



# JULY 2025

Don't let the noise of the world  
keep you from hearing the voice of God!



## *Announced Mass intentions*

Sat., June 28	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: +Helena Pecho +Josef Pecho
Sun., June 29	<b>SAINTS PETER &amp; PAUL, APOSTLES</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Fred Pilgrim +Mr. & Mrs. Dr. Dupuis Sally Philip
Wed., July 02	12:15PM Mass: +Oswald & +Kay Muldoon
Thurs., July 03	12:15PM Mass: Souls in Purgatory
Fri., July 04	<b>FIRST FRIDAY</b> 11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Ronald Lee +Mrs. Ernie Rusche
Sat., July 05	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: Souls in Purgatory
Sun., July 06	<b>14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Christina Vivolo
Wed., July 09	12:15PM Mass: Intentions of Mike and Deb Patry
Thurs., July 10	12:15PM Mass: +Hilda Van Buggenhout
Friday, July 11	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Lucie Gardner +Dr. Christian Dupuis +Dr. Guy Dupuis +Reg McKenna
Sat., July 12	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: +Johnny Lapenna +Andrian Family +Magda and +Paul Gotzy
Sun., July 13	<b>15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Fessaha Fre and +Zafu Kuflu +Geraldine Westcott +William & +Agnes Nugent
Wed., July 16	12:15PM Mass: +Tony & +Jenny Costanza
Thurs., July 17	12:15PM Mass: +Shirley Chatelaine
Fri., July 18	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Ken Kerr +Joe and +Lynn Pagnotti
Sat., July 19	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners

Sun., July 20	<b>16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 8:00AM Mass: +Nancy Duquette +Gordon Sampson +Robery Yeomans
Sun., July 20	10:00AM Mass: Paul & Marlene Herlihey celebrating their 67th wedding anniversary 11:00AM Baptism – Church
Wed., July 23	12:15PM Mass: +Gerta Patry
Thurs., July 24	12:15PM Mass: +Oswald & +Kay Muldoon +Bernard & +Doris Muldoon +Carl & +Geneva Fahey
Friday, July 25	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Ken Cooper +Brusselmans Family
Sat., July 26	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners
Sun., July 27	<b>17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 8:00AM Mass: +Diewald Family +Ladislav Juhasz 10:00AM Mass – +Vivian Braganza 12:15PM Mass: +Roger Patry
Wed., July 30	12:15PM Mass: +Marthe Thibault
Thurs., July 31	<b>FIRST FRIDAY</b> 11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Jenoe & +Magda Lowy +Reg McKenna
Fri., Aug. 01	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: +Fred Carpini +Gardner & +Thibault Families
Sat., Aug. 02	<b>18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Penny Ross

## *Words from the Pastor . . .*

**CHOOSING THE LIGHT:** I know quite well the difference between darkness and light but do not always have the courage to name them by their true names. There is a strong temptation to deal with the darkness as if it were light, and with the light as if it were darkness. Knowing Jesus, reading his words, and praying create increasing clarity about evil and good, sin and grace, Satan and God. This clarity calls me to choose the way to the light fearlessly and straightforwardly. The transparent life is a life in which heart, mind, and gut are united in choosing the light. *"But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."* - Joshua 24:15 (Fr. Henri Nouwen)

Pope Leo XIV announced that **BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS** and **BLESSED PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI** will be canonized together on Sunday, September 07.

**MANY RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES** in the Church observe fasting from meat and live by the motto 'Ora et Labora', 'pray and work'. Some are self sufficient, and others rely on the generosity of benefactors. The Carmelites who take vows of poverty, chastity and obedience are based on the teachings of St. Teresa of Avila and St John of the Cross. They were founded in the early 13th Century on Mount Carmel in Palestine.

**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, Csr, Pembroke.

**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 **CLOISTERED CARMELITE SISTERS** in Almonte, are grateful to receive canned tuna and/or canned salmon, tea, pasta, butter, peanut butter, jam, paper towels, cooking oil, cleaning supplies, and other household items. They do not eat meat. They are keeping us in their daily prayers.

**SUMMER ATTIRE:** Please **DRESS APPROPRIATELY** when attending Sunday Mass to honour the Lord and respect your human dignity.

Support the St Elias **LEBANESE FESTIVAL** from July 16 to July 20. They have been granted permission to use our parking lot for overflow.

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

**EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Training will be provided to those who would like to be Eucharistic Ministers. There will be **TWO MANDATORY SESSIONS** led by Deacon Chris. One on **Sunday, July 20** and the second on **Sunday, July 27**. The sessions will **begin at 9 am** and will be 30 to 45 minutes long. If interested, please sign up for the training by contacting Cheryl McIntyre at [jobun6@hotmail.com](mailto:jobun6@hotmail.com) or 613-867-8938. We also encourage current Eucharistic Ministers to the sessions.

**SAVE THE DATE - HOLY CROSS PARISH FEAST DAY - SEPTEMBER 14 – TRIUMPH OF THE HOLY CROSS:** We plan months ahead! This is a parish event not to be missed.

### **PARISH PLANNING FOR SACRAMENTS IN 2026:**



**SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** If your child is in grade 2 and up and has been baptised Catholic, parents can pre-register their child. **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** If your child is in grade 6 and up and has already received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, parents can pre-register their child. You can pre-register by either calling

the parish office at 613-731-7834 or email at [office@holycrossparish.com](mailto:office@holycrossparish.com). **Please note** that this is only for pre-registering, as parents will have to officially register in the fall. Watch the bulletin for details.

### *Social Justice ...*

**ELIMU BBQ FUNDRAISER:** Nina Chung, founder of Elimu invites us for the **Annual Elimu BBQ Fundraiser on Saturday August 16** at Holy Cross from 11 am with stories and images from her recent trip to Kenya at 1 pm. She is raising \$11,000 to keep children & youth learning in Kenya. You can make a contribution at [www.elimu.ca](http://www.elimu.ca).

**FOOD COLLECTIONS:** The hungry do not cease to depend on food over the summer months. Please do not forget their ongoing needs, by bringing nonperishable food to the Church and leaving it in the bins provided at the doors of the Church. Your donations will be delivered to the food banks.

### ~~~~~ **COLLECTION REPORT**

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

### **HAPPY SUMMER VACATION!**

Summer is a time to relax and rest, time to enjoy family and friendship, a time to travel and enjoy the beauty of nature. While you enjoy your well-deserved break, please remember the importance of continuing your support for our parish and its initiatives. Your parish continues to rely upon your weekly donations to support the expenses of maintaining the Church and property, which do not cease during the summer months. We rely on your sense of duty towards the Parish, of which you are an integral part, and from which you receive all spiritual benefits.

- You can arrange to make your Sunday Offering monthly or in a lump sum payment.
- Sign up for PAP-Pre-Authorized Payment which will take the worry out of catching up on your donations come Fall. Forms can be found on the table at the entrance of the Church.
- E-transfer use: [office@holycrossparish.com](mailto:office@holycrossparish.com)
- Or make a donation prior to your vacation.

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We will be publishing **ONLY ONE BULLETIN** for August. Our regular weekly bulletin will resume on September 06. **Announced Mass Intentions**, as well as **bulletin submissions** for the **month of August submissions** must be in by **Tuesday, July 29 by 12 noon**, respectively, to be included in the bulletin.

### **SUMMER OFFICE SCHEDULE**

Parishioners are 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.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Parish Secretary will be away from the office on Mondays and Tuesdays for the months of July and August and the first two weeks of September. The phones will be answered on those days from 9 until 12 noon.