



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Obligation has been dispensed in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux until further notice.

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion

Sunday 8:00 AM | in church

Sunday 10:30 AM | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion

Sunday 5:30 PM | in church

Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | 5:30 PM
Friday | 12:10 PM During Advent

CONFESSION: In St. Jude Chapel prior to all weekday and weekend masses

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

ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL (Stephensville)
Saturday 4:00 PM Confession prior to mass.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

READING 1 ISAIAH 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken, from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth. Rouse your power, and come to save us. **R.**

Once again, O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven, and see; take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted the son of man whom you yourself made strong. **R.**

May your help be with the man of your right hand, with the son of man whom you yourself made strong. Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we will call upon your name. **R.**

READING 2

1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALLELUIA

PSALM 85:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Show us Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

MARK 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

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WEAR A MASK



SOCIAL DISTANCING



NO PHYSICAL CONTACT

- Hand sanitizer is available. You may also bring your own sanitizers. Please clean your area before and after mass.
- Please receive Communion on your hand, holding it out flatly so that the priest can distribute without contact.
- There will be no offertory procession. Place your offerings in the designated baskets as you arrive or depart Mass. You may set up recurring payments on our website holycrossmc.org or use PayPal or Venmo @holycrossmc to support the church.
- We ask that there be no congregating in church after Mass.



Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

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.

Kyrie

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Ky`rie ele`ison, Ky`rie ele`ison

You came to call sinners: Christe ele`ison, Christe ele`ison

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Ky`rie ele`ison, Ky`rie ele`ison

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.

Offertory Antiphon

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

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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

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

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, misere`re nobis

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, misere`re nobis

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, dona nobis pacem.

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.

Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

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
by 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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

Donations for floral decorations for Christmas in memory of your loved ones are now being accepted. Envelopes may be found in the church foyer. Please place the envelopes in collection baskets at mass or bring to church office during weekday office hours. Memorials received by December 11 will be posted in the December 20 Bulletin.

HOLY CROSS ENCOUNTER NIGHT

THE LIGHT IS ON!

DECEMBER 16 | 6:00-8:00 PM |

Yvonne Anne Adams Life Center

Join us for a night of prayer and reflection with Adoration and Confession.

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US

- Men's Rosary | Fridays | 6:45 AM
- Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary FOR ALL Saturdays | 4:55 PM Before mass

SAVE THE DATE



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Giving Tuesday, a global generosity movement, was created in 2012 as a day to encourage people to do good. It focuses on the charitable nature of people encouraging them to donate time, talents, and resources to local and global needs. This year, #GivingTuesday is December 1 and officially kicks off the charitable season and end-of-year giving. To find out more information, go to our website: holycrossmc.org/giving

PARISH NEWS

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

ADVENT SCHEDULE

MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | 5:30 PM
FRIDAY | 12:10 PM
MEN'S ROSARY | FRIDAY | 6:45 AM
ROSARY | SATURDAY | 4:55 PM

Come | Worship | Belong

DAILY MASS ADDED FOR ADVENT

Starting December 4, there will be a daily mass on Friday at 12:10 PM for the Advent season.

Come | Worship | Belong

Please return your commitment card by: mailing it using the pre-addressed envelope, bringing it to Mass and placing in baskets, or visiting our parish website. Please return to the parish by Sunday, November 29.

2021 MASS BOOK AND SICK LIST

The Mass Book for 2021 is now open.

Please list all names and mass dates of those you wish to remember at masses throughout the year. Mail requests to the church office, place them in the collection basket at mass marked Mass Intentions, or bring to office during weekday office hours.

New Pray for Sick List

Our Pray for the Sick list will begin again in January. Please call the office (985-3551) or reply to the weekly email to remain on the list.

WHAT IS LITURGY?

Why are we here? What is the meaning of life and the purpose of my existence? Why did God make me? God made me to know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him in this life and to be with Him forever in the next. In Hebrew the word for serve ('abad) means to serve as we think of it in English. But, when directed to God, the word serve ('abad) means to worship. And the worship of God is very specific. His instructions are clear. We come together to serve, i.e. to worship, God in the way in which He wants to be worshiped. We come together because our God has called us to liturgy. Liturgy, a Greek word, simply means "public work." And when we come for this public work--the worship into which God invites us through His Church we learn about Him as we hear His word proclaimed, we grow in love for Him by spending time with Him, and we receive a foretaste of Heaven, where we will be with Him forever. If we come to our public worship -- Holy Mass, Sacraments, Liturgy of the Host -- prepared and expectant, then we will truly serve God and He will glorify us, raising us up to Heaven.

"THE LITURGY IS THE SUMMIT TOWARD WHICH THE ACTIVITY OF THE CHURCH IS DIRECTED; AT THE SAME TIME IT IS THE FONT FROM WHICH ALL HER POWER FLOWS."

VATICAN II, SACROSANCTUM CONCILIUM, §10

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



REFLECTION

- How often do I remind myself of the purpose of my life?
- Am I convinced that God has my best interests in mind?
- That coming to know, love, and serve Him are truly what's best for me?
- Do I prepare for Mass with a few minutes of quiet in church before we begin?
- How could a few minutes of quiet before this liturgy in which I participate every week make a positive impact upon my life?



GREG CORRALES

FINANCE COUNCIL

MORGAN CITY, LA

- Favorite thing about Louisiana: Outdoors, fishing and hunting
- Early bird or night owl? I like to get up early.
- Strongest sense? Hearing
- A bucket list item: Skydive
- Favorite type of music: Rock, country, and classic rock
- Favorite Halloween costume: Shark
- Favorite Christmas movie: Christmas Vacation
- Favorite pizza topping: Pepperoni and as much cheese as possible.
- Favorite quote: "Worry is an inefficient cycle of thoughts whirling around a center of fear."
- Farthest you've been from home: Bahamas, Syracuse, Cancun
- Favorite team sport: Football
- Favorite foreign food: All
- Roller coasters: They are okay.
- Advice you would give your 18 year old self: Save money and buy things without having to borrow money.
- What do you think heaven is like? Never ending supply of your happiest moments on Earth.

WILLIAM "BILL" HIDALGO, SR.

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NEW ORLEANS, LA



- Early Bird or Night Owl? Neither
- Strongest sense? Smell
- Favorite hymn: Ave Maria
- Favorite pizza topping: Meat
- Favorite quote: "Ain't Nobody got time for that."
- Farthest you've been from home: Vietnam
- Favorite team sport: Football
- Favorite foreign food: German
- Last concert: Neil Diamond
- Invite three people (dead or alive) to a dinner party: I would invite my mother, my father, and my wife.
- What do you think heaven is like? Peaceful



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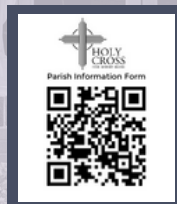
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SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Performed 3rd Sunday of each month.
Matrimony: Couples must register on our website and make arrangements at least 6 months prior to marriage.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

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, Mr. & Mrs. Oswald Verret, Marie & Paul Vella
St. Rosalie: Howard Thibodaux, Rosemary Cutrera, Jerry Acosta, Sr., Brandon J. Terry

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominic Nguyen Van Hien, Dominic 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, Willie & Julie Bradberry, Justin Trimm, Jude Hebert, Ronnie Trimm, Carolyn Barbier, Rudy Mendoza, Blake James Melancon, Dot Myers, Joseph & Bernice Hargrave, Danny Peterson, Frank Guarisco

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominic Nguyen Van Hien, Dominic Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc,

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, Governale & Resignola Families, David Robicheaux, Edward Patterson, Jr., Violet, Haidee & Evans Hebert, Bena Arnie

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominic Nguyen Van Hien, Dominic Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Trey Smith, Dot Myers, P. U. Melancon

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Nelda Comeaux, Antoinette Spinella, Bernie Hunter, Jerry Acosta, Jr., Aline Bertrand, Lois & Lester Fryon, 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, Rick Cuvillier, Betty Guidry, Red Cuvillier, Emmett Matassa, Nikki Fromenthal, John Thompson, Evelyn B. Willis, Ferris & Margaret Romaine, Heidi Darby, Ronald & Debbie Leonard, Chasitiy Stansbury, Dawn Costa, Mable Lester, Chelesa All, Sandra Fromenthal Cox, Patrick Falgout, Noah Fruge, James Anslum, Pearl Haase, Nettie Acosta, Miko Katsura, Brian Melancon, Sandi Guarisco, Neldra & Larry Giroir, Ashlee Jimenez, Regina Noble, Steven Insler, Jim Mestepey, Madison Anne Wagner, Gary Mouillet, Sr., Stephanie Smith, Brian Guidry, Gary Vining, and anyone affected by Covid-19.

MASS VOLUNTEERS

WEEKEND OF: NOVEMBER 28-29

SATURDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Andrea Ziegenbusch

Bulletins: Andrea Ziegenbusch

Ushers: James Hale

Sanitizer: Diane Irwin

SUNDAY 8:00 AM Lector: Marie Minton

Bulletins: Marie Minton

Ushers: Jay Prestenbach, Thaddeus Marcell

Sanitizer: Jennifer Young

SUNDAY 10:30 AM Lector: Lisa Thibodeaux

Bulletins: Lynette Aulds, Maria Barbier

Ushers: Randy Aulds, David Irwin

Sanitizer: Keith Thibodeaux

SUNDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Kellye Jo Patterson

Bulletins: Mary Domangue

Ushers: John Dubois

Sanitizer: Katie Fryou

WEEKEND OF: DECEMBER 5-6

SATURDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Linda Arceneaux

Bulletins: James Hale

Ushers: James Hale

Sanitizer: Jolene Holt

SUNDAY 8:00 AM Lector: Lori Jo Case

Bulletins: Ray Prestenbach

Ushers: Thaddeus Marcell

Sanitizer: Ray Prestenbach

SUNDAY 10:30 AM Lector: Claire Guarisco

Bulletins: Lynette Aulds

Ushers: Randy Aulds, David Irwin

Sanitizer: Peggy LaFleur

SUNDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Kellye Jo Patterson

Bulletins: Selena Shannon

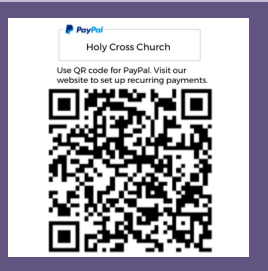
Ushers: Kenny Duval

Sanitizer: Katie Fryou

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