



CHURCH of the HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

September 20, 2020

25th Sunday Ordinary Time

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

School Year, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-3:30 pm
Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-1 pm

SCHOOLS OFFICE HOURS

School Year, Monday-Friday, 8 am-3:30 pm
Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-1 pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Vigil, 5 pm
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am Spanish
No choirs at the Masses at the present time; a cantor will be available for the 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Saturday, 8 am
During Lent, Monday-Friday, 12:10 pm also
Federal Holidays, 9 am only (Presidents Day, MLK Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day)

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, 8:30 am—10:00 am,
Fridays in Lent, 5:30 pm

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Daily, 5 am-Midnight (CLOSED DUE TO COVID)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 am-5 pm
Friday 9 am-noon, closed Wednesday

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

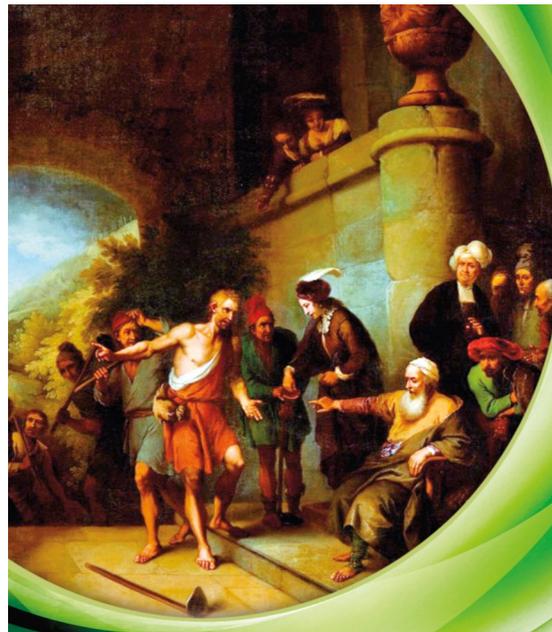
Sunday, 8:30, 11 am
Sunday, 1 pm, Spanish

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, 7 pm, Spanish
Saturday, 9 am, Spanish

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, after 9:00 am Mass
Thursday, 6:30 pm



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Matthew 20:15-16

The Pharisees Question Jesus by James Tissot, between 1896 & 1894 © Diocesan

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE (HC AND ICC)

Mary, Mother of God, January 1
Assumption, August 15
All Saints' Day, November 1
Immaculate Conception, December 8
Christmas, December 25

Mass schedules for Holy Days of Obligation and other special days will be printed in the bulletin as each one draws near

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RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

The seven Sacraments of the Church were instituted by Christ to confer grace.

Sacrament of Baptism. Call the parish office to register for Parent Pre-Baptismal Instruction. For adults seeking to enter the Church and be Baptized, contact our Religious Education Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Children in our religious education program and school are prepared for Confession at age seven as part of First Communion preparation.

Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Children in our religious education program and school are prepared for First Communion at age seven. Adults seeking First Communion should contact our Religious Education Office. To request a visitation for Holy Communion to the Sick, contact our parish office.

Sacrament of Confirmation. Young people in our parish are prepared for reception of Confirmation in the ninth grade (age 14). Adults seeking Confirmation should contact our Religious Education Office.

Sacrament of Marriage. Couples planning for Marriage are to contact a parish priest or deacon one year in advance to set the wedding date and plan for pre-Cana instruction.

Sacrament of Holy Orders. If you believe you have, or someone you know has, a vocation to the Priesthood or Diaconate, please contact one of our parish priests.

Anointing of the Sick. For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, which is administered by a Priest, a person or an immediate family member must make the request. Late night requests may not be able to be answered until the next day.

THIS WEEK (HC OR ICC)

Check out our websites

holycrossdover.org

iccmarylodel.org

Holy Cross Church is unlocked and available for private prayer. The doors will be open from 7 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday, and 7 am to 7 pm on Sunday.

Immaculate Conception will be open daily 9 am to 7 pm.

Daily Mass at HC at 8 am Monday through Saturday. Weekend Masses at Holy Cross are Saturday evening 5 pm, Sunday at 7:30 and 9:30 am, 11:30 am Spanish.

Weekend Masses at ICC are Sunday at 8:30 and 11 am, and 1 pm Spanish. Also a 9 am Mass on Saturday morning in Spanish

We are limiting access to the parish offices, so you can buzz when you stop by, or call and leave messages and we will get back to you; or, you can email us.

WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

ending September 6, 2020

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$21,196	\$28,000	(\$6,804)
YTD	\$240,576	\$274,400	(\$33,824)
Needs	\$1,489	\$1,550	(\$61)

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICO)

Ending September 6 2020

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$1,963
Second	\$60

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs, and activities of Holy Cross and ICC are made possible.

“Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold.”

Please continue to mail in your contributions during this time. Many are still not attending Mass but we still need your support. You can also Sign up for Faith Direct or call the office to leave your name and phone number if you wish to make your contribution by a credit card.

We will call you back. Thank you for your continued support.

Dear Parishioners,

This week, I've included a Crossword Puzzle for you to enjoy. Best of luck.

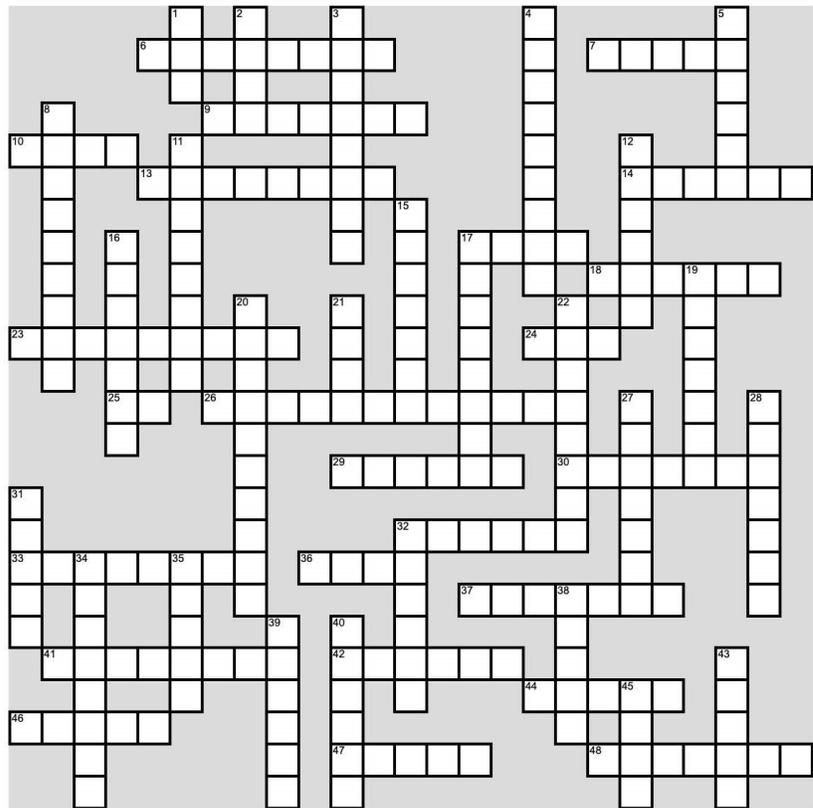
Yours in Christ,
Fr. Lentini, Pastor.

Across

- 6 Place where Jesus tells the Good Thief he will be going.
- 7 City destroyed for its immorality
- 9 The site of the Crucifixion
- 10 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; it is the tribe from which Israel drew its priests.
- 13 Place of the Skull (Matthew 27)
- 14 St. Luke's Gospels say that Jesus appeared, after His resurrection, before two of his disciples while they were walking on the road to _____.
- 17 In Genesis 32, Jacob sends messengers to Esau in this country
- 18 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; also the name of a type of sandwich
- 23 City with the Great Temple
- 24 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; named for one of Jacob's sons. (Mentioned in 1 Chronicles 5:11)
- 25 Abraham was from the city of ____; Genesis 11:31.
- 26 Mentioned in Revelation as the site of one of the early Churches (Diocese); town established in 189 BC by King Eumenes II of Pergamon who named this city for the love of his brother, who would be his successor.
- 29 River where Jesus was Baptized
- 30 The administrative capital of the Roman province of Achaea; St. Paul wrote a letter to the Church there
- 32 St. John the Apostle was exiled on this island (mentioned in Revelation 1)
- 33 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; Jericho is located here. Name also associated with a \$100 bill
- 36 Where Ss. Peter and Paul were martyred
- 37 In Sirach 50, there is a reference to the cedar trees from this country
- 41 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; these are one of the people "in darkness who have seen a great light" (Matthew 4)
- 42 In Joshua 18, this is where "whole community of the Israelites assembled" (also a US town associated with a civil war battle)

Places in the Bible

Identify these places in the Bible.



- 44 Town in Israel that sounds like it was named after some old guy. (1 Chronicles 7:28)
- 46 Queen from this place came to visit King Solomon in 1 Kings 10
- 47 Moses led the Jewish people out of _____
- 48 The sisters Martha and Mary and their brother Lazarus came from this town. (mentioned in John 11)

DOWN

- 1 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; Samson came from this tribe
- 2 Site of a famous wedding feast in St. John's Gospel
- 3 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; this tribe had 87,000 warriors (1 Chronicles 7:5)
- 4 A place where the Apostles gathered
- 5 Mentioned in Revelation as the site of one of the early Churches (Diocese); also the name of a town in Kent County.
- 8 Birth place of our Lord
- 11 Judgement was visited upon this city in Genesis chapters 18-19
- 12 In Genesis 31: God says to Jacob, "I am the God who appeared to you in _____, where you anointed a memorial stone and made a vow to

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HC & ICC CLERGY

Vy. Rev. James S. Lentini , V. F. Pastor
 Rev. Mano Salla Parochial Vicar

HC CLERGY

Msgr. Daniel McGlynn Pastor Emeritus
 Mr. Philip Belt Deacon
 Mr. John Harvey Deacon
 Mr. Robert McMullen Deacon
 Mr. Scott Peterson Deacon
 Mr. Vincent Pisano Deacon

ICC CLERGY

Mr. Sherman Mitchell Deacon
 Mr. James Tormey Deacon

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PRO LIFE CORNER

During this difficult time of Coronavirus Disease, abortion procedures continue throughout the U.S. and in Dover. Abortion providers such as Planned Parenthood are classified as ESSENTIAL SERVICES! You can save lives in Dover by praying with Holy Cross and other local church groups on Friday mornings from 9 AM – noon at Planned Parenthood of Dover or by praying at home. If you pray at Planned Parenthood, please follow Governor Carney’s Social Distancing Guidelines.

Also, remember to pray for the most vulnerable and seniors who are most susceptible to the Coronavirus

JOIN US TO PRAY THE ROSARY

On Tuesday, September 29, the feast day of St. Michael, we will start immediately after the 8 am Mass in the church, to pray the rosary , pray a Litany to St. Michael, and pray the St. Michael prayer. This is all being done for the safety of our law enforcement personnel who serve us. This is a national effort with prayers being said throughout the country.



CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, September 26th, tune in to learn about the Annual Diocese of Wilmington Marian Pilgrimage that is being held on Saturday, October 3, 2020. After it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdown.org/CatholicForum, or search “Catholic Forum” on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 27 26TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 18:25-28

When sinners renounce their sin, then they will live.

SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

The Incarnate Son empties himself of his majesty to become human.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21:28-32

The tax collectors and sinners respond, but not the chief priests and elders.

RCIA (HC)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who has an interest in the Catholic Faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is holding Zoom meetings on Sunday mornings at 9:00AM to 10:30 AM. If you are interested please send an email to Deacon Vince at vpisano@holycrossover.org and an invitation will be sent to you to join our Zoom meeting. Even if you are already a Catholic and wish to learn more you are welcome to join.

Zoom meetings are easy and fun. All you need is a computer with a camera and microphone. The rest is easy. You are in the comfort of your own home. Any questions or for more information you can also email those to Deacon Vince.

VOCATIONS

Jesus commanded us to pray for vocations with his words, "Pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:38). Take on prayer for vocations as your personal effort to increase the number of priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers.

Serra for priestly and religious

REFLECTION BOOKS

Immaculate Conception Church is going to order for the coming seasons. If you would like to order reflection books for the Liturgical seasons, please place an envelope in the collection with your name, address, phone number, and \$5.00

You will receive 3 books for a total cost of \$5.00.

1. Little Blue Book – Advent/Christmas Season Reflections begin Nov. 29, 2020 end Jan. 10, 2021
2. Little Black Book – Lent Reflections begin Feb. 14, 2021, end April 4, 2021
3. Little White Book – Easter Season Reflections begin April 5, 2021, end May 23, 2021

Each book arrives separately and are distributed before each season begins. Any questions contact Marilyn Dixon, at 410-482-7687 or mdixon@iccmaryladel.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER

21 MONDAY

HC 8:00 am Lydia (LI)

22 TUESDAY

HC 6:30 am
HC 8:00 am Arlene Rose Ensslin

23 WEDNESDAY

HC 6:30 am Walter Mendonza
HC 8:00 am Mildred Gamble

24 THURSDAY

HC 6:30 am
HC 8:00 am Normita Phillips
ICC 7 pm

25 FRIDAY

HC 6:30 am
HC 8:00 am Howard Rowlands

26 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Alfredo Chao
HC 5 pm Anna Cutrona

27 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am James P. Clacher
ICC 8:30 am Marge Messner
HC 9:30 am Glara & Steven Timtishin
HC 11:30 am Gumersindo Torres Figueroa
ICC 11 am Rosa Cristiano
ICC 1 pm For the People
HC 6 pm Wayne Stanley

(LI = LIVING INTENTION)

Any intentions listed at a time where we do not have a public Mass, will be honored by the priests as they say their private Masses. On the weekend, the priests will be saying other private Masses to cover all of the intentions that occur on the weekend when we do not have a public Mass. Your loved ones will still be remembered in prayer.



**NO SCHEDULE FOR
MASS MINISTERS
AT THIS TIME.**

**PLEASE COME
FORWARD TO HELP
DISTRIBUTE
HOLY COMMUNION
AT THE MASS YOU
ATTEND. THE PRIEST
WILL INDICATE HOW
MANY EXTRA-
ORDINARY
MINISTERS ARE
NEEDED.**

Since we are not scheduling ministers to assist at the Masses as of yet, we do appreciate the Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion who volunteer to step forward at the Mass they are attending to help distribute communion. Thank you.

We are starting to schedule some lectors for the 5 pm, 7:30 and 9:30 am Masses. If you wish to be considered to lector, please email Diane at dbelt@holycrossover.org so we can add you to the names of those who have already volunteered to lector. Thank you.

DIRECTORIES (HC)

The Parish Directories have been in the Parish Office for the past few months. If you would like to stop by the office to pick up your copy, please call ahead of time and we will get your copy and have it for you to pick up. Please do not just show up to pick up your copy.

RETURNING TO MASS

- Attendees are to **wear a face covering** when inside the Church
- Pews have been marked off to accommodate social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer is available as you enter the church.
- **When receiving Holy Communion, please remember to stay socially distanced.** We encourage you to receive Holy Communion in your hand, but **if you wish to receive on the tongue, you are asked to be at the end of the Communion line.** There will be no Cup distributed at this time.
- As you leave the church, please **do not gather in the Gathering Space** or parking lot.

SHARE IN THE SPIRIT

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for struggling Catholic families. Monies raised through this collection coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment provides financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition.

Through this collection, our Bishop is reaching out to believing and worshipping Catholics like you to assist him in ensuring that the Catholic commitment to total education of our children does not fade away because people cannot afford it. Since the Church has the mission to educate and since this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics, all of us have a stake in Catholic education.

It is in light of this reality that we ask you to consider supporting next week's Share in the Spirit collection. God bless you for your goodness.

To learn more about the Share in the Spirit collection and its importance, go to the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/sharespirit.html

SAMARITAN FOOD NEEDS (HC)

The Samaritan Food Pantry is collecting items to help with the great demands being placed on them during this crisis. Please leave perishable items in the freezer by the Samaritan pick up door and non perishable items can be left there also. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



At this time we are really in need of the following: roaster chickens, turkey, ham, ground beef assorted beans and rice .

The Samaritans also appreciate any monetary donations that have been sent in. Thank you for thinking of your needy brothers and sisters.

YOUNG AT HEART (HC)

Young at Heart Seniors will not start meeting in the Fall. We will inform you when the meetings

will start again. Stay home, stay safe, and stay healthy.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

World peace is good but probably feels impossible these days. Yet married couples learn a lot about peacemaking. What's one thing you've learned about resolving an argument? Share it with someone today.

PARENTING POINTERS

Many families have been spending more time together lately because of Covid-19. This can be good but stressful. How do you balance caring for young children, monitoring school work, private time, etc.? Family meetings can help work out the kinks.

El Ministerio de la Hospitalidad son Trabajadores en la Viña del Señor. La función de sus ministros. El ministro de la hospitalidad es uno de los ministros de la Liturgia y tiene una función importantísima; Darle la Bienvenida al Señor en cada persona que llega para la santa Misa.

Comúnmente conocido como ujieres, pero en realidad son ministros de la hospitalidad. La palabra ujier en su etimología viene del francés «huissier» y a su vez del latín tardío «ostiarium» que quiere decir portero de un palacio o tribunal y la casa del Señor no es un palacio ni un tribunal. Correctamente se les llama ministros de la hospitalidad que es un llamado del Señor a servir.

Cualidades que debe tener los Ministros de la Hospitalidad: El rostro de la iglesia, la amabilidad y la sonrisa, carisma de querer servir al Señor, don de gentes, la paciencia, la tranquilidad, la discreción, ecuanimidad y rapidez ante cualquier contingencia. Profundizar en la fe como punto de partida. Una comprensión básica de uno mismo y de los demás que pueda ayudar a los a relacionarse en forma más auténtica con Dios y con los otros. Salud psicológica, marcada por la integridad, por límites interpersonales apropiados, y por la capacidad de honrar y salvaguardar la confianza que la gente deposita en ellos como ministros de la Iglesia. Salud física, que incluya un equilibrio general en la vida y en el ministerio de uno, marcado por prácticas adecuadas para mantener un buen estado de salud.

Las Misas dominicales: Holy Cross: Sábado:5:00 pm Domingo: 7:30 am.-9:30 am - 11:30 am en español. Confesiones Sábado 8:30-10:00 am **La Inmaculada Concepción:** Domingo 8:30 am, 11:00 am - 1:00 de la tarde en español y jueves a las 6:00 de la tarde, sábado - 9:00 a 11:00 de la mañana en español. Confesiones

después de la misa hasta las 11:00 am

Ya están disponibles las aplicaciones para la Educación Religiosa 2020-2021. En la página de la parroquia, entre y descargue una aplicación, o vaya a la oficina de Educación Religiosa y recoja una aplicación. Si su hijo está en edad escolar y no está asistiendo a la escuela católica, los padres tienen la responsabilidad de que su hijo se forme y conozca sobre su Fe que un día ustedes profesaron por él o ella.

NUEVA INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EL 2020-2021: Las inscripciones para el año escolar está disponible en el sitio web o puede llamar o enviar un correo electrónico a la oficina para que se lo envíen. Por favor inscribase antes del 1 de agosto, para que podamos hacer los planes necesarios para el año y ordenar libros, materiales y suministros. A medida que trabajamos en el plan para el nuevo año escolar, estamos trabajando para garantizar la seguridad de todos los estudiantes y sus familias, y los actualizaremos a todos cuando tengamos nuestro plan.

Las reglas de la pandemia siguen en vigor y todos tenemos la responsabilidad de protegernos y proteger a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo. Todos tenemos que poner de nuestra parte y seguir las regulaciones gubernamentales de usar mascarillas en lugares públicos, distanciamiento social, lavarnos las manos con frecuencia, si está enfermo quédese en casa y si respetamos estas reglas, juntos podremos salir adelante y superar como iglesia, como comunidad los grandes desafíos que nos presenta el Coronavirus, si muchos dicen que ya acabaron con el coronavirus, pero recuerda que el coronavirus no ha acabado con nosotros, está muy presente. Protegemos nuestra salud y la salud del hermano especialmente los más vulnerables.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION (HC)

Registration for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Program is now open. The Registration forms can be obtained at <https://holycrossdover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation> and may be emailed back to tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or dropped off/mailed to the Parish Office. Please note, payment is NOT due at the time of registration. We would appreciate the forms back ASAP as we need adequate time to plan for the new year. Because of COVID, the class formats may change. We will update with any changes as soon as possible. If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122.

CHANGES TO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM FOR 2020-2021 (HC)

Changes will be seen in the Religious Education curriculum. In Kindergarten through 7th grade we will be "Christ Our Life" series through Loyola Press. Loyola Press promises to bring some useful on-line parent and student resources. 8th grade will be using Loyola Press's "Called to Be Catholic" and the Ignatius Press "YouCat" and "YouCat Study guide" to help prepare for their 9th grade confirmation. The Living as a Family of Faith Family Catechesis (LAFF) program will be moving on to the 4th series in the Sophia Institute series "A Family of Faith: Christian Prayer". Any questions in regard to these changes may be directed to Tammy Korosec, Coordinator of Religious Education

2019-2020 1ST COMMUNICANTS (HC)

The 1st Holy Communion for the 2019-2020 second grade class has been tentatively rescheduled for October 3rd. Further details will come out as soon as everything is confirmed. If this date is inconvenient for your family please contact Tammy Korosec at tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or call (302)674-5787 X 122 as soon as possible.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES (HC)

Will begin Sunday, September 20 and Wednesday, September 23. Teens MUST be registered and signed up for a Sunday class. Please contact Linda for details if your child is not registered, or you did not attend the parent meeting. ldarling@holycrossdover.org or at the office 674-5787 X123. Any teen in 9th grade and above are welcome to prepare for the Sacrament of

Confirmation in the spring.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

A lot has changed this year, and with that comes changes to our way of providing formation for your children's Religious Education. As we worked on the plan for the new school year, we want to ensure the safety of all students and families. We have sent home letters with the information regarding the start to this school year, but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Alicia Poppiti, Director of Religious Education at 410-482-6392 or send me an email to dre@iccmarylodel.org

Student book pick up is today- September 20th following each Mass. Please come to the designated area (depending on weather) and pick up your students book bag. Only one parent is needed to get materials. Students that are registered will receive their books.

REGISTRATION 2020-21 (ICC)

We have had registration following Masses. We are having a break this week to hand out the students books. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or if you have not yet registered, Alicia Poppiti at dre@iccmarylodel.org or 410-482-8939.

2019-2020- 1ST COMMUNION CLASS: (ICC)

We have rescheduled for the Saturday of December 12 at Immaculate Conception. More information to come as well get closer to the date.

CONFIRMATION FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR: (ICC)

If you have not sent them in, please do so now, so we can better plan for your youth. Parent meeting on September 27th at 2:30pm in hall.

2020-2021 FIRST RECONCILIATION/ COMMUNION CLASS (ICC)

Information coming home in next week for parent meeting and class times. Meeting on September 20th at 2:45pm in hall.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: (ICC)

Book Club- "The Church of Mercy" by Pope Francis And/or DVD series and discussion group- "Symbolon" by Augustine Institute "Whether you are looking to grow in your Faith or just learning about the Catholic Church for the first time, Symbolon will take you through a journey into the timeless beauty and truths of the Catholic Faith and reveal God's incredible love for us-the story of our salvation." Contact Alicia in the office if interested 410-482-8939 dre@iccmarylodel.org

"It's bad manners to return an empty jar." Words of wisdom passed down to me at a very young age by my mother. We were a military family and by virtue of the travel demands placed upon my father, roots were not something we were able to establish with regard to residence. In other words, we moved frequently. Like many of our students, my brother and I attended many different schools. But, the point I am aiming for here is that with each move, we found ourselves with new neighbors. I can remember, even in my youngest years that it seemed to be the practice that when we moved in to our new home, it wouldn't be very long before our neighbors would visit with a welcome gift of some sort. Almost always a food item, it could have been anything from soup to cookies to the unforgettable homemade potato chips. (I still remember how to make them) My mother was always humbled by their kindness and responded with an expression of gratitude on behalf of our family. But she never felt like that was quite enough. So she made it her practice to return the neighbor's jar with a little something inside. Perhaps a bit of candy, or a handwritten recipe with a sample of the required spices all tied up in a sweet little piece of cheesecloth, a few of her own home baked cookies, or perhaps just a few simple flowers. In my lifetime, I have tried my hardest to live up to her example. I confess to falling short on many occasions.

To this day I believe that the English language is seriously deficient in providing us a way of expressing heartfelt gratitude. The only words we have are *thank you*. I always feel so inadequate when someone shows me a particular kindness and while my heart is filled, all I have is thank you?! Oh sure, it can be embellished by adding "so much" or "very much" but at the end of the day all I really said was thank you. I suppose I have my mother to *thank* for imposing lifelong guilt upon me every time I fall short of her good example.

Here at Holy Cross we find ourselves in the midst of our second week back to school. There are so many who deserve *more* than thanks for the part played in making our successful return a reality. Sadly, I don't have enough jars....

- ◆ Our faculty and staff who have supported me at every single turn....we have worked as a team on the days that have presented as a bit of a challenge, as well as on the days where the challenges have been fewer. I may well bear the title of administrator, but my belief is that I am nothing if I am not a member of this team. It has been a group effort. I will be ever grateful.
- ◆ Our wonderful students have lifted my spirits to new heights. I admit to sometimes having to take the occasional second look to recognize the face behind the mask, but nothing can disguise those smiling eyes. The other day I had some fun in the fifth grade playing Sparkle with the students. Sparkle is a review game to assess student knowledge of the spelling words. The students demonstrated their mastery of the words with great enthusiasm, but, if they got "sparkled" they had to sit...."oh, this is so not fair!" bemoaned Paige who was sparkled three times in a row.
- ◆ Our amazing parents have blessed me in more ways than they can ever know. It has been such a pleasure to have car-side chats with the moms and dads during our dismissal time. There have been so many kind and sincere offers of help, "anything I can do to help, just let me know..." I hear it every day. They have been so kind and understanding, they have even offered a seat in the air-conditioned vehicle when the line is at a momentary standstill, and they have even offered bottles of cold water! The lemons are not being able to have our parents in the building; the lemonade is the daily drive-by smile and wave or the momentary chat while the line snakes around to the other side. Honestly, I am on the side of those who have told me that they actually like it better this way!
- ◆ In a special way I thank Mrs. Kolakowski for her devotion to the children of our school and for standing steadfastly by my side as we navigate through the opening of a school year like none other.
- ◆ I thank God for our dedicated and loving After-Care and Before-Care Staff. We met several times through the summer to insure that all precautions were taken, and all of the protocols for the safety of our children were implemented. They are such a wonderful group of men and women to work with, just another one of the many blessings here at Holy Cross.

To others who have made our return to school so successful; I offer you a jar filled with goodness and gratitude.

- ◆ To Mr. Justin Wurzel and Mr. Earl Wilson, thank you.....
- ◆ To Mrs. Diane Belt and Mr. Ken Trojan, thank you.....
- ◆ To Mrs. Marian Stant, thank you.....
- ◆ To Mr. Pate and Mr. Seams, thank you.....
- ◆ To the members of our Religion Committee, thank you.....
- ◆ To Fr. Lentini, Fr. Mano, and all the clergy, thank you.....

Leaving the very best for last, I thank God for the blessing and opportunity to serve Holy Cross School.

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15 Sea on which Jesus walked on water

16 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; these are one of the people "in darkness who have seen a great light" (Matthew 4)

17 In Acts 8:27, what is the home country of the Eunuch.

19 Place of the exile of the Jewish people

20 Garden Jesus went to after the Last Supper

21 In Daniel 8, he saw a vision of himself at the fortress in ____.

22 St. Paul had his conversion on the road to this city.

27 Joshua fought a battle here

28 A place of the dead with "the unquenchable fire"

31 City in scripture known for its tower

32 Cyrus was king of _____ (Ezra 1:1)

34 Where Jesus grew up in the home of Mary and Joseph

35 Where St. Paul was shipwrecked (Acts 28)

38 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; named for the 8th son of Jacob; northern most of the tribes of Israel

39 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; also the name of a prophet who prophesied Mary's heart being symbolically pierced by sword.

40 In Hebrews 8, God says: "But this is the covenant I will establish with the house of _____"

43 Area named for one of the 12 tribes of Israel; Bethlehem is located here.

45 Adam and Eve's original home



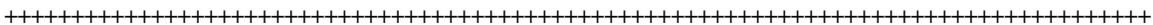
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BISHOP'S ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Due to COVID-19, the Bishop's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass, scheduled for October 18, 2020, has been cancelled. Even though the Mass will not take place, all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, will be honored with a certificate (mailed to the address provided on the form).

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