

# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## April Lay Ministers

**Extraordinary ministers:** Mark Taylor, Gail Alle and Beth Dunn

**Ushers:** Shawn Leader and Jason Holland

**Acolytes:** Talan McCall and Hayden Yandell

**Crossbearer:** Lilly Hicks

**First Reading:** Byron Tullos

**Second Reading:** Nikki Morrow

**Prayer of the Faithful:** Angelee Mayo

**Offertory Gifts families:** (2nd) Lynda George

## **Palm Sunday, Holy Week**

Next Sunday is the Palm Sunday. Our mass will be as usual at 8 and 10:30 a.m. We will be gathering at the parish hall before the mass. We will receive the palm strips and will have a procession to the church.

During Holy Week, we look forward to an active participation. We request volunteers to sign up for the readings, assisting at the altar, extraordinary ministers, washing of the feet, etc...

### **Schedule**

- **Palm Sunday** (4/9/17) – Mass at 8 and 10:30 am
- **Holy Thursday** (4/13/17) – Mass, Washing of the Feet, Eucharistic Adoration and Seder Meal at 6:45 pm. (Eucharistic Adoration till midnight)
- **Good Friday** (4/14/17) – Stations of the Cross at Noon and Passion Reading and Communion at 6:30 p.m.
- **Holy Saturday** (4/15/17) – Easter Vigil at 7:00 p.m. (gather in front of the church around the fire, followed the candle procession to the church)
- **Easter Sunday** (4/16/17) – Easter Day Mass at 10:30 a.m. (No 8 a.m. Mass)

### **Record of our Giving on March 26**

Regular: \$1,794  
Building: 429  
Children: 54

## **Easter Lilies**

Orders for Easter lilies are now being taken. If you are interested in purchasing one in memory of or in honor of someone, please see Mandy Gray, Denise Crenshaw or Angie Tullos. The price is \$20 per lily. Thank you.

## **Mass of Chrism and Priestly Commitment**

The Chrism Mass which will be celebrated on April 11 at 5.45 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle, Jackson. During this mass the priests of the diocese of Jackson will be renewing their total commitment to the service of God and the church. We will not be having our regular daily mass at Holy Cross on that day.

## **Social Sunday**

Today is the first Sunday of the month, our coffee and donuts Sunday. Please join.

## **Stations of the Cross**

April 7 is the sixth Friday of the Lent. We will have Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. followed by supper. Thanks to Bob Benson for preparing dinner after the Stations of the Cross last Friday. All are invited.

## **Note of Thanks**

We would like to thank Misty and Jason Holland, Amy Taylor and Emily Moran for taking the youth to the Abbey Youth Fest. Thanks to Emma Taylor, Sofia Euyoque, Emily Berry, Alex Mario, Lang Pharis and Aaron Le for participating in the youth fest. Thank you all.

## **Confession**

Today at 1:45 p.m., we will have the confession of the first Holy Communion candidates. If the parents of the children have not yet made their confession during lent, please make use of the chance to make your confession. Also please collect the first Holy Communion Parent Handbook from Fr Augustine.

## **Knights Drive**

The Knights of Columbus needs help with its annual food drive (40 cans of food for lent) during the next four weeks. You can bring the food to the hall during any church visit. Baby food and diapers are also needed. They distribute these items to our community as needed.

## **Volunteers Needed**

We invite volunteers to sign up to feed the family of the deceased. If you write your name and contact number, we will get in touch with you, when a need comes we will contact the people who have signed up. We love to comfort and help the family at the time of their bereavement. Please sign up.

## **A Biblical Explanation**

Holy Cross will present the DVD series A Biblical Explanation of the Mass in the parish hall during Lent. The six-week program will be held from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. each Wednesday beginning on March 8 and all adults are invited to attend. Study materials will be provided and a sign up sheet is in the back of church.

## **Birthdays**

2rd – Ron Sparnecht  
3rd – Brook Leader  
5th – Rene Jackson, Paulette G Hallford  
6th – Monica George  
7th – Jacob Knight  
8th – Richard Sanchez

If your name is not listed on the birthday calendar which is placed on the parish bulletin board (in the parish hall), please take a minute to add your name to the calendar. Thanks

## **Parish Council meeting**

Our next parish council will be on April 5th at 5:30 p.m. We will be electing the new chair person. Please save the date.

## **Egg Hunt**

We invite everyone to join us for an Easter Egg Hunt for the children on Saturday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m. We are in need of plastic eggs and candy. If anyone would like to donate, please leave it in the hall any time prior to the 15th. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Taylor.

## **Baby Showers**

There will be a baby shower for **Mandy and Byron Tullos** on April 23 from 1-2 in the church hall. It's a boy!

There will be a baby shower for **Amy and Cody Stepp** on April 30 from 1-2 in the church Hall. It's a boy! She is registered at Babies R Us and Wal-Mart.

## **Wednesday Mass**

We will not have mass this Wednesday, April 5. Father Augustine will be attending a seminar at Jackson.

## **Prayer Concerns**

**Perpetual Needs:** [Those suffering catastrophic illnesses/need(s)] cott Johnson, Phylis Estes, Angie Bobo, Charles Pierce (Betty DiPalma's Uncle), Emily Burpee (Infant), Paulette Williams, Lilah Reynolds, Velma Lozano, Arden Gentry, Monroe Lockhart, Joyce Fulton, Larry Nicholson, John Robert Irby, Julie Burt, Pearl Hancock, Janice Stokes, David Rutherford, Marilyn Freeny, Douglas Whitehead, Larry Mills, Hunter Hoffman, Patricia LaPierre, Nell Phillips, Sandy Pauly, Teresa Patterson, Buford Stephens, Dewey Burton, Sharon Stokes, Paul Jones, Sue Addy, Caroline McCoy, Brock Ward, Antonio Gutierrez, Megan Mescagni, Joshua Lara, Ray Thomas, Jim Holland, Dennis Alderman, Faye Jones, Angie Tullos, Chris Hatcher, Nelson White, Anthony Harkins, Cheryl McBride, Tony Riley, Laurie Edwards Keely, Walt Rodehaver, Rita Page, Liz Thornton, Wanda George, Edna Steele, Chris & Ed Roake, Terrance (Byrd) Durant, Diane Clem, Paige Nowell, Betty DiPalma, Laiken Cole, Travis Bryan, Helen Moore, Diane Cowles, Doyle Lee Fisher, Mac Haas, Robert Hutcherson, Rhonda Adair, Melissa Clark, Norieta de Dios, Ollie Prosen, Ray Greenwood, Mary Grace Day (Mary Ziemnick's mother), Mollie Turner, Bill Terry, Thomas Robinson, Kayla Estes, Gary Lewis, Marcie Prosen, Lessie Chunn, Gail (Sparnecht) Penton, Gary Cuevas, Mike Stevenson, and Jan Hays.

**Special Needs:** The Joey Irby Family, Jordan Turk, Josh Pilgrim, Jeff Burt, Etoile Luke, Steve Hancock, Ron Sparnecht, Junior Hutcherson, Aimee Starkey & Unborn Infant, Mac Burt, Terry Winstead, Kemper Nelson, Bob Burns, Crockett Watkins, Andrea Savel, Benny Lee Adkins, Janice Payne, the Charlie McClain Family, the Lennard Stansbury Family, the David Ezelle Family, Robin Gregory, the Ken Snow Family, the Stanley Dearman Family, the Blake Taliancich Family, Fr. Bob Goodyear, the Sarah Luke Family, Mendy Smith Grace, Janice Cumberland, the Judy Rudolph Family, the Pat Duncan Family, the Betty Mae Henson Family, the Boler Family(ies), and the Sparnecht Family(ies), Uhl Payne, Andrew McCall, and Frank Kofile.

**Our Faithfully Departed:** We pray for the repose of the souls of Robert Charles (Bobby) Sparnecht, Sr., Ann Boler, Maurice (M.J.) Boler, Jr., (Toddler), Betty Mae Henson, Pat Duncan, Judy Rudolph, Sarah Luke, Blake Taliancich, Stanley Dearman, Ken Snow, Brenda Stansbury, David Ezelle, and Charlie McClain. May their souls as well as all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace.

**Our Elderly & Shut-ins:** Mary White, Joyce Pou, Bernice Benson, Ruth Covington, Ida Schultz, and Lessie Chunn.