



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.

If you confess
with your MOUTH
"Jesus is Lord"
and believe
in your HEART
that God raised him
from the dead,
you will
be SAVED!

Romans 10:8-13

Jesus
is
Lord

First Sunday of Lent - March 9, 2025



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 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM;

Wednesday after 9:00 AM Mass



WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

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Pastor

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MONDAY - THURSDAY
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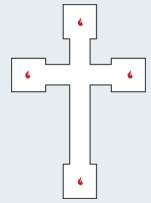
**NEW OUTREACH HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Evening Hours by Appointment Only**



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



REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL



Weekly Reflection by Fr. Michael

These were the words used on Wednesday when ashes were imposed. We expect to hear this call to repent as we begin Lent. But it sounds like such an ominous and unpleasant undertaking. We often equate repenting with having to confess our sins and then undergo some kind of a conversion. Yes, there is truth to some of that. But it is not meant to be a miserable and painful experience. Perhaps a better way to look at it is the need to change the direction or course of some part of our lives. If we are honest, there are some paths we walk which ultimately do not bring about life or reflect the message of the gospel. The issues will vary, but some of those paths may be connected to the direction of a relationship, use of time, care of self, attitudes towards others, to name a few. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could curb behavior that is not productive? What a gift it would be if we could grow in focus, kindness, patience and wisdom.

The key to unlock the path of repentance is found in the second half of that phrase, "believe in the Gospel." The gospel really is good news. Sadly, some have come to see it as a book of prohibitions and punishments. It is a book of life. It is a book that opens to us the wonder and mercy of our loving God. When we come to understand the message of the gospel, it is one of a God who made us and loves us unconditionally. It is a story that speaks of God's endless mercy to forgive and begin again. It is a story of healing and new life. It is a story about God's ability to transform all things, even death into life. Use well the days of Lent. It can be a rich gift when we allow the loving hand of God to touch our lives and renew our hearts.

It was a joy for me to announce at the Masses last weekend that my term as Pastor at Holy Cross has been extended by one year. I am grateful to Bishop Barres in allowing me to continue to minister here. I am deeply appreciative to the many who have expressed their affirmation and support. Together we will continue to do good things for this parish community.

I will share a few thoughts about our experience at the Religious Education Congress in California. Words fail to fully encompass the richness and wonder of a weekend like this. It certainly was engaging, inspiring, affirming and uplifting. But it goes even beyond that. I believe the best way to reflect the gifts that we received is to bring them to life here in our community. I foresee in the coming weeks the introduction of some of what we experienced. Some of it may be in music, or environment, or tone of prayer. The greatest moments were when we were gathered in the large arena and united in prayer and committed to our desire to bring the gospel to life. You don't have to travel to the West Coast to experience that. In various ways we will help to foster those moments here in our sacred space. It is wonderful to continue to grow in appreciating the many ways we can celebrate and live out our faith. I'm grateful to all those who made the journey. And, along the way, we had a lot of fun as well.



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CELEBRANTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES



MARCH 15

**5:00 PM
FR. MICHAEL**

MARCH 16

**8:00 AM
FR. MICHAEL**

**9:30 AM
FR. MICHAEL**

**11:30 AM
FR. MICHAEL**



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MARCH 16

+ Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

+ Philippians 3:17-4:1

+ Luke 9:28b-36

Sunday, March 9th OCIA
10:00AM - 11:00AM, Fr. Joe Room

Sunday, March 9th BAPTISMS
1:00PM, Worship Area

Monday, March 10th SPECIAL NEEDS
4:00PM - 6:00PM, Worship Area, Atrium

Tuesday, March 11th IN STITCHES
10:00AM, Fr. Joe Room

Tuesday, March 11th LEVEL 2 RECONCILIATION
4:00PM or 6:00PM, Worship Area, Atrium, Chapel

Wednesday, March 12th SENIORS
11:30AM - 2:30PM, Atrium

Thursday, March 13th SCRIPTURE STUDY
10:00AM, Atrium

Thursday, March 13th LEVEL 5 STATIONS OF THE CROSS
7:00PM, Worship Area

Saturday, March 15th LEVEL 2 RECONCILIATION
9:30AM, Worship Area, Atrium, Chapel

Saturday, March 15th LEVEL 1 DRAW WHAT YOU SEE
5:00PM Mass, Worship Area

Saturday, March 15th YCC HOSPITALITY
After 5:00PM Mass, Atrium

Saturday, March 15th KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TABLE
After 5:00PM Mass, Atrium

Sunday, March 16th LEVEL 1 DRAW WHAT YOU SEE
All Masses, Worship Area

Sunday, March 16th KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TABLE
After All Masses, Atrium

Sunday, March 16th GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY
9:30AM Mass, Worship Area

Sunday, March 16th YCC HOSPITALITY
After 9:30 & 11:30AM Masses, Atrium

Sunday, March 16th CHILDREN'S LITURGY
11:30AM Mass, Fr. Joe Room

Sunday, March 16th DIOCESAN HOLY HOUR
1:00PM, Worship Area

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



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

Bob Alderdice
Theresa Arzillo
Alejandro Astegiano
Jo Barry
Kathy Barry
Cole Brennan
Dan Bryan
Judy Carlson
Hank Champagne
Mary Champagne
William Ciccarelli
Grayson Danielski
Anthony DeGennaro
Manuela Diaz
Ann Egan
Vincent Esposito
Ralph Farino
Yolanda Fattarusso

Sienna Fricke
Linda Giordano
James Greene
Linda Heinrichs
Debbie Jablinowski
Kristen Kennedy
Caroline Lazar
Carol Leahy
Jo-Ann Loh
Mary Lopez
Gerald Losquadro
Viola Malek
Jeanne Marie Malley
Steve Matonti
Olivia Melia
Loretto Narducci
Andrea Nocito

Darin Pitkanen
Patricia Pitkanen
Carina Ranieri
Rob Remhild
Liam Richards
Lynn Rodger
Sean Romeo
Elaine Ruane
Jacqueline Santamaria
Louise Scagnelli
Casey Schultz
Kathy Schwinn
John Serri
Celeste Sichenze
Bill Tanner
Grace Van Epps
Peter Warns
Emma Zeidman

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.

Upcoming Mass Intentions

**Week of Sunday, March 9,
First Sunday of Lent,**

9:00AM Masses:

Mon. Genevieve Leun
Tues. Michael Murphy (living)
Wed. Frank Kane
Thur. Rachel Schultz (living)

Saturday, March 15, 5 PM Mass

James E. Guiliano, Frank Giambanco,
Fran Giambanco, Paul Matthew DeRosa,
Carmine & Irene Persiani

**Sunday, March 16, Masses
Second Sunday of Lent**

8:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. O. DeSanto
9:30 AM Joseph Fanuele, Phil DeNobrega,
Valerie Rose Kratochvil, Paul Lore,
Raymond Vuolo
11:30 AM People of the Parish



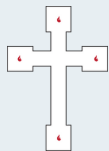
The **Bread and Wine**
for the week have been
donated in loving memory of
Victor Dimino
by Lisa and Matty Rizzo.



Now may the Lord of peace himself
give you peace at all times in every
way. The Lord be with you all.
2 Thessalonians 3:16



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



GOD'S WORD



LITURGY BYTES *by Michele Hall*



As we enter the Season of Lent, let us spend a few moments reflecting on the first part of the Mass known as the **Liturgy of the Word**. Here are some ideas to help us engage in hearing God's Word at Mass. I am hoping to put them into practice for myself this Lent.

Rather than running into Mass five minutes before it begins, why not try to come a little earlier. This would give us a chance to catch our breath, quiet ourselves and enter into a prayerful posture to receive God's Word with great attention. Sometimes it takes a few times to prepare ourselves in this way. Do not be discouraged, keep trying each week.

As we have heard many times, it was the Second Vatican Council's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy that invited us into full, conscious, and active participation at all times during the Mass, not just when we are responding to prayers. The Word of God is proclaimed not just read. The Word of God is living and takes on a different tenor when lifted off the page and delivered with faith to the Church assembled. God's Word is beyond the words on the paper. Thinking back to some part of what we heard at Mass should be our goal during the days following Sunday. Is it possible to integrate its meaning into our own lives? Yes, but it does take some work. Perhaps making this a goal as a Lenten practice this year would deepen our understanding and love of God's Word in our lives.

Come, O Word of God, who is light and mercy for the world. Speak your truth, reveal your beauty, infuse your joy. Jesus, who is "Word Made Flesh," teach us and love us into a holy embrace, with God who is Triune and with one another. May your word save us and inspire us to draw others to you. Amen.

Have a blessed, prayerful, and peaceful week ahead!



For the Ride Home..... a Gospel Reflection for adults

What did you hear today in the Scriptures?

- God's Word seemed to play a major role in the Gospel today. Did any phrase or word stand out to you that you might reflect on it this week?
- Do you see God's Word offering strength and encouragement to you during a difficult time?
- Have you decided on what you will do this Lent to grow closer to God?



Gospel Reflection for our young people

- During the six weeks of Lent, we try to do something for God to show how much we love him. Jesus did not find it easy in the desert in today's Gospel. He was tempted to take the easy way out, but he didn't.
- Have you decided what you can do to show God you love him this Lent? Try to think of something different this year. You can try different things each week.
- You might find it hard to always do the right thing. However, like Jesus, we must try and not give up.

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DIocese of Rockville Centre
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Lent 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It is no coincidence that the global inauguration of our 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope occurred on the Solemnity of the Holy Family. The Jubilee Year of Hope in this 2025 Lenten season runs through the family and fidelity to the splendors of the liberating and objective truths of Christ and the Catholic Church on Marriage and the Family.

Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving lead individual family members to Christ's light of conversion and repentance. Conversion and repentance, in turn, open families to a family spirit and daily chemistry animated by the Holy Spirit. Family patterns ensnared in the ruts of sin become family patterns transformed by the grooves of grace, humility, charity and the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Jubilee Year of Hope runs through every family experiencing Christ's Cross: grief, tragedy, crisis, tension, alienation and transition.

Pope Francis emphasized: "All of us have received the gift and task of bringing hope wherever hope has been lost, lives broken, promises unkept, dreams shattered and hearts overwhelmed by adversity. We are called to bring hope to the weary who have no strength to carry on, the lonely oppressed by the bitterness of failure, and all those who are broken-hearted. To bring hope to the interminable, dreary days of prisoners, to the cold and dismal lodging of the poor, and to all those places desecrated by war and violence. To bring hope there, to sow hope there."¹

The Holy Family was a refugee family and they are deeply present today to every struggling refugee family in the world to rekindle their hope. The Lenten season of the Jubilee Year of Hope reminds us that while all families are imperfect and have their problems and challenges, all families are called to grow together in holiness and a missionary spirit.

And so we heed the powerful words of St. Paul as they apply to our daily family life: "Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another...Let the peace of Christ control your hearts...Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly." (Colossians 3:12-17)

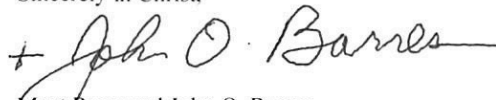
Our Lady invites us to have a pondering heart as we contemplate God's providential design in the past, present and future of our families, especially as we begin this Lenten season in the Jubilee Year of Hope. In unity with the Holy Family, our own families are called to transform the world and history with Christ's love and the mission of mercy of the Church which He Himself founded.

In the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope, the Church presents us with the canonizations of soon-to-be Saint Carlo Acutis (1991-2006) and Saint Piergiorgio Frassati (1900-1924). As children, teenagers and young adults, they helped Christ transform their own families with their faith and their holiness as they helped Christ transform the Church and the world to this day. Together, they are asking every young Catholic to do the same in their time, in their place and in their own family.

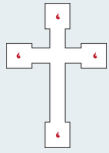
The 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope is a time for us and our extended families to cast the nets of Eucharistic charity throughout Long Island, understanding that the Eucharist is a "Fountain of Charity" -- a Fountain of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy, a Fountain of the Gospel of Life and a Fountain of every dimension of Catholic Social Justice teaching.

As the Successor of the Apostles on Long Island, I want to thank every Catholic family on Long Island and beyond for being Lights of Christ's Hope and Lights of Catholic evangelization to the world.

Sincerely in Christ,


Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹Francis, "Opening of the Holy Door and Midnight Mass: Homily" (December 24, 2024).
<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2024/documents/20241224-omelia-natale.html>.



PARISH OUTREACH



*This Bereavement Group is for
anyone dealing with grief.*

All are welcome.

We will meet for six (6) consecutive Wednesdays.

The dates for the Spring Session are as follows:

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & May 7

from 1:30PM - 3:30PM in the Fr. Joe Room.

Losing a loved one is painful for anyone. How we cope is as unique as our fingerprints.

It can be experienced as losing the ability to see the beautiful colors in a rainbow.

Our world seems so grey.

Making the time to listen to others dealing with grief enables us to begin to see the colors of life once again. This also allows us to share our stories and gain ways to move forward.

Come and join us as we work together and share this journey.

If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please call Outreach at 631-265-2200.

All who will be attending will be asked to complete a registration form.

The last day to RSVP is April 1st.

"Come to me, all who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will refresh you." Matthew 11:28

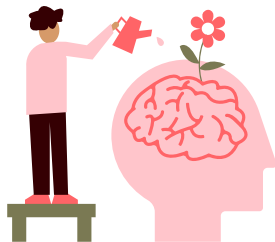


We will meet on

**Tuesday,
March 18th,
1-3PM**

in the Atrium

**If you are interested,
we ask that you
please RSVP to the
Outreach Office at
631- 265-2200
so we can prepare
for all those
who will attend.**



Understanding and Maximizing the Aging Mind

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

1:30pm in the Chapel

Please RSVP by Monday, March 17th, by calling the Outreach office at 631-265-2200

Presented by Lauren L. Richmond, Ph.D.

Associate Professor, Dept. of Psychology, Stony Brook University

Memory is important for many everyday tasks including those involved in managing one's daily tasks, keeping appointments, and in interactions with others. However, memory abilities are known to change across the lifespan. Because memory is so central to everyday life, people are often interested in learning how to implement strategies and/or activities that might serve to improve memory performance. In this talk, attendees will learn about how memory works, how it changes across the lifespan, and how other thinking processes are involved in the formation and retrieval of memories. Strategies and activities that one might implement to improve performance of memory-based activities will be discussed.



ADULT CPR and AED Training on April 5th



Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

____ **YES, I will be attending the CPR and AED Training Class on 4/5 at the Nesconset Fire Department
from 10AM - 1PM, at 25 Gibbs Pond Road - 3rd Floor, Nesconset**

Please make checks out to: The Parish of the Holy Cross

Check Enclosed _____

The cost is \$25 per person.

CPR and AED Registration - Please return slip to the Outreach Office by March 26th

Eat Simply...So Others May Simply Eat



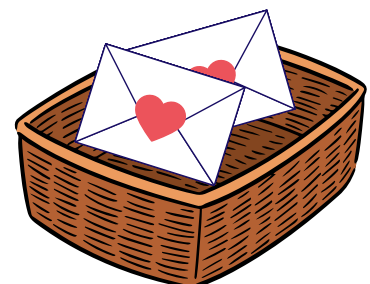
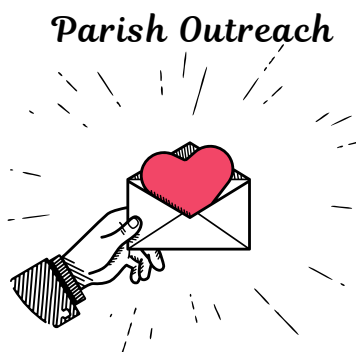
Lent offers us a unique period of time to evaluate our life journey as a follower of Christ. We are encouraged to assess if this journey has led us to an improved understanding and deepening of our relationship with our Lord, with our neighbors, and with our brothers and sisters of the world community.

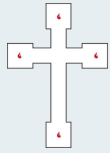
For the last 33 years, we at Holy Cross have embraced our Lenten Project “Eat Simply So Others May Simply Eat” as a way to raise our consciousness to the significant needs of our struggling friends. We willingly sacrifice larger or better meals for simpler meals during Lent. Our joint effort to “EAT MORE SIMPLY SO OTHERS MAY SIMPLY EAT” unites us in a special way with one another and also with those who are struggling on Long Island.

We encourage you not only to participate in this program, but also to discuss it at the dinner table with your children and family members. Many of us are not consciously aware of the number of people that are struggling and hungry right here in our own area. During 2024, our Outreach pantry served an average of 116 people each month.

The Lenten envelopes marked, EAT SIMPLY...SO OTHERS MAY SIMPLY EAT, will be available throughout the weekends of Lent. We suggest that you place the envelope in a prominent place in your kitchen as a reminder of how you and your family will be uniting yourselves with our struggling neighbors and with those facing food insecurity in the world. We encourage you to reflect, discuss and to decide how you will eat more basic meals during Lent. Perhaps you have a favorite simple recipe to share. We'd be happy to put it in the bulletin for fellow parishioners to try.

Each weekend or whenever you choose during Lent, you may place your envelope in the basket on the pillar by the altar or in the collection basket. The monies donated will be used to help those who come to Parish Outreach for assistance. We are continually grateful for the very generous response of our parishioners of Holy Cross in donating money, food, and supermarket gift cards which enables us to meet their needs.





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

March

REMINDER

Level 5
Stations of the Cross
will take place on
Thursday
March 13th at 7pm
in the Worship Area

SAVE THE DATE

Level 1
Draw What You See
at the Masses
the weekend of March 15th & 16th



Level 8 INTERVIEWS **for Confirmation**

MONDAY, MARCH 24th
6pm-7:30pm

THURSDAY, MARCH 27th
6pm-7:30pm



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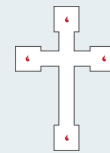
God Bless
our Level 2 Children
who are making their
Reconciliation
this week.



Next weekend at the offertory
we will also be collecting for our
Renovations and Major Repairs fund.

Thank you for your continued support!

LEVEL 8 RETREAT



Our Level 8 students spent an evening with Tony Bellizzi. Tony spoke about his ministry of bringing young people the good news of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ & participation in the life of His church. He also brought the young people together, providing powerful experiences of God's powerful love & truth for them through prayer.

Students are preparing to make their Confirmation this spring.


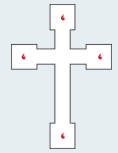


Speaker
and facilitator
for the
evening:
Tony
Bellizzi




You can visit Tony's website at:
goodshots.org

WE GROW IN FAITH



COFFEE with JESUS


Lenten Reflections on the Meaning of Season in Christian Life



Join Bishop Andrzej

All Fridays of Lent
March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 at 3 pm
for Webinar Lenten Reflections

Registration Required
Call Suzanne at 516.744.6850
or email - westernvicariate@drvc.org
to receive Zoom Webinar Link



LECTIO DIVINA

- Lectio
- Meditatio
- Oratio
- Contemplatio



Join Bishop Andrzej
For Scripture Reflection Series
on **JOHN the BAPTIST**
Tuesday, March 11, 2025
Wednesday, April 2, 2025
at 7:30 pm - ZOOM webinar.



Study of Bible Texts
JOHN the BAPTIST
The Friend of the Bridegroom
Preparing the Way for New Life

Registration is required
in order to receive the ZOOM link to each session.
Please contact the Western Vicariate office
with your name, parish, email and phone number.
Send your email to:
westernvicariate@drvc.org
or call Suzanne at 516-744-6850.

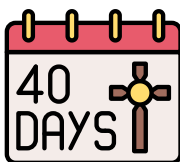


An Invitation from the Sisters of St. Joseph

In celebration of National Catholic Sisters Week, March 8th-14th, the Sisters of St. Joseph at Holy Spirit Convent (located at the Cleary School), Sisters Maura, Lynn, Preenika, and Emily, would like to **invite you to our home on Sunday, March 9th, 2025** to share a cup of coffee and some stories of our history, present and future.

You're welcome to drop in between 1:00PM and 4:00PM.

www.catholicsistersweek.org



Practice of Faith

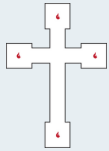
(Excerpt from "At Home with the Word 2025")

At each temptation, Jesus has the last word, finally telling the devil that only the Lord is to be worshiped and served. Jesus' single-minded focus serves as a model for our spiritual focus during Lent. Now is the time for renewed resolve to place God first in our hearts and minds.

Finalize your Lenten plans and place reminders on your bathroom mirror, over your kitchen sink, or on your phone.

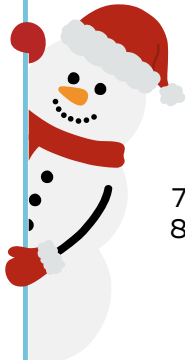
Dedicate your Lenten fasting to those in need. With other parishioners, participate in the Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, placing money saved by partaking of simple meals into the cardboard rice bowls.

Learn the names of the elect in your faith community who will be presented to the bishop at the diocesan rite of election this weekend. Pray daily for the elect as they journey through these final weeks of preparation for baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist.



PARISH COMMUNITY

Winter Windfall Cash Calendar Winners!



Winners at \$25

1. Eva Hallam
2. Connie Lipnicki
3. Jack Reich
4. Peter Lambert
5. Liliana Mulderig
6. Connie Lipnicki
7. Tom & Sophie Kecki
8. Chaz & Jake Modica
9. Linda Spahr
10. Jessica Mulderig
11. Connie Lipnicki
12. Wendy Ringhiser
13. Wendy Ringhiser
14. Linda Denninger
15. Mary Estock

Winners at \$50

1. Wendy Ringhiser
2. Charles Schreiber
3. Frank Gargiulo
4. Connie Lipnicki
5. Lisa Goncalves
6. Jason Mulderig
7. Maryellen McCutchen
8. Larry Marino
9. Maryellen McCutchen
10. Laura Holst

Winners at \$100

1. Anthony Sangimino
2. Theresa Minerva

Winner at \$250

1. Thomas Kecki

Girl Scout Sunday

Tell your Scouting friends.....All Are Welcome
March 16th, 2025 9:30 Mass

Scouts should arrive 15 minutes early
Uniforms/Sashes for scouts & leaders



Please let us know
how many scouts & leaders
will be attending
by March 10th

Please contact
Andy Bodor and Kim Loh Bodor
Akjl23@optonline.net
or 516-996-2295



Youth Community Cares

"Serving our youth as our youth serve others"

**YCC will be hosting a
hospitality weekend on March 15/16**

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

Please register for these events to participate.

Sign up for Remind at: rmd.at/ycchc for links

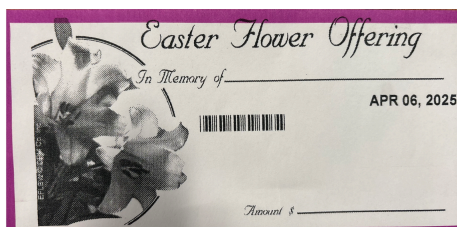


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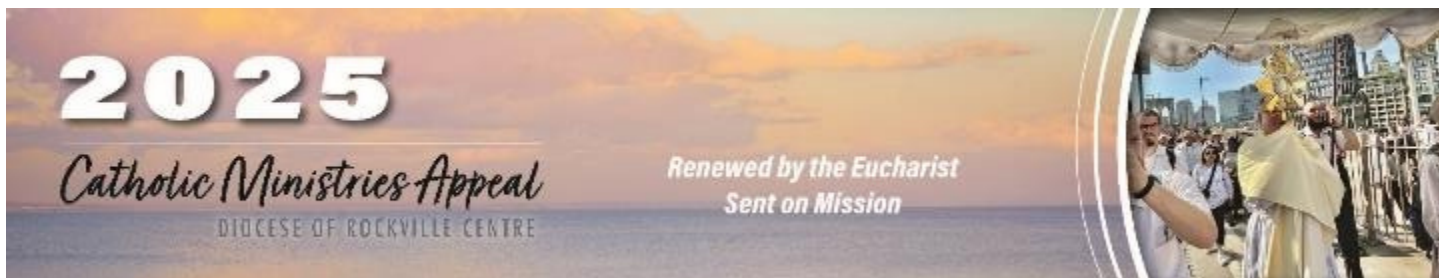
After all masses on **March 15 and 16** in the Atrium
Please stop by and purchase chances and Easter magnets
to help support Holy Cross and other charities.

We welcome prospective members to join The Knights



A Change to the Easter Offering Envelope

Our envelope company decided on their own to change the look of the Easter Flower Offering envelope. They only offer one line for the name of a deceased loved one. We have over the past several years posted the names of both living and deceased loved ones and will continue to do so this year. Please feel free to list on the envelope as many people (both living and deceased) that you wish to be remembered this Easter!



Inspired by the love Jesus shows us by offering himself to us in the Eucharist, we send that love to others. Our Parish Social Ministry and Catholic Charities Programs work tirelessly to answer God's call to service.

"Working in Parish Social Ministry renews my faith when I witness the volunteers bringing God's love to the clients who may have lost that love in themselves. We are letting them know that there is hope in the world and that God is there for them."

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To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

CMA Brochures are located on the tables in the Atrium for your convenience.



Spring Cash Fling

For many years the Cash Calendar was a part of the Holy Cross routine, and this fundraiser provided some additional financial support to the parish.

At this time, it is unlikely that we have enough parishioners attending Mass on a weekly basis to support a monthly drawing, so we will continue as we have done for the past few years with our quarterly drawing.

- \$10 per ticket
- Tickets are available for purchase through March, April and May
- Drawing will be held MAY 29TH

This is the pay scale which will be offered:

- 1 Prize @ \$250
- 2 Prizes @ \$100
- 10 Prizes @ \$50
- 15 Prizes @ \$25

This formula was based upon selling 250 tickets @ \$10 each.
If more than 250 tickets are sold, the number of prizes will be increased.

Please cut out and use the tickets below.

You may return your entries by placing them in an envelope and depositing it in the basket on weekends, or returning them to the Parish Office.

Thank you for your support!



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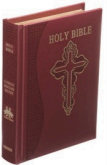
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