



# CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

October 11, 2020

28th 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-Friday, 12:10 pm also  
Federal Holidays, 9 am only (Presidents Day, MLK Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day)

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

### ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Daily, 5 am-Midnight (temporarily closed)

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

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

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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



## 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Many are invited, but few are chosen."

Matthew 22:14

Parable of the Great Banquet by Brunswick Monogrammist, Circa 1525  
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### HOLY DAY SCHEDULE (HC AND ICC)

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

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

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## RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## THIS WEEK (HC OR ICC)

Check out our websites

[holycrossdover.org](http://holycrossdover.org)

[iccmarylodel.org](http://iccmarylodel.org)

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

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

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

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

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

## WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

ending September 27, 2020

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$30,769	\$28,000	\$2,769
YTD	\$314,681	\$358,400	(\$43,719)
Needs	\$1,265	\$1,550	(\$285)

## WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC)

Ending September 27, 2020

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$3,411
Second	\$140

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

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

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

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

Dear Parishioners,

October is the month of the Holy Rosary, as established by long-standing Church tradition. The key holy day of the month was on October 7: The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, though the entire month is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Much like an Entertainment Tonight exposé on the secret life of Leif Garrett or Macauley Culkin, this feast day has a story and a story behind the story!

**Here's the story of a lovely Lady.** The Rosary was established by our Blessed Mother, Mary, who in the year 1214 appeared to St. Dominic in a monastery in France and commended to him the concept and practice of the Holy Rosary. In the praying of that Rosary, 150 Hail Marys would be prayed – one for every Psalm in Scripture. Pun-illy one may ask: What is the connection between those 150 Psalms and those 150 Hail Marys, pray tell? Well, Priests and those in religious life (then and now) pray multiple times daily from a book called “The Liturgy of the Hours.” Completing cycle of prayers in that book, the person praying would have recited all 150 Psalms. Most lay people at the time of St. Dominic were not literate, but they did know their prayers. The Rosary allowed the people to – albeit in a variant way – to join their prayers to those of the Priests and Religious men and women. As the Priests and Religious would pray their 150 Psalms, the lay faithful would pray their 150 Hail Marys. And that's the connection!

**Elementary My Dear Watson?** So, may we deduce from this that on the Feast of Our Lady of Rosary we are celebrating the establishment of the Rosary, right? Well, actually, no. We are not. Hence the story behind the story!

Here's the story behind the story: Just as the Jefferson Airplane became the Jefferson Starship, the Jackson 5 became the Jacksons, and the show “Seinfeld Chronicles” became “Seinfeld,” the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary is likewise a revised name. The October 7 feast was originally known as the feast of Our Lady of Victory; it was established to celebrate a particular military victory for the forces of Christendom in Europe. As history tells us, Turkish Ottoman Empire forces had toppled the Christian Byzantine Empire in the 15th century (1453) and over the next 100 years expanded their Islamic Empire westward into Europe, conquering ever westward and ever northward. But within Europe, there was a deceptive calm in some corners about the advance. Why? Many European countries were blinded to the threat of encroaching Ottoman advances by

the seduction allure of money made from trading with that Empire and its vassal states. But the not everyone was blinded to the threat. Author Niccolò Capponi in his book, *The Victory of the West: The Great Christian-Muslim Clash at the Battle of Lepanto*, described the situation this way:

By the beginning of the sixteenth century Christendom was in a very sorry state. Gone were the crusading ideals of old; people turned deaf ears to the alarmed utterances of preachers and popes about the necessity of stopping the Turkish advance. For most European governments the Ottoman threat was low on their list of concerns—they were more interested in maintaining their positions in the rich eastern markets—while a few states were quite ready to abet, or at least not hinder, the sultan's expansionist policies for the sake of their own commercial interests.

**A League of their Own.** As noted, not everyone was oblivious to the salami-tactics (advancing slice by slice) of the Islamic forces of the Ottoman Empire. Several European powers, saw the situation not as one of trade-benefits, but as an existential threat to the Christian way of life in Europe. Fearing an Ottoman rout of Europe, three Catholic military powers (Genoa, Spain, and the Papal States) forged the Holy League, to prevent invasion and conquest. The major confrontation took place between the powers at the Battle of Lepanto, a naval battle off the coast of Greece on October 7, 1571. The Holy League was expected to be wiped out, by the larger, superior Ottoman forces, in what might be called “My Big Fat Greek Battle!”

**An “Ernest” Victory.** Fearing their demise, the captains and crews of the Holy League's ships intently prayed the Rosary as they readied for the battle. Pope Pius V commended the Catholic faithful to go to church to pray to the Virgin Mary, that she might pray to our Lord for a victory against the daunting Ottoman forces. Like a good review for a Nicholas Cage movie, a very unexpected victory came forth. Nearly the entire battle fleet of the Ottoman Empire had been captured or sunk by the forces of the Holy League. Following this victory, attitudes in Europe changed, and in future conflicts, more European powers would join in the battle to push the rising of Ottoman invasion back — ultimately bringing it to a halt.

**Made Marian.** In a gesture of prayerful thanks, Pope Pius V asserted that this victory be com-

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## HC & ICC CLERGY

Vy. Rev. James S. Lentini, V. F.  
Rev. Mano Salla

Pastor  
Parochial Vicar

## HC CLERGY

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

Pastor Emeritus  
Deacon  
Deacon  
Deacon  
Deacon  
Deacon

## ICC CLERGY

Mr. Sherman Mitchell

Deacon

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holycrossdover.org/school

Linda Pollitt Principal, ext. 111

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## PRO LIFE CORNER

The fall 40 Days for Life Dover event began on Wednesday, September 23rd and continues to Sunday November 1st. Please join us in prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood of Dover to help save the lives of the unborn. You may participate at your convenience and schedule. While at Planned Parenthood, please follow Governor Carney's Social Distancing Guidelines. For more information contact Donna at (862) 266-1099 or visit [www.40daysforlife.com/dover](http://www.40daysforlife.com/dover).

- Life begins at conception and continues to natural death.
  - Offer your prayers for the most vulnerable, especially the elderly during this COVID-19 crisis.
- "Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, calumniate you, set traps for you, take you to court or kill you." ~Pope Francis*

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our our newly registered parishioners: *Timothy Anderson and Kaysi McLaughlin; Allisa Boenig; Michael and Joanne Dell'Aquila; Colin, Marissa, Genevieve, Cordelia and Nicholas Parks; Alessandro, Katherine, Roslyn and Nicola Iommelli; Pete McQuire*

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Congratulations to our newly baptized members: *Briar Dawn Jensen; Daisy Harper McAtee; Marilyn Rose McAtee; Luciano Nicolai Sparacio; Thiago Ramirez-Garcia; Samantha Rivas Garcia; Brantley Chase Scott; Charles Robert Gerwien; Jackson Luke Messick*

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Condolences to the families of the following: *Deacon James M. Tormey; Stanley Paszkowski; Giuseppe "Joe" Garramone; Robert E. Savarese; Sara DeMarie; Janice Mary Allen; Ann Louise Keller; Sarah Fillat*

May the Souls of the Faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

## READINGS FOR OCTOBER 18 29TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 45:1, 4-6

God has called each of us by name.

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-5

Paul tells his Thessalonian congregation that he prays constantly for them.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:15-21

Jesus' enemies tried to trap him with a question about whether or not to pay taxes. Whichever answer he gave could catch him out and lead to his ultimate downfall.

## RCIA (HC)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who has an interest in the Catholic Faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is holding Zoom meetings on Sunday mornings at 9:00AM to 10:30 AM. If you are interested please send an email to Deacon Vince at [vpisano@holycrossdover.org](mailto:vpisano@holycrossdover.org) and an invitation will be sent to you to join our Zoom meeting.

## VOCATIONS

Jesus told His Disciples, "I came to serve, not to be served." A vocation is a call to serve. It is a profession, an urge, a predisposition to undertake a certain kind of work. It is a choice for which you are particularly suited. The central question always is, "How best can I serve my God and others?"

If you feel a calling to the married life, there are many Church ministries from which to choose. Many are in need of your service, as a deacon, a Eucharistic minister, a visitor to the sick and aged, or an usher. Whatever you choose, do something that serves others. When you do this, you are serving God.

If you feel a calling to priesthood or religious life, ask questions and talk to priests or religious. They know that surviving isn't enough. They can help you come to know your vocation or career, or even your own true self.

Above all, start with prayer. Whatever your vocation, if you are good at what you do, it is a gift from God. Only through prayer will you be able to recognize what vocation gift He wants to give to you.

*Serra for priestly and religious*

## ADORATION CHAPEL (HC)

Even though we are not opening the Adoration Chapel at this time, anyone who was on the normal adoration schedule is welcome to come into the church to pray during your assigned hour. The church is unlocked from 7 am to 7 pm and Our Lord is waiting for you to come spend time with Him. Our Lord is present in the tabernacle all day long and would love for you to spend time praying. It's a great way to get back into the routine of praying during your scheduled hour.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### OCTOBER

#### 12 MONDAY

HC 9:00 am Raymond Cola

#### 13 TUESDAY

HC 8:00 am Terri Callaghan (LI)

#### 14 WEDNESDAY

HC 6:30 am Eugenia B. DeNatale

HC 8:00 am Jacqueline Rossi

#### 15 THURSDAY

HC 8:00 am Peter Bell

#### 15 FRIDAY

HC 8:00 am Mary Ann Strong

#### 17 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Bill Tedeman

HC 5 pm Gino Galli

#### 18 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am Virginia Hulka

ICC 8:30 am Jerome Bevenour

HC 9:30 am Claudia Zuchowski

HC 11:30 am Dec. DeAngelis & Kozaneki Fam.

ICC 11 am Robert Miller

ICC 1 pm For the People

HC 1 pm Mayla E. Felio

HC 6 pm Michael Rossetti

(LI = LIVING INTENTION)

## CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, October 17th, tune in to hear an interview with Susan Brinkmann, author of the new book, "Fight Like a Catholic: Spiritual Warfare in the Catholic Tradition." Listen to Catholic Forum online anytime at [www.cdow.org/CatholicForum](http://www.cdow.org/CatholicForum), or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/Catholicforum](http://www.facebook.com/Catholicforum).



## MASS MINISTERS

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

### Lector Schedule for October 2020

#### 5 pm Mass

Oct 10	Lori Christiansen
Oct 17	Dennis Dixon
Oct 24	Hazel Showell
Oct 31	Hazel Showell

#### 7:30 am Mass

Oct 11	Edi Outten
Oct 18	Rose Pritchett
Oct. 25	Donna Kilby

#### 9:30 am Mass

Oct 11	Tamra Bauer
Oct 18	Suzanne Ford
Oct 25	Judi Coffield

If you wish to be considered to lector, please email Diane at [dbelt@holycrossdover.org](mailto:dbelt@holycrossdover.org) so we can add you to the names of those who have already volunteered to lector. I will do so a lector schedule for November. Thank you.

## DIRECTORIES (HC)

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

## HOLY CROSS CELEBRATES 150 YEARS

A book commemorating Holy Cross' 150th anniversary has been developed and is now available. A comprehensive coverage of our parish's history from 1870 to present day parish life is presented in nearly 80 beautifully designed pages. Numerous pictures, some in black & white while others are in vivid color, help to bring the material to life. Major sections include: a short biography of all our pastors since 1870, articles describing many of the important events through the years, and several more in-depth stories covering specific areas of our parish from both a historical and current perspective.

Go to [HolyCrossDover.org](http://HolyCrossDover.org) and look under "Headings" to get a glimpse (teaser) of the book's content and to download the order form. The books are available in three levels of quality and are priced at \$9.00 (Good), \$18.00 (Very Good), and \$25.00 (Best). The variations include softback vs. hardback covers, paper type, and standard vs. premium color. Any of the three will make a treasured keepsake for you and your family. Sample books can be viewed at the parish office receptionist desk.

**Orders must be received no later than October 14th** and will be available for pickup before Thanksgiving.

## SAMARITAN FOOD NEEDS (HC)

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

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

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

## MARRIAGE MOMENTS

What does it mean to be a good spouse? Certainly it includes sharing life's tasks and supporting each other. Talk about what it would feel like to live alone. Name one thing you especially like about being married?

## PARENTING POINTERS

Take the time to hug your child (children). Bless them daily. It can be part of the hug or a bed time prayer.

## RETURNING TO MASS

- Attendees are to **wear a face covering (mask)**( when inside the Church ; **masks are to be worn over the nose and mouth and**

**must be kept on during the entire Mass.**

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

Las clases Pre-Bautismales se están haciendo virtual la próxima clase será el miércoles 14 de octubre, 2020 a las 7:00 pm para conectarse: ID: 830 0302 9907 y la contraseña es: BAUTIZO.

REUNION GENERAL para dialogar sobre las celebraciones para el mes de diciembre. La reunión será virtual el martes, 27 de octubre, 2020 a las 7 pm. ID:447 929 0772 y la contraseña es GUADALUPE

**Octubre mes del Santo Rosario.** Hoy más que nunca rezar el santo Rosario es nuestra armadura más fuerte contra el dominio de Satanás. Familias que están pasando por dificultades, cualquiera que sea, recen el Rosario diariamente. El Magisterio de la Iglesia Católica recomienda el rezo del santo Rosario ya que en sí misma resume el mensaje evangélico de salvación. Por otro lado la Virgen Santísima, cuando se ha aparecido, ha pedido que recen el Rosario. Como es sabido, el 13 de mayo de 1917, en su primera aparición en Fátima, dijo: "Rezad el Rosario todos los días para alcanzar la paz del mundo y el fin de la guerra"; y en su última aparición en ese lugar la Madre de Dios se presentó como la "Señora del Rosario". Aquí tienen una reseña historia de la devoción al rezo del santo Rosario.

**¿Por qué en el mes de octubre esta devoción mariana?** La dedicación del mes de octubre al rezo del santo Rosario tiene un origen histórico. Los cristianos vencieron a los turcos en la batalla naval de Lepanto el 7 de octubre de 1571. Sabían que si perdían esta batalla su religión podía peligrar, motivo por el que, alentados por el romano pontífice san Pío V, acudieron a la intercesión de la Santísima Virgen rezándole el santo Rosario. Por ese motivo, y en agradecimiento a María Santísima, dicho papa instituyó la fiesta de Nuestra Señora de las Victorias, que se celebraría cada 7 de octubre. Poco más tarde el papa Gregorio XIII cambió el nombre de la fiesta por el de

Nuestra Señora del Rosario. Origen y significado de la devoción mariana del santo Rosario Pero **¿qué es el santo Rosario?** Las culturas romana y griega para ellos, el sustantivo "rosario" significaban corona de rosas. Inspiradas en ese proceder, las mujeres cristianas que eran llevadas al martirio por los romanos marchaban por el Coliseo –donde iban a morir– con sus cabezas adornadas de coronas de rosas, significando la alegría y la entrega de sus corazones al ir al encuentro de Dios. Finalizada la matanza, los cristianos recogían sus coronas y, por cada rosa, recitaban una oración o un salmo rezando por el eterno descanso de las almas de las mártires asesinadas. Así nació la costumbre de rezar el santo Rosario. En un inicio consistía en recitar los 150 salmos de David, pues era considerada una oración sumamente agradable a Dios y fuente de innumerables gracias para aquellos que la rezaran. Ahora bien, esta recomendación sólo la seguían las personas cultas que conocían esos salmos, pero no la mayoría de los cristianos. Por lo tanto, Iglesia sugirió que quienes no supieran leer sustituyeran los 150 salmos por 150 Avemarías, divididas en quince decenas. A esa oración se le llamó "salterio de la Virgen". Al principio constaba de quince "misterios" que recordaban momentos –gozosos, dolorosos y gloriosos– de la vida de Jesús y de María. En el año 2002 san Juan Pablo II añadió los misterios luminosos, en memoria de la vida pública del Señor.

**Las Misas dominicales: Holy Cross:** Sábado:5:00 pm Domingo: 7:30 am.-9:30 am - 11:30 am en español. Confesiones Sábado 8:30-10:00 am

**La Immaculada Concepción:** Domingo 8:30 am, 11:00 am - 1:00 de la tarde en español y jueves a las 6:00 de la tarde, sábado- 9:00 a 11:00 de la mañana en español. Confesiones después de la misa hasta las 11:00 am



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (HC)

**Regular Class November 1, 3:30-5:30**

Children are to be dropped off at the double doors next to the Elementary office. No one except students and volunteers are allowed to enter the building. Hall monitors will assist getting children to their classes.; Dismissal from the ramp side will be as follows: Upstairs Grades 6-8 and sacramental prep 5:15; Down stairs (a teacher or assistant will escort to the ramp):  
**Gr. K-1 5:20 Gr. 2-3 5:25 Gr. 4-5 5:30**  
 If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122.

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Interested in enrolling a student in Religious Education? Please contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122 to discuss available options.

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## LAFF (LIVING AS A FAMILY OF FAITH)

November 8th 10:30-12:30 in the Matthew/Mark Room Interested in enrolling your family in LAFF, please contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122 to discuss available options.

## CONFIRMATION CLASSES (HC)

Our next Confirmation class takes place Sunday, October 18 or Wednesday, October 21, in the Junior High Building. If your child is not registered, please contact Linda Darling for paperwork.

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (HC)

We will be meeting on Sunday, October 25 from 6-8 pm in the back field. We will enjoy a bonfire, hot dogs and smores, and reconnect. Please bring a chair and your mask. Friends welcome - please remind them they need a Form A - on Holy Cross website under Youth Ministry.

## JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP (HC)

We will be meeting on Saturday evening, November 7 from 6-7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. We will be packing bags for the homeless. Please start collecting donations now - small waters, trial size shampoo and body wash, mints and gum, socks, hand sanitizer and wet wipes, cereal bars, band aids, and disposable masks. Snack will be provided at the end for you to take with you, so please eat dinner before you come. Remember your mask.

## SPARK 2020 (HC)

Please join us for the first CYM Youth Conference. This virtual event will take place on Zoom Webinar on November 19th-21st from 7p-8:30p each night. Designed to "spark" the faith of our young people and families, the lineup of nationally acclaimed Catholic speakers will cover rela-

tionships, overcoming hardships, and living out the Faith as a family during the COVID-19 pandemic, with messages designed for 6th through 12th grade students.

Suggested donation is \$10 per person. Please contact Linda Darling if you are interested in attending so she may get you registered: ldarling@holycrossdover.org .

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

We continue with Student book pick up following each Mass, on Sunday.

Please come to the designated area (depending on weather) and pick up your students book bag. Only one parent is needed to get materials. Students that are registered will receive their books.

If your child is not yet registered, please register by Sunday. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Alicia Poppiti, Director of Religious Education at 410-482-6392 or send me an email to dre@iccmarylodel.org

## REGISTRATION REL ED (ICC)

If you have any concerns regarding Religious Education registration or Sacramental Prep, do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or if you have not yet registered, Alicia Poppiti at dre@iccmarylodel.org or 410-482-8939.

## 2020/21 FIRST RECONCILIATION/ COMMUNION (ICC)

Our first session was on Tuesday, October 6th, please see Ms. Alicia today, or call office, if you have not registered or missed

## CONFIRMATION 2020-2021 (ICC)

If you missed the parent meeting, please call Mrs. Alicia Poppiti 410-482-8939 before Prep classes start on Sunday, October 18th .

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION: (ICC)

**Book club:** "The Church of Mercy" by Pope Francis \*Please call the office of Alicia Poppiti or email if you are interested in either 410-482-8939 dre@iccmarylodel.org so we may plan the schedule to fit our attendees. **DVD series and discussion group** "Symbolon" by Augustine Institute; "Whether you are looking to grow in your Faith or just learning about the Catholic Church for the first tie, Symbolon will take you through a journey int the timeless beauty and truths of the Catholic Faith and reveal God's incredible love for us-the story of our salvation." (This is for seekers, new Catholics, Catholics, Catholics looking for something new).

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Dear Parents,

As I go about my appointed rounds in the week I often store little tidbits away, some I write down. These little tidbits make for good fodder for when I put fingertips to keyboard in the compilation of my weekly bulletin. I have a few tidbits for this week, some of which I have brought to attention in the past but I think bear repeating.

Mrs. Kolakowski and I have begun a new practice. I stop in to her office for a purposeful discussion focused on the absentee report for the day, making comparisons to the list from the day(s) previous, we analyze the number of absent children by grade level and homeroom, and we discuss any phone calls that need be made inquiring after the students' reason for absence and state of health, bidding a speedy recovery, afterwards we proceed with the reason for my visit. It is during my visits that students might be sent to the nurse for one reason or another. Our students love Mrs. Kolakowski. One of our new students told the story of the nurse in his former school describing her as mean and grouchy. Mrs. Kolakowski is anything but mean and grouchy. She possesses a kind and gentle manner that quickly stops the teardrops from falling, takes the sting out of the hurt, and soothes the troubled with a few comforting words. It's amazing how calming a small cup of water and a band-aid can be. Before long, the boo-boo is assuaged, the student is pacified and all looks good on the horizon. Some fixes however are not as easy. Oftentimes during my visits to the ELC that I will notice a student resting. Or perhaps, I'll see a child nibbling on some of Mrs. Kolakowski's magic crackers. Not one for minding my own business, I always inquire after the reason for the child's presence in the office. It is often the case where a child complains of nausea caused by the lack of proper nutrition prior to coming to school. Last week a child stated that his breakfast consisted of a cheese stick. Another divulged that breakfast contained all the healthy nutrients found in a slice of cake. A few soda crackers later, a few minutes rest and back to class you go. It is true that mornings in the household can be hectic; it is true that we build a snack time in the morning schedule, and it is true that not all kids enjoy breakfast. But none of those reasons are good and acceptable for improperly fueling the engine prior to the onset of a demanding day. Sadly, there are those who come to school with an empty tummy. Please, please try to provide some kind of nutritious morning meal for your child, it doesn't have to be a feast; —AND, please see that your child gets enough rest in the night. We hit the ground running at 8 am. It is an unfair expectation on our part to demand their full attention and reasonable participation in class activities when they are running on empty. I tell the true story of a former student of mine who came to my class first period every day. Arriving poorly rested, it was a challenge sometimes to keep him awake. It wasn't before too much time past that I contacted his mother. "He won't eat breakfast" said his mom. I offered the opportunity to eat his breakfast during first period as long as it was done discretely. The next morning he showed up for class with breakfast in a plastic bag from a local quickie shop. Needless to say I was appalled and horrified when about 15 minutes into class, we were all treated to the crackling sound of the opening of his bag of Old Bay potato chips and the popping of the top of his can of Pepsi. True story, honest. So much for discretion, I say.

One more thing, we had a veritable monsoon last Tuesday. During dismissal, I stood protected by my umbrella; it was blatantly obvious that I was about the only one. I counted TWO students with an umbrella. I know they are a nuisance to carry around, but please give one to your child to keep in school.

My last tidbit, and changing the subject slightly, it was early Friday morning that as I backed my car in my parking spot noticing that Mrs. White had preceded my arrival. I quickly recalled that this was the day for the Rosary in the Parish Hall and she must be inside setting things up. Mrs. White had brought before the Religion Committee an idea for the recitation of the Rosary that would allow us to gather with classmates for prayer. Each homeroom teacher signed up for a particular time of day when she would take her class to the Parish Hall to pray the Rosary. As I walked into the Parish Hall the lights were off, and I was immediately bathed in a sense of peace. Our junior high students had designed diorama displays of scenes depicting the Blessed Mother. I had seen some of the work in progress during dismissal. But when I walked into the Parish Hall and saw the final result, I could not have been more pleased. Before my eyes was a Rosary comprised of miniature replicas of the Blessed Mother. The entire Rosary was depicted. Laid out, it encompassed most of the real estate that is the Parish Hall. There were battery operated candles illuminating the room; it was the only light needed. It created such a peaceful mood, one just perfect for prayer and meditation. I walked the perimeter crouching down to look at the detail, the silk flowers, the three-dimensional figures. Stepping in several times throughout the day, I was moved within to see the children seated criss-cross applesauce around the entire perimeter of the display reciting the prayer.

Tid-bits don't usually amount to much. However, it is my hope that you will find these tid-bits informational, as well as helpful.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Pollitt

memorated by the faithful annually, as show of thankfulness for God's blessing, through Mary, Our Lady of Victory. And thus, in 1571, this Marian feast day began to be celebrated prayerfully by the faithful, in thanksgiving for a successful battle which served to protect Europe and all of Christendom from Islamic conquest.

**A Moving Experience.** This feast day was later re-named as Feast of the Holy Rosary, changing the emphasis from the victory in that battle, to the power of prayer in our lives. Soon thereafter, this feast was designated to be celebrated at all Masses on the first Sunday of October. In the early 20th century, Pope St. Pius X moved the celebration off of Sunday, and moved back to the date of that victory at Battle of Lepanto (October 7). A final change to this feast came in 1960, when Pope St. John XXIII renamed this holy day from "Feast of the Holy Rosary" to "Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary."

**Being Indulgent.** So, a military battle was won, and yadda, yadda, yadda, October is now observed as the month of the Holy Rosary. It is a month when we, as Catholics, are commended to pray the Rosary, especially when a problem seems particularly daunting, or a battle we are fighting seems un-winnable. When we pray the Rosary, Our Blessed Mother will pray for us and with us to our Lord Jesus Christ, who will give us the ultimate victory. And so, in this month of the Holy Rosary, we are reminded of God's power in the Church's history and victories, and are likewise reminded of that power of prayer we wield, especially in the Rosary — it is a bulwark against evil, and a protector against temptation and the power of the Devil.

I would remind all of you that the Church extends to us a plenary indulgence "if the rosary is recited in a Church or public oratory, or in a family group, a religious community or pious association." (Enchiridion of Indulgences, No. 48).

**A Final Thought.** In the Senate Chamber in the old Republic of Venice, there is a Latin inscription in reference to this feast day that sums its meaning up beautifully: "Non virtus, non arma, non duces, sed Maria Rosari, victores nos fecit" (translation: "it was neither courage, nor arms, nor leaders, but Mary of the Rosary that made us victors"). Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!



Yours in Christ,  
Fr. James Lentini, Pastor

**P.S.: If you want to learn how to pray the rosary go to [www.rosarycenter.org/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary/](http://www.rosarycenter.org/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary/)**

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Immaculate Conception Catholic  
Church!

Extended to Nov. 10, 2020

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Connect with Marilyn Dixon to get them picked up or you can drop them off at Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 518 Main Street, Marydel, MD 21649, where there is a bin to put the shoes, or call my cell 302-423-8292.

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