

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

Easter Sunday Mar 31, 2024

*1 Corinthians 5:7b-8a
Christ, our paschal lamb,
has been sacrificed;
let us then feast with joy
in the Lord.*



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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Apr 1- Office Closed– Easter Monday!

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

Tue Apr 2

9am- Mass
 6:30pm- Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wed Apr 3

9am- Mass

Thu Apr 4

9am- Mass

Fri Apr 5- Office Closed

9am- Mass
 6pm- Youth Night

Sat Apr 6

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

Sun Apr 7

8am- Mass
 9am- Faith Formation
 11am- Mass followed by Rosary

Mass Intentions

Call or email the office to schedule your Mass Intentions.

Sun 8am Mass is offered for the People of the Parish.

3/30- 8pm: ROS- Josefina Del la Cruz

3/31- 8am: ROS- Ted Kirklin

3/31- 11am: ROS- Corazon Del la Cruz

4/2- 9am: ROS- Modesta Munoz

Vocations Cross

To volunteer to pray with the vocations cross sign up outside the sanctuary.

The Salao Family will pray with the vocations cross this week.

Mass Readings for Next Sunday

Apostles 4:32-35

They were of one heart and mind.

PSALM 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Saint John 5:1-6

Whoever is begotten by God conquers the world.

John 20:19-31

Eight days later Jesus came and stood in their midst.

Reflection

Nothing Short of Glorious

How do we recognize that Christ is alive? What are the signs of his resurrection? In the Gospel, the absence of Jesus from the tomb—the shifted stone, the missing body, the folded linens—is a clue, but Peter still does not understand. In the first reading, by contrast, Peter shares the experience of “those who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.” The sign Peter cites that Jesus is alive is the embodied experience of a shared meal.

Our celebrations of Christ’s birth at Christmas and his rebirth on Easter morning are both deeply incarnational, marked by common signs like table and cloth, food and drink. To defeat death is the ultimate victory; to kill death itself is to unlock eternal life. This is nothing short of glorious. But it is hard to stare into the sun’s direct light and even harder to feel it on a cloudy day—or in the dead of night. We may truly want to believe that Jesus is alive, that sin and death are defeated forever; we want to have resurrection faith. Even in resurrection glory, Christ is patient with us. Christ’s resurrection does not destroy his body, nor does it erase his sacred wounds.

Even after resurrection, Jesus meets us in our searching hunger, our thirsting doubts, our fear and our pain. Not only does he feed us, but he also sits and eats with us. Christ is not only risen above the heavens and beyond all time—the risen Christ is with us here and now.

Sam Rocha

Sam Rocha teaches at the University of British Columbia. For more, see www.samrocha.com.

On the Way Home from Mass...

The women at the tomb were changed by that first Easter morning. How do the events of that day make a difference in your life today?



Ministry Schedule for next week (Apr 6/7)						
Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	Matt Williams	Olivia and Sebastian Maglaqui	Ted Walker Brenda Lannen	Ninia Dizon Matt Williams	Maglaqui Family
Sun 8 am	Ryan Meliton (walk-ins welcome)	John Hoppe	Henry Maes Casen Kallman	Nicholas Boring Maureen Retzel	Gig Currier John Hoppe	Munoz Family
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (walk-ins welcome)	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Rowdy Reynoso	Michelangelo Canale Katie Sklarosky	Janina Chlebowski Teresa Mitchell	Julie Thomas Brayden Ulep Julius Villaflores

HAPPY EASTER

Next Weekend: Divine Mercy!

•Additional confession times:

Sat Apr 6, 6-7pm

Sun Apr 7, 9-10am & 12-1pm

•Join us for Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament, 12-1pm next Sun Apr 7!



Vacation Bible School

June 11-14
4:30-8pm

Registration opens: March 25th
Early Bird Discount by: April 28th



Easter Sunday

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TRUTH
TOMB
ETERNAL JOY
PASCHAL LAMB
IMMORTALITY
WICKEDNESS
MALICE
WITNESSES
RISEN
TESTIFY
PASSOVER
SINCERITY



Search & Serve Retreat

Experience what it's like to be a *Sister!*

Prayerful and reflective discernment retreat.

Housing, meals and daily transportation included.

- May 22-27 San Francisco Bay Area
- July 6-11 Evansville, IN

Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul

Additional information:

Daughters-Of-Charity.com/retreats






**EARLY
FAITH FORMATION
REGISTRATION**

**SCHOOL YEAR
2024-2025**



Begins on April 5th
and ends on May 5th

SAVE \$10!



*Contact Jerica
if you want to
volunteer or
have questions.*



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS IN ANCHORAGE

Where: *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish*

2901 E. Huffman Road

When: Sun, 4/7 from 2:30-4:30pm

- What:
- * Welcome and Greeting
 - * Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 - * Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
 - * Hope for a Plenary Indulgence
 - * Reconciliation

AND/ OR

DIVINE MERCY HEALING RETREAT

Where: *St Anthony Catholic Church*

825 Klevin Street

When: Sun, 4/7 from 2:30-4:30pm

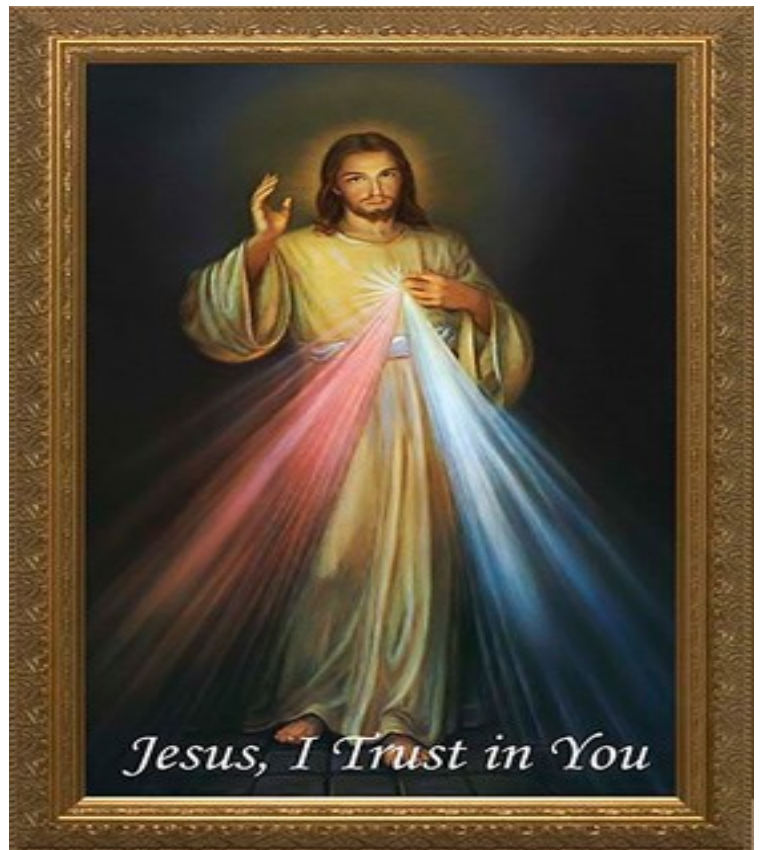
Wed, 4/10 from 5-9pm

Thu, 4/11 5-9pm

Fri, 4/12 5-9pm

Sat, 4/13 10am-3pm

What: *Adoration Teaching Mass Confessions available





**ALASKA
PACIFIC
UNIVERSITY**



Guest Speaker
David Echelbarger, PhD
*Associate Professor of Philosophy
University of Mary*

**GUEST LECTURE
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON**

INSTILLING A LOVE OF LEISURE IN AN AGE OF APATHY

The virtues, especially the virtue of justice, draw us into right relation with ourselves because that they allow us to act and be in a way that is consistent with our own flourishing, our neighbors, and God. On the other hand, the vices, especially the vice of apathy, or acedia, separate us from ourselves, our neighbors, and God.

Drawing from St. Thomas Aquinas's thought on the capital vices, Dr. David Echelbarger will articulate the essential characteristics of apathy, its deleterious effects, and the place of leisure in overcoming this bad habit.

Wednesday, April 10
6 to 7 p.m.
**Carr-Gottstein,
Room 221**



JOIN US VIA ZOOM HERE!



St. Therese's Camp Summer 2024

*A week-long residential
Catholic camp experience.*

Sharing the joy of faith with
a variety of fun activities,
Mass, Eucharistic

Adoration, singing, campfires, and making friends!

Camp weeks:

- Kids entering Grades 3-8 in fall 2024 and
- Youth entering Grades 9-12 (high school) in fall 2024

June 2-7

June 9-14

June 16-21

June 23-28: high school wk #1

June 30-July 5: high school wk #2

July 14-19

July 21-26

Some financial aid is available.

Campers registered by **April 29** get a free camp t-shirt.

For more information or to register visit
www.sttheresescampak.com or call 907-232-2066!

Blessed Easter Celebration Fundraiser

The Youth Group is hosting a fundraiser to save money for their trips. We would like to bring our youth to the National Catholic Youth Conference in November and World Youth Day in 2027. Your contribution will help purchase passes, hotels, and airfare.

Buy desserts after the Easter Sunday Masses!

Here are your options:

- Cookies - \$5 each bag
- Cassava Cake - \$15-20 each
- Biko (Sticky Rice Cake) - \$15-20 each



(The images shown for the cassava cake and biko are for illustration purposes only and may not be an exact representation of the product.)



**There are so many ways to help
and all are welcome!**



Altar Servers

**Art &
Environment
Ministry**



Eucharistic Ministry

Hospitality



Lectors

**Livestream
Ministry**



Music Ministry

Sacristans



Lawn and Garden

Finance



Maintenance

Parish Nurses



Prayer for Ministers

Heavenly Father,
since the time of the Apostles
you have inspired the Church
to commission certain members
to assist in a special way
in the pastoral mission of Christ.

Bless all our ministers
that they may be humble
and faith-inspired in their service.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



“May every ministry be based
on this intimacy with the Lord;
living from him is the measure
of our ecclesial service
which is expressed in
the readiness to obey,
to humble ourselves,
as we heard in the Letter
to the Philippians (2:6-11),
and for the total gift of self.”

-Pope Francis, 5/23/2013

**See the back page of the bulletin to find a
contact and volunteer!**

HOLY CROSS YOUTH HIGHLIGHTS

Youth Night

Following Stations and Soup our Youth Group prepared and delivered meals to Brother Francis Shelter! Teens made an assembly line to prepare the food then they pumped up the music and got to work. It was a rewarding experience for all. Thank you for your support!



Faith Formation

Families enjoyed the Grab 'n Go Breakfast while watching a short movie. Crunch and munch!



Followed by an Easter egg hunt. Plastic eggs containing inspirational scriptures and mini toys were hidden. Class ended with Stations of the Cross. The event was fun and reflective!

Be a part of it! Come join the fun!



Mary Magdalene and the Red Egg


Mary Magdalene described the events of the crucifixion and resurrection carried out by Caesar's governor in Judea, Pontius Pilot. Caesar said "that could no more happen than the egg in your hand could turn red." She prayed and the egg turned red. The egg symbolizes the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the color red symbolizes "life and victory." The origins of an Easter tradition revealed.

Embracing Catholicism in College and Life

Lumen Christi Speaker Series

College is a time of profound change for students, including challenges to their faith. However, college can also be an opportunity for significant growth in one's life with Christ. A truly Catholic experience can ground students more fully in their faith and lead them to embrace a lifelong connection with Christ and His community.

Please join us for a presentation to learn how college-bound students, indeed all of us, can nurture our relationship with Christ. This presentation will be delivered by Dr. David Echelbarger, Associate Professor of Philosophy at the University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D.



Tuesday, April 9
7pm Lumen Christi Gym
Admission is Free. All are Welcome.

Lumen Christi High School—We're Growing! New Teacher Positions Available.

Instill knowledge, strengthen character, and nurture the Spirit through key teaching positions at **Lumen Christi Catholic High School** in Anchorage, Alaska. Accredited by Cognia, Lumen Christi has been serving students in grades 7-12 for nearly 30 years. With a growing student population, Lumen Christi is seeking highly qualified applicants to fill full-time teaching positions in junior high and high school math for the 2024-2025 school year. The school year begins August 8th and concludes May 22. You can learn more about our school at www.lumenchristiak.org. Please send resume and cover letter to Brian Ross at bross@lumenchristiak.com.



**Archbishop Andrew E. Bellisario, C.M.
Invites you to A Mass
in Recognition of**



Child Abuse Prevention Month.

***Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00pm
at The Cathedral of
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Anchorage.***

**For the safety, security and care of children and
youth from all forms of child abuse.**

**There will also be a special blessing for those who are responsible for
the protection of children, including Teachers, Parents, Faith Formation
Directors and Community Members.**

We Hope You Will Join Us!



For any questions or if you

Michaelson at 907-297-7736 or jmichaelson@aoaj.org

would like to RSVP, contact Jenny

40 DAYS OF LENT FOOD DRIVE

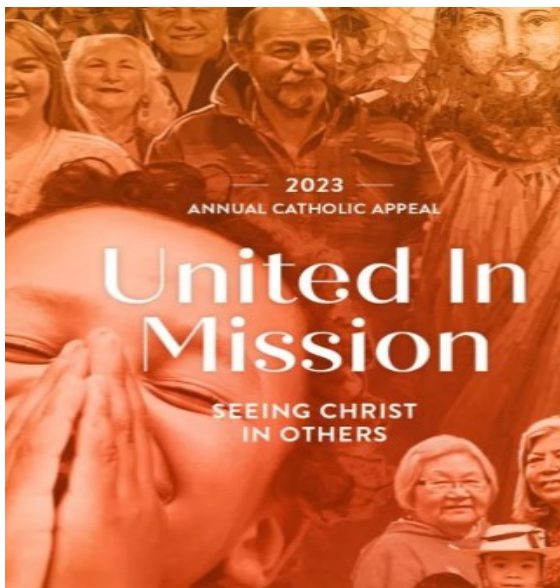
Holy Cross Contribution:
1067 pounds

GRACIAS!

SALAMAT!

QUYANA!

Thank You!



2023 "United in Mission" Annual Appeal Report As of March 28, 2024			
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	\$	63,935	100.0% of Diocesan Goal
			174.7% of Parish Goal
Number of Pledges		137	
Total Pledged (Over/Under) Diocesan Goal	\$	24,457	
Total Pledged (Over/Under) Parish Goal	\$	10,457	
Total Pledged Paid	\$	62,450	
Total Pledged Unpaid	\$	1,485	(Diocesan Goal - Total Pledged Paid)
Total Rebate for Holy Cross	\$	22,972	(Total Pledged Paid - Diocesan Goal)

Well done! Thank you for supporting the 2023 United in Mission Annual Appeal.

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- Altar Servers- Jerica Manaois: 230-9418
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- Blessed Sacrament Monastery- Sandon Broek: 947-9168
- Clare House- Leslie Holland: 337-278-7852
- Faith Formation- Jerica Manaois: 306-9363
- Church Maint. / Snow Removal- Mike Likar: 529-9015
- 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 Spralading: 636-399-0892
- Legion of Mary- Mercy Acheson: 223-4822
- Library- Maureen Retzel: 441-0460
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- 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
- Youth- Jerica Manaois and Luke Broek: 306-9363
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TITHING UPDATE

How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal?

Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$	7,894
Weekly Tithing Period:		03/18-24/2024
Income Sources		
Weekly Collections:	\$	4,261
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	\$	-
Online Giving:	\$	5,488
Total:	\$	9,749
Over /(Under) Goal:	\$	1,855
Actual vs. Goal (%) :		123.5%

Faith Formation Classes

- March 31: No Faith Formation!
- Have a Blessed Easter!
- April 7: Preschool-6 in Classrooms
- Grades 7-12 in Family Session



Faith Formation runs from 9-10:45am.

Registration is on-going at:
holycrossalaska.net/register

Interested in becoming Catholic or Sacraments?
OCIA available. Call the office or Deacon Sandon.

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