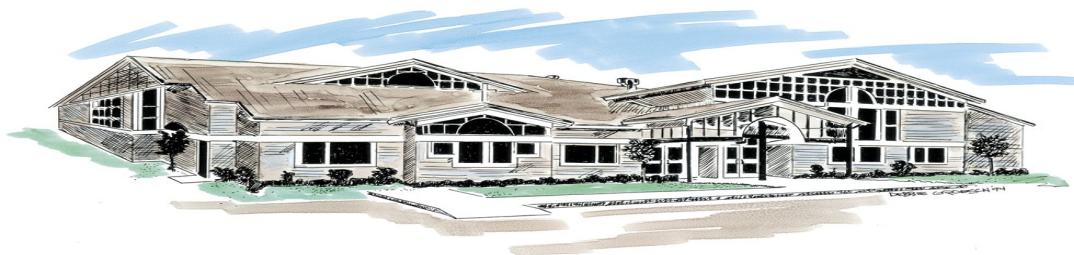


HOLY CROSS PARISH

Year MMXXII#19

of the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau



Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.*



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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 May 9

9am- Mass
1pm- Aspen Creek Service
6pm- Finance Meeting
6pm- Maintenance Meeting

Tue May 10

9am- Mass

Wed May 11

9am- Mass

Thu May 12

9am- Mass

Fri May 13- Parish Office Closed

9am- Mass

7pm- Our Lady of Guadalupe Ordination Mass

Sat May 14

1pm- Legion of Mary
3-4pm- Confession
5pm- Mass
6-6:15pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun May 15

8:30am- Mass
11am- Mass
12-12:15pm- Dist. of Holy Communion
12pm- Holy Cross Picnic!

Mass Intentions

Call the office to schedule your Mass Intention!

Sat 5/7	Available!
Sun 5/8	8:30am- For the People of the Parish 11am- Available!
Mon 5/9	ROS Edgardo B. Canete
Tue 5/10- Fri 5/13	Available!
Sat 5/14	Available!
Sun 5/15	8:30am- For the People of the Parish 11am- Available!

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022

Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27

They called the Church together and reported what God had done with them.

Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Revelation 21:1-5a

God will wipe every tear from their eyes.

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

Reflection

Paul and Barnabas are challenging the existing way of doing things and blatantly rebuking the religious standards of the day. They see that there are certain members of their community who are not interested in the message of Jesus, because they fear it threatens their precariously balanced freedom under Roman rule. The freedom through Jesus being offered to them doesn't make sense. They're comfortable, and any threat to their comfort is suspect. Do you ever refuse a call to Christian charity because it upsets your comfort? If you put being a disciple above being comfortable, how would your life have to change?

Carried by the Story

During Easter season the monks of Saint John's Abbey read the Revelation to John at morning prayer. One day another guest, a systematic theologian, muttered, "I hate this book." I whispered, "I love it; it was Emily Dickinson's favorite book of the Bible, and that's good enough for me."

Dickinson loved the "gem chapter" (Revelation 21). A Native American poet I know loves the book's emphasis on the four directions. I love that it was written by a prisoner offering hope to other persecuted people. Revelation's imagery can make us uncomfortable, but if we allow ourselves to be carried by the story of a man beset by vision after vision, we come to appreciate the reminders that God is truly other, beyond all our imaginings.

One of the more disturbing images is in today's text: the multitude who, after great suffering, appear having "washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." That makes no sense, unless you consider that this is what God does with our messes, bloody or not. God can take what is ugly and frightening in our sight and make it beautiful and good.

We need the Book of Revelation at Easter because it prepares us for Pentecost. John is certainly envisioning the Pentecost community when he describes a crowd of "every nation, race, people, and tongue" gathered before God's throne. We need both the consolation of knowing we belong to that community and the solace of God's promise to one day greet us all by wiping away every tear from our eyes.

Kathleen Norris

Kathleen Norris is an oblate of St. Benedict and the author of many books, including The Cloister Walk and Acedia and Me.

On the Way Home from Mass...

Who are really the sheep that Jesus refers to? Are they just the people you know, your family and friends? Could they include the people you don't know, in your neighborhood, town, and country? Could they be people from all nationalities and religions? Every human being is part of the family of God.





Faith Formation Administrative Assistant

The Faith Formation Administrative Assistant works with the Director of Faith Formation in coordination of various Faith Formation programs and related administrative work. This person will also support the pastor, administrative staff, and ministry coordinators in daily parish life. The Administrative Assistant reports to the Director of Faith Formation.

This is a part-time paid position (averaging 5-7 hours per week, with a maximum of 10 hours during busiest seasons). Evening and weekend work is available. High school students, college students, and adults are welcome to apply. Pay rate dependent on experience.

Download the packet at holycrossalaska.net/apply

Congratulations, Confirmandi!

Congrats to our students who were Confirmed this week:

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| <i>Amanda Bell</i> | <i>Arianna Leuer</i> |
| <i>Jacob Bell</i> | <i>Ethan Maes</i> |
| <i>Jade Bell</i> | <i>Sebastian Maglaqui</i> |
| <i>Luke Broek</i> | <i>Kaosi Morah</i> |
| <i>Paul Clark</i> | <i>Madison Rennard</i> |
| <i>Yovela del Rosario</i> | <i>Leigh Rivera</i> |
| <i>Evyn Dinneen</i> | <i>Quinn Webb</i> |
| <i>Kate Eychaner</i> | <i>Marie Wittrock</i> |
| <i>Clara Hoppe</i> | <i>Emilia Zych</i> |
| <i>Cove Johnson</i> | <i>Reece Lunn</i> |

Next Weekend: Parish Picnic

Join us from 1-4pm on May 15/ Includes:

- Lunch (Knights provide main dish, bring a side or dessert)
- Bouncy house & Dunk tank
- Car blessing (plus RVs, bikes, etc.)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Family dinner at church

5 - 6pm

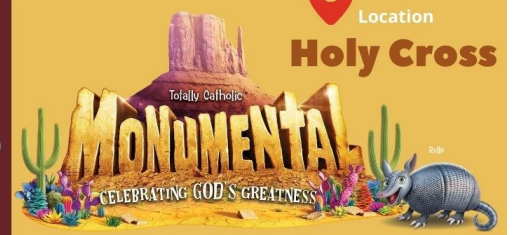
Evening VBS

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:
holycrossalaska.net/vbs



Vacation Bible School registration for kids (entering grades K-6) is open! 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. Learn more at holycrossalaska.net/vbs

Faith Formation

That's a wrap! Faith Formation classes are complete for this school year. Registration for the 2022-2023 year is now open for adults and children entering kindergarten to high school.

- Learn more at holycrossalaska.net/formation
- Sign up online at holycrossalaska.net/register
- Questions? Contact Anna Schulten: (907) 306-9363 or formation@holycrossalaska.net.

Ministry Schedule for next week (May 14/15)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	N/A	Joseph Salao Olivia Maglaqui	Cheryl Chapman Dave Alzheimer	TBD	Manaois Family
Sun 8:30 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	N/A	Wisdom Marquez	Paul Clark Kristin Rehmann	TBD	Dora Castillo Matthew Walsh
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	N/A	Kaosi Morah Rowdy Reynoso	Ray Meliton Joslyn Childs	TBD	Julie Thomas Madison Rennard

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers - Jess Manaos: 230-9418
- Art & Environment - Marilyn Kerr: 346-1624
- Baked Goods - Joan Karcz: 344-0168
- Blessed Sacrament Monastery - Sandon Broek: 947-9168
- Clare House - Leslie Holland: 770-0847
- Faith Formation - Anna Schulten: 306-9363
- Church Maintenance - Mike Likar: 529-9015
- Eucharistic Ministers - John Hoppe: 350-7580
- Finance - Greg Magee: 575-3197
- Hospitality - Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133
- Knights of Columbus - James Hogins: 229-3163
- Lawn and Garden - Kirsten Hoppe: 227-7871
- Legion of Mary - Mercy Acheson: 223-4822
- Library- Debi Wickler: 952-1879
- Liturgical Ministries Coordinator-Julie Thomas: 538-1109
- Music Ministry - Sheila Soukup: 250-6234
- Prayer Chain - Joan Gillis: 346-3147
- Readers - Jason Hlasny: 242-6655
- OCIA - Sandon Broek: 947-9168
- Sacristan - Matthew Williams: 632-4252
- Snow Plowing - Vince Garroutte: 522-3647
- Vocations - Sister Joan Oberle: 349-8388

Financial Corner

TITHING UPDATE

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

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,577
Weekly Tithing Period:		4/25-5/1/2022
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	4,041
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:		
Online Giving:	\$	3,259
Total:	\$	7,300
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	723
Actual vs. Goal (%):		111.0%

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%
Total:	\$	230,694	100.0%



Online Giving

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