

CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

November 24, 2019

Christ the King

holy cross

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

CHRIST THE KING



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)

24 SUNDAY

HC 9 am, RCIA, MT/MK
 ICC 9:40 am, SRE
 ICC 2:30 pm, Adolescentes, CC
 ICC 2:30 pm, Advent Gathering Families, Hall
 HC 3:30 pm, Confirmation Class, MT/MK
 ICC 3:30 pm, Jovenes, Church Basement

25 MONDAY *St. Catherine of Alexandria*

HC 8:45 am, Spirituality Group, LK

26 TUESDAY

ICC 1 pm, Exercise Class, Hall
 ICC 6:30 pm, 1st Reconciliation prep, hall
 HC 7 pm, Adult Ed, MT/MK

27 WEDNESDAY

HC 9 am, Adult Ed, LK
 ICC 6 pm, NUTS, Hall

28 THURSDAY *Thanksgiving Day*

ICC 6 am, NUTS, hall
 HC 9 am, Mass, CH



29 FRIDAY

ICC 7 pm, band practice
 CC 8 pm, Vigil, CH

30 SATURDAY *St. Andrew, Apostle*

ICC 8 am, Hispanic Retreat, hall
 ICC, Immaculate Conception Novena, CH
 HC, Noon, Giving Tree decorated, GS

WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

ending November 10

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$23,826	\$28,200	(\$4,374)
YTD	\$530,040	\$535,400	(\$5,360)
Needs	\$1,009	\$1,586	(\$577)

Please Note: In a cost savings effort we have stopped envelope delivery for inactive envelope users. This will be effective January 2020.

If your envelopes stopped being delivered but you would like to use them, please contact the Parish Office or email mdornberger@holycrossover.org.

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC)

ending November 10

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$4,078
Second	\$537

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.”

Dear Parishioners,

With Thanksgiving just days away, we have an early moment to give thanks, this Sunday, as we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, a holy day with an amazing history. So, put aside the pause the potato preparation, sideline the stuffing, and drop the drumstick – just for a few minutes – for some words about Jesus Christ, our King, and feast that celebrates his kingship.

An Earthly King. The famed Elvis Presley is commonly called the King of Rock'n'Roll. Amidst all his fame, Elvis in many ways remained a simple person: he was a faith-filled man, he went to serve his country in the army, and famously treated his fans well. When Elvis died in 1977, a singer named Ronnie McDowell released a tribute song called "The King is Gone" – it became a top 40 hit. The song reminded people about, not the hits or fame of Elvis, but the qualities that he had brought to the table of our nation. The lyrics states: "A simple man / who took his faith along / while all the world / proclaimed him king. / And now the king is gone / and, oh, what a reign / and the crown on his head / long will remain." In that regard, Elvis wasn't just a King who reigned, he was a king who rocked the world and changed our nation's cultural landscape.



The King of Kings. But there is, of course, a greater king – that is the greatest king – Jesus Christ; a king who is never gone. He also rocked the world and reigns supreme in the universe as our Lord and Savior. This Sunday, we observe the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (commonly called "Christ the King"). But one might wonder, isn't every Mass a celebration of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Well, yes and no. Just as "Love Me Tender" and "Jail House Rock" are both records that expose us to Elvis, they are not the same... one shows a tender side to Elvis and the other shows his raucous rock'n'roll side. Same Elvis, different focus. So, too, with the feast of Christ the King, we focus us on a specific view of Christ.

Of Popes and Porcupines. Let's step into the way back machine, and set the controls to 1870, location Rome. In that year, the new, burgeoning Kingdom of Italy lawlessly seized the Papal territories, including the city of Rome, and made it part of the new Italian nation. The Italian government then adopted a law which, further infuriating the Church, made the Pope a "subject" of the King of Italy. This was about as popular as a porcupine in a moon bounce. The Pope, Pius IX, was steamed, and refused recognition of the new Italian kingdom. To emphasize his displeasure, he refused to step foot outside of the Vatican onto Church territory now held under Italian control. All of the Popes from that time onward, until 1929, refused to leave the Vatican. This stand-off between Italy and the Vatican was commonly referred to in

diplomatic circles as the "Roman Question;" it was an issue that both sides wanted resolved.

The Feast and the Furious. In 1925, with the Roman Question unresolved, but with a new Italian government headed by Benito Mussolini, the Church hoped that this issue could be addressed. Pope Pius XI issued an encyclical that year titled, *Quas Primas* ("In the First") which set out to establish a Feast day specifically to honor Jesus Christ as the King of Heaven and Earth. This feast focused the faith on the Divine truth of Jesus Christ's Divine rule, but also reminded nations (especially Italy) of their proper place in the face of Christ and his Church. The Pope wrote:

Nations will be reminded by the annual celebration of this feast that ... rulers and princes are bound to give public honor and obedience to Christ. It will call to their minds the thought of the last judgment ... for his kingly dignity demands that the State should take account of the commandments of God and of Christian principles, both in making laws and in administering justice.

He also added: "as long as ... states refused to submit to the rule of our Savior, there would be no really hopeful prospect of a lasting peace among nations."

Meanwhile in the 1960s. The encyclical had created the Feast of Christ the King on the last Sunday of October. The focus of the feast was: Christ is God, creator of all; He redeemed us and we are His special possession; He has dominion over all nations of this world; and He is the head of the Church. In 1969, this holy day was changed by Pope Paul VI: he raised the day from being a "feast" to being at the rank of "solemnity." He then moved it to the final Sunday of the Church year; the focus is one Christ, the King, who is the beginning and the end of all that is.

Now, let me be clear: This encyclical was not about the Roman Question; however, it was written in the context of it. The encyclical rebuked secularism; it called the people of the world back to Christ, their King. However, Pope Pius XI saw the conflict between Italy and the Vatican as an example of secularism's ascendancy in the world, and subtly, but powerfully, addressed it.

A year after the encyclical was published, the Italian government began negotiations to end the Roman Question. In 1929, the Lateran Treaty was signed; it granted full independence to the Vatican and to the Pope and made reparations for the lands seized. The Roman Question was answered, with the Vatican understood to be a free nation, the Pope seen to be a sovereign ruler, and Christ, above all, understood as, and held in truth to be King of the Universe. That is indeed something to be thankful for and to celebrate!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. James Lentini
Pastor

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
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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. 40 weeks: If you're past your due date you may not be as late as you think, especially if you calculated it solely based on the day of your last period. Sometimes women ovulate later than expected. But if you don't go into labor on your own by your due date, your healthcare provider will probably do tests (such as a sonogram and a non-stress test) to make sure you can safely continue your pregnancy. Your baby is the size of a small pumpkin.
- About 40 Days for Life: 454 confirmed reports of babies saved from abortion during the 2019 international fall campaign.

"I do not believe the promises of the Declaration of Independence are just for the strong, the independent, the healthy. They are for everyone-including unborn children." – George W. Bush

CEMETERY NEWS

The pre-Christmas clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 7; this includes the removal of Halloween and Thanksgiving decorative items except artificial flowers. If you wish to reclaim your decorations for reuse please do so by then. Your assistance in disposing of decorations at home will help reduce our clean up time and costs. Christmas decorations (such as wreathes, poinsettias, blankets, etc.) are permitted from December 1st until March 1st. As always, thank you for your understanding and cooperation in maintaining our sacred grounds

THANKSGIVING DAY

Remember Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at Holy Cross church at 9:00 am. On behalf of the Parish priests, deacons and staff of Holy Cross and Immaculate Conception, we wish you a blessed Thanksgiving.



READINGS FOR DECEMBER 1

FIRST SUNDAY ADVENT

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 2:1-5

We climb the mountain of God separately, but we meet at the summit.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 13:11-14

We are in the night, but we can see the dawn is coming.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 24:37-44

Pray, think, care, and then you will be awake, ready for god in all things.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (HC)

Are you looking for a way to involve your children in actively participating in Mass? The Holy Cross Children's Choir is a great way to do so! The choir meets the first Saturday of the month for practice and Mass in the choir room in the Gathering Space. Practice is at 4:00 and Mass is at 5:00. No additional practices! Please note that this is for children 5 years of age and older. Next Mass is Saturday, December 7, at 5:00 pm. Practice will begin at 4:00 pm. For more information, call Mrs. Vicki Frazier at 335-4663.

SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY (HC)

Our Samaritan Food Pantry is in need of frozen turkeys for our Thanksgiving baskets that will be given to needy families. These frozen turkeys can be left in the freezer which is now located in the carriage house located behind the rectory. Other food items are also needed to complete our baskets: cranberry sauce, stuffing, gravy, green beans, corn, rice, sweet potatoes, pudding, and instant potatoes.

YOUNG AT HEART (HC)

Our Young at Heart will meet on December 9, at 11:00 a.m. in the Early Learning Center in the Matthew/Mark room. This is the annual Christmas cover dish luncheon and there is **no charge**. Deacon Vince will be our speaker and Christmas music will be provided by Mr. & Mrs. James Frazier. Thank you to all who made our Thanksgiving luncheon a success. Should school be delayed opening we will still meet but if school is closed because of the weather we will not be meeting.

MEN OF HOLY CROSS (HC)

Are you a male between the ages of 18 and 99? Do you wish to learn more about prayer, faith and your vocation? Do you want to become a stronger father, husband or son? Do you want to build lasting friendships with like-minded men?

Join the Men of Holy Cross for our weekly meetings: Wednesday mornings at 6:30 AM at the Early Learning Center in the Luke Room (second floor) for prayer, timely discussions on current events, Church teachings and good fellowship. We are looking forward to welcoming all new members. For more information contact call 302-313-6935 or e-mail MenOfHolyCross@gmail.com.

CAPITAL RINGERS

The Presbyterian Church of Dover is hosting the ringers on December 8 at 4 pm. for a Christmas concert of favorites and new songs. They have the largest set of handbells and chimes in Delmarva.. \$15 per person, free under 18.

MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

25 MONDAY

HC 6:30 am Bill Bachman

HC 8 am Josephine Nardone

26 TUESDAY

HC 6:30 am Donald L. Tiso

HC 8 am Antonio Coroniti

27 WEDNESDAY

HC 6:30 am John Dalgewicz

HC 8:15 am Maria Antonietta Maddalena

28 THURSDAY

HC 9:00 am Bridget McGlynn

29 FRIDAY

HC 6:30 am Stump Family

HC 8 am Thomas R. MacLeish

30 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Pasquale Ciccardi

HC 5 pm Bisceglie & Wisniewski Fam.

1 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am Cecelia Kelly

ICC 8:30 am Anna & Louis Adam

HC 9:15 am Michael Dente

HC 11 am Tom Kinkus

ICC 11 am Margaret Poppiti

HC 1 pm Mary Catherine Darcey

ICC 1 pm For the People

HC 6 pm Ellen La Pointe

(LI = LIVING INTENTION)

TABERNACLE & SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS (NOV 24—NOV 30)

HC Adoration Chapel Tom Kinkus

HC Church Radetich Family

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION HOURS AVAILABLE (HC)

Our Lord is waiting for YOU to come spend an hour each week with Him. Please help us to fill some of the available hours. Contact JoAnn Pate 302-674-4496 for one of the hours listed below.

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 Noon, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm, 11 pm

MASS MINISTERS NOV 30—DEC 1

HOLY CROSS

EMHC SERVERS

5:00 PM	F. Ernst	T. Dupuis	E. Kozel
	S. Coghlan	C. O'Donnell	N. Hawk
	L. Accaloo- goon	M. Casey	S. Carbaugh
	M. Hitch	R. Coppadge	LECTORS
	A. Hunter	V. Pearl	

J. Killman
J. Coffield

7:30 AM	S. Gede	B. Gattuso	M. Neal
	R. Campanicki	L. Davis	N. Whiteman
	F. Spartz	R. O'Neill	B. Stumpf

LECTORS

D. Kilby
R. Pritchett

9:15 AM	P. Ford	R. Wiley9	M. Bieker
	M MacLeish	M Malloy	B. Coyle
	G. Wessel	L. Olmsted	N Ramos
	A. Hlafka	J. Chandler	LECTORS
	T. Arndt	J. Bieker	

S. Ford
M Arsenault

11:00 AM	P. Johnson	P. Huffman	K. Tabalon
	N West	M Rogers	E. Carter
	B. Whitworth	R. Seliga	J. Moyer
	A. Marano	B. Richards	LECTORS
	F. Deeney	G. Richards	

J. Connolly
P. Keller

1:00 PM	M. Rivera	C. Valdes	J. Cortes
	B. Guzman	E. Pastoriza	E. Cortes
	T. Hernandez		LECTORS

E. Vicente
M. Neyra

6:00 PM	T. Steir	V. Balcerak	C. Darling
	M Rathbun	D. Balcerak	N. Kosier
	A. Wyllie	L. Darling	G. Maddalena
	M. Cacesse	D. Darling	LECTORS
	D. Novak	J. Zajac	

TBD

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

D. Smith

11:00 AM	A. Poppiti	J. Carrow	J. Santizo
			V. Haas

LECTORS

Zl. Dvhlsupiyx

1:00 PM	L. Tomas]	R. Cuin	M. Gabriel
	H. Macario]	S. Morales	J. Godinez
	F. Perez		LECTORS

G. Mendez
F. Ortiz

GIVING TREE (HC)

The Giving Tree will be in the Gathering Space beginning November 30. Each tag on the tree has an item listed on it for an individual. Items will range from a few dollars and up.



Please take a tag that fits into your budget and that would not put a burden on you.. **Items must be returned to the Gathering Space, Christmas wrapped, with the tag taped to the front of the package by Sunday, December 15,** so they can be sorted and prepared to distribute to the proper families. Thank you for your generosity during this blessed holiday season.

SAMARITAN TREE (HC)

If you don't want to buy presents but still wish to donate something to help those in need, you can take an envelope from our Samaritan Tree . It will contain envelopes to make a donation for the Samaritan Food Pantry. These envelopes can be put into the collection basket, mailed to the Parish Office, or handed directly to the priest at mass. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, November 30th, Sister Ann David Strohming will discuss the changing roles for religious in the Diocese of Wilmington. After it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

RECENTLY DECEASED (HC)

We remember those who have recently died:
• Emil Schultz and Florence Tomaszewski
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.

COLLECTION COUNTERS (ICC)

December 1, Ann Lawson & Julia Moore
December 8, Frank & Joyce Cristiano
December 15, Robin & Paul Engstenberg

CHURCH CLEANING CREW (ICC)

NOVIEMBRE 28: GRUPO #4
Marinda Escalante, Elias Gonzalez, Alfonso Perez, Oscar Roblero, Edgar Velasquez, Rubelina Ortiz
DECEMBER 5 GRUPO #5
Olegario Cuin, Emma Rojas, **Egidio Macario,** Gerardo Escalante, Leticia Ortiz

NUTS - NEIGHBORS UNITED TO SERVE (ICC)

28th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner Delivery in Caroline County. NUTS forms for meals in Caroline County, MD are in the back of the church. Please fill out the form, mail to address on form or bring to office and give to Marilyn, to have a meal reserved. Online reservation via the website at bit.ly/2019NUTSMEAL. Volunteers are needed at ICC hall from 6:00 to 9:00 a. m. to package meals for delivery and clean up.

PARISH DIRECTORY ORDERS (HC)

If you didn't have your picture taken for the directory but would like a copy, you can purchase one for \$15.00. We will only order additional directories if they are prepaid. You can come by the Parish Office to leave your name and payment, and we will be happy to order a directory for you. We can take orders for a limited time only so be sure to place your order now before it's too late.

ELF, THE MUSICAL, JR

What happens when a baby from an orphanage crawls into Santa's sack without his knowledge, is raised by his North Pole elves, but later, learns he is NOT an elf? He is a human! Enjoy Buddy, the Elf's, journey based on the movie, *Elf*, as The Children's Theatre, Inc. performs this musical at the beautiful Schwartz Center for the Arts on Saturday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 8, at 2:00 p.m. *Elf, the Musical, Jr.* has limited seating. Purchase tickets through eventbrite.com or at the door; all seats are \$10.

VOCATIONS

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom." Can you lead others to make this request of our Lord and King? Give your life to Jesus and others are sure to hear, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." 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

- El Adviento empieza el 1 de diciembre y es el comienzo del Año Litúrgico, Feliz Año Nuevo a todos. Ciclo A y nos acompañará el evangelista San Mateo todo el año. El término "Adviento" viene del latín *adventus*, que significa *venida, llegada*. Son los cuatro domingos anteriores a la Navidad donde nos prepararemos para darle posada a Jesús en nuestros corazones y forma una unidad con la Navidad y la Epifanía. El color usado en la liturgia de la Iglesia durante este tiempo es el violeta-morado.
- Celebración en Honor a Nuestra Sra. La Virgen de Guadalupe comenzará el miércoles, 11 de diciembre a las 10:00 de la noche con el rezo del santo Rosario seguido por las mañanitas con los Mariachis y el día jueves 12 la Santa Misa será a las 7:00pm seguida por la procesión con los mariachis al Gimnasio para la gran fiesta. Todos están invitados a este gran evento parroquial.
- Confirmación de Adultos será el 15 de diciembre, durante la misa en español, por favor de traer su certificado de bautismo lo antes posible a la clase o venga a la oficina del Ministerio Hispano.
- Conozca su Fe católica todos los viernes Foro Cristiano, 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. La primera parte "Conociendo Nuestra Fe Católica" la segunda parte es "Viviendo Nuestra Fe Católica". El curso termina en junio 2020. Venga y únete a nosotros traiga toda la familia.

- Gran Retiro de fin de semana "VIDA EN ABUNDANCIA" facilitador Dexter Alejandro Reyes, subdirector Internacional de la Escuela de Evangelización San Andrés, es auspiciado por la parroquia Santos Ángeles y La Escuela de Evangelización San Andrés. Cuándo: Sábado 30 de noviembre y domingo 1 de diciembre. De 8 am-6 pm. Dónde: 82 Possum Park Rd. Newark DE 19711. La ofrenda es de \$25 incluye alimentos los dos días. Para más información llame al 302-377-7557.
- 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.
- 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 - No class November 27, Happy Thanksgiving

Sundays - Class December 1, 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)

Advent is around the corner! Holy Cross is offering the class Advent: Preparing for Christ Cycle A. Classes will be held on Tuesdays at 7pm or Wednesdays at 9:30am in the Matthew/Mark room in the Early Learning Center upstairs.

Classes will be held on the following days:

- Tuesday evenings: November 26th, December 3rd, 10th, 17th
- Wednesday mornings: November 27th, December 4th, 11th, 18th

If you are interested in attending, please register by either emailing Tammy Korosec at tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or calling (302) 6745787 X 122. Please register ASAP.

MOUNT 2000 RETREAT (HC)

February 7-9, 2020 at Mt. St. Mary's University. All high school teens are welcome to join us on this awesome weekend retreat with teens from Delaware, Maryland and surrounding states. Cost is \$95 if you register by December 1. Please contact Mrs. Darling for instructions on registering.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES (HC)

Sunday, December 1 at 3:30 pm and Wednesday, December 4 at 6 pm

YOUTH GROUP (HC)

High School Cookie Baking - Saturday, December 7 from 9 am to Noon in the school cafeteria. Cookies placed in Samaritan Food Baskets for Christmas. Help needed - lots to bake! Bring a friend or sibling - please have Form A.

Junior High Paint Night - Saturday, December 7 from 6 pm to 7:30 pm. We will be painting gifts for nursing home residents for Christmas.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Make plans now to attend our Deanery Advent Reconciliation Service to be held at Holy Cross on Monday, December 9, beginning at 7 pm. Many visiting priests will join our parish priests to hear confessions that evening. Make yourself ready for Christmas by going to reconciliation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

- Classes run from 9:40-10:50 am on Sunday. No Classes, December 1, for Thanksgiving break.
- Lector Books are in the office. Please pick up your copy today.

SACRAMENTAL PREP (ICC)

Confirmation: Sponsor/Padrinos Meeting is Noon on Sunday, December 15 in the Hall. Next session for youth is Sunday, December 15, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm in the hall.

First Reconciliation Prep: Next session is on Tuesday, November 26, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY (ICC)

The ICC Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting between the 8:30 am and 11 am Masses in the church hall on the following dates: November 24, December 8 and 22. We are currently making hat and scarf sets for boys and girls, women and men. You are welcome to join us! If you can't attend our meetings, but would like to donate hat and scarf sets, you can drop them off to us by our deadline on December 8.

FAMILY ADVENT GATHERING (ICC)

Please join us on Sunday, November 24 from 2:30 to 4 pm in the hall for family time centered on the anticipation of the coming of Christ, our Emmanuel.

K OF C (ICC)

The date for the next K of C breakfast at ICC has been moved to 12/8/19, due to no SRE on 12/1/19



K OF C (HC)

The Knights Dover Council 4182 will hold its monthly breakfast on Sunday, November 24, after the 7:30 and 9:15 am Masses. The Knights will provide materials for family advent candles at the breakfast. Regardless of whether the family eats, they can construct their own advent wreath.

The Knights have also initiated a winter coat drive for any slightly used or new children's coats to be donated for needy children, all sizes needed. Drop off the coats at the breakfast on November 24, or call John Bosak at 302-531-6926.

SPIRITUALITY MEETING (HC)

Please join us for The Bible and the Virgin Mary a DVD series based on Scott Hahn's book, Hail Holy Queen. We are meeting in St. Luke's room in the ELC Monday mornings at 9:00.

MRS. POLLITT'S PONDERINGS

I can't really explain it, but, as I've aged in both years and wisdom there are things that mean more to me now than before. For example, a free moment is a true treasure. When I was younger and I found myself with "nothing to do;" I quickly translated that into boredom. As I've aged in both years and wisdom, a healthy diet is also more important to me; red meat is something I readily say no thank you to. The meaning and significance of certain holidays has also changed for me in the way I look forward to and observe them. I confess to looking forward to such holidays as Columbus Day and Labor Day simply because it marked a three day weekend.



Veteran's Day is one where my appreciation for its significance has indeed grown with my own personal maturity. My father was an officer in the United States Air Force for his entire 23 year career. I have uncles who had similar service records. One would think that I'd have been raised with a deeper sense of indebtedness for the men and women who for decades have chosen to serve their country in some of the most dangerous regions on the face of the earth. Please don't misunderstand; I have always revered those in uniform. Holding them in the highest esteem I once considered that as an option for myself after college. My choice was to serve my country as a member of the WAVES; the female branch of the U.S. Navy. As a member of the WAVES, I wanted to serve my country as a pharmacist. Well, that didn't work out quite as I had planned, so I walked down a different path in life. That path eventually brought me to Holy Cross School.

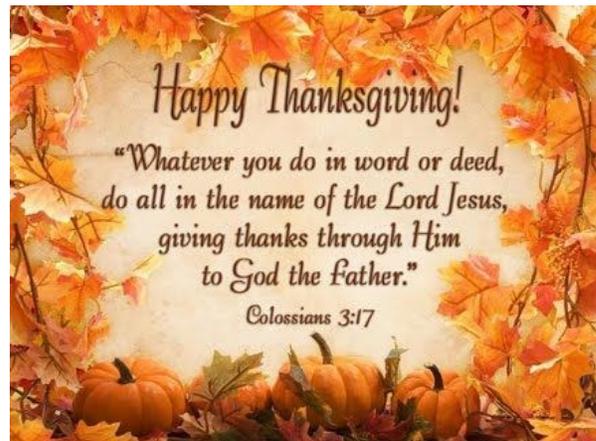
At Holy Cross we find ourselves located very near to Dover Air Force Base or Dover AFB, a United States Air Force base located 2 miles southeast of the city of Dover, Delaware. I remain completely mesmerized by the sheer size of the C-5 as it makes a practice runs over the recess field, they appear to be flying so slowly that you might expect them to fall from the sky. The C-5 can swallow main battle tanks and fly them to Antarctica...and that's just the beginning. With a wingspan of 223 feet, a length of 247 feet, and a weight of 380,000 pounds (that's 190,000 TONS), the aerial monster can fly at a speed of 579 miles per hour. I would encourage you to view a clip on you-tube where you can watch the loading process of one of these behemoths. Helicopters, cars, and trucks roll right on up and inside the belly of this amazing plane. [<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0TSdUXeFAHA>]

At Holy Cross we are blessed to partner with many families who are based out of Dover AFB in the education of their children. Many are pilots of these planes, loadmasters of these planes, and mechanics whose awesome responsibility is to keep that C-5 in the sky! Many of our moms and dads are serving our great country in many other capacities and we are grateful for all of them. Currently, Julian P, Miguel F. along with Jace and Tyce I. have moms and dads serving in Qatar. Julien's mom contacted Mrs. Borden a couple weeks back and offered to Skype with the first grade classes on Veteran's Day. The distance between Qatar and Dover is 6,804 miles. But, in the age of technology, this is not a hard thing to do. I walked into the classroom and the conversation was underway! For about ten minutes or so we had Qatar Air Force base in the classroom at Holy Cross School. The children had prepared questions for the parents and learned that there is approximately 8 hours difference in time, that they frequent the gym for exercise, Julian's mom is in charge of broadcasting the news, Jace and Tyce's dad is a pilot, and Miguel's mom is in charge of preparing all the food for the 8000 people who live on the base!! That's a lot of food! We also learned that is hot, hot, hot outside almost all the time and that camels wander around outside the airbase!

It's a supreme sacrifice made by the men and women of our armed forces. In my years here I have come to know and appreciate that the sacrifice is made by every single member of the family. It's not an easy life, but their reasons and choices are noble ones. And so it is on Veteran's Day that we salute the hundreds of thousands who serve in all walks of life, all around the globe and wear the military uniform with pride, dignity and integrity. God bless America!



Wishing all of you a blessed Thanksgiving.



Dear Parishioners,

We have reached one of my favorite times of year - Thanksgiving! Though it often gets overlooked in the race to Christmas, I would argue that this is one of the most joyful holidays all year because of its simplicity. No gifts needed, no fancy attire or costumes to plan, just time around a dinner table with family and loved ones in a spirit of gratitude. As we prepare our turkeys and fixings and reflect on our blessings, I pray that we not forget those in need. Christ calls us to seek out and serve the poor. Consider this parable from Luke 14:7-14:



He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

I'd like to thank my school community for their participation in our holiday food drive to stock the Samaritan Pantry here at Holy Cross Church. And I'd like to challenge us all to seek out ways to seat ourselves at the "lowest place" during this holiday season which can easily distract our focus away from the things most worth celebrating. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Rachael A. Casey
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Principal

A Thanksgiving Prayer from the Catholic Book of Household Blessings:

Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation. We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities. We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes. We thank you, Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

R: Amen

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