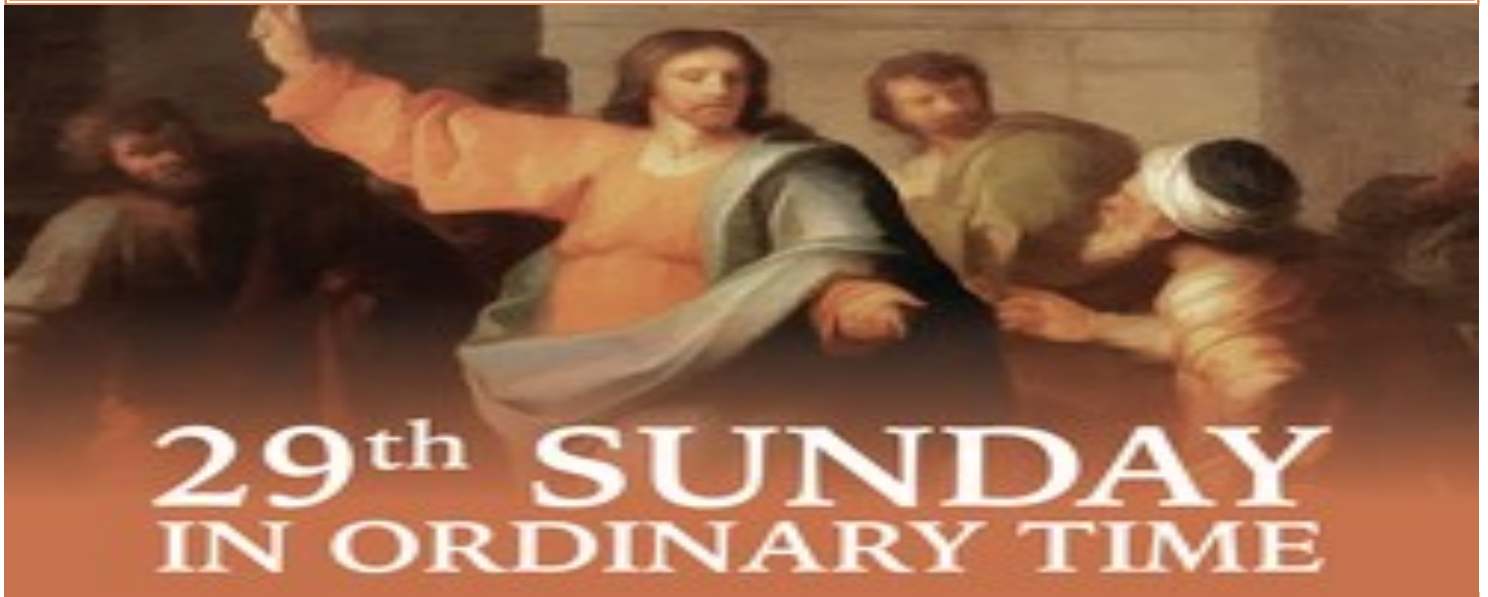


HOLY CROSS PARISH COMMUNITY

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Holy Cross Parish Easton, MA



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.

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

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., 10:00 a.m.

Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.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.

Welcome

Please introduce yourselves and register in order to become a member of this community of believers.

We welcome your gifted presence in the life of our parish.



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday. Its particular focus is to highlight the enduring importance of Jesus' command to go out into all the world and proclaim the Good News. This is not just the mission of missionaries and ordained ministers, but the mission of each baptized person sharing the priestly, prophetic, and kingly aspects of Christ. Jesus was anointed by the Father to bring salvation to the world throughout time. Each person anointed in Jesus' name shares in Christ's mission from the Father to bring light into darkness, hope where there is despair, love converting hatred, new life from what is feared dead. Impossible relying on human strength and understanding alone, but with God, all things are possible.

Today's readings describe the omnipotence of God. God's power and authority working through and around human kings like Cyrus and Caesar. Isaiah prophecies that through Cyrus God is working to vindicate God's people to glory in a new Jerusalem. There is never a time God is not present to God's chosen ones even though it may seem God is distant or has forgotten. Time and time again Jesus reminded the apostles and all disciples following his preaching that God is always at work in the world. That is why Jesus replies to Pilate that he would have no power unless it was given to him by the Father. Whether Pilate understood or believed Jesus was irrelevant. Cyrus, Caesar, Pilate, all had pertinent parts to play as Jesus centrally did in God's unfolding plan of salvation. The gospel ultimately spreads by faith from one believer to the next. The apostles went out from Jerusalem through villages, towns, and cities proclaiming the Good News and baptizing all who believed. It is remarkable in the Acts of the Apostles to read one day 3,000 were added and another day 5,000. It is just as remarkable to read our baptismal register each year and see 40 one year and 45 the next. I have not counted all the names from 1966 to today but I would guess it is somewhere in the thousands as well. Generation to generation throughout the world the gospel continues to spread.

The Propagation of the Faith is the universal Church's office in Rome that supports missionaries throughout the world spreading the gospel message today. It is through the support of parishioners like you in parishes throughout the world that the Propagation of the Faith has resources to fund missionaries continuing to spread the gospel in lands where Christianity is not as known or accepted as in Easton, Massachusetts. I am grateful for others with a more adventurous missionary spirit than I have. You have heard from many Holy Cross Missionaries throughout the years speaking from experiences in the jungle villages of East Africa, the crowded streets of Bangladesh and India, to the high plateau parishes of Peru. I admire their willing spirit to go where the Spirit leads. I am grateful the Spirit has led me to serve within the continental United States!

Nonetheless, from Jerusalem to Rome, Antioch to Easton, every baptized Christian has a pertinent and purposeful part to play in Jesus' mission of making God known, loved, and served. Let us each do what we can in word and deed each day to follow Jesus' command to spread the Good News. It doesn't always mean traveling to the ends of the earth but living the gospel message of love, mercy, forgiveness, hope and joy among other things does mean responding to God's invitation in some tangible way. Each time we hear "the Mass is ended, go in peace," let us also hear "Go out into the whole world and spread the Good News."

God Bless,

Fr. Brad



get your **Flu Shot**



Thanks to fellow parishioner, Ginger Lemay,
Walgreens will be sponsoring a Flu Shot Clinic here

Holy Cross
Parish Center
11/8/2020
8:30AM-11:30AM

Sign ups will required due to COVID-19

Please **email** Lindsay in the parish office
before 11/1/2020 to sign up
lfranzoni@holycrosseaston.org

Remember to bring your Medicare or Insurance card
to receive your Flu Shot



- ✠Saturday, October 17
4:00 p.m.: +Kay and George Flaherty Anniversary
Requested by their daughters
- ✠Sunday, October 18
8:30 a.m.: +Kenneth Denham
Requested by family
10:00 a.m.: +Paul Brophy
Requested by family
- ✠Monday, October 19
9:00 a.m.: +Landolfi/Pell Families
Requested by Fr Jim
- ✠Tuesday, October 20
9:00 a.m.
- ✠Wednesday, October 21
9:00 a.m.
- ✠Thursday, October 22
9:00 a.m.
- ✠Friday, October 23
9:00 a.m.
- ✠Saturday, October 24
4:00 p.m.: +Robert Powers 6th Anniversary
Requested by Veronica Powers
- ✠Sunday, October 25
8:30 a.m.:
10:00a.m. +Charlmer Groves 8th Anniversary
Requested b y Donna Cunha



Please join us at 8:40 a.m., Monday through Friday,
to pray the rosary before morning mass.

Morning Mass

Morning Mass is celebrated Monday through Friday
at 9:00 a.m., except Thursday when Mass is
followed by Benediction and Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament.



Please recycle this bulletin.

3 EASY STEPS TO KEEPING YOURSELF & OTHERS HEALTHY!



WASH YOUR
HANDS



DON'T TOUCH
YOUR FACE



KEEP YOUR
DISTANCE

Stay Connected While You're Away.



Go to www.parishesonline.com to view your church bulletin and stay up to date.

From the Health Ministry and Parish Nurses:



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, here are some things you should know:

Symptoms: There are different symptoms of breast cancer and some people have no symptoms at all. Symptoms can include the following

Any change in the size or the shape of the breast.

Pain in any area of the breast.

Nipple discharge other than breast milk (including blood).

A new lump in the breast or underarm

If you have any signs that worry you, see your doctor right away.

Check with your Dr. on when you should get a mammogram as the recommendations are different then in the past. Do breast self-exams.

Risk factors include:

Being a woman

Being older. Most breast cancers are found in women who are 50 years old or older

Having changes in your BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene

To lower your breast cancer risk.

Keep a healthy weight and exercise regularly

Don't drink alcohol or limit the amount of alcohol you drink.

If you are taking hormone replacement therapy or birth control pills, ask your doctor about the risks.

Breastfeed your children, if possible.

The above information comes from the CDC. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Parish office to speak to a Parish Nurse.



Please consider a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society baskets at the doors of the church as you leave today. Thank you for your support of our charitable works.



**St. Mary's
Catholic School**

www.StMaryMansSchool.org

St. Mary's Catholic School is hosting a Virtual Open House during the week of November 8th-13th. Times are available to meet with administration, teachers, families, and students to learn more about St Mary's Catholic School.

Sunday, Nov 8 at 11:00am and 1:00pm

Monday, Nov 9 at 3:00pm

Tuesday, Nov 10 at 3:00pm

Thursday, Nov 12 at 3:00pm

Please see our website and social media pages for more information about this unique way to see SMCS and get to know our school. Spread the word to families looking for a Catholic education for their children!



**CARDINAL SPELLMAN HIGH SCHOOL
will hold a VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE
on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020
at 6:30 pm.**

Please visit :

**www.spellman.com/virtual-open-house
to register!**

Reading 1

IS 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus,
whose right hand I grasp,
subduing nations before him,
and making kings run in his service,
opening doors before him
and leaving the gates unbarred:
For the sake of Jacob, my servant,
of Israel, my chosen one,
I have called you by your name,
giving you a title, though you knew me not.
I am the LORD and there is no other,
there is no God besides me.
It is I who arm you, though you know me not,
so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun
people may know that there is none besides me.
I am the LORD, there is no other.

gospel

M 22:15-21

The Pharisees went off
and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech.
They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying,
"Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man
and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth.
And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion,
for you do not regard a person's status.
Tell us, then, what is your opinion:
Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?"
Knowing their malice, Jesus said,
"Why are you testing me, you hypocrites?
Show me the coin that pays the census tax."
Then they handed him the Roman coin.
He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?"
They replied, "Caesar's."
At that he said to them,
"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."

Reading 2

1 THES 1:1-5B

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians
in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
grace to you and peace.
We give thanks to God always for all of you,
remembering you in our prayers,
unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love
and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ,
before our God and Father,
knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God,
how you were chosen.
For our gospel did not come to you in word alone,
but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.



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.

