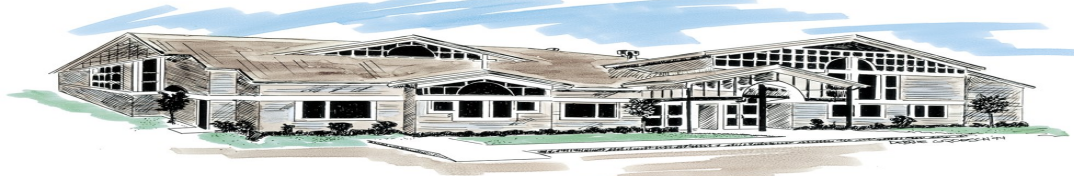


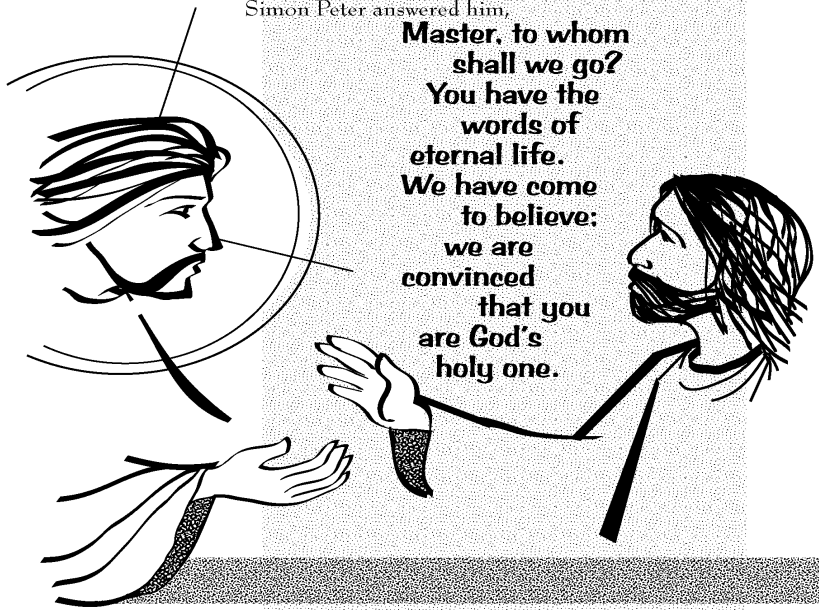
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Simon Peter answered him,

**Master, to whom
shall we go?
You have the
words of
eternal life.
We have come
to believe:
we are
convinced
that you
are God's
holy one.**



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021

All things are of your will, my God!

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*There are different ministries, but the
same Lord. You then are the Body of
Christ. Everyone of you is a member of it.*
1 Corinthians 12:5 & 27

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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Aug 23

9 am- Mass

1 pm- Mass at Aspen Creek Senior Living Center

Tue Aug 24

9 am- Mass

Wed Aug 25

9 am- Mass

Thu Aug 26

9 am- Mass

Fri Aug 27

Parish Office Closed

9 am- Mass

Sat Aug 28

1 pm- Legion of Mary- Conference Room

3- 4 pm - Confessions

5 pm- Mass

6- 6:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

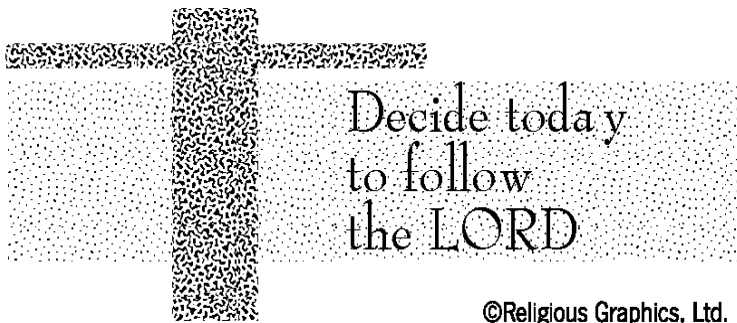
Sun Aug 29

8:30 am- Mass

9:45-10:45 am- Faith Formation

11 am- Mass

12- 12:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion



Readings for Aug 29, 2021

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

You shall not add to what I command you... Keep the commands of the Lord.

Psalms 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

James 1:17-17, 21b-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition.

Reflection

Within any authentic relationship there is always freedom of choice. In today's readings both Joshua and Jesus call upon the people to exercise this freedom by once again declaring their fidelity to God. How have you been called to rededicate your life to Jesus through your journey of faith?

The Art of Surrender

"I do." I clearly remember pronouncing these captivating words at my wedding and hearing my beloved wife speak them as she looked into my eyes. My heart leaps.

At that time, "I do" meant promise and hope. We dreamed. We imagined. We planned. Life would have many surprises in store. Some good, especially our two beautiful children. Some not so good, starting with my own limitations.

Two decades have passed. Our "I do" is still promise and hope, yet we have learned that it also means "surrender." Surrender not as relinquishing wants or selves but as the art of allowing ourselves to be delightfully fashioned and refashioned by the other because of love.

St. Paul today proposes understanding spousal love in light of how he interprets the relationship between Christ and the Church. Many pastors and catechists argue likewise. I wonder, can Catholics differ with the apostle's use of metaphors? Allow me the irreverence: I think it is the other way around. Scriptures regularly use spousal relationships to speak about God. They embrace with humble wisdom the fact that spouses enjoy a unique authority to speak about marital love, and all that happens within it, because we have lived it. In light of what happens there, we can ascertain much about God and humanity. Our Church should listen more to married women and men, including those whose relationships have broken down.

When I reflect about unconditional allegiance to God and the idea of surrendering, I start with my own marriage. In that school, I have become a wiser man and a better Christian.

Hosffman Ospino

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On the way home from Mass...

If Jesus asked you, "Do you also want to leave?" what would you say?





Currently we are in week 13 of the campaign.
Thank you to all who have given!

Masks

Due to COVID related reasons we **request** that you please wear masks at Mass. Masks are still **REQUIRED** at the Sunday 8:30 am Mass.

Legion of Mary

All are invited to the commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Legion of Mary on Sept 7, 2021, at Holy Family Old Cathedral. The Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM followed by Holy Mass at 7 PM, with Archbishop Emeritus Roger Schwietz as the main celebrant. A dessert reception will follow.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

The 2021 Calendar is available in the foyer and online: holycrossalaska.net/youth-ministry

Mission Trip. Summer 2022. We'll serve a Catholic community in rural Alaska. This mission is for high school students and chaperones (and middle school students if accompanied by a parent or other adult-age family member). Interest list & updates: holycrossalaska.net/mission

World Youth Day. If you are age 16-35 and interested in traveling to Lisbon in August 2023 to see the Pope and experience the global church, please contact Anna or fill out an interest form at holycrossalaska.net/wyd.

Faith Formation Update

Due to classroom space and registration counts, we combined some classes: K-3, 4-5, 6-7, and 8+. However, our K-3 class enrollment has nearly doubled in the past week, so we are hoping to split the class into two groups. We need an additional volunteer to do so. We are also seeking an additional volunteer to help with small groups in our 15-student Confirmation class.

Faith Formation Schedule

Register online: holycrossalaska.net/formation

- August 22 9:45-10:45 K-5 Classroom Session
6+ & parents Family Session
- August 29 9:45-10:45 6+ Classroom Session
K-5 & parents Family Session
- Sept. 5 *No class due to Labor Day*
- Sept. 10-12 **Confirmation Retreat**
(ISO volunteers and chaperones)
- Sept. 12 9:45-10:45 K-5 Classroom Session
6+ & parents Family Session
- Sept. 19 9:45-10:45 6+ Classroom Session
K-5 & parents Family Session

Faith Formation for Adults

Adult classes begin Sept. 12, led by Susan Gallardo. We meet every Sunday, 9:45-10:45, for a scripture study. A book study will be chosen by attendees in the first weeks of the program. All adult parishioners welcome— especially parents whose students are in classroom sessions.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for both Catholics and non-Catholics who want to learn about the faith. All parishioners are welcome to attend and/or volunteer (and bring a friend!). For more information, contact Sandon Broek at 947-9168.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK (AUG 28/29)

Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	E M of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Anna Schulten (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Julia Morrison-Lugo	Mary Rerko	Jess Manaois Jerica Manaois Jacqueline Pantaleon
Sun 8:30 am	Lead instrumentalist needed. To volunteer, call Sheila: 250-6234	N/A	N/A	Alice Garrod	Isabelle Hlasny	Anne Gore Jason Hlasny
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (musicians & choir walk-ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Anne Gore	Theresa Mitchell	Theresa Mitchell Teresa Cortes Mercy Acheson Anne Gore

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

- Altar Servers** - Jess Manaos: 230-9418
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- Hospitality** - Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133
- Knights of Columbus** - James Hogins: 229-3163
- Lawn and Garden** - Kirsten Hoppe: 248-1653
- Legion of Mary** - Mercy Acheson: 223-4822
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Online Giving

To sign up for consistent online giving please visit holycrossalaska.net/give

TITHING UPDATE	
<i>How did we do last week in meeting our offertory goal?</i>	
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$ 6,712
Weekly Tithing Period:	8/9-8/15/2021
Income Sources	
Weekly Collections:	\$ 4,056
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	
Online Giving:	\$ 2,670
Total:	\$ 6,726
Over/(Under) Goal:	\$ 14
Actual vs. Goal (%):	100.2%
<i>How well are we meeting our income goals (Basket/Online/Rebates from OBOB Appeal) that were established in the current annual budget (FY21) for Holy Cross?</i>	
Year To Date (YTD) Period: 7/1/2020 to 05/31/2021	
FY21 YTD Complete (%):	91.7%
Annual Budget Total Income FY 2021:	\$ 349,000
Actual YTD Total Income:	\$ 332,611
Budget YTD Total Income:	\$ 319,917
Over/(Under) Budget:	\$ 12,694
Actual vs. Budget (%):	95.3%
Breakdown of Actual YTD Total Income for FY21	
Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$ 151,335 45.5%
Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail):	\$ 10,128 3.0%
Online Giving:	\$ 149,308 44.9%
2020 One Bread One Body Rebate(s):	\$ 21,840 6.6%
Total:	\$ 332,611 100.0%

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