



JULY 2026

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



Announced Mass intentions

Sat., July 04	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass
Sun., July 05	14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass: Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Frances & +Victor Leach
Wed., July 08	12:15PM Mass: +Oswald & +Kay Muldoon
Thurs., July 09	12:15PM Mass: Intentions of Mike & Deb Patry
Fri., July 10	11:00AM ADORATION until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass
Sat., July 11	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: Holy Cross Parishioners
Sun., July 12	15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass: +Nancy Duquette 10:00AM Mass: +Gerry Leach
Wed., July 15	12:15PM Mass
Thurs., July 16	12:15PM Mass
Friday, July 17	11:00AM ADORATION until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Sr. Ancilla Oaung
Sat., July 18	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: +Lucie Gardner
Sun., July 19	16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass: Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Greg Leach +Oswald & +Kay Muldoon +Carl & +Geneva Fahey
Wed., July 22	12:15PM Mass: +Gardner Family
Thurs., July 23	12:15PM Mass
Fri., July 24	11:00AM ADORATION until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass
Sat., July 25	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: Souls in Purgatory
Sun., July 26	17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass: Holy Cross Parishioners 12:15PM Mass: +Oswald & +Kay Muldoon +Edward & +Ellen Monaghan
Wed., July 29	12:15PM Mass: +Roger Patry
Thurs., July 30	12:15PM Mass
Fri., July 31	11:00AM ADORATION until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass
Sat., August 01	4:40PM Rosary - Church 5:00PM Mass: +Bernard & +Doris Muldoon
Sun., August 02	18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00AM Mass: Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Penny Ross

Words from the Pastor . . .

"Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom". Jesus praises the Father because the deepest truths of God's kingdom are not grasped by power, status, or intelligence alone, but by hearts that are humble and open. Like little children, we are invited to trust God and receive his wisdom as a gift. Do I approach God with humility and openness, or do I rely only on my own understanding? What "mystery" of God's love have I discovered through simple faith? How can I become more childlike in my trust of God today?

6th WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

The celebration of the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to rediscover that the Church is called to be a mother to all and that at any age it is always possible to recognize ourselves as sons and daughters of God. May this day, therefore, be an inspiration for everyone, especially the young, to revive the beautiful custom of visiting their grandparents, the elderly members of the family and even those who have no one to visit them. Bring them, through this Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life - Palazzo San Calisto - 00120 Vatican City anziani@laityfamilylife.va - +39 06 698 69 300 - www.laityfamilylife.va message and your presence, the closeness and affection of the Pope. Ensure that the words of the prophet, *"But I will never forget you,"* take the form of a tender and affectionate encounter. "In an era that favors speed and fragmentation, the human person still yearns to receive care and recognition from attentive minds, kind words and hands capable of tenderness. The digital culture multiplies connections and offers new opportunities for interaction; yet, the human heart retains an irrevocable need for genuine closeness" (Encyclical Letter, Magnifica Humanitas, 239). (the Vatican – Pope Leo)

THE HEAVEN OF OUR SOULS: Our Lord does not come down from Heaven every day to lie in a golden ciborium. He comes to find another heaven which is infinitely dearer to Him – the heaven of our souls. ~~ St. Thérèse of Lisieux

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS: Archbishop Marcel Dampousse announces the following additional pastoral appointments. Fr. Anthoni Bawanthade, CMF, is appointed half-time Associate Pastor of St. Leonard Parish in Manotick, St. Brigid Mission in Manotick and St. John the Evangelist Parish in Osgoode. Fr. Richard Beaudette, O.M.I., is appointed Interim Parochial Administrator of St. Joseph Parish in Ottawa effective June 18. Fr. Ambrose Udoka Ojoko is appointed Associate Pastor of Holy Redeemer Parish in Kanata.

SUMMER APPEAL: Shepherds of Good Hope and St. Joe's Women's Centre appreciate men's and women's toiletries. Please leave them in the basket at the entrance. Thanks for your generosity.

The **CARMELITE SISTERS** are grateful to receive canned tuna and salmon, tea, pasta, butter, peanut butter, jam, olive oil, mixed nuts, and dried fruit. Please leave your donations in the green bins under the tables at the entrance of the Church.

DONATIONS OF STOCKS OR SECURITIES can be made to Holy Cross Parish. Please contact the Office for details.

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

Parish News and Community Life...

PARISH PLANNING FOR SACRAMENTS IN 2027:
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. Pre-register by either calling the parish office at 613-731-7834 and speaking to Barbara or email at office@holycrossparish.com. **Please note** that this is only for pre-registering for obtaining numbers. **Parents will have to officially register in the fall.**

FRIENDLY VISITING MINISTRY TEAM: We are inviting you to help us identify Holy Cross Seniors who are homebound and isolated and would like a friendly visit. Please contact Fran Hadley at 613-737-5226 or email at fran.hadleyL@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—PARISH DECORATORS: Help us beautify our Sacred Space. The Decor team is retiring after 20 years. If interested contact the parish office.

GOLF TOURNAMENT INVITATION: Holy Cross' Knights of Columbus invites you to their 4th Degree Assembly Golf Tournament to be held on **Wednesday, August 19** at the Metcalfe Golf Course, (1956 8th Line Rd. Metcalfe). The first T-off at 2 pm. Supper: 6:30 pm. Cost: \$110 for golf and supper or \$65 per person for supper only. Format: 9 holes, Best Ball. RSVP and/or e-transfer payment to: Peter Choquette at peter.choquette@sympatico.ca or Ray Flansberry at rayflansberry@bell.net **before July 19.**

Social Justice ...

ELIMU BBQ FUNDRAISER will be **Saturday August 22 at 11 am** at Holy Cross. During her recent visit to Kenya, founder, Nina Chung experienced firsthand how Elimu training for parents and youth is turning into jobs and businesses and building confidence and hope in the lives of beneficiaries. Nina is requesting your support again this summer. Donations are welcome at www.Elimu.ca.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES: During the summer, your donations will continue to be collected before all weekend Mass and delivered to the Food Banks. Items needed are posted on the Social Justice bulletin board. Thank you for your continuous help. **ALSO, Drivers are needed** during the summer months to help collect and deliver donations to our local food banks. If interested, see Joanne Lynn, outside the front entrance to the Church before every weekend Mass.

ANNUAL COLLECTION OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES for Holy Cross, Holy Family Schools, St Patrick's High School and Debra Dynes Family House will take place before all Masses on the weekend of **August 22 / 23**. An area will be available outside the doors of the Church at the Walkley Rd entrance for donations such as backpacks, binders, notebooks, pens, markers etc. Thank you for your generosity. Please do not leave anything in the Church.

Other interests ...

86TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF ST. ANN IN CORMAC ON SUNDAY, JULY 26: The Triduum of preparation will be led by Bishop Michael Brehl. The principal Pilgrimage Mass will be at 11 a.m. at the Shrine. The Sacrament of Confession is available throughout the day. A Mass of healing with the Anointing of St. Ann's oil will be celebrated at 2 p.m. (Bring your own seating.) Info: www.cormacpilgrimage.com or 613-628-2020.

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THANK YOU for your continuous generosity and support

YOUR SUNDAY DONATIONS are critical for the financial health of the Parish and make a difference!

HAPPY SUMMER VACATION!

Summer is a time to relax and rest, time to enjoy family and friendship. 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
- 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 August 29/30. **Announced Mass Intentions**, as well as **bulletin submissions** for the month of August submissions must be in by **Tuesday, July 28 by 12 noon**, 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 and a few Wednesdays for the months of July and August and the first week of September. Volunteers will be answering the phone.