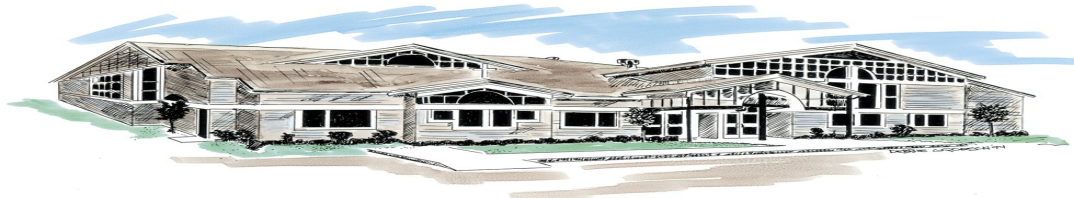


HOLY CROSS PARISH

Year MMXXII#7

of the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 13, 2022



***“Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.”***

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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 5pm, & Sun 11 am
On Facebook, search @holycrossalaska

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 Feb 7

9am- Mass

1pm- Aspen Creek Service

Tue Feb 8

9am- Mass

6:30pm- Synod Listening Session (via Zoom)

Wed Feb 9

9am- Mass

6:30pm- The Search

Thu Feb 10

9am- Mass

6:30pm- OCIA

Fri Feb 11- Parish Office Closed

9am- Mass

Sat Feb 12

10am- Synod Listening Session (at parish)

1pm- Legion of Mary

3-4 pm- Confession

5pm- Mass

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

Sun Feb 13

8:30am- Mass

9:45am- Faith Formation

11am- Mass Offered for the People of the Parish

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

Readings for Feb 20, 2022

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

God delivers Saul into David's hands; David will not harm the Lord's anointed.

Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13

The Lord is kind and merciful.

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Adam prefigures Christ; Jesus came from heaven and we who follow him will bear his image.

Luke 6:27-38

Love your enemies; do to others what you would have them do to you.

Reflection

The psalmist provides imagery to complement Jeremiah. "He is like a tree / planted near running water, / that yields its fruit in due season, / and whose leaves never fade." It's winter in the northern hemisphere. How are you experiencing this season? Do you feel like you're in spiritual hibernation, or are you blooming?

Take some time this week to imagine moments in your own spiritual life when you have experienced each of the four seasons. When was winter, a dark time when you perhaps lost someone or experienced a trial? Can you recall a spring, when your faith began to open more and bloom? Have you lived through a summer in your faith, when prayer was easy and you felt God "in sync" with your life? What was autumn like, watching the leaves turn glorious colors as your faith matured?

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Focusing the Gospel

This is one of those times in the gospel when Jesus doesn't mince words, but gets right to the point. The kingdom of God belongs to the poor. The hungry will be satisfied. Those who are weeping will laugh. On the flip side, the rich will have nothing left to receive, the full will be hungry, and those who are laughing will weep. This makes no sense in a world built around consuming for convenience, media impact, purchasing power, and the accumulation of wealth. What are we supposed to do with these words?

This week's gospel invites us to focus on the end game. Our purpose in this earthly life is to get to heaven, and bring as many people with us as possible. Do not let the physical and material goals of your career and family distract you from that ultimate goal. You are trying to love others, especially your family, in such a way that you condition your soul and theirs for heaven. That's what we're doing on Sunday. That's what you're invited to do in your vocation. That's the reason we seek good, rich, healthy relationships with friends, family, and colleagues. When we live with our eyes on heaven, this life becomes far more vibrant and satisfying. Shift your focus from earthly achievements to those of a love much greater.

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On the Way Home from Mass...

Have you ever been hungry? What did you do?



Confirmandi Service Projects

Prescription Glasses Drive

Did you know prescription glasses can be recycled? Sebastian's goal is to collect 300 pairs of glasses for his service project (please drop them off in the basket in the foyer by March 13). Call (907) 360-5133 with questions.

FISH Food Box

F.I.S.H. is a local ecumenical food pantry providing food and meal assistance for families since 1967. Jacob built a food box and is filling it with peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables and fruit, other non-perishable foods. Donate by March 13.



SYNOD

So far, 101 Holy Cross parishioners have participated in the Synod Listening Sessions. Thank you, everyone, for sharing your input!

We want to hear from all 300+ families at our parish. All voices are essential to the journey.

Upcoming Synod Listening Sessions

- Tue. Feb 15 6:30pm (ZOOM; RSVP online or learn more at holycrossalaska.net/synod)
- Sat. Feb 19 at 10am
- Thur. Mar 3 at 6:30pm (ZOOM ONLY)
- Sun. Mar 6 at 9:30am
- Wed. Mar 16 at 6:30pm

Faith Formation

Feb. 13: K-5 & parents Family Session, Gr. 6+ in classrooms

Feb 20: Gr. 6+ & parents Family Session, K-5 in classrooms

Youth Night: Synod Listening Session

Feb. 15's Youth Night (Tuesday, 6:30-8pm) will attend the Synod listening session via Zoom. We would love to hear from all teens, especially those who do not regularly attend classes.

Social Media Revamp

It's easy to find us online! On Facebook or Instagram, search @holycrossalaska or @holycrossyg.



OCIA: New Calendar Available

If someone you know is interested in receiving the sacraments, join us for spring classes. Text Anna for info: 306-9363 or take a sneak peek: holycrossalaska.net/ocia

Parents: Catholic School scholarships available

Holy Cross provides 3 scholarships to families in financial need to help cover Catholic School tuition costs. Your child must be currently enrolled or wish to enroll in a Catholic School next semester. Info at holycrossalaska.net/scholarship

Palms for Ashes

We burn palms to make Ash Wednesday ashes. If you have old palms, drop them in the box in the foyer by Feb. 27!

Register for St. Therese's Camp 2022

St. Therese's Camp offers a week-long residential Catholic camp experience (grab a purple flyer in the foyer for more info). Early bird discount for families who register by March 1. Learn more at www.sttheresescamp.com

We still have a few openings left!



Not willing to let go of your marriage?

Many couples continue to struggle in a marriage, but are not willing to Give up on each other. There is hope.

The next Retrouvaille of Alaska program begins on Feb. 25, 2022. Register now!



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT @ 907-863-8000 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

HELPOURMARRIAGE.COM

Ministry Schedule for next week (Feb 19/20)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Anna Schulten (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Ted Walker	Julia Morrison-Lugo	Matt Williams Jacqueline Pantaleon
Sun 8:30 am	Lead instrumentalist needed. To volunteer, call Sheila: 250-6234	N/A	N/A	Jason Hlasny	Marilyn Kerr	Jason Hlasny John Hoppe
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Megan Green	Ninia Dizon	Julie Thomas Mary Anne Green

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 Garrouette: 522-3647
- Vocations** - Sister Joan Oberle: 349-8388

Financial Corner: Scholarships

If you have students that attend a Catholic School, you can apply for Holy Cross Scholarship Funds. Application forms at the office or holycrossalaska.net/scholarship

TITHING UPDATE

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

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,577
Weekly Tithing Period:	1/31-2/6/2022	
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	3,355
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-
Online Giving:	\$	2,987
Total:	\$	6,342
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	(235)
Actual vs. Goal (%):	96.4%	

Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:

Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period

FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 12/31/2021	
FY22 YTD Complete (%):	50.0%	
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022:	\$	342,000
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	173,741
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	171,000
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	2,741
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	50.8%	

Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period

FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 12/31/2021		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	92,300	53.1%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	1,748	1.0%
Online Giving:	\$	79,693	45.9%
2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	-	0.0%
Total:	\$	173,741	100.0%

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