



## THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 22 JUNE 2025



***“And taking the five loaves and the two fish,  
he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke them,  
and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd.”***

### *Announced Mass intentions*

Sat., June 21	5:00PM Mass: +Kenneth Burgess +Livia & +Otto Thur
Sun., June 22	<b>HOLY BODY &amp; BLOOD OF CHRIST CORPUS CHRISTI</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Albert Pecho +Pauline Huss & +George Huss
Wed., June 25	12:15PM Mass: +Marthe Thibault
Thurs., June 26	12:15PM Mass:
Fri., June 27	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Sarah Rechnitzer +Maria Rechnitzer
Sat., June 28	5:00PM Mass: +Helena Pecho +Josef Pecho
Sun., June 29	<b>SAINTS PETER AND PAUL APOSTLES</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Fred Pilgrim +Mr. & Mrs. Dr. Dupuis +Sally Philip

### *Events Calendar ...*

Sat., June 21	10:00AM <b>SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION</b> – Church 4:40PM Rosary – Church
Sun., June 22	<b>STRAWBERRY SUNDAY</b> after morning
Tues., June 24	9:30AM Year End Mass for Holy Cross School – Church



**ATTENDANCE AT THE MASSES WEEKEND  
OF JUNE 14/15: 5 pm – 158 / 8 am - 163 / 10 am  
– 294**

Eucharistic



Adoration

#### **COME SPEND AN HOUR WITH ME:**

We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **every FRIDAY from 11:00 a.m. until 12 noon.** You are encouraged to spend time in adoration with our Lord.



**ROSARY:** All are invited to join us at 11:45 am before our weekday Masses and the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Fridays. Also on Saturdays before the 5 pm Mass we recite the Rosary at 4:40

### *Words from the Pastor . . .*

*Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, Jesus said the blessing over them, broke them and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. (Luke 9:11b-17)*

Trusting in our God, who constantly nourishes us, we bring our hungers to the eucharistic celebration today. We also name the hungers of our world. Like the fleeing Israelites fed in the desert, the Middle East and Europe are swamped with modern, desperate refugees also fleeing tyrants and pursuing armies. What personal hunger do I ask the Lord to feed at today's Eucharist? What hungers of others do I need to address in the Lord's name?

**COME HOME:** Jesus is the host who wants to gather us around the table, the Good Shepherd who invites his people to a table where the cup is overflowing (Ps. 23). This is not a stern, harsh Lord, but the lamb of God who says, "Come into my home." We can read the whole Bible with this image in mind. God is continually inviting us to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of our life (Ps. 27:4). The Lord wants to be our home. *"One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple."* - Psalm 27: 4 (Fr. Henri Nouwen)

**PRAYERFUL WISHES** to Pope Leo on the 43rd anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood on June 19.

*"In essentials, unity, in doubtful matters, liberty, and in all thing's charity". – St Augustine.*

**85<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE** to the Shrine of St. Ann, Cormac, Ont. celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, Sunday, July 27, 11 am Mass of healing and blessing with St Ann's oil and celebrated By Bishop Michael Brehl, C.Ss.R., Pembroke.

**COMING IN FALL:** Holy Cross COMMITTEE FAIR to raise awareness of the many committees and services that the Parish provides in the community and to bolster the number of volunteers.

**PARISH PLANNING FOR 2026:** Parents who plan to have their child receive **First Reconciliation** and **First Holy Communion in Spring of 2026** are asked to pre-register by contacting the Parish Office by either calling at 613-731-7834 or sending an email to [office@holycrossparish.com](mailto:office@holycrossparish.com). **Please note** this is only for pre-registering, as parents will have to officially register in the fall.

**MAGNIFICAT MINISTRIES:** Marcel and Linda Dion presenting a night of Praise and Worship for the Jubilee Year of Hope on **Wednesday, June 25 at 7:15 pm** at St Elizabeth Church, 1303 Leaside Ave.

The **ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER** for the **SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS** will be held **Friday, June 27**, the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Our Archbishop will gather with the priests with a talk from +Pope Francis's letter on the Sacred Heart, entitled 'He loves us' by Msgr. Kevin Beach. 'The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus' St. John Vianney.

**SPRING 2026 PILGRIMAGE:** We are in the planning stages for Spring 2026 Pilgrimage to the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland and Scotland. We will visit St Mary's Cathedral, Dublin, Our Lady of Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo, St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, N. Ireland, St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, Marian Shrine, Carfin, Scotland, St Columba's Cathedral, Oban and other spiritual and cultural sights. Complete details to follow as they become available.

The **10 CLOISTERED CARMELITE SISTERS** in Almonte are so grateful to receive fresh vegetables, tea, pasta, butter, peanut butter, jam, paper towels, cooking oil, cleaning supplies, and other household items. They never eat meat! They now have plenty of ice cream! They are keeping us in their daily prayers.

### HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit, breathe life into our troubled world. Shake the tired foundations of our crumbling institutions...and from the dust and rubble, gather up the seedlings of a new creation that reflect that reflect Your vision.

Come, Holy Spirit, enflame once more the dying embers of our weariness. Shake us of our complacency. Whisper our names once more and scatter your gifts of grace. Break open the prisons of our inner being and let your raging justice be our liberty.

Come, Holy Spirit, lead us to places we would rather not go; expand the horizons of our limited imagination. Awaken in our souls' dangerous dreams for a new tomorrow and rekindle in our hearts the fire of prophetic enthusiasm. (I Cor. 12) – Fr. D. O'Murchu

**PLEASE KEEP THE WINDOW BLINDS** near the parking lot stairs closed when the air conditioning is on.

### *Parish News and Community Life...*

**COLLECTION COUNTERS:** We are looking to organizing another team of counters for Monday mornings. If you are interested, please call the Parish office at 613-731-7834.

The Hospitality Committee invites you to come and enjoy **STRAWBERRY SUNDAY**, today, Sunday, June 22 in the parish hall following the 8 and 10 am Masses. Using fresh local berries, we'll be serving Strawberry Shortcake as well as Strawberries & Ice Cream. A beverage will also be included. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children up to 10 yrs. Take out will also be available. We look forward to seeing you there.

### *Social Justice...*

**THANK YOU:** A huge thank you to all the parishioners who generously donated to last weekend's **FOOD DRIVE**. 74 bags of food, \$1,524.00 in gift cards and cheques were donated and delivered to our 5 local food banks. They are very grateful for your donations, since the number of people with food insecurity in our community keeps increasing. For those who

forgot about the Food Drive last weekend and for those who wish to donate on a regular basis, donations are collected from the Food Bank bin outside the front entrance to the Church before all weekend Masses. Deliveries are always done on the following Monday or Tuesday. Thank you again and God bless you!

### *Other Interest...*

Quo Vadis? Where Are You Going? Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration on June 26 at 7:00 pm at the new Café des Tours, located in the basement of Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa. For information, contact Fr. Connor O'Hara, the Vocations Director for the diocese, at [vocations@ottawacornwall.ca](mailto:vocations@ottawacornwall.ca)

### COLLECTION REPORT

**15 June 2025** – \$2,688.00 (env) / \$819.40 (loose)

~ **THANK YOU for your generosity and support** ~

### YOUR SUMMER SUNDAY OFFERING

Your parish still needs your support during the summer months. I would encourage those of you who are going away on holidays this summer to continue your financial support of your parish, as our expenses are on-going and many projects are scheduled. Here are some suggestions you might wish to consider:

1. Arrange to make your Sunday Offering monthly or in a lump sum payment
2. Why not sign up for Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) which will take the worry out of catching up on your donations come Fall.
3. Or make a donation prior to your vacation



Direct Your **United Way Contributions** to Holy Cross Parish: Did you know that you are able to direct your United Way contribution to Holy Cross? Simply mark the appropriate section on the reverse of your form to direct your monies to Holy Cross Parish, 685

Walkley Rd., Ottawa, ON K1V 6R8. You not only give to United Way but you help your church as well. Charity Name: Holy Cross Parish/Registration Number: 12896 7353 RR0012

**PLEASE NOTE:** We will be publishing **ONLY ONE BULLETIN** for July and one bulletin for August. Our regular weekly bulletin will resume on the weekend of September 07. **Announced Mass Intentions**, as well as **bulletin submissions** for the month of July must be in by **Tuesday, June 24 at 12 noon** and for the month of August submissions must be in by **Tuesday, July 29 at 12 noon**, respectively, to be included in the bulletin.

Parishioners are also reminded that the **OFFICE HOURS** published in front of our bulletin have been adjusted for the summer as well as to accommodate vacations etc., please call first to ensure the office will be open.