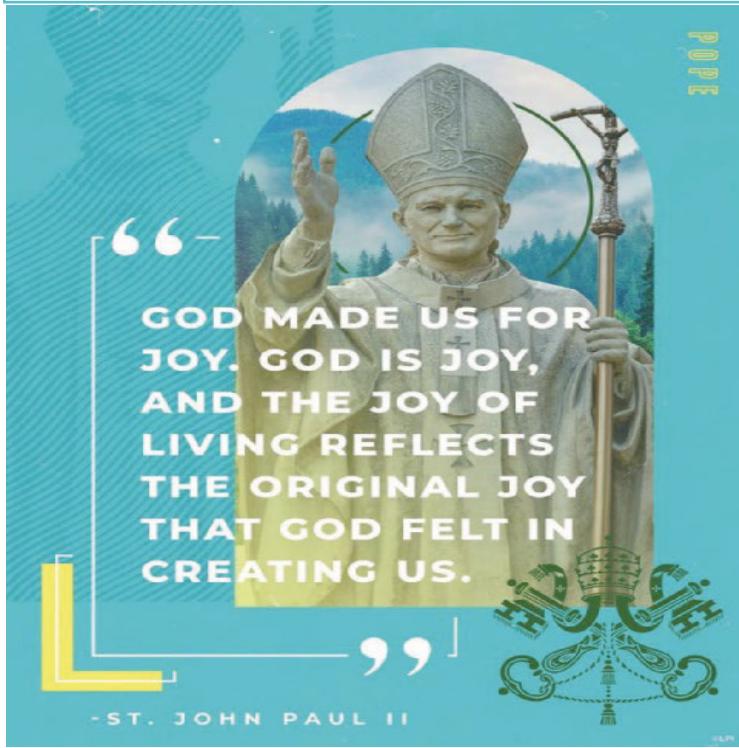


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May 5, 2024
Sixth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME

Please introduce yourselves and register in order to become a member of this community of believers. We welcome your gifted presence in the life of our parish.

OUR MISSION

Holy Cross Parish, a community centered in the Eucharist, is committed in faith and love of Jesus Christ to fulfill the profoundly human and spiritual needs of its parishioners and the larger community it serves. We seek to inspire all, through deeds and by example, to do the work of Christ: to make God known, loved, and served.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday 9:00am
Rosary, 8:40am

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am

Holy Days of Obligation

9:00am, 7pm

Confession

Saturday 3:15 - 3:45pm
Other by Appointment

Bulletin Submissions

To ensure your announcements and updates are included, please send them to info@holycrosseaston by Mondays at noon. The deadline is earlier when there is a holiday.

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Dear Parishioners,

May truly feels like spring is here even though I realize spring officially began back on March 19th with the spring equinox. The temperatures in May are regularly warmer both day and night and everything around us is budding forth new growth. Forty-one members of our parish and their families, along with eighteen children and families at Immaculate Conception Parish, are experiencing new growth this weekend as our second graders receive Jesus fully into their hearts and souls for the first of hopefully thousands of times in their lives.

May is one of two traditional months (the other October) that we honor our Blessed Mother. The second graders made these flowers on a bulletin board at the bottom of the stairs to the parish center helping us all realize both the beauty and blessings of May. The first of two May crowning will be next Sunday after the 10am Mass in the courtyard. The other will be during the Marian Evening Prayer May 20th. God Bless, FB.



The following children celebrate their First Holy Communion this weekend at Holy Cross

Kayla Dyment
Charlotte Miller
Henry Smith
Charlotte Feeney
Avery Stetson
Gracie Folan
Adeline Christiana
Tatum Woolley
Christian LeDoux
Drew Lynch
Grant Baker
Trent Gorham
William Malachowski

Adeline Dragon
Cameron Jennings
Bodhi Hunt
Emma Thompson
Harry Touchette
Alanna McDaid
Paige Newman
Nora Millett
Mya Cimildoro
Mason Young
Nolan Constantino
Alana Hauswirth
Olivia Kent

Leia Harber
Lillian Berry
Kevin Aronstein
Julian Ferris
Leah Kellar
Dominic Siano
Mabel Horsman
Aidan Gardner
Michael Stewart
Vanessa Earl
Gia Holland

The following children celebrate their First Holy Communion this weekend at Immaculate Conception

Dante Boidi
Dylan Graeff
Jackson Gouldrup
Maeve Carroll
Jameson Neely
Andrew Woodford
Ryan Gooding

Emilia Jannini
Callen Valair
Max McMullin
Devin Mahoney
Owen Symynkywicz
Preston Mello
Benjamin Cohenno

Jacob Walsh
Isabella Pistorio
William Samperi
Charlotte O'Dwyer
Dylan Jones
Emma Anderson

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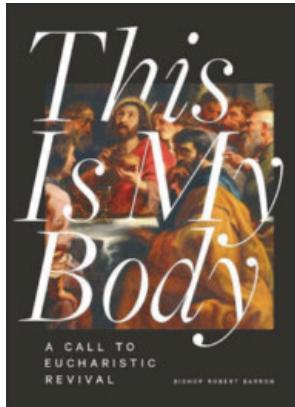
We hope you have picked up a copy of *This is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival* by Bishop Robert Barron and are reading it. If you are finding it enlightening but perhaps heavy, you are invited to discuss it with the members of the Spiritual Book Club.

Monday, May 13
in the Parish Center at 7pm.

Deacon Gary will lead the discussion.

Please reach out to
Virginia Polanski
with questions:

vpolanski@stonehill.edu



Diocese of Fall River
Secretariat for the New Evangelization
Local Walk for Life
The National Shrine for our Lady of LaSalette,
North Attleboro
May 10, 2024
9:30am
Keynote Speaker,
Mass State Legislature Representative
Alan Silvia
10:00 am
Rosary for Life
10:30am
Mass with Bishop Most Rev. Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V.
Noon
Walk for Life and the Divine Mercy Chaplet
1:00pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Registration is required.
Seating is First Come, First Served.
Visit fallriverdiocese.org
to register and for more information

Respect Life Commission Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Please donate online or fill the baby bottles with loose change. The proceeds will go to Birthright in Taunton and Abundant Hope in Attleboro for the preservation and needs of the unborn and their parents.

Please bring your bottles back to Holy Cross over Mother's Day weekend.
Thank you for your support.



MASS INTENTIONS

†Saturday, May 4

4:00 pm +John Morley, anniversary mass, requested by the Morley Family

†Sunday, May 5

8:30 am +Veronica Lamb, requested by the Lamb family

10:00 am +Paul & Joanne Kenney, requested by the Franzoni family

Noon for the First Communicants

†Monday, May 6

9:00 am

†Tuesday, May 7

9:00 am

†Wednesday, May 8

9:00 am

†Thursday, May 9

9:00 am +Ciro & Helen Sanpietro, 60th wedding anniversary remembrance, requested by their family

7:00 pm

†Friday, May 10

9:00 am

†Saturday, May 11

4:00 +Claire Martucelli, 4th anniversary, requested by Bill Pezzella

†Sunday, May 12

8:30 am + "Aunt" Mary Toomey, requested by the Farrell family

10:00 am + Thomas J. Hayes & Christopher Hayes, requested by the Hayes & Holmberg families

Next weekend there will be a special collection for Catholic Communications. Thank you for your generosity.



Where will your donation go? Half of the collected funds remain in your diocese to support local communications projects. The other half provide grants that support the collective communication work of the bishops of the United States as well as other national projects in the United States and around the world.

To learn more about the CCC and the projects it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccc

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SPONSOR A DAY

So far we have collected \$44,830 toward our goal of \$49,275.

Thank you to the parishioners who sponsored a day in 2024.

Here are the donors for May:

Jack & Linda McTernan
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Marian Evening
at Holy Cross Church
May 20, 2024
at 7 PM
Please come,
all are welcome.
Feel free to bring a statue or
your favorite picture of the
Blessed Mother.

Refreshments will be served
after.



From the Health Ministry and Parish Nurses

Happy Nurses Week to all
the nurses in our parish!
Please take a Nurse's Prayer
Bookmark and treat from
the basket at the back of the
church as you leave as a to-
ken of appreciation.



Mature Moves

Mature Moves Seminar Series is hosting a free seminar to those 55+.

Seminar topic: Downsizing Made Easy.

It will be held on May 14th @ 10am - 11:30am in the Parish Center, To register please go to <https://bit.ly/maturemoves> or call/text 508-965-4525.

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors

Communion Ministers

May 4 & 5

4pm	Kevin Kinch Penny Brennan	Marty Reynolds Joanne Kelly Julie Smith
8:30am	Virginia Polanski Brian Sheehan	Bill Mulvey Sid Smith Stephen Torgersen
10:00am	Mark Franzoni Meredith Bonny	Fran Long Donna Cunha Bob Cunha

May 11 & 12

4pm	Larry Hassan Diane Cheevers	Michelle Hassan Kevin Kinch Kevin Dixon
8:30am	John McLaughlin Kate O'Reilly	Diane Jussaume Pat Brophy-Signori Mark Jussaume
10:00am	Sean McFaul Roy Owens	Gary Angeles Catalina Angeles Suzanne Williams

Community Panel Discussion

Understanding Youth Substance Use and Mental Health in Today's Society



Wednesday, May 8

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Oliver Ames High School

Please see the Holy Cross Facebook Page
to register for this event.

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Last year we had close to 100 people attend. Desserts and dancing with folks of all ages, and many families. So much fun! Please register on our website to aid in our planning.



May 18

Join Holy Cross in preparing a meal for our brothers and sisters at the Mainspring House on the third Saturday of every month. This month's meal is on March 16. Bring cooked food items to the lower kitchen behind the church between 1:00 and 2:45 PM.

Meal Suggestions: **Entrees** (cooked turkey, chicken, pasta and meat sauce and casseroles); **Side Dishes** (mac & cheese, rice, mashed or roasted potatoes, vegetables - broccoli, green beans); **Mixed Garden Salad; Bread or Rolls; Fruit or Desserts** (individual servings such as cookies, fruit cups, or cut brownies or pastries),

If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Downes, cathy.downes@verizon.net (508)742-5957.

Thank you for serving your brothers and sisters at Mainspring House!

Outreach Sunday May 5

Some of the requests from the community agencies we serve have changed to reflect their current needs.

My Brother's Keeper-diapers, household cleaning products, sponges, canned: soup, fruit, pasta sauce, vegetables. Peanut butter, jelly, pasta, mac and cheese, snacks, cookies

Birthright & Abundant Hope-diapers, wipes, New and Gently used clothes ages 3mos-24mos.

Family & Community Resources-canned: soup, fruit, pasta sauce, vegetables. Peanut butter, jelly, pasta, mac and cheese, snacks.

Mainspring House-toiletries, Men and Women NEW underwear & socks.

We Do Care-support local widows and widowers and their families by donating grocery store gift cards.

Lousan Family Shelter-birthday bag items: cake mixes, frosting, cake pans, birthday party supplies: plates, napkins, banners, plasticware, tablecloths and decorations.

Please leave your donations in the gathering area of the church on Outreach Sunday, the first Sunday of each month. Thank you for continuing to generously support our local community service agencies!

Please contact Claire Abate with any questions at claire@claireabate.com.

Catholic Women of Grace Scholarship Tea

Wednesday, May 8th at 6:00 pm
Holy Cross Family Ministries,
518 Washington Street, North Easton

Our next meeting will be our Scholarship Tea. We give a scholarship to a daughter or granddaughter of a committee member. After the meal we will present the award to one of our high school graduates, followed by a brief meeting. A Holy Cross Family Ministry staff member will give us a presentation on Father Peyton and the mission, and we will tour the museum.

Catholic Women of Grace is a committee of women who belong to Holy Cross and Immaculate Conception Churches.

Contact either Stephanie Coose 508-944-2235 or Kim Pressey 781-820-1108 with questions.

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Presentation for Caregivers & Discussion Group
Facilitated by Kathy Heery, RN, MS

Wednesday, May 8, 7-8pm in the Parish Center

Are you facing an urgent situation with a loved one coming home from the hospital with little notice and numerous care needs?

Do you feel overwhelmed by boatloads of advice but lack tools to navigate the complexities of eldercare?

Is your aging family member resistant to receiving help?

If you find yourself grappling with the uncertainties of caring for an aging loved one, attend one of our recurring sessions. These in-person programs provide a supportive environment to learn and discuss common issues related to aging care challenges.

Call or email to register for this event:

(508) 238-2235
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Vigil for Estranged Parents

An evening of experience, strength and hope for anyone living with estrangement. Prayer, speakers, music, refreshments, information, support. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Cupboard of Kindness & St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry in exchange for a candle to light. Livestream available via our Facebook page.

Wednesday, May 15

7-8:30pm

St. Mary's Catholic Church
One Power Street

Join Massachusetts Citizens for a **FREE Pro-Life Communications Seminar** on Monday, May 6 at Corpus Christi Catholic Church Parish Center at 324 Quaker Meeting House Rd, East Sandwich, MA. From 6:00-9:00 PM, you'll hear from experienced faculty who will demonstrate tools you can use to design your best, most impactful pro-life rhetoric. We will explore how to create positive interactions that change the minds of moderates and persuade them to vote for your candidates and your issues. Event includes dinner and all learning materials. Register at maprolife.org/seminar.

If you have any further questions, please **e-mail** Schanel@MassCitizensforlife.org

Renew the Face of the Earth



The 83rd Catholic Appeal has begun. Please join with your fellow parishioners in helping those in need in our communities and show love through your generosity. The agencies and apostolates funded by the Appeal provide compassionate care to our neighbors in need, such as hospital chaplaincy and pastoral care in our nursing homes, programs that uphold and protect a culture of life, food services for the hungry, care for children in crisis, and much more. Make you secure gift or pledge online today at www.GiveFRDiocese.org

A photograph of a family of four on a golf course. A man in a white shirt and cap stands on the left, a woman in a grey shirt and cap stands on the right, and two young girls in pink shirts and denim overalls stand in the center. They are all holding golf clubs. Below the photo is text for the "Brother Jim Madigan, C.S.C. Memorial Golf Tournament for Holy Cross Parish".

Brother Jim Madigan, C.S.C.
Memorial Golf Tournament
for Holy Cross Parish
Save the Date for June 23, 2024

The Golf Committee is looking for volunteers for this event. Anyone interested in volunteering or contributing in any way please contact Rob Byron at rjbyron70@gmail.com or 508-558-1589.



Did you know...Many women struggle with an aching heart from the loss of their aborted child on Mother's Day. They hide alone in the shadows feeling empty, broken - full of shame and regret. If this is you, please make a brave choice to seek healing. Contact Abundant Hope at 508-455-0425 to join an 8-week Healing Bible Study called Surrendering the Secret, and learn the truth about the Lord's forgiveness, peace and restoration.

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SAVE THE DATE
STEUBENVILLE EAST July 26-28



Join us for an amazing fun and faith filled weekend at the Steubenville East Youth Conference in Springfield, MA!

- Open to all high school students; incoming freshman to outgoing seniors
- Cost for trip is \$260.00; scholarships are available. Includes registration, transportation, hotel, lunches, dinners, and t-shirt
- Limited number of spots on a first come, first served basis. Don't wait to register!
- \$50 is required to hold your spot, payable on Holy Cross Website
- Email Rachel Vidoni at rgvidoni72@gmail.com for trip details & info

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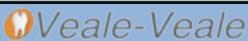
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