



# CHURCH of the HOLY CROSS

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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

October 8, 2023

27th 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

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8 am

Wednesday – 8:15 am

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 – 9 pm

### 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

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

“The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.”

*Matthew 21:43*

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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*

## 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.

**Monday, October 9, 2023** is the Columbus Day Holiday. Mass will be celebrated at 9 am at Holy Cross.

Parish and School Offices will be closed in observance of the holiday.

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### ROSARY RALLY OCTOBER 14, 2023

We will pray, sing, and consecrate our lives to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are invited and welcome to come and pray to honor our blessed virgin Mary by renewing our Consecration to her and lifting our voices in song.



**When:** October 14, 2023

**Where:** Outside at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel statue in front of Holy Cross Church

**Time:** After the 8 am Mass

Mary gave us the antidote to evil:  
"Daily Rosary"

## WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

Ending September 24, 2023

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Regular	\$27,544	\$27,020	\$524
YTD	\$331,680	\$344,680	(\$13,000)
Needs	\$1,399	\$1,712	(\$313)

Share in the Spirit collection as of 9/25: \$5,114.00

## WEEKLY OFFERING (IC)

Ending September 24, 2023

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Regular	\$3,980
Second Collection	\$584

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**If you know of someone who would like to advertise in the bulletin, please contact Diocesan Publications at 800-233-8200.**

Dear Parishioners,

October is dually the month of the Holy Rosary (celebrated most specifically on October 7 on the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary) and Respect Life Month.

**Month of the Holy Rosary.** During this month of the Holy Rosary, we are called to appreciate and embrace the value of praying the Rosary; it is a hallmark of a Catholic's devotional life in the faith. In that regard, the Rosary is not just a devotion; it is the devotion, the primordial devotion. It is the devotion that saints have called on the faithful to pray over generations and generations. It is a powerful spiritual weapon of prayer that we can use to set back evil on its heels while at the same time deepening our devoted understanding of the incarnation, life, and ministry of Christ in this world. When we pray the rosary and meditate on its mysteries, we reflect on Christ through the heart of Mary. When we pray the rosary, we embrace more than beads; we embrace the sorrowful, joyful, and glorious mysteries of the life of our Savior. Pray the rosary, pray it often, and pray it knowing its wondrous power in our devoted life of faith.

**Don't know how to pray the Rosary?** Just go to [www.usccb.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary](http://www.usccb.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary) and find out how it is prayed. Need Rosary beads? Contact our Parish Office.

**Respect Life Month.** Respect Life Month is when we are called to recommit ourselves to protecting human life from conception to natural death. We are especially to work to end the plague of abortion in our nation. In 2022, the Supreme Court overturned the pernicious Roe vs. Wade decision, which had made abortion a constitutional right. Many people saw that moment as the end of the abortion battle — but it wasn't. The war against abortion didn't end; the battlefield just moved — from the federal level of government to the state level of government in our 50 states. I will be writing and preaching more on this as the month progresses.

**Help Save Lives.** Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion, September 27-November 5, by partaking in the 40 Days for Life program of prayer. Go to [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com) for details.

**Taking a Luke-See.** Regarding this column, October is also the month when we observe the Feast of St. Luke, the great apostle and evangelist. In this column, I want to take a look-see at the life, story, and background of St. Luke, whose feast day we celebrate on October 18.

**A Long Time Ago...** In the 1970s, Luke Skywalker came onto the screen for the first time in the epic sci-

ence fiction film, "Star Wars." Battling bad guys in the Star Wars franchise, we ultimately discover that Luke's foe, Darth Vader, was actually his father, and his objet d'amour, Princess Leia, was actually his sister. This Luke had quite a family.

**Laura and Order.** In the 1980s, the world was captivated — for a brief but mind-numbing period — by characters on the TV soap opera "General Hospital." The two characters were Luke and Laura, an unlikely pair who were at the heart of a saga that involved — in this order — betrayal, a fake drowning death, intrigue in Mexico, and a plan to send the world into a second ice age. This, of course, ended in a wedding episode watched by millions. This Luke became a soap opera legend.

**Higher Ranking than a Duke.** However, the most interesting Luke I can think of is not Luke Skywalker, Luke from General Hospital, or even the rambunctious name-rhyming Luke Duke from "The Dukes of Hazard." Those guys are just, dare I say, lukewarm entries on the list of interesting Lukes. As far as I am concerned, the Luke of greatest interest and importance is good and holy St. Luke, the Apostle and Evangelist, whose feast day we celebrate on October 18. These other Lukes I referenced were caught all up in drama, but good St. Luke, who wrote both the Gospel of St. Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, had an interesting life and legacy that still keeps him on the minds of folks nearly 2,000 after he died. I don't know if the other Lukes I mentioned will show such endurance.

**Beginner's Luke.** So, who is St. Luke? Well, as most Christians can tell you, he is one of the fab four Gospel writers, i.e., Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John (who are to scripture what John, Paul, George, and Ringo were to rock music). Because of his writing of a Gospel, St. Luke is given the honorific of Evangelist, but he was also an Apostle.

**Act Two.** While Luke's Gospel is important to us, this article will focus more on the person of St. Luke rather than on his Gospel. That being said, St. Luke's Gospel is significant as it uniquely gives us the story of the Annunciation, the Good Samaritan, the beautiful Canticles of Mary, Zechariah, and Simeon, and much of what we know as the common elements of the story of Christmas. It also traces Christ's genealogy back to Adam rather than Abraham, showing that he



## HC & ICC CLERGY

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 Rev. Brennan Ferris Parochial Vicar

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 Mr. Richard Kosior Deacon  
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## ICC CLERGY

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Linda Pollitt Principal, ext. 111

## MAILING ADDRESS

*Holy Cross School*  
 631 S. State St.  
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## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



If you feel you would like to serve at the Altar of the Lord, please consider being an Altar Server. Qualifications are that you are in the 4th grade or higher, received the Sacraments of First Communion and you are a practicing Catholic.

If you are a current Altar Server and would like to continue serving, this is a required refresher/training course you will need to sign up as well. The training date this year is **Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 10am**. Please come to the church for the class. Applications are available in the Religious Ed office.

## ROSARY RALLY - OCTOBER 14

The 105th Anniversary of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. Our Lady requested that the Rosary be prayed daily for world peace and the conversion of sinners. Unite with us to pray at our **Rosary Rally on October 14, immediately after the 8 am mass, starting at 9 am, at the front of the church by Our Lady of Mt Carmel statue**. Bring your rosary, family, friends, and portable chairs or blankets to sit upon.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Our condolences to the family of Derek Wong, who recently Passed. May he rest in peace.

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Congratulations to our newly baptized members: Arline Serrano-Caballero; Cristopher Alfonso Serrano-Caballero; Elise Paolina Duarte; Sophia Chimnoram Chukwuemeka

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our newest registered parishioners:: Emily Mucchetti; Francis, Angelie, Nathan and Aiden Racho; Michael and Pantina Phillips; Eric, Christina, Benjamin and Max Krause; Christopher, Carter, Violet Vega and Stephanie McKnight; Gregory and Eileen Murphy

## 28TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (OCT 15)

### FIRST READING: ISAIAH 25:6-10

The prophet shares his vision of a heavenly banquet to which all are invited.

### SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 4:12-14, 19-20

The joys of heaven outweigh whatever hardships we may be suffering now.

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14

Not everyone chooses to accept God's invitation; indeed, some are not yet ready.

## LITTLE BOOKS

Immaculate Conception is taking orders for the Little Reflection books for the various liturgical seasons, Advent, Lent & Easter.

The total cost is \$5.00 for the set.

Orders and payment can be taken at HC or ICC Parish offices. All who wish to purchase must place their order by October 15.

## CAN YOU HELP AT THE ICC 11 AM MASS?

Would anyone be interested in leading the 4 songs at the 11 AM Mass at Immaculate Conception on weeks the organist and cantor are out of town? It can be a cappella or bring a guitar, play on the keyboard. We would appreciate any help you can give. Call the ICC Parish Office if interested in helping us out.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Wednesday, September 27 was the start of 40 Days for Life in Wilmington, Dover, and Seaford. ALL 3 locations desperately need faithful prayer warriors to come to the sidewalk and help us turn Delaware from an abortion destination state into a SANCTUARY for the unborn. Pray, fast, sidewalk counsel, or just be a peaceful presence in front of one of the three abortion facilities in Delaware. Just BEING there often turns clients away or causes them to call and cancel their appointments. It is a worthy cause usually accomplished by a handful of people who are devoted to their calling on abortion days. Times/days/open slots are listed at the 40 Days for Life website at [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com). Call Donna at 862-266-1099 to sign up. We need gap fillers too!

## RETRouvaille

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Ret-ro-vy). Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

Upcoming programs will be held October 6 - 8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.

For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage!!! No group sharing required. The next weekend is November 3-5, 2023 at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. For information or to register visit our website <http://www.wvme.org> or call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-648-2228.

## MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER

<b>9 MONDAY</b>	
HC 9:00 am	DM Rossi Family
<b>10 TUESDAY</b>	
HC 8:00 am	Sr. Shirley Ann Boucher
<b>11 WEDNESDAY</b>	
HC 8:15 am	Grace Jara
<b>12 THURSDAY</b>	
HC 8:00 am	Raymond Cola
ICC 6:00 pm	For the People
<b>13 FRIDAY</b>	
HC 8:00 am	Robert Sadusky, Sr.
<b>14 SATURDAY</b>	
HC 8:00 am	Steven Homlish, Sr.
HC 5:00 pm	Gino Galli
<b>15 SUNDAY</b>	
HC 7:30 am	Claire Zaragoza
ICC 8:30 am	Delores Rossetti
HC 9:30 am	Victoria Bencze
ICC 11:00 am	Teresa Crenshaw
HC 11:30 am	No Mass today (moved to 1 pm)
ICC 1:00 pm	For the People

(LI—LIVING INTENTION  
DM—DECEASED MEMBERS)

*THE SANCTUARY LAMP IN THE CHAPEL FOR  
OCT 8—14 FOR DAVID J. KALTENBAUGH.*

*THE SANCTUARY LAMP IN THE CHURCH FOR  
OCT 8-14 FOR THEODORE MORRIS.*

## HOLY CROSS SCHOOL CRAFT FAIR

We are looking for vendors to participate in our upcoming Fall Craft Fair on November 18, 2023. If interested please email [HSA@holycrossdover.org](mailto:HSA@holycrossdover.org).

**Holy Cross School  
FALL CRAFT FAIR**  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

10:00am-2:00pm  
Holy Cross Gymnasium  
631 S State Street, Dover, DE 19901

- \*craft vendors
- \*food trucks
- \*kid activities
- \*silent auction
- \*bake sale

\*\*please bring cash, not all vendors accept credit cards\*\*  
Sponsored by Holy Cross School HSA  
Interested in being a vendor or volunteer?  
Email: [HSA@holycrossdover.org](mailto:HSA@holycrossdover.org)



OCT 14/15, 2023			
	EMHC		SERVERS
5:00 PM	D. Darling	D. Field	L. Curley
	L. Darling	D. Kaltenbaugh	S. Murawski
			<b>LECTORS</b>
			D. Dixon V. Viddy
7:30 AM	J. Denney	R. Fritzsche	L. Boggs
	J. Chandler	S. Gede	E. Bydlon
			<b>LECTORS</b>
			C. Cuffee
9:30 AM	D. Martinez	S. Ford	G. Maddalena
	P. Ford	F. Hanlin	F. Madukwe C. Imhof
			<b>LECTORS</b>
			T. Baurys S. Winfrey
11:30 AM	T. Hernandez	M. Richard	TBD
	E. Patoriza		
			<b>LECTORS</b>
			TBD
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION			
8:30 AM	B. Casey		
	<b>LECTORS</b>		
			B. Thompson
11:00 AM	J. Carrow		
	<b>LECTORS</b>		
			D. King
1:00 PM	TBD		

If you or someone from your family is going to be in one of our local rehabilitation facilities or nursing homes, our Extra-Ordinary ministers of Holy Communion serve all of these facilities. If you are going to be in one of these facilities, even for a short time, please be sure to register yourself as a Catholic so that you will be on their list for our ministers to bring you the Eucharist on the weekend. All the facilities are very cooperative and will gladly add the name to the list for our ministers each week.

If you are in the hospital make sure you are on their Catholic list so we can have our ministers bring you communion daily. You must inform the hospital to put you on the Catholic list otherwise we do not know you are there.

### ADORATION CHAPEL (HC)

Can you spare an hour to spend with Jesus? Our Adoration Chapel is open from 5 am to 9 pm Monday through Sunday. We have openings. Call John Murphy at 302-233-1779 or email him at jkm2015@verizon.net to schedule.

SUNDAY	4 pm, 5pm, 8 pm
MONDAY	5 pm
TUESDAY	5 am, 8 pm
WEDNESDAY	7 am
FRIDAY	6 am
SATURDAY	5 am, 9 am, 10 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm

### CAR SHOW IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

5th Annual Car Show on October 14, 2023

Starting at 10 AM until 2 PM

\$10 Registration fee per car; Prizes will be awarded. There will be food available for purchase. Music provided by "The Godfather of New England Doo Wop"

For additional information, call Woody Gravenor at 302-632-2208.

### SAMARITANS NEED MORE DONATIONS

When shopping please consider donating a few of the following foods:

Peanut Butter and Jelly, Canned Ravioli / Chili / Beef Stew, Canned Vegetables / Soups / Chunky Soups, Spaghetti / Sauce, Mac and Cheese Tuna/small packs of Hamburger, & Tuna/Hamburger Helper, Ramen Noodles, Dried Beans / Rice , and Massa for the Hispanics.

Please drop the food in the Pantry Food Drop Box in the building behind the Rectory. We have a new green sign near the drop box door.

### SVDP MEETING AT ICC

The next SVDP meeting will be on October 9 at 5 pm in ICC office.

### SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

LADIES: Would you like to give a gift of prayer to our Priests? We are still in need of additional sisters to give:

- ◇ One Holy Hour
- ◇ One Day A Week
- ◇ One Priest
- ◇ One Heart of Prayer

MEN are welcome and encouraged to serve as substitutes.

Pick up a pamphlet in the gathering space for more information and contact information if you have questions.

- 9-12 de Octubre Oración por los Sacerdote en Retiro- Se les invita a las personas que desean orar y ayunar por los sacerdotes que participaran en el Retiro de sacerdotes de Conquistando Las Naciones para Cristo en México del 10, 11 y 12 de octubre .Si está interesado en orar como comunidad por el padre Brennan Ferris y todos los sacerdotes para que vayan y regresen con bien y sobre todos fortalecidos para servir al pueblo de Dios. Nuestros sacerdotes necesitan de nuestras oraciones y sacrificios. Nos reuniremos esos días en la capilla de adoración de la parroquia para oración contemplativa a las 6:00pm hasta las 7:00 pm.
- 15 de octubre Confirmación de Adultos: El día 15 de octubre tendremos la Confirmación de adultos, solo por ese día la Santa Misa dominical será a la 1:00 de la tarde y estará presidida por el Señor obispo William Koenig. NO HABRA MISA A LAS 11:30 AM.
- 29 de octubre Celebración del Señor de los Milagros - Nuestros hermanos peruanos celebran sus fiestas patronales en honor al Señor de los Milagros, se les invita a todos a participar de este evento con un platillo para compartir después de la Misa en el Salón de eventos donde habrá un pequeño programa y una convivencia fraternal.
- Todos los viernes de 6-8 Foro Cristiano con el padre Brennan Ferris: Todos los viernes, de 6:00PM hasta las 8:00PM. El tema es : El Misterio Eucarístico” donde todo el año las clases se centrara en torno a la EUCARISTIA y la PRESENCIA REAL en la Eucaristía Venga y fórmese para poder defender su Fe Católica, esto será un curso de formación que termina el día 2 de junio 2024. El tema de este año es sobre “El Misterio Eucarístico” que sin duda es el centro de nuestra FE, de la Liturgia Sagrada y sobre todo de la vida cristiana.
- AÑO DE AVIVAMIENTO PARROQUIAL: ¿Qué es El Avivamiento Nacional Eucarístico?Es la segunda fase fomentará la devoción eucarística a nivel parroquial, fortaleciendo nuestra vida litúrgica a través de la celebración fiel de la misa, la adoración eucarística, las misiones, los recursos, la predicación y los movimientos orgánicos del Espíritu Santo. Nuestro mundo está sufriendo. Todos necesitamos sanación y ser reavivados, pero muchos de nosotros estamos separados de la fuente misma de nuestra fortaleza. Jesucristo nos invita a volver a la fuente y cumbre de nuestra fe: Su Presencia Real en la Eucaristía.
- La Virgen Peregrina esta visitado casas. Si desea que la imagen de la virgen visite su hogar por una semana por favor de anotarse con la Sra. Martha Espinosa.
- Educación Religiosa: Inscriba a su niño para la Educación Religiosa que ya están abiertas. Si su hijo(a) no está asistiendo a una escuela católica debe de inscribirse en Las aplicaciones están en línea estarán llenando inscripciones después de la misa.
- Comparta sus dones : Todo lo que tenemos es un regalo de Dios, y como cristianos tenemos la obligación de compartir esos dones que tenemos para la honra y gloria del Señor y para con el prójimo. Si usted desea servir en algún ministerio por favor hable con la Sra. Arline Dosman al 302-674-5787 ext. 118 o con uno de los miembros servidores de la Junta Directiva.

## ICC

- Las clases ya empezaron el 24 de septiembre hasta el 3 de mayo, 2024.Los niños tienen que estar inscritos para poder asistir a las clases.
- ¡Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar al equipo de preparación para la Confirmación! Si usted o conoce a alguien interesado en ser voluntario o un adolescente que desea ser líder para Educación Religiosa o pertenecer al equipo para la preparación para la Confirmación o un adulto que sea bilingüe para ayudar con la Confirmación una vez al mes y en los retiros. Por favor comuníquese con la Sra. Alicia Poppiti @ dre@iccmaryl.org or 410-482-8939.
- Preparación Sacramental las clases comienzan:
- Primera Reconciliación sesión #1: Martes, 10 de octubre a las 6:30pm- 7:30pm en el Salón.
- Confirmación la primera sesión, comienza el domingo,22 de octubre a las 3pm-5:30pm in hall.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (HC)

Please go to the following link to register for religious education classes. <https://holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation> If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Korosec at either (302) 674-5787 X 122 or email [tkorosec@holycrossover.org](mailto:tkorosec@holycrossover.org)

Class on October 8.

### LAFF (LIVING AS A FAMILY OF FAITH CATECHESIS)

Next LAFF class is October 8 at 10:30 am.. Come out and join us; families gathering for prayer, communion with one another, sharing our Faith Life experiences.

Please go to the CCD link above to register for the LAFF program using the religious education form. If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Korosec at either [tkorosec@holycrossover.org](mailto:tkorosec@holycrossover.org) or call (302) 674-5787 X 122

### ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY (HC)

In recognition of the Eucharist Revival that is continuing, Deacon Bob will be presenting a weekly study program that focuses on the Eucharist. He will be presenting from different programs so you can receive a deeper understanding of the Real Presence. The class will begin with Bishop Barron's The Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence. He will also bring information from Dr. Scott Hahn and others. Classes began on September 19th and will continue each Tuesday up to Advent. Classes will be offered at 9:00am or 7:00pm in the Matthew Mark room in the Holy Parish Office. This is a free class. No workbooks will be distributed however other resources may be used. If interested in registering for the class please email Tammy Korosec at [tkorosec@holycrossover.org](mailto:tkorosec@holycrossover.org) or call (302) 674-5787.

### HOLY IS HIS NAME—CLASS FOR ADULTS

The class on Scott Hahn's Holy Is His Name will continue in St. Luke's room in the ELC at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome. A summary of what has been done will be available. This is a good place to pick up - even for newcomers. For more information you can text or call Carol Bugglin at 302-423-6654. Hope to see you there!

### YOUTH PROGRAMS AT HOLY CROSS

Confirmation Classes:  
Sunday, Oct 8 at 3 pm  
Wednesday, Oct 11 at 6 pm

### Confirmation Retreat:

Please turn in your permission slip at the next class.

### Other news!

#### Paint Party

October 21 at 2 pm at the Columbian Home 219 Veeco Blvd. Camden  
Cost is \$30 which includes everything you need for this fall picture.

Please call Lynne Bonfiglio at 302-242-2883 or Linda Darling at 302-233-2246 to reserve your spot. Spots are limited.



### SRE AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Classes have started and run from September 24th, 2023 thru May 3rd, 2024.

Children must be registered in order to attend classes.

### Volunteers needed for Confirmation Prep Team!

If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, being a peer leader (Teen) for Religious Education or Confirmation Preparation team member, and an adult that is bi-lingual to assist with Confirmation once and month and on retreats, please contact Alicia Poppiti @ [dre@iccmaryl.org](mailto:dre@iccmaryl.org) or 410-482-8939.

### Sacramental Preparation Classes begin:

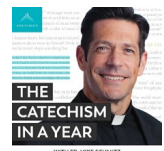
**First Reconciliation session #1:** Tuesday, October 10 at 6:30pm- 7:30pm in Hall

**Confirmation session #1:** Sunday, October 22nd @ 3pm-5:30pm in hall.

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### ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

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Daily school attendance should never fall into the category of the daily grind. For as much as it can be the daily school experience should be enjoyable, productive, and constructive. The school day should include a healthy dose of rigorous academics, an opportunity for physical activity and spirited play at recess, fixed times of the day set aside for prayer, as well as times for worship. After school activities are equally important. That commitment which delays your trip home from school, whether it be sports or academics, Holy Cross has a wide array of offerings from which to select. The after-school activities serve well to enhance the student life of Holy Cross.

**Hey!! Can you sing a song?**

I am particularly grateful to the faculty members and volunteer parents who offer their free-time to our students as they proctor such after-school activities as Odyssey of the Mind, Science Explorers, all our Sports teams, as well as opportunities for students to hone their leadership skills in our three Honor Society chapters and the Holy Cross Student Council.

**Maybe you can tell a few funny jokes?**

This year our Student Council took a different approach to the election of officers. Generally held in the springtime of the school year when the focus tends to shift slightly; (shall we say?), the Student Council election was scheduled for the fall of the coming school year with the hope of renewed interest and a more serious approach taken to the process. I am proud of our newest panel of Student Council Officers who, under the leadership of Mrs. Bolton and Mrs. Speed have a rather lengthy list of activities planned for the school year. But first, the introductions....

President: Alaina T. currently in eighth grade, this is Alaina’s second year on Student Council.

Vice-President- Cydney J. currently in eighth grade. This is Cydney’s second year on Student Council.

Secretary: Samuel S. currently in eighth grade Samuel is serving for a second term.

Co-Treasurers: Enzo C. and Gavin R, both serving their first year on the council and sharing the responsibilities of the Treasurer.

**How about...can you dance a few steps???**

We admire these students for their selfless commitment to Holy Cross and stepping forth as leaders while also fulfilling responsibilities to other clubs, teams, and organizations. We also admire their enthusiasm and vision for a fruitful and beneficial school year for all.

Everyone looks forward to them, making plans, sharing with friends what to wear, sometimes there’s a theme, sometimes not. We call them “tag-days” and nobody really knows why. But, there is a reason, you know. We could call them dress down days, or out of uniform days I suppose, but the old term “tag days” seems to hang on. So, here’s the real reason. Back in the day when it was a rarity that the uniform remained on the clothes hanger and the long-planned ahead well-coordinated outfit was worn to school instead, there was a nominal fee attached to the privilege; fifty-cents. The tag day was almost always sponsored by the Student Council in an effort to raise a few dollars for the coffers. Upon payment of the fifty-cents, a student was given a tag and a safety pin with which to attach the tag to the shirt. The tag had to be in plain view so that it was clear that the fees had been paid and to avoid getting in big trouble for abusing the privilege. Hence “tag-days,” minus the tag and the increased cost (\$1.00) remain much anticipated. Everyone enjoys the days when they can “wear their own clothes,” as the children like to describe tag days.

**Perhaps you can plink out a tune on the piano?**

Student Council is still the primary scheduler for our tag days. Sometimes though the monetary fee is replaced by a canned good or other non-perishable food item for the benefit of the Food Pantry ministry. These days are scheduled around Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.

One of the first fun events of the school year happens in the Fall when the SC sponsors a festive trunk for Trunk or Treat. Hmm...wonder what they will cook up this year??

**Say, how about a short gymnastics routine??**

Our Student Council always looks forward to stuffing the shoes of the youngest Crusaders with goodies on the Feast of St. Nicholas.

For the first time, throughout the school year, the Student Council will be serving as ushers for the weekly Masses. I look forward to their participation on Mass Days as leaders of our student body.

**Auditions will be held soon.**

Leaving the best for last....the piéce de résistance; ladies and gentlemen it’s back by popular demand!! The HCS Talent Show is coming back live and on stage and sponsored by our Student Council! Come one, come all!!

So, let’s start thinking about sharing your God given talent with all your friends. The event will be held during CSW so there’s not a lot of time. Stay tuned for further details, Crusaders!

**America’s Got Talent and so does Holy Cross!!**

is the Savior for all mankind. In addition to writing his Gospel, Luke is also ascribed as the author of the Acts of the Apostles, a book of the New Testament that picks up where the Gospel of St. Luke leaves off. The Gospel of Luke and Acts effectively forge one written work that tells the story of Christ and the early Church.

**Gentile on my Mind.** St. Luke was born in the first century to a Greek family in the ancient city of Antioch. As a Greek, St. Luke was a Gentile (non-Jew); he was the only Gentile among the four Gospel writers. Rack-ing up frequent flyer miles, he traveled with St. Paul to both Jerusalem and Rome. It is asserted that Luke wrote his Gospel while in Rome and dedicated it to Theophilus, the Governor of Achaia (in western Greece), who had recently converted to Christianity (see Luke 1:3-4).

**St. Luke: By the Book.** St. Paul references St. Luke several times in his Epistles; he identifies him as a physi-cian (Colossians 4:14), a Gentile (Colossians 4:10-11), and only Apostle abiding with him during his impris-onment in Rome (2 Timothy 4:11). Some of the early Church Fathers assert that Luke is the “brother” that Paul speaks of in 2 Corinthians 8:18 and that he was one of the 72 disciples that Christ sent out into the world “like lambs among wolves” (Luke 10:1-12).

**Luke the Painter: Easel-ly Explained.** In artistic representation, St. Luke is often shown as a painter or ico-nographer who is painting an image of Mary. This identification comes from the tradition that St. Luke painted an image of the Blessed Mother during her lifetime. As it is told, Mary was so pleased with the painting that she said to him, “May the grace of Him who was born of me be upon this image.” It is said that he then went on to paint other images of Mary and the Apostles. Because of this venerable tradition, St. Luke is honored as the patron saint of painters and iconographers.

**Cool Hand Luke.** As referenced earlier in this article, St. Luke is identified in scripture as a physician; he was the Marcus Welby, M.D. of his day (for those under 50: think of Dr. Gregory House; for those over 70, think Dr. Ben Casey)! This identification as a doctor led to St. Luke being honored as Patron Saint of physi-cians. However, there is another basis on which St. Luke is connected with healing; it comes from the Coptic tradition. As it is told, St. Luke preached the faith in Rome, evangelizing people away from the pagan reli-gion of the Roman Empire and converting them to Christianity. He was so successful with his evangeliza-tion that his detractors accused him of using sorcery to win people over. The Roman Emperor was furious at St. Luke for spreading the Gospel, so he had St. Luke and his compatriots arrested and hauled before him. The Emperor accused St. Luke of sorcery and asked him, “How long will you lead people astray?” St. Luke retorted, “I am not a sorcerer, but an Apostle of the Lord Jesus Christ.” Well, that comment went over like a hot dog at a vegetarian convention. The Emperor ordered St. Luke’s hand – with which he had written the Gospel – to be cut off. And so it was. But, St. Luke then picked up his severed hand and re-attached it – to the amazement of all present – showing the power of God to them. I guess St. Luke really took the admonition, “Physician heal thyself” to heart! In any event, it is because of this incident that Luke is especially understood as the patron of physicians.

**Lions and Oxen and Eagles, oh, my!** The writers of the four Gospels are shown in art and imagery as fol-lows: St. John is shown as an eagle, St. Matthew as a man, St. Mark as a lion, and St. Luke as an ox (usually winged). These images are taken from “the four living creatures,” as identified in Ezekiel 1:4-10, which was seen as a form of prefiguration for the four Evangelists. Why was St. Luke shown as an ox? Here’s the skin-ny: in ancient Judaism, oxen were commonly used for sacrifices by the Priests of the Temple. In St. Luke’s Gospel, the first holy man connected to Christ who is mentioned “was a priest named Zechariah” (Luke 1:5), who offered sacrifices (commonly oxen).

**Extending an Olive Branch?** After evangelizing in Italy, Turkey, Libya, and Egypt, St. Luke returned to Greece, where he established more Churches. In Achaia, there were those practitioners of the pagan reli-gions who did not like the presence of Christianity, and St. Luke would bear the brunt of their wrath. His opponents captured him, and at age 84, he received martyr’s death by being crucified on an olive tree.

I hope that this brief background piece on St. Luke serves to help us all to appreciate his Holy Gospel more greatly. God bless you all!

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. James Lentini, Pastor