



Parish of the Holy Cross



Let All Who Enter Be Welcomed as Christ!

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.



“Whoever wishes to come after Me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me.”

Matthew 16:24

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 30, 2026



Come and Pray with Us!

We celebrate Eucharist

Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM;

Saturday 5:00 PM;

Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

The 9:00 Weekday Mass & Sunday 11:30 Mass are livestreamed on Facebook.

We celebrate Reconciliation

Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM;

Monday: 6:00PM - 7:00PM

Wednesday immediately after 9:00 AM Mass

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WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY - THURSDAY
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9 AM - 12 NOON**

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10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Evening Hours by Appointment Only



"Do not conform yourselves to the standards of this world,
but let God transform you inwardly by a complete change
of your mind. Then you will be able to know the will of God
—what is good and is pleasing to Him and is perfect."

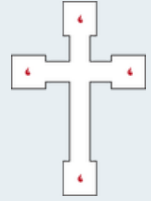
-Romans 12:2

Visit our website at **www.holycrossrc.org**
for more information on how we can serve you.



WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Weekly Reflection by Fr. Michael



It is helpful to get a broad perspective of what is happening in the parish over the course of a few weeks. There are different aspects to be included in the scope of what is to come. Some events and programs are unique to our parish. Some initiatives include what the universal Church is embracing. Finally, all of these factors are guided by what lessons and questions are raised in the Sunday scriptures. I was looking at what awaits us this fall. It is going to be a busy and, in some ways, a challenging autumn.

This September 11 marks the 25th anniversary of a dark and tragic day in our nation's history. The weekend of September 19 & 20 is the beginning of National Migration Week which concludes with Migrant and Refugee Sunday on September 27. The weekend of October 3 & 4 begins Respect Life Month. These are all important topics. Some can be controversial. Even within our congregation, not everyone is in agreement. This is a challenge as I look ahead and begin to think about how I might preach on those days. The homily is never meant to be a forum for expressing personal opinions. Rather, it is meant to be a reflection on the issues before us guided by the teachings of the Church and Holy Scripture. Both of these realities call us to look deeper and to try to see with the perspective of Christ. If you were given the opportunity, what would you say?

I don't have to explain that our current immigration crisis is complex. I don't pretend to have the solution. Both Church teaching and scripture lead us to look on all with compassion and kindness. But it is also necessary to safeguard the protection and well-being of all people. When we hear "respect life" we often turn our attention to protecting life in the womb. This is one aspect of it. There have been significant steps taken by the Supreme Court that protect life in the womb. However, more issues have now shifted to what happens on the State level of legislature. Massachusetts has recently passed a law that allows for abortion up to the moment of birth in particular circumstances. This is disturbing legislation. Respect life issues do not stop with abortion. New York State recently passed an assisted suicide bill. Again, boundaries are being pushed to extreme limits. Recognize there are practices that surround us that conflict with what we believe. Do we have a broad perspective that embraces all aspects of human life? Avenues like education, health care, justice in the workplace, and many other issues fall under the umbrella of respecting the dignity of human life. What would you say?

Woven throughout these weeks are gospel readings that contain teachings that we sometimes grapple to embrace. We hear about a landowner who pays his day laborers the same daily wage whether they began working at the crack of dawn or the final hour of the day. Another week we hear that tax collectors and prostitutes are getting into the kingdom of God before those who consider themselves as holy and righteous. Finally, we hear about workers in a vineyard who are so focused on their desires that they kill the owner's representatives and even his son. The message is the same; God's ways are not our ways. These are challenging readings that prompt us to look at life from the selfless and compassionate perspective of Christ.

I am reflecting and praying on how I will address these issues. I need to be sensitive to the deep-seated, often passionate, and very diverse perspectives that are held. I need to be faithful to preaching the gospel of Christ as a pastor in the Catholic Church. Our faith calls us to live with a radical stance rooted in love. It is a tremendous challenge for all. What would you say?

2026		AUGUST						
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ON THE CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 1st **IN STITCHES**
10:00AM, Fr. Joe Room

Wednesday, September 2nd **DRESS A GIRL**
9:30AM-12:00 Noon, Atrium, Fr. Joe Room

Thursday, September 3rd..... **SCRIPTURE STUDY**
10:00AM, Atrium

Friday, September 4th..... **HOLY HOUR**
7:00PM, Chapel

Sunday, September 6th **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**
After 9:30AM Mass, Worship Area

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES



SEPTEMBER 5

5:00 PM

FR. MICHAEL

SEPTEMBER 6

8:00 AM

FR. MICHAEL

9:30 AM

FR. MICHAEL

11:30 AM

FR. MICHAEL



SCRIPTURE READINGS for SEPTEMBER 6

+ Ezekiel 33:7-9

+ Romans 13:8-10

+ Matthew 18:15-20

Next Weekend we will also be collecting for Catholic University of America.

Dedicated to advancing the dialogue between faith and reason, The Catholic University of America seeks to discover and impart the truth through excellence in teaching and research, all in service to the Church, the nation, and the world.

Holy Cross Ministries

Sharing the gifts God gives us with others

Ministry meetings begin again this week!

- Time
- Talent
- Friendship
- Leadership



Come Join Us!



Practice of Faith

(Excerpt from "At Home with the Word 2026")

Jesus has some harsh words for Peter in today's Gospel, especially aimed at a friend reasonably worried about him! However, Jesus brings up an important point about how we think and view things - either with the mind of God or the mind of humans. This is underscored in the reading from the letter to the Romans, in which Paul exhorts his listeners to allow their minds to be transformed to think like God. This seemingly simple request is truly complex for people of faith.

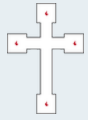
How do we think as God does, not as humans do? Where does the "mind's eye" need to look in order to do so?

For what or for whom could we pray specifically in our efforts to think more like God and move beyond our human limitations?

What is Jesus asking you to risk in taking up your cross?

Visit our website at www.holycrossrc.org
to find out more about the different ministries we have to offer,
how you can be involved, and when they meet.

WE PRAY...CELEBRATE...REMEMBER



Upcoming Mass Intentions

Week of Sunday, August 30

9:00AM Masses:

Mon. Rinaldi family

Tues. James Thomas Stathis (living)

Wed. Donna Calles

Thur. Christopher Giarraputo

Saturday, September 5, 5PM Mass

Carmela & Michael Terranova,
Patricia Pravato, James E. Guiliano

Sunday, September 6, Masses

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM People of the Parish

9:30AM James W. Corrigan Jr., John Schultz Sr.,
John Hanley, Carol Donnelly

11:30AM Christine Vallone

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

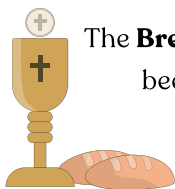
Bob Alderdice
Andrew Arbocus
Alejandro Astegiano
Kathy Barry
Alison Bilski
Cole Brennan
Veronica Buscemi
Norma Capule
Judy Carlson
Michael Castellano
Mary Champagne
Peter Chirafisi
William Ciccarelli
Maria Ciminiello
Justin Curran
Grayson Danielski
Baby Phoenix Dawson
Manuela Diaz
Peter DiMauro
Claudia DiPalermo
Rose Dugan
Ann Egan
Lisa Eger
Vincent Esposito
Ralph Farino
Yolanda Fattarusso
Baby Lorenzo Follo
Sienna Fricke
Linda Giordano
James Greene
Linda Heinrichs
Ryan Huscher
Debbie Jablinowski
Kristen Kennedy

Caroline Lazar
Carol Leahy
Victor Lewandowski
Mary Lopez
Gerald Losquadro
Jeanne Marie Malley
Janet Mangano
Hank McCormick
Loretto Narducci
Kevin Neeson
Andrea Nocito
Darin Pitkanen
Patricia Pitkanen
Janine Pixley
Colleen Prinz
Carina Ranieri
Bernardine Reichbach
Mary Ann Reilly
Rob Remhild
Marcello Ricciardi
Lynn Rodger
Sean Romeo
Elaine Ruane
John Saccenti
Jacqueline Santamaria
Casey Schultz
Kathy Schwinn
John Serri
Dennis Shin
Joan Shin
Celeste Sichenze
Sue Southard
Barbara Swingle
Calvin Tatone
Grace Van Epps
Peter Warns



Banns of Marriage

Brigid Coleman & John Butcher



The **Bread and Wine** for the week have
been donated in loving memory of

Katie Healy

by Maryann Fletcher.



*We thank
the men and women
who serve in our military
for their service.*

**If you would like to have the name of your
loved one listed in our prayers for the sick,
please call 631-265-2200 x122.**

*Have regard to your servant's prayer
and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding
the cry and the prayer that your
servant prays to you.*

2 Chronicles 6:19





PARISH OUTREACH

Outreach is currently in need of the following items for the food pantry. The next collection will be **September 5 & 6.**



**Rice
Jar Pasta Sauce
Boxed Potatoes
Boxed Cake/Brownies**

Thank you for checking expiration dates before donating.

Thank you for the donations of bags for our pantry. We are not accepting any more at this time. Thank you!

Thank you for your continued support!

Healthy Sunday at Holy Cross

on **Sunday, September 13th**
from 10AM to 1PM

we will be hosting a vaccine clinic
in the Atrium

in partnership with CVS pharmacy.

Our local CVS pharmacist and staff
will be available for the following:

*Flu shot - COVID - Shingles
RSV - MMR - Tdap*

Vaccinations are one of the best things you can do to help protect yourself from serious diseases. If any of these are of interest to you, please stop by our Healthy Sunday table in the Atrium between 10am and 1pm.

No appointment necessary.



School Supplies for Success THANK YOU

Thank you to all who donated so generously to our School Supplies for Success Drive this year. With your support, **we provided 24 students from 16 families backpacks (in their choice of color) filled with school supplies appropriate for their grade level.** Thank you!

Also, thank you for the generous financial support given. With your donations, **we were able to also include gift cards to purchase more school supplies (if needed) and/or new clothes or sneakers for each student.** Thank you!

A special thank you to all the volunteers who helped sort, organize and distribute all the school supplies to our Outreach families. Thank you to Donna Akuntius, Jean Neary and MaryBeth Bonacorsa. We could not have done this without you!



Our next meeting is
**Wednesday,
SEPTEMBER 2**
in the Atrium
from 9:30AM - 12 Noon

All are welcome to help as we begin another year of constructing much needed clothing for the children of Haiti. We need pattern cutters, sewists, those who like to iron... If you have the desire to help, we will find a place for you!

**Please RSVP if you are interested in joining us.
Call Kelley in Outreach at (631) 265-2200 Ext. 113**



Are you or someone you know in the parish, homebound or anticipating an operation or treatment of cancer?

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.

BASKET RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

2026

We are asking for your support
for one of our biggest fundraisers
of the year, our Basket Raffle!

***We are looking for donations of individual items
to fill and create baskets and
completed themed baskets!***

With your help,
we hope to make this fundraiser a huge success!

**Want to make a themed basket?
Here are a few ideas for baskets:**

- Coffee Basket
- Golf Basket
- Baker's Basket
- Rest and Relax - Spa Basket
- Dinner and a movie basket
- Kid's Basket

**Suggested items for baskets:
New Items only please**

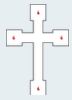
- Gift certificates - (for products and/or services)
- Scratch-off tickets
- Wine/Liquor
- Event tickets - (play, movies, baseball game)
- Hand crafted items - (quilts, jewelry)

DONATIONS NEEDED!

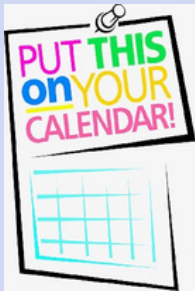
**All completed baskets and all individual donated items
can be brought into the parish office during business hours
from August 15th to September 14th.**

If you have any questions and/or would like to be
on the Basket Raffle Committee,
please call Mary Ann Viscusi at 631-686-5280
or Linda Denninger at 631-265-7111.

Thank you for your continued support!



PRAYER, ACTION & COMMUNITY



Save the Date!

Weekend of September 12 and 13 Grandparents' Weekend at Holy Cross

**Bring your grandchildren to Mass or
Grandchildren, bring your Grandparents
with you to Mass**

*Pray together, receive Jesus together and
Celebrate our Faith!*



Holy Cross Parish celebrates Grandparents' Weekend WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 12/13

The weekend of September 12 and 13 is GRANDPARENTS' WEEKEND when we will pray in a special way for all Grandparents. Our Grandparents' Prayer group suggested that this year **we invite Parish Grandparents to submit a picture of their grandchildren which we will display on a large board in the Atrium for GRANDPARENTS' WEEKEND.**

- Please submit your picture in an envelope marked "GRANDPARENTS' WEEKEND."
- *Most importantly, please put your name on the opposite side of the picture, so you may get the picture back after the weekend.*
- The size should be **no larger than 4x6** so we can fit them all on the board! We will leave a basket marked "PICTURES FOR GRANDPARENTS' WEEKEND" on the table in front of the Fr. Joe Room in the Atrium.
- *Please look for the basket beginning the weekend of August 22/23.*
- If your grandchild or grandchildren are close by, have them come to Mass with you that weekend to add to our celebration.

**Together, let us celebrate the honor of being a grandparent
and our grandchildren (both adult and children) who we hold in our hearts.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2026-2027

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

Please note: the office will close at 12 Noon on Friday, September 4th.



Blessing of Backpacks

September 5th & 6th

Bring your child(ren) to Mass with their backpack(s), and receive a blessing for the 2026-2027 school year.

We pray that all our students (and educators) will experience a school year that is safe, healthy, and full of excitement as the school year begins!



and Teach the Good News to our Children

CATECHIST MEETING

Together we'll experience planning ideas, effective strategies and a variety of helpful resources that can make learning about faith both enjoyable and meaningful. All Catechists are encouraged to share their own experiences and successful ideas as we learn from one another.

Catechists - please let the Religious Education office know which day you plan on attending.

Thursday, September 24th from 7pm to 8:30pm

or

Saturday, September 26th from 9am to 10:30am

Each session will be held in the atrium. Light refreshments will be provided.

Reminder

You ARE loved

MEETINGS

PARENT / STUDENT MEETINGS

Level 7

Parent/Student Mtg.

Tuesday, September 15th,
at 7:00PM
in the Atrium

Level 8

Parent/Student Mtg.

Wednesday, September 16th,
at 7:00PM
in the Atrium



Our Religious Education Program is expanding and we are looking for:

Special Needs Teachers (Mondays)

If you enjoy working with children and are available for 1 hour a week, please call Jennifer or Mary at the Religious Education office at 631-265-2200



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Youth Community Cares

"Serving our youth as our youth serve others"

**YCC will be hosting hospitality
in honor of Grandparents' Day
after the 11:30AM Mass
on Sunday, September 13th**

**SIGN-UP SLOTS AVAILABLE
FOR YOUTH VOLUNTEERS**

Please register for these events to participate.

To register,
Email Angela at: youthcc@holycrossrc.org
and/or join our Remind group
to receive the SignUpGenius link:
rmd.at/ycchc

Additional information about volunteer opportunities
will be shared through the **Remind App**.



Those in **6th grade and older**
are invited to be part of YCC.

This is a great opportunity to earn
community service hours while getting to know
and serve our church community.

**Join our Remind group
to receive information for YCC events
through the Remind App.**

Sign up for Remind at:
rmd.at/ycchc

You will receive Sign-Up Genius links
with information on how to participate!



Additional Holy Hours

***We are increasing opportunities for Eucharistic
Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.***

Our new schedule is as easy as 1-2-3.

The schedule is as follows:

- 1. First Friday of the Month:**
7:00PM - 8:00PM
- 2. Second Tuesday of the Month:**
9:30AM - 12:00 Noon
- 3. Third Saturday of the Month:**
3:45PM - 4:45PM

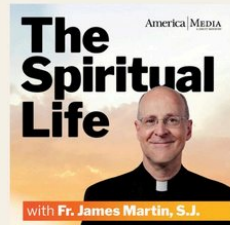
***This is a change from the current practice of the
first Saturday of the month.***

COMING SOON!

This September 10th you are invited to join us for

"A Simple Supper for the Soul"

The program will be presented
for six sessions, every other
Thursday from 6:30-8:30pm.
Each session will include a
simple supper, a video/podcast
from Fr. Jim Martin's "The
Spiritual Life", and small group
discussion to nourish our soul.



If you liked Alpha, we think you will like this. If you never tried Alpha,
you are invited to join us for a simple supper to nourish your soul!

In the words of Fr. Martin,

"Finding God often
happens in the midst of
a community - with a
'we' as often as an 'I'."



JOIN US

9 - 10 - 2026
St. Thomas More Parish,
Hauppauge
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Interested individuals can call the rectory
of St. Thomas More Parish to register.
(631) 234-5551



Dress A Girl Blessing Weekend

As we enter into our fifth year of Dress a Girl Around the World, I would like to thank all who participated in the past year in any way that helped bring **over 205 dresses, 12 shorts and 49 bags** to fruition. If you donated fabric, cut a pocket, a binding, or a dress, or used your talent to sew one dress or 20 - **thank you!** This amazing ministry could not exist without any of you. **A special thank you to the leadership team of Ceil Muscarello, Gerri Schreiber, MaryAnn Viscusi and Donna Akuntius who offer direction, their sewing knowledge and a kind smile to all who donate their time to us.**

We will be sending our dresses on their way to Friar Suppliers who will then ship them to Haiti. Every girl should have the chance to receive a beautiful new dress. We provide this opportunity as we create each dress with love. We hope the dresses symbolize how special and loved they are. Our prayers are with them all.

If you would like to join us, we meet monthly for "cut ups" where we cut each dress out and create dress kits for volunteers to sew. If your talent lies in sewing, you are welcome to pick up a dress kit (with instructions) and create a beautiful dress for a girl in need. All are welcome to join us and participate! Thank you again to all who are part of Dress a Girl. I hope you know the impact you make on the life of a girl.

-Kelley

"Do small things with great love."- Saint Teresa of Calcutta



PARISH OUTREACH THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who donated all the travel size items to complete our **Blessing Bags** for the homeless. The project was a huge success, and we are grateful for all your support. We could not have done it without you! Thank you so much.

A special thank you to all our youth volunteers who sorted and filled **over 80 Blessing Bags** which will be donated to the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless.

Our youth volunteers are:

Olivia Caminiti, Mia Caminiti, Emily Jungen,
Blake Dychkowski, Kayla Nagy, Karen Canedo,
Gianna Kamor, Victoria Clavijo,
Juliana Spence, and Hannah D'Amica

We will start collecting items for next year's Blessing Bag project starting in September. Please keep us in mind on your travels. **Thank you again for all your support of the Blessing Bag project!**



YCC Volunteers (Youth Community Cares) making a difference by sorting and assembling Blessing Bags for Outreach.





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LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING FALL 2026

The Diocese of Rockville Centre will offer training for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. No walk-ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance with a letter of approval from their pastor.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Part A - This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This “BASIC” training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training.

A **Lector Workshop** is available for both new and experienced lectors.

You may **not** take EMHC Part A and the Lector Workshop on the same day – you may be registered for one or the other – not BOTH on the same day.

DATES & LOCATIONS FOR LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

Tuesday, November 10 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A
- Lector Workshop

Tuesday, Nov. 17 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 9 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part B

Monday, Nov. 16 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC - Msgr. Kelly Parish Center; 7 pm - 10 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A
- Lector Workshop

Monday, Nov. 30 - St. Agnes Cathedral/RVC - Msgr. Kelly Parish Center; 7 pm - 9 pm

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part B

Saturday, Nov. 21 - Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall

- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A - 9 am – 12 pm
- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Part B – 1pm – 3 pm
(there will be NO Lector Workshop offered on this date)

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. Walk-ins, on the day of training, without prior registration, are NOT permitted. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Please do not call the host parishes with questions. For questions, please call Suzanne at 516-744-6850. Thank you for your interest.

**Your kindness and generosity are appreciated in support of our parish and its ministries.
We are offering the opportunity to sign up for automated giving if you have not already done so.
It's convenient and easy to sign up!**

You can donate to the parish by ACH. Please complete this form,
bring it to the office or email to **business@holycrossrc.org**

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Nesconset, NY 11767
631-265-2200 ext. 110
business@holycrossrc.org

Authorization Agreement for Automated Giving

I, _____, hereby authorize the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Cross, at Nesconset NY, to initiate debit entries to my Checking () Saving () account indicated below and the depository named below to debit the same amount, beginning _____.

I choose to have my account debited for this amount: Check one:

Bi-Weekly \$ _____ (Multiply weekly by 2) Monthly \$ _____ (Multiply weekly by 4.33)

Depository/ Bank: Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Banking Transit-ABA #: _____

(9 digits located on the bottom left of your check)

Bank Account #: _____

Please attach to this form a Voided Check if you've chosen a checking Account or a pre-printed savings deposit ticket if you have chosen a Saving Account.

Note: This authorization is to remain in full force effect until the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Cross received written notification at least five business days in advance of the desired termination.

(Signature)

(PrintedName)

Date: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

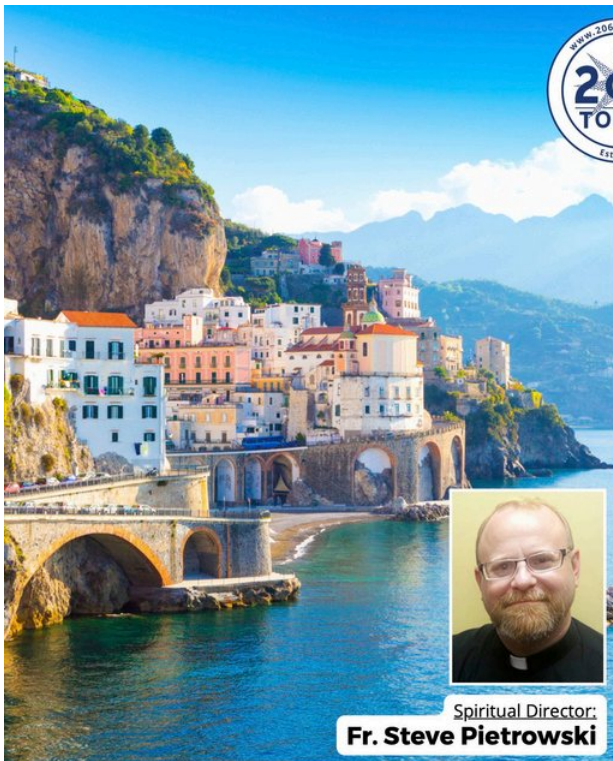
NOTES:

1- *This form will be seen by the Business Manager only.* You may mail it to the Parish of the Holy Cross or drop it at the office in a sealed envelope, **Attention: Karina D'Angelo.**

2- For any questions contact Karina D'Angelo by phone or email at **business@holycrossrc.org**



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Spiritual Director:
Fr. Steve Pietrowski

Contact: cteam@206tours.com | (800) 206-TOUR (8687)

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- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Breakfast and Dinner daily
- Whisper headsets (where needed)
- Transfers as per itinerary
- And more!



Book Now:

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Booking Code: SP022227



2026 TACHS PREP & Test Taking Strategies Program

FOR ADMISSION INTO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS

Set Your Child Up for Success on the TACHS Exam!

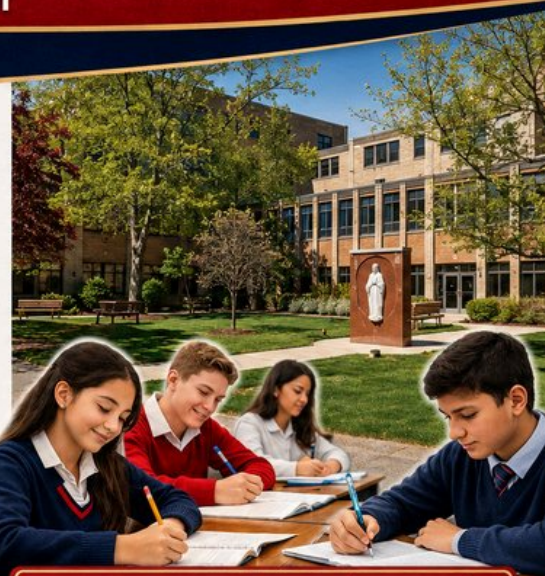
St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School is proud to offer a comprehensive TACHS Prep Program to help students build confidence, and improve test-taking skills, and approach the exam with strategies.

 TACHS Prep Course Schedule (All sessions held at SJB)
 Saturday, September 12, 2026 8:00 – 10:30 AM
 Saturday, September 19, 2026 8:00 – 10:30 AM
 Saturday, September 26, 2026 8:00 – 10:30 AM
 Saturday, October 3, 2026 8:00 – 10:30 AM
 Saturday, October 17, 2026 8:00 – 10:30 AM
 Test Taking Strategies Session
Friday, November 6, 2026 5:00 – 8:00 PM

 What Students Will Gain
 Targeted review of TACHS subjects
 Proven test-taking strategies
 Time management skills
 Boosted confidence and preparedness
 Exposure to a high school learning environment

 Who Should Attend
Current 8th grade students preparing for the TACHS exam for admission.

 Location
St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School 1170 Montauk Highway West Islip, NY 11795



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