

MARCH 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

**A People Who
Love and a Place
to Grow**

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



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EUCCHARIST

SAT 4:30 pm

SUN 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm

MON 9:00 am

TUES 7:00 am

THU 9:00 am

FRI 7:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

MON WED THU 8:30 am-1:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Come experience God's love & mercy.

SAT 3:30 pm

SUN 9:30-9:50 am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Preschool-7th grade

SUN 8:50-9:50 am

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I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit. John 15:5

“Jared, the flower I picked for mama is dying!” Claire exclaimed to her brother. “I can’t give her a dead flower for her birthday.” “Cut flowers always die,” Jared explained. “The plant is what feeds them. When you separate them from their food, they only last so long.”

“But what am I going to give mama now?” Claire asked, with tears in her eyes. Jared said, “I have an idea!” Later that day, Claire and Jared led their mom to the wild, flowering bush at the edge of the woods. At its base was a painted rock that said “Mama’s Birthday Bush.” They explained, “We wanted to give you something that stays as beautiful as you.”

When we separate ourselves from God, we separate ourselves from the source that feeds our souls. It’s hard to do glorious things when our soul is starving. When we do stay connected, God’s great grace flows through us, causing spectacular things to happen.

Suddenly, what we do bears fruit, multiplies and blesses the world.

Dear God, inspire me to always stay connected to you so your grace can flow through me.



With Our Savior, Family Devotions for Lent, Claire McGarry

Masses for week of 03/11/19 to 03/17/19

- 03-11-19 ~ Monday ~
9:00 a.m. †Deanna Freese Kunz
- 03-12-19 ~ Tuesday ~
7:00 a.m. †James Grove
- 03-14-19 ~ Thursday ~
8:30 a.m. Rosary
9:00 a.m. †Lois Tucker
9:30 a.m. Adoration until 10:30 a.m.
- 03-15-19 ~ Friday ~
7:00 a.m. †Eloise Rees
- 03-16-19 ~ Saturday ~
4:30 p.m. †Deceased Members of the
Holland & Borsdorf Families
- 03-17-19 ~ Sunday ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m. †John Mahal
10:00 a.m. †Richard Beyer
5:00 p.m. †Lois Tucker

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning for
the Parishioners of Holy Cross.**



Stations of the Cross

**Friday, March 8, 15, 22, 29 & April 5
at 5:30 pm**

Light soup & bread meal to follow.

**If you would like to sign up to bring food,
please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.**



**Holy Cross Quilt Raffle
Quilt donated by Fr. Mike
Flying Geese design
located in narthex**

**Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 & can be
purchased in the narthex or the office**

Drawing will be March 24, 2019

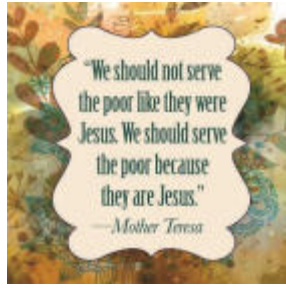
All proceeds will go to Pine Ridge

PARISH SUPPORT ~ February 24, 2019

Sunday Offering: \$1551

**Your generosity enables us to continue
the work Jesus began.**

Lent is a special time to make sacrifices in our life. We give more time to prayer and doing good for others. One of the things we ask you to do is help us feed the poor on Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. If you can help out, please bring anything from the following list. Jesus said "When I was hungry, you gave me food. When I was thirsty, you gave me something to drink." By helping this way, you are feeding Jesus by feeding the people of Pine Ridge.



Hearty soup, cereal, peanut butter, jelly/jams, crackers, puddings, cookies, jello cups, pasta, canned fruits and vegetables, shampoo, feminine products, deodorant, combs, brushes, rakes, shovels, & garden tools.



2nd grade RE students spend their class time preparing for First Communion



3rd grade RE students have been learning about the Rosary



4th, 5th, 6th & 7th grade RE students have been learning about Lent Pray, Fast, Give

**HOLY CROSS ANNUAL FISH BOIL
FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

SERVING TIMES: 5PM, 6PM, & 7PM

Advance tickets \$10 Adults; At the door \$11 Adults
Children 12 & under \$5

Tickets available in parish office & local businesses.
PLEASE SIGN UP in the narthex for items needed and workers needed at the fish boil.



A Joyful Lent

5 Mondays in Lent 6:30-8:00pm
Holy Cross Parish Hall

March 11: Mary shapes our heart to love Jesus


March 18: Jesus, model and life for our life

March 25: The Holy Spirit reproduces Jesus in us

April 1: The words of Jesus from the Cross

April 8: An encounter of the heart with fellow disciples





Children's Masses
10:00 AM, Sunday
March 17
April 7
May 19
June 23

PRAYER REQUESTS

May they be touched by the healing hand of the Lord and be restored soon to the full and active life of their families and our community.

Jim Batchelder, Hudson Bowers, Cathy Broshous, Robin Broshous, Kris Brunner, Sandy Casby, Mary Determan, Joe D'Antonio, Cynda Eastlick, June Finn, Jack Finnegan, Mary Kay Fitzpatrick, Betty Gallagher, Greg Giffrow, Doug Gille, Jesse Hartmund, Jamie Hasken, Vance Hasselman, Mary Heller, Marlene Herbst, Jerry Homb, Nola Hopkins, Erica Hoyer, Francis Igl, Walter Igl, Michael Janssen, Tony Jones, Diane Kaufman, Ilene Lamm, Heidi Leitzen, Ron Magee, Rita Magee, Theresa Murphy, Irene Paja, Julie Radaszewski, Delores Roberts, Trish Schremp, Rosemary Schultz, Don Schwartz, Phyllis Schwartz, Marge Stieffel, Dennis Tillis, Chris Tippet, Earl Tipton, Dale Wickler, Jeffrey Wright, Glenda Young

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