### **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

# Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Oct 29, 2023

John 14:23
Whoever loves me will keep my
word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and
we will come to him.

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#### This Week at Holy Cross

#### Mon Oct 30

9am- Mass

1pm- Aspen Creek Service

#### Tue Oct 31

9am-Mass

7pm-OCIA

#### Wed Nov 1

9am- All Saints Day Mass (Holy Day of Obligation) 6pm- All Saints Day Mass (Holy Day of Obligation)

#### Thu Nov 2

9am-Mass

#### Fri Nov 3- Office Closed

9am-Mass

#### Sat Nov 4

1pm- Legion of Mary

3-4pm-Confession

5pm- Mass

#### Sun Nov 5

8am- Mass

9:00am-Faith Formation

11am- Mass (Rosary to follow)

#### **Mass Readings for Next Sunday**

#### Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

You have turned aside from the way, and have caused many to falter by your instruction.

#### PSALM 131:1, 2, 3

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

#### Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

We were determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but our very selves as well.

#### Matthew 23:1-12

They preach but they do not practice.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Call or email the office to schedule your Mass intentions.

10/29-8am: People of the Parish 11/5-8am: People of the Parish

#### **Vocations Cross**

Sign up on the pedestal outside the sanctuary.

The Salisi- Castillo Family will pray with the vocations cross this week!

#### Reflection

In this life, the moral teachings of the church will always be at times burdensome and challenging. This is simply part of being human; until we are fully united to God in heaven we will not be acting from hearts perfectly formed in love. We can, though, try to reframe our understandings of these teachings; while they are often poorly taught and uncompassionately preached, they are *meant* to help us live in the love Jesus calls us to.

#### **A Harmonious Interplay**

Jesus' answer to the question posed by the Pharisee looks unoriginal. He just joins two quotations from the Bible, the love of God (from Deuteronomy) and the love of neighbor as oneself (from Leviticus). But it is precisely this conjunction that is explosive, like harmless chemicals that go bang when mixed in an experiment. It is like the two spheres of the brain, fascinatingly analyzed by lain McGilchrist in *The Master and His Emmisary: The Divided Brain and the Making of the Western World.* Human civilization depends on the harmonious interplay of the left and right hemispheres of the brain, joined by a tiny cord containing millions of nerve fibers.

We must love God with all our faculties of mind and heart, for they are created by a love that is transcendent and eternal. Infinite Love made every aspect of our being, and only in seeking that mystery of unimaginable love do we flourish and find our goal. Otherwise our love would be mere transient emotion.

Without love's transcendence, love is reduced to passing feelings of no ultimate significance. But the infinity of our love would lead to religious fanaticism and ideology if it did not come down to earth in our neighbor. The Pharisees in Matthew's account gather together against Jesus using their intelligence to trap him rather than love him. Their hearts are blunted by hatred instead of an openness to him. His body becomes an object to be destroyed.

Without being turned to our neighbors, religious love can burn up the world. And the tiny thread joining the two hemispheres is the Incarnation of the one who is human and divine.

Fr. Timothy Radcliffe

Timothy Radcliffe, OP, is former master general of the Order of Preachers and author of Stations of the Cross (with art by Martin Erspamer, OSB) as

well as Alive in God: A Christian Imagination.

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

Is it easier to love God or ourselves?

	Ministry Schedule for next week (Nov 4/5)											
Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality						
Sat	Ryan Meliton	Manaois Family	Olivia and		Julie Spradling	Manaois						
5 pm	(walk-ins welcome)		Sebastian Maglaqui		Ninia Dizon	Family						
Sun	Ryan Meliton	John Hoppe	Joe and Rose Webb		Pam Webb	Dora Castillo						
8 am	(walk-ins welcome)				Marilyn Kerr	Matthew Walsh						
Sun	Sheila Soukup	Volunteer Needed	Lora Rivera		Elvira Taylor	Julie Thomas						
11 am	(walk-ins welcome)		Lilly Vogt		Janina Chlebowski	Kaira Brooks						

#### **Faith Formation Classes**

#### November 5:

Grades 7-12 in Family Session Preschool-6 gr. in Classroom November 12:

Grades 7-12 in Classroom Preschool-6 gr. in Family Session

Faith Formation begins at 9 am and end at 10:45 am.

New families, register at: holycrossalaska.net/register

Interested in becoming Catholic? OCIA meets on Tue. evenings at 7pm.



## Young Men-Come spend 24 hours at St. Therese's Camp to consider the priesthood.

Hear from our own Alaskan priests about the great adventure of the priesthood. This retreat will include talks from local priests addressing their calls, living the priesthood, prayer, delicious food, Mass, Reconciliation, and fellowship.

Dates: November 3-4, 2023

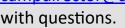
Retreat begins at 5:30pm Fri and ends at 1pm Sat. Cost: \$65. Limited scholarships available.

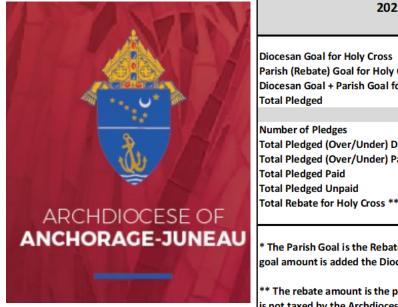
Register at <u>www.stcak.com</u>

Contact Fr. Arthur Roraff (907) 694 2170, frarthur@roraff.com) or Rudy Poglitsh (907) 232 2066,

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2023 "United in Mission" Annual Appeal Report





# As of October 28, 2023 Diocesan Goal for Holy Cross \$ 39,478 Parish (Rebate) Goal for Holy Cross \* \$ 14,000 Diocesan Goal + Parish Goal for Holy Cross \$ 53,478 Total Pledged \$ 29,792

Number of Pledges \$ 50
Total Pledged (Over/Under) Diocesan Goal \$ (9,686)
Total Pledged (Over/Under) Parish Goal \$ (27,686)
Total Pledged Paid \$ 17,850
Total Pledged Unpaid \$ 11,942

75.5% of Diocesan Goal 0.0% of Parish Goal

#### \* The Parish Goal is the Rebate Goal, which the Finance Council set as \$14,000 in the FY24 Budget. This goal amount is added the Diocesan Goal. The Diocesan Goal needs to met first before Parish Goal starts.

\*\* The rebate amount is the paid portion of the "Total Pledged Over Goal" amount. Since the rebate is not taxed by the Archdiocese, unlike income from weekly collections and online giving, the rebate is paid in full at 100% to Holy Cross. That is why It's Important to meet the \$14,000 goal. A 100% return!

## Thank you to everyone who has donated!

Prayerfully consider giving to the appeal. <a href="https://aoaj.org/pledge">https://aoaj.org/pledge</a>

#### DONATIONS FOR THE 2023 ANNUAL APPEAL ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED.

**HOW TO MAKE AN ANNUAL APPEAL DONATION** 

There are 2 ways to make a donation. 1) Go to Archdiocese website: <a href="www.aoaj.org/appe">www.aoaj.org/appe</a>
to make a secured donation online or 2) Place your donation (check or cash) in an United in Mission envelope. These envelopes are available at Holy Cross in the pews and foyer. Please submit your envelope to Fr Pat or Fr Dan. If paying by check, please make the check payable to the Archdiocese of Anchorage/Juneau. Also, please indicate when making your donation online or by envelope that you are a parishioner from Holy Cross.

Thank you for donating and sharing your treasure to the 2023 United in Mission Annual Appeal.

#### PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

Altar Servers- Jerica Manaois: 230-9418

Art & Environment- Marilyn Kerr: 346-1624

Baked Goods & Funerals- Looking for help!

Blessed Sacrament Monastery- Sandon Broek: 947-9168

Clare House- Leslie Holland: 337-278-7852
Faith Formation- Jerica Manaois: 306-9363
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Eucharistic Ministers- John Hoppe: 350-7580

Finance- Greg Magee: 575-3197

Parish Nurse Program- Deb Seidl: 301-4180

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**

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How did we do last week in meeting our week	ly of	fer	tory goal?	
Weekly Offertory	Goal:	\$	7,894	
Weekly Tithing Pe	eriod:	10	)/16-22/2023	
Income Sources				
Weekly Collect	tions	\$	2,590	
Holy Day/Holiday Collec	tions	\$	-	
Online G	iving:	\$	3,144	
	Total:	\$	5,734	
Over/(Under)	Goal:	\$	(2,160)	
Actual vs. Go	al (%):	Г	72.6%	
Actual vs. Budget "Total Income" for FY24 Year-1	o-Do	ite	(YTD) Perio	d
FY24 YTD P	eriod:	7/:	1/2023 to 9/30	)/2023
FY24 YTD Complet	e (%):		25.0%	
Annual Budget Total Income FY	2024:	\$	443,400	
Actual Total Income for P	eriod:	\$	100,317	
Budget Total Income for P	eriod:	\$	110,850	
Over / (Under) Budget for P	eriod:	\$	(10,533)	
Actual vs. Budget for Perio	d (%):		90.5%	
Breakdown of Actual "Total Income" for FY	′24 Y	TD	Period	
FY24 YTD P	eriod:	7/:	1/2023 to 9/30	)/2023
Weekly Collections (Basket/	Mail):	\$	51,158	51.0%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/	Mail):	\$	652	0.6%
Online G	iving:	\$	35,601	35.5%
2023 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebate Paid To I	Date):	\$	-	0.0%
Stole	Fees:	\$	1,335	1.3%
In-Kind Dona	tions	\$	11,915	11.9%
Investment Inc	ome:	\$	(5,629)	-5.6%
Fee Inc	ome	\$	3,457	3.4%
	Other:	\$	1,828	1.8%
	Total:	\$	100,317	100.0%

Actual vs. Budget "Total Expenses" for FY24 Year-To-Date (YTD) Period									
FY24 YTD Period:	7/1/2023 to 9/30/2023								
FY24 YTD Complete (%):	25.0%								
Annual Budget Total Expenses FY 2023:	\$ 473,400								
Actual Total Expenses for Period:	\$ 96,811								
Budget Total Expenses for Period:	\$ 118,350								
Over /(Under) Budget for Period:	\$ (21,539)								
Actual vs. Budget for Period (%):	81.8%								
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| Actual "Total Net Income" for FY24 YTD Period | 7/1/2023 to 9/30/2023 | 7/1/

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