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Holy Cross

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MASS TIMES

Monday–Friday — 7:45am
Saturday — 7:45am, 4pm
Sunday — 7:45am, 10am & 12pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday–Saturday — after the
7:45am weekday masses.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday–Friday — 8:30am – 12pm
**Closed on Mondays, Weekends and
Holidays.**

Coordinator of Parish Life

Sister Charlotte Leake, S.N.J.M.

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Rachel de Jesus

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32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 10, 2024

1st Reading: 1 Kings 17.10-16

Psalm 146: "Praise the Lord, O my
soul!"

2nd Reading: Hebrews 9.24-28

Gospel: Mark 12.38-44

PARISH BULLETIN

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • November 10, 2024

NOVEMBER 10, 2024—32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November marks the final month in the Church year, a time when we reflect on death, the Second Coming of Christ, and the life that is to come. In his first coming, Jesus entered the world humbly, as a child. But his return will be much different. He will come in glory as Judge and Ruler.

Our scripture readings today show us people who were extravagant in their trust in God; widows who were materially poor yet very rich in faith. Clearly, these women trusted deep down in their hearts that God was big enough to supply all of their needs. For it is humility and lowliness that pleases the Lord. We can tend to think that being humble means allowing others to take advantage of us. But the widows demonstrated that true humility means radical dependence on God.



It is significant that these stories are placed before Jesus' description of the final judgment.

When the Lord returns, will he find a people who are humble and in need, willing to surrender their lives totally to him? Or will he find a people full of pride and arrogance, who have no room for him in their hearts? The widows had faith to believe that even giving everything they had to live on, God would never let them down. He was worth everything they had, and they willingly placed themselves in his hands.

Jesus often drew sharp lines between different groups of people. He contrasted the healthy with the sick, the blind with the seeing, and the righteous with the sinners. Speaking with all the drama of a seasoned preacher, he made sure the people knew that there was no middle ground when it came to obeying God. We are either for him or against him.

All this can sound rather intimidating, especially when we consider the jumbled mix of sin and holiness in our own hearts. Does that mean that we aren't good enough? Does the sin remaining in us cancel out whatever holiness we may have achieved?

Not at all. Jesus knows all about us, and he still loves us. He still invites us to be with him. He even offers us his own body and blood in the Eucharist! Clearly, Jesus isn't looking for perfection. He's looking for desire. All he wants is for us to come to him and ask him to heal us and lift us up.

So we don't need to worry about our future. We just need to try to give our heart to Jesus, and he will take it, mold it, and fill it with the fire of his love.

Yours in Christ,

Sister Charlotte Leake, S.N.J.M., *Coordinator of Parish Life*

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GOOD NEWS!

Fellow Holy Cross Parishioners,

We have received a letter from the diocesan Financial Administrator bearing good news in response to our proposal and request for approval to replace the elevator/lift.

His Grace, Archbishop Albert LeGatt, has authorized Holy Cross to proceed with the project, estimated to cost \$124,000. The contract is to be awarded to Summit Elevators as proposed.

The Archbishop also authorizes Holy Cross to raise funds for this project, to a maximum of \$121,000, diocesan tax exempt, until **November 30, 2024**.

We are now able to receive donations towards this project – noting the tax exempt ‘window’ of time. Please be sure to include the words ‘elevator project’ on the memo line of cheques, on e-Transfers and/or donation envelopes containing cash.

We are wished all the best with the new elevator that will be a welcome addition to reach the food bank and other Parish functions in the church basement.

Please note that donations to unauthorized projects remain subject to the diocesan levy.

Joanne Mercier
Finance Council Chair

FATHER WILLIAM PALACIOS, PSS

We recently received notice from the Archdiocese of St. Boniface that Father William Palacios, PSS, passed away on Friday, November 1, 2024. Father William was parochial administrator of the Parish of Nuestra Señora de la Asunción and was staying in the Holy Cross Parish rectory.



The funeral will be held on Saturday, November 9 at the St. Boniface Cathedral;

- **1:00pm: Viewing**
- **1:30pm: Sharing of memories**
- **2:00pm: Funeral Mass presided by Father Jorge Pacheco, PSS.**

We are all invited to pray for Father William’s soul as well as for his loved ones. May he rest in peace.

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PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on **Monday, November 11** in observance of Remembrance Day. We will reopen on **Tuesday, November 12** during office hours.



THE GOOD SHEPHERD CAMPAIGN 2024

Last week, Archbishop LeGatt launched the **2024 Good**

Shepherd Campaign *For the Life of the Church!* in support of the formation of our seminarians, the costs of bringing in international priests and many pastoral initiatives that ensure the life of the Church in our parishes. We invite you to check out the Campaign poster where you will see the nine young priests who have been supported by your donations, as well as the five seminarians. We also invite you to visit the Archdiocese's website for more testimonials and information. **Please note that the collection for the Good Shepherd Campaign will take place on the weekend of November 16 and 17.**

During this second week of the Good Shepherd Campaign, we invite you to visit the Archdiocese's website to watch the [video](#) of Archbishop LeGatt and our five seminarians.

The cost to support a seminarian is about \$45,000 per year. This includes accommodation and food, tuition, medical insurance and a monthly stipend. For international seminarians, it is also a question of legal fees and transportation to bring him from abroad. At least twice during his studies, we pay for a trip home to see his family.

The cost to bring in an international priest is about \$20,000. This cost includes legal fees, travel, two and a half months' salary paid by the Archdiocese during his enculturation, language classes if needed, and an allowance for him to stock up on supplies for his first winter here.

We invite you [to discern in prayer](#) to support the Good Shepherd Campaign 2024, because priests play a vital role *in the Life of the Church*. It is important that we continue to support international seminarians and priests in their vocations.

We invite you to pray for our seminarians as they continue to discern God's will in their lives and their journey toward the priesthood.

UPCOMING LECTOR TRAINING

A final 2024 lector training will be held on **Saturday, November 16th**. **Pre-registration is required** to allow for materials. If interested in lectoring please reach out to Nicole Gougeon, nicolegg1@mymts.net.

THE WORD OF GOD - HEALS OUR SOUL AND BODY CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC HEALING MINISTRY INC.

The Word of God - Heals our Soul and Body Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry Inc. (formerly called The Soldiers of Christ Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry) invites everyone for Healing Evangelization. **Please join us on Sunday, November 17 at 1:00pm in the Church Annex.** Come, join, and be healed by Jesus.

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP

The next prayer meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 19, at 7:00pm in the church.** All are welcome!

HOLY CROSS PARISH MEN'S GROUP

Attention men of Holy Cross! All men ages 18 and up are invited to the Holy Cross Men's Faith Sharing and Prayer Group, which meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the every month at 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the church. The format will be video presentation, sharing, and the rosary. We learn, we share, we discuss, and we pray.

Please contact Charles at (204) 235-1725 or cppref@mymts.net or Christophe at (431) 866-5138 or cmaguet@hotmail.com for more information.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, November 20th where we will introduce the "Into the Breach" 12-episode series program.

DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know.....that starting Wednesday, November 20th, the Holy Cross Men's Group is planning on introducing the "Into the Breach" program during the Advent season. *Into the Breach* is a 12-episode video series produced by the Knights of Columbus. This video series seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world. It is inspired by the Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic men written by Bishop Thomas Olmsted of the Diocese of Phoenix. The goal of *Into the Breach* is to help men grow in their faith and become the men that God is calling them to be. The 12 episodes are titled: Masculinity, Brotherhood, Leadership, Fatherhood, Family, Life, Prayer, Suffering, Sacramental Life, Spiritual Warfare, Evangelization, and The Cornerstone. Details to follow very soon.....

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Come join us for food and fellowship on **Sunday November 24th**. We will be serving pancakes, eggs, ham, etc., after each of the Sunday masses.

Breakfast is free but donations to offset costs are graciously accepted!!

Please come join us!!!!

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HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH "ADVENT TO EPIPHANY JOURNEY: SILENT NIGHT TO STAR BRIGHT!"

What is a Household of Faith?

A Household of Faith (HoF) is a small group of 6 to 10 people from a variety of backgrounds and life journeys who come together on a regular basis, at least once a month, in-person

or online, for 60 to 90 minutes. The purpose of this time together is to get to know one another and grow in new friendships, while sharing the Holy Scriptures and some reflection using a simple process.

At **Holy Cross Parish**, we are gathering to introduce you to the process of being a Household of Faith by hosting a series "Advent to Epiphany: Silent Night to Star Bright!" on **Wednesdays; November 27, December 4, 11 & 18 at 7:00pm in the church basement.**

What should you bring?

Feel free to bring a Bible, a journal, and most importantly, your presence. In a small faith group setting, all that's truly needed is space for the Holy Spirit to move, so come with an open heart!

Can't make it, no problem!

Household of Faiths (HoFs) are designed to be ongoing and can be formed with any group of people you already know. You can meet in your home or any other welcoming space. There's no set start date—feel free to begin whenever you're ready! These groups provide a meaningful way to engage with the Word of God and strengthen your relationships with Jesus and each other.

Join Us for Connection!

Join us Wednesday evenings for four weeks of meaningful conversation and connection. All backgrounds are welcome—let's grow together! Just show up and bring a friend!

For more information or questions, please contact ppc@holycrossparish.ca

NOVENA CORNER



PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY NOVENA

Saints Joachim and Ann presented their daughter, the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the Temple in Jerusalem when she was a little girl, consecrating her to God. Pray this novena for consecrating your children to God through Our Lady's intercession.

Start on November 12th
Feast Day November 21st

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Intro Prayer

O great Virgin and dear Mother! by the marvelous promptitude with which you dedicated your earliest years to the service of God, obtain that we may from this time forward be enabled to consecrate our hearts to the divine service without ever being diverted from our purpose.

Pray one Hail Mary now.

O great Virgin and dear Mother! by that seraphic zeal with which in your childhood you served in the temple, thereby becoming an object of admiration to angels and men, obtain for us that we may approach the holy Sacraments with the true spirit of devotion.

Pray one Hail Mary now.

O great Virgin and dear Mother! by the admirable courage with which you subdued your attachment to home and parents, in your first years of life, that you might devote yourself to the service of God, obtain for us that, no longer seduced by the deceits of our enemies, we may be able to keep our hearts detached from all earthly things, seeking for our true and perfect good alone, and may enjoy one day with you the eternal delights of Paradise.

Pray one Hail Mary now.

Concluding Prayer

Our Father
Hail Mary
Glory Be

Blessed Mother, pray for us!

(Novena Source: <https://catholicnovenaapp.com/list-of-all-novenas/>)

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MASS INTENTIONS November 9–17, 2024

Saturday, November 9: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00pm Nick & Rita Tan 50th Wedding Anniversary by the family

Sunday, November 10: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45am + Claire Chenier by Betty Man

10:00am For the Intentions of All Parishioners

12:00pm Pray For Our Family, Our Church, & the Whole World by Theo & Claire & family

Monday, November 11: MEMORIAL FOR ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

7:45am + Paul Wong by Betty Man

Tuesday, November 12: MEMORIAL FOR ST. JOSAPHAT

7:45am + Keith Jewell by Roger Bouchard

Wednesday, November 13

7:45am + Norma James by Robert & Martha Hoehn

Thursday, November 14

7:45am + Claire Chenier by Theresa Man

Friday, November 15

7:45am + All Souls in Purgatory, + Antoinette Hamid & All Those Who Died During COVID by Maricelli Peña

Saturday, November 16

7:45am + Mohor Remic by Ivanka Remic

Saturday, November 16: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00pm + Omer Malo by Germaine Malo & family

Sunday, November 17: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45am Raymond (for healing) by Marie & Bill Klassen

10:00am + Marie & + Richard Gamache by Harvey Gamache & Terry

12:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners

NO 2024 MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

There are no mass intentions available for the rest of 2024. We will announce when we will be accepting requests for 2025 mass intentions.

NOVEMBER PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

For anyone who has lost a child: We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



STEWARDSHIP

November 10, 2024 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living." - Mark 12:43-44

Jesus gets right to the point – Stewards are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your “first fruits” or from what is “left over”?

TIPS FOR FAMILY PRAYER

One of the main places where families gather is the dinner table, a powerful opportunity to pray together as a family, thanking the Lord for what we have received and praying for those most in need. Another opportune time is when children rise from bed, or go to bed. A short prayer in the morning and a thankful prayer at night help children recognize the blessings received from the Lord. Finally, on Sunday mornings before Mass, families can pray **Morning Lauds** from the **Liturgy of the Hours**. Children can learn to connect to the Psalms, begin to read short Bible passages and, if a family member plays a musical instrument, accompany this public prayer of the Church with hymns.



CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATES FOR THE FOOD BANK

The Holy Cross Food Bank is collecting boxes of chocolates to hand out to patrons this Christmas.

It is that time of the year when everyone appreciates a special treat to celebrate the holidays. If you can spare a box of chocolates for a family this Christmas, please drop them off at the parish office (during office hours) or give them to Marianne Savard. Thank you kindly for your generosity.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Happy Birthday wishes, prayers and blessings to everyone celebrating their birthday in the month of November.

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HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

Congratulations and blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary in the month of November.

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BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE HOLY SOULS



During the month of November, parishioners and visitors are invited to write down the names of all deceased relatives and friends in the **Book of Remembrance, found at the altar**. These names will be remembered in all of the masses said during the month of November.

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NORWOOD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We are a Catholic men's service organization, practicing Catholics 18 and over, who are here for the church and community's needs. We have a life, disability insurance and investment opportunities, we are rated one of the best insurance providers. We have been with Holy Cross Parish over 65 years. Our church representative is Bryon Burvill (204) 233-7904. We are in need of new members to help us reach our objectives.

SUNDAY OFFERINGS November 3, 2024

Loose	\$322.30
Envelopes	\$4,077.00
Pre-Authorized Donations	\$1,127.50
TOTAL	\$5,526.80

***Thank you for your generosity.
Please no foreign currency.***

He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor. Proverbs 22: 9

CWL CORNER

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE

*Sponsored by
Holy Cross Parish & The CWL*

Saturday, December 7th & Sunday, December 8th
Following All Masses

Leave Baking at Parish Centre, Friday, December 6th During Office Hours
or
Saturday, December 7th, 3:00 P.M. in the Church Basement

Not Able to Drop Off?

Contact [204-254-4659](tel:204-254-4659) or nicolegg1@mymts.net & Arrange for Pickup

Donating **Gluten Free – Please Mark Accordingly**

50/50 Draw

Winner to be Announced after 12:00 Noon Mass

Ticket Prices - 1 for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00

Knitted/Crocheted Items & Other Crafts Available for Sale

THE WEEK AHEAD November 10—16, 2024

	Sunday November 10	Monday November 11	Tuesday November 12	Wednesday November 13	Thursday November 14	Friday November 15	Saturday November 16
Morning	11:00am Fellowship after Mass	Parish Office Closed		9:00am Food Bank 9:30am-11:30am Children’s Atrium		7:45am Mass followed by 3 rd Friday Devotions	9:00am-12:00pm Lector Training 9:30am-11:30am Children’s Atrium 9:30am-11:30am Sacramental
Afternoon	2:00pm Legion of Mary	3:30pm-5:00pm Bradbury’s				1:00pm-3:00pm Ladies Crafting	12:00pm-2:00pm Confirmation Preparation 1:30pm-3:30pm RCI-Teen
Evening			7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	5:00pm-7:00pm Children’s Atrium	6:30pm Bible Study Fellowship 7:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Youth Group		