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Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday
9:00 am to 4:00pm

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Sunday Masses:

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

Morning Prayer:

Monday to Friday 8:40 am

Weekday Masses:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other day 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:

Registration Form is available in the vestibule of the Church, in the parish office or on the website.

Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction

Every 1st Sat. of the Month after the 9:00am Mass.

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Principal: Ms. Sandy Gunter

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
JAN	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
23 Mon, 9am	No Mass	
24 Tues, 9am	Thanksgiving – Jennifer Anne Ducusin	Ducusin Family
25 Wed, 9am	Saturnina Quinto +	Ducusin Family
26 Thurs, 9am	Eugenia G. Valencia +	Zeny Valencia & Family
27 Fri, 9am	Thanksgiving – Fe & Vinda Olase	Connie & Beth Escabarte
28 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners Gerard Freel + Julita Jacinto + Caridad Bollozos + Lucia M. Villote + Harry Freel Nerissa Jacinto Imelda Ramos Ninfa Gasis
5pm	Thanksgiving – Macy Valencia	Socorro Jarabe
29 Sun, 9am	Thanksgiving – Ruel & Edhu Gutierrez	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin
11 am	Arnel Surat +	Imelda Ramos

Meditate on God's Word



Sunday Gospel Reflection

Gospel: Matthew 4.12-23 – Jesus Begins His Ministry & Calls the First Disciples

Heeding the Call of Christ

“Come, follow me.” This is the beautiful invitation Jesus extends to His first disciples in the Gospel today. How often do we hear those same words, “come, follow me,” in our own lives? The Lord is constantly calling us to follow Him. By reflecting on today’s Gospel we can learn how we too can heed the call. Firstly, it is important to remember that Jesus says to Peter and Andrew, “I will make you fishers of people.” Jesus calls them to mission. So too, Jesus calls us to mission as well, the mission of being true stewards of Christ for His glory and the good of the Church. The Gospel records that when the disciples were called, they “immediately left their nets and followed him. They saw in Christ all fulfillment and so followed him immediately. We should strive to imitate this eagerness in following Christ, for the Lord doesn’t want us to delay the plans He has in store for us. Lastly, whenever we feel unworthy of the call of following Christ as stewards, we can take great consolation in the fact that Jesus chose lowly, uneducated fisherman for His first apostles. It is famously said that God doesn’t call the qualified, but qualifies the called. If the Lord calls us to a certain mission, He will sustain us through that mission as well. So let us strive to heed the call of Christ and begin to follow Him, the one in whom all our fulfillment is found.

Summary

Just as He called His apostles, Jesus says to us, “come, follow me.” Jesus calls us to accept the mission of being true stewards of Christ for His glory and the good of the Church. Let us imitate the apostles and follow the call of Christ immediately, being resolved to commit to a stewardship way of life for our parishes.

<https://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship>

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



We would like to inform everyone that the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every **Tuesday to Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass until 10:00**

a.m. in the Church ***except on holidays.***



Let us pray for the sick

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the “forgotten members” in our community.

If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick list, please call or email us. We will keep their names on our list for 4 weeks. *Thank you.*

Sacramental Preparations

Please be reminded of the next schedule

Sacrament of Confirmation
 Jan 29 (Sunday) Session 4
 Parish Hall @ 12:15pm



Dear Parishioners,
 For those who have not yet picked up the 2023 Offertory

Envelopes, please do so in order that you can start using them.

The last pick up date will be **January 31, 2023.**

All tax receipts will arrive in donors' mailbox on or before Jan 30, 2023.

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.



Ways to Support Your Parish

Online through the "Support Your Parish" initiative through the Archdiocese of Toronto. The link can be

found on our Home Page.

Online through our existing PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) program. Contact the office for more information.

By placing a cheque in your traditional offertory envelopes and mailing to the parish office: HolyCross Parish, 291 Cosburn Avenue, Toronto, ON M4J 2M4.

No matter how you chose to give, please know that your support is needed and appreciated, now more than ever.

Thank you so much in advance for your generosity.

Mass Schedule	
Jan 23 Monday	No Mass
Jan 24 to 27 Tue to Fri	9am Mass
Jan 28 Saturday	9am Mass
4 to 4:30pm	Confession
	5pm Mass

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service

January 18 to 25 marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). This year's message of Isaiah 1:17, "Do good; seek justice" inspires all of us to pray and work together for the unity willed by Christ for the Church. The Office for Promoting Christian Unity and Religious Relations with Judaism, along with the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches jointly organizes a special prayer service to celebrate the WPCU. All parishioners are invited to join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church on Sunday, January 22 at 4 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 73 Simcoe St. (at King St. W.), Toronto, Ont., M5J 1W9.

Join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (73 Simcoe St. at King St. W. in Toronto) on Sunday January 22, 2023, at 4 p.m.



There is no "I" in Team, but we sure are glad there is "u" in our volunteers!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

Holy Cross Parish cordially invites volunteers of the church to our **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on February 18, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the church hall.**

We thank you for your devoted time and effort in serving Holy Cross Church. Your contribution allowed us to continue to serve our community. See you there!
 Please RSVP at the parish office on or before February 13th at (416) 421-5225 or email: holycrossto@archtoronto.org

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