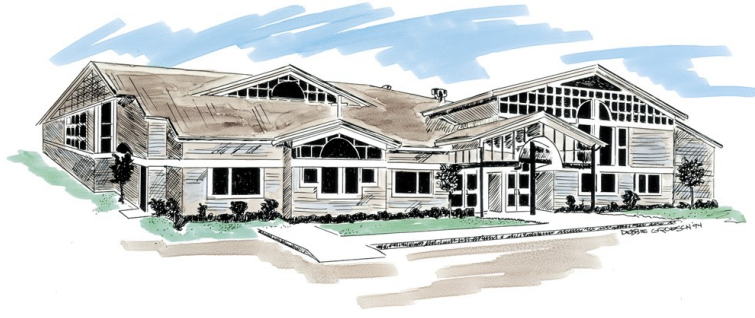


# Holy Cross Catholic Church



*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

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 2, 2023

*Philippians 2:8-9*

*Christ became obedient to the  
point of death, even death on  
a cross. Because of this, God  
greatly exalted him and  
bestowed on him the name  
which is above every name.*



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## Holy Week at Holy Cross

### Mon April 3

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

### Tue April 4

9am- Mass  
~~6:30pm- Eucharistic Adoration and Confession~~  
7pm- OCIA  
7:30pm- Knights of Columbus

### Wed April 5

9am- Mass  
5-7pm- Confessions

### HOLY THURSDAY April 6

~~9am- Mass~~  
7pm- Mass

### GOOD FRIDAY April 7-Office Closed

10am- Good Friday Faith Walk (see insert)  
3pm- Stations of the Cross  
7pm- Good Friday Service (Confession to follow)

### HOLY SATURDAY April 8

10-1pm- Confessions  
1pm- Legion of Mary  
~~3-4pm- Confession~~

**8pm- Easter Vigil Mass**

### Sun April 9- Easter Sunday! Alleluia!

8am- Mass  
11am- Mass  
12pm- Rosary

### Easter Monday- Apr 10- OFFICE CLOSED

## Mass Intentions

Call or email the office to schedule your intentions.

*Mon 4/3- ROS Modesta Munoz*

*Tue 4/4 to Sun 4/9- Available!*

## Mass Readings for Next Sunday

### Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

*We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.*

### PSALM 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.*

### Colossians 3:1-4

*Seek what is above, where Christ is.*

OR

### Corinthians 5:6b-8

*Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough.*

### John 20:1-9

*He had to rise from the dead.*

## Vocations Cross

This week the *Munoz Family* will pray with the vocations cross.

## Reflection

Crucifixes are a common sight for us as Catholics, so common that we can fail to let them call to mind this story in its entirety. On the surface this looks like a gory, tragic story, but we know that it is, more truly, the story of the greatest love the world has ever known. The crucifix also points beyond itself; it is not the end of the story. We know that the resurrection is coming, and we trust in God's ability to make life ever new even as we share in the sorrow of the passion.

## Bearing Witness

The triumphant entry and the painful death make a great paradox. Through acclamation and through betrayal, God executes the plan of salvation; the exalted are brought low, and the humble are lifted up.

The King of heaven came to earth to die, and the king of both Israel and distant lands was shamed. Matthew is at pains to show us how those who should know better reject Jesus. Judas admits: "I have sinned in betraying innocent blood." Jesus tells Caiaphas who he is. Pilate is warned by his wife's dream. And in the climax, Peter—who once called Jesus "the Messiah, the Son of the living God"—abandons him.

Against those who fail to bear witness, testimony for Jesus rises unexpectedly from the Temple, the created order, and the Gentile centurion. Jesus' prophecy to raise the destroyed Temple in three days is quoted twice. The Temple itself, rending its veil like a garment, bears witness to the coming Resurrection. The rocks of the lifeless creation, as Jesus predicted, "cry out" against his death. The righteous dead recognize him by whom they are set free. Recognizing these signs, the centurion, unlike Peter, is able to again call Jesus "Son of God."

These are the first tender shoots springing up from the grain of wheat, who willingly took the form of a slave and suffered even death on a cross. There is a rich harvest to come, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold. May we honor the one who died for our sake, and come at last to share in his heavenly kingdom.

Kimberly Hope Belcher

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## On the Way Home from Mass...

Hundreds of years before Jesus, the prophets wrote about the Messiah's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. What do their words tell us about Jesus?



# Save the Date- Holy Week

## Confessions

- ~~Canceled!~~ Tue April 4 from 6:30-7:30pm
- Wednesday Apr 5 from 5-7pm
- Good Friday Apr 7 from ~8pm
- Holy Saturday Apr 8 from 10am-1pm
- ~~Canceled!~~ Sat April 8 from 3-4pm

**Holy Thursday Mass: Apr 6 at 7pm**

## Good Friday: Apr 7

- 10am- Faith Walk meet: Brother Francis Shelter
- 3pm- Stations at Holy Cross
- 7pm- Service followed by Confession

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: Apr 8, at 8pm**  
(no 5pm Mass!!)

**Easter Sunday Mass: Apr 9 at 8am & 11am**

*The communion cup will return on Holy Thursday. Please know that you are only required to receive the sacrament under one form, either precious body or the precious blood. You are not required to have both, but you are welcome to receive both if you desire. Please make what ever choice is best for you.*

## Confirmation Project: Animal Shelter Drive



There is a dog supply drive being held by Holy Cross Confirmation students (Rosa, Drake, and Carsten) for any and all dog supplies, such as beds, toys, food, or collars. Please put any items in the box in the foyer. All donations will go to Alaska Animal

Rescue Friends. Drive ends April 23. Thank you!

Ministry Schedule for Holy Thursday Apr 6, 2023

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Thurs 7 pm	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Matt Williams	Henry and Annalise Maes Jerica Manaois Kaosi Morah Daniel Muldoon Lilly Vogt	Joslyn Childs Ray Meliton	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	Garrouette Family

Ministry Schedule for Good Friday Apr 7, 2023

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Fri 7 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Matt Williams	Joseph Salao Rowdy Reynoso Wisdom Marquez	Kristin Rehmann Maureen Retzel Ted Walker Michelangelo Canale	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>

Ministry Schedule for Holy Saturday Apr 8, 2023

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 8 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Manaois Family	Kaosi Morah Daniel Muldoon Rowdy Reynoso Jerica Manaois	Dave Alzheimer Julie Kentch Joslyn Childs Jason Hlasny	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	<b>Volunteer Needed</b> Faith Roberts

Ministry Schedule for Easter Sunday (Apr 9, 2023)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sun 8 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Mike Webb	Joe and Rose Webb	Julie Kentch Eilisa Maes	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	Clara Hoppe Rosa Hoppe Dora Castillo
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	Lora and JR Rivera	Megan Green	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	Degenhardt Family

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## Financial Corner

TITHING UPDATE			
How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal?			
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	7,327	
Weekly Tithing Period:	03/20-26/2023		
Income Sources			
Weekly Collections:	\$	3,589	
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-	
Online Giving:	\$	2,583	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,172</b>	
Over/(Under) Goal:	\$	(1,155)	
Actual vs. Goal (%)	84.2%		
Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:			
Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY23 YTD Period			
FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 2/28/2023		
FY23 YTD Complete (%)	66.7%		
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2023:	\$	397,600	
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	277,149	
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	265,067	
Over/(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	12,082	
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%)	104.6%		
Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY23 YTD Period			
FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 2/28/2023		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	154,888	55.9%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	5,936	2.1%
Online Giving:	\$	102,520	37.0%
2022 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	8,175	2.9%
Other:	\$	5,630	2.0%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>277,149</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



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