

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Year Of The Grace Of Yes

July 15, 2018



*Blessed
be God*

who chose us in Christ,
before the foundation
of the world,
to be holy
and without blemish
before him.

~ Ephesians 1:3, 4

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PARISH INFORMATION



Welcome to Holy Cross Catholic Church

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(Early Learning Center)

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Our Mission Statement

The mission of Holy Cross Catholic Church is to Awaken, Enrich and Enliven the Sacred Within.

Holy Cross Core Values

We joyfully, prayerfully and lovingly:

- Welcome all we encounter.
- Honor the journey of others.
- Empower all to discover the sacred within.

Through this discipleship of Christ, we serve others.

BAPTISMS: Are celebrated after the 11:00 am Mass on Sundays. Parents must be registered, practicing Catholics and attend a Baptismal Workshop. Godparents must be at least 18 years of age, confirmed, practicing Catholics and attend a Baptismal Workshop.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Weekdays 30 minutes before mass
Saturdays 2:15—3:45 pm
And by appointment

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Held the 1st Friday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass — 12 Noon

WEDDINGS: Please call the church office 9 to 12 months in advance.

RCIA Would you like to become Catholic?

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic faith and if you would like to enroll in the RCIA program, please call the church office 337-984-9636, Ext 1202 or Adult Faith Formation Office at 337-654-9671.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Grand Knight—Gus Gallo
337.984.6159

a.gallo@cox.net

www.knightsofcolumbus7275.com

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm (Anticipated Mass)
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Tuesday 9:00 am
Thursday, Friday 5:30 pm

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10,
14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab,
15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd,
16; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-
21
Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18;
Mk 6:30-34

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Wednesday: St. Camillus de Lellis
Friday: St. Apollinaris
Saturday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi;



**Catholic
Communication
Campaign**
CONNECT WITH CHRIST

Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message, and support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.



Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

337.984.9636

Monday, 07/16

9:00 AM: Kathryn Kelly, Natalie Bertrand, F. J. Robicheaux & Elena Robicheaux, Glynn & Brandt Broussard.

Tuesday, 07/17

5:30 PM: Mrs. Vera Comeaux, Intentions for Zachary Gallagher & Scarlett Aucoin, For our Deceased Knights.

Wednesday, 07/18

9:00 AM: Intentions for Maddy Gallagher, Nicole Gauthier.

Thursday, 07/19

9:00 AM: Evangeline Grace Breaux, Bernadette Landry, Lana Edmondson.

Friday, 07/20

9:00 AM: Francis Crist, Kathryn Kelly.

Saturday, 07/21

4:00 PM: L. J. Trahan, Blair Harden, Shirley Stutes, Beverly Colomb, George Baudoin, Walter Pellerin, Amiee Pellerin, Kathryn Kelly, Brian Fruge, Kim Simon Palmer, M/M Lefiad Simon, John Jules Guillory, Wanda Simon Troy, Blanche Brailey, Gayle Harrington, Rowena & Jack Blanchard.

Sunday 07/22

9:00 AM: All Parishioners.

11:00 AM: Rita B. Keller, Melvin Hector, Thomas Mhire, Shirley Stutes, Beverly Mixon.

5:00 PM: Intentions for Mason Hebert, Intentions for Jeremiah Huval, Carlyle Marix

WEEKLY OFFERINGS for

July 1, 2018

Offertory—\$ 26,333.00

July 8, 2018:

Offertory—\$ 15,278.40

*Thank you for your generous spirit
of giving.*

WELCOME

HONOR

EMPOWER



YES INITIATIVE

The journey of the Yes Initiative is a Conscious Awakening to the power the Holy Spirit has given to each of us to actively engage in the Mission of Jesus. For so long we have not been informed nor empowered to reach the potential for which we have all been created by our wonderful God. This Initiative is to stir each of our pots to see and then to Belong to our parish. And in our belonging to move from taking what the church has to offer, to giving of who we are to build the Kingdom of the Father. Our YES is our challenge for all to Step up to the Plate and take our rightful place in becoming a Disciple and inviting others to walk with us. So in the word of the Jedi of Star Wars, may the Force be with Us!!

A NEW LANGUAGE FOR A NEW DIRECTION

This YES Initiative requires a new language that the Church has given us since Vatican II. First, as a people we are called the Laity, that is those not ordained or in the religious state. By our Baptism all have a part to play by directing every day affairs according to the will of God. The Laity must bring God's enlightenment and order to society. A big undertaking, to say the least, but one that is essential to Discipleship and the building of unity through the Holy Spirit.

Pope Pius XII said the Laity are on the front lines and must have a clear consciousness of actually being Church. Notice the emphasis on being Church and not going to Church. This has been the direction of our Catholic Church since Vatican II, just never acted upon. Again, the challenge is to move from simply doing or going to Church to accepting the gift of the Spirit we received at Baptism to become a people creating a sense of belonging, Welcoming those we meet, Honoring their journey and Empowering all to awaken to the gift they are for the Body of Christ.

St. Vincent de Paul Continues

For nearly fifty years, Holy Cross Catholic Church through the incredible work of its tireless volunteers, dedicated themselves to the mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which is “building a more just world through relationships with and in service to people in need.”

As a Church we are grateful to reaffirm that same dedication and outreach to the poor continues and has evolved into a new partnership with Catholic Charities of Acadiana.

A new avenue for this ministry will be a monthly financial gift to the Catholic Charities-Stella Maris Center. The Stella Maris Center is a hygiene facility that provides a place for homeless individuals to take a shower, use the restroom, do laundry, and take care of other basic hygiene needs. It is said; the Stella Maris Center is the first place we learn of the names of the poor among us in Acadiana. Through partnerships like Holy Cross, this local center, connects homeless individuals with additional resources to assist them as they find a way to regain life's basic accommodations of food, clothing and shelter.

Built in 2012, Stella Maris Center (named after Our Lady Star of the Sea), is a safe harbor from the storms of the world. Our homeless brothers and sisters needing these basic human services will find a peaceful place of restoration.

While basic food pantry donations will continue to be accepted at Holy Cross Church, our new partnership with Catholic Services of Acadiana will focus primarily in strengthening the well-being of individuals and families in our community through our monetary donations to Catholic Services of Acadiana which will help with funds for rent and utilities in crisis situations.

We continue to be hopeful that you will continue to support this ministry as we provide help for people's physical, mental, and spiritual needs. By doing this with care and respect, we show them that they matter and that they are children of our Most High God.

“The sense of futility is one of the greatest evils of the day... People say, “What can one person do? What is the sense of our small effort?” They cannot see that we can only lay one brick at a time, take one step at a time; we can be responsible only for the one action of the present moment. But we can beg for an increase of love in our hearts that will vitalize and transform all our individual actions.” – Dorothy Day

Centennial News - Sunday, July 15, 2018

Pope Chooses Lafayette's First Bishop - On July 18, 1918 the Archdiocese of New Orleans received an important letter from Pope Benedict XV. The Holy Father signed the order appointing Jules B. Jeanmard as the first Bishop of the Diocese of Lafayette on July 4, 1918. The Pope had created the Diocese almost 6 months earlier on January 11th, but no Bishop had been named. Many suspected that Fr. Teurlings may have been named bishop, but the 38 year old native of Breaux Bridge was chosen. Jeanmard was shocked to receive the news, and wrote to a friend proclaiming: “I am still hoping against hope that it may not be true... Poor Lafayette is getting a sorry specimen for its first shepherd.”

National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministries – in this Centennial Year, the Diocese of Lafayette is happy to host a national Marriage and Family Conference – July 15-17 at the Cajundome Convention Center. Please pray for the holiness of marriage and family and the success of this conference happening this week.

August 15 – get your boat and join the procession - Fete Dieu de Vermilion – our Eucharistic Adoration will be on the Vermilion River this year beginning in Abbeville at St. Mary Magdalen with a Mass in French at 8am. The river procession will begin after with a Rosary and Benediction in Milton @11:35 @Wawees, then a Rosary and Benediction at River Ranch @1:40 @Rufinno's, then a foot procession @ 3:45pm from Beaver Park to Cathedral up University St. to the Cathedral – Vespers at 5pm and Mass at 5:30 with Bishop Deshotel. Having 121 Church Parishes in our Diocese we would like to have at least 1 boat from each parish. To register, please visit www.fetedieuduteche.org or call 337-349-6550. This is an extraordinary event and we ask that you please consider being a part of the 121 boats.

GOD IN ALL

In everything, be it a thing sensed, or a thing known, God is hidden within.

—St. Bonaventure

Worship

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

At the time of the Reformation, although England broke away from papal authority under Henry VIII, a silent majority clung to the Catholic faith. Henry's eldest daughter, Mary, restored the "old religion" in a fierce persecution of Protestants (she is called "Bloody Mary" for good reason.) His youngest daughter, Elizabeth, rejected papal ties. Under her reign, beginning with legislation in 1593, Catholics were persecuted again, and only the very wealthy could afford the fines for not attending Anglican services on Sunday. They were called "recusants," from a Latin word meaning "refuse," since they refused to attend the liturgy of the Church of England. Many families maintained Catholic tradition in secret, and today their descendants claim "Recusancy" as a mark of family pride. For generations they sent their young people abroad to be educated in convents and monasteries. It is not surprising that the first monastery in colonial America springs from Holland with the daughters of patrician English recusant families. Port Tobacco, Maryland, proved fruitful soil for the Carmelite tradition.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



2018 NOVENA TO SAINT ANNE

The Ladies Altar Society of St. John the Evangelist Church in Henry is inviting **all** Altar Society members throughout the Diocese of Lafayette to pray with them,

privately at home, a novena to St. Anne. The novena will begin on Wednesday, July 18 and end on Thursday, July 26, which is the feast day of St. Anne and St. Joachim. On the final day, July 26, members are invited to attend mass at St. John the Evangelist Cathedral in Lafayette at 12:05 in honor of the Centennial year of our diocese.

CALLED BY GOD

Today's scriptures invite us to listen to two calls. The first is the call issued by the LORD to the prophet Amos, the "shepherd and a dresser of sycamores" (Amos 7:14). The second is the call the Lord Jesus issued to the Twelve, whom he sent out "two by two" (Mark 6:7). These faithful people responded to the call, prophesying and preaching to the people to whom they had been sent. Each of us received a call when we were baptized. The second reading invites us to ponder that call as we are reminded that we are chosen in Christ and that, in love, God "destined us for adoption" (Ephesians 1:5). As adopted daughters and sons of God we are called to bring the presence of Christ into our marriages, families, schools, and places of work. Let us be inspired today to say yes to the call we hear once again through God's living word.

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WHAT WILL YOU SAY YES TO IN JULY?

- Allowing older children to live their journey
- Telling someone of the gift you see in them
- Turning off all electronics once a week starting at 5 pm
- Having candles on your table once a month when eating
- Smiling at the person you see in the mirror every day
- Respecting differences we encounter in others

Time Change for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Beginning with the First Friday in July, the time for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will change. It will still begin at 9:45 am but will now end at 11 am.

Youth Ministry

Kyle Melancon
kmelancon@holycrosslafayette.com

Special Musical Guest and
Local Artist from the Tv Series
The Voice



Gabriel Broussard

Presenters:



Dustin Bertrand



Kyle Melancon



Acadian Religious

2819 A Johnston St, Lafayette, LA 70503

Hosting a Pre-Event for:
To the Heights Young Adult Encounter

July 16th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Topic: The role of the laity and
the need for action

Music, Prayer, Community, and Sharing

Parish Life

Teri Broussard
tbroussard@holycrosslafayette.com



Children's Disciple Formation Registration

Registration for Disciple Formation
Classes for 1st - 8th grades to begin
in early to mid-July.

The forms will be mailed, emailed
and soon to be available on the
website.



Join the Young Adult Choir Song Bootcamp

Saturday, July 21, 2018

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

For High School and College Students

RSVP Wayne Hebert 337.298.7833
or email wayne.hebert@hnhco.com

Applications are now being accepted for the full-time position of **Disciple Formation Administrative Assistant**.

Successful candidates would organize and coordinate administrative duties for Office of Disciple Formation Staff. This role involves working closely with Elementary students and Catechists; ensuring both high levels of effectiveness and a pleasant work environment.

Administrative Assistant duties include, but not limited to, answering telephone, greeting visitors, assisting with class/teacher scheduling, data entry, distribution of mail, office supply ordering, vacation bible school preparation and recording of confidential sacramental certificates.

Ideal candidates should have basic to intermediate skills in both Word & Excel. Knowledge of databases is a plus. Position requires attendance to some occasional Disciple Formation events held evenings and/or weekends throughout the year.

If you would like to apply for this position, please submit your resume, **no later than August 10, 2018**, to:

Holy Cross Catholic Church
415 Robley Drive
Lafayette, LA 70503



HOLY CROSS WELCOMES NEW ADDITION TO STAFF

At Holy Cross we are excited to announce a new addition to our Staff, Alex Dietlein. Alex has expertise in all things from web design to video creation to marketing in all its many forms. We are more than blessed to have him on our team, so please make him feel welcome.

BIBLE STUDIES

The Great Adventure Bible Study

Several Bible studies offered at Holy Cross

Gospel of Matthew

Don Berkowicz will facilitate a 24 week study of the Gospel of Matthew on Wednesday mornings, beginning August 8, 2018, 9:00-11:00am in the wisdom Meeting Room, bldg. D. The cost of the study guide is \$20.

The Bible Timeline

Debra Carroll will facilitate a 24 week study of The Bible Timeline, on Tuesday evenings, beginning August 28, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Wisdom Meeting Room, bldg. D. The cost of the study guide is \$20.

The Bible and the Virgin Mary

Debra Carroll will facilitate an 11 week study of the Bible and the Virgin Mary on Wednesday evenings beginning September 5, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm in Wisdom meeting room, bldg. D. The cost of the study guide is \$20.

Please call the Holy Cross office at 337-984-9636 to register for the sessions.

BETHANY ANNUAL LUNCH MEETING

Wednesday, July 18th from 12 noon to 1 pm, the Bethany Ministry will meet in Faith Hall to conduct their annual meeting and luncheon.

Please mark you calendar and plan to attend.

Bethany provides food and support for those who have lost a loved one.

If you would like more information about Bethany ministry or would like to become a member, please call the church office at 337-984-9636.



IRELAND AND SCOTLAND TRIP

Come join Fr. Blessing for a wonderful trip to Ireland and Scotland leaving June 1, 2019. A great group of parishioners have already signed up but there is more room for you and your friends. The trip is not limited to Holy Cross parishioners.

Information of the trip can be found at the entrances of Church.

Register Now for an Aquinas Institute Course!



Fall Courses: THE 203 Jesus, Son of God by Fr. Michael Russo, STB, MA (Tuesdays 6:15 - 9:00 PM at Knight Hall at Our Lady of Fatima - Classes begin Aug. 21 and end Dec. 4)

PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy 3 sem. hrs. by Fr. Brian Harrington, MA,

PhL (Wednesdays 6-8:45 PM at ULL - Classes begin Aug. 22 and end Dec. 5).

The classes can be taken for college credit (accredited through University of Holy Cross) or for catechetical credit (audit).

For more info or to register call (337) 394-6550, email frchampagne@yahoo.com, or go to www.aquinaslafayette.org

Fostering understanding and appreciation of the Catholic Faith

**"Gently Worn"
Public School Uniforms Needed**
(Please Only Public School Uniforms)

School Uniform Outreach will continue to collect and process gently worn public school uniforms. **The need is great!**

Various agencies will make these uniforms available to children who are in need in our Lafayette parish schools. Soon volunteers will begin processing your donations for the 2018-2019 school year. We request your help in this Ecumenical Effort.



Please bring your children's outgrown uniforms to church ASAP and place them in the School Uniform Outreach containers provided in church and in Building C.

Youth Sizes 4-20 and All Adult Sizes are needed:

Shirts: Red, white and navy blue.

Pants/Shorts: Navy blue and khaki — traditional style.

**Theology of the Body
Human Love in the Divine Plan**



A study of the magnificent teaching of St. John Paul II. It consists of four sessions using videos by Christopher West and small group discussions.

**August 8, 15, 22, 29 (Wednesdays)
5:45 – 7:45 PM**

St. Elizabeth Seton Family Life Center
610 Rain Tree Trail (off Moss Street)
Lafayette, LA 70507

No Charge, but Workbook is \$20 (Optional)

For more information or to register call 289-9366 or 335-4652. If you have any questions email maguillot27@gmail.com.

Priests	Mon, July 16 Rev. Joel Faulk	Tues, July 17 Rev. Kendal Faulk	Wed, July 18 Rev. Emmanuel Fernandez	Thurs, July 19 Rev. Thomas Finley	Fri, July 20 Rev. Samuel Fontana	Sat, July 21 Rev. Brian Garry, SJ	Sun, July 22 Rev. William Gearheard
Seminarians	Rev. Patrick Broussard, Director of Vocations	Seminary Faculty, Parents and Benefactors	Reed Bellingham	Rev. Mr. Donald Bernard	Brother John Joseph, CJC (Payton Bourque)	Joseph Boustany	Alex Cormier
Deacons	Dcn. Stephen Vancleve	Dcn. David Vaughn	Dcn. Durk Viator	Dcn. William Vincent	Dcn. Doug Wimberly	Dcn. Byrne Winn	Dcn. Jerry Wyble



**HOLY CROSS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 7275**

*July 17th 5:30 pm
Mass is being offered for
Our deceased Knights*



**MASS
OFFICER INSTALLATION
DINNER**

*Presided by District Deputy
Richard Yandle
Assisted by Brother David Landry*

ANNULMENT PROCESS WORKSHOP

July 24, 2018, the Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of Lafayette, Msgr. Robie Robichaux, will be presenting workshops on *Declaration of Nullity* and what is needed to begin the process. Two workshop times are offered: 10:00 am – noon, or 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, at the Diocesan offices, Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, LA. All are invited to attend. Prior to attending one of the sessions, please register by calling 261-5623, or via email to catrahan@diolaf.org.

There is no charge for this workshop.



**Holy Cross
Playground
Summer Schedule**

The playground will be open during the summer from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Holy Cross Administrative Office will observe summer office hours as follows:
Monday-Thursday 8:30 am to 3:00 pm
(closed from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm)
Friday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm



**ALTAR SERVER
REFRESHER TRAINING**

**For All Altar Servers
July 21, 2018
10 am in church**

The Altar Server Ministry is open to boys/young men and girls/young women in 4th through 12th grade. If your son or daughter is interested in serving in this ministry of the altar, please call Holy Cross Office at 337-984-9636.