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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

Thursday—10:30am at Catherine Place

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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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025

1st Reading: Jeremiah 17.5-8

Responsorial Psalm 1: “Blessed are
the one who trusts in the Lord.”

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12, 16-20

Gospel: Luke 6.17, 20-26

Parish Bulletin

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time • February 16, 2025

Bulletin Reflection for Sunday February 16, 2025

“If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins” (1 Cor 15:17)

Christianity is a religion that is unique among all religions. Christianity proclaims two mighty truths: that God really became one of us, literally stepping down from heaven into our world; and secondly, that God died on the cross and rose again. Both the Incarnation and the Resurrection are foundational in our belief as Christians. A Christian must believe in these two dogmas.

When we listen to the second reading from St. Paul, I’m struck by the paradox he presents to the early Corinthian Church. On the one hand, he uses the conjunction ‘If’ to state that if Christ doesn’t rise from the dead, if he is still dead in the tomb, then everything about Christianity falls apart and it isn’t true. He reiterates that if Christ has not risen, then all those who have died and would die, gave their lives for nothing. However, in the last verse of this passage, he states that “Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep” (1 Cor 15:20).

We are presented with Scripture talking about trusting not in men but in God, letting our hope be in God first and foremost. Paul compared trusting in men as a barren desert with no life and trusting in God as filled with water that doesn’t stop filling up. The Beatitudes are water filling up to the brim.

To trust someone is hard. But to trust God with everything is a more radical way of life because God is telling us not to be afraid. He is trustworthy. We can have confidence that all things work together for those who love God. Trusting like this is a great act of faith and one that requires a life of committed prayer.

Are you going to claim Christ’s resurrection for your own? Will you follow the Beatitudes and seek God in all things? Will you be able to say “I’m a Christian, I know who I follow, and I know in whom I can place my trust?”

Peace and blessings of Our Lord to you all,

Christophe Maguet, *Holy Cross Parish Pastoral Council Member and Parishioner*

Silence in Mass During Consecration

Father Ani has requested that no movement and silence in the church is expected at the time of consecration. This cue can be observed by the ringing of bells. Should this happen while you're in route to/from the washroom, please be considerate by stopping and waiting until after the consecration.

Altar Server Training

There will be training for all altar servers on **Saturday, February 15 from 10:00am to 11:00am**. We request the parents to bring your children who serve.

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. invites everyone for Healing Evangelization. **Please join us on Sunday, February 16 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, February 18, 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 cmag-uet@hotmail.com for more information. **The next meeting is on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 7:00pm.**

Formed

Have you checked out [FORMED](#)?

Do you want to be of service to the parish? We are looking for volunteers to help promote [FORMED](#), and create events with the support of the Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Financial Council, Fr. AniXavier, and Sister Charlotte. Are you interested?

Please email ppc@holycrossparish.ca with your name and email address. We will contact you for a planning meeting.

2024 Donation Receipts

We are in the process of preparing receipts for donations in 2024. To ensure you receive your receipt on time, please contact the parish office at 204-237-7367 or office@holycrossparish.ca and let us know if your address has changed in the last year, so we can be sure it's mailed to the correct address. If you wish to have your tax receipt emailed to you, please contact the parish office.

Coldest Night of the Year Returns to Holy Cross!

Following last winter's highly successful event, Holy Cross is pleased to team up with St. Boniface Street Links again to host **Coldest Night of the Year**. It is a family-friendly walk to raise money for a vital charity that serves people experiencing hurt, hunger and homelessness.

Who: Anyone who wants to form a team or walk with family and friends along a 2.5 km or 5 km walk that starts at the church. You can get people or businesses to sponsor you to raise money for Street Links or make a group donation.

When: Saturday, February 22, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.

Where: Participants will gather in the church basement between 3:30pm and 4:00pm at 252 Dubuc Street.

Why: To raise money for this critical outreach service that seeks out those who are homeless and helps them secure safe and sober housing in the neighborhood. As you know, Holy Cross has teamed up with Street Links in the past to set up a warming shelter in our basement during extreme cold snaps. This is an opportunity for us to support this organization.

How You Can Get Involved:

Organize a team to walk the route, make a pledge, or provide baking for the event which is expected to attract as many as 150 people.

For more information, check out the link below:

[Winnipeg St. Boniface \(St. Boniface Street Links\) - CNOY 2025 Canada](#)

Holy Cross will be serving chili, snacks, and warm beverages to all participants when they return from the walk. Let's see how many teams we can form and have another fun filled night of fitness, food and fellowship!

Update Coldest Night Baking Notice

As you're aware Holy Cross is hosting approximately 150 people for Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser for St. Boniface Street Links on Saturday, February 22. We are asking for donations of cookies, cakes, muffins, slices, sweet treats and also GLUTEN FREE ITEMS (which often get forgotten). Gluten Free items must be tagged "GLUTEN FREE" so it can be kept separate from the regular baking. Any baking delivered to the parish office can be delivered only on the morning of Friday, Feb 21 because the office always closes at 12 noon OR in the afternoon of Saturday Feb. 22 in the basement. If you require baking to be picked up please contact Nicole Gougeon, 204-254-4659 or email nicolegg1@mymts.net for pick up arrangements on Fri. Feb 21st.

THANK YOU EVERYONE!

Sincerely,

Marianne Savard

Holy Cross Food Bank Coordinator

Did you know.....the PPC makes decisions by consensus and by being open to ideas from its members. Due to time restrictions, some items might be tabled to the next meeting for prayer and discernment. The PPC will engage with all parish groups/ministries to build a stronger community.

February 2025 Papal Prayer Intentions

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life: Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

Stewardship

February 16, 2025 - 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time



"Blessed are you when people hate you... exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man."
- LUKE 6:22

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to live Stewardship. Proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

Taste of CANA

Are you called to deepen your love as a married, couple, to grow spiritually and to journey with other couples?

Welcome to the Taste of CANA. Take a peek into how God turns water into wine in our marriage.

Rediscover the beauty of our vocation as a married couple. Taste and See.

Please join us in the Holy Cross Parish basement on Sunday, March 2, 2025 from 3:00pm-5:00pm.

Bingo Bowl



The Holy Cross Parish CWL Annual St. Patrick's Day BINGO BOWL will take place on **Saturday, March 22, 7:00pm at Coronation Lanes, 255 Tache Avenue**. Your \$25.00 ticket includes 3 games of bowling, shoes, and pizza. Tickets available through CWL. Silent Auction, 50/50 and door prizes. Come

dressed in a St. Patrick's outfit or in green to win the prize for best dressed.

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Mass Intentions February 15–23, 2025

Saturday, February 15: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm Antonia Perin (Pratt) by Helen & Ralph Shearman

Sunday, February 16: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45am + Doug Ashmore by Darija Vugrin

10:00am For the Intentions of All Parishioners

12:00pm + Maria Teresa Tizon by Della Desrochers

Monday, February 17

7:45am + Isagani & + Crisologo Carandang by the Carandang family

Tuesday, February 18

7:45am Larry Peacey (Spiritual Conversion & Healing) by Paula Peacey

Wednesday, February 19

7:45am + Roland & + Annette Bouchard by Roger & Debbie Bouchard

Thursday, February 20

7:45am + Lorraine Alice Wright by David Wright

Friday, February 21

7:45am Felix de Jesus by his family

Saturday, February 22: Feast of the Chair of St. Peter

7:45am Joanne Tan & Mario Chartrand by Rita Tan & family

Saturday, February 22: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm + George Ross, + Irene Ross, & + Darrin Ross by Christine Ross

Sunday, February 23: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45am + Claire Chenier by Betty Man

10:00am + Grace & + Jorge by Elcira Cordova

12:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners



Happy Birthday!!!

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

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Happy Wedding Anniversary!!!

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

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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 life and 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 February 9, 2025	
Loose	\$509.45
Envelopes	\$1,945.00
Pre-Authorized Donations	\$1,152.50
TOTAL	\$3,606.95
<i>Thank you for your generosity. Please no foreign currency.</i>	

Give generously to God and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to. Deuteronomy 15: 10



TOILETRIES

**CWL Corner
Chez Rachel
Toiletries for Residents of
Chez Rachel**

March 2nd to March 16th

Holy Cross CWL is initiating this drive in support of the mothers & children residing at Chez Rachel. These families have left their

homes due to domestic violence. We are asking the good people of Holy Cross Parish for your support in making this effort a success.

There will be clearly marked collection bins at the back of the church & annex.

Items Required:

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| Body Wash/Hand Soap | Bar Soap |
| Shampoo/Conditioner | Deodorant |
| Toothpaste/Tooth Brushes | Hand/Body Lotion |
| Lip Care – Lysol/Blistex | Hair Comb/Brush |
| Feminine Protection | Kleenex |

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The Week Ahead February 16—22, 2025

	Sunday February 16	Monday February 17	Tuesday February 18	Wednesday February 19	Thursday February 20	Friday February 21	Saturday February 22
Morning	11:00am Fellowship	Parish Office Closed		9:00am Food Bank 9:30am-11:30am Children's Atrium		7:45am Mass followed by Third Friday Devotions	9:30am-11:30am Children's Atrium
Afternoon	1:00pm The Word of God Heals 1:30pm Legion of Mary	3:30pm-5:00pm Bradbury's		5:00pm-7:00pm Children's Atrium			12:00pm Coldest Night of the Year Setup 1:30pm-3:30pm RCIA-Teen
Evening			7:00pm Medjugorje Prayer Group	7:00pm Men's Group	7:00pm Youth Group	7:00pm Legion of Mary Monthly Patrician Meeting	4:00pm Coldest Night of the Year Check-In 8:00pm Coldest Night of the Year Fellowship