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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 pm
	9:30 am & Noon
	8:30am
•	As Announced

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday...9 - 10:00 am *or by appointment*

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm in the Quinn Hall Chapel

> Contact 301-933-7646 if you would like to be a regular adorer.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

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Mass Schedule Weekend of March 24, 2024

5:00 pm Vigil	Fr. Perkins
9:30 am	Fr. Wyble
12:00 noon	Fr. Wyble

Parish Registration:

New parishioners are welcome! Registration forms are in the back of the church and on the parish website: https://www.hcrosschurch.org/registration-form.

Baptism:

Please call the office to request a date for baptism. The parish offers baptismal preparation as part of the process.

Weddings:

You must meet with the Pastor at least 6 months prior to your requested wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the faith, contact the office at (301) 942-1020.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound: Deacon Ron Hansen, rhansen@hcrosschurch.org, 408-390-6496

Social Concerns: For information, contact socialconcerns.hc@gmail.com.

Parish Council: Contact Cindy Kratz, at parishcouncil@hcrosschurch.org for opportunities to share your gifts in our parish community.

Parish Bulletin Deadline: Submission for the inclusion in the bulletin are due to the **Rectory** by noon on Friday-10 days before the weekend you want your article to appear. Contact the Parish Secretary (parishsecretary@hcrosschurch.org, 301-942-1020) if you have any questions.

Parish Devotions

Monday-Saturday: Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet after the daily Mass.

First Friday: Prayer to the Sacred Heart and Benediction after the daily Mass.

Wednesday and Thursday: Eucharistic Adoration at the chapel in Quinn Hall from 9:00am-8:00pm.

Thursdays: Gospel Sharing (Bible Study) in Quinn Hall Meeting Room from 9:00am-10:15am.

Please keep the sick and elderly of our parish in your prayers, especially...

Melinda Alde, Teresa Basso, Jerry Behnke, James Behrend, Albena Borisnova-Petkova, Paula Caldwell, Michael Chettle, Joyce Choi, Tom Choi, Young Choi, Luis Alejandro Guevara Coello, Jennifer Colmus, Dorothy Conroy, Barbara Desiderati, John Paul Durkin, Karen Dwyer, Joe Gagnon, Kathleen Gagnon, Demos Georganas, Myriam Gonzalez, Dennis Gorden, Michael Gouzoulis, Susan Grisby, Eileen Haggart, Rudy Heglas, Carlos Hernandez, Evan Hilburn, Stephanie Hipsley, Bo Hunt, Dan Johnson, Doris Johnson, Jamie Kaufmann, Mary Lee Leonard, Enrico Manlapig, Stephen Martin, Palmer Jane McNeill, Angelica Miragorod, Markie Mlynarczyk, Richard Moellering, Jr., Nelson de Melo Dias Neto, Estelle Nguyen, Sue Numrich, Vivian Porro, Silvia Pugliese, Dan Reinwall, Jessica Ringler, David Roberts, Pedro Saavedra, David Skola, Rebecca Shepherd, Tim Szczur, Patricia Tellish, Monica Tinker, Annamarie Vincent, Philip Wright, Frank O'Brimski.

Please contact the Parish Secretary to add or remove someone's name from our list.



Receive God's Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation

God's mercy can make even the driest land become a garden, can restore life to dry bones ... Let us be renewed by God's mercy, let us be loved by Jesus..."

Pope Francis, Urbi et Orbi message 2013.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered after all the weekend Masses on March 16 and 17.



Lent Soup Suppers

6:30pm-7:30pm in Lewis Hall
Come and share a soup supper provided by a parish ministry.

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:30pm every Friday after the Soup Supper.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest." Matthew 21:9

March 25 8:30am Daily Mass

March 26

8:30am Daily Mass March 27

8:30am Daily Mass

March 28 Holy Thursday 10:00am Mass of the Last Supper

Rev. Joseph Perkins

7:30pm Mass of the Last Supper

Rev. Stephen Wyble

Eucharistic Adoration to follow in church until 11pm

March 29 Good Friday 12:00pm Meditation on the Seven Last Words

Deacon Ron Hansen

3:00pm Stations of the Cross

Deacon Bob Hubbard

7:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Rev. Stephen Wyble

March 30 Holy Saturday

12:00pm Blessing of the Easter Baskets

Rev. Stephen Wyble

8:00pm Solemn Vigil Mass of Easter

Rev. Stephen Wyble

March 31 Easter Sunday 9:30am Mass of Easter Day

Rev. Stephen Wyble (9:10am Musical Prelude) Easter Egg Hunt following the Mass

12:00pm Mass of Easter Day

Rev. Joseph Perkins

(11:50am Musical Prelude)



Holy Cross Church thanks **Mary Anne Gadbois** for Twenty-six Years of Faithful Service at Holy Cross Church since 1998!

All are invited to the Retirement Reception honoring Mary Anne on Sunday, April 7, 2024 in Lewis Hall after the 12:00 noon Mass

Mary Anne has been a familiar face in Holy Cross as a parishioner, CCD teacher and administrative assistant, and her various roles in the rectory. Most significantly, parishioners would have known Mary Anne as the parish secretary for the last 14 years, attending to the needs of the parish from coordinating sacraments, managing the calendar, Mass intentions, overseeing membership and contributions, producing the weekly bulletin and e-newsletter, and a million other things she has done to keep our parish office well-run in support of the work of the Church. Mary Anne has diligently cared for the parish through many years and navigated new circumstances with grace. Her colleagues at the rectory will miss her quick wit and warmth but wish her all the best in her retirement.



Unveiling of the new Divine Mercy image and Talk

Join us for the unveiling of the new Divine Mercy image in Holy Cross Church on April 6, 2024 at the 5:00pm Mass. Immediately following the Mass, Sister Donata Farbaniec of the Congregation of Our Lady of Mercy (same order as Sr. Faustina) will offer a brief talk on the significance of the Divine Mercy image and its powerful impact on



SUBS AND SOCCER WITH THE SEMINARIANS

April 13, 2024 (Saturday) 10:00am – 12:00noon Holy Cross Field

Play soccer with seminarians and priests from the JPII Seminary! All high schoolers, middle schoolers, and altar servers of Holy Cross Church and School are invited to play.

\$5 cash donation to play with all proceeds to benefit the Seminary. Food and refreshments provided!

Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA5A928A3F4C34-48348690-subs



Holy Cross Spring Gala 2024

Theme: Ultimate Tailgate
When: Saturday, April 20
Where: Manor Country Club
Time: 6:30pm-11:30pm
Tickets: \$150.00/person

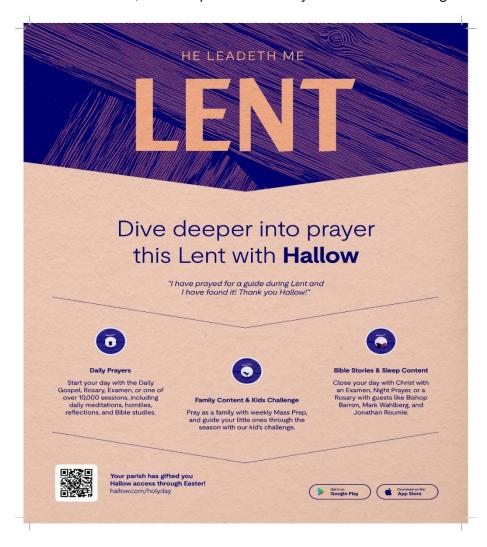
CATHOLIC FICTION BOOK GROUP

For our April meeting, we will be reading the novel, STAGGERFORD, by Jon Hassler, about a week in the life of a schoolteacher in a small town in Minnesota.

The book is mostly available in used book stores.

We will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, 4-4-24 (during Easter Week), in the school library.

To learn more, contact parishsecretary@hcrosschurch.org.



Open your camera app to scan the QR code. Click on the bar that says "Hallow" and then type your parish – Holy Cross Church. It will ask you to signup with your phone number or email to gain FREE access to the app through Pentecost! You do not need to provide any credit card information. Follow the prompt and start exploring wonderful prayer companions and learning opportunities with Fr. Mike Schmitz, Fr. Ricardo, Sr. Miriam, Jonathan Roumie and more!

Parental, Spousal and Significant-Other Bereavement Support Group

St. Elizabeth Bereavement Ministry will offer an eight-week bereavement support group series for adults who have experienced the death of a parent, spouse or significant other. The sessions will be held virtually using the Zoom format. The spring series will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7 – 8:30 PM, from April 10 – May 29, 2024. There is no fee, but participants MUST register in advance. Space is strictly limited so call early. To register call Kevin Byrne (301-325-1796) or Claudia McAuliffe (301-881-1457

Care for Creation and Environmental Stewardship



March 22, 2024, is WORLD WATER DAY. This year's theme is "Water for Peace." In his encyclical, LaudatoSi': Care for Our Common Home, Pope Francis reaffirms that "access to safe drinkable water is a basic and universal human right" (#30).

Yet many communities in Africa, India, and Pakistan do not have local access to safe drinking water. Villagers walk long distances to get safe water or rely on unsafe surface water which poses serious health risks.

Please consider supporting organizations that make clean water and sanitation available to needy communities.

POOR BOX -

THIS WEEK'S POOR BOX will go to **BETHESDA CARES, INC.** whose mission is to respond with compassion and creativity to the needs of homeless persons in the community and to help prevent eviction for Montgomery County residents. To learn more, visit <u>www.bethesdacares.org</u>. Next week's Poor Box will benefit Martha's Table.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 18, 2024

8:30 am Gloria Jauod

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

8:30 am John Finn

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

8:30 am Edith Plater Stockton

Thursday, March 21, 2024

8:30 am Peter Haut

Friday, March 22, 2024

8:30 am Raymond Fink

Saturday, March 23, 2024

8:30 am Nestor Camina (living)

5:00 pm Yolanda Memmo

Sunday, March 24, 2024

9:30 am The People of Holy Cross

12 Noon Teresa Thomas

Remember in Prayer those who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS. To schedule, email parishsecretary@hcrosschurch.org or call (301) 942-1020.

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