



MASS SCHEDULE

Phase 1: Sunday Obligation has been dispensed until further notice. Holy Cross offers six in-church masses as well as two live-stream masses per week.

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM | in church, live-streamed | In-car mass and communion for at risk parishioners **Sunday 8:00 AM** | in church only

Sunday 10:30 AM | in church, live-streamed | overflow in Life Center if needed | In-car mass and communion for at risk parishioners

Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | 5:30 PM | in church only.

*Confession In- car on Sundays 9:45-10:15 AM in high school parking lot or by appointment.

ADORATION | Tuesday 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM in church

ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL (Stephensville)
No masses in Phase 1 due to limited capacity.





Alleluia! Sing to Jesus.

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! his the triumph, His the victory alone; Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion. Thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood.

We Remember

Refrain: We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; and we believe that we will see you when you come in your glory, Lord. We remember, we celebrate, we believe.

Here, a million wounded souls are yearning just to touch you and be healed. Gather all your people, and hold them to your heart. Refrain

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain: Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown. If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed. If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all. Refrain

Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me, blessed, blessed are you! Refrain

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, fam'ly all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow;

To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally! Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.







SOCIAL DISTANCING

NO PHYSICAL CONTACT

FOOD DISTRIBUTION UPDATE: Our food

distribution held Friday, May 8 was a huge success. Sincere appreciation to Selena Shannon, all of our volunteers, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, Second Harvest of Acadiana, Cannata's, and everyone who generously donated Good Neighbor boxes. We served 734 households over 13,000 lbs of food from Second Harvest and 436 donation bags from Cannatas.

Please complete the Parish Information Form

Text holycrossmc to 84576 for updates on masses and Covid-19 protocol.



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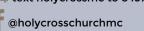
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SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Performed 3rd Sunday of each month. Matrimony: Couple must register and make arrangements at least 6 months prior to marriage. Please check website and call office for all sacraments.

READING I ACTS 8:5-8, 14-17

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city. Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!"

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!" Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever.

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me. Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness!

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

READING II

1 PETER 3:15-18

Beloved:

Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.

GOSPEL

JOHN 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have **greatly** sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, **through my fault**, **through my fault**, **through my most grievous fault**; **therefore** I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. **I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

A - We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

O

B - When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, **O Lord**, until you come again.

or

C - Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

Lamb of God

Priest: **Behold** the Lamb of God, **behold him** who takes away the sins of the world. **Blessed are** those called **to the supper of the Lamb**.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

TO THE PRIESTHOOD & CONSECRATED LIFE

Good and gracious God,

You call all your children to a life of holiness and to faithfully follow you.

You continue to provide for the needs of the faithful, calling men and women by name to lead your Church.

Bless our parish, Holy Cross, and the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as priests and in consecrated Life.

Inspire us to know you better and to hear your call.

We ask all of this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



PHASE ONE MASS PROTOCOL

Come I Worship I Belong

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT FROM MASS IN PHASE 1?

- At all times, a six-foot social distance will have to be maintained between households. To help with this, certain pews are taped off and pews designate seating areas. Multiple households can sit in a pew as long as the six-foot distance is maintained.
- Masks are to be worn at all times. No one will be admitted to church without a mask. They must be taken off so that you might receive Holy Communion, but otherwise they must be worn for the entire time.
- Hand sanitizer will be available and should be used regularly. You may also bring your own sanitizers or wipes to clean your area before and after mass.
- You are asked to receive Communion on your hand, holding it out flatly such that the priest can distribute without any physical contact.
- Parents with small children should remember that cry rooms will not meet the social distancing criteria.
- Music will be limited to one instrumentalist and one cantor. Choirs will not be allowed. There will be no altar servers.
- There will be no offertory procession. There will be a designated basket, in which you may place your offerings as you arrive to or depart from Mass. As always, you may set up recurring payments on our website holycrossmc.org or use PayPal or Venmo @holycrossmc
- The Sign of Peace must be given without physical contact.
- We respectfully ask that there be no congregating after Mass. Please depart immediately after Mass is concluded.

REGARDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

- As you process to receive Holy Communion, a six-foot distance must be maintained.
- As you approach the priest, remove your mask. If you are wearing gloves, you must remove the gloves before receiving Holy Communion. Place mask back on your face after you receive communion.
- Considering the health risks associated with the pandemic and its transmission and health of those distributing Holy Communion, you are strongly urged to receive Holy Communion in the hand, without physical contact.

HOW CAN I HELP MY PARISH?

- First and foremost, pray for our parish and pray for our priest! These are extraordinary circumstances and difficult guidelines to enforce. No one enjoys having to do this. For example, limiting the number of people at each Mass is difficult for us. Your prayers and patience are greatly appreciated.
- Offer to assist! Ushers and hospitality ministers will be more important than ever and will have to be present at each mass. Offer to volunteer your time or any particular gifts you have to assist your parish in these new endeavors.
- Follow the guidelines and take proper hygiene measures.
- Continue to offer your financial support to your parish. Only together can we continue to move forward! We are grateful for your generosity.





THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER DISCOVER THE RISEN BRIDEGROOM: THE ALTAR

We learned during Lent that the altar is not just the central focus of our church buildings and our liturgy, but is a symbol of Christ as well. Altars are solid; made of stone or wood, they must be strong and ready for the sacrifice that we make on them: for the Lamb of God, our perpetual offering to God the Father. They are consecrated for our worship: sprinkled with water, anointed with oil, clothed in white, with candles lit around them. Above all, the altar is a sign of Christ, for from it flows the Sacraments that we receive. Our Bridegroom stands, stalwart and true, at the heart of the church. He is the priest of sacrifice, the sacrifice itself, but also he is the place of sacrifice. The Bridegroom gives of himself fully to his Bride on the marriage bed of the altar (which is why some older churches have a baldacchino, or a tent, which represents the tent over the marriage bed), in a re-presentation of the ultimate self offering he made on the cross.

Reflection

- Is my heart like the altar? Is it strong for Christ; do I bear his love, his mercy, his steadfastness in my heart?
- Have I allowed my Baptism to prepare me in the same way as a Christian offering and as a member of the Body and Bride of Christ?



"LET YOUR HEART BE AN ALTAR."

-Saint Peter Chrysologus, Sermon 108

Jennifer Ely and Brice Higginbotham, Liturgia, (Unpublished).

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Patience LaFleur Bryant, Michael S. LaFleur, Rowena LaFleur, Harold Smith, George Williams Family, M/M Curtis Verret, Jason Hotard, Zack Turner, Sherry Williams, Joe Young, Lee J. Guarisco, H. S. & Marie Hover, Virgie Watkins, Huey Landry, Betty & Merlin Broussard, Jr., Eugene Morgan, Dr. Hector Ruiz

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

SUNDAY, MAY 17 For the People (pro populo)

MONDAY, MAY 18

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Mike, Jonathan, Rudy & John Percle, Alfred/Percle Families & Judy Aucoin, Donald & Leona Smith, Smith & Wilma Alpha, Hal Thomas, Max Griffin, Gracie Andrews, Murray & Margie St. Romain, Rodney St. Romain, Pat St. Romain, Blume Roy & Thelma Roy Brassette, David Family, Marie & Paul Vella, Sr., Willie & Julie Bradberry, Justin Trimm, Jude Hebert, Ronnie Trimm, A. J. & Hilda Mayon, Joe & Shirley Baker, George & Maizie Chaisson, Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Carolyn Barbier, Logan, Sr., Irene, & Gwen Fromenthal, Norbert & Elise Templet, Vernie Verrett, Leonard & Darby Families, Sam & Charleen Lorenzo

TUESDAY, MAY 19

Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, Governale & Resignola Families, Elizabeth Adams, Fr. Clyde Mahler

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Calvin LeLeux

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Shonet Vedros, Nelda Comeaux, Antoinette Spinella, Bernie Hunter, Jerry Acosta, Jr., Aline Bertrand, Lois & Lester Fryon, Dot Myers, Calvin Blanco, Irma Blanco, Betty Boudreaux, Todd Watson, Jr., Orelia Degraffenaried, Delannie Howard, Ruby Beadle, Leslie LaBatut, Diana Greenwood, Roger Liner, Ray LaHoste, Ethan Marcel, Richey Garrett, Becky Gaudin, Steve Johnson, Jay Morell, Evelyn B. Willis, Caroline Noble, Michael McAdams, Sr., Lawrence Pennison, Edward Cedotal, Chantel Cortez, Jerry Fabre, Rick Cuvillier, Betty Guidry, Red Cuvillier, Jessica Guidry, Emmett Matassa, Yvonne Verret, Bill Darce, and all those affected by Covid-19 virus

MONTH OF MARY

Our Lady of Fatima

- May 13-Oct.13, 1917
- Fatima, Portugal
- Appeared 6 times to: Lucia dos Santos (age 9), Francisco Marto (age 8), Jacinta Marto (age 6)
- Apparition: Asked that everyone pray the Rosary everyday to bring peace and an end to the war. For the last vision (October 13,1917) 'Miracle of the Sun' was witnessed by tens of thousands of visitors.
- Feast Day: May 13
- Also known as:
 Our Lady of the Holy
 Rosary of Fatima



Our Lady of Siluva

- 1608
- Siluva, Lithuania
- Appeared to: a group of children tending sheep, then villagers, including a Calvinist minister.
- Apparition: Our Lady appeared on a rock holding an infant, bitterly weeping.
 When asked why, she stated her Son had been worshiped and adored there and now it was used for farming.





WEEKLY COLLECTION May 9th & 10th

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