144 Wears Valley Road † Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

Holy Cross Catholic Church

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6, 2026

Parish Office

Monday-Friday
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The Birth of the Virgin, *Jean Restout*

Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday
12:00pm

Saturday
5:00pm English
7:00pm Español

Sunday
8:00am English
10:30am English

Confession

Saturday
3:00-4:00pm
6:30-6:55pm

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

First Friday 1:00pm until
7:00am Saturday

Mass Intentions

† Denotes deceased

Saturday, September 5	**5pm** † Mary Ann Voisin **7pm** People of Holy Cross
Sunday, September 6	**8am** Patsy Lemming **10:30am** † Patrick Lemming
Monday, September 7	**No Mass**
Tuesday, September 8	**12pm** Melanie Landree
Wednesday, September 9	**12pm** † Phyllis Girouard
Thursday, September 10	**12pm** † Edwarda Grecjasz
Friday, September 11	**12pm** † Mary Ann Voisin
Saturday, September 12	**5pm** Morris, Haug, & Moore Families **7pm** † Elisa DellaSantina
Sunday, September 13	**8am** People of Holy Cross **10:30am** † Miroslaw Wiejak

Pray for the Living & the Dead

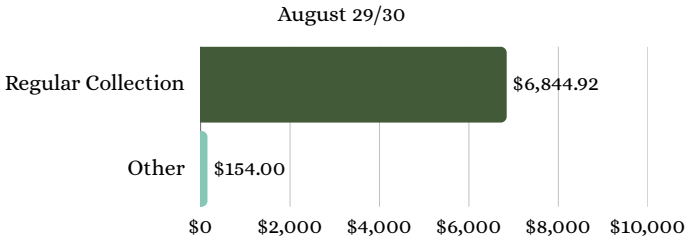
Recalling that praying for the living and the dead is one of the seven spiritual works of mercy, let us pray for one another.

In your charity, please pray for: Clarissa Palcone, Juan Palcone, Teresita Jenkins, May Avera, Ada Avera

Jim Hourihane, Elisa DellaSantina, the DellaSantina Family, Rudolf Kadela, Charles Jones, Jay Barasch, Diane Poland, John Thaden, Rhonda Davis

If you would like to submit the name of a loved one to be prayed for, please contact the parish office.
Names will be included for one month, unless otherwise noted.

Stewardship



Since on average 3 out of 5 Mass attendees are visitors, we invite our guests to consider a "timeshare" stewardship with our parish. Our website has a donation link, and donations can be set to match *the time you share with us.* As our monthly expenses are $25,000, please consider Holy Cross in your donations and in your will.

Donate Online
You may scan this QR code to donate online.
Thank you for your generosity!

Flocknote Newsletter
Holy Cross uses Flocknote to stay in touch with our parishioners and visitors. Important announcements and parish updates are sent out via email and text message. Scan the QR code or sign up on the front page of our website.

Announcements & Events

CFFC begins September 9

El CFFC comienza el 9 de septiembre

The Catholic Faith Formation (CFFC) classes for 2026-27 begin Wednesday, September 9, 6:30-7:30pm. All those who have received an email confirmation of valid registration are welcome to begin. Registration information can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

Las clases de Formación en la Fe Católica (CFFC) para el ciclo 2026-27 comienzan el miércoles 9 de septiembre, de 6:30 a 7:30 p. m. Todas las personas que hayan recibido una confirmación por correo electrónico de su inscripción válida pueden comenzar. La información sobre la inscripción se encuentra en la contraportada del boletín.

Bible Study resumes September 10

Join our Pastor in a contemplative study of the Word of God in Sacred Scripture on **Thursdays at 10:30am in the Family Life Room, resuming September 10.** Father Hendershott provides scriptural commentary as we read through Exodus and meditate on the Providence of God through salvation history.

OCIA begins September 13

El OCIA comienza el 13 de septiembre

The Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) class for 2026-27 begins Sunday, September 13 at 1pm in the Family Life Room (the large meeting room with a kitchen in the back corner of the parish). Registration information can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

Las clases del Orden de Iniciación Cristiana (OCIA) para el ciclo 2026-27 comienzan el domingo 13 de septiembre a la 1:00 p. m. en la Sala de Vida Familiar (la sala de reuniones grande con cocina, ubicada en el rincón posterior de la parroquia). En la última página del boletín encontrará información sobre las inscripciones.

Middle and High School Youth Group

Grupo de jóvenes de secundaria y bachillerato

If you would like to register your child for middle or high school youth group, simply follow the instructions for CFFC class sign-up, and include your child's grade in their registration.

Si desea inscribir a su hijo en el grupo de jóvenes de secundaria o bachillerato, simplemente siga las instrucciones para la inscripción a las clases de CFFC e indique el grado escolar de su hijo al registrarlo.

Rosario por las Santas Almas del Purgatorio

El Grupo del Rosario se reúne todos los lunes a las 19 horas.

Sacraments

Catholic Faith Formation Classes
Clases de Formación en la Fe Católica

It's time to register for Holy Cross Catholic Faith Formation Classes! CFFC registration for grades K-12 begins on **Saturday, August 15, 2026** and the deadline for registration is **Wednesday, September 30, 2026.** Classes begin on **Wednesday, September 9, 2026 at 6:30-7:30pm**. The Calendar is posted on our website. If Sevier County schools are closed for inclement weather or illness, CFFC is not automatically cancelled. The Parish Office will communicate when classes are cancelled.

In order to register for CFFC, there are **two** requirements:
First, the family MUST either:
a) *register* as parishioners and receive a *Family ID#*, or
b) update their parish registration on our website using their existing *Family ID#*. If your family is already registered and uses OSV Sunday Envelopes for donations, you can find your *Family ID#* on the outside of your weekly envelopes. CFFC Teachers are available after each Saturday & Sunday Mass until September 6 in the Family Life Room to help families find their *Family ID#* from the parish database system.
Second, the family MUST register their child using the *CFFC JotForm* on our website using their *Family ID#*. Note that all the information with an *asterisk* MUST be completed, and that a child is not registered for CFFC until BOTH the family parish registration information and the CFFC JotForm are accurately completed and you receive a confirmation email.
Securing these **two registrations** makes possible the accurate administrative processing of sacramental records for years to come. Thank you for your cooperation!

¡Es hora de inscribirse en las Clases de Formación en la Fe Católica (CFFC) de Holy Cross! La inscripción en CFFC para los grados K-12 comienza ***el sábado 15 de agosto de 2026*** *y la fecha límite para inscribirse es* ***el miércoles 30 de septiembre de 2026****. Las clases comienzan* ***el miércoles 9 de septiembre de 2026 de 6:30 a 7:30 p.m.*** *El calendario está publicado a continuación. Si las escuelas del Condado de Sevier cierran por mal tiempo o enfermedad, la CFFC no se cancela automáticamente. La Oficina Parroquial comunicará cuando las clases sean canceladas.*

Para inscribirse en la CFFC, hay ***dos*** *requisitos:*
Primero*, la familia DEBE:*
a) *inscribirse como feligreses y recibir un Número de ID Familiar, o*
b) *actualizar su registro parroquial en nuestro sitio web utilizando su Número de ID Familiar existente. Si su familia ya está registrada y utiliza los sobres dominicales de OSV para sus donaciones, puede encontrar su Número de ID Familiar en el exterior de sus sobres semanales. Los maestros de CFFC estarán disponibles después de cada misa de sábado y domingo hasta el 6 de septiembre en la Salón de Vida Familiar (Family Life Room) para ayudar a las familias a encontrar su Número de ID Familiar en el sistema de base de datos de la parroquia.*
Segundo*, la familia DEBE inscribir a su hijo utilizando el formulario* JotForm de CFFC *en nuestro sitio web utilizando su Número de ID Familiar. Tenga en cuenta que toda la información marcada con un asterisco DEBE completarse, y que un niño no queda inscrito en la CFFC hasta que AMBOS registros —la información de registro parroquial de la familia y el JotForm de CFFC— estén completados correctamente y usted reciba un correo electrónico de confirmación.*
Asegurar estos dos registros hace posible el procesamiento administrativo preciso de los registros sacramentales en los años venideros. ¡Gracias por su cooperación!

Baptism

Congratulations on your newborn! For English-speaking families, please visit the Holy Cross website where you can find policies, procedures, and all necessary paperwork under the "Baptism" tab.
Si necesita información para bautizos en español, por favor comuníquese con el señor Alejandro Mondragón, El está encargado de la preparación para los bautizos. Su numero de teléfono es: 865-227-9380.

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for your marriage at least four months before your desired wedding date.
Para bodas comunitarias, por favor llame a Alejandro Mondragón: 865-227-9380

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Holy Mother Church welcomes you! Registration for the 2026-27 academic year is open! Scan the QR code below to register. For more information, please email Patrick Cook at ocia@holycrosstn.org.
¡La Santa Madre Iglesia les da la bienvenida! Para más información, comuníquese con Alejandro Mondragón al 865-227-9380.