

Holy Cross Parish
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Nativity of the Lord

December 24, 2022

Pastor: Fr. Michael Barker

Mass Schedule for December 24 - January 7, 2024

Sunday	Dec. 24	6:00 p.m.	Holyrood	Keith, Philip, Theresa & Daphne Duke/ William & Elizabeth Crawley/ Cyril Patrick Flynn/ Brendan Hunt/ Pat Hamlyn/ Lawrence & Nora Healey and the Healey & Hickey families
Sunday	Dec. 24	8:00 p.m.	Hr. Main	<i>Parishioners</i> / Agnes & Gerald Strapp/ Kathleen & Arnold Mahoney/ Debbie Strapp & Karl Meister/ Don Hawco/ Jack & Mary G. Corbett/ Alban Murphy
Monday	Dec. 25	10:30 a.m.	Holyrood	<i>Parishioners</i> / Richard & Marcia Lewis/ James & Josephine Hickey/ Richard & Helen Lewis/ John, Bridget, George & Marion Kennedy/ Betty Ann Fewer
Sunday	Dec. 31	9:30 a.m.	Hr. Main	John Flynn & Whelan & Flynn Families/ Angela & Luke Dalton/ Alice & Con Wall/ Vonnie Wall/ Bridie & Albert Hawco/
Sunday	Dec. 31	11:00 a.m.	Holyrood	<i>Parishioners</i> / William & Marie Conway/ William & Johanna Conway/ Leo & Margaret Williams/ Jack & Connie Taplin/ Bill Taplin/ Heidi Cohen Taplin
Monday	Jan. 1	9:30 a.m.	Hr. Main	<i>Parishioners</i> / William, Anna Marie, Chris, Jack, Willie, William C. Buckle/ Con & Nell Sullivan/ William & Sarah Sullivan & deceased members of the Sullivan & Corbett family/ John & Edith Corbett
Monday	Jan. 1	11:00 a.m.	Holyrood	Nora & Lawrence Healey and the Healey & Hickey family/ Mary, Walt & Lauren Corbett/ Jack, Anna & Tracy Antle and Raymond King/ Michael & Winnifred Tubrett/ Madeline Tubrett
Friday	Jan. 5	Private Mass		Jessica Quinlan/ John & Marc Andrew Connor
Saturday	Jan. 6	7:00 p.m.	Hr. Main	<i>Memory Tree Mass</i>
Sunday	Jan. 7	11:00 a.m.	Holyrood	Walter, Eileen & Sean Walsh/ Frank Power & Roy Terry/ Paula Flynn & Edward Kelly/ Aggie & Fred Lewis

Sunday, January 7, 2024

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Day	Readers	Sacristans	Eucharistic Ministers	Music Ministry
December 25 10:30 a.m. Holyrood	Meshelle Beresford	Jeanette Mahoney	—	Choir
December 31 9:30 a.m. Hr. Main	Staish Hawco	Gerry Furey	Dave Woodman	Maria Woodford & Virginia Myers
December 31 11:00 a.m. Holyrood	Barbara Dunphy	Ann Marie Marrie	Philip Healey	Choir
January 1 9:30 a.m. Hr. Main	Bernadette Myers	Gerry Furey	Angela Woodford	Maria Woodford & Angela Woodford
January 1 11:00 a.m. Holyrood	Mary Piccott	Ann Marie Marrie	Barb McGrath	Choir
Jan 6 (Mem Tree) 7:00 p.m. Hr. Main	Angela Woodford	Josephine Duggan	M.A. Kavanagh	Maria Woodford & Janice Daley
January 7 11:00 a.m. Holyrood	Jerry Lewis	Ann Marie Marrie	Tracey Healey	Choir

Hr. Main for the Month of January:

Holyrood

Church Cleaners: Barb Penney (co-ordinator), Paula Corbett, Betty Woodman, Rhonda Dalton, Sandra Corbett & Lisa Costigan

Sacristans to care for the church:
Jan. 21st - Feb. 10th: Angela Duke

Collection Monitors: Denise Brown & Mary Dalton



Linens: Rose Trahey

Revenue for Holyrood	Revenue for Hr. Main
<p>Collection for December 17th: Regular Sunday - \$3476.20; Dues - \$650.00; Community Support- \$460.00; Restoration - \$95.00 <i>in memory of:</i> Dave Lewis - \$5.00, Annie Hawco - \$5.00; Memorial - \$20.00 <i>in memory of:</i> Leonard Brophy - \$10.00, Thomas Mills - \$10.00</p>	<p>Collection for December 17th: Regular Sunday - \$931.00; Fuel - \$180.00; Dues - \$60.00; Sunday Missals - \$150.00; Donation - \$725.00; Flowers - \$330.00; Christmas Hampers - \$115.00; Bldg. & Main. <i>in memory of:</i> Edward Corbett - \$25.00, Ellen Hickey - \$5.00, Margie Dalton - \$5.00, Helen O'Leary - \$5.00, Leonard Brophy - \$10.00</p>



DECEMBER 24 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF

ADVENT: In today's Gospel, we hear the wonderful words spoken by the Angel Gabriel to Mary, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." Mary, learning that she is to be the Mother of Jesus, the Son of the Most High, is much perplexed by this message. However, she puts aside her uncertainties associated

with the future, into which she is being invited, and gives her wholehearted consent, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word." As we draw closer to the birth of the Son of God into our midst, we can be thankful to Mary for her complete openness to God's will in her life and pray that we will have that same openness of spirit in responding to God's voice, realizing that we too are called to give birth to Christ in today's world amidst the circumstances of our daily lives.

Christmas Message from our Pastor. To the parishioners and visitors: Wishing you and your families a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year filled with peace, joy and love. May the love of Christ fill your hearts during this holy season and may you continue to experience this love each day as you journey through life. May God bless each and every one of you with good health and strength.

God bless you, Fr. Mike

It is with gratitude, The Parish & Pastoral Councils of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish offer a sincere thank you to all parishioners and friends of our parish for the countless hours you continue to give. Your spirit of generosity not only at Christmas time, but all during the year to ensure that the social, liturgical and financial care of the parish is cared for with excellence. The number of people who give of their time in the various ministries is overwhelming and we encourage and welcome new people to join us. To our youth, we encourage you to continue in your ministries. You are such a vital part of our parish! Thank you to our church choir for your continued hard work and dedication in making our liturgies so special with music and song. To the many people who prepared our church for the Christmas Season in decorating, liturgy preparation, members of our volunteer fire department for the cleaning of the church and to all who generously donated to the flowers in memory of their loved ones for our church, we say thank you. Your continued dedication does not go unnoticed. We ask God's continued blessings on **Father Mike** as he ministers to us. May the peace of God, bless you and your families for your generosity and support of your parish. May the God of all creation watch over you, keep you in his care and bless you with His peace. **A Very Merry Christmas to you all and Many Blessings in the New Year!**

Signed: Maria Woodford

Holy Cross Parish Council. A happy and peaceful Christmas to all parishioners and to family and friends who are visiting our parish. Christmas is a time when we remember the birth of Jesus and reflect on God's amazing generosity. It is the season for peace, joy and fellowship with family and friends. It brings us together and helps us appreciate the love in our lives. We are grateful for your support and encouragement in our Pastoral Council ministry. We are very thankful to all volunteers who help ensure the liturgical, financial and social care of the parish is completed with excellence, these volunteers dedicate their time to our parish, we want them all to know it does not go unnoticed. We sincerely thank you for all you do. May your hearts and homes be filled with contentment, laughter and harmony. We pray that the peace of the Christ Child be with you and your Families. We ask God's continued blessing on Father Mike and all who lead us in faith.

Holy Cross Parish Food Bank. Our Christmas hampers were a tremendous success again this year. We want to thank our parish community and local businesses who gave so generously to ensure our families enjoy a great Christmas. We appreciate your continued support. May you all be blessed with the peace and joy of this beautiful season. And to our volunteers who work tirelessly with the Food Bank at Holy Cross Parish, we thank you for all you do throughout the year and at Christmas time. This project would not be possible without your dedication.

Bishop Daniels Christmas letter to parishioners is available at the Church entrance. Please take one.



Holiday Christmas Hours

Holy Cross Parish: Closed Monday, December 25th - Wednesday, January 3rd

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish: Closed Monday, December 25th - Thursday, January 4th

This is a two week bulletin as both offices are closed next week.

Sts. Peter & Paul Food Bank. Sincere thanks to everyone for contributions to the Parish Christmas Food Hampers. Thanks to the staff and students of Holy Cross School and the Roncalli students, the Community Food Sharing Association, to the Town Recreation Committee, and to the volunteers who helped organize the hampers. Thank you to all who helped with sorting food for the hampers. To all who donated toys and gift certificates to the Toy Mountain, your generosity of gifts was wonderful. All donations of food, money and toys and selfless acts of giving are gratefully appreciated. It is never easy to ask for assistance but please know that families who enjoyed this extra help at this time of year were thankful and grateful for your help.

Merry Christmas!

Signed: Angela Woodford

Family Catechesis. We would like to wish all our leaders, helpers, parents and boys and girls a Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with good health and happiness!





Thank you for the
Christmas Flowers in
Sts. Peter & Paul Church
donated
in memory of:



Alban Murphy & deceased family, Joseph & Josephine Woodford & deceased family donated by Fred & Maria Woodford; *Walter & Martha Gorman, Michael & Frances Dalton* donated by Patrick & Marie Gorman; *William, Anna Marie Buckle & deceased family members, Francis, Loretta Myers & deceased family members* donated by Kevin & Madeline Myers; *Bert & Minnie Dalton, Maurice & Alice Mahoney* donated by John & Pat Mahoney; *William & Lillian Terry, Tom & Kay Costello* donated by Tom & Julia Costello; *Michael, Theresa & Michael Hannon* donated by Tony & Mary Myers; *Don & Angeline Dalton* donated by Don & Janice Dalton; *Deceased Barker family members* donated by Fr. Mike Barker; *Mary & Raymond Hickey, Margaret & Francis Hickey, Simon Hickey & Renee Walsh, Betty Ann Fewer, Ellen Hickey, Dave Moore, Mack Woodford & Brian & Norm Cole* donated by Gary & Angela Woodford; *John S. & Rita Corbett, Steve & Kevin Corbett, Don & Margaret Earles & Kieran Earles* donated by Mike & Theresa Earles; *Gregory & Hannah Kelly* donated by Danny & Teresita Gosse; *Ted & Bernice Woodford* donated by Therese Woodford; *Ed Costigan & deceased members of Costigan & Rousselle families* donated by Irene Costigan; *Donny Ezekiel* donated by Jenny Ezekiel; *Alice, Con, Vonnie Wall, Bridie & Albert Hawco* donated by Joan & Raymond Hawco; *Marion & Bernie Myers* donated by Vincent Myers, Sr.; *Dr. & Mrs. Richard Kennedy* donated by Elizabeth Heneghan; *William & Anna Marie Buckle & Jerome Hickey* donated by Gus & Debbie Buckle; *Michael Cleary & deceased Cleary & Whelan families* donated by Aggie Cleary; *Leo & Beth Woodford & Patrick & Ursula Kavanagh* donated by Mark & Mary Ann Kavanagh; *Mary L., Jerry & Gerald Fewer* donated by Joyce Fewer; *Jack & Mary G. Corbett, John & Elizabeth Wall, Mary T. Fewer & Nicholas McGrath* donated by John & Carol Wall; *Charles & Mary Costigan* donated by the Costigan Family; *Tom & Ellen Daley, Jim & Mary Daley & Marion Myers* donated by Gary Myers & Janice Daley; *Richard & Eileen Finn & Frank & Anne Kennedy* donated by Melvin & Diana Woodford; *Pat, Dave, Wilson & Julia Flynn, John & Edith Corbett, John & Annie Corbett & David Power* donated by Lillian Flynn; *Bert & Minnie Dalton* donated by Jerome & Angeline Healey & Nolan Clarke; *Agnes & Gerald Strapp & Arnold & Kathleen Mahoney* donated by Shirley & Ed Mahoney; *Art & Michael Hickey; Leo & Marie Walsh & family, William & Mary Walsh & family, Anastasia & Marion Walsh & Iris Doyle* donated by Frank & Mary Walsh.



Thank you for the
Christmas Flowers in
Holy Cross Church
donated
in memory of:



Michael R. & Bridget Barker, Jerry, Peggy, Pius & Baby Barker and the Barker Family donated by Fr. Mike; *Dr. & Mrs. Walter Heneghan* donated by Elizabeth Heneghan; *Thomas & Elizabeth Woodford, Edward & Olive Thorne* donated by John & Elsie Woodford; *William J., Marjorie, Kenneth & Billy Dunphy* donated by Barb Dunphy; *Ed Dalton, Gerald Devereaux and the Devereaux family, Don Dooley, John Hennessey,* donated by Gerrienne & Evelyn Devereaux; *Michael & Esther Butler, Phyllis & Jack Quinlan, John, Jr. & Jason Quinlan* donated by Mary & Ray Quinlan; *George & Gary Holmes, Nellie & Frank Beeso* donated by Helen Holmes; *Eugene Crowley and deceased family* donated by Catherine Crowley; *George & Mary Veitch* donated by Elizabeth & Mike Dillon; *Mary T. & Stanley Ryan, Aggie & Fred Lewis, Frank Power & Roy Terry, Paula Flynn, Edward Kelly* donated by Gordon & Rosalind Power - Ryan; *Eugene Crowley, Bill Besso & Muriel Maloney* donated by Walter & Lynette Maloney; *Timothy & Elizabeth Lewis* donated by Rosemary Butt.



May the spirit of Christmas
infuse your life and that
of your family members
with hope, positivity,
and joy.
Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year.