



CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

June 27, 2021

13th 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 5 pm and the 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Daily, 5 am-Midnight (temporarily closed)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 am-5 pm
Closed Wednesday and Friday

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, 6 pm, Spanish

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, 9:30 am
Thursday, 6:30 pm

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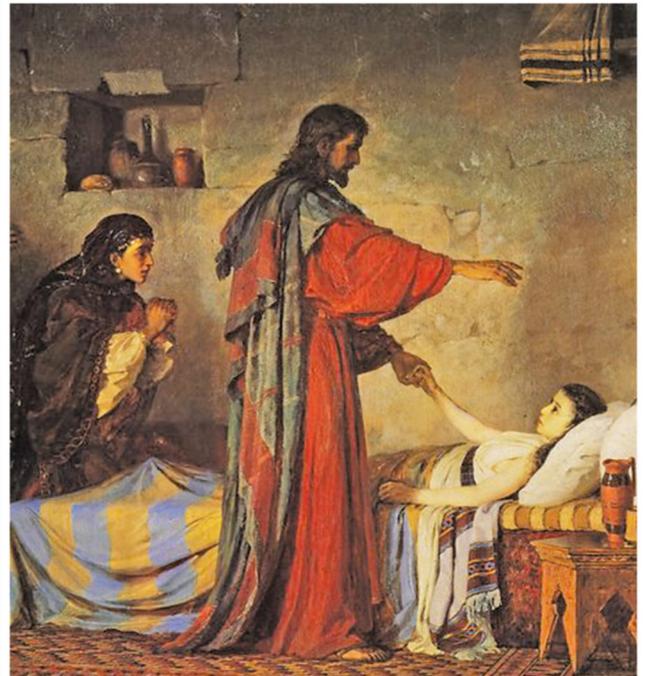
CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, 9:30 am
Thursday, 6:30 pm

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!"

Mk 5:41



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 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

holycrossover.org
iccmaryl.org

Holy Cross Church 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.

Face masks do not have to be worn if you are fully vaccinated. If not, it is recommended that you still wear your face-mask over your nose and mouth. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Parish Offices will be closed Friday, July 2 and Monday, July 5, for the Fourth of July weekend. We will reopen on Tuesday, July 6. Have a great holiday weekend.



WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

June 13, 2021

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$24,873	\$27,600	(\$2,727)
YTD	\$1,237,321	\$1,389,800	(\$152,479)
Needs	\$1,347	\$1,550	(\$203)

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC)

Ending June 13, 2021

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$2,987
2nd	\$166

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.

Dear Parishioners,

Last week I started explaining Last Rites. This week I continue on with the same topic.

Sorry, Bobby! The recipient of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick must be a baptized Catholic who has achieved the age of reason (i.e., seven years of age) or has sufficient use of reason to be comforted by this sacrament. Thus, an infant or a very young child may not be anointed (to put this in TVLand terms, Greg Brady can be anointed, young Bobby Brady, probably not).

Be Understanding. Why is this the case? Is the Church being mean? No! In order to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick the Church maintains the discipline that one must be at such an age as to understand the possibility of reality of death. Infants and very young children lack that understanding or anxiety about death. Again, the Sacraments are not magic tricks: they require by discipline a reasoned consent or an expected consent from the person being anointed.

The Living. Also, no matter how upsetting or emotional the situation, a person who has died must not be, must never, never, never be anointed. Sacraments are for the living. Sometimes people ask the Priest if he can do something that “looks like anointing” because it makes the family feel better. I’m not trying to be cold-hearted here, but that type of duplicity should never be engaged in; it is called simulating a Sacrament and it is mortally sinful on the part of the Priest, if he does it. We don’t minister sacraments for popularity points.

And the Dead. What do we do for the deceased? There is nothing specifically done in a hospital, or bedside setting if death has occurred, but following death there is: the Funeral Rites of the Church. What are those? A Vigil (Wake) service, the Funeral Rite itself (done inside of or outside of Mass, the latter becoming more common with the shortage of Priests), and Committal (burial).

The Way You Do the Things You Do! Okay, now we know what we need (form and matter), and who we need (the recipient of the Sacrament), but once the Sacrament is ministered, what exactly does it do? The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, validly ministered, yields five effects, according to the Catechism. It confers a special grace, a sanctifying grace (a share in the Divine Life of God), that serves to:

- unite a sick person to the passion of Christ;
- give one strength, peace, and endurance for

the sufferings being undergone;

- forgive one’s sins, if present;
- prepare one for death and eternal life (for the Beatific Vision); and
- restore one’s health, if it is helpful to the salvation of the person’s soul.

He’ll Heal? What about that last item? What about healing? Many folks might say that the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is really about healing the sick person and making them better. Not exactly. While the Anointing of the Sick is designated, along with Penance, as a Sacrament of healing, we must be careful not to confuse the effect of this Sacrament with some kind of 1-2-3 Acme Instant Healing Kit. If the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick automatically made sick people all better, the Church would have to open up a booth at the local Wal-Mart to handle the crowds, and medical research could simply stop. But that’s not the case. This is a Sacrament; it is not some revival tent faith-healing moment. It is not a matter of “if my faith is strong enough the sacrament will work for me.”

A 16th Century Answer. Physical healing is what one might want to understand as a possible or potential effect of Anointing of the Sick. That is to say, the Anointing might bring about physical healing; but that is not the main purpose of the Sacrament. So, why in some cases do people get healed but, in most cases they don’t? The Church’s Council of Trent (1545-1563) said it well; it posited that Sacrament will provide physical healing, “When it is expedient for the soul’s salvation.” That is to say, if it is a spiritual good that Aunt Agatha gets healed from her lumbago, she will be healed. It is not an earthly good that is being sought here... but a spiritual one.

A Sorry Moment. A secondary effect of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is the forgiveness of sins. “Now wait a second,” you may say, “wasn’t it the Sacrament of Penance that was instituted by Christ for the forgiveness of sins.” That is correct. It is further true that a sick person who is conscious of mortal sins to confess must receive the Sacrament of Penance before he receives the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. However, be aware that the Anointing of the Sick does forgive mortal sin if a critically ill person is unable to receive the sacrament of Penance (for instance if the person was comatose or not in his right mind).

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HC & ICC CLERGY

Vy. Rev. James S. Lentini , V. F.	Pastor
Msgr. Daniel McGlynn	Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Mano Salla	Parochial Vicar

HC CLERGY

Mr. Philip Belt	Deacon
Mr. John Harvey	Deacon
Mr. Robert McMullen	Deacon
Mr. Vincent Pisano	Deacon

ICC CLERGY

Mr. Sherman Mitchell	Deacon
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HC STAFF

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Justin Wurzel	Maintenance Director
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Linda Pollitt	Principal, ext. 111
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ADORATION CHAPEL (HC)

We are making plans to reopen the Adoration Chapel in July. In order to do this, we have to ensure we have enough volunteers to fill the schedule of adorers so the Blessed Sacrament is not left alone.

- If you were on the Adoration schedule prior to COVID and the closing of the chapel, we certainly pray you are willing to come back and spend that precious time with Our Lord again in the chapel. Please contact Joann Pate at 674-4496 or call the Parish Office at 674-5787 to let us know you are ready and willing to come back to serve a specific time in the chapel.
- Someone will also be in the Gathering Space the weekend of June 19/20 to take sign ups for those returning and for anyone new who would like to spend time in the chapel. We need many new volunteers to step forward so we can keep the chapel open each day. Thank you for considering this great opportunity to spend time with Jesus!!!

CHRISTMAS ON THE DANUBE

Join Fr. Ronald Giannone from the Ministry of Caring on a trip to the Danube from December 9 through 17, 2021. For more information, contact Debbe Philips at 302-652-5523 or dphilips@ministryofcaring.org.

CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to the Catholic Forum radio program/podcast each week. Next Saturday, June 26th, learn about the Catholics who were instrumental in the founding of our country, when Dan LeRoy, author of the new book, "Liberty's Lions: The Catholic Revolutionaries Who Established America," is the special guest. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640, or listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum.

READINGS FOR JULY 4

14 SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 2:2-5

Ezekiel tells the rebellious people that whether they respond or resist, they will know that a prophet has been in their midst.

SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 12:7-10

Paul boasts of his weaknesses: he proclaims that when we are weak, we can be strong in the Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 5:21-43:1-6

On his return to Nazareth, Jesus finds that a prophet is not welcome among his own; and so he cannot work many miracles there.

JOYFUL NEWS!

Bishop Malooly, has lifted the dispensation, thereby reinstating the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation for Catholics in the Diocese of Wilmington, effective June 26, 2021. The dispensation that went into effect on March 13, 2020, was put in place to help limit the spread of coronavirus, and allow the Diocese of Wilmington to conform to guidelines and regulations adopted by the States of Delaware and Maryland.

Our bishop decided to lift the dispensation because the average number of new cases of COVID-19 continues to decline due to the observance of safety protocols and the increased availability of the vaccine. The obligation does not apply to those who are ill, have been exposed to the virus, or have any serious underlying health conditions.

We welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Let us continue to be united in prayer for one another and for an end to the global pandemic. More information is available at www.cdow.org/coronavirus.

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Ret-ro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 13 - 15, 2021 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

VOCATIONS

A study of Catholic young people in the United States and Canada showed that 75% feel they were never encouraged to pursue the religious life.

There are many young people out there wondering what vocation path to follow. Some of them may be waiting for a suggestion or two from their peers, family or acquaintances. You could ask, "What are your plans for the future? Have you

MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE/JULY

28 MONDAY

HC 8:00 am Father's Day Novena

29 TUESDAY

HC 8:00 am James Ward

30 WEDNESDAY

HC 8:00 am Karen Bergmann

1 THURSDAY

HC 8:00 am Angel Tenaglia
ICC 6 pm For the People

2 FRIDAY

HC 8:00 am Maurice Barnes

3 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Ana Gloria de Jesus
HC 5 pm Joseph and Rose Linder

4 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am Timothy Staniszewski
ICC 8:30 am Bernard & Eileen Thompson
HC 9:30 am Rita J. Cmar-Kulczycki
ICC 11 am James Ward
HC 11:30 am Phylis Eggers
ICC 1 pm For the People

(LI = LIVING INTENTION
DM—DECEASED MEMBERS)

thought about pursuing law, medicine, religion?" Those whom you ask may feel that you see something about them that prompted your inquiry.

Encourage them to think and talk seriously about their future and then pursue it.

Perhaps you could start or become part of a Parish Vocation Committee, one that can generate an atmosphere that is positively directed toward ministry and church vocations. Pray for vocations.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Condolences to the families of our recently deceased members:

Harrington Michael Scott
Lynwood Davinport

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

MASS MINISTERS

A SCHEDULE FOR EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS WILL NOT BE PUT OUT AT THIS TIME. PLEASE STEP FORWARD TO ASSIST AT THE MASS YOU ATTEND.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO LET OTHERS HAVE A CHANCE TO COME FORWARD SO THEY, TOO, HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASSIST AT MASS. WE HAVE MANY WHO WANT TO ASSIST BUT NEVER GET THE CHANCE TO STEP FORWARD.

THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

Lector Schedule for June/July 2021

At Holy Cross:

5 pm Mass

June 26 F. Urick
 July 3 D. Dixon
 July 10 K. Bassett
 July 17 D. Kilby
 July 24 J. Coffield
 July 31 F. Curick

7:30 am Mass

June 27 J. Davis
 July 4 R. Pritchett
 July 11 C. Cuffee
 July 18 J. Davis
 July 25 R. Pritchett

9:30 am Mass

June 27 C. Parks
 July 4 M. Sherlock
 July 11 T. Baurys
 July 18 C. Petka
 July 25 S. Crossen

At Immaculate Conception

8:30 am Mass

June 27 B. Thompson
 July 4 G. Godfrey
 July 11 D. Smith
 July 18 T. Thompson
 July 25 K. Cairns

11 am Mass

June 27 A. Meyer
 July 4 D. King
 July 11 L. Schlaupitz
 July 18 A. Meyer
 July 25 D. King

If you wish to be considered to lector at Holy Cross, email Diane at belt@holycrossdover.org so we can add you to the names of those who have already volunteered to lector.

At ICC, please get in touch with Marilyn Dixon at mdixon@iccmaryladel.org Thank you.

DIRECTORIES (HC)

The Parish Directories are in the Parish Office. If you have not picked up your copy yet, please stop by the office to get your copy. It is best to please call ahead of time and we will get your copy and have it ready for you to pick up.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

What does it mean to have equality in marriage? It's more than just being fair, divvying up tasks, and respecting each other. Does one of you need more than the other today? If not, as a couple, supply a neighbor's need today.

PARENTING POINTERS

Summer is vacation time and often that means travel. In addition to relatives, national parks, and monuments, consider visiting a holy place. Of course any place can be holy when looked at with eyes of faith, but also consider visiting a religious shrine or a different church.

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

Pre-need planning. Still trying to decide on what to do with this year's income tax refunds or your COVID stimulus funds? During our lifetime we spend a lot of time planning and preparing for future events, such as weddings, vacations, college for the kids, retirement, etc. It's easy to put off planning for the day when the Lord will call you home. Planning for the inevitable and securing space in our cemetery is a wonderful gift for the whole family. When that day does come, with all its emotional trauma, sparing your spouse and children those difficult decisions is a blessing. Contact Len Dornberger at the parish office for a no obligation discussion.

FAITH DIRECT

This time last year the world was turned upside down due to COVID-19, but our parish ministries continued because so many people needed our help. Recurring gifts helped sustain our parish in unprecedented times, and continue to be a vital source of support for ministries that are a lifeline to those in need in our community.

Life is returning to normal, but so many continue to depend on Church of the Holy Cross. The more people use eGiving, the stronger foundation we will have for ministries that bring hope in times of uncertainty.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/DE251.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

- La virgen peregrina ya está visitando casas, si usted desea tener la virgen en su casa por una semana y rezar el santo Rosario con su familia con la imagen de la virgen peregrina anótese con la Sra. Marta Espinosa.
- Se le entregara a imagen el domingo al final de la misa y usted la devuelve el próximo domingo en la misa para e entregara la siguiente familia.
- Si usted está interesado en participar y compartir sus talentos como lector, ujier, Ministros Extraordinario de la Comunión (necesita ser aprobado por el párroco) Arte y Ambientación, dar Clases Pre-bautismales. Por favor hable con la Sra. Arline Dosman o llame a la oficina al 302-674-5787 ext. 118
- Las aplicaciones para las clases de Educación Religiosa para el 2021-2022 deberán ser entregadas antes del 15 de julio. Los jóvenes adolescentes que no están confirmados y están en la escuela secundaria las aplicaciones se encuentra en la página cibernética de la parroquia o vaya a la oficina de Educación Religiosa y llene una aplicación.
- Recomendaciones a los padres de familia para ayudar a su pequeño a tranquilizarse y a involucrarse en la misa. Primero la comunicación y la enseñanza: prepare y hablele a su hijo del lugar sagrado y de Jesús antes de ir a la santa misa y como cada niño se debe comportar y las expectativas que usted tiene como padres del comportamiento de su hijo.. Cuando llegue para la misa ocupe los asientos más cercanos al altar los pequeños se sienten más involucrados con la celebración si pueden apreciar lo que realmente está sucediendo. Si se inquieta o llora sáquelo al Nártex hasta que se tranquilice; darles una labor en las Misas puede crear en los pequeños una "sentido de responsabilidad y logro", simples como "poner el dinero en la canasta de la colecta". Ayudar al sostenimiento de su iglesia, Explíquelo

que las veladoras que están en el Nártex no son para jugar son ofrecimientos por una intención de una persona y se deja un donativo por cada vela que se enciende. Nunca deje ir al baño o salir solo a sus hijos, es por su protección.

ICC- EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

**** Están abiertas las inscripciones para el próximo año, 2021-2022. Por favor devuelva las aplicaciones antes del 1 de julio, 2021. Tenemos que ordenar libros de antemano para poder empezar el programa de Educación Religiosa y tomar decisiones de ubicación para el año escolar. ** Una mesa se pondrá para inscripciones en frente del salón después de las misas.**

Se están recopilando evaluaciones para las 4 unidades. Por favor, llévelos a la Sra. Alicia Poppiti para obtener su crédito para este año, Directora de Educación Religiosa al 410-482-8939 o dre@iccmaryl.org

¡TE NECESITAMOS! NECESITAMOS CATEQUISTAS PARA EL PROXIMO AÑO. Si está pensando esto pue ser su llamado. Comuníquese con la Sra. Alicia Poppiti, Directora de Educación Religiosa al 410-482-8939 o dre@iccmaryl.org

La Escuela Bíblica de Verano empieza el 2 de agosto hasta el 6 de agosto 2021 de 6-8:30pm

Inscribese antes del 18 de julio. Grados: Pre-K -Sexto grado

¡Se necesitan voluntarios! -Caballeros al Norte del Castillo, guía para el Castillo, Persona para las actividades, persona para las manualidades, persona para la Ciencia, Líder para el canto.

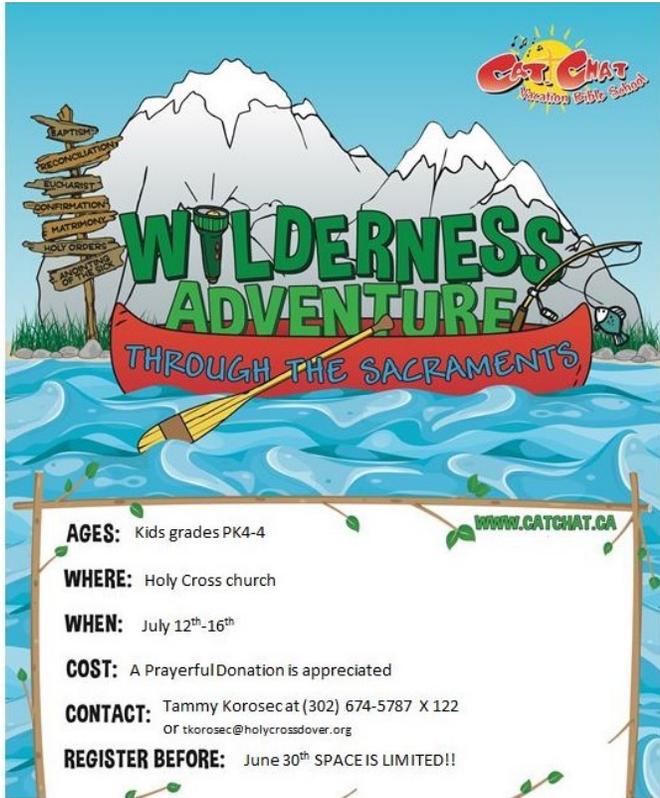
La próxima reunión será el domingo, 6 de unió a las 9:30 en el salón después de la Santa Misa. Si esta interesado llame a la Sra. Alicia Poppiti al 410-482-8939

REGISTRATION FOR 2021/22 REL ED (HC)

2021-2022 Religious Education Class registration forms now available on line at <https://holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation>.

Registration for Religious Education is due July 16, 2021.

If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! (HC)

Adult and Teen volunteers needed for the "Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments" Vacation Bible School program. Anyone 18 or older must have a criminal background check completed. If interested please email Tammy Korosec at tkorosec@holycrossover.org or call (302)674-5787 X 122.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION PREPARATION (HC)

Forms to register for Confirmation 2022 Preparation for all high school students not confirmed may be found on the parish website under Teaching the Faith, Sacramental Preparation, Confirmation. to help at the parish and is a huge asset to us.

Please register for Confirmation by July 15, so we can make plans and order the correct amount of materials. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

***Registration for next year, 2021-2022 has begun. Registrations are due by July 10, 2021. Please get them in by this date. We need to plan for teachers, space and books. A table will be set up after Masses in front of the hall for registration, online and at office.

Assessments are being collected: All student assessments that are in their unit packs, for all 4 units, are due to Mrs. Alicia Poppiti when unit is finished. Please hand in for credit for this year. Alicia Poppiti, Director of Religious Education at 410-482-8939 or dre@iccmaryladel.org

WE NEED YOU (ICC)

Catechists needed for next year! Please inquire with Mrs. Poppiti as soon as possible. If you are wondering, then this may be your calling.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (ICC)

Helpers needed! **Knights of the North Castle** are in need of: Castle Guides, Activities person, crafts person, science person, song leader. If interested, please contact Mrs. Poppiti 410-482-8939 **Vacation Bible school will run August 2 - August 6, 2021**



6-8:30 pm at ICC Hall in Marydel.

Ages: PreK 4—6th

Register before July 18th.

SVDP MEETING (ICC)

St. Vincent de Paul will be having a meeting on Monday, July 5, 2021 at 6 pm in the church office building.

LECTORS AND COUNTERS (ICC)

Since we are back to regular mass, anyone who wants to be a collection counter or lector, please contact Marilyn Dixon at Immaculate Conception.

FUND RAISER AT ICC

ICC is planning a fund raiser on Sept. 11 & 12 for our parish, if you would like to help in any way please contact Marilyn Dixon. There is an initial planning meeting on July 11 from 9:30 am to 10:30 am, in the hall.

Good-byes are never easy. The end of a school year will typically bring with it the occasion for a fare-thee-well or two. At the closing of the school year Mass of the year one of our intentions is always for those who will not be returning to Holy Cross in the coming year. We don't like to see them go, it's much akin to bidding a family member Godspeed as he opens a new chapter in life and taking flight unto new adventures.

This year we say our good-byes to some very special people. In their wake they leave a tremendous void, one difficult to fill.

As many know, Mrs. Marian Stant has entered retirement. The kitchen she leaves behind has been hers in one fashion or another for 35 school years. Our students and faculty alike loved her lunches because everything she prepared contained a dash of her long-held commitment to and love for Holy Cross. The need was not a concern because "it's for the kids..." Godspeed, Mrs. Stant.

I introduced you to Adele, Kelsey, Maya and Taylor a couple of weeks ago. Four angels who were an invaluable source of assistance in our Before and After-Care programs. With virtual learning all but for the history books, these four girls will be returning to college. Wishing them all the very best, we sure do hate to see them go.

Miss Molly served in our TYO classroom alongside of Miss June. One would never have known that Miss Molly had not yet received her degree in Early Childhood Education. From day one her level of expertise and professionalism was stellar. She had me as soon as I saw the beautiful sea-life bulletin board display she arranged last summer in the classroom. It was crystal clear that she had a gift, her warm, relaxed and comfortable way with the children and her beautiful smile filled the room. God works in and through all of us and in so doing Miss Molly returns to school this fall with a different career intention. She will change her major to EC Education. I will miss her terribly. A Holy Cross graduate and former student, I am sad to see her go. Godspeed, Miss Molly.

Mrs. Karyn Stant has served by my side for the past nine years. We came in to the elementary office together. I knew her first as a mom of Andrew, my student. But Andrew being the outstanding student that he was, my contact with Mrs. Stant was only in passing. The vital role she played in the elementary office was precious to me. I was speaking with one of the IT people the other day and in discussing Mrs. Stant's departure she aptly noted that "Mrs. Stant had her thumb on the pulse of everything that happened, if she didn't have the answer, she quickly put you in touch

with the person who did." To that I say Amen..... Godspeed, Mrs. Stant.

And so it is with all this said, we have several employment needs. This week I am listing those for the Elementary Office/Administrative Assistant position, a Before-Care Supervisor, and After-Care personnel. If in reading you feel the Holy Spirit tugging at your heart and you'd like more information please call me, Mrs. Pollitt at 302-674-5787, ext 137, or email works as well; lpollitt@holycrossdover.org

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

Must possess the flexibility to work in a busy office; Must have a love for children. Must have experience working with Microsoft Office Suite., be technologically savvy, have good communication skills
Prior experience in office work is preferred.
Hours are from 7:30 am until 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday.
This is a full-time, twelve-month position.

BEFORE-CARE SUPERVISOR:

The hours are from 6:30 am until 7:45, Monday through Friday.
There can be up to but not limited to fifteen students on any given morning. The BC program is held in the school cafeteria.
Duties and Responsibilities:
Greet and document the names of the children who arrive prior to the onset of the school day. Supervise their behaviors and dismiss them to their respective buildings at 7:40.

AFTER-CARE PERSONNEL

The hours are from 2:30 until 5:30 Monday through Friday, or 11:30 until 5:30 on shortened school days.
Prior experience working with children is preferred, but not necessary.
The AC program is held in the school cafeteria. This person must possess a love for young children.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Set up prior to arrival of the children at dismissal.
- Occasional homework help, craft making, Lego corner, playground supervision.
- Assist with restroom breaks.

These are very brief overviews of the positions. Again, if you have even an inkling of interest and would like to know more, please contact me, Mrs. Pollitt, using the contact information provided above.

As I have always asked and will continue to do so; please keep Holy Cross School in your prayers. God bless you and your families with safe, care-free, and joyous summer days.

Absolutely. In some cases, at an Anointing, especially in the case of a person in the throes of death receiving Last Rites, the Priest is also deputed to grant the person Apostolic Pardon, which is an indulgence. The pardon is given by the Priest saying, *“By the authority which the Apostolic See has given me, I grant you a full pardon and the remission of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”* This is an absolution of sorts that blots out the sins of the person and the temporal punishment due for sin. Of course, it also presumes contrition on the part of the person receiving it.

Are You Lonesome Tonight? With all of this explanation about the nature of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, and our understanding of it, an important question might remain in your minds. What about the person that dies without access to this Sacrament? That is a very good question indeed and one that deserves a clear answer, not platitudes like “we can only hope for the best” or “it’s a mystery.” With the growing Priest shortage, this is a real likelihood for many to consider.

Indulge Me. There is a The Church has a text called, “Enchiridion Indulgentiarum” or in its common English translation, The Handbook of Indulgences. This book, formerly called The Raccolta, contains a listing of indulgenced acts and prayers – that is acts and prayers that through the ministry of the Church grants us certain access to God’s grace. That Handbook of Indulgences states the following:

“[I]f a priest cannot be present, holy mother Church lovingly grants such persons who are rightly disposed a plenary indulgence to be obtained in articulo mortis, at the approach of death, provided they regularly prayed in some way during their lifetime. The use of a crucifix or a cross is recommended in obtaining this plenary indulgence. In such a situation, the three usual conditions required [i.e., pray for the Pope, go to confession, receive Holy Communion] in order to gain a plenary indulgence are substituted for by the condition, ‘provided they regularly prayed in some way.’”

Thus, the Church generously and graciously uses the Power of the Keys, given by Christ to St. Peter, in the care of God’s children.

Setting Things Rite. One other topic, I must address tonight is the term “Last Rites.” Some folks who are -- as some might say -- too smart by half, often correct people who ask for “last rites.” They’ll say, “The Church doesn’t have ‘last rites’ anymore... it did away with that, now it has Anointing of the Sick.” Let me say such a distinction made to a person seeking the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is not really helpful; in some sense it can even be seen as incorrect. More to the point, if a person is sick and dying, and as a Priest, I minister to them the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, and soon thereafter that person dies, that Sacramental ministration was in fact, the “last rites” for that child of God. Let me also qualify this further by noting: Last Rites and Anointing of the Sick are interchangeable terms, you don’t ask for Last Rites and then ask for anointing of the sick. Sacramentally, it is one in the same.

Final Thoughts. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should be sought when a person is sick. Not sick like sniffles or a cough, but sick in a manner such that the effects on that person’s health can be ultimately life threatening. Of note: Quantity doesn’t make this sacrament work better. You may only be anointed once for an illness. If you have cancer and are anointed for it, you can’t say six-months later, I still have cancer and it’s worse, let me get anointed again. You have been anointed for that sickness – and now you have to let God’s grace work, to whatever end might await. Likewise, the Church says that old people may be anointed if they are in weak condition even though no dangerous illness exists, as their weakness in that age of life could put them in consideration of death.

Perhaps the best way of facing sickness and death, in term of this Sacrament might be to recall the words of Curtis Mayfield and the Impressions from their 1965 hit: “People get ready!”

Yours in Christ,
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Pastor