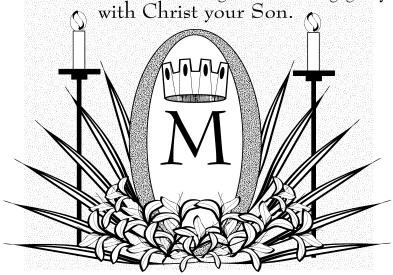
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HOLY CROSS PARISH

Of the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau



All honor to you, O Mary, for today you were raised above the angels to lasting glory



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2021

Hail Mary, full of grace.

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Holy Mass

Mon- Fri, 9 am Sat, 5 pm Sun, 8:30 am & 11 am



Mass is livestreamed on Facebook weekdays, Sat 5 pm, & Sun 11 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 3-4 pm or by appointment.

Mission Statement

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

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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Aug 16

9 am- Mass

1 pm- Mass at Aspen Creek Senior Living Center

Tue Aug 17

9 am- Mass

Wed Aug 18

9 am- Mass

Thu Aug 19

9 am- Mass

Fri Aug 20

Parish Office Closed

9 am- Mass

Sat Aug 21

1 pm- Legion of Mary- Conference Room

3-4 pm - Confessions

5 pm- Mass

6-6:15 pm-Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun Aug 22

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am- Mass

9:45-10:45 am- Faith Formation

11 am- Mass

12-12:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Readings for Aug 23, 2021 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

We will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

Psalm 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord..

Ephesians 21-32

This is a great mystery, regarding Christ and the Church.

John 6:60-69

To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Reflection

On the Feast of the Assumption, we celebrate (as our gospel acclamation reminds us) how "Mary is taken up to heaven [while] a chorus of angels exults." In Mary, the model disciple, we find God's blueprint for each of our lives: that we might bear Christ to the world and then live with him forever in the kingdom of heaven.

A Heart So Great

Mary, by uniting herself to God, does not distance herself from us. She does not go to an unknown galaxy, but whoever approaches God comes closer, for God is close to us all; and Mary, united to God, shares in the presence of God, is so close to us, to each one of us.

There is a beautiful passage from St. Gregory the Great on St. Benedict that we can apply to Mary too. St. Gregory the Great says that the heart of St. Benedict expanded so much that all creation could enter it. This is even truer of Mary: Mary, totally united to God, has a heart so big that all creation can enter this heart . . . she has a heart as great as the heart of God.

But there is also another aspect. In God not only is there room for humankind; in humankind there is room for God. This too we see in Mary, the Holy Ark who bears the presence of God. In us there is space for God, and this presence of God in us is so important for bringing light to the world with all its sadness, with all its problems. . . .

What is there to say then? A great heart, the presence of God in the world, room for God within us and room for us in God . . . this is the symphony of this Feast, the instruction that meditating on this Solemnity gives us. Mary is the dawn and the splendor of the Church triumphant; she is the consolation and the hope of people still on the journey.

Pope Benedict XVI, Homily, August 15, 2012

Born in Germany, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger was elected pope in 2005. In February 2013, he retired to a life of prayer and study, with the title pope emeritus of the Catholic Church.

On the way home from Mass...

When do you find such joy in God that your soul proclaims and your spirit rejoices?



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381 families

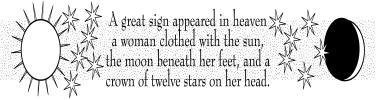
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Goal \$45,825 Current \$31,745 Remaining \$14,080



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Faith Formation

Registration still open! holycrossalaska.net/formation

Volunteer Training

Ü	12-12:30	Picnic/Social after Mass
August 22	9:45-10:45	K-5 Classroom Session 6+ & parents Family Session
August 29	9:45-10:45	6+ Classroom Session K-5 & parents Family Session

Sept. 10-12 Confirmation Retreat

9:45-10:45

August 15

(ISO volunteers and chaperones)

Faith Formation for Adults

Adult classes begin Sept. 12, led by Susan Gallardo. We will meet every Sunday, 9:45-10:45, for a scripture study. A book study will be chosen by attendees in the first weeks of the program. All adult parishioners welcome—especially parents whose students are in classroom sessions during Faith Formation.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for both Catholics and non-Catholics who want to learn about the faith. All parishioners are welcome to attend and/or volunteer (and bring a friend!). For more information, contact Sandon Broek at 947-9168.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry Reboot

Praise & Worship (and Pizza). First Tuesday of every month, beginning in Sept. 5:30 pizza and 6-7pm Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, music. Open to the whole parish.

Service Night. Third Thursday of every month (Sept—Nov & Jan—April). For middle and high schoolers.

Youth Nights. Junior High every other Wednesday. High School every other Tuesday.

Young Adults every other Tuesday.

Youth & YA Ministry Adventures

Mission Trip. Summer 2022. We'll serve a Catholic community in rural Alaska. This mission is for high school students and chaperones (and middle school students if accompanied by a parent or other adult-age family member). Interest list & updates: holycrossalaska.net/mission

World Youth Day. If you are age 16-35 and interested in traveling to Lisbon in August 2023 to see the Pope and experience the global church, please contact Anna or fill out an interest form at holycrossalaska.net/wyd.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK (AUG 21/22)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	E M of Communion	Hospitality	
Sat 5 pm	Anna Schulten (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Ted Walker	Matt Williams	Susan Gallardo Uju Morah Duane Roering	
Sun 8:30 am	Lead instrumentalist needed. To volunteer, call Sheila: 250-6234	N/A	N/A	Eilisa Maes	Pam Webb	Angie Garroutte Vince Garroutte	
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Jackie McCown	Ninia Dizon	Mary Anne Green Justice Maiava Gigi Gueco Julie Thomas	

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

Altar Servers - Jess Manaois: 230-9418

Art & Environment - Marilyn Kerr: 346-1624

Baked Goods - Joan Karcz: 344-0168

Blessed Sacrament Monastery - Sandon Broek: 947-9168

Clare House - Leslie Holland: 770-0847

Faith Formation - Anna Schulten: 306-9363 **Church Maintenance** - Mike Likar: 529-9015

Eucharistic Ministers - John Hoppe: 350-7580

Finance - Greg Magee: 575-3197

Habitat for Humanity - John & Anita Roberts: 344-7144

Hospitality - Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133

Knights of Columbus - James Hogins: 229-3163

Lawn and Garden - Kirsten Hoppe: 248-1653

Legion of Mary - Mercy Acheson: 223-4822

Library- Debi Wickler: 952-1879

Music Ministry - Sheila Soukup: 250-6234

Prayer Chain - Joan Gillis: 346-3147

Readers - Jason Hlasny: 242-6655

RCIA - Sandon Broek: 947-9168

Sacristan - Matthew Williams: 562-0188

Snow Plowing - Vince Garroutte: 522-3647

Vocations - Sister Joan Oberle: 349-8388



To sign up for consistent online giving please visit holycrossalaska.net/give

TITHING UPDATE								
How did we do last week in meeting our offertory goal?								
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,712						
Weekly Tithing Period:	8/	/2-8/8/2021						
Income Sources								
Weekly Collections:	\$	3,070						
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:								
Online Giving:	\$	4,835						
Total:	\$	7,905						
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	1,193						
Actual vs. Goal (%):		117.8%						
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How well are we meeting our income goals								
(Basket/Online/Rebates from OBOB Appeal) t	hat	t were esta	blished					
in the current annual budget (FY21) for Holy Cross?								
Year To Date (YTD) Period: 7/1/2020 to 05,								
FY21 YTD Complete (%):								
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2021:	\$	349,000						
Actual YTD Total Income:	\$	332,611						
Budget YTD Total Income:	\$	319,917						
Over /(Under) Budget:	\$	12,694						
Actual vs. Budget (%):		95.3%						
Breakdown of Actual YTD Total Income for FY21								
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	151,335	45.5%					
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	10,128	3.0%					
Online Giving:	\$	149,308	44.9%					
2020 One Bread One Body Rebate(s):	\$	21,840	6.6%					
Total:	\$	332,611	100.0%					

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