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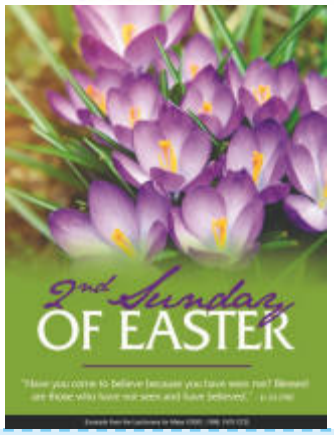

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Parish News & Notes...April 11, 2021

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Eye Has Not Seen

They say seeing is believing. But if you've ever ordered a pair of pants online, you know that's not always the case. Whatever the photos promise us, what looked like a perfectly nice shade of navy blue on our computer screens comes in the mail as an unusual shade of blue green that only appears in the giant box of Crayola crayons.

The Apostle Thomas, who couldn't bring himself to accept that Jesus had risen from the dead without seeing him, is such an utterly relatable figure in the Gospels. Thomas is still reeling from a loss — not only of his good friend but his Lord, who was taken prisoner and crucified before his eyes. Thomas is guarding himself. He's not believing the hype. He's going to be the only judge of what is real and what is fiction.

Would any of us be any different? We've all had those thoughts. Can we believe it all — Jesus, salvation history, the Eucharist — when we haven't seen it with our own two eyes?

That's when we need to remember that those two eyes were absolutely positive they had ordered a pair of navy blue pants.

It's easy for us to sit back stroking our chins in judgment at Thomas, "you didn't believe the testimony of your friends!" But do we accept the testimony of our friends? The saints, the popes, the Church fathers themselves?

Sometimes the things that are most worthy of believing can't be seen with the naked eye.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Cross Parish Family, with the Eucharist as our center, welcomes all God's people through our open doors.
By working together as a strong faith community, we live what we believe.
Our Catholic heritage and solid educational tradition provide the foundation upon which we build for the future.

Adopted by the Pastoral Council March 31, 2009

PASTORAL CARE

Christian Baptism
Baptisms are celebrated after a preparation class (for the first child only) through the parish (call the parish office at 920-468-0595 to schedule). Baptisms are usually not celebrated in Lent.

Sacramental Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:30-3:50 pm or by appointment. Communal celebrations are offered during Advent & Lent. Please see Weekly Bulletins for neighboring Parishes' times for Reconciliation.

Holy Eucharist
If you are sick, homebound, or in a nursing home and would like to have Communion brought to you, please call the parish office at 920-468-0595.

Confirmation
Confirmation is celebrated for High School Students in the spring of the Junior year, after appropriate preparation for our students of Preble HS, Luxemburg-Casco HS & Notre Dame Academy Adult parishioners will go through a separate process with Confirmation sometime around Easter.

Christian Marriage
Christian Marriage is celebrated for couples who demonstrate an active practice of the Catholic faith. We request nine months of advance notice for complete preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick
If you are anticipating a hospital stay and desire this sacrament, or in case of an emergency, please call the rectory at 468-0595. The Sacrament of the Sick is celebrated communally during Advent & Lent.

Bereavement
For a visit by Parish Staff after a death, please call the parish office at 468-0595.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
Adult and children over the age of seven who are candidates for full membership in the Roman Catholic Christian community are prepared by the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), and received at the Vigil of Easter. Contact the parish office for more information at 920-468-0595 for RCIA information.

Welcoming/Joining the Parish
To begin the process of registration, please contact Bob & Debbie Roeder at 920-544-9483.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

Saturday, April 10
4:00 pm Holy Cross Parish Family

Sunday, April 11
8:00 am +Marv Lardinois requested by Ginny Lardinois
10:00 am +John Schneider requested by the Family
11:00 am Baptism: Viviana Mackey

Monday, April 12 **NO MASS**

Tuesday, April 13 **NO MASS**

Wednesday, April 14
8:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving requested by Rayel Family

Thursday, April 15
8:00 am +Ted & Delores Denissen requested by Jim & Kathy Denissen

Friday, April 16
8:00 am +Lynn Gagnon requested by Richard Gagnon & Family

Saturday, April 17
4:00 pm Deceased Members of the Pinchart & Watzka Families

Sunday, April 18
8:00 am +Gus & +Mert Yanda requested by Sandy & Len Yanda
10:00 am Holy Cross Parish Family

Please remember to keep in prayer the sick in our parish family:
Annette Barrette, Jack Boudwin, Judy Galecke, Renee Hoffman, Connie Nelson, Tessa Parker and David Theisen.
Please also remember those serving our country in the military and all those on the Prayer Chain.

Readings for the week of April 11, 2021
Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
Monday:Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

LIVE STREAMING MASS

Livestreaming of the 10:00 am Sunday mass will be available on the following two platforms:
YouTube:
Youtube/Holy Cross Bay Settlement GB
Facebook:
Facebook/Holy Cross Parish Family

If you click on the above links, you will be taken to the sites. We look forward to you joining us for Sunday masses.

LOOKING AHEAD

- Saturday, **April 24** @ 4 pm & **April 25** @ 10 am, 1st Communion
- Saturday, **May 1**, Walk to Mary

Volunteer Docents & Tour Guides needed for the Belgian Heritage Center & school house. The Heritage Center is open on weekends, Friday thru Sunday. Training & support is provided. Even occasional shifts would be helpful. Contact belgianheritagecenter.org or call 920-825-7319.

Bishop's Appeal as of 3/22/2021
Assigned Goal: $48,441
Raised to Date: $30,091.08
The amount donated is 62.12% of our assigned goal.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
April 17-18, 2021

Saturday, 4:00 pm
LECTOR: Mike Parins **MUSIC:** Marcia
EMHC: Julie Van Lanen
USHERS: Robert Duquaine, Debbie Roeder
SCRIP: Mary Jo Pirlot, Renae Bauer

Sunday, 8:00 am
LECTOR: Peggy Ziefle
MUSIC: Marcianne
EMHC: Pat Wertel
USHER: OPEN
SCRIP: Barb Bell, Peggy Baumgart

Sunday, 10:00 am
LECTOR: Steve McDonnell
MUSIC: Marcianne
EMHC: Dan Jadin
USHERS: Charles Benner, Mike Clark
SCRIP: Dawn Jadin, Michelle Poole

BAYSHORE VILLAGE: not at this time

PLEASE ARRIVE 10-15 MINUTES EARLY.
CHECK TO SEE IF HELP IS NEEDED—
WE HAVE MANY OPENINGS.

STEWARDSHIP … A WAY OF LIFE

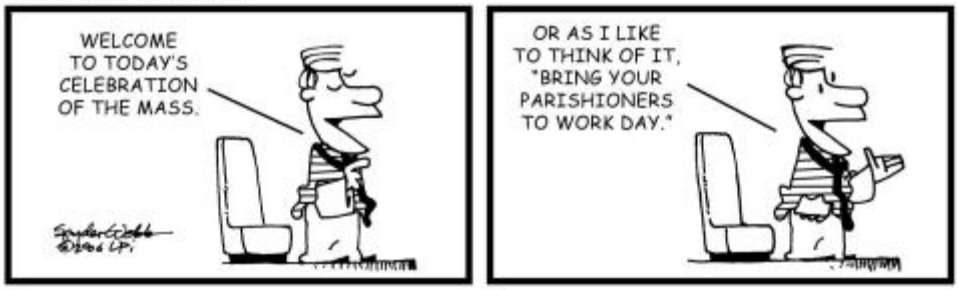
"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." - *Acts 4:32*

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

The deadline for GRACE financial aid applications is May 1, 2021. Enroll your child & submit your completed financial aid application prior to May 1. Together, we will find a way to make Holy Cross Catholic School an affordable option for your family. Learn more by visiting gracesystem.org or by contacting Kari Peterson at 920-468-0625.

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER



Open Mass Intentions

The following **8:00 am weekday** masses are available:

- **April 21, 22, 28, 29, 30**
- **May 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 19, 21, 26, 27, 28**

Suggested mass stipend is $10/mass. Contact the parish office to schedule your mass intention. Your stipend may be put in the collection baskets with your name written on the envelope, mail it or drop it off at the parish office.

The stewardship numbers for March will be posted in the April 18 bulletin. Thank you for your patience.

Financial Stewardship
Month Ending 2/28/21

Envelopes	$13,209
Electronic Giving	$11,524
Collection	$ 1,363
Monthly Total	**$26,096**
Maintenance Env.	$ 205

Fiscal Year (7/1/20-6/30/2021) to Date:
Actual—$277,201 | Budget—$289,804

Lighter Side

Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?
A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

A Good Sermon
The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning & a good ending; & to have the two as close together as possible.—George Burns

Parish Support
Our material support is based on Christian stewardship. We ask that you share your time, talent, material & financial support as generously as God has shared with you. Your most important commitment and contribution is your presence at the Sunday Eucharist, "the source and summit of our life in Christ."

Bulletin
If you are away from the parish, you can access our bulletin at holycrossfamily.blogspot.com. Sign up at seekandfind.com to have the bulletin emailed to you weekly. Please submit anything you wish published by noon on Tuesdays to bulletinholycross@gmail.com.

$CRIP

Total sales March 29-April 4 $ N/A
Total profit $ N/A

$crip is a no-cost fundraiser that benefits you and the parish. Purchase gift cards for thins you buy everyday—gas, groceries, sundries, dining out, etc. School and Faith Formation families receive 59% of the profit toward their tuition; the balance (41% or 100%) benefits the parish. Check out glscrip.com for special order retailers. **Please have any special orders in by 9 am on Monday mornings.** Thank you to all who participate in our $crip program.

Scrip Sales: Mondays: 9-11 am,
Wednesdays: 12:30-2 pm,
Fridays: 9-11 am.
All Scrip sales are at the Parish Center.

VENDORS (gift cards in inventory)	PROFIT	$
AMAZON.COM	2.5%	25
APPLEBEE'S	8.0%	25
ARBY'S	8.0%	10
BARNES & NOBLE/B. DALTON	9.0%	10, 25
BATH & BODY WORKS	12.0%	10, 25
BP GAS	1.5%	50
CAREFREE TRAVEL	VARIES	ANY AMT
CULVERS	6.0%	25
CVS PHARMACY	6.0%	25
DICK'S SPORTING GOODS	8.0%	25
FESTIVAL FOODS	3.0%	50, 100
FLEET FARM	4.0%	25, 100
GIPPERS	5.0%	10
HILLTOP CAFÉ	20.0%	5
HOME DEPOT	4.0%	25
INDIRA SALON	10.0%	50
I TUNES	5.0%	25
JIMMY JOHN'S	5.0%	10
JO-ANN FABRICS	6.0%	25
KOHLS	4.0%	25, 100
KWIK TRIP	5.0%	50, 100
MACKINAW'S	10.0%	20
MARCUS THEATRES	8.0%	25
McDONALDS	5.0%	25
MENARDS	3.0%	25
NOODLES & CO.	8.0%	10
OLIVE GARDEN/LONGHORN	9.0%	25
PIZZA HUT	8.0%	10
QDOBA	7.0%	25
ROSATI'S	10.0%	10
RPM AUTOMOTIVE (A&S Auto, LLC)	10.0%	25
SHELL GAS (GCS)	10.0%	25, 100
SHOWCASE KITCHENS	3.0%	Any amt.
SMART COW YOGURT BAR	5.0%	10
STARBUCKS	7.0%	25
SUBWAY	6.0%	10
TACO BELL	5.0%	10
TARGET	2.5%	25, 100
THE ANIMAL HOUSE	3.0%	25
THE WOODS	20.0%	**25**
UNIVERSITY SUPERVALU	4.0%	25
WALGREEN'S	5.0%	25, 100
WAL-MART (Sam's Club)	2.5%	25, 100
WOODMAN'S	5.0%	100

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