

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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 13, 2023

Psalm 130:5

*I wait for the Lord;
my soul waits for his word.*



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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Aug 14

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

Tue Aug 15- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

9am- Mass
6pm- Mass

Wed Aug 16

9am- Mass

Thu Aug 17

9am- Mass

Fri Aug 18- Office Closed

9am- Mass

Sat Aug 19

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

Sun Aug 20

8am- Mass
9:15am- First Day Faith Formation!
11am- Mass
12pm- Rosary

Mass Readings for Next Sunday

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

I will bring foreigners to my holy mountain.

PSALM 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

O God, let all the nations praise you!

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

The gifts and the call of God for Israel are irrevocable.

Matthew 15:21-28

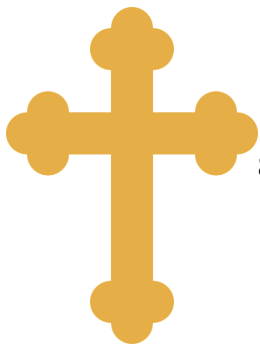
O woman, great is your faith!

Mass Intentions

8/12- 5pm: ROS Magdalena Mendoza
8/13- 8am: People of the Parish
8/13- 11am: ROS Lolita Yambao
8/18-9am: ROS Agapito Yambao

Vocations Cross

The Kerr Family will pray with the vocations cross.



Reflection

There is a group of seabirds called petrels and they earned St. Peter as their eponym because they move their feet in such a way that they appear to walk on water as they feed. Many of our plants and animals were named by people who saw God powerfully present in the natural world. This gospel with its might weather imagery and the first reading with its tiny whisper can serve as reminders to pay attention to God's presence in all we encounter- nature, relationships, and even our own gifts.

God's Strong and Faithful Hand

When we have strong feelings of doubt and fear and we seem to be sinking, in life's difficult moments where everything becomes dark, we must not be ashamed to cry out like Peter: "Lord, save me." To knock on God's heart, on Jesus' heart. "Lord, save me." It is a beautiful prayer! We can repeat it many times. "Lord, save me." And [the gesture of Jesus], who immediately reaches out his hand and grasps that of his friend, should be contemplated at length: This is Jesus. Jesus does this. Jesus is the Father's hand who never abandons us, the strong and faithful hand of the Father, who always and only wants what is good for us.

God is not in the loud sound, God is not the hurricane, God is not in the fire, God is not in the earthquake. As the narrative about the Prophet Elijah also recalls today, God is the light breeze—literally it says this: He is in the "thread of melodious silence" that never imposes itself, but asks to be heard. Having faith means keeping your heart turned to God, to his love, to his fatherly tenderness, amid the storm.

Jesus wanted to teach this to Peter and the disciples, and also to us today. In dark moments, in sad moments Jesus is well aware that our faith is weak—all of us are people of little faith, all of us, myself included, everyone—and [if] our faith is weak our journey can be troubled, hindered by adverse forces. But Jesus is the Risen One! Let's not forget this: He is the Lord who passed through death in order to lead us to safety. Even before we begin to seek him, he is present beside us, lifting us back up after our falls [and helping] us grow in faith. Maybe in the dark, we cry out: "Lord, Lord!" thinking Jesus is far away. And he says, "I am here." Ah, he was with me! That is the Lord.

Pope Francis, *Angelus*, August 9, 2020

Jorge Mario Bergoglio, SJ, was the archbishop of Buenos Aires from 1998 until his election as pope in 2013. Pope Francis has proclaimed a Gospel of joy and peace, of care for the poor and for the earth, "our common home."

On the Way Home from Mass...

How do you think Peter felt when he first started walking on water toward Jesus? What made Peter start sinking? Whenever you feel afraid or doubtful, what do you do to help ease those fears or doubt?



Ministry Schedule for next week (Aug 19/20)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Melton (walk-ins welcome)	Manaiois Family	Wisdom Marquez Lamar Bases	Dave Alzheimer	Brent Lannen Brenda Lannen	Bell Family
Sun 8 am	Ryan Melton (walk-ins welcome)	Mike Webb	Jerica Manaiois Lilly Vogt	Paul Clark Kristin Rehmann	Mike Likar John Hoppe	Need Volunteer Karin Hermansen
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Volunteer Needed	Lora & JR Rivera	Megan Green	Janina Chlebowski Elvira Taylor	Theresa Mitchell Teresa Cortes

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LORD
ANGUISH
WALKING
ADOPTION
DOUBT

FAITH
STRONG
SALVATION
BOAT
COURAGE

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PETER
KINGS
WIND
WATER



“Loving trust is only the fruit of total surrender. You cannot have trust unless you are one with the person (God). Total surrender and loving trust are twins.”

St. Mother Teresa

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

SCAN THE CODE IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING



[HTTPS://WWW.HOLYGROSSALASKA.NET/YOUTH-MINISTRY](https://www.holygrossalaska.net/youth-ministry)

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

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 Snow Plowing- Looking for help!
 Youth/Young Adult- Jerica Manaos: 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:		7/31/2023	
Income Sources			
Weekly Collections:	\$	3,629	
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-	
Online Giving:	\$	2,989	
Total:	\$	6,618	
Over/(Under) Goal:	\$	(709)	
Actual vs. Goal (%):		90.3%	
Actual vs. Budget "Total Income" for FY23 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period			
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%	
Breakdown of Actual "Total Income" for FY23 YTD Period			
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%
Total:	\$	474,258	100.0%
* Pending Rebate Payment = \$1,275			
Actual vs. Budget "Total Expenses" for FY23 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period			
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%	
Actual "Total Net Income" for FY23 YTD Period			
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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