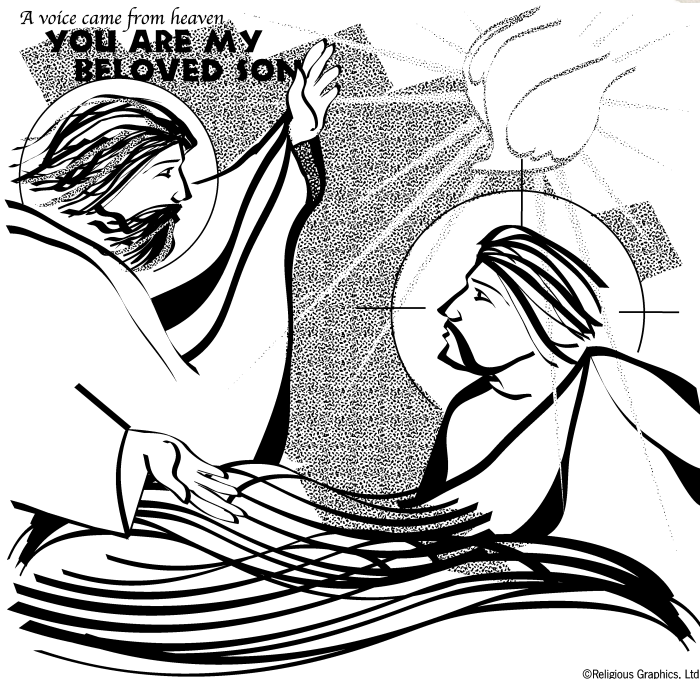
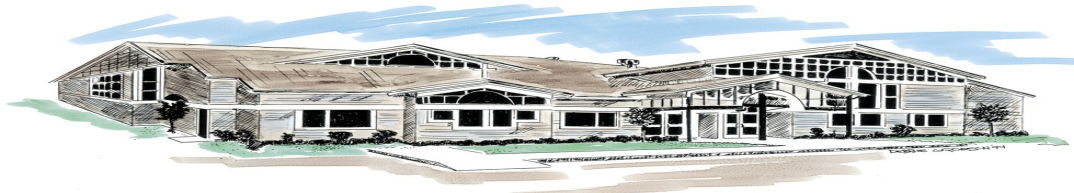


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Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

May we be transformed
in the Baptism of Christ!

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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 Jan 10

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

Tue Jan 11

9am- Mass
6pm- Praise and Worship

Wed Jan 12

9am- Mass
5:30pm- RCIA
6:30pm- The Search

Thu Jan 13

9am- Mass

Fri Jan 14- Parish Office Closed

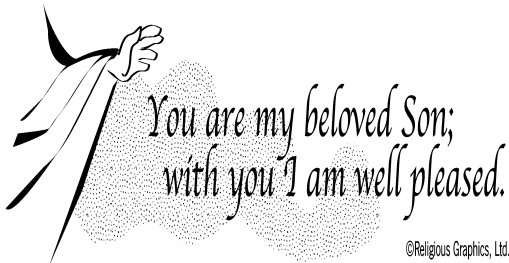
9am- Mass
6- 10pm- Artist's Retreat

Sat Jan 15

8am- 6pm- Artist's Retreat
1pm- Legion of Mary
3-4pm- Confession
5pm- Mass
6-6:15pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun Jan 16

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 Jan 16, 2022 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5

The bridegroom rejoices in his bride.

Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Corinthians 12:4-11

One and the same Spirit distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

John 2:1-11

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee.

Reflection

Why does God need to be baptized by God? Because it is within this seeming contradiction that our own salvation lies. Because God is fully human and fully divine, it is through this act of living as one of us, alongside other humans, that our own lives are sanctified. Paul tells us in the second reading, “he saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he richly poured out on us through Jesus Christ our savior, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life.”

In the Sight of Such Love

You are my beloved . . . with you I am well pleased.”

I find, even among people of faith, a certain reticence to being told they are God’s beloved. We often sidestep the issue: “Well, God only loves Jesus like that, not me.”

Even now, as you’re reading this, you might be squirming a bit. It all feels a bit *soft*, a bit too *lenient*, a bit too *intimate*. After all, John the Baptist preached judgment, repentance, a little fire and brimstone—and the people were “filled with expectation” that he was the Christ. And then out of obscurity and into the water walked Jesus, meek and humble of heart, breaking not “a bruised reed”—and *he* was revealed to be God’s Beloved Incarnation.

And from this bountiful sense of belovedness, Jesus heals the sick, forgives sinners, eats with outcasts, and spreads the Good News to all he encounters. He shares this sense of being God’s beloved with us too, for we are baptized *into Christ*.

There’s a wonderful icon, often called the “Harrowing of Hell,” where the newly risen Christ breaks down the gates of hell and pulls Adam and Eve out of their graves. Below him, baptismal water flows, sanctifying the realm of the dead and despairing. Are Adam and Eve, dead for centuries, sunken in their sin, squirming at the sight of such love? No, they grab the hand of their beloved, who restores to them their own original belovedness. Today, in light of our own baptism, let’s take Christ’s hand, and follow their lead.

Michael J. Sanem

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On the way home from Mass...

Share a memory of a baptism.





SYNOD DATES & TIMES

- Sun Jan 23, 12pm
- Sat Feb 19, 10am
- Wed Mar 16, 6:30pm

Pope Francis is hosting a Synod about communion, participation, and mission. He wants EVERY voice to be heard- including yours! Please plan to attend one of the meetings Holy Cross is offering. Catholics and non-Catholics alike are invited, bring a friend!

THANK YOU!

Father Pat, Father Dan and ALL the staff are so very grateful for this thoughtful and generous community. We have all been overwhelmed by the generous gifts, holiday treats and beautiful cards shared with us here at Holy Cross. We love to serve this community and we were warmed by the bounteous gifts so many of you shared with us. We hope your holidays were as blessed as ours were. Thank you Holy Cross for all the gifts you so willingly poured out, your charity does not go unnoticed!

Flowers

Fresh Flowers help make our Mass more beautiful! If you would like to make a donation to keep them fresh please sign up in the Hall on the poster board. Each arrangement is \$75. Thank you!

Offering Envelopes available

Please pick up your envelopes from the table outside the sanctuary. If you would like a box please call or email the office to set them up. 349-8388 or office@holycrossalaska.net

Faith Formation

- Jan 9 9:45-10:45 K-5 Classroom Session
Grades 6+ & **parents** Family Session
- Jan 16 9:45-10:45 K-5 & **parents** Family Session
Grades 6+ Classroom Session

Artist's Retreat

This is an opportunity to pray with and learn from fellow creatives as we recognize our God-given dignity and take time to celebrate God's creative hand at work in our lives! TODAY is the FINAL day to register! Join us this Fri and Sat, Jan 14-15!
Visit: <https://www.holycrossalaska.net/artists>

The Search

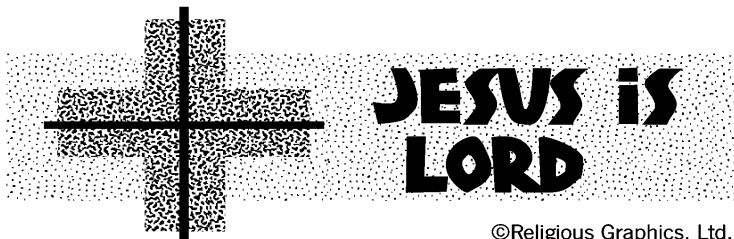
Happening on Wednesday evenings Jan 12- Feb 23, from 6:30- 8pm. Join us for this enriching series geared for adults. Visit our website to register & watch the trailer. [holycrossalaska.net/the-search](https://www.holycrossalaska.net/the-search)

Praise and Worship

Hosted by Youth Ministry, open to **all parishioners**. Includes Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, community prayer, music, and in silence with the Lord. Join us from 6-7pm on Jan 11, Feb 1, and May 10!

Youth Nights

This spring, we'll explore themes of the YouCat, a youth catechism for young people at World Youth Day. Borrow a book or buy a copy for \$5. Youth Nights meet on most Tuesdays, 6:30-8pm, beginning Jan 18!



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Ministry Schedule for next week (Jan 15/16)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Anna Schulten (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Shannon Moorhead	Duane Roering	Duane Roering Jess Manaois Jerica Manaois
Sun 8:30 am	Lead instrumentalist needed. To volunteer, call Sheila: 250-6234	N/A	N/A	Kristin Rehmann	Isty Hlasny	Faith Roberts John Hoppe
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Anne Gore	Mercy Acheson	Theresa Mitchell Emily Zych Julie Thomas

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers** - Jess Manaos: 230-9418
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TITHING UPDATE			
<i>How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal?</i>			
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,577	
Weekly Tithing Period:	/27/2021-1/2/2022		
Income Sources			
Weekly Collections:	\$	2,745	
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	90	
Online Giving:	\$	5,671	
Total:	\$	8,506	
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	1,929	
Actual vs. Goal (%):		129.3%	
Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:			
Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period			
FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 11/30/2021		
FY22 YTD Complete (%):	41.7%		
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022:	\$	342,000	
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	141,299	
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	142,500	
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	(1,201)	
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):		41.3%	
Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period			
FY22 YTD Period:	7/1/2021 to 11/30/2021		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	76,667	54.3%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	250	0.2%
Online Giving:	\$	64,382	45.6%
2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	-	0.0%
Total:	\$	141,299	100.0%

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