

Holy Cross Catholic Church



*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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2022

*Stay awake and be ready!
For you do not know on what
day your Lord will come.*



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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Aug 8

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

Tue Aug 9

9am- Mass

Wed Aug 10

9am- Mass

Thu Aug 11

9am- Mass

Fri Aug 12- Parish Office Closed

9am- Mass

Sat Aug 13

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

Sun Aug 14

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

Mass Intentions

Email the office to schedule your Mass Intention!

Sat 8/6	Available!
Sun 8/7	8:30am- For the People of the Parish 11am- Available!
Mon 8/8	ROS Raul Dizon
Tue 8/9	Available!
Wed 8/10	Special Intention Sister Joan Anniversary
Thu 8/11- Sat 8/13	Available!
Sun 8/14	8:30am- For the People of the Parish 11am- Available!

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Aug 14, 2022

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

A man of strife and contention to all the land.

Psalms 40:2, 3, 4, 18

Lord, come to my aid!

*I have waited, waited for the Lord,
and he stooped toward me.*

Hebrews 12:1-4

Let us persevere in running the race that lies before us.

Luke 12:49-53

I have come not to establish peace, but rather division.

Reflection

Sometimes in life we are so focused on surviving from one day to the next that the call to focus on living the gospel feels like an imposition. How can God ask so much of us? But like the princes in Jeremiah, we cannot throw that call away and hope it disappears, just because we find it inconvenient.

It Ain't Over Yet

Lately, giving up might seem a reasonable option. Some days it feels like the only sane choice in a matrix of insanity. The planet's heating up and causing flooding, fires, disease, and mass migration. Wise global leadership is in short supply. Greed appears to be the prevalent value. Meanwhile, the bulk of us quiet our nerves with junk food and another trip to the dollar store. There just doesn't seem to be the collective will to make the changes necessary to survive! We circle the drain and pretend it's a merry-go-round.

Yet all is not lost—not by a long shot. We can hold fast to this funny Hebrews' story about Abraham. He's the father of nations, we're told. But he earns this moniker when he's too decrepit to be the father of anybody. This line always makes me laugh: he was "one man, himself as good as dead." Abraham's a doddering old dude circling the drain when he encounters the God who promises to make him a wellspring of life. And here's the kicker: *Abraham bought it.*

In those hours when that giant sucking sound we hear could be human history going down the drain, we might find comfort in the idea of rickety old Abraham jump-starting a whole new era. Simply by buying into hope! One trusting person, as good as dead, is sufficient to turn the fate of the world on its axis. This time, will that person be you?

Alice Camille

Alice Camille is the author of Invitation to the Old Testament.

On the Way Home from Mass...

Think about what you treasure most. Where do you put the most effort and desire? Now think about that in the context of today's Gospel. Do the things we treasure help us to be prepared for when Jesus comes?



Registry & Photo Directory: Weekends in August

Part 1: Registry Update

Holy Cross is updating our registry and parishioner contact info (name spelling, address, phone, and email). Accurate data saves us money as a parish: from paper mailings to books to fees, etc.

Part 2: Photo Directory

During this process, we're also creating a Holy Cross Photo Directory. This is a great way to build community and learn the names of your fellow parishioners. The Directory will be accessible for free online, or you can purchase a printed copy. We will not include your contact info in the directory: just your photo and name. Dressing up is optional!

How to Participate:

Stick around after any Mass in August to update your data and have your picture taken. If you'd like to help with photos, staging, or data updates, please sign up in the foyer, or contact Sheila, (907) 250-6234 or Alice, (907) 529-1161.

Faith Formation begins Aug. 21

Classes and small groups for kindergarten through post-Confirmation and Adults begins August 21. Learn more & register online: holycrossalaska.net/formation. We are still looking for volunteers for these classes/roles:

- Gr. 3-5 Co-Teacher
- Family Session Volunteer
- Gr. 6-8 Small Group Volunteers (2)
- Post-Confirmation Co-Teachers (2)

A Holy Happy Hour

A group of parishioners are having a "Drinking with the Saints" social Friday, August 19, 6pm. Bring a side dish, contact Anna for the address.

Mass Time is Changing!

Beginning August 21, Sunday Mass will be held at 8am, instead of 8:30am. Saturday 5pm and Sunday 11am remain the same.

Weekly Rosary begins Sunday!

Beginning Aug 8, the Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary at 12:15pm every Sunday. All are welcome to attend!

Piano for Sale

Our old faithful piano (the brown one in the Fellowship Hall) **is looking for a new home.** Funds raised will help to offset the cost of our "new" piano. If you are interested, please contact the office, or talk to Sheila or Ryan from music after Mass.

Marriage Retreat Oct. 7

We have all heard that having a good marriage takes a lot of work, but have you ever wondered what the "work" looks like in a really great marriage? Do you want something more for your marriage, but just don't know how to get there? Retrouvaille, a Christian marriage ministry, has the tools you need to take your marriage, a union of one man and one woman, to the next level. For confidential information or to register for the next Retrouvaille of Alaska program beginning with a weekend experience on Oct 7, call 863-8000; email: anchorage@helpourmarriage.org; or visit the website www.HelpOurMarriage.org

Vocations Retreat

The Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to join us for a Religious Vocation Discernment Retreat in the Bay Area, California, Sep 30-Oct 2. For single women ages 18-40. More info at daughters-of-charity.com



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Holy Cross families participating
(51 families)



total amount raised
(\$33,885)

Ministry Schedule for next week (Aug 13/14)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Manaois Family	Olivia Maglaqui Sebastian Maglaqui	Ted Walker Diedre Williams	Brenda Lannen Deacon Sandon	Bell Family
Sun 8:30 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	John Hoppe	Joe and Rose Webb Jerica Manaois	Julie Kentch	John Hoppe Deacon Bill	Clara Hoppe Matthew Walsh
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Maureen Retzel	Lora & JR Rivera Jerica Manaois	Joslyn Childs	Janina Chelbowski Teresa Mitchell	Degenhardt Family

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TITHING UPDATE 2022

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

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,577
Weekly Tithing Period:	07/25 to 07/31	
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	2,872
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-
Online Giving:	\$	2,789
Total:	\$	5,661
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	(916)
Actual vs. Goal (%):		86.1%

Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:

Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period

FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 05/31/2022	
FY22 YTD Complete (%):	83.3%	
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022:	\$	344,500
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	333,417
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	331,350
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	2,067
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):		100.6%

Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period

FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 05/31/2022		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	177,333	53.2%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	3,798	1.1%
Online Giving:	\$	140,637	42.2%
2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	11,649	3.5%
Total:	\$	333,417	100.0%



Online Giving

To sign up online giving visit holycrossalaska.net/give

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