

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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prepare the way...

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Dec 23	Mon	7:00 pm	Ligaya Kelly – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Vinda & Fe Olase
Dec 24	Tues	7:00 pm & 11:00 pm 10:30 pm	Christmas Eve Masses <i>Christmas Carols</i>	
Dec 25	Wed	9:30 am & 11:00 am	Christmas Day Masses	
Dec 26	Thurs	9:00 am	Mila Benedicto – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Connie & Beth Escabarte
Dec 27	Fri	8:15 am	Suresh Alfred †	Angela Alfred & Family
Dec 28	Sat	9:00 am	-Mila Benedicto – <i>Thanksgiving</i> -For All the Souls in the Purgatory † -Ligaya Kelly – <i>Thanksgiving</i> -Mauricio & Saluztiana Montebano † -Circosta Family - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin Ostojic Family Connie & Beth Escabarte Geraldine Montebano Circosta Family
		5:00 pm	All Parishioners	
Dec 29	Sun	9:30 am	Lorenzo Cruz †	Len & Myrna Tapawan
		11:00 am	Conception Maggie Mathias †	Louis Mathias
		7:00 pm	Samson & Javier Family – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Samson Family

Altar Servers' Schedule: Dec. 28 & 29, 2019

Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 7:00 pm
Angeline Beltran	Ruel Gutierrez, Jr.	Andre & Martina Flores	Cailean Cruzada
Angelo Beltran	Sean Quinagon	Jann & Jared Ybarola	Joshua Razon
Michael Orillanes	Maryrose Sabio	Christine Dispasupil & Pia Santos	Kirsten Razon
Isaiah Odejobi	Cheraldine & Arnold Carandang	Gieann Pervera & Bernadette Labang	

He was humbled in the womb of the Virgin,
needy in the manger of the sheep, and homeless on the wood of the
Cross. Nothing so humbles the proud sinner as the humility of
Jesus Christ's humanity. ~ St. Anthony of Padua

Christmas Message 2019 from the Pastor



Jesus, though truly Son of God, emptied himself of his glory and became human, he became one of us. This is the mystery of Christmas: *God, in Jesus, becomes human, becoming a member of a family. Christmas is Family. Christmas is JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH.*

Throughout the year, you worked hard because of your family. You sacrificed a lot because of your family. May you celebrate the birth of the Lord this Christmas as a Family, loving and caring for each other – showing mercy to one another in times of difficulties and pains.

Christmas is LOVE. Christmas is the love of God the Father by sending His only begotten Son into the world, so that by His Mercy and Love, all of humankind may become members of His Family again. Christmas is also the Love of God the Son, our Lord Jesus, who was obedient to the plan of the Father that he becomes human, dwells among us, and at the end would offer Himself as ransom for our sins. Christmas is also the love of the Blessed Virgin Mary when she accepted the invitation of God to be the mother of Jesus, in spite of all the trials and sufferings she would undergo. Christmas is also the love that St. Joseph had shown when he accepted Mary, became the foster father of Jesus and the protector of the Holy Family.

My dear parishioners, the Family of Holy Cross Parish, may we celebrate Christmas as a Family, celebrate Christmas with your family, and let everyone experience God's Mercy and Compassion as we partake of the meal set before us to celebrate the birthday of the Lord.

***Your Christmas is your Family!
Your Christmas is your Love and Mercy to each other.***

HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Fr. Freddy

Upcoming Events

Al-Anon Meeting

Every Monday • 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm • Parish Hall

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Every Sunday • 10:00 am • Parish Hall

Food Drive: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Every 2nd Sunday of the month

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

January 25, 2020 (Saturday) • 10:30am • Church

Sacrament of Confirmation – Session 1

April 5, 2020 (Sunday) • 12:15 pm • Parish Hall

Sacramental Preparations

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

January 25, 2020 • Saturday • 10:30 am • Church

Confirmation

Session 1

April 5, 2020 • Sunday • 12:15 pm • Parish Hall

RCIA

Every Sunday • 10:00am • Parish Hall

Multiple Mass Intentions is now permitted for Saturday morning only

We are now accepting multiple intentions (maximum of 5) for **Saturday 9:00 am Mass only.**

Please feel free to book your intentions in the office.

Holy Cross Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction

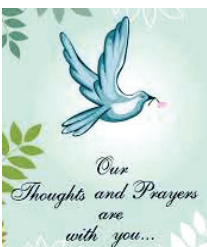
Every **1st Saturday of the month**, Fr. Freddy will perform a Eucharistic Healing Procession and Benediction in the Church after the 9:00am Mass. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

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.



The 2020 Mass Intentions Book is now available.

2020 Offertory Envelopes

The 2020 Parish Offertory Envelopes are ready for pick-up at the Church's main entrance.

Please take note: Some of the parishioner's envelope numbers have been changed due to the updating of the database. Make sure to double check your name on the box.

IMPORTANT! Please DO NOT USE the NEW 2020 ENVELOPES until after New Year.



**HOLY CROSS PARISH
ADVENT SCHEDULE 2019**

Date / Day	Time	Activity	Venue
December 15-23	7:00 pm	9-Day Novena Mass <i>(Simbang Gabi)</i>	Church

**CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR
Mass Schedule**

Date / Day	Time	Activity	Venue
December 24 <i>Tuesday</i>	7:00 pm and 11:00 pm 10:30 pm	Christmas Eve Mass <i>Christmas Carols</i>	Church
December 25 <i>Wednesday</i>	9:30 am 11:00 am No 7:00 pm	Christmas Day Mass	Church
December 31 <i>Tuesday</i>	7:00 pm	New Year Vigil Mass	Church
January 1 <i>Wednesday</i>	11:00 am No 7:00 pm	New Year's Day Mass	Church

Office Hours

December 24	Tuesday	Closed
December 25	Wednesday	Closed
December 26	Thursday	Closed
December 27	Friday	8:45 am – 4:45 pm
December 31	Tuesday	8:45 am – 12:00 noon
January 1	Wednesday	Closed

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