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The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ – June 23, 2019

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.

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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.

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Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses



June 29th/30th

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

Mass Intentions Schedule



Week of June 23rd, 9AM Mass

John & Josephine O'Shea Mon.

Tue. Victor Lamarque Wed. Adrienne Reilly Geraldine Lollias Thu.

Saturday, June 29th, 5 PM Mass

Ann Keena, Judy Keena, Elisa Keena, Danette Mazzarello, Clara Louis, Nora Gorman, Katie Modell

Sunday, June 30th, 13th Sun. in Ordinary Time

People of the Parish 8:00 AM 9:30 AM Ann & Cecil Wirth

11:30 AM Angelina Pellitteri, Virginia Conlin, Duff

Maynard, Ryan Murphy, Margaret

O'Keefe

Remembering Our Sick

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You...

Please pray for those in our parish who are sick, their families and caregivers:

Barbara Sherry

Lisa Tauger

If you would like to have the name of your loved one listed in our prayers for the sick for 4 weeks, please contact the Parish Office at 631-265-2200 or email to pothc@optonline.net.



Banns of Marriage Second Time

Jennifer Barry & Anthony Schiotis

Happy Summer

by Father Michael

I always enjoy these days of June, mostly because of how long the sun is out each day. Unfortunately, this year much of the sunshine has been displaced by clouds, rain and fog. But, nonetheless, it is summer. Understandably, these are happy days for students and those who work in education as they complete another year and look forward to some vacation time.

This week the Pastoral Team and Staff had our Annual Evaluation and Planning Meeting. As long as one is not spiritually asleep, there will be many opportunities for new ministerial offerings, and we hope to bring some of those to life here at Holy Cross. We spoke about some changes in our Religious Education program both for catechists and our students. We are already looking to create a Lenten Mission. There are some improvements we are investigating with such things as our sound system and landscaping of parish grounds. We want Holy Cross to be a place where there is a vibrancy that attracts people to share in our life and to nourish parishioners in their relationship with the Lord.

Creative planning can be fun. But, none of that could happen if we did not have the foundation upon which to build and create more. We are blessed here at Holy Cross for many reasons. We have many caring people who are deeply involved in the life of the parish. On a practical level, we have the resources to maintain a balanced budget and still have a bit left over for imaginative new ideas. There are some parishes where financial deficits create obstacles that stifle the spirit. Thank you to all of you who put us in this good position. Your commitment and support of the parish are deeply appreciated.

This weekend six men will be ordained to priesthood in Rockville Centre. This is a relatively large number. In the coming years, it looks like the number of candidates will be far fewer. While most parts of Church life continue to function as always, the days are not far off when the shortage of available priests will impact parish life. I can see one area here at Holy Cross where that may become a reality. I don't plan on doing a lot of travel this summer. One of the details that needs to be worked out, for when I am not here, is Mass coverage. So far, getting coverage for Sunday Mass has not been a problem. However, weekday Masses are getting a little tricky. We will continue to do our best to get all the slots filled, but there may be some weekdays when we are not able to offer Mass. The Holy Spirit will continue to lead and guide our Church, but there may be a need for a change in expectations in how life in the Church will get lived out.

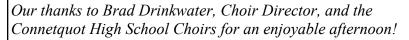
Enjoy these summer days.



PARISH NEWS

On Saturday, June 8th, Connetquot High School Concert Choir and Alumni Choir held a wonderful Community Concert here at Holy Cross. Here are some pictures of the performance!









VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 8 - 12, 2019

Please mark your calendars for this year's **ROAR! Vacation Bible School** at Holy Cross which will be held from Monday, July 8th, through Friday, July 12th, from 10am to 1pm. Registration form for campers can be found on page 8 of the bulletin or on our web page, www.pothc.org. This is for **campers** only, specifically children who are entering grades K through 5 in the fall of 2019. Please fill out the form and mail in your registration or stop by the Religious Education office to register.



Please visit our donation board in the atrium, and consider helping us with the needed supplies for VBS week! The donated items should be returned by Sunday, June 30th. Thank you for helping us with our needed supplies!

Inquiries regarding this popular, exciting, summer program can be made at 265-2200 ext.19.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Welcome to Holy Cross Religious Education

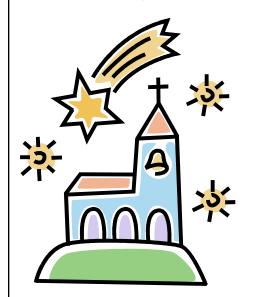
The Religious Education Office is planning ahead to the 2019-2020 Formation Year. We need your help so that we can adequately plan to meet the needs of our parish. If you have a child entering **First Grade in September you need to register.** If you have recently moved to our parish you need to register in the parish. Our program is "home based." Classes do not take place at the Church; rather they are held in the homes of our Catechists. Because of this, there are geographical limits on who we are able to accommodate. Please contact our office for more specific information.

- First time registration needs to be done in person at our office.
- Registration needs to be completed by June 28, 2019.
- Office Hours: Monday Friday 9:00-12:00 & 1:00-4:00
- If your child was not baptized at Holy Cross you need to bring a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate.
- For those who are already part of our program, you need to re-register for the upcoming year. **Materials have been sent to your home in May**, and they may be returned by mail. Please note the deadline of June 28, 2019.

A detailed outline of our program is available on-line or at our office. But, there are a few important details to be noted.

- Children must successfully complete each grade level to proceed to the next.
- The Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation require a minimum of two years of preparation.

Most importantly, we need to work together. Faithful attendance at classes and



parent workshops is essential. As comprehensive and informative as our program is, this is only one part of your child's faith formation. The greatest thing you can do to nurture your faith and the faith of your child is to regularly be part of our Sunday Eucharist.

The Catechism of the Church states that parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. We are privileged to work with you in this task. We thank you for your cooperation in allowing us to be part of your lives. We look forward to a fruitful year where everyone, young and old, continues to grow in understanding the gift of our faith.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!



SAVE THE DATE



September 21st, 2019 Fall Festival

Place: Parish of the Holy Cross **Time:** 10:00 am to 3:00 pm



Come join us for a day of Family Fun!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Hello everyone! Are you in high school? Did you make your Confirmation? Then come with a friend and check out the wonderful opportunities the Youth Group has for you! We would love to see you!



Here is our last event of the school year:

 Sunday, June 23 - Join us at our last Youth Night of the year! All teens and alumni are invited to attend our Youth Night from 6 to 8PM!!

Stay tuned for additional information about any upcoming events including our Fall Kick-Off!!

So, if you are thinking about coming to the church to see what we are all about, do it! You will not regret it. Come with a friend or family member, and join us as we continue to grow in the endless love of Christ.

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you are thinking about joining us and would like more information, then please do not hesitate to contact Allie Roecklein, our Youth Minister, at hcyouthgroup15@gmail.com or call the parish office.

PARISH OUTREACH

Heifer Corner: 15 Years and Counting

This year marks our 15th year of supporting Heifer International. What an accomplishment!

Our little collection pig, "Kevin Bacon," has become intrinsically a part of the Holy Cross community. Each time "Kevin" is filled up with quarters, we have enough to purchase a pig from Heifer.



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Because of your generosity, we have purchased many pigs, heifers, goats, chicks, bees, rabbits and llamas over the years. In fact, we have given Heifer over \$42,000 to assist families in struggling areas of the world. Each recipient of a Heifer animal or grant must pass on the gift. So, innumerable families have been helped through our support of Heifer!

In honor of our 15th anniversary year, we have donated \$540 to purchase 2 sheep, 4 honeybee packages and 3 tree seedlings. The sheep will provide high-quality wool which families can weave into clothes or sell for income. Because bees will pollinate, a healthy beehive can double fruit and

vegetable yields. Tree seedlings help a family form a small orchard, and then families use the sale of fruits, nuts and pollen to pay for a child's education.

THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO HEIFER INTERNATIONAL!

Join us as we **Pray the Rosary** in the Chapel on the last Sunday of the month at 10:30 AM. Our next meeting is **Sunday, June 30th!**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



The Parish of the Holy Cross VBS Registration Form



∠uly 8 − 12, 2019

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Please print clearly/ one per child

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CASH CALENDAR



PARISH OF THE HOLY CROSS CASH CALENDAR ~ JUNE 2019



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MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 23rd 1 PM

• BAPTISMS Worship Area

• YOUTH NIGHT 6-8PM Atrium

Tuesday, June 25th 10 AM

• IN STITCHES Fr. Joe Room

• TRAVEL CLUB PICTURE PARTY 7PM Atrium

Wednesday, June 26th 7:30 PM

• BAPTISM PREP Fr. Joe Room

Thursday, June 27th 6 PM

• VBS VOLUNTEERS' MEETING Worship Area

Saturday, June 29th 10 AM

• WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT Fr. Joe Room

Sunday, June 30th 10:30 AM
• PRAY THE ROSARY Chapel

PARISH NEWS

Special Collection

Next weekend, at the offertory, we will also be collecting for the **Holy Father ~ Peter's Pence**. Thank you for your support of this important collection!

Community Vegetable Garden Volunteers Needed!

The vegetable garden provides produce for those households served by our Parish Outreach who don't have access to fresh vegetables.

We are looking for volunteers of all ages. If you



need community service hours for school or you enjoy gardening, we invite you to become one of our gardeners! For more information, please contact JoEllen at 631-360-1373.

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