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LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!



*“This poor widow
put in more than all the other
contributors to the treasury.*

*For they have all contributed
from their surplus wealth,
but she, from her poverty,
has contributed all she had,
her whole livelihood.”*

Mark 12:43-44

Come and pray with us!

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 11, 2018

VISION STATEMENT: *Holy Cross is a vibrant Catholic community striving to maintain a spirit of welcome to all, serving as a guiding beacon to nourish and sustain prayer, work and play.*

WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 A.M. (Chapel)

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M. + 9:30 A.M. + 11:30 A.M.

WE CELEBRATE RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:45 P.M.—4:30 P.M.

or call Father Michael for an appointment.

WE CELEBRATE BAPTISM

Baptisms are generally celebrated twice each month at 1 P.M. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

WE CELEBRATE WEDDINGS

Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date.

We are here for you!

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 Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:15-1:00 PM)

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Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses



November 17th/18th

5:00 PM Fr. Michael
 8:00 AM Fr. Frank Eisele
 9:30 AM Fr. Michael
 11:30 AM Fr. Michael

Mass Intentions Schedule



Week of November 11th, 9AM Mass

Mon. Patricia Huntington
Tue. Alexander Rich
Wed. Rosa Borriello
Thu. Bill Hurley

Saturday, November 17th, 5 PM Mass

Kevin Rooney, Robert Johnsen, Nicholas Nuzzi,
 Antonia Minerva, Peggy Fitzgerald

Sunday, Nov. 18th, 33rd Sun. in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Flo Cangeleri
9:30 AM People of the Parish
11:30 AM Karen & Logan Michael Ciliotta, Frank
 Ranieri, Gilda Montalbano, Victoria
 Eloisa Nieves Carrasco De Campos,
 Thomas Kearnes, Warren J. Sulmasy Jr.

Remembering Our Sick

Please pray for the sick of our parish, their
 families and caregivers:

Maria Conte **Joan DiCicco**
Maryann League **Louise Martinelli**
Annie Santamaria

Banns of Marriage Third Time



Janine Mauro & Manuel Dasch

Scripture Readings for November 18, 2018



+ Daniel 12:1-3
 + Hebrews 10:11-14, 18
 + Mark 13:24-32

Happy Veterans Day

by Father Michael



We are grateful to all our parishioners who have served our nation in the Armed Forces. Thank you for all who contributed pictures for our display in the atrium. It is a beautiful thing to recognize and acknowledge all who have served. We will offer a prayer of blessing for our veterans at all the Masses this weekend. We pray for all those who dedicate their lives to our well being and protection. Let us continue to pray for our nation. May we be a people who enjoy our freedom and peace. But, may we also be a people who work together for a deeper sense of unity amongst ourselves.

Please keep our Youth Group in your prayers. They are in the midst of their fall retreat out in Watermill on the South Fork. Deacon Ralph heroically agreed to spend the entire weekend with them. I will be there Saturday afternoon for confessions and Mass. Holy Cross is blessed to have a dedicated Core Group that is deeply committed to our Youth Group program. Thank you to all who helped support the retreat by your donations and gifts.

Future plans for the Travel Club have been developing at a slower pace than I would have hoped for. It was my intent to offer a whirlwind tour to Kentucky and Tennessee for this coming May. Unfortunately, I kept hitting too many snags in the planning process. It was difficult trying to balance hitting the many points of interest, but not making it too long and spread out in all directions. After many creative attempts, I came to the conclusion that this tour was not going to come together at this time. As an alternative, I am now putting together a tour to Niagara Falls and Toronto. I hope to have more detailed information available for next weekend.

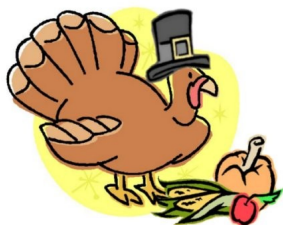
You may have noticed the protective screening at the top of the bell tower is torn. If you recall, about three years ago Verizon leased the tower and transformed it into a cell tower. Pigeons are once again claiming the tower as their own. We have alerted Verizon to the situation, but they have not been very quick to respond. I would think that the droppings could damage the equipment, but they are slow in coming out to repair it.

Next weekend, I will be offering a "State of the Parish" address at all the Masses. As part of our ongoing Stewardship effort, we regularly publish details regarding our finances. We also provide information regarding ministries and parish programs. I believe I have only made this kind of formal address once before. I look forward to highlighting our achievements and sharing with you pertinent information about the running of our parish. Spoiler Alert: There will be a nice, little give-away for everyone at the end of Mass next weekend.

PARISH OUTREACH

Monetary Donations in Support of the Outreach Thanksgiving Project

Cash, Checks or Supermarket Gift Cards are greatly appreciated to help defray the expenses of our Thanksgiving Basket program. You can mark your envelope **“Thanksgiving”** and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Outreach office.



We thank you for your continuing support of our Outreach ministry.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This weekend, at the offertory, we will also be collecting for our **Renovations and Major Repairs** fund.

Next weekend, we will also be collecting for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development/Home Missions**. Thank you for your support of these important collections!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

Coffee & Conversation

Do you enjoy learning more about your faith, and sharing your questions and thoughts with others?

Would you like to grow in your relationship with God, and with one another?

Then, **“Coffee & Conversation”** on the **third Tuesday** of each month, from **7:00 – 8:30 PM** in the atrium is for you!

Our evening consists of 3 parts:

- coffee (or tea) and dessert,
- a short DVD on a topic of life and faith,
- small group discussion.



Come (and join 40 parishioners already enrolled!) on **November 20**, at **7:00 PM**. Space is limited, so please fill in the tear-off below and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. If you have any questions, please call Jude Pickel at 631-265-2200 extension 16.

I would like to participate in **“Coffee & Conversation”** on November 20:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

PARISH OUTREACH

BE AN ANGEL THIS CHRISTMAS!

ANGEL TAGS are available this weekend in the baskets on the small marble pillars on the Altar.



Once again we are requesting gift cards for both clothing and toys for the households in our area that Outreach assists.

Therefore, the **BLUE** angel tags have requests for a store gift card on them. We encourage you to consider providing a holiday gift card so that our neighbors are able to purchase the items that best fulfill their family's needs. When you purchase a gift card, please put it in an envelope and place it in the Gift Box on the table near our Angel sign. Gift cards do not need to be wrapped.

PLEASE BE SURE THE AMOUNT IS NOTED ON THE GIFT CARD OR ENVELOPE. THIS INFORMATION IS NEEDED SO PARISH OUTREACH CAN DISTRIBUTE THE CARDS EQUALLY. (Remember: Gift cards need to be activated at the store register.)

The Angel tags are coded as follows:

- BLUE:** Families of the Holy Cross Outreach Program
- RED:** Our friends at Olsen's Rest Home
- PURPLE:** Talbot House, the Catholic Charities crisis center for those struggling with addiction
- GREEN:** Toys for children in the Brentwood area serviced by Pronto
- ORANGE:** Mercy Haven, an organization that provides community residence housing for those living with mental illness
- PINK:** Supermarket cards to enable a family to have a special meal

If you choose a tag listing a gift item for Olsen's or Mercy Haven (red or orange), please wrap and attach the angel to the top of the package. Items for Pronto and Talbot (green or purple) do not need to be wrapped. Gifts and gift cards can be returned for the next 3 weekends.

PLEASE NOTE: Sunday, Dec. 2nd is the last day to return gifts and gift cards.

Many thanks to our Holy Cross Angels who give so generously each year to make our Angel program successful!!

CASH CALENDAR



*Parish of the Holy Cross
Cash Calendar
November 2018*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 \$50	2 \$500	3 \$50
4 \$50	5 \$50	6 \$50	7 \$50	8 \$50	9 \$50	10 \$50
11 \$50	12 \$50	13 \$50	14 \$50	15 \$50	16 \$50	17 \$50
18 \$50	19 \$50	20 \$50	21 \$50	22 \$50	23 \$50	24 \$50
25 \$50	26 \$50	27 \$50	28 \$50	29 \$50	30 \$50	

\$10 PER CHANCE ~ 30 CHANCES TO WIN ~ \$50 EACH DAY ~ \$500 on November 2, ALL SOULS DAY

Cash Calendar, NOVEMBER, 2018

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MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 10th 10 AM
 • WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT Fr. Joe Room

Sunday, November 11th 11:30 Mass
 • VETERANS DAY MASS/CELEBRATION Wor. Ar./Atr.
 • BAPTISMS 1:30PM Worship Area

Monday, November 12th 5-6 PM
 • SPECIAL NEEDS CLASSES Atrium
 • LITURGY COMMITTEE 7:30PM Fr. Joe Room

Tuesday, November 13th 10 AM
 • IN STITCHES Fr. Joe Room
 • ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 4:30-5:30PM Worship Area
 • LEVEL 1 PARENT MTG. 7PM Worship Area

Wednesday, November 14th 4:30-5:30 & 6-7PM
 • LEVEL 2 CHURCH TOUR Worship Area

Thursday, November 15th 10 AM
 • SCRIPTURE STUDY Fr. Joe Room

Saturday, November 17th 5 PM Mass
 • ANGEL GIFTS COLLECTED Atrium
 • K OF C CHRISTMAS MAGNET SALE Atrium

Sunday, November 18th All Masses
 • ANGEL GIFTS COLLECTED Atrium
 • K OF C CHRISTMAS MAGNET SALE Atrium
 • YOUTH MASS 5PM Chapel
 • YOUTH NIGHT 6-8PM Atrium

YOUTH MINISTRY

- This weekend: The Youth Group will be on their Fall Retreat! Please keep all of us in your prayers as we are having an exciting, fun-filled and prayerful weekend.
- Next weekend: The Youth Group will gather for a Sunday, 5PM Mass in the Chapel, and Thanksgiving Feast! The Youth Group will be recapping our wonderful retreat experience as well!

If you received your Confirmation and are thinking of joining us or you would like more information, please contact Sal Finocchiaro, Youth Minister, at hcyouthgroup15@gmail.com



ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS!



We know it seems early, but we are starting to plan for the Christmas schedule.

Would you like to serve at a Christmas Mass? Please circle your choices and drop in the collection basket or return to the Parish Office by November 18th.

Name: _____

I am an:	Altar Server	Eucharistic Minister	Usher	Lector
I would like to serve at Mass:	Christmas Eve	4PM	6PM	10PM
	Christmas Day	8AM	10AM	12Noon



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