





MASS SCHEDULE

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

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM | in church | livestreamed | 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

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.





READING 1 EZEKIEL 18:25-28

Thus says the LORD: You say, "The LORD's way is not fair!" Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your love are from of old.

The sins of my youth and my frailties remember not; in your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice, and teaches the humble his way.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

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ANTIPHONS in Ordinary Time

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.

READING 2

PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus, Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL MATTHEW 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not, 'but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir, 'but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."







IASK SOCIAL DISTANCING

• 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. As always, you may set up recurring payments on our website holycrossmc.org or use PayPal or Venmo @holycrossmc to support the church.

• We respectfully ask that there be no congregating in church after Mass. Please depart immediately after Mass is concluded.

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 Lord, 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.

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

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

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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.



PARISH NEWS

Griefshare: Two Opportunities

GriefShare Sessions

STARTING AGAIN SEPTEMBER 28 | Mondays | 5:30-6:30 PM | Yvonne Adams Life Center

Lunch & Share

Come with your lunch for support and sharing with others. STARTING OCTOBER 1 | Thursdays | 12:10-12:50 | Church Office

For More Information: Call 384-3551 or email keith.thibodeaux@holycrossmc.org

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact the church office 384-3551 or email colleen.hunter@holycrossmc.org for more information.

Hurricane Relief

Learn more about how you can help with donations of time, money, or supplies and for a link to an Amazon wish list by visiting the relief page on the diocesan website: htdiocese.org/hurricane-laura-relief

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US

Men's Rosary | Fridays | 6:45 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary FOR ALL Saturdays | 4:55 PM Before 5:30 Mass

Come. Worship. Belong.

Over the next few weeks, you will hear about Holy Cross Parish's "Come. Worship. Belong." program. This effort is an essential component of our mission and vision for our parish family In order to move forward in that vision, we are asking all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on our mission and ministries. We will celebrate a special "Commitment Weekend" on October 24 & 25. More information will be provided for you before that time; however, if you have any questions regarding the "Come. Worship. Belong." program, please contact the church office.

Holy Cross Youth Formation

Classes begin:

ELEMENTARY | WED. 9-30 | 5:30-6:30 PM JUNIOR HIGH | SUN. 9-27 | 4:00-6:30 PM HIGH SCHOOL | SUN. 9-27 | 5:30-8:15 PM

DIOCESAN BLUE MASS

The annual Blue Mass for police, fire fighters, emergency responders and members of the military will be celebrated on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 11:00 AM at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, Thibodaux. September 29th is the feast of the archangels, one of whom, St. Michael, is the patron saint of community protectors. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this year, the Mass will be open only to members of the protection agencies and family members of the deceased of those agencies who will be memorialized.

Sacramentality: Objects Part III: Vestments

Every priest preparing for Mass goes through a process called "vesting", wherein he puts on those articles of clothing which are particular to his priesthood. Each vestment represents a particular desire for purity, and presents sacramentally the priest's call to chastity, charity, and the fulfillment of the dignity that his ministerial priesthood calls him to. He is arming himself for the battle against darkness that every Christian must fight daily, but he also seeks to keep himself pure for heaven, and keep himself as a pure and undefiled sign of Christ for his people (Christ the head, in persona Christi capitis). His garb also reminds us that divine worship is about to occur, for we do not see him in such clothing outside of the celebration of the liturgy. Perhaps the best way to enter into a deeper sacramental understanding of the priestly vestments is by deeper meditation on the vesting prayers themselves.

Vesting Prayers

Before he vests for Mass, the celebrant washes his hands and asks for the grace of purity: *Give virtue, O Lord, to my hands, that every stain may be wiped away, that I may be enabled to serve you without defilement of mind or body.*

• The Amice, a rectangular piece of white linen cloth, is the helmet of salvation and a sign of resistance against temptation. The priest usually kisses it and passes it over his head before putting it across his shoulders and tying it around the waist.

Place, O Lord, on my head the helmet of salvation, that I may overcome the assaults of the devil.

• <u>The Alb</u>, a white tunic which covers the priest's whole body, signifies perfect integrity.

Purify me, O Lord, from all stain and cleanse my heart, that, washed in the Blood of the Lamb, I may enjoy eternal delights.

• <u>The Cincture</u>, a cord which fastens the alb at the waist, symbolizes the virtue of purity.

Gird me, O Lord, with the cincture of purity, and quench in my heart the fire of concupiscence, that the virtue of continence and chastity may remain in me.

• The Stole, the long band that fits around the neck, is a symbol of immortality and the sign of the dignity of the ministerial priesthood.

Restore to me, O Lord, the state of immortality which was lost to me by my first parents, and, although unworthy to approach your sacred mysteries, grant me, nevertheless, eternal joy.

• <u>The Chasuble</u>, the outermost vestment worn by the celebrant at Mass, is the emblem of charity which makes the yoke of Christ light and agreeable.

O Lord, you said, "My yoke is sweet and my burden light," grant that I may carry it so as to obtain your grace. Amen.



Reflection

- Do I think of preparing my heart for the liturgy just as my priest prepares his heart and his garments?
- Can I start trying to prepare myself as he does, taking time in silent meditation on the dispositions of my heart before the liturgy begins?
- This week, perhaps pray the vesting prayers for your own heart, even though you are not vesting as a ministerial priest. Ask for those same virtues he is asking for!



PAM POURCIAU

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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- How do you serve Holy Cross Parish: Pastoral Council, church environment team, digital librarian, reader, Liturgical Minister, and office volunteer
- Favorite thing about Louisiana: The people and the
- Favorite saint: St. Joan of Arc my patron saint! She was a strong, independent woman and a rebel! Traits I admire greatly.
- A Bucket List Item: Alaskan Cruise
- Favorite Halloween costume: Pippi Longstocking
- Favorite Christmas Movie: White Christmas
- Favorite Pizza Topping: Olives
- Favorite quote: "Some men see things as they are and say 'why'. I dream things that never were and say 'why not."
- Farthest you've been from home: Paris, France
- Favorite Book: Leaves of Grass by Walt Whitman I love the poetry of God's creation!
- What advice would you give your 18 year old self? Ask more questions. You really don't know
- Invite three people (dead or alive) to a dinner party: Joan of Arc, Mother Teresa, and Barbara Bush - all women of strong values and convictions, and not afraid to stand by them. I admire them all.
- What do you think heaven is like? Wow! A peace and tranquility that is even greater than I could ever

MIKE POURCIAU

PASTORAL COUNCIL

BATON ROUGE. LA



- Favorite thing about Louisiana: It's a Sportsman's Paradise
- Favorite Saint: Saint Michael
- A Bucket List Item: Alaskan Cruise
- Favorite Holiday: Christmas because I think most people are happier at that time.
- Favorite hymn: On Eagles Wings
- Favorite Halloween Costume: Popeye
- Favorite Christmas Movie: Scrooge
- Favorite Pizza Topping: Peppers
- Favorite Quote: "Without cost, you have received; without cost, you are to give."
- Farthest you've been from home: Paris, France
- Favorite Book: Bill O'Reilly Legends and Lies, The Patriots because I like history
- Last Concert: Martina McBride
- What advice would you give your 18 year old self? Go to college!
- Invite three people (dead or alive) to a dinner party: My dad, Uncle Rene', Uncle Herman (all dead but were a lot of fun)
- What do you think heaven is like? I once went to Yosemite National Park and walked through a sequoia forest. I was in awe. In every direction I looked, I saw things that only God could have made. I'm sure heaven will be filled with wonders in every direction.

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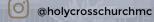
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

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, H. S. & Marie Hover, Mr. & Mrs. Oswald Verret, Rucco Guarisco, Jr., Carlo Gagliano, Sr.

St. Rosalie: Howard Thibodaux, Rosemary Cutrera, Jerry Acosta, Sr.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

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, Willie & Julie Bradberry, Justin Trimm, Jude Hebert, Ronnie Trimm, Carolyn Barbier, Marie Mae Swiber, Edward Patterson, Jr., Tyler Black, Rudolph Mendoza, Red Arceneaux, Willaim Darce, Jr., Evans Hebert

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Edward Patterson, Jr., Red Arceneaux, Evelyn Fitch & Family, Dr. & Mrs. Nat Morice, Jr. Family, Frank & Jospehine Resignola

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, Governale & Resignola Families, David Robicheaux, Mary Austin Adams, Lee Guillory, Lee J. Guarisco, Neville Hebert, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Frank & Josephine Resignola, Catherine Brown, Barry Henry

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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, Rick Cuvillier, Betty Guidry, Red Cuvillier, Emmett Matassa, Nikki Fromenthal, John Thompson, Evelyn B. Willis, Ferris & Margaret Romaire, 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, Suzanne Lipari, Ashlee Jimenez, and anyone affected by Covid-19.

MASS VOLUNTEERS

WEEKEND OF: SEPTEMBER 26-27

SATURDAY 5:30PM Lector: Andrea Ziegenbusch

Bulletins: Andrea Ziegenbusch

Ushers: James Hale Sanitizers: Volunteers

SUNDAY 8:00 AM Lector: Marie Minton

Bulletins: Marie Minton

Ushers: Ray Prestenbach, Thaddeus Marcell Sanitizers: Jennifer Young and volunteers **SUNDAY 10:30 AM** Lector: Lori Jo Case Bulletins: Lynette Aulds, Maria Barbier Ushers: Randy Aulds, David Irwin

Sanitizers: Lynette Aulds, Peggy LaFleur SUNDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Kellye Patterson

Bulletins: Selena Shannon Ushers: John Dubois

Sanitizers: Selena Shannon, Kellye Patterson

WEEKEND OF: OCTOBER 3-4 SATURDAY 5:30PM Lector: Linda Arceneaux

Bulletins: James Hale Ushers: James Hale

Sanitizers: Jolene Holt and volunteers

SUNDAY 8:00 AM Lector: Georgia Lajaunie

Bulletins: Ray Prestenbach

Ushers: Thaddeus Marcell, Ray Prestenbach Sanitizers: Ray Presetenbach and volunteers <u>SUNDAY 10:30 AM</u> Lector: Claire Guarisco Bulletins: LeeAnne Landry, Mary Domingue

Ushers: Randy Aulds, David Irwin Sanitizers: Peggy Lafleur, Lynette Aulds SUNDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Kellye Patterson

Bulletins: Selena Shannon Ushers: Kenny Duval

Sanitizers: Selena Shannon and Volunteers



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