



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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RECONCILIATION:

Prior to weekday and weekend masses at Holy Cross, including school masses.

BAPTISM: Baptisms are performed on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made in person by the bride and groom 6 months prior to the marriage. Register beforehand!

ANOINTING OF AND COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Please call the church.

"You shall not bear hatred
for your brother or sister
in your heart."

Leviticus 19:17



Sometimes the idea of repentance seems old-fashioned, naïve, even foolish. But if you're looking for real foolishness, you'll find it in today's readings. We begin with Leviticus and the admonition, "Take no revenge and cherish no grudge" (Leviticus 19:18). We've heard that message before, of course, so we might forget how far it is from the so-called "practical realities of life." Saint Paul warns us about being practical, though. Whoever considers oneself wise had better "become a fool," because "the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Corinthians 3:18, 19). This "foolishness" continues in the Gospel: "Offer no resistance to one who is evil" (Matthew 5:39). In fact, offer the other cheek when you've been slapped. Hand over your coat as well as your shirt. Be like God, who sends sunshine and rain on the bad as well as the good. "So be perfect," says Jesus, "just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (5:48). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Cross Church | Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:30 PM

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 5:30 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM (CCES), Friday: 9:00 AM (CCHS)

Adoration Tuesday: 6:00 AM-5:00 PM (Benediction)

St. Rosalie Chapel | Saturday Vigil - 4:00 PM

IMPORTANT!!!! PLEASE UPDATE INFO!

We ask for all parishioners to complete the new parish registration form to ensure everyone receives appropriate information.

There are several ways to complete this important task:

1. **Open your phone camera and place it on this QR code to open and complete the form.**
2. **Complete on our website www.holycrossmc.org**
3. **Fill out paper forms found in church foyer.**
Return to church office or place in collection basket.



Parish Information Form



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

READING 1

LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 17-18 (79A)

The LORD said to Moses,
“Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them:

Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy.

“You shall not bear hatred for your brother or sister in your heart.

Though you may have to reprove your fellow citizen, do not incur sin because of him.

Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the LORD, O my soul;

and all my being, bless his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

He pardons all your iniquities,
heals all your ills.

He redeems your life from destruction,
crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD,
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

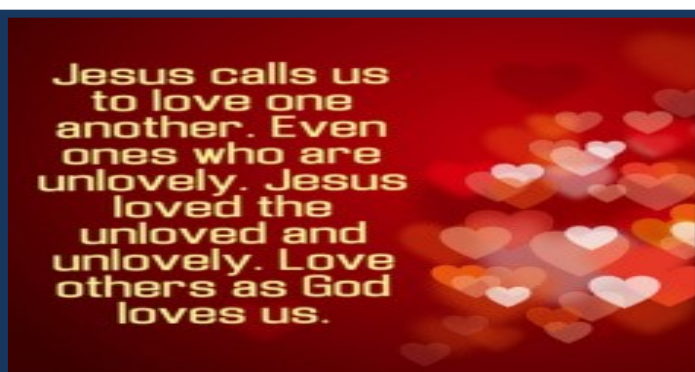
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,
nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he put our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.



READING 2

1 CORINTHIANS 3:16-23

Brothers and sisters:

Do you not know that you are the temple of God,
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that
person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy.

Let no one deceive himself. If any one among you
considers himself wise in this age, let him become a
fool, so as to become wise. For the wisdom of this
world is foolishness in the eyes of God, for it is written:

God catches the wise in their own ruses,

and again: *he Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,
that they are vain.*

So let no one boast about human beings, for everything
belongs to you, Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world
or life or death, or the present or the future:

all belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples:

“You have heard that it was said,

An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.

But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil.

When someone strikes you on your right cheek,
turn the other one as well.

If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic,
hand over your cloak as well.

Should anyone press you into service for one mile,
go for two miles.

Give to the one who asks of you,
and do not turn your back on one who wants to bor-
row.

“You have heard that it was said,

You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.

But I say to you, love your enemies

and pray for those who persecute you,
that you may be children of your heavenly Father,
for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good,
and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust.

For if you love those who love you, what recompense
will you have?

Do not the tax collectors do the same?

And if you greet your brothers only,
what is unusual about that?

Do not the pagans do the same?

So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

ANTIPHONS FOR ORDINARY TIME

Please sing the antiphons
at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM mass



Entrance Antiphon

O, come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Offertory Antiphon

The angel of the Lord will encamp around those who fear him, and he will rescue them: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Communion Antiphon

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, says the Lord.

Holy Cross Church

Appreciation Mass and Reception

in honor of

Holy Cross Volunteers

with

*His Excellency, The Most Reverend Shelton Fabre,
Bishop of The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux
to present a special blessing*

Saturday, February 29, 2020

5:30 PM Mass

Reception to follow
Yvonne Anne Adams
Life Center



RSVP by February 24, 2020 to
melina.michel@holycrossmc.org

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2020 Annual Bishop's Appeal

All parishioners of Holy Cross are encouraged to prayerfully consider making a commitment. By being a Partner in Hope, you are supporting **Seminarian Education, retired priests, Youth Formation, and religious education.**

The goal of the diocese is \$900,000, which is a very achievable goal with your support. Thus far, Holy Cross has achieved 18.30% of our goal. **Please consider a gift to the Appeal and our parish.** You can give online at www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal, return your personalized commitment cards at Mass this weekend, or you may simply mail your commitment to the diocese in the envelope provided.

For your convenience



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Use your phone camera to view QR code for weekly collections using PayPal or Venmo.

LENT

Lundi Gras - Mardi Gras Mass & Devotion

The Mass and Devotion on Lundi Gras and Mardi Gras will be celebrated at **8:00 AM** and **NOT at 5:30 PM!**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Because of Mardi Gras, there will be **NO Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, February 25, 2020.

Ash Wednesday Masses & Distribution of Ashes

Distribution of ashes will take place during both Masses on Wednesday, February 26th at **12:10 PM and 5:30 PM.**

Confessions 11 AM, 1 PM, 5 PM and 6:15 PM.

Lenten Daily Mass Schedule

The daily Mass schedule for Holy Cross during Lent will be **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday** at 5:30 PM.

On Fridays, **Stations of the Cross** will follow the 5:30 PM Mass. Confessions remain prior to each Mass.

Everyone is encouraged to attend at least one extra mass during the week.

Lenten Day of Fast & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence. All parishioners 18-60 years of age are required to fast and abstain from meat for these two days unless prevented by ill health, pregnancy, or nursing.

Additionally, **all Fridays** in Lent are days of Abstinence.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

February 15th & 16th

<u>Holy Cross</u>	<u>St. Rosalie</u>
Envelopes \$5,033.00	Envelopes \$210.00
Loose 1,008.00	Loose <u>166.00</u>
Online <u>135.00</u>	
Total \$ 6,176.00	Total \$ 376.00

Thank you! Your generosity is much appreciated!

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 22nd -Joe Young, Patience LaFleur Bryant, Michael S. LaFleur, Rowena LaFleur, Lee J. Guarisco, Harold Smith, George Williams Family, M/M Curtis Verret, Jason Hotard, Zack Turner, Sherry Williams, Helen & Maurice Blanco, Paul Michael Cook, Jr.

St. Rosalie-Brandon Terry, Rosemary Cutrera, Howard Thibodaux

Sunday, February 23rd - Holy Cross Parish, Mike, Jonathan, Rudy & John Percle, Alfred/Percle Families & Judy Aucoin, Smith & Wilma Alpha, Donald & Leona Smith, Hal Thomas, Max Griffin, Graci Andrews, Marie & Paul Vella, Sr., Justin Trimm, Jude Hebert, Ronnie Trimm, Murray & Margie St. Roman, Pat St. Romain, Rodney St. Romain, Blume Roy & Thelma Roy Brassette, David Family, Dr. Karen Ordogne, Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc,, Willie & Julie Bradberry, H.S. & Marie Hover, Roland J. Barras, R. L. & Edith LeBlanc, Barbara Greer, Dorothy Stansbury, Marina Lee, A. J. & Hilda Mayon, Joe & Shirley Baker, George & Maizie Chaisson

Monday, February 24th-J Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Elaine Voisin, Dr. Karen Ordogne, Dr. Hector Ruiz

Tuesday, February 25th – Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, David Robicheaux, Governale & Resignola Families, Arden Adams, Ronnie Trimm, Ron Blereau

Wednesday, February 26th - Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Jo Ann Rawls, Frank & Josephine Resignola, Lee J. Guarisco



CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

6th - 12th Grade

New Student Registration

March 2 - March 13, 2020

For more information about what
Central Catholic has to offer your child,
please contact the school office
985-385-5372

*Faith Formation
Academic Excellence
Service to Others*

Liturgical Ministers | February 22nd & 23rd, 2020

SATURDAY, 5:30PM

Commentator – Bernie Hunter | **Reader** – Tim Gilmore

Extraordinary Ministers – Greg Brown, Andrea Leonards, Dot Myers, Mary Siracusa, Loy Menard, Catherine Menard, Rosie Brown | **Altar Servers 3**

SUNDAY, 8:00AM

Commentator– Dee Hymel | **Reader**– Georgia Lajaunie

Extraordinary Ministers – Georgia Lajaunie, Steve Morell, Shelley Morell, Kenneth Rhodes, Betsy Rhodes, Dee Hymel, Nathan Rhodes | **Altar Servers 2**

Sunday, 10:30AM

Commentator – Stacey Landry | **Reader** – Carrie Stansbury

Extraordinary Ministers – Mary Shannon, Alanna Sloane, Joey Sloane, Stacey Landry, Nathan Rhodes, Kristin Wiggins, Paul Vella | **Altar Servers 1**

Sunday, 6:30PM

Commentator – Lisa Thibodeaux | **Reader** – Luke Brinkley

Extraordinary Ministers - Lisa Thibodeaux, Keith Thibodeaux, Dawn Arceneaux, Kenny Arceneaux, Mary Alice Fuhrer, Donna Vorenkamp, Dwayne Barbier | **Altar Servers 4**

Refreshments - No Refreshments—Mardi Gras

Collections Counters -Team 3

Children's Church – No Children's Church

Church Cleaning: |

February 23rd-February 29th-Nathan

March 1st-March 7th-Alicia

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Shonet Vedros, Nelda Comeaux, Antoinette Spinella, Bernie Hunter, Jerry Acosta, Jr., Aline Bertrand, Lois & Lester Fryou, Dot Myers, Calvin Blanco, Irma Blanco, Betty Bourdreaux, Wayne Vidos, Nolan J. Rhodes, Todd Watson, Jr., Orelia Degraffenaried, Delannie Howard, Ruby Beadle, Leslie LaBatut, Diana Greenword, Roger Liner, Ray LaHoste, EthanMarcel



Operation Lent

This year, Holy Cross Parish will again adopt St. Mary Outreach. They support a food pantry, clothing closet, provide hygiene, cleaning supplies, household items such as kitchen and bathroom linens and much more. Patrons must meet certain guidelines to qualify for service.

Please place items in the baskets at church entrances:

First Week of Lent - March 1: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste

Second Week of Lent - March 8: Shampoos, Conditioners, Deodorants, Lotions

Third Week of Lent - March 15: Underwear and socks for men, women and children

Fourth Week of Lent - March 22: Soups and Canned Meats

Fifth Week of Lent - March 29: Children's pajamas

