

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 of Lent March 10, 2024

*John 3:16
God so loved the world that
he gave his only Son,
so everyone who believes in
him might have eternal life.*

Father Pat Travers, *Pastor*

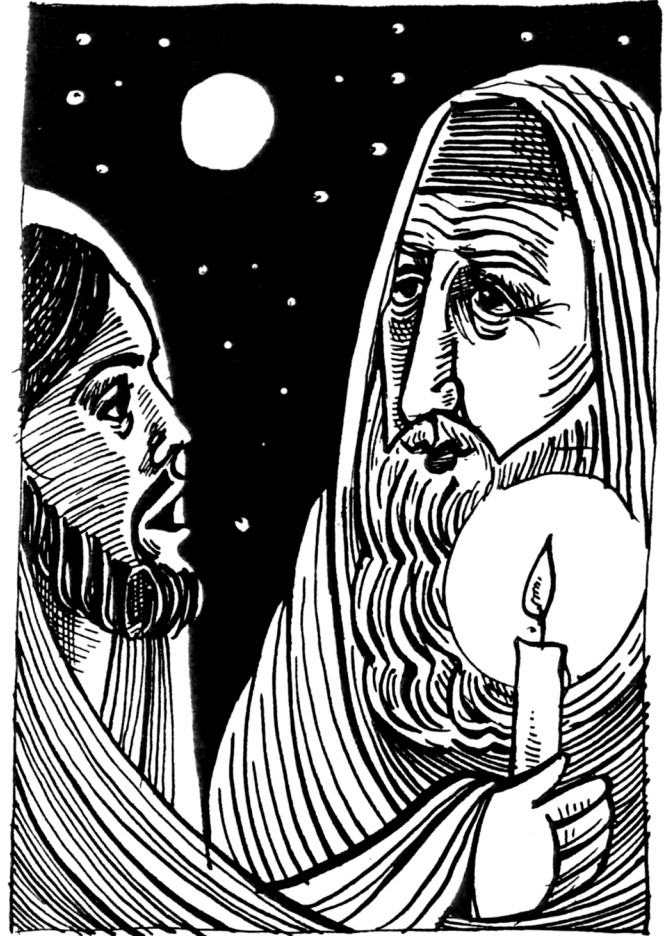
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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Mar 11

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

Tue Mar 12

9am- Mass
 6pm- Confession & Adoration
 6pm- VBS Adult and Teen Volunteer Meeting
 7pm- OCIA

Wed Mar 13

9am- Mass
 6:30p- Transforming Power of Confession

Thu Mar 14

9am- Mass

Fri Mar 15- Office Closed

9am- Mass
 6pm- Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Sat Mar 16

1pm- Legion of Mary
 3-4pm- Confession
 5pm- Mass
 6pm- Knights of Columbus Hosted Dinner

Sun Mar 17

8am- Mass
 <NO Faith Formation>
 11am- 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.

3/9- 5pm: ROS- Trinidad Guillermo

Vocations Cross

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

Webb Family will pray with the vocations cross this week.

Mass Readings for Next Sunday

Jeremiah 31:31-34

I will make a new covenant and remember their sin no more.

PSALM 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Hebrews 5:7-9

Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation.

John 12:20-33

If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

Reflection: An Elemental Love

Today's New Testament readings regale us with that most fundamental of Christian convictions, that we have been loved into existence by a God whose very being is Love overflowing. St. Paul reminds us that "God is rich in mercy, because of the great love he [has] for us." And in the Gospel we find one of the most famous passages in the entire Bible, one often referenced on countless "John 3:16" placards waved by earnest evangelizers at sports events. There is no more central Christian claim, yet the very pervasiveness of this passage can make it difficult for its outrageous assertion to seep into our bones.

However, I experienced (anew) God's outrageous love when I became a grandparent last year. When visiting my new grandchild, Elliot, I saw again the power of love at its most elemental.

As I watched my sleep-deprived daughter-in-law selflessly nursing little Elliot, the Gospel refrain echoed anew . . . *for God so loved the world.*

As I witnessed my son swaying with Elliot in his arms, gently crooning a lullaby . . . *for God so loved the world.*

As I gazed with wonder into his cherubic visage and held him close . . . *for God so loved the world.*

This is our God, drawing us into the Father's divine bosom, bearing us up in Love everlasting.

Richard R. Gaillardetz

Richard R. Gaillardetz was the Joseph Professor of Catholic Systematic Theology at Boston College and the author of numerous books, including *By What Authority?*

To Walk in the Light

Jesus told Nicodemus that he is the light that has come into the world. Some days it seems like the darkness is going to overtake the light, but we know that the light is stronger than darkness, that his life is stronger than hate, and that his risen life is stronger than death. People can be afraid of the dark and now that great comfort is found in the light. God made us to live in and walk in the light.

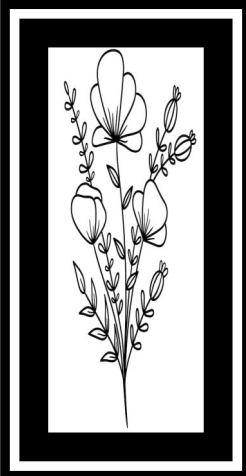
On the Way Home from Mass...

Jesus told Nicodemus that the people need to come toward the light. What can that mean for us to come toward the light?



Ministry Schedule for next week (Mar 16/17)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Pat Seidl	Joseph Salao Daniel Muldoon	Cheryl Chapman Alison Walsh	Jessi Maglaqui Pat Seidl	Bell Family
Sun 8 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Mike Webb	Joe & Rose Webb	Nicholas Boring Julie Kentch	Pam Webb Marilyn Kerr	Muldoon Family
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Maureen Retzel	Mimi Andrew William Higgins	Joslyn Childs Michelangelo Canale	Janina Chlebowski Teresa Mitchell	Julie Thomas Kaira Brooks



Resounding Appreciation

Marilyn Kerr and your volunteer ART and ENVIRONMENT team ... **Thank You** for your devotion to Holy Cross Parish, its parishioners, and visitors.

We all benefit and enjoy the worship space you help create. Your insight is invaluable!



Vacation Bible School

Save the Date: June 11-14

Where: Holy Cross Parish

Who: Students entering into kindergarten-6th grade for the 2024-25 school year.

More information to come.

Adult and Teen Volunteer Meeting is Tue, Mar 12, at 6pm.

By Grace
You Have
Been
Saved
THROUGH
Faith. EPH



How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives.
-Annie Dillard



PENNY'S STATIONS AND SOUP CONFIRMATION PROJECT Last 2 Fridays

Pray the Stations of the Cross at 6pm...



followed by fellowship and a meatless soup.

Friday 3/15/24: Vegetable Noodle Soup

Friday 3/22/24: Potato Soup



PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers- Jerica Manaois: 230-9418
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- Lawn & Garden- Julie Spralding: 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 Manaois: 306-9363

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Financial Corner

TITHING UPDATE

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

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	7,894
Weekly Tithing Period:	02/26-03/3/2024	
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	3,029
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-
Online Giving:	\$	3,595
Total:	\$	6,624
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	(1,270)
Actual vs. Goal (%):	83.9%	

ALERT! Holy Cross staff will not contact you requesting gift cards. Never purchase or send money/gift cards

Faith Formation Classes

March 17:

No Faith Formation Classes!

March 24:

Preschool-6th in Family Session
Grades 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.

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