HELLO!

We are blessed to have made it to another fall season! God has placed each one of us here in this place and time. He has good things He wants to accomplish in our world through our lives together at Holy Cross parish.

First and foremost, THANK YOU! I am so grateful for your support. When we reopened our doors in late June, we had no idea how things would go. Your continued diligence in registering for Mass and following the Diocesan protocols has created the safest possible environment for the celebration of Mass. I know it has not been easy at times. I also want to share my gratitude for your continued financial support. Holy Cross is here today because of your generosity. I really can't say thank you enough. I am so excited for the great things that our parish is offering for your spiritual formation and growth. I plan to continue offering Catechism in a Nutshell and the Life in the Spirit seminar each week.

Blessings to you and your family,

[Signature]

Holy Cross Parish

Drive-Thru Fall Dinner

Sunday, October 18, 2020
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
St. Michael Church Parking Lot
2223 Indian Hills Drive

Chicken Dinner $10.00

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This year’s fall dinner has a brand new spin, now a drive-thru! You are encouraged to pre-order and select a pick-up time online by visiting our parish website. Our volunteers will bring your order right to your car.

If you do not have access to the internet please call Mary at 712-251-7012 or Sharon at 712-259-1936.
Together As One

The annual Diocesan Appeal is underway. Together as One offers an opportunity to come together and support our parish and Diocese. Please prayerfully consider sharing your blessings with others in our Diocese & parish who need it most. Your generous offering enhances our ability to provide for the physical and spiritual needs of persons who are vulnerable and in need.

Parish Goal

$63,634

Adoration

Beginning the week of September 28th St. Anthony Chapel at St. Michael Church and Blessed Sacrament Church will be open for weekly Adoration. See the schedule below. To provide you with the safest environment possible, please sign-up by visiting our parish website or call 712-277-2949.

St. Anthony Chapel
Tuesdays: 10:00 AM -3:00 PM

Blessed Sacrament Church
Thursdays: 10:00 AM -3:00 PM

Updates to the Celebration of Mass

As we continue to return to our new normal, we are so happy to share with you that Bishop Nickless is allowing for communion to take place at its normal time during the Mass! (We are a bit excited about this!)

As a reminder, Holy Communion will be distributed in one form, the Host. Ushers will assist in helping parishioners form a single line that incorporates the six-foot social distancing protocols. Holy Communion will only be received in the hand. Upon receiving the host, parishioners should step away six feet, consume the host, and immediately make their way back to their seats. At the conclusion of Mass, ushers will help dismiss, starting from the back of the church and making their way to the front. As you exit the church remember to grab a parish bulletin. (Another new “normal” feature!)

The parish bulletin can also be e-mailed directly to your inbox each week. Visit our parish website to sign up. We also have a brand new children’s bulletin for kids ages 3+. This is a great resource to help parents share the weekly Gospel message with your children.

www.HolyCrossSC.org
VIRTUAL MINI-RETREAT

Check out the re-launch of Sr. Gabrielle’s Mini-Virtual retreat. You can sign up by visiting our website or our group in Flocknote called Sacred Essentials. This mini retreat is just six days and is a work at your own pace retreat. We are so excited to be able to offer you a way to connect and grow in your faith.

Outline:
Introduction to the retreat, explanation of the process, topic overview.
Sunday Topic: Sanctuary
Monday Topic: Amazement
Tuesday Topic: Gratitude
Wednesday Topic: Courage
Thursday Topic: Hope
Friday Topic: Love, closing of the retreat

EXPLORING SACRED SCRIPTURE

The Bible Basics course will be available on October 18 as a virtual event! If you have ever wondered where the Bible came from, what is it really, and how you can use scripture in your personal and community prayer then this is the course for you! Stay tuned, more information will be sent out through e-mail, Facebook, and our parish bulletin.

Welcome Sr. Laura Ann

She is at heart a Husker fan, who grew up on a small farm near Madison, Nebraska, and is the daughter of Neal and Mary Haschke. Sr. Laura Ann graduated from Humphrey St. Francis and Northeast Community college. She has a deep love for art, piano, and any outdoor activity.

Sr. Laura Ann will be working in the Parish Office as an assistant for the religious education program and is looking forward to the next two years of being able to serve Holy Cross Parish.
THE PARISH CENSUS WAS A SUCCESS!
THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING

Holy Cross Parish heard from more than 930 families and we were able to correct contact information, gather new emails, phone numbers and addresses. We also gathered valuable insights to help develop our communications and stewardship. Holy Cross Parish will use this data to improve our parish moving forward. Below are just a few we would like to share with you:

PREFERRED WAYS TO RECEIVE PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Cross will work to honor your preferences for receiving announcements and news, whether it’s through emails, bulletins, MyParish App or all of the above.

PREFERRED METHODS OF COMMUNICATION

If a priest, staff member or ministry leader needs to get in touch with you, we will use your preferred contact method - phone, email or text messaging.

DO YOU FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK?

We will continue to use our Facebook page for communicating to our parishioners, as well as a tool for evangelization. If you are on Facebook, follow us at facebook.com/holycrossparishsc

ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF ONLINE GIVING?

We found out that a large number of our parishioners are in favor or interested in online giving. We are planning to discuss this more as a parish in January 2021.

WWW.HOLYCROSSSC.ORG
Upcoming Parish Events

October 2020
- We Care Organization: Lila Mae’s House
  18th: Drive-Thru Fall Dinner 11:00 am-3:00 pm

November 2020
- We Care Organization: Food Bank of Siouxland
  1st: All Saints Day (Holy Day) (Regular Sunday Mass)
- 8th & 15th: Confirmation Mass
- 21st: Angel Tree begins (formerly the Giving Tree & Tree of Love)
- 26th: Thanksgiving
  - Blessed Sacrament Church 7:30 AM
  - St. Michael Church 9:00 AM
  - 26th-29th: Parish Office closed
  - 29th: First Sunday of Advent

December 2020
- We Care Organization: Holy Cross Angel Tree
- 8th: Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
  - 6:45 AM Blessed Sacrament Church
  - 7:00 PM St. Michael Church
- 24th: Christmas Eve
  - 4:30 PM* (SM) (BS) (Live-streamed)
  - 6:30 PM* (SM) (BS)
  - 9:00 PM* (SM) (BS)
- 25th: Christmas Day
  - 7:30 AM* (BS)
  - 9:00 AM* (SM) (Live-streamed)
  - 10:00 AM* (BS)
- **Times are subject to change**

Parish Giving

We have several ways to give at Holy Cross Parish. We appreciate your help in keeping our parish vibrant, educating our children, and spreading the Word of God.

Mail your Contribution:
Holy Cross Parish
3012 Jackson Street
Sioux City, IA 51104

ACH Giving:
Now is a great time to set up automatic giving. Just fill out the enclosed form or visit our website.

Bank Pay:
Did you know that you can have your bank send Holy Cross a gift? This is a great option and easy to set up.

Online Gifts:
You can make online donations to the parish by visiting our parish website or the myParish App.

We are excited to announce that our parish now has access to premium video content from Word on Fire. By signing up on our website you can enjoy content such as:

- Catholicism 101
- The Sacraments
- The Mass

In addition, you now have access to the entire Word on Fire digital video library. You can watch any of Bishop Barron’s films or study programs whenever you want, on any device!
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New!

Save time! Order ahead & choose your pick up time!
www.holycrossSC.org

Don't want to order & pay ahead of time online. Fill out the form below & send cash/check to the parish office in the enclosed envelope.

Name__________________________________________________________________________________________________

Phone Number______________________________Email Address___________________________________________

Number of Dinners ($10/dinner)______________________ Donation Amount $__________________________

Please select a dinner pick-up time (Circle One)
11:00 AM  11:15 AM  11:30 AM  11:45 AM  12:00 PM  12:15 PM  12:30 PM  12:45 PM
1:00 PM  1:15 PM  1:30 PM  1:45 PM  2:00 PM  2:15 PM  2:30 PM  2:45 PM