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**LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!**



**Come and pray with us!**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 8, 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 Summer Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM (closed 12:15-1:00 PM)

## PASTORAL TEAM

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Pastor

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Director of Religious Education

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Ms. Patricia Gyscek  
Co-Coordinators of Parish Outreach

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Mrs. Elizabeth Shea  
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Mr. Brian Reich  
Director of Music Ministry

Mr. Salvatore Finocchiaro  
Coordinator of Youth Ministries

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P/T Asst. to the Pastor

Mr. Gerald Farrell  
Mr. Vincent Matula  
Custodians

Mrs. Mary Inghilterra  
Weekend Sacristan

## Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses



### July 14th/15th

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

## *Scripture Readings for July 15, 2018*



+ *Amos 7:12-15*  
+ *Ephesians 1:3-14*  
+ *Mark 6:7-13*

## Mass Intentions Schedule



### Saturday, July 14th, 5 PM Mass

Ray Henry, Marie Guarino, Carmela &  
Michael Terranova, James Pickel

### Sunday, July 15th, 15th Sun. in Ordinary Time

**8:00 AM** People of the Parish  
**9:30 AM** Fred Tarrazi, John Zambito, Rosaria  
Porcaro  
**11:30 AM** Danielle Draizen

## Remembering Our Sick

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

**Annie Santamaria**

If you would like to have the name of your loved  
one listed for 4 weeks in our prayers for the sick,  
please contact the Parish Office at 631.265.2200.

## Banns of Marriage

### First Time

Courtney Widmer & Jesse Mancuso  
Laura Greene & Andrew O'Connell  
Kaitlyn Beirne & Daniel Piampiano

# Looking Back and Looking Ahead

*by Father Michael*

Last week the Pastoral Team and Office Staff took a day out from the regular routine to evaluate the past year and to make plans for the next. Life moves at a busy and fast pace for one and all. There is value in taking time to acknowledge good work that was done. Rather than taking for granted or forgetting something good that happened, there is satisfaction and joy in affirming achievements. This is something that can be done in our individual lives, within relationships and family life, as well as within communities. While not trying to pat ourselves on the back, there were many events, programs, and opportunities this past year that brought life to Holy Cross.

Here are some of the highlights:

- Alpha - a program to deepen and renew people's relationship with the Lord
- Our ongoing Youth Ministry program including retreats in the fall and spring
- Music Ministry offerings - Tenebrae and our Anniversary Concert
- Repaving the parking lot
- Family Mardi Gras
- Anniversary Picnic
- Monthly Anointing of the Sick
- In Stitches - a new sewing ministry

Many of these events came out of the discussions at our Town Hall/Visioning meetings in 2016.

What is in store for the coming year? We will maintain much of what is already a part of parish life. But, we have identified a few things that we hope will be part of next year's calendar of events:

- As the Alpha program was a great success, we plan to offer the same program to a new group of parishioners.
- For those who were part of the Alpha program, we would like to offer an opportunity for some follow-up gatherings. Perhaps, a monthly gathering could follow the same format of offering a meal and the opportunity for discussion.
- We are looking into offering some support to parents of middle and high school age students. Issues like drug abuse, bullying, and internet safety are potential threats to our young people. We would like to offer some guidance to parents as they face these challenges.

Holy Cross is a blessed parish. We are blessed by the generosity and spirit of so many good and caring people. Thank you to all of you who help bring life to this community. Spread the word to folks you meet of the good things that happen here. Extend a hand of welcome so that they can be part of this parish. Together we continue to grow and serve. God bless you always.

# PARISH NEWS

## Welcome Back Fr. Jim!

Father Jim McNamara will celebrate the 11:30 Mass this weekend!

## A Friendly Reminder from Religious Education

Registration for our 2018-2019 Religious Education Program is past due. If you would like to register your child in our Religious Education program, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you!



## Music Ministry

We are in the finishing stages of having our Music Ministry CD replicated. The CDs should be ready in a few weeks. We will keep you posted. Thanks for your patience!

## Special Collection

This weekend at the offertory we will also be collecting for our **Renovations and Major Repairs** fund. Thank you for your support of these important collections!

## Blood Drive Sign-Up

This weekend, volunteers will be in the Atrium to sign up blood donors. Our Annual Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 to 8:15 pm. Donors must be at least 16 years old (16 year olds will need parental permission) and weigh at least 110 pounds. Your last blood donation must have been before May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Summer is a very critical time. School blood drives, including elementary, high school and colleges, are a major source of donations. When schools are closed, and people are on vacation, blood shortages occur. **Your blood donation is more important than ever.** If it is possible for you to give the Gift of Life this year, please stop at the table in the Atrium and fill out an appointment card. You never know, the life you save may be someone you know. Thank you!

The Blood Drive Committee

# Parish of the Holy Cross



## BLOOD DRIVE



**Tuesday, July 24, 2018**

**2:30pm - 8:15pm**

**95 Old Nichols Road, Nesconset**

Your donation will help to **save up to THREE lives.**

**Our community hospitals need your help.**

**Please share this lifesaving gift!**

## **Thank You for Caring!**

### **🔴 Eligibility Criteria 🔴**

Bring **Donor Card or ID**. Minimum Weight: 110lbs.

No New Tattoos for past 12 months.

Ages 16 - 75 (16 year olds must have parental permission)

**For questions concerning medical eligibility:**

[www.nybc.org](http://www.nybc.org) | 1-800-933-2566

**For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact:**

**Barbara Shipman 631-813-9175**

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**Call the Parish Office at 631-265-2200 to hold your seat.  
Priority will be given to Holy Cross parishioners until July 18.**

**Information Evening  
Wednesday, July 18 @ 7:30 PM**

Deposits may be submitted after July 18.

# LIVE THEATER COMES TO HOLY CROSS!

Join us for...

## Sister Act

*This live theater event performed by members of  
Plaza Theatrical Productions  
takes place in the Worship Center on:*

**SUNDAY, JULY 15TH, 2018 at 7:00 pm**

Tickets will be available at all Masses, through July 8th, at the table in the Atrium.

Since there will not be a fixed price for the tickets, we ask you to make a free will offering. This is a fundraiser for our parish, but we want everyone to have the chance to attend. It is our hope that through your support and generosity, this show will again be a successful fundraiser for Holy Cross. Stop by the “**Sister Act**” table to purchase your tickets. Your donation will be confidential.

Past performances have been enjoyed by many, and we are confident that this show will be another amazing event!

**This performance is limited to 300 tickets, so please purchase your tickets early!**

### Synopsis

A woman hiding in a convent helps her fellow sisters find their voices as she rediscovers her own. This feel-good comedy smash is based on the hit Whoopie Goldberg film.



# 30TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE!

*The Parish of the Holy Cross is  
celebrating its  
30th Anniversary with a  
Dinner Dance!*

*When:* Friday, October 19, 2018

*Where:* The Meadow Club,  
1147 Route 112, Port Jefferson Station

*Time:* 7 - 11 PM



Thank you for your support.  
We look forward to our  
Anniversary Dinner Dance on  
October 19th.

There will be no ticket sales after Masses during July and August. Tickets can be purchased by check, cash or credit card at the Parish Office during these months (office hours are 9am to 2:30pm).

We will resume ticket sales on the weekend of September 8th/9th after all the Masses. See you in September!



# Please join our FORMED online community!

We're pleased to announce the availability of **FORMED**, an online library of movies, classes, inspirational talks, and a great selection of ebooks and other Catholic based programming accessed through your computer.

We are providing this resource free of charge to help our parishioners learn and grow in their faith. Normally, an annual subscription to FORMED costs a parish \$1,750 a year. There was a generous benefactor who created a grant for all the parishes in our Diocese that wished to join. The cost to Holy Cross for this year is only \$600. We thought it was a good opportunity for our parish to participate.

This is a new tool for all of us. In the coming week's and months ahead the Pastoral Team will make some recommendations for specific presentations that we find helpful. Please feel free to explore on your own and discover programming that you find inspirational and uplifting. **Please follow the instructions below to gain access to this wealth of material.**

**Registration is free and easy:**

- Go to <https://pothc.formed.org>
- Click "Register"
- Enter your name, email address and desired password
- You can also register using our Parish Code: **G3RCZH**

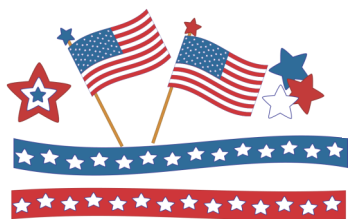
Also, once you have signed up, don't forget to download the free iOS or Android app to put FORMED at your fingertips. We hope you will enjoy this incredible gift, and please spread the word to others.

**Nourish your soul. Spread the word.**

Blessings,  
Fr. Michael

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# CASH CALENDAR



## PARISH OF THE HOLY CROSS CASH CALENDAR JULY 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 \$50	2 \$50	3 \$50	4 <b>\$500</b>	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	31 \$50	<b>\$10 Per Chance ~ 31 Chances to Win</b> <b>\$50 per day ~ \$500 on July 4</b>			

*Cash Calendar, JULY 2018*

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# MEETINGS THIS WEEK

<b>Saturday, July 7th</b>		<b>3:45 - 4:45 PM</b>
• HOLY HOUR		Worship Area
• SISTER ACT TICKET SALES	<b>5PM</b>	Atrium
• BLOOD DRIVE SIGN-UPS		Atrium
<b>Sunday, July 8th</b>		<b>All Masses</b>
• SISTER ACT TICKET SALES		Atrium
• BLOOD DRIVE SIGN-UPS		Atrium
• VBS SET UP	<b>12:30PM</b>	All Areas
<b>Monday, July 9th - Friday, July 13th</b>		<b>10 AM - 1 PM</b>
• VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WEEK		All Areas
<b>Saturday, July 14th</b>		<b>5PM</b>
• BLOOD DRIVE SIGN-UPS		Atrium
<b>Sunday, July 15th</b>		<b>All Masses</b>
• BLOOD DRIVE SIGN-UPS		Atrium
• BAPTISMS	<b>1PM</b>	Worship Area
• SISTER ACT	<b>7PM</b>	Worship Area

# PARISH OUTREACH

## Full Size Bed Needed

Parish Outreach has received a request from a family in need. If anyone has a full size bed that they would like to donate, please contact our Outreach office at 631-265-2200 x13. Thank you!



## Community Vegetable Garden

Help is always needed at our Outreach Community Vegetable Garden. If you love gardening or are looking for community service hours for school, please contact Doreen at 631-979-9437. Thank you!



# RELIGIOUS FREEDOM



## Religious Threats Around The World

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

**The U.S. Supreme Court**, in a 7-2 decision, overturned Colorado courts and found that baker Jack Phillips was not guilty of discrimination when he declined to design a wedding cake for a same sex couple because of his religious beliefs.

However, the decision is narrow since the court merely found that the lower court in Colorado exhibited anti-religious bias due to hostility aimed at Phillips' religious beliefs. Therefore, a definitive decision, resolving the underlying dispute between "non-discrimination" principles and freedom of speech and religion, will have to await another case.

**Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote, "Colorado was neither tolerant nor respectful of Phillips' religious beliefs."**

**In Nigeria**, in 2014, Boko Haram (meaning "Western Education is Forbidden") abducted 270 mostly Christian girls from a boarding school in Chibok. The leader said, "I abducted your girls; there is a market for selling humans." Only the Christian girls are sold into slavery and prostitution.

By 2018, about 60 of these girls had escaped, others were released after payments were made and about 100 are still in captivity. Now, once again, they have kidnapped another 100 mostly Christian schoolgirls. To date, Boko Haram has killed over 20,000 people and forced two million others to flee their homes in predominantly Christian southern Nigeria.



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