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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2022

Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Sep 19

9am- Mass

1pm- Aspen Creek Service

Tue Sep 20

8:15am- Catholic Story Time 9am- Mass

5:30-7pm- Confirmation Class

Wed Sep 21

9am- Mass

Thu Sep 22

9am- Mass 6:30pm- Screwtape Letters

Fri Sep 23 - Parish Office Closed

9am- Mass

Sat Sep 24

1pm- Legion of Mary 3-4pm- Confession 5pm- Mass

6pm- Sr. Joan Reception!

Sun Sep 25

8am- Mass 9:15am- Faith Formation 11am- Mass followed by Rosary

Mass Intentions

Email the office to schedule your Mass Intention!

Thu 9/15	ROS Pavlo Mendoza
Fri 9/16 to Sat 9/17	Available!
Sun 9/18	8am- People of the Parish 11am- Available
Mon 9/19 to Sat 9/24	Available!
Sun 9/25	8am- People of the Parish 11am- Available

Next Sunday's Readings 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Timothy 6:11-16

Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 16:19-31

You received what was good, Lazarus what was bad; now he is comforted, whereas you are tormented.

Reflection

Even more than the Lord knowing our transgressions done in secret, the act of cheating distances us from God. It doesn't just affect our relationship with God; it affects our relationship with ourselves. When we are focused on personal gain so much that we harm others in the process, or cheat them, we are harming ourselves and conditioning ourselves to separate from God and goodness.

Ingenious

Is this really the Gospel? Is Jesus actually praising a man for being doubly dishonest?

The story can leave us perplexed. Jesus tells of a man who cheated his employer and then, when caught, before being fired, cheated his employer a second time by writing off some of the debts of those who owed the employer money. Moreover, there is an added craftiness to the steward's actions. Notice that he, himself, doesn't do the actual deed of cooking the books. He has the master's debtors do the actual writing so that they are now implicated in the dishonesty. Accordingly, they are now complicit with him in his crime and will owe him favors after he loses his job. And, Jesus praises this! What are we to make of it?

The renowned intellectual Bernard Lonergan once shared that he liked this text because "it's one place in scripture where human intelligence and ingenuity are praised." Certainly that's true, but why would Jesus use an example of dishonesty to do this?

Because what Jesus is praising here is not dishonesty but ingenuity—ingenuity as the antithesis of complaint, whining, and despair. Jesus points out that those who are outside our religious circles tend to be more ingenious in times of trouble than we committed believers, who too often give ourselves over to grumbling and inaction.

I'm with Lonergan in his takeaway from this story: ingenuity is the opposite of complaint and despair.

Fr. Ronald Rolheiser

Ronald Rolheiser, OMI, teaches at the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas, where he served as president for fifteen years.

On the Way Home from Mass...

How can we be faithful to and worthy of trust in the small opportunities to love in our everyday lives?



Happening at Holy Cross

Thanks Giving Send Off for Sr. Joan and the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood

Join Holy Cross in Thanks Giving for Sr. Joan and the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood at a reception this upcoming **Saturday, Sept. 24** (reception follows 5pm Mass). Notes/cards are welcome (but no gifts please)!

Catholic Story Time for Babies & Toddlers

Parents/grandparents of babies, toddlers, or preschoolers: join us for story time every Tuesday, 8:15am.

Pilgrimage for Life: RSVP by Sept. 30

Join us in January 2023 on the Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, DC. Info at <u>holycrossalaska.net/pfl</u>

Screwtape Letters Study

New participants welcome (each session stands on its own) at Holy Cross Thursdays at 6:30pm. Bring your own catechism and Screwtape Letters, borrow a copy for free, or buy a book for \$10.

Faith Formation classes

September 18: Grades 6-12 + parents in Family Session Grades K-5 in classrooms All other adults in classrooms

September 25: Grades K-5 + parents in Family Session Grades 6-12 in classrooms All other adults in classrooms

For more information, and to register, visit us online: holycrossalaska.net/formation

OCIA/RCIA: Sacraments for Adults

OCIA is for those not yet baptized who are interested in learning more about the faith, and the baptized (Catholic or Christian) but not Communion and/or Confirmation.

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, contact Deacon Sandon at 947-9168. We are choosing a date soon.

World Youth Day

It's not too late to sign up! Contact Anna for info. Fundraising at our parish begins later this semester.

Happening in our Archdiocese

Special Collection: Communications Campaign

This weekend's special collection supports the NorthStar Catholic Newspaper, Catholic Communications Campaign & Catholic University of America. Thank you!

Priesthood Discernment Retreats: NEXT WEEK

Any man interested in learning about the priesthood is encouraged to attend. Sep 23-24 for men under 18 years old, or Dec 9-10 for men over 18 years old. Cost: \$20. Contact Fr. Arthur: 694-2170 or <u>frarthur@roraff.com</u>

St. Francis House Food Pantry

Every September, we recognize Hunger Action Month, a time to take a stand against hunger in America. This year the need is higher than ever, and St. Francis House Food Pantry is helping 500 households per week. Thank you!

Chris McKenna at Lumen Christi

Please join Lumen Christi Catholic High School as they welcome Mr. Chris McKenna from "Project Young Eyes" (www.protectyoungeyes.com), a nationally recognized and award winning organization dedicated to helping families, schools and churches create safer digital environments for kids. Mr. McKenna will be presenting "The Digital Culture of Kids: Building a Framework of Trust" on October 6th at 7pm in the Lumen Christi Gym (8110 Jewel Lake Road.) All are welcome!

Healing after Abortion: Project Rachel

Project Rachel is a support service for men and women impacted by abortion loss. The program is free confidential healing and open to all. Contact us at 297-7781 or <u>projectrachelalaska@gmail.com</u>. Outside the region, call (866) 434-3344. Visit our Facebook, Youtube or website for info: <u>projectrachelalaska.com</u>

Bishop's Attic

The Bishop's Attic Board of Directors is recruiting new volunteer members. Contact Sharen Walsh at <u>sawalsh@acsalaska.net</u> or (907) 229-6314.

Ministry Schedule for next week (Sep 24/25)								
Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality		
Sat	Ryan Meliton	Matt Williams	Joseph Salao	Deb Seidl	Brenda Lannen	Maglaqui Family		
5 pm	(walk-ins welcome)		Jerica Manaois	Julia Morrison-Lugo				
Sun	Ryan Meliton	John Hoppe	Joe and Rose Webb	Elisa Maes	Mike Likar	Dora Castillo		
8 am	(walk-ins welcome)		Jerica Manaois	Jason Hlasny		Clara Hoppe		
Sun	Sheila Soukup	NA	Kaosi Morah	Joslyn Childs	Janina Chelbowski	Leigh Rivera		
11 am	(walk-ins welcome)		Adelina Dizon		Teresa Mitchell	Mary Anne Green		
			Jerica Manaois					

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Financial Corner

How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal?						
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$ 7,077					
Weekly Tithing Period:	9/5-11/2022					
Income Sources						
Weekly Collections:	\$ 2,282					
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$-					
Online Giving:	\$ 2,879					
Total:	\$ 5,161					
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$ (1,916)					
Actual vs. Goal (%):	72.9%					
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Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:						
Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period						
FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 6/3	0/2022				
FY22 YTD Complete (%):	100.0%					
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022:	\$ 344,500					
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$ 357,409					

Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):		103.7%					
Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period							
FY22 YTD Period:	7/1	/2021 to 6/30	/2022				
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	188,833	52.8 %				
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	3,798	1.1%				
Online Giving:	\$	152,196	42.6%				
2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	12,582	3.5%				
Total:	\$	357,409	100.0%				

Budget Total Income for Period: \$

Over /(Under) Budget for Period: \$

344,500

12,909



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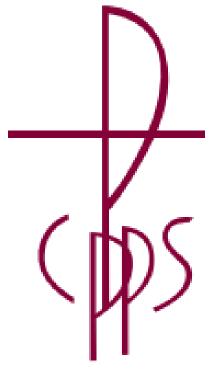
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Join Holy Cross Parish in honoring Sr. Joan & the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood in a Thanks Giving Send Off Mass and Reception

> When: Saturday Sep 24, Mass at 5pm, reception to follow Where: Holy Cross Church

Sr. Joan's many gifts & talents has blessed our parish abundantly over the years. She has been a critical part of our history. We thank her for her many years of service! Sr. Joan will return to the Mother House for her order the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood in O'Fallon, MO. No gifts please, cards of thanks giving are welcome!

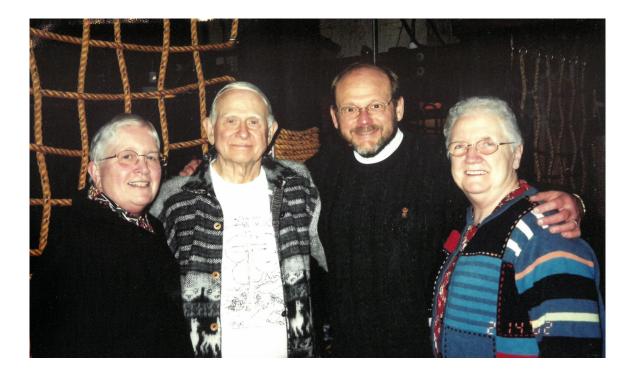






Holy Cross Thanks You Sister Joan!





Holy Cross is Hiring!

Faith Formation Administrative Assistant

PURPOSE & DESCRIPTION

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 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.

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Organize supplies and paperwork for various ministry- and administrative-related tasks
- Write for the bulletin, website, and social media sites as needed
- Create and post promotional materials for upcoming liturgies and events
- Complete comparative research and report findings for ministry and administration
- Other duties as assigned.

SKILLS

Must be a practicing Catholic with an understanding of Catholic teachings, liturgy, customs.

- Strong writing skills, flexibility, and ability to innovate
- Strong computer skills and digital capabilities (design, communication preferred)
- Excellent planning and organizing skills; effectively manage multiple tasks at once
- Excellent interpersonal skills; work with people with diverse gifts and personalities
- Self-motivated, proactive, punctual, and able to work expediently
- Addresses issues in a timely and effective manner

APPLICATION PROCESS

Send an application packet to Anna Schulten at <u>formation@holycrossalaska.net</u>. Your email should include 2 PDF documents:

- o Letter of interest/intent, current resume, and references.
- o Sample of work (example: 8.5x11" flyer or social media image/text for a fictitious event)

Questions? Ready to apply? Contact Anna Schulten via email or call (907) 306-9363.

"NO ONE CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS. EITHER YOU WILL HATE THE ONE AND LOVE THE OTHER, OR YOU WILL BE DEVOTED TO THE ONE AND DESPISE THE OTHER. YOU CANNOT SERVE BOTH GOD AND MONEY."

Luke 16:13



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Holy Cross Weekly Collections - Monthly Comparisons Current (FY 23 YTD) vs Historical (FY22 & 5 Yr Average)

