

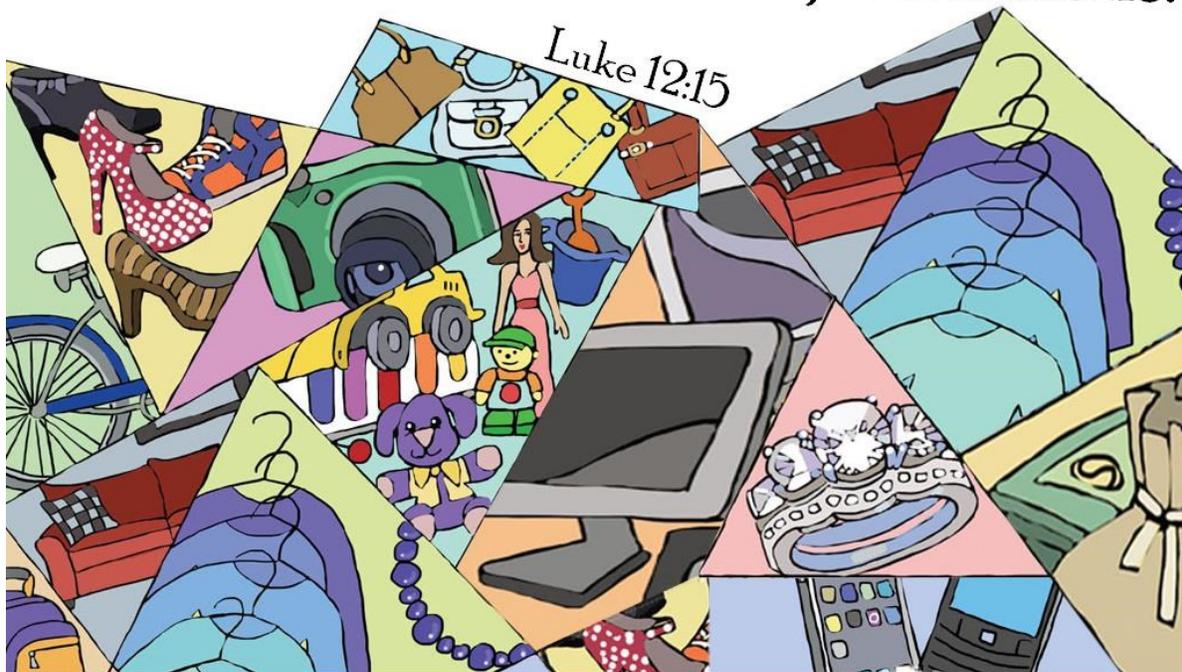
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## LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!

**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.*

... one's life does not consist  
in the abundance of possessions.



## Come and pray with us!

### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 31, 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!

631.265.2200 + Fax: 631.265.2229 + Email: parish@holycrossrc.org  
Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 4 PM (closed 12:15 - 1 PM)

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Pastor, ext.115

Deacon Joseph Maffeo  
Pastoral Minister, ext.124

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Pastoral Associate, ext.116

Mrs. Michele Hall  
Pastoral Associate, ext.120

Mrs. Tricia Clarke, ext.112  
Director of Religious Ed.

Mrs. Kelley Mowat, ext.113  
Coordinator of Parish Outreach

Mr. Brian Reich  
Director of Music Ministry

Ms. Alexandra Roecklein  
Youth Minister

## PASTORAL STAFF

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Weekend Sacristan

## Remembering Our Sick

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

Bob Alderdice  
Theresa Arzillo  
Kathy Barry  
Dan Bryan  
Manuela Diaz  
Jim Emerson  
Sienna Fricke  
Debbie Jablinowski  
Maureen Jost  
Robert Lamb  
Gerald Losquadro  
Viola Malek  
Olivia Melia  
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Dora Libretti  
Charlotte Lynch  
Joseph McManus  
Freddie Meyers  
Connie Polik  
David Reichbach  
Elaine Ruane  
Barbara Sherry  
Kyle Sweeney  
Danny Youngworth

## Mass Intentions Schedule

### Week of July 31st, 2022, 9AM Mass

**Mon.** Adele Fasano  
**Tue.** Gabrielle Curiano (living)  
**Wed.** Edward Nolan  
**Thu.** John Wagner

### Saturday, August 6th, 5 PM Mass

Thomas Brophy, Carmela & Michael Terranova,  
Clara Lorentz, Joseph Materese, Joseph Brindisi

### Sunday, August 7th, 19th Sun. in Ordinary Time

**8:00 AM** People of the Parish  
**9:30 AM** Pedro & Guillerma Banaguas  
**11:30 AM** Vincenzo Baratta, Nick Lombardo,  
Adrian Rapczynski, Giacomo Federico,  
Sister Mary Weber

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick  
will be offered Sunday, August 7,  
after the 9:30 Mass.



# TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME

*by Father Michael*

Last Sunday we had our first Holy Cross Day at Long Island Ducks Stadium. In spite of overwhelming summer temperatures, it was a great day. One hundred parishioners gathered in the picnic area and enjoyed a catered BBQ, burgers and doggies galore. Then it was time to move into the grandstand to enjoy the game. A Ducks' game is a fun experience, but it does move along at a leisurely pace. We did our best to cheer on our home team, but unfortunately the Maryland Blue Crabs won the game 19-16. It was a great way to gather with parishioners and enjoy a beautiful summer day. I look forward to being able to offer this opportunity again next year.

Part of what we do as a parish community is deeply rooted in Catholic tradition, most specifically celebrating the Sacraments, liturgical life of the Church and passing along the faith in our Religious Education programs. There is life, identity and energy that come from these gifts from the Lord and are experienced as a universal Church. In addition, there is another vital component of parish life that we call community. It's not just about our individual relationship with God, but rather how we share life together and recognize those around us as companions on the journey. The more ways in which we can foster these moments the more likely we are to understand when Jesus refers to the kingdom of God as being here and now. Moments like a ballgame, or a picnic on the lawn of my house, or a spirited week of Vacation Bible School, or a cooking demonstration in our atrium all add to the rich fabric of who we are as believing people. God's grace can never be limited to our Mass schedule or contained entirely within the walls of our building. Thank you to the many people who help to build this community among us.

Last week Fr. Hyacinth spoke about the work of missionaries throughout the world. That is a vital and heroic part of the Church. But we can also be missionaries here which does not involve international travel. There are many people who for a variety of reasons do not have a strong relationship with the Church. You can be a missionary by speaking about the life and joy you find at Holy Cross. Your witness and testimony may inspire someone to seek out or return to the Church. Be open to those opportunities that may present themselves for you to offer a word of invitation or encouragement.

We are at the half-way point for the summer season. I hope you were able to check off at least a few items on your to-do list. If not, there is still plenty of time to get a few things done. I'm doing my best to keep up with my yard work around the house, but there is always at least one more thing to do.

SUMMER LITURGY TEAM MEETING ---  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>,  
AT 7 PM IN THE FR. JOE ROOM



# PARISH NEWS

## Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday, July 31st</b>	<b>1 PM</b>
• BAPTISMS	Worship Area
• COOKING OUT OF THE PANTRY 3PM	Atrium
<b>Tuesday, August 2nd</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
• IN STITCHES	Fr. Joe Room
<b>Saturday, August 6th</b>	<b>3:45-4:45 PM</b>
• HOLY HOUR	Worship Area
<b>Sunday, August 7th</b>	<b>After 9:30 Mass</b>
• ANOINTING OF THE SICK	Worship Area

## Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses, August 6th/7th



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

## Scripture Readings for August 7, 2022



- + *Wisdom 18:6-9*
- + *Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12*
- + *Luke 12:32-48*

## Holy Hour for Sanctity of all Human Life

We offer our Holy Hour on the first Saturday of the month from 3:45 to 4:45PM in the Worship Area. The next one will take place on **Saturday, August 6th**. Please come and spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament praying for God's gift of life to be recognized by all.



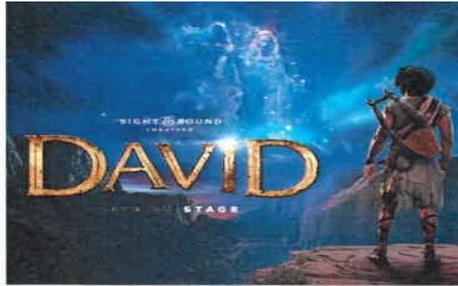
## Our Consolation Ministry Needs Your Help!

*Blessed are those who mourn.*

The Ministry of Consolation assists parish families at a time of loss. Planning a meaningful and appropriate funeral for a grieving family can be a daunting task. The Consolation Minister guides a family through the steps of planning the readings and music for the funeral Mass. The minister is also present at the funeral to assist with some of the logistics.

The Ministry of Consolation is in need of additional ministers to assist with this work. If you feel you have the gift to work with families at this difficult time, please call the Parish Office — we would like to speak to you about this important work.

# HOLY CROSS TRAVEL CLUB



## Lancaster & Longwood Gardens

2 Days ~ 1 Night  
November 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### Our trip includes:

- 1 Night Lodging at the Lancaster Inn
  - Including Breakfast
- Dinner @ Hershey Farm Restaurant
- “DAVID” at the Sight & Sound Theatre
- Kitchen Kettle Village
- Longwood Gardens
  - A Longwood Christmas
  - Including a lunch voucher
- Round trip transportation from Holy Cross

**\$259.00 per person ~ \$348.00 single occupancy**

\$25 deposit is due by Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Please make checks payable to “**White Star Tours**”

*Balance is due into the office by Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

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# PARISH OUTREACH

## School Supplies Program 2022

Once again, we will be collecting backpacks and gift cards for our Outreach families. The gift cards will enable our Outreach families to shop for supplies and sneakers for their children.

We hope you can support this effort by donating backpacks, gift cards to Walmart, Kohl's or Target, or by making a monetary donation to help us meet this need. Please **write the amount of the gift card** on the face of each card. Checks made out to **Holy Cross Outreach** can be put in a plain envelope and marked for **"School Supplies."** All donations may be dropped into our **schoolhouse** in the Atrium or placed in our weekly collection basket. Backpacks can be placed in the box marked **"Backpacks."**

**We will be collecting donations the weekends of July 30/31, August 6/7 and August 13/14.**

Thank you for the many ways you continue to reach out to those struggling to make ends meet in this very difficult time.



We encourage any members of the community who are in need of help with school supplies to call Parish Outreach at 631-265-2200 ext. 113.



# PARISH OUTREACH



WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.  
**GIVE BLOOD.**  
**SAVE LIVES.**

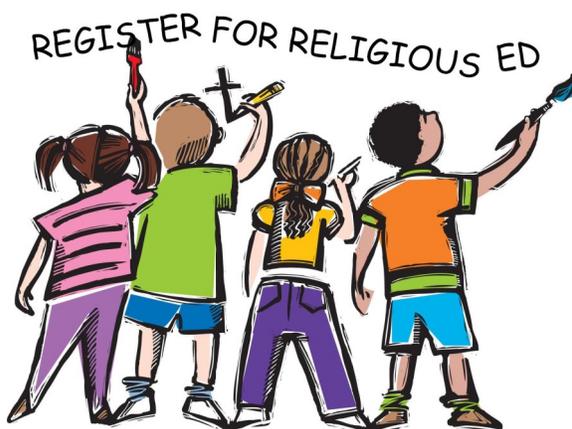
Our **Holy Cross Blood Drive** will take place on Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, from 2:30 PM to 8:30 PM. You need 56 days between blood donations, so the last date to donate at another drive or location and be eligible to donate at our Blood Drive was July 26th.

**We are still looking for volunteers for our sign-up table at the 5 PM, 8 AM and 9:30 AM Masses on the weekend of September 17/18.** If you are able to volunteer some time, please call the Outreach Office at 631-265-2200 ext. 113. Thank you!

## Food Pantry Update

Due to your overwhelming generosity, the pantry is not in need of any specific items at this time. We are requesting \$10 or \$20 supermarket cards to assist the families we serve. Often, we are asked for a gift card to purchase bread, milk, and meat. These cards are a big help to our families. Thank you in advance for your generosity and constant support in helping all those we serve.

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Registration for the **2022/2023 Religious Education** program opened on **June 1st**.

Check your emails in order to access our online form, or go to [www.holycrossrc.org](http://www.holycrossrc.org) to access our printable form.

Sign up early and secure your spot!

**Catechists:** people who keep the memory of God alive. They keep it alive in themselves and are able to revive it in others.

**Have YOU been called?**

Religious Education is looking for Catechists for Levels 2 through 7. Please contact us if you are interested in helping the children of the Parish!

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022

We had a “Monumental” week at Vacation Bible School!  
Thank you to all who volunteered to make this a successful week!



Many thanks to

- Our generous parishioners who donated items for our event
- Little Vincent's for the pizzas donated for our volunteer lunch
- Island T-Shirts for making the shirts for our staff and helpers
- Those campers who brought in coins throughout the week (With this generous donation, along with the donations from our “Kevin Bacon,” Holy Cross Outreach will be able to purchase a Water Buffalo and a Pig through Heifer International. Total donation was \$650!)
- Our campers who donated paper goods and toiletries which helped stock the shelves of our Parish Outreach Pantry
- Our VBS craft station who created goodie bags for our “Back to School” Outreach program

*Thank you one and all!*



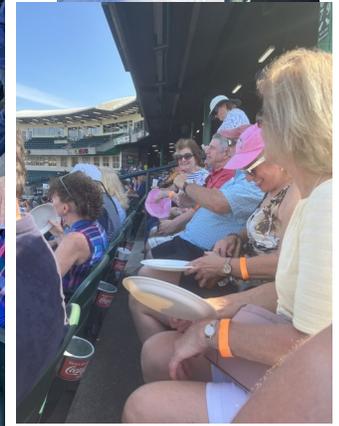
# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022



# HOLY CROSS DAY AT DUCKS STADIUM!



We had a fun day last Sunday at Long Island Ducks Stadium. It was a beautiful summer day for a BBQ and ballgame! Here are some pictures from the day.



# TAKE A CHANCE!

## Summer Cash Sizzle

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 “*Summer Cash Sizzle*.” This is a similar idea, however it is offered on a quarterly basis.

- \$10 per ticket
- Tickets are available for purchase through June, July and August.
- Drawing will be held August 31st.

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!***

### Summer Cash Sizzle

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