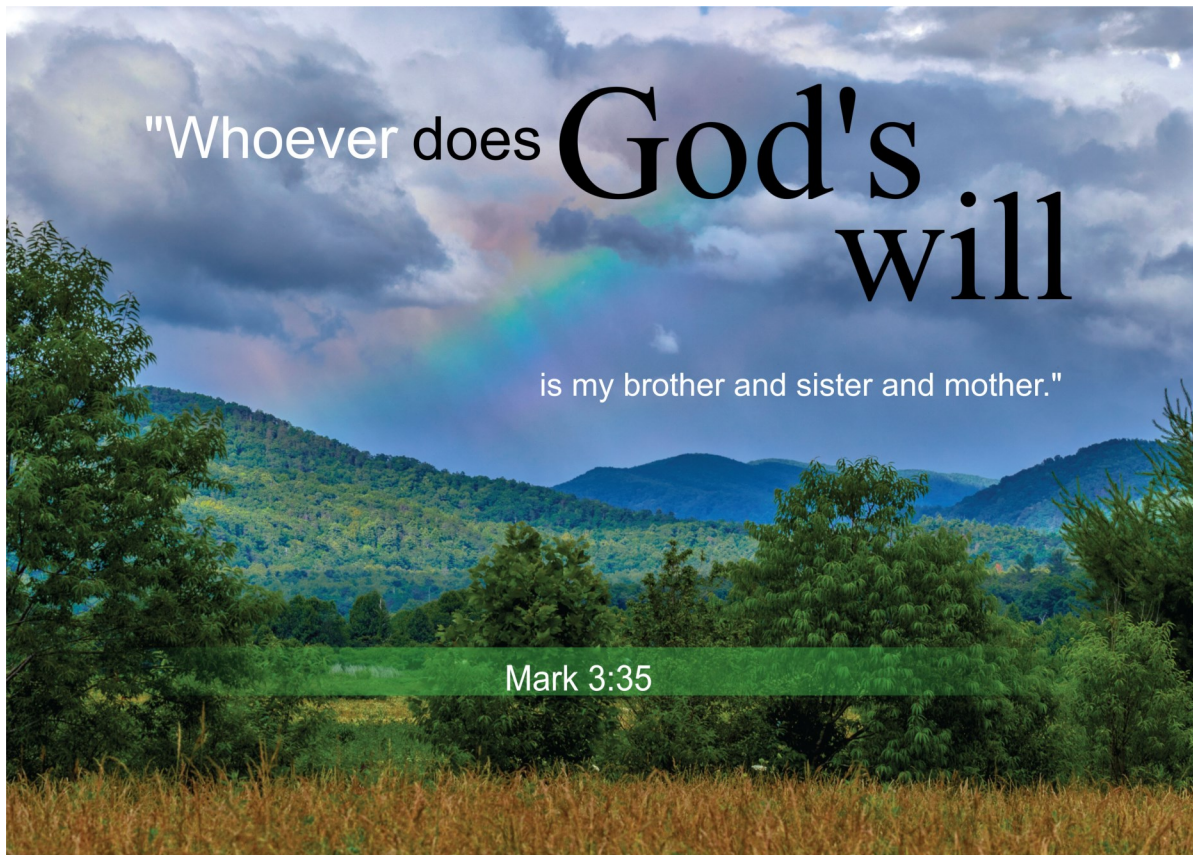


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10th Sunday of Ordinary Time - June 9, 2024

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

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Remembering Our Sick

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

Bob Alderdice
Alejandro Astegiano
Kathy Barry
Cole Brennan
Judy Carlson
Jason DeLuca
Ann Egan
Ralph Farino
Sienna Fricke
Debbie Jablinowski
Kristen Kennedy
Carol Leahy
Charlotte Lynch
Jeanne Marie Malley
Olivia Melia
Darin Pitkanen
Carina Ranieri
Liam Richards
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Grace Van Epps

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Yolanda Fattarusso
Linda Heinrichs
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Gerald Losquadro
Viola Malek
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Patricia Pitkanen
Rob Remhild
Sean Romeo
Casey Schultz
Dolores Serri
Celeste Sichenze
Bill Tanner
Peter Warns

Upcoming Mass Intentions

Week of Sunday, June 9th, 9AM Masses

Mon. John Mattera
Tue. Rosanna Ciavarella
Wed. Catherine & Martin Breuss (living)
Thu. Helen Dalamango



Saturday, June 15th, 5 PM Mass

All Father's Day Mass Remembrances

Sunday, June 16th, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM All Father's Day Mass Remembrances
9:30 AM All Father's Day Mass Remembrances
11:30 AM All Father's Day Mass Remembrances

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.

GEARING UP FOR SUMMER

by Father Michael

These weeks of June are my favorite weeks of the year. Some of our younger parishioners would likely agree with me. They know that the school year is coming to an end and vacation is on the horizon. I love the long hours of twilight. The warm weather is just delightful. I suppose it would get boring if it were like this year-round, but it is sure nice while it is here. Even the produce at the supermarket is cooperating. I had my first cherries of the season, and they were as sweet as could be. I don't know where the corn on the cob comes from at this time of year, but it has been pretty darn good. My grill is all tuned up and ready for a full season of outdoor cooking.

I am creating my "to do" list for the summer. Some of the things on the list are outdoor projects of trimming trees and tidying up overgrown corners of my yard. The other part of the list is to plan some ministerial projects for next year. I want to get back on track in offering the Men's Prayer Group on a regular basis. I'm also trying to plan a few fun adventures as well. I have a day trip or two into New York City on the drawing board with some of my friends. For me, having a plan is half the fun. It helps to keep me on track for both play and work. If I don't write things out, I lose track of everything I want to accomplish.

Tuesday was the 36th anniversary of my ordination. It ended up being a low-key, but joyful day. The day started with morning Mass as usual. I had a productive day in the office doing things a priest should do, which seems an appropriate way to honor the day. In the evening, I had dinner with one of my classmates. Thank you for all the good wishes. A day like this provides an opportunity to reflect upon the path of my life. I am very grateful for all the blessings I have received along the way.

Last weekend was a joyful and uplifting weekend. Our little Eucharistic processions after each Mass were successful. It was inspiring to see that most everyone participated in our holy journey. It is important that we make efforts not to take for granted the blessings of our lives. For most of us, the Eucharist is something that we routinely share in. That is a precious gift. But in the frequency of our reception, we may lose sight of the power of that gift. The very feast day and the efforts to emphasize the Eucharist with a procession remind us that this is something powerful and unique. I'm sure every person has a story of when the Eucharist proved to be a true source of life and strength. Continue to celebrate this holy gift and allow it to be a feast for the heart and soul.

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** will be offered this weekend after the 9:30 Mass.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Weekly Calendar

Saturday, June 8th	1 - 2 PM
• CONNETQUOT CONCERT	Worship Area
Sunday, June 9th	After 9:30 Mass
• ANOINTING OF THE SICK	Worship Area
• BAPTISMS	1PM Worship Area
Tuesday, June 11th	10 AM
• IN STITCHES	Fr. Joe Room
• VBS SAFETY MEETING	6PM Fr. Joe Room
Wednesday, June 12th	11:30AM-2:30PM
• SENIORS	Atrium
• CATCHING FIRE	7PM Chapel, Atrium
Thursday, June 13th	10 AM
• WOMEN'S BIBLE CIRCLE	Fr. Joe Room
• CATCHING FIRE	1:30PM Chapel, Atrium
Saturday, June 15th	6 - 8 PM
• YOUTH GROUP BBQ	Parish House
Sunday, June 16th	11:30 Mass
• CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Fr. Joe Room

Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses, June 15th/16th



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

Scripture Readings for June 16, 2024



- + Ezekiel 17:22-24
- + 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
- + Mark 4:26-34

Banns of Marriage



Alicia DiGiuseppe & Victor Deumacan
Brooke Mraz & John Bacchi

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

Father's Day Mass Remembrances

Father's Day Mass Remembrance envelopes may be placed in the collection basket at this time. Names of loved ones will appear in the bulletin on *Father's Day* weekend.

Congratulations to the following Spring Cash Fling winners!

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Name</u>
\$25	Constance Lipnicki
\$25	Constance Lipnicki
\$25	Denise Greening
\$25	Madison Carlino
\$25	MaryEllen McCutchen
\$25	Dave & Jean Ryder
\$25	Wendy Ringhiser
\$25	Patricia Mulderig
\$25	Wendy Ringhiser
\$25	Larry Marino
\$25	Arlene Lechner
\$25	Larry Marino
\$25	Joseph Lescinski
\$25	Constance Lipnicki
\$25	JoEllen Wadsworth
\$50	Fr. Frank Eisele
\$50	Anthony Cassone
\$50	Carol Cook
\$50	Evelyn Dastis
\$50	Constance Lipnicki
\$50	Joel Valerio
\$50	Paul Wangenstein
\$50	Jack, Addie & Charlie Pitman
\$50	Mary Estock
\$50	Paul Wangenstein
\$100	Carol Cook
\$100	Mary Estock
\$250	Phyllis Sangimino

LITURGY BYTES

It's Ordinary Time Again!

As we celebrated the feast of Pentecost and completed the great 50 days, the Church throws in two solemnities back-to-back: Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi, before we officially pick up with the Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.



When we think of the word “ordinary,” our minds go to words like typical, routine or even mundane. Why does the Church dedicate an entire season to this? You see, the word “ordinary” in Ordinary Time does not refer to a season of dull routine, but rather it refers to the sequence of time. For example, it is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time or the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, etc. Simply put, it refers to the order of Sundays in the Church year that do not fall into the major liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter.

Ordinary Time is divided into two parts. The Roman Missal instructs that Ordinary Time begins on the Monday following the Sunday after January 6 and continues until the beginning of Lent. The second part of Ordinary Time begins on the Monday after Pentecost and ends on the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent. Even though Ordinary Time has two parts, it is still considered one single season.

The entire liturgical year is about growing in relationship with Jesus. The richness of Ordinary Time is found in the opportunity to know Christ more intimately in the everyday realities of life. The Scripture proclaimed in Ordinary Time reveals the teaching, healing and mission of Christ, allowing us to better understand God who became human. We learn that Christ is about humility rather than pride, and vulnerability rather than power. We learn that Christ is about including the excluded, eating with social and religious outcasts, and dismantling structures of sin and injustice. We learn that Christ is about self-giving love that is only possible through authentic relationship. This season is anything but monotonous. These days we are called to grow and be, as best as we can, a living reality of what Christ invited us to embrace. HAPPY ORDINARY TIME~~~enjoy the green until late November!

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

Help Wanted: Helping Hands

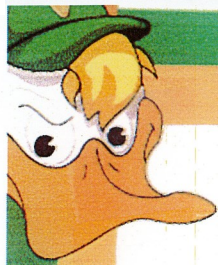
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Light gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality: bake, serve for special events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds keeping | <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry, light repairs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring, fall clean-up | <input type="checkbox"/> A pick-up or a van |

*Could you be available in any of these areas on an occasional basis?
Please check your area of interest and return this slip to the Parish Office.*

Name: _____ Phone: _____

RSVP DATE EXTENDED!

We need a minimum of 50 people to offer this fun, social day for Holy Cross parishioners!



*Parish of the Holy Cross
Annual Day with the LI Ducks
SUNDAY, JULY 21ST, 2024*

All you can eat Picnic begins at 3:35 PM

Game begins at 5:05 PM

Adults - \$45. & Children - \$40.

FREE PARKING

**RESERVE NOW: Complete and return to the Parish
Office the form. DEADLINE IS: JUNE 9, 2024.**

Join with your family and the Parish family for some fun,
good food and BASEBALL!!

Gates open by the Picnic area at 3:35 PM for the picnic
until the game begins at 5:05.

Sundays are family fun days at the Fairfield Properties
Ballpark. Kids can have a catch on the field before the
game and run the bases after the game.

DUCKS GAME TICKET REQUEST FORM (please print
clearly)

Kindly return to the Parish Office: Attn.: *Michele Hall*



Name _____ Phone# _____

Email: _____

of Tickets: Adult _____ Children _____ Total Ordered: _____

Amount Paid: \$ _____ (circle one) Check or Cash

(Questions? – call Michele Hall, ext. 120)

PARISH OUTREACH

Stroke Awareness

Please join us at Holy Cross on Monday, **June 17th, at 2PM** for a lecture on Stroke Awareness presented by Stony Brook University Hospital, Department of Neurology.

Would you recognize the warning signs? Stroke, which can affect people of all ages and backgrounds, is the third leading cause of death for both men and women in the United States. Outcomes are greatly improved today, thanks to better treatments and awareness of the signs. Gain a better understanding of stroke signs, symptoms, and risk factors by attending.

Please call Outreach at **631-265-2200** by Wednesday, June 12th, to reserve your seat. Thank you!

Dress a Girl Around the World

Come and check out our next **“Cut-Up”** session on **Tuesday, June 18th, from 1PM to 3PM!** At our gathering we cut out the pockets, bindings, and the body of the dress for our ***Dress a Girl*** dress kits. Kits are then created and are ready to be sewn. ***Dress a Girl*** leaders are there to offer guidance or answer any questions you may have.

What happens to the kits? Kits are available in the Outreach Office to all who would like to participate in becoming a **“Sew-Up”** or someone who sews the dresses in the comfort of your home. There is no limit to how many dresses you can sew, we just ask that you craft each dress **with love and skill**. Please call Outreach if you are interested, have any questions, or to let us know you will be joining us! Thank you!



Outreach Volunteer Renewal Gathering

If you signed up to be a volunteer for Outreach during our Renewal, we invite you to please join us on **Thursday, June 20th, at 7PM** in the Father Joe Room. At this meeting we will discuss the many volunteer opportunities Outreach offers to serve and how we welcome all with dignity and love. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the Outreach Office by June 19th by calling **631-265-2200 x113**.

Blessing Bags



With the lazy, hazy days of summer right around the corner, vacation cannot be too far away. Outreach is looking for travel-size soap, shampoo, conditioner, and hand lotion to create ***Blessing Bags*** for the homeless. Please keep us in mind as you set off on your vacation. All items can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Thank you in advance for your help, and have a great vacation!

PARISH NEWS

On the Feast of Corpus Christi last week, at the end of each Mass there was a Eucharistic procession through the Children's Garden and outdoor Stations of the Cross with a final blessing in the courtyard. Here are some pictures of our celebration. And, the Youth Group supplied us with refreshing Italian ices after the 11:30 Mass!



**BRING YOUR FRIENDS!
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YOUTH GROUP BBQ & KICKBALL

**SATURDAY 6-8PM
JUNE 15TH
AFTER MASS**



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PLEASE RSVP BY JUNE 12TH
youthgroup@holycrossrc.org

*We are in need of
adult volunteers to
continue running
successful youth
group nights.*

Please consider helping.



“Every family needs a father -- a father who shares in his family's joy and pain, hands down wisdom to his children and offers them firm guidance and love,”
 - Pope Francis

Every day, people in our community are helped because of support from funds raised through the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Today, consider a dad like Paul. Paul saw information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal at his local parish, and he knew he had to turn to the Church for help since he had nowhere else to go. Paul had been gainfully employed for more than 10 years when he began to fall ill. Soon his medical issues made it impossible for him to keep working and he was forced to go out on disability.

After paying the co-pays on his medications, his family's rent and utilities bills, Paul had very little left to purchase food and other necessities for his family.

It was hard for him to ask for help, but with nowhere else to turn, he did. Catholic Charities found him a specialist who assessed the family's needs and directed them to appropriate resources in their community. He went to his Parish Outreach, where his family received food that allowed them to make it through the month. Paul and his family received the help they so desperately needed.

Today, Paul is back at work and the family is doing well. *"I am so thankful that I know there is somewhere I can turn, where there are people that care, people I can talk to, if I am ever in such a situation again,"* shared Paul.

Please consider donating to the Appeal and making a difference in the lives of others.

Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal			
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Name	_____	Down payment:	\$ _____
Address	_____		
City, State, Zip:	_____		
Phone:	_____	Signature:	_____
		Date:	_____
To make a donation, you can also visit https://www.drvc.org/CMA/ or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.			
THANK YOU!			

There are brochures on the bulletin table in the atrium!
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TAKE A CHANCE!

Summer Cash Sizzle

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 June, July and August.
- Drawing will be held **August 29**.

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 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!

Summer Cash Sizzle

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