

# Holy Cross Catholic Church



*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

## Transfiguration of the Lord August 6, 2023

*Matthew 17:5c  
This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well  
pleased; listen to him.*



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## This Week at Holy Cross

### Mon Aug 7

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

### Tue Aug 8

9am- Mass  
7:30pm- Knights of Columbus

### Wed Aug 9

9am- Mass

### Thu Aug 10

9am- Mass

### Fri Aug 11- Office Closed

9am- Mass

### Sat Aug 12

1pm- Legion of Mary  
3-4pm-Confession  
5pm- Mass

### Sun Aug 13

8am- Mass  
11am- Mass  
12pm- Rosary

### Mass Readings for Next Sunday

#### Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

*Go outside and stand on the mountain before the Lord.*

#### PSALM 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

*Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.*

#### Romans 9:1-5

*I could wish that I were accursed for the sake of my own people.*

#### Matthew 14:22-33

*Command me to come to you on the water.*

### Mass Intentions

8/6- 8am: ROS Magdalena Mendoza

8/6- 11am: People of the Parish

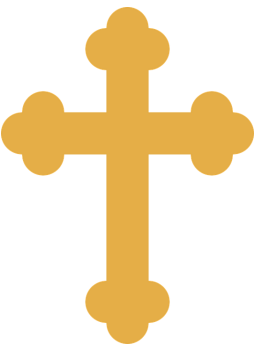
8/7- 9am: ROS Galeleo Tolentino

8/8- 9am ROS Raul Dizon

8/11- 9am: ROS Magdalena Mendoza

8/13- 8am: People of the Parish

8/13- 11am: ROS Lolita Yambao



### Vocations Cross

Kathy Matukas will pray with the vocations cross.

## Reflection

Many of us are blessed at some point with “mountaintop experiences,” where God’s presence is clear and obvious and stimulates an emotional response commensurate with God’s vast goodness. But our lives are not usually lived under conditions that permit constant emotional stimulus. Emotions are part of our human condition- changeable, unpredictable, tied closely to the last time we ate and whether we got enough sleep last night. Walking in the everyday “valley’s” of our life calls for staying committed to God when the emotional payoff is low. This is where love becomes a virtue rather than an emotion.

### In Torrents of Light

For a fleeting moment the heavens open, and God’s glory spills forth. Time itself gives way, the ancient prophets Moses and Elijah come to converse with Jesus. Hearing this account two millennia later, I feel as if the entirety of the Gospels has collapsed into this one moment in time, fragments of encounters swirling in torrents of light.

Hovering behind Peter’s wild desire to hold on to the moment, I see Jesus in a garden gently telling Mary Magdalene not to cling to him. Listen to my Son, says a voice from a cloud, and I see spit and mud and a deaf man who can suddenly hear and be heard. *Ephphatha!* Be opened! Rise, says Jesus, and Peter comes to him across the water, a paralyzed man rolls up his mat, and a young girl gets up from her death bed.

And always, do not be afraid. Resounding over and over. On a storm-wracked sea. To a worried father. To his disciples gathered for one last meal. To the multitudes. To all of us.

I wonder what the conversation was as Jesus walked Peter, James, and John down the mountain. Or perhaps I don’t, for all these Gospel stories end the same way. We want to cling to the God of glory, to fall at the feet of the divine. Instead, Jesus reaches for us in the dust and says, get up. Be opened, that you might hear my voice, that you might be my voice. And above all, do not fear. Walk with me and be transfigured. Walk with me and transfigure the world.

Michelle Francl-Donnay

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### On the Way Home from Mass...

Pretend that you were there on the mountain with the apostles and Jesus. Talk about your experience. Did it help you know Jesus more?



Ministry Schedule for next week (Aug 12/13)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Matt Williams	Olivia & Sebastian Maglaqui	Ray Meliton		Maglaqui Family
Sun 8 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	John Hoppe	Joe & Rose Webb	Maureen Retzel		Clara Hoppe Rosa Hoppe Matthew Walsh
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Maureen Retzel	Kaosi Morah Rowdy Reynoso	Michelangelo Canale		Degenhardt Family



Check out the new roof! We are happy to announce that the old roof was recently replaced after 30 years of service. Thank you to all the parishioners, maintenance team members and the finance council for working to get the project completed and care for our worship space! Thankfully, Holy Cross was able to pay for the roof replacement with savings and no loan was required!

## Transfiguration of the Lord

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Who  
will  
Separate  
us  
from  
the  
Love  
of Christ?  
*ROMANS*

# YOUTH MINISTRY

TEENS (GRADES 6-12) MEET TO  
ENGAGE IN THEIR COMMUNITY  
AND BE CLOSER TO GOD.

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YOU'RE INTERESTED  
IN PARTICIPATING



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# Adults!

AGES 18+

## DRINKING WITH THE SAINTS

A group of parishioners gather  
once a month to learn about  
the saints and celebrate  
community with a  
dinner/social.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN  
JOINING...

Upcoming event:  
Thursday, August 24th at 6 pm  
in a parishioner's home  
(contact Jerica for location  
info).

## PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers- Jerica Manaois: 230-9418
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- Hospitality- Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133
- Knights of Columbus- Pat Seidl: 242-1127
- Lawn & Garden- Julie Spralding: 636-399-0892
- Legion of Mary- Mercy Acheson: 223-4822
- Library- Maureen Retzel: 441-0460
- Liturgical Ministries Coordinator- Julie Thomas: 538-1109
- Livestream- John Roberts: 317-6808
- Music Ministry- Sheila Soukup: 250-6234
- Prayer Chain- Joan Gillis: 346-3147
- Readers- Jason Hlasny: 242-6655
- OCIA- Sandon Broek: 947-9168
- Sacristan- Matthew Williams: 632-4252
- Snow Plowing- Looking for help!
- Youth/Young Adult- Jerica Manaois: 306-9363

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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:	\$	7,327	
Weekly Tithing Period:	7/24-30/2023		
Income Sources			
Weekly Collections:	\$	2,950	
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-	
Online Giving:	\$	2,369	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,319</b>	
Over/(Under) Goal:	\$	(2,008)	
Actual vs. Goal (%):	72.6%		
<b>Actual vs. Budget "Total Income" for FY23 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period</b>			
FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023		
FY23 YTD Complete (%):	100.0%		
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2023:	\$	434,000	
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	474,258	
Budget Total Income for Period:	\$	434,000	
Over/(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	40,258	
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	109.3%		
<b>Breakdown of Actual "Total Income" for FY23 YTD Period</b>			
FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023		
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	225,425	47.5%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$	6,650	1.4%
Online Giving:	\$	152,780	32.2%
2022 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebate Paid To Date): *	\$	11,870	2.5%
Stole Fees:	\$	7,086	1.5%
Investment Income:	\$	15,620	3.3%
Fee Income:	\$	7,340	1.5%
Employee Retention Credit:	\$	38,426	8.1%
Other:	\$	9,061	1.9%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>474,258</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
* Pending Rebate Payment = \$1,275			
<b>Actual vs. Budget "Total Expenses" for FY23 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period</b>			
FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023		
FY23 YTD Complete (%):	100.0%		
Annual Budget Total Expenses FY 2023:	\$	434,000	
Actual Total Expenses for Period:	\$	405,267	
Budget Total Expenses for Period:	\$	434,000	
Over/(Under) Budget for Period:	\$	(28,733)	
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	93.4%		
<b>Actual "Total Net Income" for FY23 YTD Period</b>			
FY23 YTD Period:	7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023		
Actual Total Income for Period:	\$	474,258	
Actual Total Expenses for Period:	\$	405,267	
Actual Total Net Income for Period:	\$	68,991	
Total Net Income "Over/(Under)" Total Expenses for Period (%):	17.0%		

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