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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Fr. Godofredo R. Claudio, Pastor Administrator

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday thru Friday 8:00 am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday: 8:15 am
Saturdays & Holidays: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other time by appointment only

First Fridays:

Holy Hour: 6:00 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

Baptism:

By appointment and after an interview with the parents.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.

Care of the Sick:

Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly - for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.

New Parishioners:

Welcome! Please ask for a registration form in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office.

Holy Cross School

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Principal: Ms. Sandy Gunter

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Feb 26	Tues	8:15 am	Luzminda Que - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Connie & Beth Escabarte
Feb 27	Wed	8:15 am	Luzminda Que - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin
Feb 28	Thurs	8:15 am	Pauline Taylor - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Pauline Taylor
Mar 1	Fri	8:15 am	Melinda Prudenciano†	CWL
		7:00 pm	<i>First Friday Mass</i> George Gilbert†	Kim & Miguel De Sousa
Mar 2	Sat	9:00 am	Evelina Lastimoza - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin
		9:30 am	<i>Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction</i>	
		5:00 pm	All Parishioners	
Mar 3	Sun	9:30 am	Vivian & Gene Beltijar - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Vivian & Gene Beltijar
		11:00 am	Deceased Members of the West Family	Dan Ingrouville
		7:00 pm	Tess & Minda - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Eleanor Houston

Altar Servers' Schedule: March 2 & 3, 2019

Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 7:00 pm
Angeline & Angelo Beltran	Cheraldine Carandang	Andre & Martina Flores	Cerniel Cruzada
Michael Orillanes	Arnold Carandang	Matthew Guzman	Cailean Cruzada
Isaiah Odejobi	Maryrose Sabio	Jann Ybarola	Joshua Razon
Ryan	Sean Quinagon	Bernadette Labang	Kirsten Razon

Upcoming Events

Al-Anon Meeting (Every Monday)

Feb. 25, 2019 • Church Hall • 7:30pm~9:30pm

Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction

Every 1st Saturday of the month after the 9:00am Mass • Church

Food Drive: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Every 2nd Sunday of the month.

2018 Tax Receipts Distribution

Until February 28, 2019 (Saturday) • Church

Ash Wednesday (8:15am & 7:00pm) &

Holy Cross School Ash Wednesday Service (9:30am)

March 6, 2019 (Wednesday) • Church

First Holy Communion: Family Gathering - Session 5

March 24, 2019 (Sunday) • Church Hall • 10:15am

How Late is Too Late for Mass

By: Fr. Edward McNamara, Professor of Liturgy at the Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Athenaeum. ROME, 4 NOV. 2003 (ZENIT)

Question: At what point in time during Mass it is considered too late for anyone coming into the Mass to receive Communion? These days I see a lot of people who enter the Mass even as Communion is being given and they head straight to receive. Is this right?

Answer: Like most priests, I am loath to give a straight answer to this question because, in a way, it is a catch-22 question for which there is no right answer.

It is true that before the Second Vatican Council some moral theology manuals placed arrival before the offertory as the dividing line in deciding whether one fulfilled the Sunday obligation of assistance at Mass. But after the liturgical reform, with its emphasis on the overall unity of the Mass, modern theologians shy away from such exactitude.

Mass begins with the entrance procession and ends after the final dismissal and we should be there from beginning to end. Each part of the Mass relates and complements the others in a single act of worship even though some parts, such as the consecration, are essential while others are merely important.

To say that there is a particular moment before or after which we are either "out" or "safe," so to speak, is to give the wrong message and hint that, in the long run, some parts of the Mass are really not all that important. It may also give some less fervent souls a yardstick for arriving in a tardy manner.

Although I prefer not to hazard giving a precise cutoff moment, certainly someone who arrives after the consecration has not attended Mass, should not receive Communion, and if it is a Sunday, go to another Mass.

Arriving on time is not just a question of obligation but of love and respect for Our Lord who has gathered us together to share his gifts, and who has some grace to communicate to us in each part of the Mass.

It is also a sign of respect for the community with whom we worship and who deserves our presence and the contribution of our prayers in each moment. The liturgy is essentially the worship of Christ's body, the Church. Each assembly is called upon to represent and manifest the whole body but this can hardly happen if it forms itself in drips and drabs after the celebration has begun.

Thus people who arrive late to Mass have to honestly ask themselves, Why? If they arrive late because of some justified reason or unforeseen event, such as blocked traffic due to an accident, they have acted in good conscience and are not strictly obliged to assist at a later Mass (although they would do well to do so if they arrive very late and it is possible for them).

Likewise for many elderly people, even getting to the church is an odyssey, and one must not burden their consciences by counting the minutes.

If people arrive late due to culpable negligence, and especially if they do so habitually, then they need to seriously reflect on their attitudes, amend their ways, and if necessary seek the sacrament of reconciliation.

Depending on how late they arrive they should prefer to honor the Lord's day by attending some other Mass, or, if this is not possible, **at least remain in the Church after Mass is over and dedicate some time to prayer and reflection on the readings of the day.**

**Holy Cross' Future Project:
Installation of CCTV Cameras**

Holy Cross is planning to install security cameras both in the Rectory and in the Church. This will greatly help the safety of each and every parishioners. The project will cost us around \$5,400.

Any assistance that you feel will be of help for this project will be greatly appreciated.

We believe that God will never be outdone in generosity and He did promise a hundredfold return.

2018 Tax Receipts ... now available



2018 Tax receipts is now available at the back of the Church until *February 28th*.

Please take note:

- (1) Donations received **after** December 30th is **not included** in the tax receipt.
- (2) If you have a change in address or telephone number, please notify us. We will need your new address for the issuance of your Income Tax Receipt.

Are you new in the Parish?

If so, please take a moment to register by filling out a Registration Form located in the foyer and place it in the offertory basket.

Kindly provide us with the complete information so that the Parish Office will then contact you.

Special Prayers for Parishioners

We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the housebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers.

"Lord, surround them with your healing and steadfast love."

If you know of someone who is seriously ill, or someone who has recently died, you can contact the parish office so they can be prayed for in the weekend Mass during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Communion for the Household

Please let us know if you have relatives or friends who need visitation or communion. We bring Holy Communion to the housebound every **1st Friday of the month**.

You may contact our parish office at 416-421-5225 to give us your information or approach any of our Eucharistic Ministers.

***Holy Cross' Eucharistic Healing
Procession & Benediction***



Every **1st Saturday of the month**, starting **March 2nd**, Fr. Freddy will perform a Eucharistic Healing Procession and Benediction in the Church after the 9:00am Mass. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

First Friday Adoration



There will be an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on **March 1st** starting at 6:00pm followed by the Holy Mass at 7:00pm.

Pancake Breakfast hosted by CWL

To start the Lenten Season with love, on **Sunday, March 3, 2019**, Catholic Women's League invites us to join and support them for the **Pancake Breakfast** in the Parish Hall.

Tickets are on sale for **\$5.00** and it will be available at the entrance door of the Church at mass times. It includes pancakes, juice, coffee and fruits.

There will be 2 sittings after the 9:30am and 11:00am mass. For more information, you may call Claudette at 416-467-0720.

***CWL Lenten Project:
As support to St. Vincent de Paul's Food Drive***

This year Catholic Women's League (CWL) supports St. Vincent de Paul's Food Drive as part of their yearly Lenten Project.

Everyone is encouraged to please bring non-perishable items starting March 3rd until April 19th, 2019.

For more information, you may call Claudette at 416-467-0720.

Lift Jesus Higher

When: Saturday, March 2, 2019

Time: 9:00am to 5:30pm

Venue: Metro Toronto Convention Centre

The theme for this year's rally is "**Hope in the Midst of Suffering**"... we also glory in our sufferings because we know that suffering produces perseverance, character and hope.

For the purchase of the tickets and for more information you may contact:

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