

HOLY CROSS PARISH COMMUNITY

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October

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

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Mission Statement

Holy Cross Parish, a community centered in the Eucharist, is committed in faith and love of Jesus Christ to fulfill the profoundly human and spiritual needs of its parishioners and the larger community it serves. We seek to inspire all, through deeds and by example, to do the work of Christ: to make God known, loved, and served.

Pastoral Staff

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Please submit bulletin notices to the office in writing by noon on Mondays

Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Sunday: 8:30 a.m., and 10:00 a.m.

Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation - 9:00 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Sacraments

Baptism: Contact a member of the pastoral team to schedule a baptism for your child or for preparation for adult baptism.

Sacrament of Christian Marriage: Please contact one of the priests eight months to a year in advance to schedule your wedding and begin preparations.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: This sacrament is available to anyone who is ill. Please let us know if you or anyone you know is hospitalized or homebound.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend concludes our sacramental catch-up from the spring. Fifty-four of our parish tenth graders are being confirmed this weekend during two special Masses on Saturday and one Sunday afternoon. They were originally scheduled to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation back on May 10th. Please keep these teen parishioners and their families in your prayers as they transition from formal faith formation into faithfully continuing to learn and practice their Christian faith as fully initiated Catholics.

The Outreach Drop-off Drive is happening this Sunday, October 4th, in front of church from 8:30-11:00 a.m. Items for the various agencies we support can be dropped off in the horseshoe driveway in front of church. Please especially consider donating items to help single mothers at Louison Shelter celebrate their child's birthday: birthday bags (size 8x10 or larger), balloons, candles, birthday decorations; birthday cards, cake mix, foil cake pans, frosting, sprinkles, and cake decorations requested.

Other requested supplies: PLEASE MARK YOUR DONATIONS FOR WHICH AGENCY.

Father Bill's/Mainspring: deodorant, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, combs, canned vegetables

Birthingright: baby wipes, diapers, small drug store gift cards

Family & Community Resources: canned soup, pasta and sauce, mac & cheese, rice, canned fruit & vegetables, side dishes, toiletries

My's Brother's Keeper: cooking oil, salt, pepper, spices, flour, sugar, baking mixes, pancake mix and maple syrup, sponges, foil, plastic baggies/ wrap, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, paper goods, dish-washing liquid

Louison Family Shelter: snacks for kids lunches, baking mixes, canned goods, macaroni and cheese, juice, pasta, Birthday Bag supplies.

Make sure to enter the Autumn Raffle with the first of 31 drawings starting Friday, October 16th. Submit entries by placing in the collection baskets in marked envelope, drop off at the parish center in the outside drop box to the left of the main doors, send through the mail, or enter online through the parish homepage: www.holycrosseaston.org Each entry is \$10.00 and each day's winner will be re-entered into the mix to possibly win again. A fun way to raise needed funds budgeted into our annual operating budget. Thank you for your support.

You all remain in my daily prayers as the covid-19 pandemic continues affecting everyone's lives in some immediate or tangential way. Wearing a mask, keeping hands clean, and maintaining safe distance from others are necessary inconveniences until a vaccine is approved and distributed throughout the United States and the world. I am grateful these three main protocols have helped us emerge from 2 ½ months of quarantine to much more active lives these past four months. I pray during this fifth month of October that we continue enjoying the ability to live more active lives within needed limits. It has been encouraging to hear teachers mention during these first weeks of school how students and parents appreciate much, much more what teachers and administrators do for them at school. Keep up the great and diligent work of educating minds and hearts. Our nation and world depend on you in inspiring, nurturing, and developing a future of hope and promise.

God Bless,

Fr. Brad



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Reading 1, Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing my beloved the song of my friend for his vineyard. My beloved had a vineyard on a fertile hillside.

He dug it, cleared it of stones, and planted it with red grapes. In the middle he built a tower, he hewed a press there too. He expected it to yield fine grapes: wild grapes were all it yielded.

And now, citizens of Jerusalem and people of Judah, I ask you to judge between me and my vineyard.

What more could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? Why, when I expected it to yield fine grapes, has it yielded wild ones?

Very well, I shall tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I shall take away its hedge, for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall, for it to be trampled on.

I shall let it go to waste, unpruned, undug, overgrown by brambles and thorn-bushes, and I shall command the clouds to rain no rain on it.

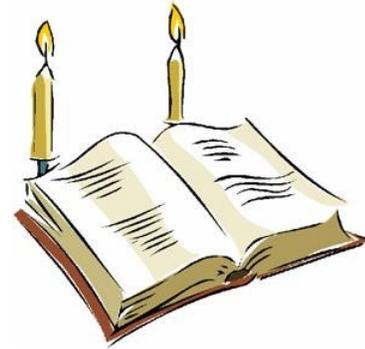
Now, the vineyard of Yahweh Sabaoth is the House of Israel, and the people of Judah the plant he cherished. He expected fair judgement, but found injustice, uprightness,

Reading 2, Philippians 4:6-9

Never worry about anything; but tell God all your desires of every kind in prayer and petition shot through with gratitude, and the peace of God which is beyond our understanding will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, let your minds be filled with everything that is true, everything that is honourable, everything that is upright and pure, everything that we love and admire -- with whatever is good and praiseworthy.

Keep doing everything you learnt from me and were told by me and have heard or seen me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you.



Gospel – Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people:
“Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey.

When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce.

But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned.

Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way.

Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, ‘They will respect my son.’

But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.’

They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?”

They answered him, “He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times.”

Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?

Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.”

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 God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks;
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you take away the sin 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.



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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.

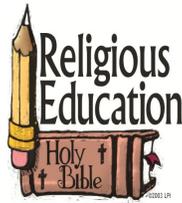
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom 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.



Our weekly Mass streams on our YouTube channel every Saturday for the 4:00 p.m. Mass and can be viewed after whenever convenient.



Faith Formation Registration is open!

We are wrapping up faith formation and preparing to launch on Oct. 18th! Please spread the word!

Contact Margaret Dwyer Hogan, Director of Faith Formation at mdhogan@holycrosseaston.org for more information, or visit our webpage to find the link to register your family today.

“The Family That Prays Together, Stays Together” Venerable Patrick Peyton.



Having previewed PRAY: THE STORY OF PATRICK PEYTON, we can't urge all of you strongly enough to head to theaters the weekend of Oct 9 to see the true story of the man behind the famous phrase, "The Family That Prays Together Stays Together."

Born into a poor family in Ireland, Patrick Peyton came to America to seek riches but instead rediscovered his priestly vocation. After Our Lady miraculously saved his life, Father Peyton went on a mission to promote the Rosary and family prayer, working with some of Hollywood's biggest stars and traveling the globe. You will be amazed and inspired!

Ticket and theater info can be found at Pray-TheFilm.com. Also, join the exciting new prayer movement at PrayTogetherNow.com



Saturday, October 3

4:00 p.m.: Adam Simon
requested by Don & Marianne

Sunday, October 4

8:30 a.m.: Elizabeth Nau
requested by Arthur Coughlin & Matthew Nau
10:00 a.m.: Edward and Claire Shockley
requested by Shockley Family



HIRING - Little Flower Early Learning Center Program Director

The Catholic Schools Office is looking for a Program Director who will be responsible for the operation of a newly established Catholic Early Learning Center in Attleboro, MA. The Program Director is required to be a practicing Catholic and will be responsible for the educational program of children ages 8 weeks to 3.9 years old. They will also be responsible for the daily care of the Center and adherence to diocesan policies.

For a complete job description, please go to <http://www.catholicschoolsalliance.org/wp-content/uploads/LFELC-Program-Director.pdf>.

Send your cover letter and resume to: sdrumme@catholiccsa.org

**Let Your Voice Be Heard – Again
“Say No to ROE”**

The state legislature has extended the session until January 5th, 2021. Please remind the members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary that you oppose the expansion of abortion in Massachusetts. Please call the Committee at 617-722-2396 and let them know you are opposed to H3320 and S1209 – the ROE legislation. Every telephone call helps! Remember these bills would remove: The requirement that young girls obtain consent before an abortion

The requirement that efforts be made to save a living baby who survives abortion
The requirement that late term abortions be performed in hospitals

And the bills would allow abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy

For more information about how the ROE legislation would expand abortion in Massachusetts, visit www.macatholic.org.



Thank you!

Holy Cross Parish Fundraiser Autumn Raffle 2020

31 Chances to Win! Only \$10 per Entry! Over \$2000 in Prizes!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					16 \$50	17 \$50
18 \$100	19 \$50	20 \$50	21 \$50	22 \$50	23 \$250	24 \$50
25 \$100	26 \$50	27 \$50	28 \$50	29 \$50	30 \$50	31 \$50
1 \$100	2 \$50	3 \$50	4 \$50	5 \$50	6 \$50	7 \$50
8 \$100	9 \$50	10 \$50	11 \$50	12 \$50	13 \$50	14 \$50
15 \$350						

- Each calendar, with 31 chances to win, can be purchased for only \$10.00.
- Winners' names will be resubmitted into the pool making you eligible to win multiple times during the remaining daily drawings throughout the month of October!
- The more tabs you buy, the more chances you to win.
- Proceeds from the October Raffle assist Holy Cross Parish in meeting our ongoing operating expenses. Needed more than ever this year during covid-19.

Please fill out the tab below, detach and submit with payment by Wednesday, October 14th for the most chances to win or any day thereafter in October.

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- Tabs with payment may also be returned in a marked envelope directly in the collection baskets, dropped in the drop box outside the parish center doors, **or you can enroll touch free on the parish homepage: www.holycrosseaston.org**
- Winners will be notified by phone or email each day.

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Holy Cross October Raffle 2020

Please make checks payable to Holy Cross Church.

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Thank you for your donation. Good Luck!