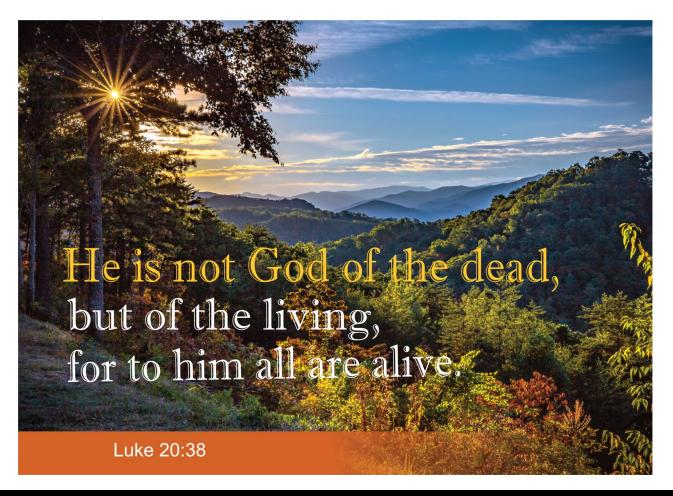
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LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!

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.



Come and pray with us!

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 6, 2022

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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Remembering Our Sick

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

200	Bob Alderdice	Theresa Arzillo
	Jo Barry	Kathy Barry
8	Barbara Bombace	Dan Bryan
	Ann Callari	Pattie Daly-Matonti
 }	Manuela Diaz	Matthew DiPietro
	Ann Egan	Jim Emerson
8	Syl Evangelista	Ralph Farino
	Sienna Fricke	Robert Gann
8	Debbie Jablinowski	Diane Jones
	Maureen Jost	Kristen Kennedy
8	Roberta Lamb	Dora Libretti
	Gerald Losquadro	Charlotte Lynch
8	Viola Malek	Erin & baby Malley
	Jeanne Marie Malley	Olivia Melia
8		Mary Polik-Gunther
	Carina Ranieri	Liam Richards
8	Elaine Ruane	Joseph Santamaria
	Barbara Sherry	Celeste Sichenze
	Kyle Sweeney	Peter Warns
0	Danny Yo	oungworth
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Mass Intentions Schedule

Week of November 6, 2022, 9AM MassMon.Maria CoyleTue.Officer Vincent PelliccioWed.Eileen SweningsonThu.Stephen Mattera

Saturday, November 12th, 5 PM Mass

Rosemarie Schroeder, Edward Pursino, Urbain Levasseur, James Houlihan, Terry Casino, Halina Grosfeld

Sunday, Nov. 13th, 33rd Sun. in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. O. DeSanto
 9:30 AM Richard Kramps, Deanna Valentine, Marguerite DiBenedetto, Kevin Petzold, Lorraine Geiger, Dcn. George Reich, Mr. & Mrs. Bruno Santina
 11:30 AM People of the Parish
- **11:30 AM** People of the Parish

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.

TUNING UP THE OLD DRUM

by Father Michael

This week I am attending a men's conference on male spirituality. I am on the Santa Ana Pueblo which is about a half hour north of Albuquerque. I expect there will be several hundred men participating from all around the country. I was delighted when I saw this offering that was being made. It has been several years since I participated in any kind of an on-going education program. And it has been even longer since I have updated and renewed myself in male spirituality.

In the early 90s I had my first experiences with male spirituality. I had done some reading in the field. But it was a retreat opportunity (also in New Mexico) that really opened the door to the power and beauty of this aspect of spirituality. Those few days I spent in the mountains were transforming and defining days for me. I will always be grateful for that experience.

There are many aspects of spirituality and many forms of prayer. There is no definitively right one for all of us. What is most helpful is when the format or the message allows the Spirit to touch our hearts. If we are given the language and format to understand our own experiences, then there is the opportunity for growth and insight. To know that others share in a similar journey confirms that path that we walk. Academic ideas have their place, but experiences that affirm, uplift, and challenge the soul are indeed life giving.

One of the aspects to a men's gathering can be drumming. It is one of those things that to an observer seems unusual, but to the participant makes sense. I can't fully explain why it is so meaningful, but it is. There is something about everyone being able to participate, you don't need to be a superstar or have musical ability. It takes on an energy of communication, but in a non-verbal way. It helps ground the soul and opens the heart to hear. If you have ever been in my office you would have seen a rather large drum by my desk. I would not dare lug that one on a plane. Rather, I have a smaller "traveling drum" that I dusted off in preparation for the retreat. So imagine me being part of a circle of men while playing my little drum. In an unusual way, it's nourishing to the soul.

For years I incorporated male spirituality into my ministry when I was at St. Sylvester's and even when I was chaplain in the high school. For reasons I can't explain, I never really utilized it here at Holy Cross. But the Spirit is prompting me to offer it again. I had an Evening of Prayer for Men about two weeks ago and seven men attended. Our next scheduled meeting is Monday, November 14th, at 7:00 PM. I hope the group continues to grow and offers a life and energy to those who are there.

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, November 6th • BAPTISMS	1 PM Worship Area	
Monday, November 7th SPECIAL NEEDS 	4 - 6:30 PM Atrium/FJ Room	
• KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 7PM	Fr. Joe Room	
Tuesday, November 8th IN STITCHES 	10 AM Fr. Joe Room	
	11:30AM-2:30PM Atrium Fr. Joe Room Chapel/Atrium	
Thursday, November 10th• SENIOR PRESENTATION• RCIA7PM	1:30 PM Atrium Fr. Joe Room	
Friday, November 11th (The Parish Office is closed for Veterans Day.)		
Saturday, November 12th • HOLY HOUR	3:45 - 4:45 PM Worship Area	
Sunday, November 13th	After 9:30 Mass	

Scripture Readings for November 13th, 2022



• ANOINTING OF THE SICK

+ Malachi 3:19-20 + 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 + Luke 21:5-19

Worship Area

This weekend at the offertory we will also be collecting for the Archdiocese for the Military.

Next weekend we will also be collecting for our **Renovations and Major Repairs** fund. Thank you for your support of these collections!

The Bread and Wine for the week November 6th-12th have been donated in loving memory of Stephen Mattera by the Emerson Family.





Banns of Marriage Third Time

Julianna Foertsch & Daniel Montesion

Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses, November 12th/13th

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



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Holy Cross Welcomes **These Children** Baptized in October

Leo Anthony Baudo Vivian Marie Cabrera Hunter James Cacioli **Cole Jameson Christensen** Juliana Joy D'Angelo **Jack Paul Graziano Michael Joel Gutes Grace Marie laguinto** Ella Mary Inghilterra **Grace Marie Lamm Bryce Daniel LaPolla** Roman James Lawton Liam Theodore Pekor Matteo Giuseppe Tarantino

The Parish Office is closed on Friday, November 11, for Veterans Day.

PARISH NEWS



Pray for Our Military

Sgt David Basler Cpl Richard J. DeKanchuk, USMC FC2 Lane Dyar AS Brandon Ferrara MIDN Jonathan A. Goohs Jr., USNA WO Christopher Kaminsky Sgt Michael J. Knipper, USMC SSGT Ryan Mauldin PFC Ryan McCoy, USMC Lt Ryan Montvydas Cpl Michael Palagonia, USMC

We thank the men and women who serve in our military for their service. We will continue to pray for them through 2022. Please let us know if their service is finished, their title has changed, or you would like continued prayers through 2023.

May God bless all who serve our nation. Pray for Peace!



We remember and pray for the following Holy Cross parishioners who passed away recently:

Regina Hickey Michael Anthony Maggor Freddie Meyers

May they rest in peace, and may their loved ones be consoled.

Rescheduled Events

Holy Hour and Anointing of the Sick will not take place this weekend. Due to scheduling conflicts, they will take place next weekend.



Come to the office to buy your Holy Cross sweatshirt or long-sleeved T-shirt! \$20 long-sleeved T-shirt, \$25 sweatshirt. Cash, check or credit card accepted. Thank you for supporting Holy Cross!

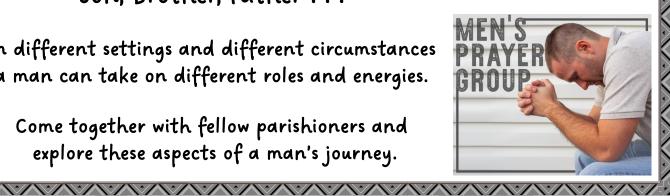
MALE SPIRITUALITY

Men's Evening of Prayer Monday, November 14, 7:00 PM

Son, Brother, Father . . .

In different settings and different circumstances a man can take on different roles and energies.

Come together with fellow parishioners and explore these aspects of a man's journey.



LITURGY BYTES

What Else Changes in the Mass?



Did you ever realize that in addition to the Scripture readings, there are three prayers that change each week, too? The three prayers that I am referring to are the Collect, the Prayer over the Offerings, and the Prayer after Communion. They are short prayers that the priest says before or after the "bigger" or more obvious parts of the Mass. They are short and often follow the same pattern, so the words can still feel familiar and easier to ignore. However, they are always different.

The Collect Prayer – The Collect forms the final part of the Introductory Rites of the Mass, which also includes the Penitential Rite and the Gloria. By an ancient tradition of the Church, the Collect prayer is usually addressed to God the Father, through Christ in the Holy Spirit. Most of these prayers are incredibly beautiful and really deserve our attention. Notice how the language is very tender and warm as we prepare for the beginning of the Mass. They remind us of God's fatherly care, while also encouraging us towards dignity and reverence.

Prayers over the Offerings (gifts) – The prayer reminds us that we are directly affected by the gifts that are brought to the altar. It is a reminder that what is about to happen in the Consecration is very sacred and not all symbolic. It is the same sacrifice of Christ offered on Calvary, and we experience it through the changing of the bread and wine to His Body and Blood.

Prayer after Communion – This prayer allows the priest to pray on our behalf that the Mass will not let us go unchanged, that the gift of the Eucharist will take effect in our lives. It is a beautiful reminder of what we have received at Mass and what we are called to do in serving others and bringing the Good News of Christ to all.

Have a blessed, healthy, and safe week ahead! ~~~~~ Michele Hall

PARISH OUTREACH

<u>Monetary Donations in Support of the</u> <u>Outreach Thanksgiving Project</u>

Cash, Check or Supermarket Gift Cards are greatly appreciated to help defray the expenses of our Thanksgiving Basket P rogram. You can mark your envelope **"Thanksgiving"** and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the Outreach office. We thank you for your continuing support of our Outreach ministry.

Thank you to everyone who signed up to create a Thanksgiving basket for one of our Outreach families. Once again, our volunteers outnumbered our need. Thank you!! We hope you will give us a chance next year to assign you a basket.

If you were assigned a basket for our Thanksgiving Basket Project, please pick up your supermarket gift cards after all Masses this weekend. Please look for the Outreach table in the atrium where you can pick up your shopping list and your gift cards.

<u>REMINDER:</u> Completed baskets are due Sunday, November 20th, from 3 PM - 5 PM. Our families will be picking up baskets on Monday in the morning and throughout the day. Please make every effort to have your basket here on the 20th. Thank you!



PARISH OUTREACH

Christmas Angels Coming Soon!

Next weekend, November 12th and 13th, will be the first weekend of our Parish Outreach Christmas Project.

We are once again requesting **gift cards** to local stores (i.e., Kohl's, Target, Walmart) to enable our families to purchase for themselves and their children the items they need.

As you may know, we have also helped the following agencies for the last several years and will continue to do so this Christmas:

Olsen's Rest Home is a neighborhood facility for frail elderly on Gibbs Pond Rd. Residents of the home have always been considered members of our parish community. Holy Cross ministers to our friends at Olsen's in a variety of ways during the year.

Mercy Haven is a provider of housing and other services for persons who are elderly, those living with mental illness, those families who are on limited income and those with special needs. Merry hristmas

Pronto is a human service agency located in Brentwood helping people in need with food, clothing and other basic necessities. They assist approximately 500 families for the holidays each year.

Talbot House Chemical Dependency Crisis Center is a 24-hour voluntary chemical dependence crisis center licensed by the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to provide short-term medically monitored inpatient withdrawal services to adult men and women who are in crisis. This facility provides nourishing meals, counseling, limited transportation, support groups, and referrals.

SEE NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN FOR MORE DETAILS ON WAYS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OUTREACH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

Merry hristmas

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PARISH OUTREACH

Attention Seniors

Please join us on Thursday, November 10th, at 1:30 PM as we welcome Brian from the Suffolk County Office of the Aging. Brian will be presenting a detailed overview of the services provided for Seniors by Suffolk County. The services discussed are meant to enhance, enrich, and assist the life of Seniors. Please join us for this informative afternoon. Please RSVP by November 9th by calling Outreach at 631-265-2200.

Date & Time: November 10th at 1:30 PM Place: Parish of the Holy Cross Atrium

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our Religious Education Office sponsored a Trunk-or-Treat Halloween Party on Friday, October 28th. Thank you to all who helped and all who participated! Below are some pictures of the fun evening!











RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

























TAKE A CHANCE!

Fall Cash Fling

For many years the Cash Calendar was a part of the Holy Cross routine. This fundraiser provided some additional financial support to the parish. In addition, many parishioners enjoyed participating in it. Unfortunately, it was one of the many parts of parish life that was lost to COVID. At this time, it is unlikely that we have enough parishioners attending Mass on a weekly basis to support a monthly drawing, and so, we present the *"Fall Cash Fling."* This is a similar idea, however it is offered on a quarterly basis.

- \$10 per ticket
- Tickets are available for purchase through September, October and November.
- Drawing will be held December 1.

Because we anticipate smaller participation, there is a different pay scale:

* 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. (In the event the response is strong, we will resume a monthly drawing as soon as possible.)
- Tickets will not be sold after Mass. Please use the tear-off 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!

Fall Cash Fling

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