

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

Epiphany of the Lord

Matthew 2:2

*We saw his star at its
rising & have come to
do him homage.*



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Mon Jan 9

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

Tue Jan 10

9am- Mass
 7pm- OCIA

Wed Jan 11- Office Closed

9am- Mass

Thu Jan 12

9am- Mass
 9:45am- Grandparenting with Grace
 6:30pm- Screwtape Letters

Fri Jan 13-Office Closed

9am- Mass

Sat Jan 14

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

Sun Jan 15

8am- Mass
 9:15am- Faith Formation
 11am- Mass
 12pm- Rosary

Mass Intentions

Call or email the office to schedule your intentions.

Mon Jan 9- Sun Jan 15	Available!
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Mass Readings for Next Week**Isaiah 49:3, 5-6**

*I will make you a light to the nations,
 that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.*

Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Corinthians 1:1-3

*Grace to you & peace from God
 our Father & the Lord Jesus Christ.*

John 1:29-34

*Behold, the Lamb of God,
 who takes away the sin of the world.*

Divine Civil Disobedience

I am struck by the lengths the magi went to in order to fulfill a divine mission. By cunningly avoiding Herod's duplicitous request to know where the young child was located, the three magi likely saved the life of Jesus and, in doing so, risked their own lives. Instead of traveling back to their homelands along a path that would inevitably have led them directly to the eagerly awaiting Herod, who was expecting their return, they decided to take a different route home.

Herod, the Roman client king of Judea, was well known during this time for his ruthless appetite for domination & violence. In deciding to follow the stirrings from God that emerged in their dreams rather than the directive of this power-hungry ruler, the magi knowingly engaged in an act of divinely inspired disobedience. The courageous & bold decision to willingly disobey Herod's request provided Mary & Joseph with time to hastily embark with their newborn child on the long & arduous journey to Egypt.

The story of the Epiphany & the courage of the magi convey a certain theological truth: we are each called by God to be co-creators in the building of the reign of God here on earth. In a world in which laws are most often created & interpreted by the wealthy & powerful, the path toward creating a radically transformed society most certainly requires dissent & nonviolent civil disobedience toward systems of domination, violence, & greed. It is a path that demands we resist all that is antithetical to God's vision of love & liberation.

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On the Way Home from Mass

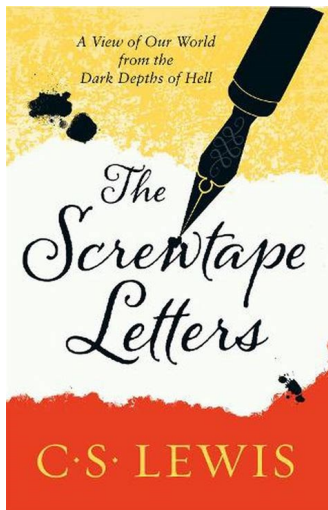
Right after Jesus was born, he was adored by poor shepherds. Later, he was adored by wealthy, educated Magi. What does this tell us about Jesus & his mission?

**Ministry Schedule for next week (Jan 14/15)**

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)		Olivia & Sebastian Maglaqui	Dave Alzheimer	Matt Williams	Maglaqui Family
Sun 8 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)		Joe & Rose Webb	Paul Clark Julie Kentch	Marilyn Kerr	Karin Hermansen Henry Maes
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)		Lora Rivera Lilly Vogt	Megan Green	Ninia Dizon	Leigh Rivera Mary Ann Green

GROW YOUR FAITH THIS SPRING!

For Adults & Young Adults



Screwtape Letters continue

Our book study on C.S. Lewis's *The Screwtape Letters* & the Catechism continues meeting on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8pm (resuming Jan. 12 & running through Feb. 26). Each week stands on its own & does not require any pre-study or past context: we read & discuss everything during our meeting. New faces always welcome!

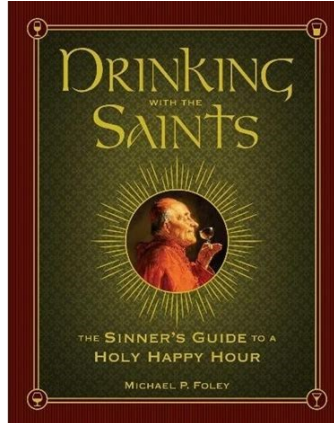
Lectio: Eucharist

In honor of the Eucharistic Revival, we will host a mini-series on the Eucharist throughout Lent & Easter. Here's a sneak peek from Formed.org:



"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body & the Blood of Christ"... these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater & deeper context of Scripture & Church teaching? We'll discover firsthand how Christ's Body & Blood are an integral & wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation. Acclaimed author & teacher Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, & Apostolic teaching.

Join us on Thursdays from 6:30-8pm, beginning Thursday, February 23. This study is for young adults & adults.



A Holy Happy Hour

A group of Holy Cross parishioners host a monthly social called "Drinking with the Saints," where we gather for a potluck dinner, drinks, & a discussion based on the lives of that month's saints.

Meetings are usually held on 3rd or 4th Fridays of the month & rotate among host families. The first social of the year will be held January 24 (6pm drinks, 6:30pm dinner). Contact Anna Schulten for details on this or future month's dates/locations.

For Teens & Children

Faith Formation: 50% off & Financial Aid

It's not too late to sign up for Faith Formation classes! Although sacrament preparation classes begin in the fall each year, families can sign up for Family Session & classrooms anytime.

In Holy Cross Faith Formation, students spend every other weekend in classrooms (learning with peers in age-group sessions) & Family Sessions (learning with parent(s) or other adult family/friend in large groups).

Join us for the spring semester for half off the fall registration costs:

- 1 child: \$40
- 2 children: \$60
- 3+ children: \$75



Financial aid is also available. Learn more, view the calendar, & sign up online: holycrossalaska.net/formation



Middle School & High School Spring Retreat

Save the Date: Feb. 24-25 at St. Therese's Camp in Wasilla for students in 6-12th grade. Sledding and/or tubing day included, weather permitting. More information coming later this month.

Confirmation Service Projects

Each year, Confirmation students lead the way in community outreach as they prepare to receive the sacrament this spring. Please consider supporting a cause you care about:



Homeless Outreach

ASHER, AIDAN, AND ROWDY
DECEMBER 25 - JANUARY 29



Glasses Drive

OLIVIA
FEBRUARY 4 - MARCH 11



Fleece Blanket Project

SUSIE, NORA, AND JACK
FEBRUARY 12 - MARCH 5



Supporting Animal Shelters

ROSA, CARSTEN, AND DRAKE
MARCH 26 - APRIL 16

Information on future projects will be shared in the bulletin in the weeks surrounding the project. Thank you for your support!



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Jan 14: after 5pm Mass- Hamburger Soup, salad, & garlic bread

Jan 20-28: *9 Days for Life Novena Rosary* will be prayed following Mass at 6pm on the 20th & 28th. [The community is invited to join for these two dates & are encouraged to pray the rosary at home all the days between for the end of abortion.](#) This will coincide with the Right to Life walks going around the country that weekend of Jan 27 & 28.



Jan 22: Pancake breakfast!



To volunteer or contribute call Pat Seidl at 907-242-1127



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; & the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

JOHN 6:51



Why Now?

BECAUSE THE CHURCH NEEDS HEALING. & THE WORLD NEEDS THE CHURCH.

Scandal, division, disease, doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. Our response in this moment is pivotal.

In the midst of these roaring waves, **Jesus is present**, reminding us that he is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew, & unify the Church & the world.

How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source & summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation.

What's Next?

It takes time to kindle a living, loving relationship—and a relationship with Jesus Christ is no exception. That's why the Eucharistic Revival allows three years for discernment, encounter, & grassroots response on the diocesan, parish, & individual levels. Find out what to expect along this journey:

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI: June 19, 2022

Launched our national response to the Lord's call with widespread eucharistic processions & adoration on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ.

YEAR OF DIOCESAN REVIVAL: June 19, 2022 – June 11, 2023

This first year of the Revival invites diocesan staff, bishops, & priests to respond to the Lord's personal invitation & equips them to share this love with the faithful through eucharistic congresses & events.

YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL: June 11, 2023 – July 17, 2024

The second phase will foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebration of the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, missions, resources, preaching, & organic movements of the Holy Spirit.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: July 17 – 21, 2024

Indianapolis, Indiana

At this historic event, more than 80,000 Catholics of all ages will gather in Indianapolis to reconsecrate their hearts to the source & summit of our faith.

YEAR OF GOING OUT ON MISSION: July 21, 2024 – Pentecost 2025

Having enkindled a missionary fire in the hearts of the American faithful, the Holy Spirit will send us out on mission to share the gift of our Eucharistic Lord as we enter the universal Church's jubilee year in 2025.

Considering Catholic Education?

Holy Cross offers financial aid scholarships to students attending Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Anchorage Juneau. It is not too late to apply! Contact the office to get an application.
Email office@holycrossalaska.net



Save the Date: Lent & Easter

Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22)

Holy Thursday (Apr. 6) 7pm

Good Friday (Apr. 7): 3pm Stations of the Cross & Liturgy at 7pm followed by confessions. The Good Friday Faith Walk will also happen downtown this spring.

Easter Vigil (Apr. 8) 8pm (no 5pm Mass)

Easter (Apr. 9) (8am & 11am)

Weekly during Lent:

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm: Confession & Adoration

Fridays 6pm Stations, followed by Soup supper



Job Opening At Holy Cross

Director of Faith Formation

The current Director of Faith Formation, Anna Schulten, is leaving in May 2023 (read her letter to the parish on the website: holycrossalaska.net/apply). Applications are now being accepted for her successor.



The Director of Faith Formation is responsible for the development, supervision & coordination of all evangelization programs in the parish, ensuring that the mission & vision of missionary discipleship is fulfilled, with a particular focus on the parish's children, youth & young adults. He/she is responsible to coordinate the recruitment, training, support & appreciation of ministry catechists. The Director of Faith Formation reports directly to the Pastor. This is a full-time paid position. Download the description at holycrossalaska.net/apply

To apply, & for more information, contact Fr. Pat Travers at pjtravers@att.net.

Thank you for supporting St. Francis House Food Pantry!

St. Francis House Food Pantry serves nearly 100 households a day & we can serve our neighbors because of contributions from you! Thank you for helping make sure that our neighbors are fed!

Holy Family Cathedral Knights of Columbus Council 4859 contributed 5,349 pounds of food to SFH! The Knights then donated 10 cents per pound, & since they met the 5,000 pound challenge, the national Knights Supreme Council will be adding their own \$500 donation! PLUS, a parishioner donated \$1,000, so the drive resulted in 5,349 pounds of food plus \$2,035 for St. Francis House to buy fresh produce to distribute to those in need.



In-Kind Donation Needs

St. Francis House Food Pantry: Donations can be dropped off at 3710 E 20th Ave, Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm.

Rice, Pasta, Oatmeal, Quart size freezer bags to distribute rice & oats

Clare House: Donations can be dropped off at 4110 Spenard Rd, 7 days a week from 10am-6pm.

Cooking oil, Paper towels, Toilet paper

Complex Care: Donations can be dropped off at 303 West Fireweed, 7 days a week from 9am-6pm.

Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrushes

RAIS: Donations can be dropped off at 3710 E 20th Ave, Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm.

New pillows, Twin & queen comforters, Winter coats, gloves, boots for children & adults

Brother Francis Shelter Medical Respite: Donations can be dropped off at 1021 E 3rd Ave, 7 days a week 9am-6pm.

Journals, Colored gel pens, Adult coloring books, Seeds/for the indoor garden

Epiphany of the Lord



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- STAR
- FOLLOW
- HEROD
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- WARNED

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Financial Corner

TITHING UPDATE

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

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	7,077
Weekly Tithing Period:		12/26-1/1
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	2,823
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	148
Online Giving:	\$	4,077
Total:	\$	7,048
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	(29)
Actual vs. Goal (%):		99.6%

Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:

Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY23 YTD Period

FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 10/31/2022	
FY23 YTD Complete (%):		33.3%
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2023:	\$	397,600
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	129,646
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	132,533
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	(2,887)
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):		97.8%

Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY23 YTD Period

FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 10/31/2022		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	77,290	59.6%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	210	0.2%
Online Giving:	\$	52,146	40.2%
2022 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	-	0.0%
Total:	\$	129,646	100.0%



Online Giving

To sign up online giving visit holycrossalaska.net/give

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