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Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

Pastor: Fr. Michael Barker

Mass Schedule for December 11 - 18, 2022

Sunday	Dec. 11	9:30 a.m.	Hr. Main	Marie Buckle/ Bill & Annie Murphy/ Lawrence & Bill Murphy/ Gerald Fewer/ Mary L. & Jerry Fewer/ Bill & Stella Rousselle/ Armond & Raymond Russell/ Ed Costigan & deceased family members
Sunday	Dec. 11	11:00 a.m.	Holyrood	The Humphries & Hanlon families/ Gertrude & Raymond Parsley/ William & Agnes Dalton/ George Holmes/ Terry McCarthy/ The Veitch, Power, Furey & Shandez families/ Leonard, Marjorie, Eugene, Ernest & Yvonne Crowley/ Frank & Mary Ezekiel/ Michael, Theresa, John & Phillip Woodford/ Thomas & Bride Brophy
Sunday	Dec. 18	9:30 a.m.	Hr. Main	Memorial Book Intentions/ Richard & Elizabeth Dalton/ John & Anastasia Walsh/ Marion Kennedy & Renee Walsh/ Raymond, Mary E. & Simon Hickey/ Betty Ann Fewer & Stephen Hickey (Living)
Sunday	Dec. 18	11:00 a.m.	Holyrood	Memorial Book Intentions/ Richard & Marcia Lewis/ Richard & Helen Lewis/ James & Josephine Hickey/ Bernard & Betty Lewis/ Edward & Mary Fahey/ Thomas & Mary Devereaux and deceased family/ William & Barbara Penney and deceased family/ Fred & Catherine Furey and the Costello & Kenny families/ Eugene Crowley

Sunday, December 18, 2022
May the Lord come in; he is king of glory.

Day	Readers	Sacristans	Music Ministry
Dec. 18 9:30 a.m. Hr. Main	James Howse	Josephine Duggan	Guitar Group
Dec. 18 11:00 a.m. Holyrood	Joshua Healey	Mary Hynes-Nolan	_____

Hr. Main

For the Month of December:

Collection Monitors: Paul Howse, Gerald Dalton & Steve Wadden

Church Cleaners: Members of the Volunteer Fire Department

Linens: Debbie Buckle

Advent Penitentials. Communal celebrations of the Sacrament of Penance are scheduled for:

Avondale - Monday, December 12th at 7:00 pm

Holyrood - Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00 pm

North River - Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 pm



Christmas Eve Hr. Main at 6 p.m.
Holyrood at 8 p.m.

Christmas Day Hr. Main at 10:30 a.m.

New Years Day Hr. Main at 9:30 a.m.
Holyrood at 11 a.m.

Memory Tree Hr. Main, January 7th at 5 p.m.

Revenue for Holyhood

Collection for Sunday, December 4th: Regular Sunday - \$875.50; Dues - \$150.00; Christmas Hampers - \$160.00; Restoration - \$245.00; Flowers - \$300.00; Peters Pence - \$75.00; Memorial - \$45.00 *in memory of*: Linda Bruce; Cemetery - \$100.00

Revenue for Hr. Main

Collection for Sunday, December 4th: Regular Sunday - \$924.00; Fuel - \$310.00; Dues - \$50.00



DECEMBER 11 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

Today we celebrate *Gaudete Sunday*, so called because of the first word in Latin of the entrance antiphon, *Gaudete (Rejoice)*. The Entrance Antiphon reads, *Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.* This joyful aspect orients our prayer and Mass today and we realize that the Lord is indeed near. As Catholics, we are called to be people of joy today and every day of our existence. The Lord is always present in our midst: in the Eucharist, in Sacred Scripture, in our hearts, and in our community. We have every reason to rejoice!



Sts. Peter & Paul Food Hampers.

We need your continued support of food donations for the Christmas Food Hampers. There is a need to build up our food supplies. When you are shopping, you may find deals on some needed items.

4th Week - December 18th: All donations are still being accepted.

Parishioners requesting food hampers, kindly phone Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Office at 229-3237 early in December with your hamper request. **Your requests are held in confidence. The hampers will be distributed on December 21st.**

PLEASE NOTE: The Town Recreation will be hosting a food drive on Saturdays. The dates will be and December 17th from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. The drop off location is the basement of the Town Hall. As usual, food donations can be dropped off at the church on Sundays, the Parish Office, the Hr. Main Post Office and also the town hall any day of the week. Any and all donations would be kindly appreciated.

Holy Cross Parish Christmas Hampers. With Christmas quickly approaching, we are once again asking for your support in helping fill this need. Any and all donations are appreciated throughout the year (and can be left at the back of the church) but in particular at this time we need items like: Juice, Cereal, Tea, Sugar, Hot Chocolate and toiletry items like body wash and shampoo, etc. We'd appreciate having your donations in by Sunday, December 11th as distribution is Saturday December 17th. Names for the hampers should be submitted to the parish (229-6250) no later than Friday, December 9th, as we need time to prepare and order some items. The parish thanks you again for your continued support.

The Star of the Sea will host its **Breakfast with Santa** on Sunday, December 18th from 10 am - 1 pm. **Card Game** will take place on Tuesday, December 13th beginning 8:00 pm.



Prayers & Sympathy to the family and friends of **Linda Bruce** who passed away on December 6, 2022 and of **Margaret Finn** who passed away on December 8, 2022 of Holy Cross Parish. May their soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

Congratulations & Best Wishes

to **Violet Marie Veitch**, daughter of **Michael & Denise Veitch** and to **Myles Joseph Flynn**, son of **Joseph & Andrea Flynn** who were baptized on Saturday, December 3, 2022 at Holy Cross Church. May God continue to bless these children with love, especially through their parents and godparents.

Sts. Peter & Paul & Holy Cross Christmas Flowers.

Anyone wishing to make a monetary donation for flowers in memory of a loved one, may do so by placing donations in the collection basket marked Christmas Flowers or by sending an e-transfer to the parish. Anyone wishing to donate flowers, please contact Maria Woodford (Hr. Main) at 229-4207 or either Parish Office. **We will remember our loved ones in a special way at our Christmas Masses.**

Holy Cross Parish Readers List is available at the church entrance, please take one.

Home Visits. Any sick or shut in parishioners who would like a visit from the Priest, please contact either parish office.

Don't wait

for other people to be loving, giving, compassionate, grateful, forgiving, generous, or friendly.

Lead the way!