

Church of the Holy Cross



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Parish Office Hours: Monday - Wednesday, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

Liturgical Schedule:

Weekends

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:45 am & 10:45 am

Weekdays

Monday to Wednesday: 8:00 am

Holy Days

Vigil As Announced

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

..... 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm
and Anytime by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the rectory for registration, preparation and details.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance of the desired date to begin the Couple to Couple Marriage Preparation Program.

Sacrament of the Sick/Communion Calls

Please notify the rectory if anyone is hospitalized or confined to home due to illness, handicap or age so that we may keep them in prayer, visit them and support them with the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Sick.

Coordinator of Religious Education:

Grades K-11 Elizabeth Schroeder

New Parishioners

We are pleased to welcome you into our parish family and invite you to enter fully into our spiritual and social life. Please introduce yourself after mass and arrange to enroll as a member.

Parish Bulletin

All items must be submitted in writing at the rectory prior to 9:30 am on Monday mornings, but preferably 2 weeks before.

Pastoral Council

Chair: Thomas Royer (978) 939-1070
Every parishioner is welcome to submit items for consideration, by calling the rectory or through any council member.

AA Meetings: Wednesdays 7:00 pm

Pastoral Ministries

There are many opportunities for ministry to our fellow parishioners. You are invited to volunteer your time and talent by expressing your interest to the pastor or to members of the Pastoral Council or the Religious Education Program.

MASSES

Plan To Attend						
SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14

SATURDAY JAN 22
4:30 pm +Gloria Lefebvre by family

SUNDAY JAN 23
 7:45 am +Douglas Young and +Scott Young by the Young Family
 9:15 am **Mass at St. Martin's**
 10:45 am +Joann Gemborys by family

MONDAY JAN 24
 NO 8:00 am Mass

TUESDAY JAN 25
 NO 8:00 am Mass

WEDNESDAY JAN 26
 NO 8:00 am Mass

SATURDAY JAN 29
 4:30 pm +Tina Waskiewicz by Pris Valliere

SUNDAY JAN 30
 7:45 am Our Parish Family
 9:15 am **Mass at St. Martin's**
 10:45 am +Nellie & Stanley Koczan by Joyce & Shirley

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 pm, AA



CCD in Session

For questions, contact Coordinator, Elizabeth Schroeder at hcchurchet@gmail.com or at (978) 413-8833.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Fiscal Year 9/1/2021-8/31/2022

Weekly Budget: \$3,100	YTD Budget: \$65,100
Weekly Collect.: 1/16/22: \$1,694	YTD Weekly Collect: \$41,800
R & M Collect.: \$175	YTD R & M Collect: \$2,965
YTD Surplus (Shortfall): (\$20,335)	

Special Collections: Solemnity of Mary was \$5, and Sanctuary Candles was \$336. **Thank you.**



SANCTUARY CANDLES

M/M Frank Moschetti, M/M Theodore Bernard, M/M Yvon LeBlanc, Pat Flynn, M/M Jim Killay, M/M Raymond LeBlanc, M/M Michael Beaulieu, M/M Rene Jaillet, M/M Robert LeVangie, Roseanne Fuller, Jim Fuller, M/M Steve Schroeder, M/M Larry Martin, M/M Tom Benbenek, M/M Edward Yablonski, Laura Lawrence, M/M Michael Yablonski, M/M Rene Savoie, M/M Pete Valliere, M/M Scott Huntoon, M/M Jim Haverty, & **In Memory of** Rachel Maillet, Nellie & Stanley Koczan, Anthony J. Manca, John & Eleanor Quarella, Fr. George O'Brien, Gloria Magnuson, Deacon Arthur & Leah Chartier, Damien Royer, Paul Tourigny, Bobbie Lesneski, Rachel & Chuck Frenier, Alphonse & Loza Chartier, Philip Robichaud, M/M Allen Garvey, M/M Chester Lepkowski, Russell Taintor, Jr., M/M L. Russell Taintor, Sr., M/M George Reid, Sr., George Reid, Jr., Jamie Smart, Andrea Crowe, Jim Braun, Marla Whittle, and Michael Fichtel.

Altar Care: Joyce



ROSE OF LIFE

Each week a parishioner/family places a rose in the vase at the Blessed Mother's statue to express witness to the sanctity of life. This week the rose is placed by Mary. Please see sign up book at the main entrance to participate.

At The Advertisers

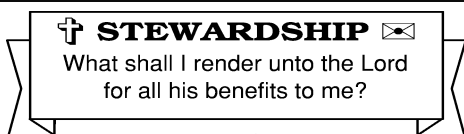
LOOK Supporting Our Church Bulletin



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
 He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
 and recovery of sight to the blind,
 to let the oppressed go free."

— Lk 4:18

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



You are requested to remember in your prayers the following: anonymous cancer patient, Doris Bickford, Brenda & Stacy Bishop, Jared Blais, Raymond Boudreau, Alice Chicoine, Henry Connery III, Michael Crowley, Mike Dembek, Carol Desmarais, Jane Fleck, Gail Gabis, Tim Gatautis, Doris Geyster, Marley Guthrie, Paul Jurgelonis, Kristen, Sandy Kulvete, Rudy Kut, Bob LeMieur, Simone Nash, Mark Noel, Gabe Olszak, George Racette, Judy Roberts, Jane Royer, Kathy Scott, Maria Rose Schroeder, Marie Valeri, Priscilla Valliere, Gloria Wilder, Michael Young, & All affected by Coronavirus.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.

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ANNUAL GIVING REPORT

If you wish to see a report of your giving record to the parish for your tax purposes, we can generate a copy. Just drop us a note in the collection basket or mail, email or call the rectory.



“Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ... Even a woman who doesn’t go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace.

-USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities



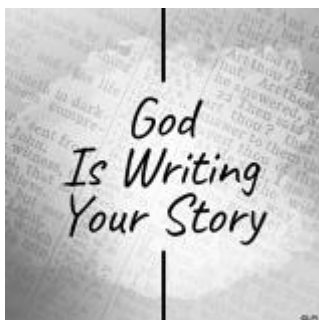
A First Confession Quip

En route to church to make his first confession, my nervous seven-year-old grandson asked me what he could expect.

"Confession is where you tell all the bad things you've done to the priest," I told him. He looked relieved.

"Good! I haven't done anything bad to the priest."

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Living Faith Initiative

Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead...



NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

January 30, 2022 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13
Luke 4:21-30



Plant Your Works in the Word

(RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS)

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI



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