Holy Cross Catholic Community

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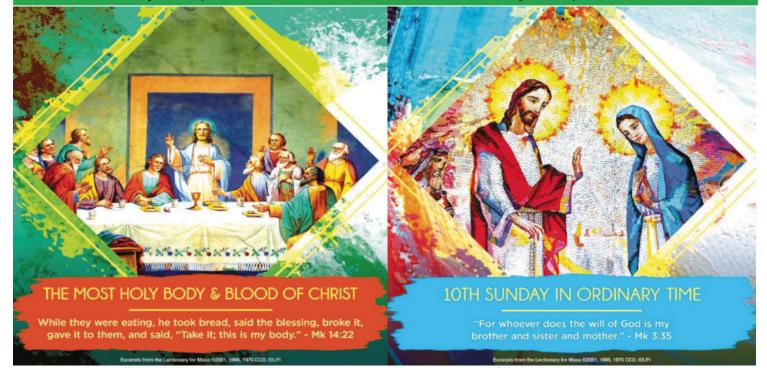
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June 2, 2024

June 9, 2024



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil | 5 p.m. Sunday | 8:00a.m., 10:00a.m., 4:30pm (English) 12:15p.m. (Spanish)
Daily Mass | Tuesday—Friday 12:00 p.m. Noon Reconciliation | Saturday 4:00

Office Hours | Monday—Thursday: 9:00am to 5:30pm | Lunch 12:30 to 1:00pm

Saturdays 9:30am - 5:00pm | Sundays: 9:00am - 5:00pm | Office Closed Fridays

Parish Staff | Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Martinez | Associate Assistant: Dulce Infante

Confirmation/High School Youth Ministry Assistant: Jacob White

Building & Grounds: Randy Roberts Janitorial Services: Eduardo Chavez & Arnoldo Olivares

BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER, LECTOR or A EUCHARISTIC MINISTER!

A great way to continue practicing your faith and being more involved is to become an Altar Server, a Lector or a Eucharistic Minister during Mass! Altar Servers help Fr. Jose and Fr. Norm during Mass. Lectors proclaim the word of the Lord. Eucharistic Ministers share the Body of Christ with the Community.



All children and youth who have received their First Holy Communion and would like to go through a training to become an altar server, parents & Children/Youth, please join us for a training on June 2 and June 9 at 11am for Altar Servers!



All youth who have been confirmed and would like to go through a training to become a Lector and/or a Eucharistic Minister, please join us on June 16 and June 23 at 11am!



Upcoming Events

June

Sun 2 Kermes after 8am, 10am & 12:15pm Masses Altar Server Training 11am

Wed 5 JOY Group 11am

Grief Support Group 2pm

Thurs 6 Mass at Hearthstone 1:30pm

Fri 7 Healing Mass 9am

Adoration 9:30am—4:30pm Devine Mercy Chaplet 3pm

Sun 23 Graduation Mass 10am & 12:15pm Masses

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- For your safety, when exiting the parking lot, please consider turning right & going towards the apartments or Raley's. Use the stoplight to turn in and go to the roundabout. This will save you time, is safer & eases up the traffic at the entrance of Holy Cross.
- When writing a check for Holy Cross, whether it be for Sunday offering, WTSA, Second Collections, etc.
 Please make the check payable to Holy Cross Catholic Community and in the memo line note the intended purpose.



Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.
- St. Alphonsis Ligori



Holy Cross Catholic Community offers a support group for those who have experienced a loss. We meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 2:00pm at the Church. Our goal is to provide a safe, non-threatening place to listen, share and learn ways to cope with grief. If you have questions, please contact Randall Hedrick, 775-240-7345.

Upcoming Feasts to Remember

<u>JUNE</u>

6/11

6/2 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

6/7 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

6/8 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Barnabas, Apostle





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Starry Starry Night 37th Annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction

Thank you to all who participated in the preparation meeting last month. We are still looking for more volunteers to help make this a successful event, please consider signing up to help with a committee, sign up sheets are out in the gathering space.

Save the Date: Friday, November 8, 2024 at 6:00pm for our "Starry Starry Night

Wine Tasting and Silent Auction". Enjoy an evening of wine, beer, food, and fun.



Sunday, June 2

8:00am Ron Wilson† by Cathy Pettinari

10:00am Parish Family12:15pm Rigoberto Babon†

by Maristella Howland

4:30pm All Souls in Purgatory

by Netty Cruz

Monday, June 3

12:00pm Alicia Rios Chavez† by Family

Tuesday, June 4

12:00pm Claudia Flores† by Family

Wednesday, June 5

12:00pm Jenovive Rodriguez†

by Grewal Family

Thursday, June 6

12:00pm Guadalupe Garcia Hernandez† by Hernandez Family

Friday, June 7

12:00pm Raul Antonio Aguirre† by Family

Saturday, June 8

5:00pm Jamie Nussabaumer† by Family

Sunday, June 9

8:00am Parish Family

10:00am Jacob K Moulden†

by Lanski Family

12:15pm Tomas Rodriguez†

by Rodriguez Family

4:30pm John Fernandez†

by Jack & Gloria Hart

Monday, June 10

12:00pm Juan Quintana Rascan† by Family

Tuesday, June11

12:00pm Marciano Ramirez† by Family

Wednesday, June 12

12:00pm Arturo Flores Espinoza† by Family

Thursday, June 13

12:00pm Chief Sam Okorie†

by Okorie Family

Friday, June 14

12:00pm Victor Guadalupe Silva Lara†

by Family

Saturday, June 15

5:00pm Loremo Asencio† by Family



Liturgical Ministry Team for June 8 & 9

Sat., June 8 5:00pm

G: Patricia Liddick
AS: Sammy & Michael

L: Morgan Liddick Vilia Natchez

EM: Kathy Wegner Jane Burke Earlene Rummel

Risa Ronan

U: Bob Bertschinger

GP: Gina Morato & Family Sun.. June 9

8:00am

G: Mike Morris

AS: Garce & Sierra

L: Ophelia Wilson John Bell

EM: Lisa Holleman Allegra Welton Bob Holleman

U: Harvey Ibarra

GP: De La Torre Family

R: Rita Rollings

10:00am

G: Fonseca-Espinosa Family

AS: Maria, Daniel & Edgar

L: Briana Esquivel Jeanette Troise

EM: Yunuhen Espinosa Mae Doreza Deacon Herbert

U: Derek Moore

GP: Jasmine Sanchez & Family

12:15pm

B: Aldo & Valerie Segura

AS: Lucia y Lilianna

L: Xavier Villanueva Maria Villanueva

ME: Lucila Martinez Raquel Giron Carlos Giron

U: Jose Villanueva

GP: FamiliaBerumen

B: Jonathan Vasquez y Familia

4:30pm

G: Sinsay Family

AS: Matthew

L: Theresa Choman Gene Seidlitz

EM: Bob Daly Susan Daly

Sarah Naegele Kathleen Fralick

U: Bob Daly

GP: Doukakis Family

Liturgical Ministry Team for June 15 & 16

Sat., June 15 5:00pm

G: Frybarger Family

AS: Gracian & Christian

L: Teresa Tighe Geray McDonald

EM: Paul Danen Tom Tighe

> Bob Bertchinger Linda McDonald

U: Ron McClain

GP: Dan & Lisa Garon

Sun., June 16 8:00am

G: Jay Campbell

AS: Olivia & Arden L: Kris Evans

Jessica Guzman

EM: Gretchen Oney Helen Martin Irma Knapp

Cathie Bundesen U: Michael McGraw

GP: Brian & Becky Turley

& Family

10:00am

G: Naima Segura & Family

AS: Diego & Aaron

L: Carla McCloskey Isabella McCloskey

EM: Linda Navarete Ahtzyri Galindo Sonia Deleon

U: Doug Hensen

GP: Jaslin Macias & Family

12:00pm

G: Enedina Guzman y Familia

AS: Diego & Lucy

L: Lisangela Guerra Rosy Chavez

EM: Sandra Ortiz
Lupe Guzman

Abel Guzman
U: Jose Guzman

GP: Adriana Chagolla y Familia

4:30pm

G: Travers Family

AS: Mitchell

L: Leo Humphreys Marlene Humphreys

EM: Annette Granberg Gene Seidlitz Kathlene Fralick

U: Annette Granberg

GP: Bralette Family



Graduation Mass

Please join us in celebrating the graduating Class of 2024 at the 10am and 12pm Masses on Sunday, June 23.

If you are celebrating a high school or college graduate this year please contact the parish office, we would love to congratulate them in community!

Sonshine Summer Children and Youth Camp July 22—25 9:00—11:50am

Registrations for Sonshine Summer are now available in the gathering space and parish office. Children Pre-K (potty trained) - 6th Grade are invited to join for fun and faith filled activities for the week. Youth 7th Grade - High School age are encouraged to join the fun as youth volunteers.

We are also looking for adult volunteers to help lead the various activities.

If interested in volunteering contact the office.

2024 Fr. George Wolf Memorial Scholarship

High School Seniors and current college students are encouraged to apply for the 2024 Fr. George Wolf Memorial Scholarship.



Applications are now available! Submit completed application by June 30, 2024.

Pick up an application from the Parish Office or by email request to HolvCrossScholarship@gmail.com



Thank you to all the individuals thathelped in bringing in

items for the confirmation reception.

- Thank you to all the ladies that helped in preparing the items for the reception
- To the second year confirmation teachers;
 Diana Giron-Carpio, Angie Malone, Rosie
 Meza, Josie Deleon, and Alfredo Padres-Nieto.

HOLY CROSS IS LOOKING FOR YOU!

Holy Cross is looking for a part-time Family Catechesis Coordinator. This would entail working with the families on Sundays during our Come & See Program, Mondays and Tuesdays with our First Communion/continuing Religious Education Families. This is a part-time opening, 20 hours per week. Please contact the Parish office is you feel called to serve with the Parish children, youth and families.

Youth Corner

INSTAGRAM: Follow our Instagram! To keep in touch and continue to support all these events and other youth events *@hccc.youth*

LOOK OUT FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS! (email Dulce to keep in touch with the following)

Middle School Youth Ministry:

June 23rd Sunday, 5:30pm-7:30pm NINTENDO TOURNAMENT

High School Youth Ministry:

September 14th Saturday, SIX FLAGS ONFIRE: High school youth, especially those in the confirmation program, are invited to participate in the OnFire NorCal Jam event at Six Flags in Vallejo, CA. Join us for a day full of Praise & Worship; attend Mass, participate in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, opportunity for Reconciliation, Vocations Carnival, music from Joe Melendrez, Josh Blakesly Band and SkaAmen; join us to enjoy a day in the park, all who attend will be able to enjoy exclusive ride time and an all you can eat lunch buffet. Holy Cross will cover the cost of the bus transportation to and from the event. Participants will be responsible to cover the cost of the event ticket, \$64. If interested, fill out a registration form and turn it into the office.

Sonshine Summer Children & Youth Camp: Middle and high school Youth aide counselor spots available July 22nd-25th. Fill out a registration form today!

-Dulce & Jacob

Blessed & Thankful!

Prayerful greetings to you from Holy Cross Catholic Community. Hope and pray that you and your loves ones are safe, healthy and doing well. Please be assured of my continued prayers.

Here at Holy Cross, we just completed a great year of Sacramental preparation. We had a total of 85 First Holy Communions, 77 Confirmations, and 6 Sacraments of initiation. Congratulations to the children, youth, adults and their families on this very important step in their spiritual journey. I sincerely encourage all to continue to participate and worship with us.

We celebrate the feast of the most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord on the 2nd of June 2024. Thank you to all who participated in the Eucharistic Revival in the last two years. We have received many graces through the communal prayer of thanksgiving after Communion, individual and group studies on the "Meaning of Mass: and daily and monthly adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

We plan to continue these initiatives during the year 2025. We hope to have more efforts to help us grow in our understanding and appreciation of the Eucharist and in living the Eucharistic Mystery.

Before I conclude, it is with great happiness and immense joy that I express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all volunteers, to our great community of Holy Cross and to the dedicated parish staff.

May the Risen Christ present in the Eucharist continue to accompany and Bless you all. With love and Prayers,

Fr. Jose

Saludos de oración desde la Comunidad Católica de la Santa Cruz. Espero y oro para que usted y sus seres queridos estén a sanos y bien. Por favor, tengan la seguridad de que mis oraciones continúan.

Aquí en Holy Cross, acabamos de completar un gran año de preparación sacramental. Tuvimos un total de 85 Primeras Comuniones, 77 Confirmaciones y 6 Sacramentos de iniciación. Felicitaciones a los niños, jóvenes, adultos y sus familias por este paso tan importante en su camino espiritual. Animo sinceramente a todos a que continúen participando y adorando con nosotros.

Celebramos la fiesta del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre del Señor el 2 de junio de 2024. Gracias a todos los que participaron en el Avivamiento Eucarístico en los últimos dos años. Hemos recibido muchas gracias a través de la oración comunitaria de acción de gracias después de la Comunión, los estudios individuales y grupales sobre el "Significado de la Misa" y la adoración diaria y mensual del Santísimo Sacramento.

Planeamos continuar con estas iniciativas durante el año 2025. Esperamos tener más esfuerzos que nos ayuden a crecer en nuestra comprensión y aprecio de la Eucaristía y en vivir el Misterio Eucarístico.

Antes de concluir, es con gran felicidad e inmensa alegría que expreso mi sincero aprecio y gratitud a todos los voluntarios, a nuestra gran comunidad de la Santa Cruz y al dedicado personal parroquial.

Que Cristo resucitado, presente en la Eucaristía, os siga acompañando y bendiciendo a todos. Con amor y oraciones,

Padre José



Congratulations to the children and youth receiving their First Holy Communion on June 1, 8 & 9!

Isabella Aguilar Martinez

Sofia Martinez Hernandez

Jayden Phornsavanh KJ Phornsavanh Mya Phornsavanh



We are thankful for the past year; the participation of the families as a whole has

been a great experience. We are even more excited to be planning and to begin to accept registrations for the coming year. We are accepting registrations for sacramental preparation – first communion, middle school confirmation, high school confirmation, Come & See and RCIA. Participation in class, Mass attendance and service within the community is a must, for children, youth and parents.

The last day to register is August 11, first day of class will be August 25!

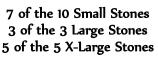
Please stop by the table in the gathering space and pick up a registration form, we are excited to welcome back 2nd year families and meet new families as well!

MEMORIAL TREE

The Memorial Tree will be a great addition to our Prayer Garden. It is a great space one can sit outside and pray. The surroundings are very quiet and peaceful. We enjoy real Communion with nature. We experience real solitude and assurances. The Memorial Benches are a great place to sit, reflect, give thanks and pray. The setting here upon the hill overlooking Reno/Sparks is quite amazing and almost otherworldly. The Memorial tree will reflect our enduring relationship with our departed loved ones. At Holy Cross Catholic Community our emphasis is on relationality. We are relational beings and death does not destroy our relationships. I encourage all parishioners to support this new addition: Thank you and God Bless.

Fr. Jose Issac

Memorial Tree Update
So far the community
has purchased:
35 Copper Leaves
25 Silver Leaves
32 Gold Leaves





June 2, 2024—The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ GOSPEL MEDITATION

The best way to understand the Eucharist is to recall God's long, careful teaching process beginning in the Old Testament. This week in Exodus 24, we learn the basic pattern. Moses reads the dictates of God's law to the people, who profess their allegiance to it. Then Moses takes representatives of Israel's twelve tribes and splashes the sacrificed blood of animals in two directions: on the altar and on the people. It's clear and serious business: clear, because the participants are entering a blood-bond with God Himself; serious, because the dead animals symbolize the life-and-death stakes at play.

Many centuries later, God uses the experience at Sinai to teach us something new. At the Last Supper, like a new Moses, Jesus proposes to "pour out" blood as a new covenant. It will land on the altar of the cross and the lips of his disciples. They have promised to be obedient to him who is God's law in flesh. This renews and elevates the breathtaking romance God wants with His people, unfolding from Sinai to this Supper. The Body and Blood of Christ is the sacrificial action whereby this covenant is strengthened.

How hopeful that, like us, the Israelites and the apostles repeatedly fail to live up to their promises and discover that the blood of the covenant continually renews and refreshes them. Today the blood of Christ faithfully flows, to unite and renew, moving us forward toward where our great teacher is taking us. This week, we should say a renewed "amen" to God who so carefully teaches us how to be one with Him in this new covenant.

-Father John Muir ©LPi

The Lord's Prayer #4: Thy Kingdom Come

"All the way to Heaven is Heaven, because Christ is the Way." - St. Catherine of Sienna

The prayer "Thy kingdom come" has a twofold meaning. First, and foremost, it is the cry of the heart that we might be able to enter into the presence of God for all time in Heaven. It is our desire to participate in the kingdom of God. Second, in a derivative way, it is also a prayer that the world might become a more heavenly place. It is not that we will ever substitute this world for Heaven but rather it is a prayer that the Lord will give us the grace to labor for a world which is guided by the principles of justice and charity—a world guided by the dictates of God's law. Such that even now God's kingdom on earth may be established.

How are you working to further God's Kingdom?



June 9, 2024—10th Sunday in Ordinary Time GOSPEL MEDITATION

Jesus asks us a stunning question this week: "How can Satan cast out Satan?" To enter into this question opens up the often-hidden dynamics of what Jesus has done and is constantly doing. If we're honest, our response to some degree is: "How else can we cast him out? Satan is precisely how we cast out Satan!" But Jesus wants us to see this finally does not work. Here's what I mean.

Satanas names the demonic mechanism by which we render wholeness through accusation. When we face a threat, we seek something to protect us (e.g., more money, social status, security, power, etc.). Rivals inevitably arise for these things and so do tensions. Accusation presents itself. "I'll never be successful unless I get ahead of that guy." "She's already trying to get ahead of me." "That group of immigrants is trying to take our jobs." And so on. The accusation grows into a fear-inducing threat — things will break apart — no, they already are! Hurry! We inflict violence on the victim and — as if by magic — peace ensues. For a time. Soon fresh accusations are required to hold new chaos at bay, until there is no community left at all. This is essentially humankind's sad history in a nutshell.

Jesus' cross and resurrection unmasks this broken system of "casting out Satan by Satan" and ushers in a new one he calls "the Kingdom of God." He reveals that the dynamic of accusation is nothing compared to his power of divine mercy and love. The cross (and not Satan) is the real power to tear down strongholds of sin and cast out Satan. This is why he describes himself as the "stronger man who ties up the strong man to plunder his house." This week let's notice the ways we "cast out Satan by Satan," and then refuse to do it anymore. Because in the long run, that divided house cannot stand.

-Father John Muir ©LPi



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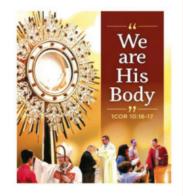
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QUESTIONS? Contact the parish office at 775-358-2544

"We are His Body" Catholic Service Appeal 2024

Parish Goal: \$94,090.00 Number of Pledges: 146 Total Amount Pledges Received: \$106,000.00 Total Amount of Pledges Redeemed: \$75,530.00



Thank you for your kind and generous support, at this time, the parish in on track to reach the set goal in received pledges in a no time!

Weekly Offering May 12, 2024

Sunday Offering	\$ 7,928.78
The Ascension	\$ 415.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 137.00
Fr. George Wolf Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$ 2,040.00
Women's Group	\$ 3.00
WTSA 2024 Raffle Tickets	\$ 105.00
Good Friday– Holy Land	\$ 10.00
Memorial Tree	\$ 475.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 2,045.63
Total	\$ 13,159.41

Weekly Offering May 19, 2024

Total	\$ 11,374.53
Mass Intentions	\$ 650.00
Memorial Tree	\$ 98.00
Family Catechesis	\$ 225.00
WTSA 2024 Raffle Tickets	\$ 1,284.00
Women's Group	\$ 262.00
Fr. George Wolf Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$ 231.00
Catholic Home Mission	\$ 60.00
The Ascension	\$ 30.00
Sunday Offering	\$ 8,534.53



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