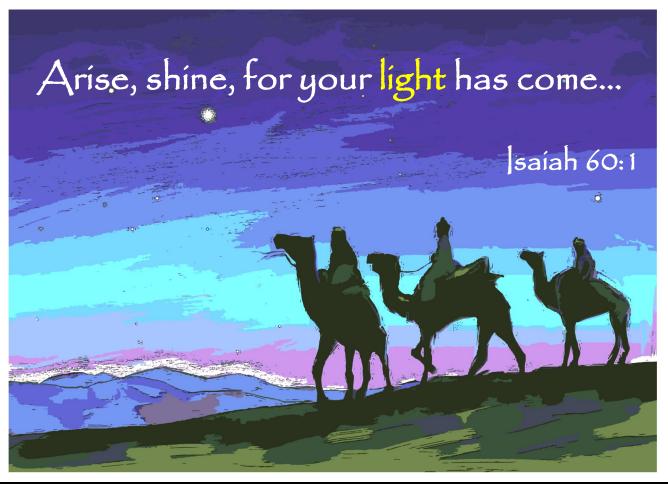
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LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!



Come and pray with us!

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 6, 2019

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.

WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 A.M. (Chapel) Saturday: 5:00 P.M. Sunday: 8:00 A.M. + 9:30 A.M. + 11:30 A.M.

WE CELEBRATE RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3:45 P.M.—4:30 P.M. or call Father Michael for an appointment.

WE CELEBRATE BAPTISM

Baptisms are generally celebrated twice each month at 1 P.M. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

WE CELEBRATE WEDDINGS

Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date.

We are here for you!

631.265.2200 + Fax 631.265.2229 + pothc@optonline.net Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:15-1:00 PM)

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Michael F. Holzmann Pastor

Ms. Kathleen Reid **Director of Religious Education**

Mrs. Mary Anne Mc Culloch Coordinator of Parish Outreach

Mrs. Judith Pickel Pastoral Associate

Deacon Ralph Rivera Pastoral Minister

Mrs. Tricia Clarke **Business Manager**

Mr. Brian Reich Director of Music Ministry

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Mrs. Mary Inghilterra Weekend Sacristan

Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses

January 12th/13th

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

Remembering Our Sick

Almighty and Eternal God, *You are the everlasting health of those* who believe in You...

Please pray for the sick of our parish, their families and caregivers:

Charles Armstrong Maria Conte Maryann League

Paul Malley

If you would like to have the name of your loved one listed for 4 weeks in our prayers for the sick, please contact the Parish Office at 631-265-2200.

Mass Intentions Schedule

Week of January 6th, 9AM Mass

Henri-Robert Lamarque Mon. Tue. Antonio Campanella Wed. Martin J. Connolly Thu. Brian O'Hanlon

Saturday, January 12th, 5 PM Mass

Aubrey Rose Keena, John P. Sibley Jr., Diane Jones, Charles J. Weinhofer Jr.

Sunday, January 13th, The Baptism of the Lord

- 8:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. O. DeSanto
- 9:30 AM Linda Marino, Nicholas Makowicz, Carmen Sanchez, Andréa Marie Vizzini **11:30 AM** People of the Parish
 - Scripture Readings for January 13, 2019
 - + Isaiah 40:1-5. 9-11
 - + Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
 - + Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

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Welcome, 2019

by Father Michael

I am happy to report that I welcomed in the New Year by drifting off to sleep before the midnight hour listening to the patter of rain on the roof. Even in my "young and wild days" (of which there were very few), I never got excited about celebrating the New Year. There is a part of me that wishes I had experienced being in Times Square just once for the occasion, but at this point I am pretty certain that ship has sailed.

Well, the Christmas and New Year's marathon has come to an end. I don't know about you, but while I enjoy all the festivities and celebrations, I am not sorry to see when they come to an end. You know things are getting crazy when you cannot remember what day of the week it is. After a while, I also find myself overwhelmed with abundant and lavish meals. I was so happy when I was able to make myself sausage and peppers this week; it was about all I could handle.

Thank you to all who assisted with our Christmas celebrations. It takes many helping hands to accommodate all those who come to our many Christmas Masses. As always, our church looks beautiful with wreaths and poinsettias decorating our Worship Area. We once again have our beautiful creche displayed in the atrium. The platform it rests on looks like a simple enough structure. In fact, it is quite complicated to figure out how the many pieces fit together. This year it was an extended effort to make it work, but it was accomplished successfully.

One part of our Christmas celebration which could use greater attention is with our ushers or ministers of hospitality. While we always have enough people to assist with the collection, there is a need at some of the Masses for directing the many people who attend. I was particularly aware of some handicapped visitors who had to search out seats on their own. We are a parish that has always had the reputation of creating a spirit of welcome. On these busier days, there may be a need for us to be particularly attentive to those who may need additional assistance. Perhaps we can put that on our next Christmas list.

I am delighted with the new kitchen at the parish house. Although, once that project was started I also began taking down wall paper and painting the adjacent dining and living rooms. I never realized how much work is involved in painting a few walls and doors. The novelty of painting is wearing thin. But, I hope to finish the bulk of the work by this weekend.

May you be filled with hope and optimism for the New Year. In addition to whatever personal prayers and goals you may have, continue to pray for our Church, our Nation, and all the corners of the world where God's wisdom, grace, and love are so desperately needed. Happy New Year!

PARISH NEWS

Pray for Our Military

Cpl. Richard J. DeKanchuk, USMC SA Anthony J. DeNicola FC2 Lane Dyar Sgt. Daniel Frost MIDN Jonathan A. Goohs Jr., USNA WO Christopher Kaminsky Cpl. Michael Knipper, USMC SSGT Ryan Mauldin Lt. Ryan Montvydas IT2 Jason Mulderig LCpl. 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 2019. Please let us know at any time during 2019 if their service is finished, their title has changed, or you would like continued prayers through 2020.

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



We pray for the following parishioners whose funerals were celebrated at Holy Cross in December:

James M. McCabe Janís Chíeca Sean Harney Maríe Vísco Stephen Reílly

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

Holy Cross Welcomes these Children Baptized in December

Charlotte Rose Frisenda Harrison Cole Frisenda Blake Michael Gilberti Lilliana Grace Nordmann





Bakers Needed!

Bakers are needed to make baked goods for the **Baptism of the Lord** celebration which will take place at the Sunday, **11:30 Mass on January 13th**. This Mass honors those children who have been baptized in 2018. If interested, please contact Nick and Diane Lombardo at **631-698-5930**.

Anointing of the Sick

You are strongly encouraged to receive this Sacrament if you are having upcoming surgery, are dealing with a chronic or debilitating illness, are suffering from addiction, mental health issues or frailty.

On the first Sunday of each month, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is offered after the 9:30 AM Mass. The Sacrament will be offered this **Sunday**, **January 6th.**

YOUTH MINISTRY

_ Hello Everyone!

Are you in high school? Do you want to make new friends as you play fun games? Do you want to build more of an understanding about yourself and your



faith? If you answered "Yes!" to any one of those questions, then you MUST check out the Holy Cross Youth Group! You will be glad you did!

, If you made your Confirmation, then come with a friend and check out the wonderful opportunities the Youth Group has for you! We would love to see you! The Holy Cross Youth Group is the perfect opportunity for you to continue to grow in your faith and build relationships with others in the parish.

- Sunday, 1/6 The Youth Group is kicking off the New Year with a fun-filled Youth Night from 6 to 8PM in the atrium. All are welcome! Bring a friend!
- Saturday, 1/12 The Youth Group will attend the 5PM Youth Mass with the Core Band. Then we will gather for a fun Youth Night from 6 to 8PM!

So, if you are thinking about coming to the church to see what we are all about, do it! You will not regret it. Come on down with a friend or family member, and join us as we continue to grow in the endless love of Christ.

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you are thinking about joining us and you would like more information, then please do not hesitate to contact us at <u>hcyouthgroup15@gmail.com</u> or call the parish office.

Christmas Flowers in Honor/Memory of...

We remember and pray for all our loved ones those living and those who have gone before us.

GRAUS FAMILY LAMPACH FAMILY ROCCO CAROFANO THERESA CAROFANO VITO MINERVA **ANTONIA MINERVA** FRANK & HEDWIG AKALSKI **STANLEY & ELEANOR OSINA** FRED & KAY KERNER **ROSE & TOM PETITO** LENA & DOM FANUELE **DELIO FAMILY CAMPANELLO FAMILY** JOHN METZNER JOAN METZNER MARGARET WALKER FREDERICK WALKER GASPAR & MARY LOMBARDO HAROLD YAGER **KATHY RIVERS** SUSAN MANUEL **DOROTHY RIVERS** MARTHA VETTER MR. & MRS. O. DESANTO **DESANTO FAMILY TONY NIZZA** MR. & MRS. G. GARGIULO **GARGIULO FAMILY CANDICE CLIFFORD** ANNE & EDMUND MERLO **JOSEPHINE, FLORENCE &** ALBERT SASSANO SARAH & JOSEPH LAMARTINA THOMAS & FRIEDA DUNN FRANK PIDALA **JAMES & LUCY BERGEN** ANGELA & LAUS TAYLOR JOHN GIBBONS JAMES ZANFINI MADELINE ZANFINI EMMA FELDMAN NATALIE MACARI

JOANN GALGANO **O'HARA FAMILY** JONES FAMILY SAM CHASINOV **VIRGINIA CHASINOV** JOE LESCINSKI LUCY LESCINSKI LORRAINE CANICOTTI **PRUDENCE DEL GAUDIO** FOLEY FAMILY MULLIGAN FAMILY JEANETTE PAIGE JUDSON PAIGE **ROSE MUSCARNERE** PHILIP MUSCARNERE AGNES BRACKETT SHEA FAMILY TIM O'KEEFE **MALONEY FAMILY/FRIENDS RAAB FAMILY/FRIENDS** LORETTA LOMBARDO VINCENT LOMBARDO **DORATHY SWENSON** HENRY SWENSON MARIO MASCARI **MASCARI FAMILY** ANTHONY LATORRE STEFANO DIBENEDETTO **DIBENEDETTO FAMILY JACK HARRIS** PHYLLIS KENEALY JOHN KENEALY LUCY V. MAROTTA LUCY M. GUIFFRE CALOGERA MAROTTA LUCY MAROTTA JACK MARY FALTIN ANN DEMASI BEATRIZ CARI LOVAS FAMILY SCHWINN FAMILY

ERIC HANLEY NANCY MARGARET MULLEN CATHERINE HEIDT SHAWN CORRIGAN NANI & POP POP COONEY MSGR. JAMES COONEY MRS. BUNNY ARGUELLES M/M WALTER V. KUCZWAJ LORRAINE BRODERICK-HARRINGTON **RICHARD HARRINGTON LEONARD & CHRISTINA SESSA** MARILYN KRATOCHVIL ANN FEE LOPEZ BALLESTEROS **DONLON FAMILY NETTIE TOMASELLO ANTHONY GULOTTA** JR. CARRUBBA JOHN CATHERALL MARY DOOLEY TIMOTHY & NORA DALY SR. JANE DALY JOHN J. DALY MARGARET MAHER PATRICIA SCHUSSLER TIMOTHY DALY JR. HENRY KNIPPER MICHAEL KNIPPER JAMES A. PERRY **FELIPE NAVARRO MAURICIO NAVARRO** AGUEDA ALBA FAUSTO ALBA WILLIAM & MILDRED WILKINSON **ELEANORA, ANTHONY & JOSEPH** TROVATO JAN KOJS ADAM MIECZKOWSKI HENRYKA MIECZKOWSKI WLADYSLAW DRABIK

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!

Help Write Our Prayer

We are familiar with the part of the Mass when petitions are offered. Today it is referred to as the Universal Prayer, although through the years it has also been called the General Intercessions or The Prayer of the Faithful. The prayers that we currently use come about through a variety of ways. Sometimes we write our own. We also have several on-line resources and books that we use in creating the prayers for each week. Additionally, there is a parishioner who assists in writing them.



We are offering the opportunity for parishioners to suggest needs or intentions that could be prayed for at our weekend Masses. Identify issues within our world, nation, community or Church. This would not be the place to mention individual people or private prayers such as "for my cousin, Daisy." (Our Petition Book in the atrium is available for these special intentions.) Please suggest any prayers you would like to see included in our worship. Keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Be succinct; the prayer needs to be limited to one or two short sentences.
- Normally prayers begin with "For." For our nation, ...
- This is not the place for prayers of gratitude. In Thanksgiving for . . .
- Prayers should not include any particular agenda or personal opinion.

Depending on how many requests we receive, we will try to include at least one intention per week. It may be necessary to edit the prayer so that its format is consistent with the other prayers.

Please feel free to use the tear-off below to submit your prayer. These can be mailed back to us or placed in the offertory basket. You may also e-mail us your request to pothc@optonline.net.

My Suggestion for a Sunday Prayer Intentior	Мy
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Prayer Intention: "For_____

(If you wish you may include your name): _____

COMMUNITY NEWS

The following programs will take place January - April of 2019 at **St. Joseph Renewal Center at Montfort Spiritual Center, 26 S. Saxon Ave., Bay Shore, NY 11706**. Anyone interested in any of these programs please call the office at **631-647-8683**.

Living with Alzheimer's & Dementia - 1:00 to 2:30 pm Free will offering. Program is held 1st Wednesday of the month. Facilitators: Josephine Daspro, CSJ & James Morris

Men 2 Men Gathering – 8:00 to 9:30 am This program is offered the 2nd Saturday of every month. Offering \$20.00 incl. breakfast per person. Facilitators: Michael Dunne & participants from the gathering

Women 2 Women – 10:30 am to 12 Noon

This program "Knitting into the Mystery" is offered the 2nd Tuesday of every month. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, this is the experience for you. Offering \$15.00 per session per person. Facilitators: Beth Barker, Judy Coste, Joan Vessio

"MOMS"- Program for Women – Ministry to Moms Sharing – 7:30 to 9:30 pm Tuesdays - January 22, 29, February 5, 12, 26 and March 5, 12, 2019 Offering \$100.00 includes materials. Facilitator: Lyn Quinn

An Overnight for Married Couples – February 9 – 10, 2019, from Noon to Noon "Celebrating the Memories" Offering: \$150.00 per couple Presenters: Stacie & Greg Baltrusitis & Jeanne & George Theodoropoulos Host couple: Beth & Jim Barker

Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer – 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on March 6, 2019 Offering: \$50.00 includes lunch Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Lenten Prayer on Fridays – 10:30 am to 12:00 noon March 22 & 29, April 5 & 12, 2019 – "Passion Narrative according to St. Luke" Offering: \$15.00 per session/\$60.00 for the four sessions Presenter: Fr. William T. Slater

Lenten Overnight Retreat for Men & Women – March 30 – 31, 2019 – "The Invitation" Offering: \$100.00 Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Mid-Lenten Day of Prayer – 10:00 am to 3:00 pm – April 3, 2019 "The Pummeled Heart: Finding Peace through Pain" Offering: \$50.00 includes lunch Presenter: Josephine Daspro, CSJ

Parish of the Holy Cross Nesconset, New York September 1, 2018 thru November 30, 2018 Quarterly Financial Report- Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Dear Parishioners,

In a spirit of responsible stewardship and fiscal accountability, we are sharing our financial position for your information on a **quarterly basis**. Our new Fiscal Year began with the month of **September 2018**.

We are reporting on what you have provided through your **Stewardship of Treasure** and how we are using your gift. The format follows the categories of Diocesan accounts on which our year-end Financial Reports are based. This report is for the **first quarter of the year**.

We thank you for your support. If you have questions and/or suggestions, we would welcome them. May God continue to bless us all. *The Pastoral Team*

As of No	ovember 30, 2018:
Assets:	Liabilities:
Checking A/C: \$ 54,082.	MAC Loan: \$ -ZERO-
Unitas Funds: \$ 154,160.	A/C's Payable: \$ 9,448.
Money Market: \$ 126,924.	
R.AM.R.: \$ 46,515.	
-	otember 1, 2018 — November 30, 2018:
Revenue:	
	0/18 \$136,767. Average Weekly Collection in Quarter: \$11,400.
R.A.M.R. :	10,112.
Total Parish Programs:	75,347.
Total Fund Raising:	11,372. (Cash Calendar, Christmas Wreaths, CD sales)
Total Auxiliary Revenue:	18,861. (Cell Tower income, Baptisms, Weddings, etc.)
Total Second Collections on Behalf of Others:	5,671.
Total Interest Income:	5,857
Total Revenue:	\$ 252,273.
Expenditures:	
Total Salaries:	\$86,902.
Total Fringe Benefits:	27,211.
Quarterly Regional School Assessment:	20,596.
Quarterly Diocesan Assessment:	16,667.
Total Parish Programs:	29,485.
Total Fund Raising:	7,827.
Total Printing & Office:	8,085.
Total Auxiliary Expenses:	3,902.
Total Collections Paid on Behalf of Others:	4,961.
Total Building Utilities and Maintenance:	11,304.
Total Rectory :	3,027.
Total Capital Expenditures:	<u>16,029</u> .
Total Expenditures:	\$235,996.
Surplus – Sept. 1, 2018—Nov. 30, 2018:	\$ 16,277.

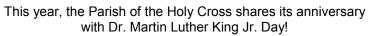
Highlights of Quarter:

- Collections are down this quarter compared to this time last year with a deficit of \$8,700, RAMR is also down due to the fact that we are no longer collecting for the Parking Lot Repair. Total Parish Programs are down from last year by \$14,500 which includes income from Religious Education and Outreach.
- Unitas Funds decreased due to a loss in interest income this Quarter with a deficit of \$5,857.
- Total Capital Expenditures of \$16,029 was due to the renovation of the Rectory House Kitchen which was in disrepair.
- Salary expense has decreased due to change in staff as staff members retired or left employment.
- Total printing and office has decreased this quarter by \$2,350, Auxiliary expenses have decreased by \$6,400 and Total Building and Maintenance expenses have decreased by \$6,600.
- Although there were decreases in some areas of income we were able to bring expenses down to realize a surplus of \$16,277
- We are pleased and happy to announce that we met our Catholic Ministries Appeal collections for 2018 and are now expecting a rebate of at least \$13,000! Thank you to all who contributed towards helping us reach our goal.

CASH CALENDAR



PARISH OF THE HOLY CROSS CASH CALENDAR ~ JANUARY 2019



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MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Saturday, January 5th		3:45 - 4:45 PM
• HOLY HOUR		Worship Area
Sunday, January 6th		10:30 AM
• ANOINTING OF THE SICK		Worship Area
• HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE		Conference Rm.
• LIT. MIN. GATHERING	1PM	Atrium
• YOUTH NIGHT	6-8PM	Atrium
Monday, January 7th		5 PM
• SPECIAL NEEDS CLASSES		FJ, Atr., WA
Wednesday, January 9th	4	:30-5:30 & 6-7PM
• LEVEL 2 CHURCH TOURS		All Areas
• BAPTISM PREP	7:30PM	Fr. Joe Room
Saturday, January 12th		10 AM
• WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT		Fr. Joe Room
• YOUTH MASS	5PM	Worship Area
• YOUTH NIGHT	6-8PM	Atrium
Sunday, January 13th		11:30 Mass
• BAPTISM CELEBRATION		Wor. Ar., Atr.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Give the gift of time and yourself to your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.



The next Weekends are February 8-10, 2019 in Huntington, NY and April 26-28, 2019 in Huntington, NY.

For more information, call John & Toni Torio at **877-697-9963** or visit them at <u>https://wwmenyli.org/</u>.

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x 12/17/2018	\$	50.00	Dolores Meadows	
12/18/2018	\$	50.00	Tom McCulloch	
12/19/2018	\$	50.00	Arlene Lechner	
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12/25/2018	\$	50.00	Evelyn Dastis	
12/26/2018	\$	50.00	Meghan Catania	
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