


**Thirteenth Sunday
 In Ordinary Time**

This Week At Holy Cross:

- **Monday thru Thursday;**
Basketball Clinic
- **Wednesday;** Holy Cross
 Parish Office Closed
for July 4th
- **Thursday;** Holy Hour 6PM
- **Friday,** Parish Office
Closing at 12 noon



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Stewardship

June 24, 2018

*The woman who took
 heart in Jesus*

Offertory	\$9,293.27
Electronic Giving	\$982.50
Alms	\$59.00
Candles	\$201.01

Thank You

Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

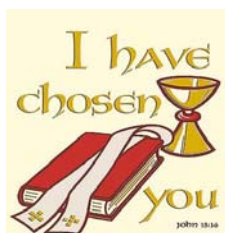


Do you approach the Lord Jesus with expectant faith or with skeptical doubt? People in desperate or helpless circumstances were not disappointed when they sought Jesus out. What drew them to Jesus was hope for a miracle or a word of comfort in their affliction. What did the elderly woman who had suffered miserably for twelve years expect Jesus to do for her? And what did a grieving father expect Jesus to do for his beloved daughter who was

at the point of death? Jesus gave hope where there seemed to be no human cause for it because his hope was directed to God. He spoke words of hope to the woman (Take heart, daughter!) to ignite the spark of faith in her (your faith has made you well!).

“Lord Jesus, you love each of us individually with a unique and personal love. Touch my life with your saving power, heal and restore me to fullness of life. Help me to give wholly of myself in loving service to others.”

Welcome And Pray For Our Newly Ordained Priests



As the newly ordained priests of our diocese are taking up their new assignments and acclimating to parish life, let us pray that their parishes are welcoming, and nurture the growth and development of the new priests in positive and helpful ways. Some of the most important factors for the happiness and

vocational perseverance of the newly ordained are the helpful prayers, encouraging attitudes and constructive criticism from parishioners and staff at their first parish assignment.

Even though our parish is not welcoming a newly ordained priest, we can all exercise charitable and community building speech and pray for their priestly ministries to bear much fruit in the Lord’s vineyard here in the Diocese of Trenton.

Fr. Manning



Happy Fourth of July



*On the Fourth of July, we joyfully celebrate our nation's birth.
We give thanks and praise to God who richly blesses our beloved country.
Wishing everyone a happy and safe July 4th.*

Thank You RCIA Team

Bringing adults and children into the Catholic faith and assisting baptized Catholics to complete the Sacraments of Initiation is a wonderful mission and a great personal joy to those who teach and walk with the Initiates. Our special thanks to Father Manning and the Holy Cross RCIA Team: Don and Mary Jane McDermott, Eugenia Kelly, Jim Hinckley, Howard Andrews, Sallie Kabash, and Nancy Harding for their inspirational teaching!



If you know someone who would like to be Catholic or to complete Confirmation, please call the Parish Office.

Men's Group

Holy Cross Men's Group Summer Session will resume on Thursday, July 19th.

Find Out About R.C.I.A. Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults



Perhaps you are not Catholic, but have been thinking about becoming one?

Any adult, baptized or not, who wishes to pursue full initiation in the Catholic Church should consider exploring RCIA. Classes start in September. If you are interested or have questions, please call Eugenia Kelly at the Parish Office.

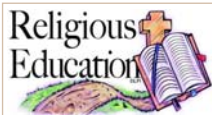
Online Registration for School of Religion

Families new to the parish, or who wish to enroll children in the program for the first time, should call the Office of Religious Education.



Re-Registration for our currently enrolled students should be completed online as soon as possible so we can plan for the upcoming year.

Online registration began on June 29th.



Join Our Catechetical Team!

Please help us fill the following positions:

Sunday, Catechists Grades 3 & 4, Adult & Teen aides grades 3 & 4, and Substitute Teachers.

Tuesday, Catechists Grades 1 & 2, Adult & Teen aides, Substitute Teachers and Hall Monitor.

Confirmation Prep Team:

Monday, 6:30 to 8:15 PM (2x's month) Catechists Gr. 7, Adult classroom aides & Substitutes

Sunday, 4:15 to 8 PM (1x a month) Catechists Gr. 8, Adult & Teen Aides, Substitute teachers & Support.

We provide training, materials and support.

Volunteers, contact Sallie Kabash at the Parish Office.





Vacation Bible School



Join us for; *Shipwrecked: Saved by Jesus*, **From August 13th—17th.**
 Your kids will enjoy Bible stories, experiments, games, crafts, snacks and songs.



Venture onto an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive. Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms. At Shipwrecked, one memorable Bible Point is reinforced throughout each station, each day, making it easy to apply, long after VBS is over. Vacation Bible School is for children entering 1st thru 4th Grade, it will run from August 13th – 17th, from 9 AM to 12:00 noon, in Holy Cross Gymnasium.



Early Registration fee is \$50 until July 6th. After July 6th registration is \$75. Open registration at the door is \$75 (registration will be limited to Materials on hand). Make Checks payable to Holy Cross CCD. For details or questions email Marianne Velcamp at; mvelcamp@att.net.

Summer 50/50 Raffle

Holy Cross will be holding a summer 50/50 raffle for July and August.



Tickets are \$20 each.

The drawing will be held each month under the supervision of the Collection Counting Team.

Prayer Garden Memorial Bricks



Donate a Memorial Brick in the Holy Cross Prayer Garden in memory of a deceased loved one, in esteem of someone living, or in thanksgiving for favors and graces received.

Pavers can be ordered online from the Parish Website, or stop by the Parish Office to fill out a form. Donations for Memorial Bricks are \$400.

Pergola Column Donations



Consider helping us defray the cost of the

pergola by dedicating a column in gratitude or prayerful memory of someone. Contact the Parish Office for details.

Convalidations



Are you a Catholic who was married by a justice of the peace or a Christian minister of another denomination?

“Perhaps you’d like to consider taking your marriage to the next level, by having it validated in the Catholic Church, with the sacrament of marriage.” If you feel ready to begin the process of preparing for sacramental marriage, or if you’d simply like to discuss your options, please call Eugenia Kelly at the Parish Office.

Hymnals for Our Church

Church of the Holy Cross



Given by Donor
 In Memory of Name

Bookplate dedications are available for the hymnals in Holy Cross Church. Download the form from the Parish Website, or visit the Parish Office to have a hymnal inscribed and Dedicated. Hymnal donations are \$20 each.



Memorial Votive Candles

June 29 thru July 6

Wilhelmina Von Hoff (Sallie Tillman)

Marlene Hotaling (Sallie Tillman)

Special Intention (Friends of Tucky Parent)



Memorial Votive Candles

Holy Cross Memorial Candles burn from Friday to Friday in our Prayer Garden, in front of the Blessed Mother Statue.

Your intention is announced at the Saturday 9 AM Mass. Candles and Cards are available at the Parish Office and on our Parish Website. A Memorial Candle donation is \$20.



Holy Cross Scholarship Winners

Please join us in congratulating our Holy Cross Scholarship winners: Olivia Caruso, Alexandra Hickey, Michael Lemoine, Jack Velcamp, PJ Velcamp and Emily Worobel. These parishioners from the class of 2018 have been awarded scholarships based on their service to the parish and a written essay. The Scholarship Committee was very impressed with the students' commitment to the parish and the quality of their written submissions. The many hours given in service to Religious Education was especially noteworthy. Please pray for these students and all college-bound students; that they may prosper, not only in their studies, but also in their relationship with the Lord.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 30

9:00 AM Walter Beanland (Jack McGowan)

5:00 PM George Kabash (Gray Family)

Sunday, July 1

8:00 AM John Geiger (M/M Brian George & Family)

10:30 AM Carl Torjussin (M/M Dennis Lynch)

5:00 PM Lorraine Finan (Family)

Monday, July 2

9:00 AM Elenmarie Dunn (M/M Joseph Kenney)

Tuesday, July 3

9:00 AM Jamie Bruzza (M/M Robert LoPresti)

Wednesday, July 4

9:00 AM Concetta Sorace (Family)

Thursday, July 5

9:00 AM Michael Desmond (M/M Kevin Leahy)

Friday, July 6

9:00 AM Holy Cross Parishioners

Saturday, July 7

9:00 AM Claire Harrison (Carol Brady & Family)

5:00 PM George Kabash (The Stajik Family)

Sunday, July 8

8:00 AM Taylor Clark (M/M Brian George)

10:30 AM William Weiant (M/M Dennis Lynch)

5:00 PM James Garrett (Feiring Family)



Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Our of respect for the privacy of the person who is ill and keeping in mind the HIPPA Laws, we can only publish prayer requests from the ill person or their guardian, with the permission of the ill person. We review the list every three months. Call with concerns!



Catherine O'Malley, Ann Connor,

Eleanor Blass, Sophia Gonzales,

Joey Weikel, John Wizeman,

Marisa Murphy, Daniel Bonifacio,

Jennifer Denis, Dawn Lloyd, Sandra Foster,

Alessandra Giunta, Maria Incremona,

Sean Ring, Frank Reedy, Carolyn Kiely

and Remsen John Woodson



Calendar at a Glance



Monday, July 2

Basketball Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Tuesday, July 3

Basketball Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Wednesday, July 4

Holy Cross Parish Office Closed

Thursday, July 5

Basketball Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Holy Hour, 6:00—7:00 PM

Friday, July 6

Basketball Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Parish Office Closing at 12 noon

Saturday, July 7

Mass 9:00 AM, Confession and Novena after Mass



Monday, July 9

Soccer Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Tuesday, July 10

Soccer Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Wednesday, July 11

Soccer Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:30 AM—12 Noon

Thursday, July 12

Soccer Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Holy Hour, 6:00—7:00 PM

Friday, July 13

Parish Office Closing at 12 noon

Saturday, July 14

Mass 9:00 AM, Confession and Novena after Mass

Monday, July 16

Young Sports Readiness Clinic, 9 AM—12:30 PM

Healing Shepherd Prayer Group 7:30 PM (HCS)

Elizabeth Ministry



Elizabeth Ministry is an international movement designed to offer hope, healing and support to women and their families during the joys, trials, and sorrows of the childbearing years. For the past 11 years, Holy Cross Church has been served by its own, thriving Elizabeth Ministry chapter. At Holy Cross, Elizabeth Ministers visit new moms to offer support, cook meals for families with new babies, maintain a prayer chain, and facilitate a play-group that meets twice a month. We also host a variety of social and spiritual events throughout the year with topics that range from cake decorating, nutritional information sessions, all-day retreats and Christmas brunch. All are welcome to attend these events. Elizabeth Ministry at Holy Cross was blessed to have had Mairead Clifford as our Coordinator for the past four years. Mairead's leadership and guidance is very much appreciated. Thank you, Mairead, for a job well done. We will miss you!

We are pleased to welcome Teresa Makin as the new Coordinator. The Core Team leaders are: Carol Gangi coordinates delivery of dinners cooked by volunteers to families with new babies; Katie Berarducci manages the hospitality needs for all E. M. events as well as coordinates volunteers to help out at Baptisms; Kate Caffrey manages the parish-wide prayer chain as well as all communication within E. M. and its members; Adriana Werth coordinates a playgroup for newborns through three years old & reaches out to all new moms in the parish to assess their needs and inform them of how Elizabeth Ministry is here to help; Christy Ramos coordinates a faith sharing group which meets twice a month in the St. Joseph Room of the church; Kathleen Smith coordinates the sending of baptism anniversary cards to all families one year after their child has been baptized. Many exciting events are being planned for the upcoming year. We are always looking for volunteers and as you can see, there are lots of way to get involved. To learn more information about Elizabeth Ministry, please email: elizabethministry@holycrossrumson.org.