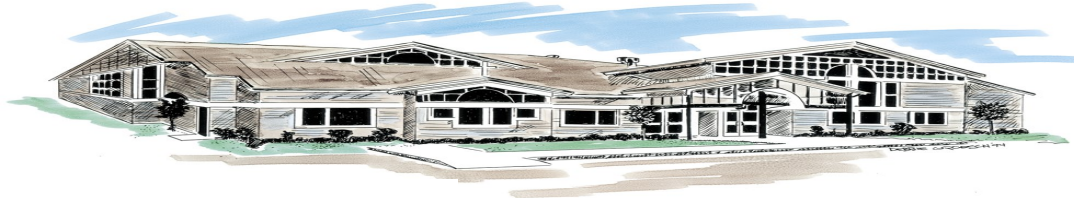


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Year MMXXII#10

of the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau



First Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022

When the Lord calls,
I will answer!

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Holy Mass

Mon- Fri, 9am

Sat, 5pm

Sun, 8:30am & 11am



Mass is livestreamed on Facebook
weekdays, Sat 5pm, & Sun 11am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 3-4pm or by appointment.

Mission Statement

There are different ministries, but the same Lord.

You then are the Body of Christ.

Everyone of you is a member of it.

1 Corinthians 12:5 & 27



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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Mar 7

9am- Mass
1pm- Aspen Creek Service
6:30pm- Maintenance Meeting

Tue Mar 8

9am- Mass

Wed Mar 9

9am- Mass

Thu Mar 10

9am- Mass
5:30pm- OCIA

Fri Mar 11- Parish Office Closed

9am- Mass
6:30pm- Stations of the Cross

Sat Mar 12

10am- Liturgy Meeting
12pm- Men's Community Building
1pm- Legion of Mary
1pm- Altar Server Training
3-4pm- Confession
5pm- Mass
6-6:15pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun Mar 13

8:30am- Mass
9:45am- NO FAITH FORMATION
11am- Mass
12-12:15pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Mass Intentions

Call the office to schedule your Mass Intention!

Mon 3/7 to Fri 3/11	Available!
Sat 3/12	5pm- Available!
Sun 3/13	8:30am- Available! 11am- For the People of the Parish

Readings for March 13, 2022 Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Psalms 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Christ will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body.

Luke 9:28b-36

While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white.

Reflection

In this week's gospel, Jesus directly interfaces with evil, experiencing temptation, and responds to it. He is not "above" it. In the second reading, Paul invites all people to engage in their own salvation by using words and speaking aloud, as Jesus spoke aloud to dismiss the devil.

Whose Will You Be?

Whenever we start feeling too empty inside, we stick our pacifiers into our mouths and suck for all we are worth. They do not nourish us, but at least they plug the hole.

To enter the wilderness is to leave them behind, and nothing is too small to give up. Even a chocolate bar will do. For forty days, simply pay attention to how often your mind travels in that direction. Ask yourself why it happens when it happens. What is going on when you start craving a Mars bar? Are you hungry? Well, what is wrong with being hungry? Are you lonely? What is so bad about being alone? Try sitting with the feeling instead of fixing it and see what you find out.

Chances are you will hear a voice in your head that keeps warning you what will happen if you give up your pacifier. "You'll starve. You'll go nuts. You won't be you anymore." If that does not work, the voice will move to level two: "That's not a pacifier. That's a power tool. Can't you tell the difference?" If you do not fall for that one, there is always level three: "If God really loves you, you can do whatever you want. Why waste your time on this dumb exercise?"

If you do not know whom that voice belongs to, read Luke's story again. Then tell the devil to get lost and decide what you will do for Lent. Better yet, decide whose you will be. Worship the Lord your God and serve no one else. Expect great things, from God and from yourself. Believe that everything is possible. Why should any of us settle for less?

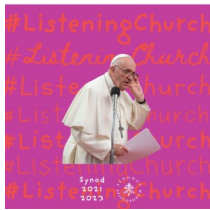
Barbara Brown Taylor, *Home By Another Way*

Barbara Brown Taylor is a best-selling author, professor, and Episcopal priest.

On the Way Home from Mass...

We will face the next forty days filled with temptations and challenges, just as Jesus did in the desert. The practice of Lent encourage us to pray more. How will you pray more so that you can avoid temptation.





FINAL Synod Listening Session!

Last chance to participate in a Synod Listening Session: Wednesday, March 16 at 6:30pm. Info and participant guide at holycrossalaska.net/synod

Faith Formation: On Break

Mar. 6 & 13: No class (spring break)
Mar. 20: 6+ & parents in Family Session; K-5 in class

Youth Night

Join us this Tuesday, March 8 at 6:30pm for "Beat That," a minute-to-win-it game. March 15: Throw, Throw Avocado.

Confirmandi Service Projects

Fr. Andrew Lee is working in Cambodia with the Korean Missionary Society. This winter, Holy Cross gave \$5,000 toward their medical clinic. Confirmandi students, Jade and Amanda, are taking up a Lent collection to fund their medical student dorms. If you'd like to give, use the small collection basket.

VBS 2022?

We are seeking a co-coordinator and volunteers to help host a summer Vacation Bible School. Grab a flyer in the foyer or visit holycrossalaska.net/vbs for more info. A Come-and-See VBS volunteer meeting will be held Sunday, Mar. 20 at 12pm.

LENT 2022

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6:30pm in the parish.

Special Collection: CRS & Rice Bowl

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) provides global humanitarian aid. Support CRS by taking a cardboard Rice Bowl home, or make a donation today in the small special collections basket.

2022 Lenten Parish Mission Sneak Peak!

Save the date for this year's Lenten Parish Mission, featuring speaker, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers. For the next 3 weeks, we'll provide a sneak peek into the mission's talk topics. Watch some sample talks via YouTube on our website: holycrossalaska.net/parish-mission.

Lenten Mission Sneak Peek #2: March 29

Baptized into his Death:

the Power of the Cross and its Meaning in our Lives

In this talk, Deacon Harold will answer the question, "Why did Jesus have to die?" by offering some reflections on Psalm 22 and the meaning of authentic freedom. Deacon Harold will help you discover the meaning of human suffering and how it draws us into the Paschal Mystery, drawing a connection between God's holy will and the obedience of faith.

2022 Lenten Parish Mission

Hosted by Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers

Join us for the weekend homily and 4 dynamic presentations:

- **Monday, Mar. 28:** Rich in Mercy: Finding Healing in God's Mercy
- **Tuesday, Mar. 29:** Baptized into His Death: The Power of the Cross and Its Meaning in Our Lives
- **Wednesday, Mar. 30 (+ Reconciliation Service):** A Light in the Darkness: Seeing Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- **Thursday, Mar. 31:** Behold Your Mother: The Marian Heart of Suffering



Save the Date: March 26-31, 2022 | Info online: holycrossalaska.net/parish-mission

Ministry Schedule for next week (Mar 12/13)						
Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Anna Schulten (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Ray Meliton	Pat Seidl	Jess Manaos Jerica Manaos
Sun 8:30 am	Lead instrumentalist needed. To volunteer, call Sheila: 250-6234	N/A	N/A	Alice Garrod	John Hoppe	Faith Roberts Jason Hlasny
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Mary Anne Green	Gigi Gueco	Mary Anne Green Justice Maiava

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers** - Jess Manaos: 230-9418
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- Baked Goods** - Joan Karcz: 344-0168
- Blessed Sacrament Monastery** - Sandon Broek: 947-9168
- Clare House** - Leslie Holland: 770-0847
- Faith Formation** - Anna Schulten: 306-9363
- Church Maintenance** - Mike Likar: 529-9015
- Eucharistic Ministers** - John Hoppe: 350-7580
- Finance** - Greg Magee: 575-3197
- Habitat for Humanity** - John & Anita Roberts: 344-7144
- Hospitality** - Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133
- Knights of Columbus** - James Hogins: 229-3163
- Liturgical Ministries Coordinator**-Julie Thomas: 538-1109
- Lawn and Garden** - Kirsten Hoppe: 248-1653
- Legion of Mary** - Mercy Acheson: 223-4822
- Library**- Debi Wickler: 952-1879
- Music Ministry** - Sheila Soukup: 250-6234
- Prayer Chain** - Joan Gillis: 346-3147
- Readers** - Jason Hlasny: 242-6655
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- Sacristan** - Matthew Williams: 632-4252
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Financial Corner

TITHING UPDATE			
<i>How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal?</i>			
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	6,577	
Weekly Tithing Period:		2/21-27/2022	
Income Sources			
Weekly Collections:	\$	5,796	
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-	
Online Giving:	\$	3,036	
Total:	\$	8,832	
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	2,255	
Actual vs. Goal (%):		134.3%	
Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison:			
Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period			
FY22 YTD Period: 7/1/2021 to 01/31/2022			
FY22 YTD Complete (%):		58.3%	
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022:	\$	342,000	
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	203,831	
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	199,500	
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	4,331	
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):		59.6%	
Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period			
FY22 YTD Period: 7/1/2021 to 01/31/2022			
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	109,284	53.6%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	1,838	0.9%
Online Giving:	\$	92,709	45.5%
2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates):	\$	-	0.0%
Total:	\$	203,831	100.0%

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