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Mission Statement; *Holy Cross Catholic Church is a faith community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We strive for holiness and growth in our faith as we serve those around us.*
Adopted 2013

WELCOME VISITORS & NEW PARISHIONERS

PARISH REGISTRATION:

Registration forms are available in the church office and at the Information desk in the hallway. Membership is a condition for the reception of the sacraments of baptism, reconciliation, first Eucharist, confirmation and marriage.

Those of you who are MEMBERS - Please let us know if you have a change of address, or if you have a new phone number. Help us keep costs down by letting us know when you move. Thank you!

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION:

Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the parish office so that Holy Communion may be brought to their homes.

MARRIAGE:

Couples intending to marry should contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

BAPTISM CLASS:

Held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Please call the office to register for the upcoming date and time.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Tuesday by 5:00 pm in writing or email
hheger@holycrosswestfargo.com

RCIA:

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church or are interested in learning more about the teachings of the faith, please call the parish office at 282-7217.

HOLY CROSS MOBILE APP:



The Holy Cross mobile app is available to download. Find us in the app store. Search My Parish App. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, and an easy-to-access event calendar. Enjoy additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or confession, and much more.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Daniel Mears	Leo Blotsky
Vickie Bittner	Anthony Thompson
Gabby Dahl	Wayne Ward
David Skow	Elaine & Cy Byrd
Eugene Braun	Tryee & Decklin Byrd
Ken Gustin	Janice Richter
Jack Olinger	Fr Tony Welle
Dorothy Beaudoin	Tim Eider
Carol Berg	Richard Elless
Claudia DeVries	Mandy Hoyt
Rodney Reith	Dorothy Stegmiller
Lee Knudsvig	Leo Gregoire
Emanuel Volk	Mary Ann Paluck
Michael Schnepf	Judy Elless
Kari Kolstoe	Ryan & Sarah Sanborn
Tim Pollock	Maggie Krumm

And all who are experiencing illness and are not listed by name. If you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound or would like to have a family member included in the prayers for the sick, call the parish office at 282-7217.

PRAYERS FOR THE ARMED FORCES

Remember in prayer:

Major Diann Olson, Captain Dixie Klein Aune, Stefani Nistler, Major Liea Misialek, Daniel Lee Cariveau, Specialist E4 Brandon Clifton, Nick Allred & Chandler Haut, SSG Stephanie Burdick Thielges, SFC William Burdick, SGT Jakob Burdick, SFC Fielding Olson, Anthony Heise, David Morse, Technical Sgt E6 Andres Gonzalez, Technical Sgt E6 Leah Gonzalez, Tech Sergeant **Chris Harris., E4 Brandon Smith, E4 Te'ler Smith, Patrick Eldridge, Brian Richter, Lieutenant Commander Kevin Furst.**

If any family has people in the Armed Services that they would like to be prayed for, please contact the church office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62; Jn 8:1-11
TUESDAY	Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
WEDNESDAY	Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95; Jn 8:31-42
THURSDAY	Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
FRIDAY	Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
SATURDAY	Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
SUNDAY	Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66

Mass Intentions

All Mass Intentions are currently said off-site

MONDAY, March 30th

+ Irene Pollock by Pam Garman Hill

TUESDAY, March 31st

Tabatha Kelsch by Bev & Tom Kelsch

WEDNESDAY, April 1st

For the residents of the Cooperative Living Center
Mary & Paul Molick by Gail & Larry Nelson

THURSDAY, April 2nd

Kelly & Doug Wald & family by Rita Wald

FRIDAY, April 3rd

+ Tony Holub by Carol & LeRoy Holub

SATURDAY, April 4th

+ Clifford Axtman by the Axtman family

SUNDAY, April 5th

Elizabeth & Christopher Boechler by Linda Boechler
+ Charlotte Lacher by David Lacher
+ Clara Brossart by Linda Bartsch
Holy Cross Catholic Community

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays: 9 am to 8 pm in the Daily Chapel

No Adoration until further notice.

PRAYER DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

WEDDING BANNS

God grant you many joyful years together and bless your home with health and happiness!

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Matthew Schneider & Kayla Haaland
April 24, 2020

SUNDAY MASS

Join us for Mass Sunday mornings at 9:00 am at www.holycrosswestfargo.com!

CONFESSIONS

Confession will be held Monday-Friday from 6-7 pm in the Multi-purpose Room and the small Chapel with screens (confession can only be done behind the screen) through Holy Thursday. There will be chairs spread out in the back of the church for social distancing. Please only use those chairs. If you need confession at another time, please call the church office number (282-7217) to set up an appointment.

CONTRIBUTIONS

We have had some questions about offering. If you so wish, you can drop off your envelope at the church. The little house is stationed behind the gate at the front desk that you can slip it into. Contributions can also be mailed. Thank you for your generosity during this time.

PALM SUNDAY

There will be blessed palms available on Palm Sunday in the front entryway starting at 10:00 am if you wish to pick one up and go.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

to sign your child up for VBS you can either mail in the form to the church office or drop it in the house behind the gate at the front desk. Forms can be found on the church website.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO

Christel Urlaub
Daughter of Bob & Mae Urlaub

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER



Greetings to you all,

I hope you are all doing well under the circumstances. We continue to pray for an end to this trying time in our life and for the families in our parish, communities and the world who are stressed and looking for an end to this issue.

We're a week away from the start of Holy Week. Our Lord now has his sights set on Jerusalem, and the pace is quickening. In these next two weeks, we're living just one part of the Gospel passage from today: an encounter with the reality of suffering and death. Jesus is asking us to have faith in him.

The prophet Ezekiel reminds us of the Lord's promise to not only to bring us back to life but to bring us home. It doesn't take theology or catechism to realize that death is the biggest "game over" we experience in life. Believing in the Resurrection does not spare us from fearing the fact that we must be resurrected from something intrinsically unpleasant: death. Even as we lower our loved ones into the tomb, we are encouraged by the promise of the Lord that death will not have the last word. We'll not only be restored to life; we'll be brought home and returned to those we love. This is our HOPE, our belief in Him, even in our trying time now we need to focus on the HOPE, i.e. Jesus himself.

Paul reminds us that faith in being restored to life is not enough. We must believe that we have to bear Christ within us so that the Spirit may restore us to life. If we just believe in reincarnation or being absorbed into some cosmic energy, or just living on in the memory of those we leave behind or some cold stone monument, God's power cannot restore us to life. When we receive baptism, we die in Christ. We go under the water to represent descending into death, but we also bind our fate with that of Christ's and rise from the waters of death into new life. Next Sunday we'll remember Christ's journey from Incarnation to Passion and Death, and we'll participate in that. However, in faith and in Christ, we know that was not the end of Our Lord's story, and it will not be the end of ours either.

Within the Gospel today, Jesus shows us our faith combined with him is something much more. It is not just a passive faith that takes the shots as they come. Through Martha's faith in Christ, we see the power of belief conjoined to God. When news reaches him that Lazarus was sick, he didn't go hurrying to Bethany and said the illness would not end in death. However, he also added something a little more mysterious, something the disciples didn't pick up on, the illness was "for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." In our life of faith, we have to be attentive to Our Lord's words, because often at first glance we can pass over what he is trying to say to us. Faith is not just an assent to something presented to us as credible. It is also a source of light. We can go back to Our Lord's words over and over in faith and find new light and new meaning.

No one expected Our Lord would be able to bring back someone who'd been dead for days. All the other people he'd raised from the dead had only recently died. When Jesus told Martha her brother would rise, she knew, but she just thought Jesus was consoling her with the Jewish belief – even before Christ's Resurrection – that Lazarus would be raised with everyone else on the last day. Martha's faith had been strong enough to withstand not seeing Jesus for days and watching her brother die. It was strong enough to be the instrument for the sign he wanted to work for many other believers: the raising of her brother from death. He invited her to believe that even those who believed and died would live. She put her faith in him, not just the Jewish teaching about a future resurrection. When Jesus ordered the tomb to be opened, Martha's faith was rewarded, and the power of God through those who believe was shown.

We will all be rewarded if we put that Faith in Jesus, if we truly believe in Him. Pray to Him in a genuine love for whom He is, and we will never have to worry as we walk together.

Blessings of Love to you all,
Fr Jim

When the day comes to rejoice with new life, we will decorate the church with new flowers.
Thank you to those who have donated.

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Check out our website: www.kofc9642.org for activities and more information!

The Knights of Columbus Holy Cross Council #9642 meets on the 2nd Monday of every month starting at 7pm. Watch the bulletin for location.

March Knight of the month: Mike Mohs

March Family of the month: Terry & Michelle Angus; Jacob, Nate & Nick

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GOD'S GIFT APPEAL UPDATE

Parish Goal: \$184,833

Amount Pledged: \$64,764.84, which is 33% of the goal.

Parish Participation:

Families: 1747 Donors: 241 Participation: 12%

FREE BEANS

There will be bags of dried Pinto Beans available Monday if people would like to stop and pick them up from the table in the entryway. Donated from a Catholic family in the area.



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Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16th

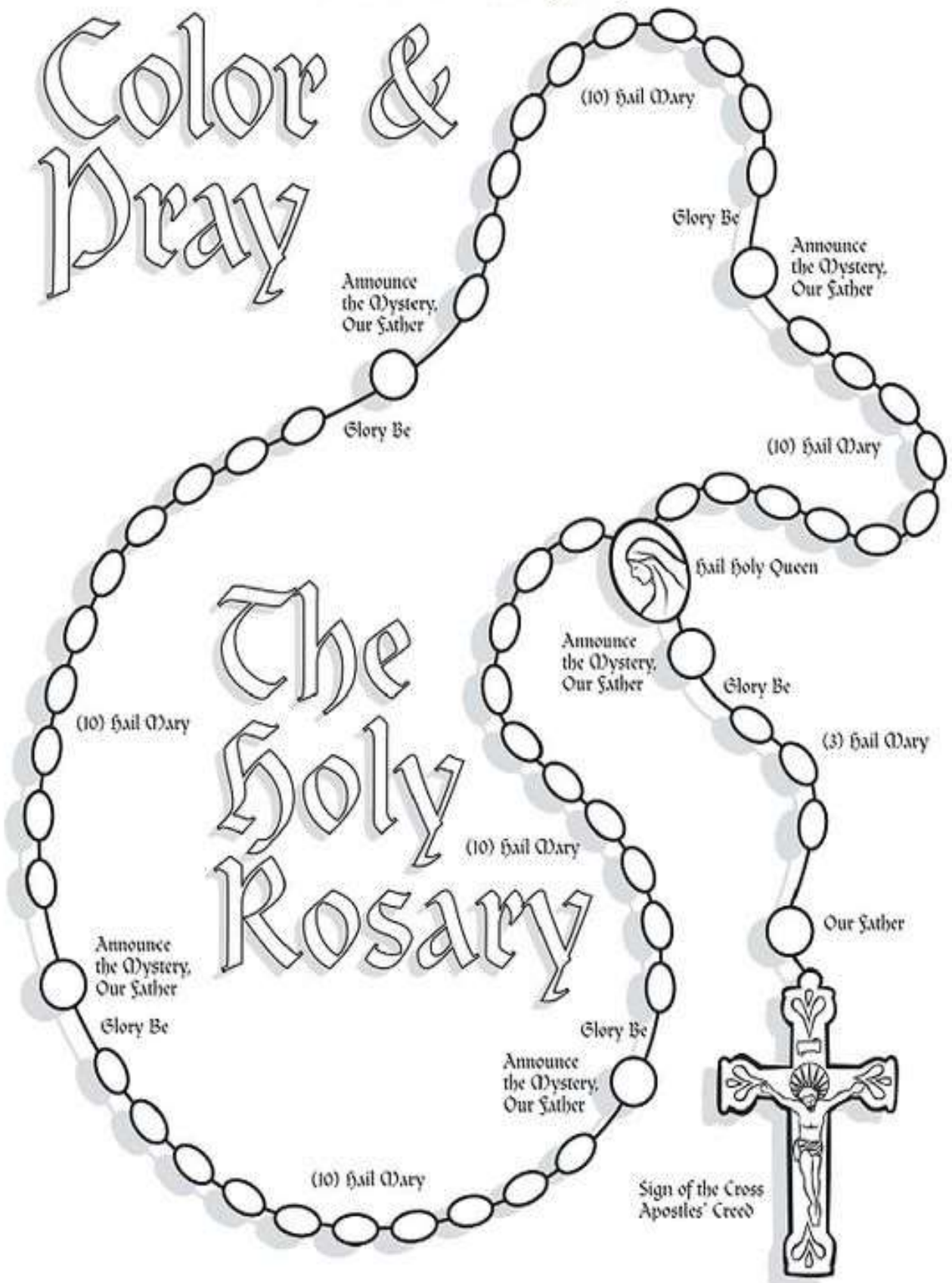
6:45 pm Rosary, 7:00 pm Business Meeting

Want more information? Call Elizabeth at 719-323-3897.



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