:30am- Confession

9:45am- Faith Formation

10:30am - Rosary with Knights of Columbus

11am- Mass

12pm- Confession

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

### Mass Intentions

Call the office to schedule your Mass Intention!

Sat 4/16	Available!
Sun 4/17	8:30am- Available! 11am- For the People of the Parish
Mon 4/18- Fri 4/22	Available!
Sat 4/23	Maria Bronistan Jozef Mastej
Sun 4/24	8:30am- ROS Christopher Michael Kollm 11am- For the People of the Parish

### Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

April 24, 2022

**Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16**

*More than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them.*

**Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24**

*Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.*

**Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19**

*I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever.*

**John 20:19-31**

*Eight days later Jesus came and stood in their midst.*

## Reflection

Mary Magdalene is not running back to her friends and telling them Jesus has risen from the dead. Instead, she's mortified that someone has stolen his body from his grave. The apostles are in devastating grief when they encounter the reality of Jesus's resurrection. They watched someone they love dearly die violently. Not only are they experiencing the trauma of losing Jesus but there's also the fear that they will be next. To be presented with the reality that Jesus actually rose from the dead, and is really the Messiah, requires emotional whiplash. Peter and John are putting the pieces together slowly. As you encounter the celebration of Easter this year, allow yourself to sympathize with the apostles' human journey throughout the Triduum.

### Resurrection's Questions

A gifted gardener, my mother was rehabilitating an orchid even as her ninety-three-year-old body was overwhelmed by an avalanche of medical problems. The plant became my responsibility during the sad and exhausting weeks when hospice care allowed her to die at home. The morning after her death I was astonished to discover six large flowers on what, the day before, had been an arid stalk. Incredulous, I found myself asking Mary's question to the angel Gabriel: How can this be?

I remember that orchid each Easter morning when I pray about the empty tomb. I wonder if the apostles, too, instinctively uttered Mary's question, echoing the words that began the event whose completion we celebrate today. Mary believed that what was spoken to her by the Lord would be fulfilled. Do we?

In her amazement, Mary of Magdala could only assume that "they have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." Now, centuries later, we would do well to ask, "Where have we put the Lord?" Do we leave him in the tomb, so we won't be bothered by his questions?

"Who do you say that I am?" the risen Lord asks us. If only he would be satisfied with a catechetical answer! But no, he insists on meeting us where we are—at the cradle and the grave, the kitchen table and factory floor. He is always with us—urging faith, astonishing us with Scripture's hope.

Let us risk hope, at least today, this day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad. The enemy has been vanquished and we are safe, hidden with Christ in God.

Rachelle Linner

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### On the Way Home from Mass...

We will continue to celebrate Easter Time of the next fifty days until the Solemnity of Pentecost. At home, use a bright yellow marker to count each day on a calendar beginning with today up to and including June 5, the Solemnity of Pentecost. The bright yellow color reminds us of Jesus, our Light.



## VBS registration open April 18!

Registration for kids (entering grades K-6) opens April 18 at noon. Registration is limited and based on the number of available volunteers. Students are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Once registered, watch your email for ongoing updates.

Sign up to volunteer on-line today! Adults and teens entering grades 7+ are welcomed! Join us at [holycrossalaska.net/vbs](http://holycrossalaska.net/vbs)

## VBS Sneak Peek

Our theme is "Monumental!" Meet the characters, listen to the songs, and explore the content at [vbs.osv.com](http://vbs.osv.com)

## Families First: help us feed our VBS crew!

Here at Holy Cross, our goal is to create spaces for families to learn and grow together. That's why we're hosting VBS in the evenings: parents and kids can share a meal together, then celebrate the opening and closing of daily VBS together.

To help keep VBS affordable, we are asking for food donations to provide dinner each night for our families and volunteers.

Here's the VBS dinner menu:

Mon: Sloppy Joes

Weds: Lasanga

Tue: Tacos

Thurs: Pizza

Sign up to bring food in the foyer. Contact Anna for info.



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Family dinner at church

**5 - 6pm**

Evening VBS

**6 - 8pm**

**Ages:** entering K - 6

**Volunteers:** entering grade 7+

**Cost:** \$20 per student

(\$60 per family of 3+ kids)

(kids of volunteers attend free!)

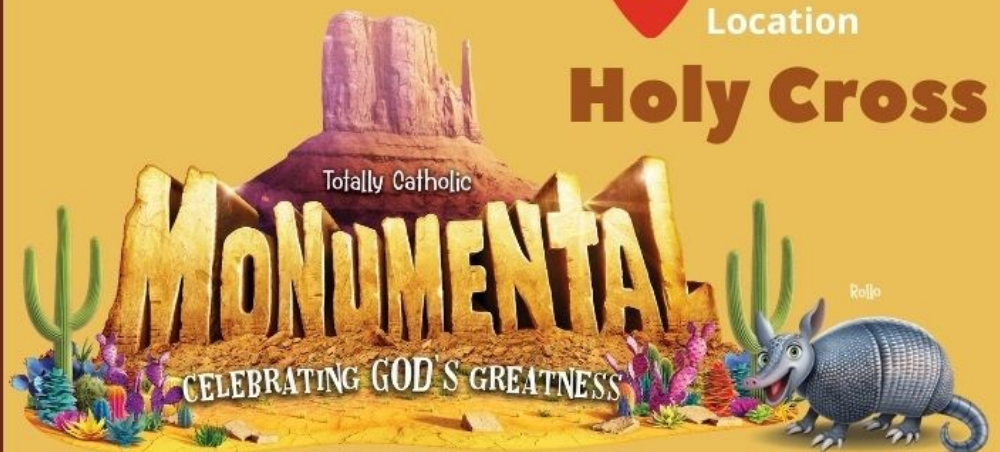
**Info & Registration:**

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Location

**Holy Cross**



# FAITH FORMATION

*Next Year: 2022-2023*

## Elementary School (K-5)

Students entering Kindergarten through 5th grade attend Family Sessions together with their parents (younger siblings are always welcome). Classroom sessions are held on alternate weekends and will be divided into K-2 and 3-5 cohorts.

## First Communion: 2<sup>nd</sup> grade & up

Students in 2nd grade or older are eligible to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion. The preparation process includes two sacraments, plus two day retreats and additional textbooks. If your child is older than 2nd grade and needs to receive First Communion, please let us know.

## Middle School (6-8)

Grades 6-8 will attend Family Session (with parents) and classroom sessions (without parents) on alternating weekends as one large group. During classroom sessions, students will use Lifeteen's EDGE curriculum in small groups. 8th grade students may also begin the Confirmation process (see the next column).

## Confirmation: 8<sup>th</sup> grade & up

Holy Cross's Confirmation class is a one-year process for students in 8th grade and older. It includes Faith Formation classes (alternating Family Session and middle school classroom) and new this year: an evening deep-dive during the week.

## Post-Confirmation Classes (high school, 9-12)

Confirmation is not graduation. Students in high school who have been Confirmed have 3 options this fall:

- **Volunteer as a teacher or class aide.** One of the best ways to learn about your faith is to teach it to others.
- **Attend a new class specifically for high schoolers.** This class meets weekly (Family Sessions are not included).
- **Attend Family Session with younger siblings.** Be a role model for your siblings and give the gift of your time.

If you're in high school, but aren't yet Confirmed, please let us know during registration!

## Classes for Adults

Starting this fall, adults can attend classes, too! This program is for adults who don't have any children in Faith Formation AND for adults with children in classroom sessions (Parents attend Family Sessions with their children).

## Sacraments for Adults: OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is the preparation process for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic or receiving a sacrament later in life. This process includes adults who have not yet been baptized or received First Reconciliation, First Communion, and/or Confirmation.

## PS: Baptisms

Children ages 6 and under may be baptized anytime (begin the process by calling the front office). Children and teens ages 7+ who need to be baptized will do so at Easter Vigil (begin this process by contacting Anna). Adults attend OCIA (see above).

Ministry Schedule for next week (Apr 23/24)						
Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	N/A	TBD	Ray Meliton	Jerica Manaois	Morah Family
Sun 8:30 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	N/A	TBD	Jason Hlasny	Doug Williams	Robin Wittrock Marie Wittrock
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	N/A	TBD	Mary Anne Green	Mercy Acheson Steve Thomas	Mary Anne Green Kaira Brooks

## New Families Welcome!

If you have children entering kindergarten through senior year in the 2022-2023 school year, registration is open now:

- Learn more at [holycrossalaska.net/formation](http://holycrossalaska.net/formation)
- Sign up online at [holycrossalaska.net/register](http://holycrossalaska.net/register)

## Early bird discount ends May 1!

### Part 1: Sign Up Online

- New families, sign up at [holycrossalaska.net/register](http://holycrossalaska.net/register)
- If you're re-registering, paper copies are available at Family Session, or you can make a new online submission.

### Part 2: Registration Fees

These prices will be honored for new families and re-registering families through May 1. Financial aid available.

- 1 student: \$65
- 2 students: \$105
- 3+ students: \$140
- Post-Confirmation: \$25
- Class for Adults: \$25 (adult classes are **free** for adults who have kids in Faith Formation classes.)

### Part 3: Sacrament Materials & Forms

(These materials include special books, retreat, meals, etc.):

- First Reconciliation / First Communion: \$65
- Confirmation: \$125

### Payment Methods

Payments accepted via online giving, credit card, cash, or check. Please write "Faith Formation fees" and student name on an envelope in the collection, or stop by the office.

## Contact Us

Go online: [holycrossalaska.net/formation](http://holycrossalaska.net/formation) or contact Anna: call/text (907) 306-9363 or [formation@holycrossalaska.net](mailto:formation@holycrossalaska.net).

## Learn More QR



## Register QR



## 2021-2022 Faith Formation Participant Feedback

"My favorite sessions are the ones when everybody is doing something together, like the advent wreaths. You have the chance to meet everyone and talk when you are working."

- Teen Participant

"I really enjoyed this time in Family Session. Our connection [between parent and child] is better, we're talking about purpose, and I feel like I have a better idea of what's going on as a parent."

- Parent of a Teenager

"My favorite part is doing the activities. We have fun while we learn."

- Child Participant

"I love this method of faith formation. I wish we had this when my boys were little."

- Volunteer

## Faith Formation

April 17: NO classes (Happy Easter!)

April 24: K-5 in classrooms, gr. 6+ & parents in Family Session

May 1: K-5 in Family Session, gr. 6+ in classrooms (last class!!)



### Youth Ministry:

#### Escape Room & Ice Cream

“Escape rooms” are themed, interactive experiences where groups work together to “unlock” doors before the time runs out using logic, problem-solving and outside-the-box thinking.

Middle & high school teens: join us at Alaska Escape Rooms in downtown Anchorage (we’ll walk to the mall for ice cream afterwards). The trip includes Bible study. **Sat, Apr 30, 1-5pm.** Meet at Holy Cross. Cost is \$40 (financial assist. available). Space limited to the first 10 teens! **RSVP by April 18** to save your spot; late RSVPs pending availability.

[holycrossalaska.net/youth-ministry](http://holycrossalaska.net/youth-ministry)

### Young Adults Brunch

Join us for brunch after the 11am Mass on Sunday, May 1 at 907 Alehouse and Grill. All young adults ages 18-35 welcome. Bring your calendar and a friend— we will plan a few summer events during this meeting.



### World Youth Day Come and See Meeting

World Youth Day is for young people ages 16-35 (or entering junior year fall 2023). Holy Cross is hosting an info meeting Tue, Apr 19 at 6:30pm. We will have Q&A and plan fundraisers for the year.

If you can’t attend and would like to learn more, please contact Anna: call/text (907)306-9363.

#### Dates:

Long trip: July 24 - Aug. 7

Short trip: July 31 - Aug. 7

#### Final Destination:

Lisbon, Portugal

Open to youth & young adults, ages 16-35.

#### Costs:

Long trip: \$5,299.

Short trip: \$3,999

Learn more: [aoaj.org/wyd](http://aoaj.org/wyd)

## Confirmandi Service Projects

### FINAL WEEK! KoMiSo Clinic

Jade & Amanda are funding Fr. Andrew Lee’s medical student dorms in Cambodia. See envelopes in foyer. Now thru Easter.

### Clare House

Arianna is collecting hair brushes, socks, and body spray for moms at Clare House. Now thru Easter.

### Community Pregnancy Center

Kaosi and Leigh’s drive runs now through May 1. See the list of items in the foyer.

### Pet Supply Donations

Clara Hoppe is looking for paper roll and other pet supply donations for her service project. For more information look at trifold in the entryway. Thank you!



# COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



## April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Did you know... Hope is rising. Throughout scripture there is evidence that we are

called to be ambassadors of hope and healing. Did you know children of abuse long to hear this message of hope? Victims of crime, their family and loved ones need to know that their voices are heard. Organizations throughout the nation are striving to share the message that He has risen and there is hope. Each of us has a unique ability to support individuals who are hurting, to promote healthy relationships, and to build communities that are safe from those who may want to do harm. How has He called you to be an ambassador of hope and healing?

## Local Job Openings at St. Patrick Parish

Saint Patrick's Parish is looking to fill two different job openings. A Young Adult Minister and a Director of Catechetical Minister. Please email [fr.leo@st.patsak.org](mailto:fr.leo@st.patsak.org) for more info.

### St. Patrick's Youth and Young Adult Minister

Candidates should have a heart on fire for Jesus and His Church as well as excellent oral and written communication skills including social media and current technology. Excellent planning skills and proven ability to recruit, train, motivate, support and volunteers are a must. Bachelor's degree, preferably in Religious Studies, Pastoral Theology or related field; may be substituted with career experience in a related field such as education. Three years of experience in a parochial environment, either as a staff or volunteer, is preferred. A willingness and ability to live in a sub-arctic climate is essential. Good medical, dental, optical benefits. Salary dependent on experience.

### St. Patrick's Director of Catechetical Ministries

The Director of Catechetical Ministries is responsible for the development, supervision and or coordination of all Faith Formation programs in the parish in the model of "whole community catechesis." He/she is also responsible to coordinate the recruitment, training, support and appreciation of all those involved in catechetical ministry. The DCM is a member of the St. Patrick's Parish staff and reports directly to the Pastor. This is a full-time paid position.

## 3 Lectures with Dr. Jared Staudt

The Cardinal Newman Chair of Catholic Theology at APU Presents

## A Theology of Catechesis

A lecture by **Dr. Jared Staudt**  
of the Augustine Institute

**Saturday, April 23rd, 8:30-10:00 am**  
**Carr-Gottstein Lecture Hall at Alaska Pacific University**

For more information, contact Dr. Kevin Jones  
([newmanchair@alaskapacific.edu](mailto:newmanchair@alaskapacific.edu))

### "Learning and Living the Faith"

Lumen Christi Speaker Series. April 23rd at 7pm at Lumen Christi High School. Everyone welcome. Event is co-sponsored with APU's Cardinal Newman Chair. Reception to follow, sponsored by Matanuska Brewing.

The Cardinal Newman Chair of Catholic Theology at APU  
Presents

## The Beer Option & Evangelizing Culture

**Saturday, April 23rd**  
**2:00-3:30 pm**  
**St. Benedict's Catholic Church**

A lecture by **Dr. Jared Staudt**  
of the Augustine Institute

## PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers - Jess Manaos: 230-9418
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## Financial Corner

### TITHING UPDATE

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

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,577
Weekly Tithing Period:	4/4-10/2022	
<b>Income Sources</b>		
Weekly Collections:	\$	2,391
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-
Online Giving:	\$	2,877
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,268</b>
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	(1,309)
Actual vs. Goal (%):	80.1%	

### Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison: Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period

FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 02/28/2022	
FY22 YTD Complete (%):	66.7%	
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022:	\$	342,000
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	230,694
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	228,000
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	2,694
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	67.5%	

### Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period

FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 02/28/2022		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	125,680	54.5%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	1,838	0.8%
Online Giving:	\$	103,176	44.7%
2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	-	0.0%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>230,694</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



## Online Giving

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