

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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12 DECEMBER 2021 + THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



“AS THE WORLD SPINS, THE CROSS STANDS FIRM.”

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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SMH=Saint Michael Hymnal, at Holy Cross & St. Clement
CH=Collegetville Hymnal, at St. Hedwig

ORGAN PRELUDE (4:30/9:30/11:15)

Gottes Sohn ist kommen Gerard Bunk (1888-1958)
Sleepers, Wake, BWV 645 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

CHORAL PRELUDE (9:30)

The Call R. Vaughan-Williams (1872-1958)

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a Light, as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length: such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part: such a Heart, as joyes in love.

Rise, Shine, for Thy Light Is A Coming Spiritual/arr. Maggs

O, rise, shine! for thy light's a-coming. My Lord says He's coming by an' by. This is the year of Jubilee, My Lord has set His people free. I'tend to shout an' never stop until I reach the mountain top. O wet and dry I'tend to try to serve the Lord until I die.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

On Jordan's Bank

SMH #699 | CH #182

WINCHESTER NEW

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Phil. 4:4-5

(9:30) *Gregorian Missal* — Mode VII

Gaudete in Domino semper iterum dico, Gaudete: modestia
vestra nota sit omnibus hominibus: Dominus prope est.
Nihil solliciti sitis: sed in omni oratione petitiones vestrae
innotescant apud Deum.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the
Lord is near. Be fearful for nothing, but in all things, make your
supplications known to God.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

KYRIE

Missa Deus Genitor Alme — Mass XVIII

Ky-ri - e e-le-i-son. Chri- ste_ e-le- i-son.
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! Sing joyfully, O Israel! Be
glad and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The
Lord has removed the judgment against you he has turned away
your enemies; the King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst, you
have no further misfortune to fear. On that day, it shall be said to
Jerusalem: Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! The Lord, your
God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you
with gladness, and renew you in his love, he will sing joyfully
because of you, as one sings at festivals.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the
great and Holy One of Israel.

God indeed is my savior; I am confident and unafraid.

My strength and my courage is the Lord
and he has been my savior.

With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation. **R.**

Give thanks to the Lord, acclaim his name;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name. **R.**

Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious achievement;
let this be known throughout all the earth.

Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel! **R.**

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters: rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it
again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The
Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer
and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to
God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL

Luke 3:10-18

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?"
He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should
share with the person who has none. And whoever has food
should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and
they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered
them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also
asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them,
"Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be
satisfied with your wages." Now the people were filled with
expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might
be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you
with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to
loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the
Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his
threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff
he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many
other ways, he preached good news to the people.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven
and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of
God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light
from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were
made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, **+Bow down+** and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary, and became man. **+Stand+** For our sake he was
crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was
buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the

Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

In order to carry out this mission, our parish is dependent on the generous support of our beloved parishioners and welcomed guests. Please contribute electronically by visiting ourholycross.org/donate.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (9:30) Jim Clements (b. 1983)

Gabriel's Message

The angel Gabriel from heaven came, His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame. "All hail," said he, "thou lowly maiden Mary, Most highly favoured lady." Gloria!

"For known a blessed mother thou shalt be, All generations laud and honor thee. Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold. Most highly favored lady." Gloria!

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Of her Emmanuel, the Christ, was born in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn. And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say, "Most highly favored lady." Gloria!

OFFERTORY HYMN SMH #485 | Text Below

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

STUTTGART

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus, Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
2. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation, enter ev'ry longing heart.
3. Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king,
Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
4. By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

SANCTUS

Missa Deus Genitor Alme – Mass XVIII

Sanc-tus, sanc-tus, Sanc-tus Do-mi-nus De-us Sa-ba-oth.
Ple-ni sunt cae-li et ter-ra glo-ri-a tu-a. Ho-sa-nna in
ex-cel-sis. Be-ne-dic-tus qui ve-nit in no-mi-ne Do-
mi-ni. Ho-sa-nna in ex-cel-sis.

MYSTERIUM FIDEI

ICEL Chant Mass

We pro-claim your death, O Lord,
and pro-fess your res-sur-rec-tion, un-til you come a-gain.

AGNUS DEI

Missa Deus Genitor Alme – Mass XVIII

Ag-nus De-i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di:
mi-se-re-re no-bis. Ag-nus De-i,
qui tol-lis pe-cca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

HOLY COMMUNION

Practicing Catholics who have prepared themselves to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward. Our brothers and sisters of other faiths are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps. 85:13

(4:30/9:30/11:15) Gregorian Missal – Mode I

Ricite: Pusillanimes confortamini, et nolite timere: ecce Deus noster veniet, et salvabit nos.

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

COMMUNION MOTET (9:30)

Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

Ave Verum Corpus

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine, cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine. O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie, O Jesu fili Mariae.
-Attr. to Pope Innocent VI

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste of the Heavenly banquet in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary.

COMMUNION HYMN

SMH #491 | CH #174

Creator of the Stars of Night

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

RECESSIONAL HYMN

SMH #544 | CH #175

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

ELLACOMBE

POSTLUDE (4:30/9:30/11:15)

A. Guilmant (1837-1911)

Marche on a Theme of Handel, Op. 15, No. 2

We are pleased to welcome the **University of Mary's Capella Choir**, under the direction of Dr. Rebecca Raber.

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GAUDETE: REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS



Throughout most of the year, Minnesotan pleasantries focus on the weather—which is often cold. However, we are entering that season where pleasantries might sound more like: “Are you all ready for Christmas?” Christmas is less than two weeks away and our to-do lists and shopping lists may seem to be snowballing out of control. (Pun intended!)

When someone asks me if I’m truly prepared for Christmas, my thought-process reminds me that my priorities are both backwards and upside-down. I start going through my shopping lists and calendar, making sure that all the necessary purchases have been made, the food is set, and various social activities and family gatherings are ready to go. And of course, as a musician and church employee, there are a myriad of extra work-related tasks to consider. All of the things I’ve just listed off tend to fill me with some degree of anxiety. It is precisely this feeling of anxiety that tends to remind me that my priorities aren’t stacked right.

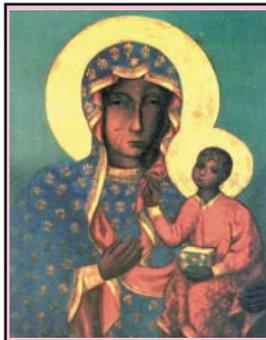
Each of our readings today addresses our preparation to meet the Incarnate Son of God at Christmas, and they encourage a joyful demeanor rather than an attitude of anxiety. Saint Paul tells us, both in today’s Entrance Antiphon and Second Reading bids us to “rejoice” at the Lord’s nearness. He further instructs the Philippians to do away with angst and embrace the peace of Christ, which “surpasses all understanding.” The prophet Zephaniah, speaking to the people of Judah some six centuries earlier, preaches a comparable message: “Shout for joy, O Daughter Zion!” Like Saint Paul, he warns against baseless worry, saying: “Fear not, O Zion! Do not be discouraged.” In calling for a joyous and serene disposition, the Prophets of the Old Testament and the Apostles of the New Testament stand in stark contrast to the *zeitgeist* (a mindset or attitude) of our current culture.

When Saint John the Baptist preaches repentance in today’s Gospel, his approach does not advocate anxiety, false piety, or self-loathing. Rather, he suggests two very concrete means of preparation: corporal works of mercy and reparations for injustices committed. My friends, we don’t have to look far to find opportunities to do both of these things today. To begin with making reparations for injustices committed, we must first rectify the injustices committed against God, and we do this within the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On page 7, you can find a listing of extra times to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As for corporal works of mercy and almsgiving, there are many opportunities to contribute to those in need in our community; however, I would draw your attention “The Senior Place Food Shelf.” You can learn more about this great organization on page 6.

Finally, if we are to prepare our hearts from the coming of Christ, we must take active steps to combat the mind-numbing frenzy and busy-ness that threatens to monopolize our physical, mental, and emotional energies. We must shift our gaze from the mundane to the heavenly. We must intentionally make extra time to pray with the scriptures, and we must give God’s give priority over the cacophony that surrounds us. Perhaps it is a good time to consider becoming a regular Eucharistic Adorer? (See information on pg. 6.) Another concrete opportunity I would highlight is next Saturday’s Advent Lessons and Carols (see page 7). This smorgasbord of scripture and song helps to engage all of our senses in preparing for the coming of Christ.

We, the clergy and parish staff of Holy Cross Catholic Church, wish you a blessed Advent and a Merry Christmas!

~Samuel Backman, Director of Sacred Music



SERDECZNIE WITAMY

Serdecznie witamy wszystkich
Rodaków, Parafian i Gości
w kościele Świętego Krzyża
w Minneapolis.

Duszpasterstwo w języku polskim
prowadzone jest przez Misjonarzy
Oblatów Maryi Niepokalanej (OMI).

CO W TRAWIE PISZCZY...

GREETING BY FR. CYPRIAN CZOP, O.M.I.

Niech będzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus!

W dzisiejszą **trzecią niedzielę Adwentu**, w dalszym ciągu słyszymy wezwanie św. Jana Chrzciciela do nawrócenia. Bardzo konkretnie zwraca się on do poszczególnych grup ludzi, różnego statusu społecznego i różnych zawodów, mówiąc im, co powinni zmienić w swoim życiu, by dobrze żyć. Chrzciciel zapowiada też bliskie już nadejście Chrystusa: „Ja was chrzczę wodą; lecz idźcie mocniejszy ode mnie, któremu nie jestem godzien rozwiązać rzemyka u sandałów. On chrzcić was będzie Duchem Świętym i ogniem” (Łk 3,16). Z tego powodu i my jesteśmy dzisiaj, w niedzielę *Gaudete*, wezwani do radości: „Radujcie się zawsze w Panu, jeszcze raz powiadam: Radujcie się! Pan jest blisko” (Flp 4,4.5).



Aby dobrze przeżyć czas Adwentu, pamiętajmy o kultywowaniu tradycji takich jak: roraty, spowiedź adwentowa, wieniec i świece adwentowe, medytacje nad codziennymi czytaniem, kalendarz adwentowy... W naszym kościele Świętego Krzyża polskie Msze św. w piątki są **Mszami roratnimi** – wotywnymi o Najświętszej Maryi Pannie. Zachęcam do przynoszenia na nie lampionów lub świec.

Obowiązkowe spotkanie lektorów i kantorów naszej polskiej wspólnoty odbędzie się dzisiaj bezpośrednio po polskiej Mszy św.

Polska Wigilia, organizowana przez PACIM, odbędzie się dzisiaj w Kolbe Hall. Wigilia rozpocznie się o 16:30 od śpiewu kolęd, a od 18:00 będzie serwowana wieczerza. **Dochody będą przeznaczone na fundusz na rzecz polskich sierot.**

„**Lekcje i Pieśni Adwentowe**” - tradycyjne nabożeństwo z rozważaniem czytań i śpiewaniem pieśni adwentowych, po polsku i angielsku, odbędzie się w kościele Świętego Krzyża w sobotę 18 grudnia o 19:00. Zapraszam gorąco wszystkich i zachęcam do potraktowania tego modlitewnego wieczoru jako adwentowego dnia skupienia.

Opłatki na stół wigilijny do nabycia (za dowolną ofiarę) w sekretariacie parafii lub w zakrystii. Proszę zapoznać się z rozkładem spowiedzi i mszy świętych, w tym po polsku, w okresie Adwentu, Bożego Narodzenia i Nowego Roku.

Życzę Wam wszystkim wielu łask i błogosławieństw w czasie Adwentu—pięknym i radosnym czasie oczekiwania na przyjsię Pana.

O. Cyprian Czop, O.M.I.

Polonijna Zabawa Sylwestrowa

Komitet Polski zaprasza na Zabawę Sylwestrową, która odbędzie się 31 grudnia 2021 r., w Kolbe Hall przy kościele Holy Cross. Sala będzie otwarta dla gości od godz. 7 PM, muzyka zacznie grać od 8 PM.

Organizatorzy, w cenie biletu, zapewniają pyszny obiad, kawę i ciasto oraz butelkę szampana na stół oraz barszcz z krokiem po północy. Cena biletów: \$65/osoba (\$75 przy wejściu w dniu zabawy), \$30 dla studentów.

Bilety można nabyć u Andrzeja (763-229-7743), Michała (708-268-6452) i Bożeny (763-501-0336).

Organizatorzy zapewniają opiekę nad dziećmi przy wcześniejszym zgłoszeniu, opłata: \$10/dziecko.

ROZKŁAD DYŻURÓW LEKTORÓW

LECTORS SCHEDULE

	12 GRUDNIA	19 GRUDNIA
K	M. Świętkowski	A. Ramczyk
L	E. Dudek	P. Matracz
L	W. Matracz	E. Banasikowska
18 GRUDNIA (LEKCJE I PIEŚNI ADWENTOWE)		
L1	Iwona Hajdukiewicz	
L2	Ewa Banasikowska	
L3	Wiesław Matracz	

W TYM TYGODNIU W LITURGII
COMING UP THIS WEEK IN LITURGY

13 grudnia, poniedziałek—wspomnienie św. Łucji, dziewicy i męczennicy

Łucja zmarła prawdopodobnie w Syrakuzach podczas prześladowania chrześcijan za cesarza Dioklejana. Od czasów najdawniejszych jej kult rozpowszechnił się prawie w całym Kościele, a jej imię zostało wprowadzone do Kanonu Rzymskiego.

14 grudnia, wtorek—wspomnienie św. Jana od Krzyża, prezbitera i doktora Kościoła

Jan urodził się około 1542 r. w Hiszpanii. Wstąpił do zakonu karmelitów, a w 1568 r., pod wpływem św. Teresy z Avili, stał się pierwszym zakonikiem zreformowanego Karmelu. Oddawszy się dziełu tej reformy, wycierpiał wiele trudów i przeciwności. Zmarł w 1591 r. w Ubeda (Hiszpania). Odnaczał się wielką świętością życia i mądrością, o czym świadczą jego pisma dotyczące życia duchowego.

16 grudnia, czwartek—wspomnienie błogosławionych męczenników z Laosu, Józefa Tien, prezbitera, i towarzyszy

Podczas wojny w Indochinach i w Laosie w latach 1954-1970 siedemnastu uczniów Chrystusa poniosło męczeństwo z powodu Jego imienia. Pośród męczenników był młody kapłan Joseph Tien (1918-1954), pierwszy męczennik laotański, a także miejscowi katechisci: Paul Thoj Xyooj (1941-1960), Joseph Outhany (1933-1961), Thomas Khampheuane Inthirath (1952-1968), Luc Sy (1938-1970), Maisam Pho Inpeng (1934-1970). Swe życie w ofierze złożyli także członkowie Stowarzyszenia Misji Zagranicznych z Paryża: o. Jean-Baptist Malo MEP (1899-1954), o. René Dubroux MEP (1914-1959), o. Noel Tenaud MEP (1904-1961), o. Marcel Denis MEP (1919-1961), o. Lucien Galan MEP (1921-1968) oraz członkowie Zgromadzenia Misjonarzy Oblatów Maryi Niepokalanej: o. Mario Borzaga OMI (1932-1960), o. Louis Leroy OMI (1923-1961), o. Michel Coquet OMI (1931-1961), o. Vincent L'Hénoret OMI (1921-1961), o. Jean Wauthier OMI (1926-1967) i o. Joseph Boissel OMI (1909-1969).

SCHEDULE OF MASSES & INTENTIONS

Holy Cross Campus

Sat.,	12/11	4:30 PM	+John Bernier
Sun.,	12/12	7:30 AM	Harrison Zajac
		9:30 AM	+Joe and Dcn. Larry Walker and Mary Koropka
		11:30 AM	+Magdalena Świdorski
		6:30 PM	Pro populo
Mon.,	12/13	6:45 AM	+Mary and Albert Posusta
Tues.,	12/14	6:45 AM	+John Majkrzak
Wed.,	12/15	6:45 AM	+Joanne Wos
		6:00 PM	Marge Nelson
Thur.,	12/16	6:45 AM	+Arnold Nelson
		8:45 AM	Priest's Intention
Fri.,	12/17	6:45 AM	+Robert Hastings
		7:00 PM	+Beata Golubowicz
Sat.,	12/18	4:30 PM	Pro populo
Sun.,	12/19	7:30 AM	+Timothy Doyle
		9:30 AM	+David Adams
		11:30 AM	+Professor Krzysztof Frankowski
		6:30 PM	+Marie Nelson

Saint Clement Campus

Sun.,	12/12	11:15 AM	+Donald Barker and Christian Brother Milton Barker
Sun.,	12/19	11:15 AM	+Roberta Dahl

Saint Hedwig Campus

Sat.,	12/11	4:00 PM	+Marilyn Gonsior
Sun.,	12/12	10:00 AM	+Marie Nelson
Tues.,	12/14	10:00 AM	+Regina Zandlo
Sat.,	12/18	4:00 PM	+Deceased members of the Nawara and Skaja Families
Sun.,	12/19	10:00 AM	+Ron Miller

BAPTISM

Beau Harper
Baptized on December 5, 2021

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSED OPLATKI AVAILABLE IN DECEMBER

We are pleased to be able to provide blessed Oplatki (Polish Christmas wafers) at the parish office. You may make a donation as you pick them up. Sharing oplatek before Christmas Eve dinner in Polish, Czech, Slovak, and Lithuanian families is a centuries-old tradition.

COFFEE AND DONUTS AT SAINT HEDWIG THIS SUNDAY

Please join us in Guminga Hall for coffee, donuts, and fellowship following the 10:00 Mass.

COFFEE AND DONUTS NEXT WEEKEND AT ST. CLEMENT

Join us coffee and donuts following the 11:15 Mass at St. Clement.

CHURCH DECORATING AT ST. CLEMENT ON SUNDAY, 12/19

Following the 11:15 Mass at St. Clement next Sunday, we will do some "finishing touches" on decorating the Church of St. Clement. Please help if you can—many hands makes light work.

ADDITIONAL ADORERS NEEDED

It is with great joy that we have expanded the hours of our Adoration Chapel to include Thursdays! Though we are pleased with the generosity of those that have signed up, we have additional slots that require coverage. We have particular needed at the following times

- ♦ **Mondays, any hour between 9:00am and 2:00pm**
- ♦ **Tuesdays, 10:30-11:00am and 5:00-6:00pm**
- ♦ **Thursdays, 11:00-12:00pm**

FOOD SHELF COLLECTION

To support local residents in their time of need, we are taking donations of nonperishable food, hygiene items, and pet supplies. These donations will be forwarded to "The Senior Place Food Shelf," 1801 Central Avenue NE for distribution in Northeast Minneapolis. The Senior Place Food Shelf is part of Eastside Neighborhood Services. This Food Shelf is able to provide persons 55 and older with fresh and canned food (pull-top cans preferred.) hygiene items and pet supplies. Cash donations and checks made payable to the "Senior Place Food Shelf" will be gratefully accepted. **Food shelf** bins will be located in the vestibules of each church. Please use an envelope for cash / check donations and place it into the collection basket, and we'll forward them to The Food Shelf. Collections take place on the second weekend of the month, but you can drop items off on other weekends. Thank you for your support.

Important Notes Regarding Year-End Contributions

The mission of our great parish goes forward because of your involvement and generosity. As you prayerfully consider making an additional 2021 donation to Holy Cross Catholic Church, please note the following criteria:

To properly reflect donations on your 2021 giving record, contributions mailed to Holy Cross must be postmarked no later than December 31st, 2021. For gifts made via online giving: checks or savings accounts must be completed by 3:00 pm on December 28th. Gifts made via credit card must be completed by 3:00 PM December 31st. The Parish office will be closed on New Year's Eve.

Please contact Matt Springer, Director of Operations at 612-930-0865 or matt.springer@ourholycross.org if you have questions.

On behalf of our parish clergy, staff and leadership, I thank you for your consistent generosity and support of our parish. We wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

-Fr. Howe, Pastor

ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

Join us at Holy Cross Church on Saturday, December 18 at 7:00pm by partaking in the time-honored tradition that tells the narrative of Salvation History with scripture, beloved carols (kolędy) and choral selections sung by the choirs of Holy Cross. Though the tradition of Lessons and Carols has its origin in England, this particular version of Lessons and Carols will also incorporate the rich Polish heritage of Holy Cross Catholic Church. A social reception will follow in Kolbe Hall.

MEN’S GAME NIGHT—TUESDAY 12/14

Join the Northeast Minneapolis Holy Name Society for a Men's Game Night at 7:00PM at St. Clement Church on Tuesday, December 14th. There will be cribbage, 500, and chess available, but we encourage men to bring a game to share as well. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Please RSVP at (bit.ly/hnsgamenight2021) and mark in the comments if you plan to bring a game. Depending on interest, we might organize a tournament or two. All men are welcome to join; bring a friend!

NEW YEARS’ EVE PARTY

The Polish Committee invites our parishioners with their families and friends to attend our New Year's Eve party on December 31, 2021. The party is set to take place in Kolbe Hall, located in the John Paul II School building at the Holy Cross Catholic Church. We begin welcoming guests at 7:00pm, music starts at 8:00pm, and dinner is served at 9:00pm. Tickets prices: \$65/adult purchase in advance, \$75 at the door (limited), \$30/student. The ticket price includes: dinner, a bottle of sparkling wine, coffee, tea, cake, and borscht with croquette (served after midnight). To purchase tickets, contact Andrzej at 763-229-7743, or call Michal at 708-268-6452

LET EVERY HEART PREPARE HIM ROOM: CONFESSIONS TIMES

The following times are available in Addition to our regular times listed on the column to the right.

- Sunday, 12/12: Confession 12:15 to 1:30pm St. Clement (with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)
- Tuesday, 12/14; Confessions 10:30 to 11:15am. Saint Hedwig
- Friday, 12/17; Confessions 3:00 to 7:00pm. Holy Cross
- Sunday, 12/19; Confessions 5:30 to 8:30pm. Holy Cross
- Tuesday, 12/21; Confessions 9:00 to 9:45am. Saint Hedwig

SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS AND MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

CHRISTMAS EVE

- ~ 4:00pm, Saint Hedwig
- ~ 5:00pm, Holy Cross—Carols at 4:30pm
- ~ 12:00am, Holy Cross—Carols at 11:30pm (Livestreamed)

CHRISTMAS DAY

- ~ 7:30am, Holy Cross
- ~ 9:30am, Holy Cross—Carols at 9:00am (Livestreamed)
- ~ 10:00am, Saint Hedwig
- ~ 11:15am, Saint Clement
- ~ 11:30pm, Holy Cross—Polish (Livestreamed)

MASS SCHEDULE FOR MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (12/31)

- ~ 7:00pm, Holy Cross (Preceded by a 6:00pm Holy Hour, Benediction, and Solemn Te Deum)

MASS SCHEDULE FOR MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (1/1)

- ~ 11:15am, Saint Clement
- ~ 11:30am, Holy Cross (Polish)

MASS SCHEDULE

HOLY CROSS CAMPUS

- Saturday – 4:30pm
- Sunday – 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am (Polish), 6:30pm
- Monday-Friday – 6:45am
- Wednesday – 6:00pm
- Friday – 7:00pm
- First Saturday of the Month – 8:00am (Latin-OF)

SAINT CLEMENT CAMPUS

- Sunday – 11:15am

ST. HEDWIG CAMPUS

- Saturday – 4:00pm
- Sunday – 10:00am
- Tuesday – 10:00am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

HOLY CROSS CAMPUS

- Sunday – 8:30am, 11:00am (Polish), 5:30pm
- Wednesday – 5:30pm
- Friday – 6:15pm
- First Saturday of the Month – 8:30am
- Saturday – 3:45pm

SAINT HEDWIG CAMPUS

- Saturday – 3:15pm • Sunday – 9:30am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

- Monday – 9:00am-3:00pm (Adoration Chapel)
- Tuesday – 10:30am-8:00pm (Saint Hedwig Church)
- Thursday – 9:00am-3:00pm (Adoration Chapel)
- Monday, Tuesday & Friday – 7:15-8:15am (HC Church)

You can also sign up for a time at:

<https://www.ourholycross.org/sacraments#adoration>.

Or, contact marzenalaugen@gmail.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

- Mon:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17/Ps 25:4-9/Mt 21:23-27
- Tues:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-7, 17-19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32
- Wed:** Is 45:6-8, 18, 21-25/Ps 85:9-14/Lk 7:18b-23
- Thurs:** Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2-6, 11-12, and 13/Lk 7:24-30
- Fri:** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-4, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17
- Sat:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

REPORT ON SACRIFICIAL GIVING

	11/20-11/21	FISCAL YTD
Weekend Contributions	14,553.00	287,781.40
Financial Goal	15,841.50	295,333.50
Over/(Under)	(1,288.50)	(7,552.10)

For More Information on Simplified Giving:

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Today's cover art is a portrayal of St. John the Baptist preaching, painted by Paolo Veronese ca. 1562.

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