

*“We adore You, O Christ, and we praise you, because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world.”*

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# Holy Cross Church



**Weekly Masses:**

Sunday, 10:30 am  
Wed & Fri, 6:00 pm

**Office Hours:**

Mon/Wed/Fri, 9 am - 12 noon

**Parish Office** (361) 888-4012  
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**Reconciliation (Confession):**  
By appointment / Upon request

**Baptism:** By appointment  
**Marriage:** Six months in advance

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

Week of July 30, 2017

August 2 †Roxanne Ramirez

August 4 †Olga Wade

**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

July 30 †Roxanne Ramirez, Fatima Pilgrimage Intentions

August 6 Carolyn Shaw

August 13 †James R. Vesely

August 20 †Mr. & Mrs. A.B. Duncan

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

July 30– Aug 5 Fatima Pilgrim Image Intentions

Aug 6-12 †John Sheldon

**ALTAR MINISTRY**

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
7/30 10:30am	Armando Ortiz	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
8/6 10:30am	Angel Emrich	Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz Michael Ortiz	Armando Ortiz Norma Ortiz
8/13 10:30am	Andrew Duarte	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Olivia Ramos	Fern Carter Ray Ramos
8/20 10:30am	Norma Ortiz	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Michael Ortiz	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman

**GREETERS & USHERS**

7/30 Korey Hardeman, Ann Woodson, Roland Woodson, Stephanie Woodson

8/6 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Ann Woodson, William Tilley

8/13 Elijah Ramos, Korey Hardeman, Cynthia Shaw, Stephanie Woodson

8/20 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Eunice Sharkey, William Tilley



**News & Upcoming Events  
in our Parish & Diocese**

**EMILY WINN R.I.P.**

Long-time Holy Cross parishioner, Mrs. Emily Winn, passed away on Tuesday, July 25. Please keep her soul and her family in your prayers. The funeral Mass will be this **Thursday, August 3, at 11 AM.**

**USHERS MEETING NEXT WEEK**

There will be a meeting for all current and prospective ushers and greeters **next Sunday, August 6, after Mass.** For those unable to attend on Sunday, there will be a follow-up meeting on **Wednesday, August 9, after at 6:30 PM after Mass.**

**FIRST THURSDAY MASS**

Beginning **Thursday, August 3, 2017**, every first Thursday of the month Fr. Roy will celebrate **Mass at 6 PM** in conjunction with the Thursday evening prayer group.

**FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR**

This first **Friday, August 4**, the monthly Holy Hour of reparation will begin with 6 PM Mass in the adoration chapel and continue with adoration until 7:15 PM.

**BARBEQUE & RAFFLE TICKETS**

All Holy Cross parishioners are asked to turn in raffle ticket money to Norma Ortiz or to the parish office as soon as possible after tickets are sold.

**BARBEQUE VOLUNTEER MEETING**

**EVERYONE interested** in volunteering for the Barbeque portion of our Fall Fund-raiser is requested to attend a meeting **Monday, August 7, at 6:30 PM** in the St. Katharine Drexel Hall. Please contact Liz Vesely (563-5498) or Paul Tisdale (658-9199) for information.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION**

Registration for 2017-18 religious education classes will take place after Mass on Sunday, **August 13 and 20. Classes begin August 27 (11:45 AM– 1 PM) .**

**Pursuing God's Greater Glory:  
St. Ignatius and St. Alphonsus**

This week the Church celebrates back-to-back feasts of two great saints: St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. Alphonsus Ligouri. Ignatius, the youngest of thirteen children, came from a family of Spanish Basque nobles. As a youth he aspired to be a great knight and soldier and even challenged a Muslim to a 'duel to the death' for denying the divinity of Christ. He joined the army of his relative and successfully fought many battles until wounded by a cannonball in a skirmish with the French.

While recovering from his injury, he read the lives of the saints, which inspired him to leave worldly pursuits behind and dedicate himself completely to God. As a sign of his surrender to Jesus in honor of the Virgin Mary, he offered his sword and dagger to Our Lady at the Benedictine monastery in Montserrat. After many years of education, Ignatius founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) with six other companions. With a fourth vow of obedience to the Pope, the Jesuits became a powerful missionary force and champions of the Catholic Counter-Reformation. Over fifty Jesuits are canonized saints, two are doctors of the Church, and one is now pope.

Unlike Ignatius, St. Alphonsus Ligouri, the oldest of seven children, was known for his gentleness. His poor health prevented him joining the military, so he studied civil and canon law. For eight years he never lost a case and his first defeat was a crushing blow that led him to leave the vanities of the world after Jesus spoke to him twice.

After becoming a priest, Alphonsus founded the Redemptorists in 1732 as an association of priests and brothers committed to the imitation of Christ. Unlike Ignatius, most of his co-founders deserted him for another congregation. Alphonsus focused on simple preaching that could be understood by all. He wrote numerous books while struggling with illness and persecution throughout his life. His *Moral Theology* avoided the extremes of both rigorism and laxism. He also composed great works on dogmatic theology and spirituality, such as the *Glories of Mary*. Eventually Alphonsus was made a bishop against his will. Alphonsus was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1871.

Ignatius and Alphonsus were both well-educated, ambitious men who gave up worldly pursuits for heavenly glory. Their lives show us that every success and failure should be directed exclusively to God's greater glory and the salvation of souls.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Marylou Areola, Marchant Bradford, Tony Canales, Fern Carter, Paul Carter, Gail Dement, Louise Gazin, Gloria Hamilton, Doug Hopkins, Otis Jackson, Rodessa Jones, Darell Johnson, Charlester Lewis, Nathan Lopez, Fr. Seamus McGowan, Martha Moore, Billie & Hector Munguia, Emily Petru, Rosanne Ramirez, Phillis Ridgels, Atanacio Sanchez, Renalda Sharkey, Lamont Taylor, Carolyn Satterwhite, Eula Shaw, Les Spear, Dolores Vesely, Patricia Whitfield, Henry G. Winn

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Monday: **St. Ignatius of Loyola**  
 Tuesday: **St. Alphonsus Liguori**  
 Wednesday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;  
 St. Peter Julian Eymard  
 Friday: St. John Vianney; **First Friday**  
 Saturday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major; **First Saturday**

**Birthdays for the week of July 30<sup>th</sup>**

July 30<sup>th</sup> Daniel Ortiz  
 July 31<sup>st</sup> Terry Shaw  
 August 5<sup>th</sup> Kaden Hardeman



**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ex 32:15-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35  
 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43  
 Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-9; Jn 11:19-27  
 Thursday: Ex 40:16-38; Ps 84:3-611; Mt 13:47-53  
 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4--37; Ps 81:3--11; Mt 13:54-58  
 Saturday: Lv 25:1-17; Ps 67:2--8; Mt 14:1-12

"Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."  
 -2 Corinthians 9:7



*Tithes and offerings*

**Weekly Contributions**  
 (Sunday, July 23, 2017)

Adult Envelopes (32).....\$ 627.00  
 Children's Envelopes (3).....\$ 7.00  
 Loose Currency.....\$ 61.00  
 Aid to Church in Africa.....\$ 10.00

**TOTAL \$ 705.00**

**May God bless you for your generous support!**