

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jan 28, 2024

Matthew 4:16

*The people who sit in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those dwelling in a land
overshadowed by death, light has
arisen.*



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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Jan 29

9am- Mass
1pm- Aspen Creek Service
6pm- Youth Night

Tue Jan 30

9am- Mass
7pm-OCIA

Wed Jan 31

9am- Mass

Thu Feb 1

9am- Mass

Fri Feb 2-Parish Offices Closed

9am- Mass (Candlemas)

Sat Feb 3

1pm- Legion of Mary
3-4pm- Confession
5pm- Mass (Throat Blessing)

Sun Feb 4

8am- Mass (Throat Blessing)
9am- Faith Formation
11am- Mass (Throat Blessing)
Mass followed by Rosary

Mass Intentions

Call or email the office to schedule your Mass intentions.

Sun 8am Mass is offered for the People of the Parish
1/27/24-Special Intention: Maglaqui Wedding Anniversary
1/28/24-11am: ROS Pedro Jagualing

Vocations Cross

To volunteer to pray with the vocations cross
sign up outside the sanctuary.

Del Kolb will pray with the vocations cross this week.

Mass Readings for Next Sunday

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

I am filled with restlessness until the dawn.

PSALM 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

Mark 1:29-39

Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases.

Reflection

Jesus' haste and clarity of mission might seem to contrast with most of our lives. After decades of prayer and discernment, he is confident in his mission when the right time comes for it. He is now in haste; Mark's gospel leaves no room for delay. In this passage, he arrives in Capernaum and sets straight to teaching. It is perhaps unusual for us to be called with such clarity; our missions usually unfold over a lifetime. But when we attend to God's callings, we can move with the same confidence that Jesus does.

Authority to Teach

To know Christ is to know God. Christ is the homily that keeps explaining to us continually that God is love, that God is power, that the Spirit of the Lord upon Jesus Christ, that he is the divine Word, God's presence among us.

Jesus Christ and the gospel are not two separate things. The gospel is not a biography of Christ; for St. Paul, the gospel is the living power of God [cf. Rom 1:16]. Reading the gospel is not like reading an ordinary book.

You have to fill yourself with faith and stress the living Jesus Christ, the revelation of the Father. You must feel, though it be in silence, without anyone's speaking, with deep faith in your heart, that Christ is God's homily preaching to you while you try to fill yourself with the divine power that has come in Christ Jesus.

St. Oscar Romero, *The Violence of Love*

Oscar Romero (1917-1980) became archbishop of San Salvador in 1977. A prophetic voice of the poor, he was martyred at the altar while saying Mass. Romero was canonized in 2018.

On the Way Home from Mass...

Why do you think the people listened to Jesus when he talked? Why do you listen to Jesus?



Ministry Schedule for next week (Feb 3/4)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Matt Williams	Olivia & Sebastian Maglaqui	Brenda Lannen Ray Meliton	Thomas Bases Ninia Dizon	Bell Family
Sun 8 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Mike Webb	Henry Maes Casen Kallman	Nicholas Boring Maureen Retzel	Pam Webb Marilyn Kerr	Dora Castillo Joe & Rose Webb
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Need Volunteer	Lora and JR Rivera	Joslyn Childs Leslie Holland	Janina Chlebowski Teresa Mitchell	Landicho Family

Faith Formation Classes

February 4:

Grade 7-12 in Family Session
Preschool-6 in Classroom



February 11:

Preschool-6 in Family Session
Grade 7-12 in Classroom

Faith Formation runs from 9-10:45am.

Registration is on-going at: holycrossalaska.net/register

Interested in becoming Catholic? Learn more at an OCIA meeting happening on Tue evenings at 7pm.

National Eucharistic Congress 2024

The 10th National Eucharistic Congress is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to

share Christ's love with a world that so desperately needs it. The event will occur on July 17-21, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana. If you are interested in attending this event, please sign up at the Fellowship Hall.



Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession

Throughout Lent, we will host a mini-series on Confession. Here's a sneak peek from Formed.org:

Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession, explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love. By looking at God's revelation of his mercy in Scripture and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite itself, Forgiven communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Join us on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm, beginning Wednesday, Feb 21. This event is only for young adults and adults. If you are interested in attending this event, let Jerica know.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Manna Bags Mission

Donations Needed

From: Jan. 27th- Feb. 17th

No perishable or canned food.

Hygiene Products,
Water bottles, snacks,
Packaged goods,
Gloves, hats, scarves,
and bandages.

More Info contact: Jerica Manaois
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Parish Nurse



Parish Nurses invite you to Heartsaver® First Aid CPR AED Training Feb 10

February is American Heart Month. Our hearts are precious! Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men, women, and people of most racial and ethnic groups in the United States. One person dies every 33 seconds in the United States from cardiovascular disease. The AHA's Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED course trains participants to provide first aid, CPR, and use an automated external defibrillator (AED) in a safe, timely, and effective manner.

The course will be a blended course with on-line study before the hands-on in-person class on Feb 10. Sarah Ransom, EMT will be our instructor. In addition to her experience as an EMT, Sarah has a heart for providing CPR training in the community. She provides personalized training in a supportive and relaxed manner. You do NOT have to have medical training to successfully complete this course.

The AHA's Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED Course is designed for anyone with little or no medical training who wants to be prepared for an emergency in any setting. The course will cover:

- First aid basics
- Medical emergencies
- Injury emergencies
- Environmental emergencies
- Preventing illness and injury
- Adult CPR and AED use
- Opioid-associated life-threatening emergencies
- Optional modules in Child CPR AED and Infant CPR



Registration is necessary by FEB 1. If interested in attending this potentially life-saving training, please contact Deb Seidl at 907-301-4180 or deb.seidl81@gmail.com. Upon successful completion of the course, you will receive a Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED course completion card. The card is valid for two years. Cost is approximately \$75.



Music Ministry Needs YOU!

Music Ministry is looking for a substitute accompanist for our choir. Schedule is very flexible and group is fun to work with! If you like to sing, or play an instrument and are ages 12 and up, please join us at our Thursday night rehearsals at Holy Cross from 7-8pm every week until Easter week. Reading music isn't necessary but reading words quickly is! For more information call or text Sheila Soukup at 907-250-6234.



Palms

If you have palms please bring them as soon as you can so we can burn before for Ash Wednesday.



At Holy Spirit Center come to The Parable Project Sat Feb 10, 2024, at 6pm

Come join us and Magic Carpet Theater who flew all the way from Detroit Michigan to offer this Diocese wide event at Resurrection Chapel~ Tickets are \$20 per person or \$60 for a family of four and will be available online beginning January 1, 2024, and at Daily and Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit Center beginning January 14, 2024.

Individual Tickets Available Here~

<https://buy.stripe.com/eVa7tE8kB8T10mc4gi>

Individual or Family of Four Tickets are available at Daily and Sunday Masses beginning Sun Jan 14, 2024.



Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau

Catholic Schools Special Collection

January 2024

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Anchorage, AK

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Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!

We celebrate Catholic Schools Week the last week of January. It is a time when we celebrate the gift of education, recognize the value of Catholic Education, and strive to make it available to as many students as possible. Our Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau provide a space for children to pursue an academically rigorous education and empower them to be part of a community rooted in the rich traditions of our Catholic faith. As Pope Francis has said, *"Catholic education is also evangelization: bearing witness to the joy of the Gospel and its power to renew our communities and provide hope and strength in facing wisely the challenges of the present time."*

Please prayerfully consider contributing to this appeal as we prepare to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. You can return the enclosed envelope or donate online and support our schools or the endowment fund for Catholic school scholarships.

I ask you to pray for all our students, whether in Catholic schools, private or public schools, or homeschooled, to be filled with a strong desire to keep growing in their faith.

I thank you for your gift to our annual Catholic Schools Appeal. Your generosity makes a difference!

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Andrew E. Bellisario, C.M.
Archbishop of Anchorage-Juneau

Give securely online at aoaj.org/schools or return the enclosed envelope via mail or at your local parish during the In-pew collection



St. Therese's Camp Summer 2024

St. Therese's Camp offers a week-long residential Catholic camp experience. We share the joy of the faith in a powerfully fun way. Activities include making friends, Mass, prayer, gaga ball, Eucharistic

Adoration, swimming, boating, archery and bb guns, sling-shots, air rifles for high school, campfires, singing, and more!

For more information or to register visit www.sttherescampak.com or call 907-232-2066!

Early bird rate until March 1 is \$392 for grades 3-8 and \$398 for high school; prices go up \$20 after that. Register soon and save money! Campers registered by April 29 get a free camp t-shirt. Some financial aid is available.

Camp weeks:

For kids entering grades 3-8 in fall 2024 and for High School kids entering grades 9-12 in fall 2024.

June 2-7
June 9-14
June 16-21
June 23-28: high school wk #1
June 30-July 5: high school wk #2
July 14-19
July 21-26

Dr. Joshua Brumfield Talks

Dr. Joshua Brumfield, author of *The Benedict Proposal: Church as Creative Minority in the Thought of Pope Benedict XVI*, will be giving two lectures at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. The first, in keeping with Eucharistic revival, will be a discussion of the Eucharist in Pope Benedict XVI and Dorothy Day in the Deacons Hall on Sun, Feb 11 at 1:30 pm. On Mon, Feb 12, at noon Dr. Brumfield will be giving a presentation on the role of beauty and the imagination in catechesis. These presentations will be livestreamed. Lastly, he will be giving a talk at APU in Carr-Gottstein Hall, Room 221 the night of Mon, Feb 12, from 7-8pm on the purpose and nature of education in the thought of Benedict XVI and John Cardinal Newman.

Sunday

Jan 28

Anchorage

March for Life

Marchers option: Meet at 1pm at Lake Otis and 40th Ave. At 130pm sharp we'll walk as a group to the Memorial for Unborn Children in the cemetery downtown, arriving by 3pm for the service. (Note: transportation back is not provided.)

Non-Marchers Option: Meet at 3pm at the cemetery's Memorial to Unborn Children (Cordova & 8th Ave; park on streets).

All: At 3pm, bring the Body of Christ together at the Memorial for Unborn Children. Speakers, prayer, music!

- Standing in the Breach: A Plea for Men to Protect the Preborn, with Chaplain Blake Hart
- Abortion Trifecta and a Beloved Child of God, with Priscilla Hurley
- Hope is Here: A Story of Divorce, Abortion, IVF, and Finding God, with Deacon Kurt Adler
- Rise Up for the Babies, with Mary Kemper

2023 "United in Mission" Annual Appeal Report As of January 9, 2024

Diocesan Goal for Holy Cross	\$ 39,478	
Parish (Rebate) Goal for Holy Cross	\$ 14,000	
Diocesan Goal + Parish Goal for Holy Cross	\$ 53,478	
Total Pledged	\$ 57,495	100.0% of Diocesan Goal
		128.7% of Parish Goal
Number of Pledges	121	
Total Pledged (Over/Under) Diocesan Goal	\$ 18,017	
Total Pledged (Over/Under) Parish Goal	\$ 4,017	
Total Pledged Paid	\$ 54,500	107.3% of Rebate Goal
Total Pledged Unpaid	\$ 2,995	(Diocesan Goal - Total Pledged Paid)
Total Rebate for Holy Cross	\$ 15,022	(Total Pledged Paid - Diocesan Goal)

Thank you for donating and sharing your treasure to the 2023 United in Mission Annual Appeal.

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers- Jerica Manaos: 230-9418
- Art & Environment- Marilyn Kerr: 346-1624
- Baked Goods & Funerals- Looking for help!
- Blessed Sacrament Monastery- Sandon Broek: 947-9168
- Clare House- Leslie Holland: 337-278-7852
- Faith Formation- Jerica Manaos: 306-9363
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- Parish Nurse Program- Deb Seidl: 301-4180
- Hospitality- Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133
- Knights of Columbus- Pat Seidl: 242-1127
- Lawn & Garden- Julie Spralading: 636-399-0892
- Legion of Mary- Mercy Acheson: 223-4822
- Library- Maureen Retzel: 441-0460
- Liturgical Ministries Coordinator- Julie Thomas: 538-1109
- Livestream- John Roberts: 317-6808
- 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
- Youth/Young Adult- Jerica Manaos: 306-9363

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Financial Corner

TITHING UPDATE	
<i>How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal?</i>	
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$ 7,894
Weekly Tithing Period:	01/15-21/2024
Income Sources	
Weekly Collections:	\$ 6,737
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	
Online Giving:	\$ 3,154
Total:	\$ 9,891
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$ 1,997
Actual vs. Goal (%):	125.3%
Actual vs. Budget "Total Income" for FY24 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period	
FY24 YTD Period:	7/1/2023 to 12/31/2023
FY24 YTD Complete (%):	50.0%
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2024:	\$ 443,400
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$ 242,146
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$ 221,700
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$ 20,446
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	109.2%
Breakdown of Actual "Total Income" for FY24 YTD Period	
FY24 YTD Period:	7/1/2023 to 12/31/2023
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$ 111,039 45.9%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$ 9,072 3.7%
Online Giving:	\$ 75,351 31.1%
2023 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebate Paid To Date):	\$ - 0.0%
Stole Fees:	\$ 2,342 1.0%
In-Kind Donations:	\$ 23,830 9.8%
Investment Income:	\$ 9,448 3.9%
Fee Income:	\$ 5,412 2.2%
Other:	\$ 5,652 2.3%
Total:	\$ 242,146 100.0%
Actual vs. Budget "Total Expenses" for FY24 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period	
FY24 YTD Period:	7/1/2023 to 12/31/2023
FY24 YTD Complete (%):	50.0%
Annual Budget Total Expenses FY 2023:	\$ 473,400
Actual Total Expenses for Period:	\$ 212,932
Budget Total Expenses for Period:	\$ 236,700
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$ (23,768)
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	90.0%
Actual "Total Net Income" for FY24 YTD Period	
FY24 YTD Period:	7/1/2023 to 12/31/2023
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$ 242,146
Actual Total Expenses for Period:	\$ 212,932
Actual Total Net Income for Period:	\$ 29,214
Total Net Income "Over /(Under)" Total Expenses for Period (%):	13.7%

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