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LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!

The Pharisee and the Tax Collector



"...for all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Luke 18:14

Come and pray with us!

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 27, 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!

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Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:15-1:00 PM)

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Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses



November 2nd/3rd

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

Remembering Our Sick

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

Phil Graiose	Peggy Grieco
Doreen Hau	Jeanne Marie Malley
Santamaria family	Marlene Starr
Richard Zak	

Scripture Readings for November 3, 2019



+ *Wisdom 11:22-12:2*
+ *2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2*
+ *Luke 19:1-10*

Mass Intentions Schedule



Week of October 27th, 9AM Mass

Mon. Roger Dillon & Gerald Griffin
Tue. Nina Makowicz
Wed. Iris Diaz
Thu. Daniel, Rocco & Rosa Distefano, Jason Capizzi

Friday, November 1st, All Saints' Day

9 AM Phil Pulitano
7 PM Jean Hart

Saturday, November 2nd, Mass of Remembrance

9 AM All Souls' Mass Remembrances

Saturday, November 2nd, 5 PM Mass

Carol LoBianco, Margaret Maher, Regina Kirk,
Nicholas DeSantis, Philip Mantia

Sunday, Nov. 3rd, 31st Sun. in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Blanca Forero, Michael E. Forde,
Danielle Polycard, Virginia Barrios,
John Norton
9:30 AM Joan O'Hanlon
11:30 AM People of the Parish

Days to Remember

by Father Michael

This week the Church celebrates two feast days that invite us to remember. The first is All Saints' Day on Friday, November 1. The Church recalls all the holy men and women who have lived heroic lives and have been identified as saints within the Church. There is a powerful phrase that is used to describe these holy people: "a great cloud of witnesses." I think all of us have one or two saints whose life's story touches our own hearts and inspires us. We gather together to remember those who have brought to life the love of our Lord. Masses are at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM. We normally have a vigil Mass for a Holy Day, but experience has demonstrated that few people come out on Halloween. So, the only Masses are on the Holy Day itself.

All Saints is followed the next day by a celebration that I think hits even closer to home for most of us, All Souls' Day. This is a time when we hold in our hearts all our loved ones who have gone before us. In a particular way, we remember all those who have been buried through Holy Cross in the past year. It is always a peaceful and hopeful celebration. Please join us on Saturday, November 2, at 9:00 AM.

Please be aware that for the second time in less than a year a fraudulent e-mail has been sent out in my name. It is a simple request saying that I need a favor. If someone responds to the e-mail they will be told that I am stuck in a meeting which prevents me from picking up some gift cards which are needed for Outreach. They are asked to buy the cards and respond by giving the card numbers so that they can be processed for an Outreach client who is in need. The promise is made that I will reimburse the person the next day. Needless to say, this is a scam and should be completely avoided. Neither I nor the parish will ever solicit for funds via phone, text, or e-mail. It is unfortunate that there are those who will take advantage of the willingness of some people who want to be helpful.

As you know, our handicap parking is limited and not ideal for anyone with mobility issues. In addition to the four designated spaces closest to the courtyard, cars will often park in the circle as well. Realizing the limitations of our parking lot, I don't object to this. However, I would ask a few things. Please, do not block the path leading to the statue of Mary, and do not block in any car which is in one of the handicap spots. Also, vehicles that park there should be for folks who would otherwise be using a designated handicap spot. I would ask the "able-bodied" Mass goers to use one of the spots in the main parking lot. Please don't park in the circle as a matter of convenience. I have had parishioners suggest to me that I have the police ticket or tow cars that do not display handicap tags. While I would not consider that, I would ask that everyone embrace the spirit of the law and leave the closest parking spaces to those who need them the most. Your cooperation with this is most appreciated.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

We invite all of our parishioners who have lost a loved one during the past year or who are still grieving a loss in their life, to join us for a special Mass of prayer and remembrance. This year our Liturgy will be celebrated on the:



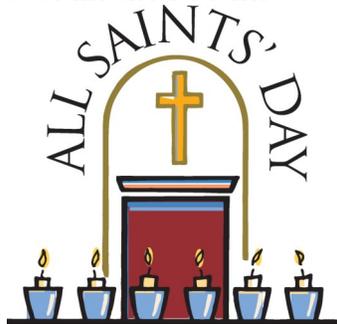
Feast of All Souls
Saturday, November 2nd
9:00AM in the Worship Center

We hope as many people as possible are able to join us for this special Mass, which celebrates your loved one's place in the **Communion of Saints**. Light refreshments will be served after the Mass.

PARISH NEWS

All Saints' Day

The Parish Office is closed on Friday, November 1st, for All Saints' Day, a Holy Day of obligation. Mass times on Friday are **9AM and 7PM**.



Praying the Rosary

Join us on October 27th as we pray the Rosary in the Chapel at 10:30AM!



Banns of Marriage First Time

Jacqueline Kwartta & Thomas Drapala

Special Collections

All Souls' Mass Remembrance envelopes may be placed in the collection basket. Loved ones will be prayed for at the Feast of All Souls on Saturday, November 2nd, at 9 AM in the Worship Area.

This weekend we will be collecting for the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Thank you for your support of these collections!

Holy Hour for Peace

We offer our Holy Hour on the first Saturday of the month from 3:45-4:45PM in the Worship Area. The next one will take place on Saturday, November 2nd. Come spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament praying for God's peace to touch our wounded world.



Anointing of the Sick

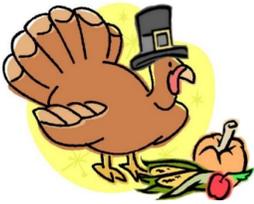
On the first Sunday of each month, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is offered after the 9:30 AM Mass. Sunday, November 3rd, is the next date the Anointing will be offered.

PARISH OUTREACH

Urgent Request from Pronto

As you know, our Parish assists Pronto in Brentwood at Christmas time with gifts of toys for their families in need. Due to cuts in funding, Pronto is struggling to provide turkeys for the over 500 families they will be helping at Thanksgiving.

If you can donate some turkeys to their program, and deliver directly to them, they would be most appreciative. Their address is:



Pronto Long Island Inc.
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631-231-8290

Outreach Food Pantry

Next Saturday and Sunday, **November 2nd/3rd**, will be our monthly Food Drive for our Parish Outreach Pantry. The following items would be most helpful:

- Soup
- Small Cans of Yams/
Sweet Potatoes
- Canned Spinach
- Canned Carrots

- Canned Peas & Carrots
- Canned Mixed Vegetables
- Turkey Gravy
- Canned Fruit
- Boxed Potatoes

- Boxed Stuffing
- Coffee/Tea
- Hot Chocolate
- Oatmeal/Hot Cereal
- Parmalat Milk
- Paper Towels

Please don't forget to check expiration dates! It will greatly assist the volunteers who stack the pantry with your donated goods. Thank you!



LITURGY

Liturgy Crew will meet Tuesday, October 29th, at 7 PM
in the Conference Room to delve into Advent and Christmas plans.



If you are interested in joining us, please
contact Michele Hahn at:
mhahnholycross11@gmail.com



CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU!

A heartfelt congratulations to all our 2019 Catechetical Service Award Winners! The awards were presented on October 22nd at 7:30pm by Bishop John Barres at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our programs!

Bishop John R. McGann Award (30 plus years) - Karyn Gillan

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award (20 years) - Barbara Hoos, Raymond Paolantonio,
Tina Paolantonio, Lisa Treglia

St. Pius X Award (10 years) - Ann Bishop, Heather Brid, Karen Cunningham,
Laura Minerva, Kelly Phaneuf



PRE-ORDER YOUR DECORATED WREATHS & LOG CENTERPIECES

This year the Fundraising Committee will be selling pre-decorated wreaths and "new this year" log centerpieces.

The outside diameter of the wreath will measure between 18-21 inches and will be double-sided.



The log centerpieces are perfect for your holiday table and are also decorated with greens, a 10 inch candle and ornaments.

Wreaths will be priced at \$25 each. Log centerpieces will be priced at \$25 each.

Pre-orders and payment must be received by November 17th. Pick-up is Saturday, December 7th, from 9am to 12noon.

Please drop forms and payment at the Cash Calendar table after or before Mass. Thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting our fundraiser!

Please fill out the form below and enclose your payment (cash or check). Checks can be made out to Parish of the Holy Cross.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Price</u>		<u>Total</u>
Wreath	_____	x	\$25	=	\$ _____
Centerpiece	_____	x	\$25	=	\$ _____

\$ _____ TOTAL



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 above, then you **MUST** check out the **Holy Cross Youth Group!** You will be glad you did! 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.

Here is an upcoming youth event!

- **Sunday, October 27: Join us for a fun and easy night at our Halloween Party from 6 to 8PM in the atrium!**

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 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 Allie Roecklein, Coordinator of Youth Ministries, at hcyouthgroup15@gmail.com or call the parish office. Thank you!

ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES

Every three years, the Archdiocese for the Military Services (AMS) requests financial help to provide pastoral care for over 1.5 million Catholics on ships, in combat, on bases and in 153 VA hospitals.



The AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military in support of their effort to provide this care. If you would like to assist them, there is more information including envelopes on the bulletin table in the atrium.

Thank you for your consideration to this important cause!



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

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“Whatever You Do for One of These . . .



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Your support of the *Catholic Ministries Appeal* will help to proclaim the Good News about Life.



You can make a difference! Please make your check payable to: *Catholic Ministries Appeal* and either mail it to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P.O. Box 4000, Rockville Centre, New York 11571
or deposit it in the Sunday Offertory Basket. Thank you!

Parish: Parish of the Holy Cross-176

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Donor Signature: _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Down Payment: \$ _____

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www.drvc.org/cma.html

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!

CASH CALENDAR



Parish of the Holy Cross
October 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 \$50	2 \$50	3 \$50	4 \$50	5 \$50
6 \$50	7 \$50	8 \$50	9 \$50	10 \$50	11 \$50	12 \$50
13 \$50	14 \$50	15 \$50	16 \$50	17 \$50	18 \$50	19 \$50
20 \$50	21 \$50	22 \$50	23 \$50	24 \$50	25 \$50	26 \$50
27 \$50	28 \$50	29 \$50	30 \$50	31 \$500	\$10 PER CHANCE ~ 31 CHANCES TO WIN. \$50 PER DAY ~\$500 ON OCTOBER 31 ~HALLOWEEN	

Cash Calendar, OCTOBER 2019

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MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Saturday, October 26th		5 PM
• PRE-CANA CLOSING MASS		Worship Area
Sunday, October 27th		10:30 AM
• PRAY THE ROSARY		Chapel
• YOUTH NIGHT	6-8PM	Atrium
Monday, October 28th		4 - 6 PM
• SPECIAL NEEDS CLASSES		Atrium
• LEV. 8 PARENT & CHILD MTG.	7PM	Wor. Ar./Atr.
Tuesday, October 29th		10 AM
• IN STITCHES		Fr. Joe Room
• LITURGY TEAM MEETING	7PM	Conference Rm.
• LEV. 8 PARENT & CHILD MTG.		Wor. Ar./Atr.
Wednesday, October 30th		7 PM
• JOURNEY WITH JESUS		Atrium/Chapel
• BAPTISM PREP CLASS	7:30PM	Fr. Joe Room
Friday, November 1st		9 AM & 7 PM
• ALL SAINTS' DAY MASSES		Worship Area
<i>(The Parish Office is closed for the Holy Day.)</i>		
Saturday, November 2nd		9 AM
• MASS OF REMEMBRANCE		Worship Area
• HOLY HOUR	3:45-4:45PM	Worship Area
• LEVEL 3 - ROSARIES	5PM	Worship Area
Sunday, November 3rd		All Masses
• LEVEL 3 - ROSARIES		Worship Area
• ANOINTING OF THE SICK	10:30AM	Worship Area
• BAPTISMS	1PM	Worship Area

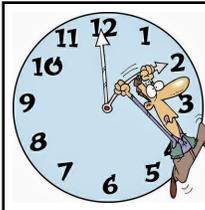
UPDATE ON FR. JOE

Fr. Joe Schlafer suffered a "small heart attack" in the middle of the night, October 8th into October 9th, and was taken to Southside Hospital where the doctors performed open heart surgery the following day.

He is recovering well and was released on Thursday, October 17th. If you would like to send him "get well" wishes, cards may be sent to:

St. John Nepomucene RC Church
1140 Locust Avenue
Bohemia, NY 11716

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS



Don't forget to turn your clocks back next weekend, and get an extra hour of sleep!

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS!



We know it seems early, but we are starting to plan for the Christmas schedule.

Would you like to serve at a Christmas Mass? Please circle your choices and drop in the collection basket or return to the Parish Office by **November 17th**.

Name: _____

I am an: Altar Server Eucharistic Minister Usher Lector

I would like to serve at Mass: Christmas Eve 4PM 6PM 10PM
 Christmas Day 8AM 10AM 12Noon



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