



CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

October 6, 2019

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

School Year, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-3:30 pm
Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-2 pm

SCHOOLS OFFICE HOURS

School Year, Monday-Friday, 8 am-3:30 pm
Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-2 pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Vigil, 5 pm
Sunday, 7:30, 9:15, 11:00 am, 6 pm
Sunday, 1 pm, Spanish
First Saturday, 5 pm, Children's Choir
Fourth Saturday, 5 pm, Gospel Choir
Alternate Sundays, 6 pm, Youth Choir

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Friday, 6:30, 8 am
Wednesday, 8:15 am, 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, 4 pm, First Friday, 8:30 am
Fridays in Lent, 5:30 pm

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Daily, 5 am-Midnight

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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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Sunday, after 8:30 am Mass
Thursday, 6:30 pm



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

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)

6 SUNDAY

HC 9 am, RCIA, MT/MK
ICC 9:40 am SRE begins
HC Noon, LAFF, LK
ICC Noon, Parent Prep mtg, hall
HC 3:30 pm, CCD, school
HC 3:30 pm, Confirmation Class, MT/MK

7 MONDAY

Our Lady of the Rosary

HC 8:45 am, Spirituality Group, LK
HC 9 am, Pilgrimage to Queen of Peace, SCH
ICCC 6 pm, SVDP, hall

8 TUESDAY

ICC 1 pm, Exercise Class, Hall
ICC, 1 pm, Juan XXIII, computer room
HC, 7 pm, Adult Ed, MT/MK

9 WEDNESDAY

St. Denis and companions

HC 9 am, Adult Ed, MT/MK
HC 9:30 am, Founders Day, STMA
HC Noon, Bishop visits school
HC 6 pm CCD, SCH
HC 6 pm, Confirmation class, MT/MK

10 THURSDAY

HC 8:30 am, Picture Day, MT/MK
ICC 1 pm, Exercise Class, Hall

11 FRIDAY

St. John XXIII

HC 7 pm, Foro Cristiano, LK

12 SATURDAY

ICC 9 am, Juan XXIII, hall
HC 8:45 am, Rosary Rally, outside

WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

ending September 22

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$24,862	\$28,200	(\$3,338)
YTD	\$340,320	\$338,000	\$2,320
Needs	\$1,037	\$1,588	(\$551)
Share in the Spirit \$6,246.00			

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC)

ending September 22

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$3755
Share in the Spirit	\$566

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."

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THE STAINED GLASS WINDOWS OF HOLY CROSS AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—PART II

The Baptism of the Lord. (Immaculate Conception)

This beautiful stained-glass window, sits behind the baptistry area of Immaculate Conception Church. The image is based on the Gospel of St. Mark (1:9-11), wherein Jesus, who had no need of Baptism, made the waters of Baptism holy, by submitting himself to Baptism by St. John the Baptist. Ultimately, from the Blood and Water that flowed from Christ's side as he lay dying on the Cross, Baptism would take on a new and more powerful salvific meaning. This is prefigured in this window, as Saint John the Baptist is holding a staff the looks like a cross. Likewise, presence of God's Holy Spirit – which is imbued on us in Baptism – is shown in the form of a Dove. The scripture of this event reads: "It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'"



St. Joseph Foster-Father of the Lord. (Holy Cross) St. Joseph is shown often with a carpenter's tool at his left (representing his being a carpenter by trade), and a lily (fleur de lis) in his right hand. The imagery of the lily comes from Sacred Tradition and connected to Joseph's marriage to Mary. When Mary was of age to Mary, the local men who would want to seek her hand in marriage came to the Temple and were asked to place a stick on the altar (which would likely be used later for offering up animal sacrifices) to make their intention known. When Joseph placed down his stick, a lily immediately blossomed from it, thus, showing God's blessing on Joseph in his intention marry Mary.

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. (Immaculate Conception)

This stained-glass image is not based directly on the Scriptures, but rather on the ancient text, The Protoevangelium of St. James. It shows Ss. Joachim and Ann (Mary's parents, both haloed designating their saintly status), presenting their young daughter Mary (also bearing a halo) to the service of the Temple, at which the time the Priest (on the right of the image) imparts his blessing on her. The text on which this image is based reads as follows: "And the child was three years old, and... they went up into the temple of the Lord. And the priest received her, and kissed her, and blessed her, saying: 'The Lord has magnified your name in all generations. In you, on the last of the days, the Lord will manifest His redemption to the sons of Israel.' And he set her down upon the third step of the altar, and the Lord God sent grace upon her; and she danced with her feet, and all the house of Israel loved her... And Mary was in the temple of the Lord as if she were a dove that dwelt there, and she received food from the hand of an angel."



St. Helena. (Holy Cross) St. Helena was the mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, who was the Emperor who legalized Christianity in the Roman Empire, and who converted to the faith on his deathbed, bringing an effective end to supremacy of the old pagan religions of Rome. St. Helena is almost always shown wearing a crown, because she was connected to the Imperial Crown of Rome and is almost always shown holding or carrying a cross. Why? Because St. Helena was a Christian, and with her son's consent went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to uncover the true Cross of Christ which had been buried there to protect it from the formerly-pagan forces of the Empire. And she did find it, along with the two other crosses (of the bad thief and the good thief) crucified along with Christ. To identify which cross was Christ's, St. Helena touched each cross to the body of sick man – the touching by the first crosses did nothing, but when touched with the third cross, the man was healed. The true cross was then venerated, and St. Helena ordered that the Church of the Holy Sepulchre be built on that site – and it was.

NEXT WEEK—PART III

HC & ICC CLERGY

Vy. Rev. James S. Lentini, V. F. Pastor
Rev. Idongesit Etim Parochial Vicar
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

HC STAFF

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PRO LIFE CORNER

- Help save lives of the unborn in Dover. Join Holy Cross and other local church groups in prayer each Friday morning from 9 AM – noon at Planned Parenthood of Dover.
- **What does your baby look like now?** Follow your baby's development week by week, from conception to labor. 34 weeks: Your baby's central nervous system is maturing, as are her lungs. Babies born between 34 and 37 weeks who have no other health problems usually do well in the long run. Your baby is the size of a cantaloupe.
- **About 40 Days for Life:** The Fall 40 Days for Life event is in progress. Everyone is welcome to participate regardless of how much time you have available to pray at the Planned Parenthood Clinic. Come join us as your personal time and schedule permit you to do so. Learn more at www.40daysforlife.com/dover.

"I'm pro-choice. But I hope that choice will be life."

~Rush Limbaugh

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY COORDINATOR NEEDED (DAFB)

The coordinator works in coordination with the senior Catholic chaplain and many service ministries, including liturgy, fellowship, outreach, service projects, etc. To apply or for more details, stop by Holy Cross Parish Office to pick up a sheet or, please contact the Chapel Office at DAFB at 677 3932. or email Victoria.camarillo@us.af.mil and 436aw.hc@us.af.mil.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING (HC)

Students who are in grades 4th and higher and who are Baptized and received First Communion may sign up to be an Altar Server. Students and parents must be willing to be committed to attending Mass at scheduled times. Training will be held on Saturday, October 19, from 9 am until Noon. Those in Holy Cross School should pick up a permission slip in the office. Those attending CCD classes should see Mrs. Korosec.

READINGS FOR OCTOBER 13 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: 2 KINGS 5:14-17

The foreigner Naaman acknowledges the Lord who has healed him.

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 2:8-13

We are all called to the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

GOSPEL: LUKE 17:11-19

It is the foreigner who comes back to give praise to God for healing him.

SAMARITAN NEEDS (HC)

Our Samaritan Food Pantry is running low on the following items: Chicken, Ground beef (small packs), hot dogs, peanut butter and jelly, and spaghetti and sauce. Fresh meats can be left in the freezer at the Samaritan drop off. Canned donations can be left in the container provided in the vestibule area of the Gathering Space.

ROSARY RALLY (HC)

Our annual Rosary Rally, the 102 Anniversary of Fatima, will be held on **Saturday, October 12, after the 8 am Mass**, outside in front of the church at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Statue. Bring your rosary, family, friends, portable chairs or blankets to sit upon and a white hankie that we will wave to our blessed Mother to surrender our hearts to her. As Padre Pio said, "The Rosary is OUR weapon against the power of evil." In case of rain, we will go into the church. Any questions, please call Carol at 302 359 4340.



ANNUAL ALL SOULS MEMORIAL MASS (HC)

Holy Cross will hold its Annual Memorial Mass on **Saturday, November 2, at 8 am** in the church. Anyone who would like to have a loved one remembered who has passed away between October 1, 2018 thru the present is encouraged to call the name of the deceased in to the Parish Office at 674 5787 extension 110. All names will be published in the program and must be received to the Parish Office by October 30 at Noon.

ANNULMENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Father Mark S. Mealey, OSFS, Judicial Vicar, will offer a presentation on Thursday, October 24, at St. Polycarp church at 7 pm. Among the issues discussed will be

- the new norms on the marriage nullity process by Pope Francis and the implementation of those norms in our Tribunal
- the annulment process
- the various canonical grounds for marriage

If interested, please call the Tribunal Office at 302 573 3107, and just leave a voicemail with your name and the number of people attending the presentation.

A **tribunal** is a Church court that deals with matters of canon law, one aspect in particular is determining the validity of a marriage.

MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER

7 MONDAY	
HC 6:30 am	Raymond Keegan
HC 8 am	Eileen Martin
8 TUESDAY	
HC 6:30 am	Raymond Keegan
HC 8 am	Gabrielle Maddalena
9 WEDNESDAY	
HC 6:30 am	Robert L. Greene
HC 8:15 am	Irene Zullo
10 THURSDAY	
HC 6:30 am	For the People
HC 8 am	Julia and All Vincelli
ICC 7 pm	For the People
11 FRIDAY	
HC 6:30 am	Adele Majka
HC 8 am	Grace Jara
12 SATURDAY	
HC 8 am	Mahar Family
HC 5 pm	Raymond Cola
13 SUNDAY	
HC 7:30 am	Eugene Kujawa
ICC 8:30 am	Robert Woodeshik
HC 9:15 am	Rina Lewis
HC 11 am	Fabian Mandez
ICC 11 am	John Nagyiski
HC 1 pm	Charlie Carter
ICC 1 pm	For the People
HC 6 pm	Gino Galli

(LI = LIVING INTENTION)

TABERNACLE & SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS (OCT 6—12)

HC Ador. Chapel Marcellus & Theresa McMullen
HC Church Rose Pedano

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION HOURS AVAILABLE (HC)

SUNDAY	11 am, 1 pm, 4 pm, 11 pm
MONDAY	7 am
TUESDAY	None
WEDNESDAY	5 am, 5 pm, 11 pm
THURSDAY	7 am, 4pm, 8 pm
FRIDAY	10 pm
SATURDAY	8 am, Noon, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm, 11 pm

Contact JoAnn Pate 302-674-4496 for one of the above hours.

MASS MINISTERS OCT 12-13

HOLY CROSS

EMHC

SERVERS

5:00 PM	F. Ernst S. Coghlan L. Accalogoon M. Hitch P. Gerard T. Dupuis	C. O'Donnell M. Casey R. Coppadge V. Pearl F. Hettinger	J. Tinger D. Song K. Bradley
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LECTORS

J. Coffield
J. Benzen

7:30 AM	B. Gattuso P. Sheldon M. Bailey	L. Davis E. Henderson J. Salamone	A. Szell C. Darling R. Mackie
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LECTORS

R. Pritchett
D. Kilby

9:15 AM	R. Willey P. Ford M. Wessel J. Chandler A. Hlafka	T. Arndt T. Petka M. Malloy L. Olmsted G. Wessel M. Sossich	M. Neal K. Gardner D. Taniform
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LECTORS

K. Meire
S. Ford

11:00 AM	P. Johnson B. Whitworth A. Marano F. Deeney	P. Huffman M. Rogers R. Seliga R. Bratz R. Bratz	L. Pate P. Hankoua N. Hankoua
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LECTORS

V. Viddy
P. McCall

1:00 PM	E. Pastoriza A. Luna M. Pitti	T. Hernandez C. Valdes	E. Cortes J. Cortes
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LECTORS

D. Runzer
M. Neyra

6:00 PM	K. Boyer T. Steir D. Darling L. Darling D. Novak R. Bracy	A. Wyllie M. Rathbun K. O'Neill R. Katcher V. Balcerak	A. Blackwell M. Guthrie J. Balckwell
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LECTORS

TBA

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

8:30 AM	T. Costello E. Costello	A. Locke
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LECTORS

T. Thompson

11:00 AM	B. Vanvessan P. Lardizzone	V. Haas W. Meyer
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LECTORS

L. Soule

1:00 PM	V. Bravo E. Morales A. Morales	A. Miranda D. Cuin	B. Cuin D. DeLeon
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LECTORS

O. Guin
S. Berduo

TRUCK NEEDED (HC)

Holy Cross Maintenance department is in need of a gently used working pick up truck. If you have one or know of someone who would like to donate one to Holy Cross, please contact the Parish Office at 302 674 5787, extension 113 or 119.

VOCATIONS

"Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest or religious? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Norm Carroll vocations@cdow.org 302-573-3113
www.vocations@cdow.org

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

We continue to receive very positive comments on the care, maintenance and overall condition of our cemetery. Credit goes to Danny Waite and his staff. The Rules & Regulations are strictly enforced and apply not only to in-ground graves but to the mausoleum and columbariums as well, with the purpose of ensuring the sacred character and good order of our cemetery. Len Dornberger - 674-5787 x135.

YOUNG AT HEART MEETING (HC)

Young at Heart will meet on October 21. Please note this date change. We will meet in the Early Learning Center in the Matthew/Mark room. You can begin arriving at 10:30. Speaker will begin at 11:00. Lunch is \$5.00. Desserts are welcome.

PARISH DIRECTORY (ICC)

ICC will be having one last day of picture taking for the directory. The day will be Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2019. The times will be from 1:30 pm to 8:30 pm. To schedule your appointment, please see Marilyn Dixon in the hall between Masses or call the office at 410 482 7687.

COLLECTION COUNTERS (ICC)

October 13, Marilyn Dixon & Maurilio Gabriel
October 20, Ann Lawson & Julia Moore
October 27, Frank & Joyce Cristiano

CHURCH CLEANING CREW (ICC)

OCTUBRE 10: GRUPO #12

Anselmo Escalante, Adelaida Velasquez, Judith Ortiz, Cesario Escalante, Ada Escalant, Haylen Bartolon

OCTUBRE 17, GRUPO #13

Miguel Lopez, Veronica Bravo, Gregorio Lopez, Federico Perez

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bishop Francis Malooly invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 3, 2019 at St. Joseph's, Middletown, at 371 E. Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709. The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 1:00 pm and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Malooly, please arrive at 1:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however reservations are required. Please make your reservations by October 7. Forms are available in the Parish Offices for you fill in and send to the Diocese. Thank you.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Try the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! This is a positive, simple, common sense experience for a husband and wife who want to put the "SPARK" back into marriage. The next

Marriage Encounter Weekend will be November 1-3, 2019 in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For information, visit our website at www.medelmar.org or to register for the weekend, please contact Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

DOVER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Dover Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Donald Buxton will open its 2019-2020 season on Saturday, October 12, 2019. The concert will begin at 3:00 pm at Calvary Church on East Lebanon Road in Dover. The Fall Classical Concert will feature compositions by four relatively early composers of classical music—Bach, Boccherini, Haydn and Rossini. Season tickets are available now: Adults--\$75, Seniors/Students/Military/First Responders--\$55. Single tickets are also available for all concerts.

Prices are Adults--\$20, Seniors (62+)/Students/Military/First Responders--\$15. Young people under 18 are always free with a paying adult. For ticket sales log on to www.doversymphony.org or call 302-270-1903. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

- Conozca su Fe católica venga todos los viernes al el Foro Cristiano comenzando el viernes, 4 de octubre, a las 6:30 de la tarde en el ELC la nueva serie " Symbolon. Más de 2000 años de enseñanza de la Fe católica explicada sistemáticamente y presentada en video. Empezaremos con los Sacramentos, Bautismo y Confirmación. Después de las clases compartiremos algo ligero de comer y pasar un momento en comunidad familia. Venga y únese a nosotros traiga toda la familia.
- Felicitaciones a nuestra Embajadora Latino-Americana Sra. Marta Espinosa y su corte Sra., María Ramos, Antonia Kornrumpf, Maximina Merino, Clara Valdés y Sra. Mirna Richard. Se recopiló para nuestra parroquia un total de \$13,012. Gracias a todos los que hicieron posible de una forma que el Festival fuera un éxito. Sobre todo a la Sra. Tayde Hernández y la junta directiva que trabajaron incansablemente.
- La imagen de la virgen de Guadalupe se sortear más adelante para darle oportunidad a aquellos que no han comprado todavía su boleto puedan hacerlo el costo es de \$10. se cambió el marco y se ve espectacular, la imagen podrá verlo después de la misa de la 1:00 de la tarde.
- Nuestros hermanos peruanos invitan a la celebración de la fiesta del Señor de los Milagros el domingo 20 de octubre, la Misa y después de

la misa en procesión al salón de eventos de la parroquia para una convivencia. Si desea cooperar con un platillo para este evento hable con la Sra. Irma Venezia.

- HC- La Virgen Peregrina ya está visitando las casas, hasta el mes de noviembre. Todas las semanas durante nuestra misa dominical se le entregará la virgen Peregrina a una familia. Para más información llame a la Sra. Tayde Hernández.
- Si desea participar en alguno de los ministerios, por favor hable con los. Necesitamos: Lectores, Ministros Extraordinarios de la Comunión (*necesitan ser aprobado por el párroco*), Ujieres. Ministerio de la Música. Comparte con otros los talentos que el Señor les ha dado.
- Confirmación de Adultos será en diciembre, si usted no está confirmado, llame a la oficina del Ministerio Hispano, para anotarse para las clases. Los Bautismos son los primeros domingos de cada mes, después de la Santa Misa en Español 2:30 pm. La clase pre-bautismales son los segundos domingos de cada mes. Los requisitos para ser padrinos tienen que ser Católicos practicante, y en comunión con la iglesia.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (HC)

REGULAR CCD CLASSES

Wednesdays-Class October 9, 6-7:30 pm

Sundays – Class October 6, 3:30-5:30 pm

Reminder: Parents are to walk their children to the classroom and pick them up from the classroom. Please do not drop children at the door.

ADULT FORMATION (HC)

ROMANS: THE GOSPEL OF SALVATION

Special two week class

Catholicism: The Pivotal Players, St. Augustine of Hippo and St. Benedict of Nursia

This short study focuses on two incredible saints from the fourth and fifth centuries: St. Augustine of Hippo and St. Benedict of Nursia. The classes begin Tuesday November 5, at 7pm or Wednesday November 6, at 9:30am in the Matthew/Mark room in the Early Learning Center upstairs. If you are interested please register by either emailing Tammy Korosec at tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or calling (302) 6745787 x 122. Please register by 10/21/19.

SCOUT RELIGIOUS AWARD

Any scout who is interested in earning their Catholic religious award should contact the Diocese of Wilmington's Catholic Committee on Scouting. Our committee can help get the process started and will supply the award, once earned. Each year the Bishop will present the awards to the scouts of our Diocese at our annual Scout Mass. The Scout Awards Mass will be held in June. For further information please contact either Bob Murray, Committee Chair at (302) 993-6290 or Deacon Tommy Watts, Boy Scout Chaplain (302) 218-1415.

CONFIRMATION (HC)

Confirmation class Sunday, October 6, at 3:30 pm or Wednesday, October 9, at 6 pm

K of C (HC)

There will be a "Columbus Day" Italian Dinner Dance on Saturday, October 12, at 6 pm at the Columbian Home Hall in Camden, DE. Cost is \$25 per person or \$45 per couple.



MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE CORNER

MARRIAGE MOMENT

These days life can often feel like everything is falling apart. Lean on your spouse for strength. Rest in the arms of your beloved as a reminder of God's love enveloping you both.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

Classes run from 9:40-10:50 am on Sunday.

Thank you to the many hands that helped us get ready for SRE.



Registration for Religious Education will close on Monday, October 7. We will not accept applications after that day, unless children are transferring.

SACRAMENTAL PREP (ICC)

Parent Meeting: Today, Sunday, October 6, at Noon in the hall. If you are not sure, ask Ms. Alicia.

Confirmation: First session will be Sunday, October 20, from 2:30 pm to 5 pm in the parish hall.

First Reconciliation Prep: Our second session is on Tuesday, October 15, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. If you missed the first session, please see Alicia Poppiti as soon as possible, and do not miss this session.

HEAR THE CALL? (ICC)

We are still looking for adults to assist with the Confirmation Prep team. Please contact Alicia Poppiti with inquiries.

Share your talents, time and gifts with our parish. Not sure where? Call Alicia, we can find a place for you here!! Training on site; knowledge of the Catholic faith, and a willingness to share your faith and your faith journey with the children and people of our Parish. **Salary:** the satisfaction of doing the right thing in this life! **Benefits:** a hundred-fold happiness in the next. Presently, catechist for our God's children are needed. Helpers and substitutes are always appreciated. Thank you.

CAR SHOW (ICC)

ICC is hosting a car show on Saturday, October 19 from 10 am to 2 pm. All cars are welcome. Knights of Columbus will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs.. Contact Bill Thompson for more information 302-492-6677

CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, October 12th, tune in to hear an interview with Mr. Dan Sinnott, President and CEO of Saint Francis Hospital in Wilmington, Delaware. After it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

MRS. POLLITT'S PONDERINGS

Chance G. was the voiceover. The subject was the funds raised by the HSA that had been earmarked for the purchase of new Reading textbooks for the elementary school. The new Wonders Reading series published by McGraw-Hill was being purchased for us through the generous funds raised by the HSA through the year.

Before I launch into the purpose and content of the HSA meeting held on September 23rd, may I take the opportunity to clarify one point? I have stated that funds were raised by the HSA. In fact that is true. Last school year the ladies worked indefatigably to muster up the needed funds for the purchase of our new Reading series. However, those funds were raised due to the generosity and widespread response to fundraisers held here by the school and planned by the HSA. Below I will list the highpoints of the presentation made to those gathered on the evening of the 23rd. At the conclusion, I will discuss the details of the new approach being taken this year to raise funds for the school in an effort to further enhance curriculum and student life here at Holy Cross.

Fundraisers are designed and held to be just that; to raise monies for a designated purpose.

Historically, a discussion has always occurred between administration and the HSA Board to determine a right course for the expenditure of funds.

Over the past few years, the HCS community has raised over \$100,000! As a result of these fine efforts, and concern for our students, the following innovations have occurred.

- 8 Carts of Chromebooks
- Evidence-Based Computer Program to Enhance Vocabulary Skills
- Upgraded Campus-Wide Security System
- State-of-the-Art Literacy Program

The following is a summary of the efforts of last years' fundraising efforts.

- Our most profitable fundraisers this past year were the Crusader Walkathon and Fall Fest. Together, these two major fundraisers raised over \$29,000.
- Four fundraisers (Coupon Books, Penny Drive, the Box Top Rally, and the Used Clothing Drive) each raised over \$1,000.
- Smaller fundraising events, such as Chick-Fil-A Spirit Nights, Skate Night, and the Chuck-E-Cheese Play Date, collectively raised \$1,170.

In total, 2018-2019 HCS fundraisers earned \$40,716.41 for our school.

Non-Fundraiser Events: not intended to raise a significant sum of money for HCS. Main goal is to provide memorable events for parents and children.

- Christmas Movie Night
- Mother-Son Dance
- Father-Daughter Dance
- Mother-Daughter Tea
- Father-Son Camping Trip

It was in response to the price attached to the ticket, the seemingly constant outreach to the parent community to buy, sponsor, or donate that prompted both administration and HSA to at least hold a discussion of the possibility to bring about change. As always, change is often seen as revolutionary. So it was with a degree of caution and trepidation that these discussions were held with Mr. Kenneth Trojan, our Business Manager as well as with our Pastor, Father Lentini. It was almost immediately that we received their endorsement for instituting a change in the approach to fundraising here at Holy Cross.

As opposed to holding the traditional fundraisers, a new and fresh approach is being taken. Details for that change are bulleted below:

Each family is requested to pay a nominal fee of \$100.00 per child in an effort to "raise funds" for further enhancement such endeavors as the Reading curriculum in junior high and other areas of the school community.

Given the enrollment of the school, this will allow us to raise a sum of nearly \$40,000 without the constant request for you to buy, donate, or sponsor.

It is of great importance to note that the Parent-Child events WILL STILL BE HELD!! But, with the exception of the F/S Camping Trip, they will all take place in our beautiful Parish Hall. There will be a 90% reduction in cost for the ticket making it all of \$10.00, plus \$5.00 for any additional child. No sacrifices will be made in insuring a festive good time. AND, we will still have the great Secret Santa Shop, the fun of Trunk or Treat Night, our spirit nights at Chick Fil-A and Skate Night along with an end of the year celebratory Walk-A-Thon. Student life and community spirit is not being sacrificed, but rather being seen as a priority for this years' Board.

Fundraisers are a necessary evil. It is our hope that this approach will take the sting out of the overall process.

My sincerest thanks go to both Mrs. Southard and Mrs. Vincent for their vision for the future of fundraising here at HCS.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend is one of note for college-bound seniors: the SAT Exam takes place on October 5. This particular test is THE one which a majority of senior students will take advantage of in order to solidify their best scores for submission in admissions applications. It's a nerve-wracking experience for even the most well-prepared!



The seniors at STMA are not the only ones to face the rigor of standardized testing this month, however. *At STMA, the PSAT, geared toward sophomores and juniors, is administered to ALL STMA underclassmen.* As a college preparatory school, we feel strongly that 9th-11th graders should be exposed to the exam and given guidance on testing strategies in addition to the training they get on content included in our curriculum. Students are given the opportunity to understand their score results and use the help of instructors and tutors to develop the areas of weakness and build on areas of strength that PSAT results might highlight.

As anxiety-inducing as such exams can be, I remain unconcerned for the Ravens. I have learned to have great faith in our students' abilities to rise to the challenge of national, standardized exams, and great faith in the support they'll receive from our instructors. My faith is based on the measurable results we repeatedly see. The students of STMA consistently outscore the state and national averages for the SAT.

This is not an on-again, off-again phenomena, nor is it a statistic from long ago in our school's history to which we cling for good marketing buzz. *The STMA Class of 2019 had an average score that was 142 points higher than the state of Delaware average!*

Did you hear the news that last year's STMA Valedictorian, *Jessica Zhang, also a graduate of Holy Cross School, earned recognition as a National Merit Scholarship Commended Student?* What does this mean? Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.6 million students based on the 2017 PSAT exam, which Jessica took as a junior student. Jessica is not the only Raven to be acknowledged by the NMQT organization!

I am quick to remind our nervous students of these trends and the success of their peers whenever they fret over exam preparedness.

In case you're wondering, Jessica now studies at the University of Michigan, recognized as one of the top five US public universities.

Sometimes families take the information presented above and imagine that our school only serves the students at the top of their class with a laser-focus on attending a prestigious university. They mistakenly think our school isn't interested in serving the "average Joe." Don't forget that the scores I've summarized reflect our (literal) average Joes, not just our top students; our goal is to help ALL of our students to maximize their potential and chart the best path forward for them – not the path we deem to be most prestigious or best for our own reputation. We take great care to advise students to develop their unique God-given gifts so that they may be well-rounded citizens who better the colleges and universities that prove to be a best fit for them. *We define success in Catholic terms.*

Small class sizes and small student to teacher ratios help ensure all enrolled receive individual attention and guidance. Because our students are known, they can be challenged. As they are challenged, they may grow. As they grow and find success, they develop an appetite to continue their journeys of personal growth. When they fail- as all of us do- they have a support network to encourage them to keep trying. And, slowly, methodically, the Ravens become students ready to face the challenges not just of college, but of life, eager for more success and opportunities to share that success with those who come after them. *We're proud of every Raven, and we are proud to set our bar for success high.*

Yours in Christ,

Rachael Casey
Principal

STMA CELEBRATIONS

Bishop Malooly will celebrate Founders' Day Mass at 9:30 am on October 9, 2019 at STMA! Founders and first supporters of our school are invited to attend. If you would like to join us, please RSVP by calling 302 697 8100.

