



TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS- 10 SEPTEMBER 2017

**“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
may not perish but may have eternal life.”**

(Today's Readings: Numbers 21:4-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17)



Announced Mass intentions

- Sat., Sept. 09 5:00PM Mass – Patrick O' Brien+
- Sun., Sept. 10 **TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:00AM **SILENT ADORATION OF THE CROSS** until 9:30 a.m.
10:00AM **FESTIVAL MASS**
Fesseha Weri+
Vivian Braganza+
Roger Patry+
- 11:15AM **NO MASS**
- Mon., Sept, 11 **NO MASS**
- Tues., Sept, 12 9:30AM Mass– Molly Bacciochi+
- Wed., Sept. 13 12:15PM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
- Thurs., Sept. 14 **TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS**
9:00AM Communion Service held at
Billings Lodge
12:15PM Mass – Roger Patry+
- Fri., Sept. 15 12:15PM Mass–Deacon Charles Kanake (lvg)
Alfredo Guzzo+
- Sat., Sept. 16 5:00PM Mass – Angela Reyes+
- Sun., Sept. 17 **24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Jim Latchford+
9:30AM Mass – John Cousineau+
Archbishop Penney (lvg)
Belanger Family (lvg)
11:15AM Mass – Frank & Barbara Cullinan+

Events Calendar ...

- Sat., Sept. 09 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
- Sun., Sept. 10 **Holy Cross Feast Day Celebration**
following the 10:00 a.m. Festival Mass
- Tues., Sept. 12 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Sept. 13 7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., Sept. 14 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
7:00PM K of C – practice for 2nd Degree
- Sat., Sept. 16 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
- Sun., Sept. 17 9:30AM Children's Liturgy

Please pray for our brothers & sisters who are sick...

—**Our parishioners**—Valtazar Almeida, Ron Black, Denyse Baizana, Emile Chartrand, Fr. Peter Cody, Dorothy Daub, Hurb Durand, Bob Haughton, Thérèse Lavoie, Charlotte McCarthy, Bev Olivastri

—**Immediate family members**—Guillaume Chatelain (brother of Michelle Mysak), Patricia Cotter (sister of Carole Lemieux), Joann Egan (sister of Aileen Halls), Theo Flansberry (brother of Ray), Harry Ganley (brother of Jean),

Michael Giroux (brother of Robert), Sharon Ladouceur (sister of Sheila Shields), André Leduc (brother of Louise), Kevin McNamara (son of Jim & Lila), Eric Polspoel (husband of Jacinthe Bourdeau), Dennis Robello (father of Serena), Fr. Bill Ryan (brother of Helen Hanniman), James Silva (son of Barbara & Enrique)

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: We are updated our list of prayers for the sick. If you wish to add or remove names please contact the parish office at 613-731-7834.

Pastor's Message...

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS PARADOX OF THE CROSS

“The message if the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.....For Jews demand signs and Greeks look for the wisdom but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles.” (1 Cor 1: 18-23)

So the Cross is a paradox. The experience of carrying crosses in our lives involves pain. The Cross implies pain and suffering. It disrupts the harmony of our life and introduces moments of anxiety. No one desires a cross. Yet it is there interrupting the peacefulness of life. But sometimes cross is necessary because of what it teaches. The cross of sacrifice is life giving as we grow from childhood to adulthood. The process is repeated and there is new life. The ultimate motive behind these sacrifices germinates from divine love. If the Cross is not accepted in the right spirit, it can work against our personal growth. In a world of profit calculations and conveniences, we have to look at the Cross through the eyes of Jesus. He told St. Peter that following him will definitely involve Crosses. The Cross is an essential part of our Christian life. There is no resurrected Christ without the crucified Christ. Remember our faith is not in a Christ who is suffering, dying, defeated, nailed to a Cross. But a Christ who is alive, triumphant, clothed, hands outstretched to embrace everybody. We adore you O 'Christ and we bless you because of thy Holy Cross, you have redeemed the whole world.

I wish to convey the blessing of this feast to all the Holy Cross parishioners and to those who are enriching this parish with your support and prayers. As your pastor, I am happy to see that you are always willing to stand at the foot of the Cross.

May God bless you!
Fr. Lukose

COLLECTION REPORT

03 September 2017 – \$3,810.00 (env) / \$815.35 (loose)

~ *Thank you for your generosity and support* ~



CHILDREN'S LITURGY (ages 3-12) will resume on **Sunday, September 17 during the 9:30 a.m. Mass.** We are in **great need of volunteers** to help with our Children's Liturgy as a team. Please contact the parish office at 613-731-7834.

**INSTALLATION CEREMONY FOR OUR PASTOR,
FR. LUKOSE KOCHUPURACKAL C.M.F.
AND HOLY CROSS PARISH FEAST
PROGRAM**

Date: Sunday, September 10, 2017

Veneration of the Holy Cross: 9:00 am to 9:30 am (after the 8 am Mass)

Festival Mass / Installation of our Pastor, Fr. Lukose: 10:00 a.m. Our celebrant will be The Most Reverend Christian Riesbeck C.C.,v.g.

Games and entertainment: 11:00 am

BBQ lunch: 11:45 (with salad, corn on the cob, dessert etc)

Highlights Include:

Children's Fish Pond / Balloon Lady / Popcorn and cotton candy / Guessing Games with prizes / Family Games and much more...

OUR BEAUTIFUL IMAGE OF THE DIVINE MERCY

In 1994, Holy Cross hosted a Divine Mercy Congress attended by 220 people. The painting that now hangs on the wall next to the Tabernacle was commissioned for that occasion by Dr. Ewa Lukasik, who brought the event. It was painted in Poland by Leszek Ojak and arrived (oils still wet) on the very day the Congress began. Archbishop Gervais blessed the image before he gave his talk. We are blessed to have such a beautiful, original but fragile artwork in our Church. We would ask



that when you come to venerate the Image of Jesus, please refrain from touching the painting, as it can cause damage. On the First Friday of each month during the **Eucharistic Adoration from 11 to 12 noon, we recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet.** All are welcome.

HOLY CROSS' 2017 FAITH FORMATION

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: HOLY CROSS' FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM begins on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 from 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.** This year, we will present the popular Alpha program. Even if you are not able to attend all the sessions you are welcome to participate. To register for this program you can visit our website (www.holycrossparish.com), call the parish office at 613-731-7834 or sign-up sheets are available at the entrance of the Church. All are welcome; invite your friends and family members.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: We do not have the names of those parishioners who are using offertory envelope number **501 from 2016** and offertory envelope numbers **181, 213, 351, 418, 422, 439 & 476 from 2017.** We would ask that those parishioners using any of these envelopes to please put your name, address and phone number on the outside of the envelope or contact the parish office at 613-731-7834 with your information. Thank you.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - September 27 - November 05: This Campaign seeks to end abortion worldwide through prayer, fasting and prayerful vigil outside abortion facilities. Vigil hours: 7 am - 7 pm daily, across the street from the abortion facility at 65 Bank St. Proclamation of the Word hours: 11 am – 1 pm daily. To sign-up / info: Warner Besserer (613-323-1665 or marilynwarnerb@live.com)

PART-TIME FINANCIAL BOOKKEEPER: Holy Cross Parish is seeking a part-time financial bookkeeper. A Canadian Criminal Records Check is required for this position. Send C.V. with three references (not family members) to the attention of the Pastor, Fr. Lukose Kochupurackal, 685 Walkley Road, Ottawa, ON, K1V 6R8.

PASTORAL CARE

OUR TRAINED PASTORAL CARE TEAM MEMBERS are available to visit and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick, house-bound, lonely, or bereaved. If you would like to access our services, please call Sue Kennedy at 613-523-4748.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

After an active summer, the Maher family was eager to return to school this past week. They are very grateful to Holy Cross parishioners for their sponsorship and friendship and sincerely thank you. Please see photographs of the family on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

SEASON OF CREATION—SEPT 01 TO OCT 04: To mark the **2017 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** on Sept. 01 (the beginning of the *Season of Creation*), Pope Francis and Orthodox Patriarch Bartholomew issued a joint message calling us "to hear the cry of the earth". Link to the full message: <http://seasonofcreation.org/2017/09/01/3184/>

Other interests...

COMMEMORATING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED IN THE ARCHDIOCESAN CEMETERIES: The Annual Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed will take place at Notre Dame Cemetery (613-746-4175) on Sunday, September 10 that 2:30 p.m. and Hope Cemetery (613-822-1212) will be held on Sunday, September 17 that 2:30 p.m. Archbishop Prendergast will preside at both prayer services.