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## WELCOME

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### WELCOME MESSAGE

We the welcoming family of Holy Cross are delighted to have you join our parish family. Whether you are new to the area, seeking a new parish home, or returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, we hope you come and spend some time with us at Mass and in prayer and adoration. We seek to offer as many opportunities as possible for parishioners to come together as a family of faith. We pray that you may find warmth and spiritual growth here at Holy Cross!



## PENTECOST SUNDAY



[Jesus said to his disciples:] "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." - Jn 14:23

[Jesús dijo a sus discípulos:] "El que me ama, cumplirá mi palabra y mi Padre lo amará y vendremos a él y haremos en él nuestra morada". - Jn 14, 23

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022 | PENTECOST SUNDAY**

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...

### MEDITATION ON PENTECOST

LOVE is also called "a living fountain, fire, and charity." Our blessed Redeemer said to the Samaritan woman: "He that shall drink of the water that I will give him, shall not thirst for ever" (John 4:13). Love is the water which satisfies our thirst; he who loves God really with his whole heart neither seeks nor desires anything else, because in God he finds every good.

Therefore, satisfied with God, he often joyfully exclaims, "My God and my all!" My God, thou art my whole good. But the Almighty complains that many souls go about seeking for fleeting and miserable pleasures from creatures and leave him, who is the infinite good and fountain of all joy: "They have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and have dug to themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water" (Jer. 2:13).

Therefore God, who loves us and desires to see us happy, cries out and makes known to all: "If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink" (John 7:37). He who desires to be happy, let him come to me; and I will give him the Holy Spirit, who will make him blessed both in this life and the next. "He that believeth in me" (He goes on to say), "as the scripture saith, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water" (John 7:38). He, therefore, who believes in Jesus Christ and loves him shall be enriched with so much grace that from his heart (the heart, that is the will, is the belly of the soul) shall flow many fountains of holy virtues, which shall not only serve to preserve his own life, but also to give life to others.

And this water is the Holy Spirit, the substantial love which Jesus Christ promised to send us from heaven after his ascension: "Now this he said of the Spirit which they should receive, who believed in him: for as yet the Spirit was not given, because Jesus was not yet glorified" (John 7:39). The key which opens the channels of this blessed water is holy prayer, which obtains every good for us in virtue of the promise, "Ask, and you shall receive." We are blind, poor, and weak; but prayer obtains for us light, strength, and abundance of grace. Theodoret said, "Prayer, though but one, can do all things." He who prays receives all he wants. God desires to give us his graces; but he will have us pray for them.

Lord, "give me this water." Yes, Lord Jesus, I will say to Thee like the Samaritan woman: give me this water of divine love that I may turn away from this world and live only for Thee Who art so lovely. "Water that which is dry." My soul is like a dry land where nothing but the briars and thorns of sin grow. Ah! Give me, before I pass out of this world, an outpouring of divine grace to make my soul fruitful in works worthy of Thy heavenly glory. *Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

### MEDITACION DE PENTECOSTES

El AMOR también se llama "fuente viva, fuego y caridad". Nuestro bendito Redentor dijo a la mujer samaritana: "El que bebiere del agua que yo le daré, no tendrá sed jamás" (Juan 4:13). El amor es el agua que sacia nuestra sed; el que ama a Dios de verdad con todo su corazón no busca ni desea otra cosa, porque en Dios encuentra todo bien.

Por eso, satisfecho con Dios, a menudo exclama con alegría: "¡Mi Dios y mi todo!". Dios mío, tú eres todo mi bien. Pero el Todopoderoso se queja de que muchas almas andan buscando en las criaturas placeres fugaces y miserables y dejan a Él, que es el bien infinito y fuente de todo gozo: "Me han abandonado a mí, fuente de agua viva, y se han cavado cisternas. , cisternas rotas que no retienen agua" (Jeremías 2:13).

Por eso Dios, que nos ama y desea vernos felices, clama y da a conocer a todos: "Si alguno tiene sed, venga a mí y beba" (Juan 7:37). El que desee ser feliz, que venga a mí; y le daré el Espíritu Santo, que lo hará bienaventurado en esta vida y en la venidera. "El que cree en mí" (sigue diciendo), "como dice la Escritura, de su interior correrán ríos de agua viva" (Juan 7:38). Por tanto, el que cree en Jesucristo y lo ama, será enriquecido con tanta gracia que de su corazón (el corazón, que es la voluntad, es el vientre del alma) brotarán muchas fuentes de santas virtudes, que no sólo sirven para conservar la propia vida, sino también para dar vida a los demás.

Y esta agua es el Espíritu Santo, el amor sustancial que Jesucristo prometió enviarnos desde el cielo después de su ascensión: "Esto dijo del Espíritu que habían de recibir los que creyeran en él; porque aún no se había dado el Espíritu. , porque Jesús aún no había sido glorificado" (Juan 7:39). La llave que abre los cauces de esta agua bendita es la santa oración, que nos obtiene todo bien en virtud de la promesa: "Pedid, y se os dará". Somos ciegos, pobres y débiles; pero la oración nos obtiene luz, fuerza y abundancia de gracia. Theodoret dijo: "La oración, aunque sea una sola, todo lo puede". El que ora recibe todo lo que quiere. Dios desea darnos sus gracias; pero él nos hará orar por ellos.

Señor, "dame esta agua". Sí, Señor Jesús, te diré como la mujer samaritana: dame esta agua de amor divino para que me aleje de este mundo y viva sólo para Ti que eres tan amable. "Regar lo que está seco". Mi alma es como una tierra seca donde nada crece sino las zarzas y las espinas del pecado. ¡Ay! Dame, antes de que me vaya de este mundo, una efusión de la gracia divina para que mi alma sea fecunda en obras dignas de tu gloria celestial. *San Alfonso de Liguori*

# READINGS

## FIRST READING

ACTS 2:1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

## SECOND READING

1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

## GOSPEL READING

JN 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

# MASS SCHEDULE

## MON, TUE, THURS & FRI

8:00 am & 12:00 pm

## WEDNESDAY

8:00 am & 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm *(Spanish)*

## SATURDAY

8:00 am & 4:00 pm

## SUNDAY

8:00 & 10:00 am, 12:30 pm *(Spanish)*

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday 8:30 - 11:30 am

First Friday 8:30 - 11:30 am

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Friday 12:00 pm

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

Sunday 11:30 am-12:15 pm

# MASS INTENTIONS

## SAT, JUN 4

8:00 am †  
4:00 pm †

ACTS 28:16-20, 30-31/JN 21:20-25

Rosales Laura  
Jack Wilson

## SUN, JUN 5

8:00 am  
10:00 am †  
12:30 pm †

ACTS 2:1-11/1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13/JN 20:19-23

Holy Cross Parishioners  
Don Muyskens  
Asuncion Torres

## MON, JUN 6

8:00 am †  
12:00 pm †

GN 3:9-15, 20 OR ACTS 1:12-14/JN 19:25-34

Layri Cella  
Arthur & Rose Elia

## TUES, JUN 7

8:00 am †  
12:00 pm

1 KGS 17:7-16/MT 5:13-16

Mitchell Mandalinich  
Mary Ellen Geniusz

## WED, JUN 8

8:00 am  
12:00 pm

1 KGS 18:20-39/MT 5:17-19

Vocations  
Margaret, Maryann, Marie,  
Earlene  
Rummage Sale Volunteers

7:00 pm

## THURS, JUN 9

8:00 am  
12:00 pm

1 KGS 18:41-46/MT 5:20-26

Geordano Villacres  
Bridget & Anthony Wigand

## FRI, JUN 10

8:00 am †  
12:00 pm

1 KGS 19:9A, 11-16/MT 5:27-32

Rose Grado  
Leo & Kris Sinwelski & Family

## SAT, JUN 11

8:00 am  
4:00 pm †

ACTS 11:21B-26; 13:1-3/MT 5:33-37

Linda & Phil Reale  
Domino Nguyen

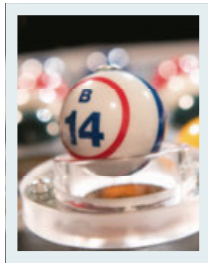
## SUN, JUN 12

8:00 am  
10:00 am †  
12:30 pm

PRV 8:22-31/ROM 5:1-5/JN 16:12-15

Holy Cross Parishioners  
Catherine DiPipi  
Miriam Giotta

# PARISH NEWS



## BINGO

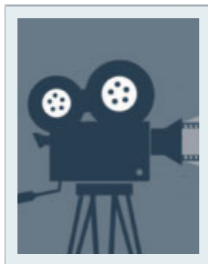
Please join us for Monday evening BINGO! Doors open at 4pm. First games start at 5:45pm. In the parish center. Bring a friend or two! \$12 to start. Three jackpots. Hotdogs, snacks, pastries, and drinks for sale. A big thank you to all of our generous volunteers!

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please join us for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays and First Fridays from 8:30—11:30 am.

## WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

You are invited to join us for our weekly devotional activities! The rosary is recited daily after the 8am Mass. A special rosary for priests is recited before the noon Mass on Thursdays. The divine mercy chaplet is recited before the noon Mass on Fridays.



## FORMED WEEKLY WATCHLIST

This week's FORMED weekly watchlist is *Saint Maria Goretti: Fourteen Flowers of Pardon*, a movie documenting the heroic death of this eleven year old martyr for purity. Please visit us at [holycrossrcc.com](http://holycrossrcc.com) to watch this moving film for free on FORMED.org!

## SAINT QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We give glory to You, Lord, who raised up Your Cross to span the jaws of death like a bridge by which souls might pass from the region of the dead to the land of the living... You are incontestably alive. Your murderers sowed Your living body in the earth as farmers sow grain but it sprang up and yielded an abundant harvest of men raised from the dead." *Saint Ephrem*

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Holy Cross parish is in need of additional Eucharistic Ministers. Training will be conducted in August. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Ken Hossley at 727-219-6789. Thank you!

## SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that our office hours for the summer will be Monday—Friday, 8:30 am to noon, starting June 21.

## SUMMER IS HERE!

Please remember to support your parish this summer! While you are away on vacation, don't forget the option of online giving! Please visit us at [holycrossrcc.com](http://holycrossrcc.com) to see how you can support Holy Cross from afar.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Jeremiah, Jared, Phyllis, Natalie, Virginia, Jenn, Joe, Rick, Bud, Donna, Susan, Denise, George, Carmelita, Margaret H., Gianna, Tina, Laura, John, Gail, Karon, Beth Anne, Joe, Evelyn, Gerry, Ben, Mr. & Mrs. Verstappen, Victor, Karen, Rose Marie, John, Maureen, Colin, Paul, John, Joseph, Peggy, Kami, Katie, Anne-Marie, Simo, Josephine, Terry, Bill, Maria, Holly, Doris, Zima, Craig, Sharon, Mike, Robert, Phyllis, Jodi, Carly, Ann, Sharon, Beverly, Emily, Lynn, Mary Lou, Catherine, Roger, Maria, Alfredo, Eleanor, Dayana, Janet, Marilyn, Mary Ann, Bobby, Charlie, Christina, Peggy H., Mark, Renee, Glenn, Mary, Lynn, Sandra, Sally, Nick, Frank, Ed M., Paulette, Frank, Bozana, Mary Ellen, Sharon, Patty, Carlos, Maria Julia, Paula, Pam, Catherine, Amanda, Pat, Dennis, Lauren, Grace, Heidi, Scott, Lisa, Dawn Marie, Declan, Bodhi, Zora, Marie, Katherine, Miguel, Nick, Sharon, Frankie, Kathy, Lisa, Pam, Frank, Sara, Nick, Lynn, Sarah Kristen, Joseph & Theresa, Pierotti Family, Sarah, Maggie, Dyllan, Elba, Artie & Halai, Annie, Jeanie, Anne, Lynn, Chuck, Carl, Bella, Bill, Montana, Eli, Susan, Karen, Fran, Diane & Troy & Family, Lori, Patricia & Anthony, Paul, Kathy, Maryann, Mario, Anthony, Christina, Joseph & Lucy, Chuck, Robert, Missa, David, Chuck, Sue Ann, Tina, Angie, Don, Justine, Maria, the Agars, Eleanor, Fr. Tom, Arlene, Brooke, Vincent, Larry, Daniel, Kristen, Susan, Donna, Evelyn, Carmelita, Meg, Allen, Candy, Geegee, Marc, Betsy, Chrissie, Lucille, Kayla, Austin, Tracy, Jan, Lainey, Carol, Jeff, Gary, June, Janice, Bill, Kathleen, Joseph, Sherrie, Norma, Laura Lee, Efrain, Lawrence, William, Francisco, Josephina, Juana, Eusebio, Francisco, Virginia, Dolores, Louisa, Jaime, Zaida, Anne Marie, Jenny, Miriam, Tommy, Camille, Monique, Marcellus, Jessica, Jay, Norton, Anne, Marietta, Taso, Lleya, Robert, Margaret N.

# STEWARDSHIP: DO YOU SPEAK STEWARDSHIP?

If you are married, I'm guessing that you know the best way to break bad news to your spouse, whether you realize it or not. Maybe it's simply that you know not to talk about the budget after your wife's football team has lost. Maybe you know your husband will take the news that your sister is coming to stay a little easier if you tell him over his favorite dinner. We do the same thing with our children, our friends, our coworkers — we have all learned the language of the people we love.

The truth is the same in every language, but it's important for us to convey that truth graciously. That's what Pentecost teaches us. The gift of being able to speak in tongues afforded the Apostles a practical skill to spread the Gospel message, but it also served as a powerful symbol of the importance of effective communication. Evangelization can only happen when you're speaking in words a person is able, ready, and willing to hear.

Let's ask ourselves: what is the language we need to speak to share the truth with the person who is standing in front of us? Is it the language of quality time? The language of concern? The language of laughter and friendship? The language of authenticity, of plain talk and frankness?

The Holy Spirit gave the Apostles the ability to speak in tongues, and it seems miraculous when we read about it in the Gospels — but only consider that we all have this same ability, in a certain way. The Holy Spirit can and will show us how to speak the truth, if we only ask.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

### Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

A Eucharistic Minister is a parishioner, selected by the Pastor and mandated by the Bishop, who serves, distributes, and administers the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during the Holy Communion at Mass. In the Catholic Mass, they are referred to more accurately as "Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion" (the ordinary minister being the priest). Eucharistic Ministers are called not only to minister the Body and Blood of Christ, but to have and maintain a strong faith, a sense of awe, and an inclusiveness of others as the foundation for their ministry. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry or have any questions, please contact Ken Hossley at 727-219-6789. Thank you!



## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

### Weekend of May 28—29, 2022

Envelopes: 163 (out of 740 families)  
Online Giving: \$ 541.00 (from 24 donors)  
Weekly Total: \$ 7,772.80  
Annual Budget: \$ 291,200.00



### ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers for the altar, the tabernacle, and Our Lady this week are a gift from Marc & Marlin DiPipi in memory of Catherine DiPipi.

### SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp this week is a gift from Marc & Marlin DiPipi in memory of Catherine DiPipi.

### ALTAR BREAD & WINE

The altar bread and wine this week is a gift from Marc & Marlin DiPipi in memory of Catherine DiPipi.

*If you would like to order one of these intentions, please contact the office.*

# CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

## FUNDING DIOCESAN MINISTRIES AND SERVICES

### 2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL (CMA)

**Goal:** \$54,225.00

**Actual Pledged:** \$42,634.50

**Total Paid:** \$36,906.73

**Total Unpaid:** \$5,727.77

**Number of Families:** 731

**Number of Pledges:** 189

#### Pledging

We currently work with monthly, quarterly and annual pledge cycles. Donors who pledge and do not establish an e-payment account will receive reminders through the mail according to their chosen payment schedule.

#### One-Time Gift

A one-time gift can be paid at the time of commitment or payment can be scheduled a later date.

#### Online Giving (E-Giving)

We accept all major credit/debit cards (MasterCard, American Express, Visa and Discover) as well as direct debit payments through our secure online giving system.

#### WEEKLY REFLECTION

Today, we celebrate the sending of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit's presence is a reminder in our lives that Christ's words are true: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." In other words, while we are sent on mission, we are not sent alone. Rather, we are sent in relationship with God. It's His strength and that leads to any successes. Our role is simply to cooperate. From this perspective, we can see that everything we have—our health, our intelligence, our resources—are all gifts from God. Gifts that He gives to us so that we can in turn use them to participate in His mission. To take part in his work. This perspective can change the way we approach something like our diocese's Catholic Ministry Appeal, an important initiative to support our local Church. When we see that all is a gift from God, our questions shift from, "Do I feel like supporting His Church?" to "How can I support His Church? How is God calling me to take part in His work in this way?" Today, on Pentecost Sunday, ask the Holy Spirit for help in answering these questions, and then prayerfully consider your contribution.

### PRAYER FOR THE CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

More numerous than the stars in the sky are your blessings, O Good and Gracious God. You have called us to spread the Good News of your Son, Jesus Christ, through our words and actions. Strengthen our faith and open our hearts to care for all our brothers and sisters, especially those who need us the most. Help us to understand the difference we can make, the love we can share and the lives we can bring to Christ through our Catholic Ministry Appeal. We pray that your grace, O Lord, will lead us to be your loving heart and hands today. Amen.

### ORACIÓN POR EL LLAMAMIENTO DEL MINISTERIO CATÓLICO

Más numerosas que las estrellas en el cielo son tus bendiciones, oh Dios bondadoso y compasivo. Nos has llamado para anunciar la buena nueva de tu Hijo, Jesucristo, mediante nuestras palabras y acciones. Fortalece nuestra fe y abre nuestros corazones para que cuidemos de todos nuestros hermanos y hermanas, especialmente aquellos que más nos necesitan. Ayúdanos a comprender la diferencia que podemos hacer, el amor que podemos compartir y las vidas que podemos acercar a Cristo a través de la Campaña para los Ministerios Católicos. Oramos para que tu gracia, oh Señor, nos lleve a ser hoy tu corazón y tus manos amorosas. Amén.



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# FAITH FORMATION

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

Even though Pentecost is rightly celebrated in late spring, the robust experience of a New England fall can provide a profound metaphor for reflection. A full expression of fall colors is beautiful to behold. But, with all of its majesty and beauty, the observer knows the experience of death is soon to come. Creation will be dark and barren for a while. Pentecost cannot be separated from the cross. Before God's transformative, life-giving power can bear fruit, we must first die.

Pentecost is all about leaving the lifeless dead wood behind and allowing God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to create something new. These Pentecost creations happen repeatedly over and over again. The birthing process of the Church is ongoing. God is always bringing life out of death and creating something where there was once nothing. That is why the fall is such an apropos metaphorical season for Pentecost. In order to really receive the gift of the Holy Spirit we have to die to what we once knew and what no longer works.



When fire and wind find their fullest expression, they are in no way gentle nor kind. They have the potential to level anything in their paths. We are experiencing great turmoil in our world, nation, and our Church. Whether the result of circumstance or the work of the Holy Spirit, much of what we knew to be normal and constant is changing. Common systems and institutional structures that may have worked for a time no longer do. When the old and familiar need to be left behind, God creates something new. Change and disorder do not need to be our enemies. They always bring opportunities for something

exciting and new. What we need is untiring faith, firm hope, and perfect love.

What we need is for the Holy Spirit to enlighten us to see what is important and what we must do. "O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams." (St. Augustine) If we experience joy, even in the midst of turbulence, then we will know we are exactly where God needs us to be. If not, then perhaps there is a lesson in the decaying leaves that graciously descend to the ground on a crisp fall day.

## ST. NORBERT | JUNE 6

Born to nobility, St. Norbert of Xanten, was ordained as a subdeacon and served in the court of Henry V, Emperor of Germany, however, at court it was easy to be distracted by wealth, power and luxury and he lived a worldly and corrupt life there.

By the grace of God while traveling in a storm he was nearly struck by lightning and almost killed. This experience changed St. Norbert and he became penitent, left his court

post, and after a period of discernment in a monastery, felt called to be a priest.

Norbert became an itinerant preacher, preaching against worldly attitudes but at the Pope's request finally settled in northern France and founded the Norbertine order established according to the rule of St. Augustine. The order grew rapidly and soon founded women's branch. Norbert traveled and preached across Germany where he also

founded a lay branch of the Norbertines. In Belgium he preached against heresies which denied the Blessed Sacrament.

Eventually he was made Archbishop of Magdeburg, Germany, and later he traveled to Rome in support of Pope Innocent II, against the antipope. Afterward he returned to Germany to court of Emperor Lothar as advisor, at end of life, in failing health, St. Norbert was carried back to Magdeburg where he died.

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