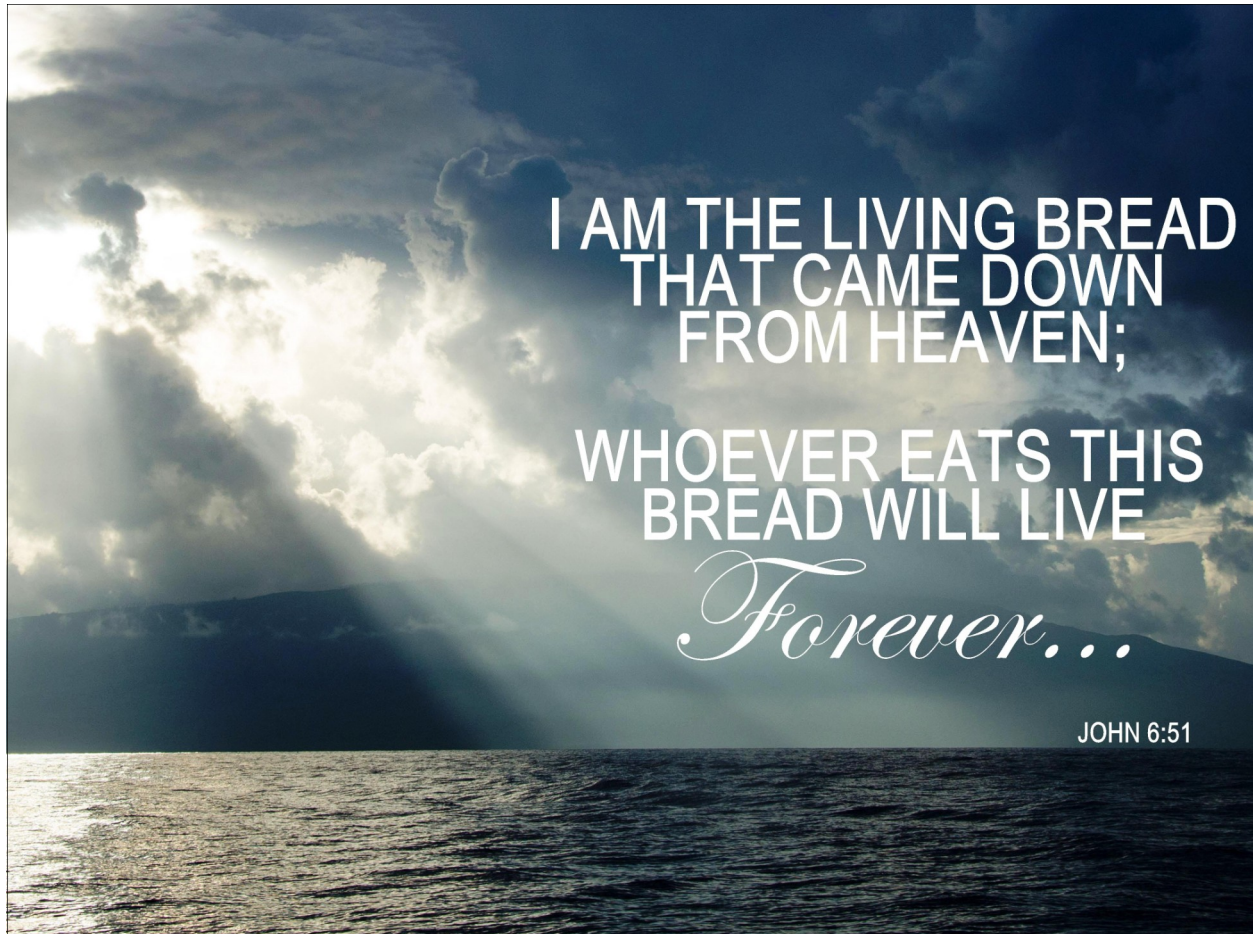


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Monday—Thursday: 9:00 A.M. (Chapel)

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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Parish Summer Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM (closed 12:15-1:00 PM)

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Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses



August 25th/26th

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

Mass Intentions Schedule



Week of August 19th, 9AM Mass

Mon. Frank Goldbach
Tue. Francis Ostrander (living)
Wed. James Lechner
Thu. Giardiello Family

Saturday, August 25th, 5 PM Mass

Victor Lamarque, Jane Novotny, John Martinez,
Agatha Anzalone

Sunday, August 26th, 21st Sun. in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM Donald Stevenson, Christopher Cotter,
Thomas Dunleavy Sr.
11:30 AM Fara Giacalone

Remembering Our Sick

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

Maria Conte Denise Lamarque
Maryann League Linda Lebrun
Connie & Fred Polik

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 Third Time

Maria Spiteri & Bryan Weber



Scripture Readings for August 26, 2018

+ *Joshua 24:1-2,15-17,18*
+ *Ephesians 5:21-32*
+ *John 6:60-69*

This is what I did on my Summer Vacation

by Father Michael

I returned from my vacation on Monday night and this article was due Tuesday morning. So, here is a quickly written summary of my adventure. In short, it was an unforgettable experience and enriching on many levels. I traveled with my sister, Carol, and brother-in-law, Gary, on a 7-day river cruise on the Danube. Our trip began with two additional days in Budapest and ended with two additional days in Prague. In total, we visited five countries: Hungary, Austria, Slovakia, Germany and the Czech Republic.

The Danube is running very low because of drought. Not all cruises were able to complete their itineraries. We are fortunate that we spent the full seven days on the river, but we had to change ships midway. Our newer vessel had a lower draft that enabled us to continue despite shallow water. The alternative would have been to transfer to a bus for the last three days.

The weather was much of what you had here, high heat and humidity. The ship was comfortable. But, so many places in Europe use air conditioning differently than we do. If a place had AC, it seemed they kept the thermostat set at about 85 degrees, a tad cooler than outside, but not much help. The heat did limit some of what I had hoped to accomplish.

There was so much to see and things to learn visiting both large cities and small towns along the Danube. Although I found the walking tours interesting, my favorite part was exploring on my own. And, I will even take that a step further, I enjoyed sitting and doing nothing. I am not a coffee drinker, but I found myself sitting as often as I could at a little outdoor café sipping on a cup. I am not a beer drinker, but I found myself enjoying a cold one in the many outdoor pubs. By the way, in most instances a beer was cheaper than a Coke.

The food was wonderful. We enjoyed sausages, schnitzels, wursts, wieners and strudel. Each town and city had its own specialty. In Budapest, we had a chicken paprika that was beyond doubt the finest meal of the trip. Eating there can be very affordable. We had a few dinners that totaled less than \$50 for all three of us. One day outside a train station my lunch was a sausage and beer for about \$3.

The most meaningful time for me was in Budapest. In addition to it being a gorgeous city, it is where my family heritage is based. Both my grandparents were from Hungary. My grandfather, who died before I was born, was a farmer. My grandmother was from the city itself. Although we do not know exactly where they were from, it was still a powerful experience being on ancestral ground. I prayed in St. Stephen's Basilica and wondered if my grandmother ever said a prayer in there before she left for America at the age of 14. The city has a spectacular river front which is illuminated beautifully at night. As our ship sailed out at night, it was an unexpectedly emotional experience for me and my sister.

This trip was a rich gift that I felt blessed to receive. It is one I will long remember.

PARISH OUTREACH



Archbishop Oscar Romero, a hero of social justice, was martyred due to his vocal criticism of the treatment of the poor and disenfranchised in his native country of El Salvador.

Blessed Oscar Romero will be canonized by Pope Francis on October 14, 2018. We are planning an event to celebrate and honor his memory on the evening of October 15th. Watch for details to follow.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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. Also, we are always in need of Catechists. If you think God is calling you to the ministry of faith formation, please call the Religious Education Office ASAP! Thank you for considering sharing your faith with the children and young people of our parish.



RCIA

Are you seeking Baptism? Are you a baptized Catholic who never celebrated First Communion and Confirmation? Have you been baptized in another Christian faith and now desire to become Catholic?

If your answer is "YES" to any of these questions, we want to hear from you. The Church gives us a beautiful process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for those who seek to become fully initiated in the Catholic Church. This year's RCIA will be starting soon. If you're interested and would like additional information, please contact Jude Pickel at 631-265-2200 x16.



SAVE THE DATE!



Guest Speaker!

*Join us on Sunday, September 16th, at 3PM!
Sister Pat Duffy will be our guest speaker!*

ATTENTION HOLY CROSS VOLUNTEERS

VIRTUS Training, *Protecting God's Children for Adults*, will be offered
at Holy Cross on:

Thursday, September 27, 2018, 6:30 – 9:00 PM

As you know, all employees and volunteers are required by the Diocese to attend one of these sessions. (Those who have already attended VIRTUS are not required to go again.) If you have not yet taken VIRTUS training, **please register on-line right away**, as the number of participants is limited to 20.

To register, go to www.virtus.org, click on the yellow tab labeled "Registration," and follow the directions. The name of our *organization* is Diocese of Rockville Centre. Our *center* is Holy Cross RCC (Nesconset).

If you have any questions, or need help with the registration, please call Jude at 631-265-2200x16.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume at the 11:30 Mass on Sunday, September 9th, in the Fr. Joe Room. Children's Liturgy, for children in grades K-3, is held every Sunday from September to May, except for holiday weekends. We are looking for additional leaders and helpers for this fall. Time commitment is dependent on the number of leaders and helpers we have. If you are over 18 and would be interested in becoming a leader or are in grades 4 through 12 and would be interested in becoming a helper, please consider joining this ministry. Community service hours and training are available. Please contact **Karyn at 631-648-3594** for more information.



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Call the Parish Office at 631-265-2200 to hold your seat!

Deposits are now being accepted.

SAME DATE & TIME, DIFFERENT VENUE!

Due to a fire at the Meadow Club in Port Jefferson Station, the Dinner Dance has a new venue. The date and time are the same, but the location has changed. Spread the word! Come join us. We'd love to see you there!

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

When: Friday, October 19, 2018

Where: Miller Place Inn
195 North Country Road, Miller Place

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!

PARISH OUTREACH

Homebound and Hospitalized

Are you, or someone you know in the parish, homebound or anticipating an operation or treatment for cancer? We in Holy Cross are eager to know in a more personal way our parishioners who are homebound or hospitalized. Often, we do not hear of a person's illness or inability to join us for Sunday Mass. Please call 265-2200 x13 or stop by the office to let Parish Outreach know of these parishioners who are so special to us. We really depend on you.



Parish Outreach sends cards, on behalf of our parish, to those who are ill or hospitalized. Our homebound folks receive friendly telephone calls by Outreach volunteers to keep up the connection and to assess ways the parish can be present to these loved parishioners. At Advent and Easter time a volunteer will visit them and bring a gift from the parish community. Eucharistic Ministers are also available to bring communion to the homebound who desire it.

These are some of the ways Holy Cross reaches out to the homebound and hospitalized. Please help us by contacting Parish Outreach or a member of the Pastoral Team if you know of anyone we can serve in their time of need.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL UPDATE

Here is an update on the status of the 2018 Appeal here at Holy Cross:

<u>Goal</u>	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Over (Under)</u>	<u># of Donors</u>	<u>% of Goal</u>
\$65,000.00	\$54,455.00	(\$10,545.00)	259	83.8%

When payments reach 100% of our goal, we receive a rebate of 20% or \$13,000. Please help your community and your parish by supporting the CMA!

Make checks payable to:
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Please note: If you choose to donate on the Diocesan website, drvc.org, our church is listed as **Church of the Holy Cross**.

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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 weeks 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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*Parish of the Holy Cross ~ Cash Calendar
August 2018*



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\$10 Per Chance	31 Chances to Win \$50 per Day	\$500 on August 15	1 \$50	2 \$50	3 \$50	4 \$50
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MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tuesday, August 21st	10 AM
• IN STITCHES	Fr. Joe Room
• K OF C PICNIC	7PM Courtyard
• ENHANCED GIVING COMMITTEE MTG	Fr. Joe Room
Wednesday, August 22nd	7 PM
• LEVEL 8 RECONCILIATION	Worship Area
Sunday, August 26th	10:30 AM
• PRAY THE ROSARY	Chapel
• BAPTISMS	1PM Worship Area

COMMUNITY NEWS

Job Opportunity

Part-time rectory cook needed to prepare dinner for **Good Shepherd Parish in Holbrook** on **Saturday evenings**. If interested, please call Annemarie at the Good Shepherd Church office at **631-588-7689**.



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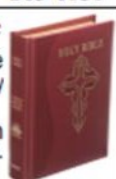
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