

MEETINGS AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon	11/9	9:00 AM	Why Catholic? - P
		7:00 PM	Catechist Theology - EW
		7:00 PM	Pastoral Governance - P
Tue	11/10	1:00 PM	Why Catholic? - P
		7:00 PM	Infancy Narratives Class - P
Wed	11/11	9:00 AM	Staff Meeting - P
		6:30 PM	Faith Formation - P
Thu	11/12	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal - WS
Fri	11/13	7:00 PM	Dr. Larry Fatica - P
Sat	11/14	9:00 AM	Elem. Rel. Ed. - EW
		9:00 AM	Grade 2 Parent Mtg. - RC
Sun	11/15	10:00 AM	PreS/K Rel. Educ. - EW
		11:15 AM	HS Religious Educ. - EW
		11:15 AM	Confirmation Prep - EW



Lord, teach us the true spirit of generosity

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HOLY CROSS HOLIDAY TURKEY DINNER today from 11:30-4:00 PM. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

HOLY CROSS MUSIC MINISTRY CONCERT today at 3:00 PM. Come for the turkey, stay for the music, featuring our young musicians and singers.

Welcome New Members of Holy Cross Parish

- Charles & Jennifer Dworek & Andrew and Ella
- Ken and Monica Fanazini & Maya, Lily, and Julia
- Andrew and Ann Marie Green
- David & Connie Kliem & Alec, Mattie, and Aiden
- Todd & Michelle Michaels & Evan and Sara
- William & Janice Noble & Britany and Justin
- John & Hilary O'Brien & Holly and Kevin
- David & Beverly Perry & Jacob and Hunter
- Michael & Michele Plazonny and Ryan, Jake, Caitlin, Will and Erica
- Jim & Donna Scarpelli



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QUESTION OF THE WEEK -
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Self-sacrifice

Adult: Whose way of life has helped me know and understand the possibilities for generous self-sacrifice?

Child: When was I surprised at how good someone was to me? How did that help me to be good to others?

Remembering the Dead: During November you are invited to record the names of deceased loved ones in the Book of the Dead located by the Paschal Candle.

A YOUTHFUL LOOK, AN ATTRACTIVE SMILE: "DENTAL CARE" - The Chronologically Advantaged Group (CAG) invites you to a presentation for seniors by our own Dr. Lawrence Fatica, DDS, on Friday, Nov. 13, 7:00 PM in the Holy Cross Parlor.

November 14-15, 2009 is Commitment Weekend in which we are asked to make a one-year commitment of service to this parish. That means that the commitment you make at that time runs from January 1 through December 31, 2010. A spiritual gift is given to each of us as a means of helping the entire church. When your gift isn't being used, then our ministries are not as effective in fulfilling the purpose of the Body of Christ.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2009

	5:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
PRESIDER:	Fr. Scott Detisch	Fr. Scott Detisch	Fr. Scott Detisch
LECTOR:	Dan and Robin Dewey	Pat Davis and John Folga	Frank Hodas and Gary Eiben
CO-ORD:	Marie Scicchitano and Shirley Loeslein	Chuck Smith and Chris DeSantis	Melanie Lion and Sue Leopold
EUCH. MINISTERS:	Ralph Niebauer, Dee Filipkowski, Peg Mallin, Marylou Partington, Mary Ann Tuschak, Jean and Jim Terry	Tony DeSantis, Alan Hannibal, Barb Mitcho, Bob and Peg McCrarey, Dianne Miller, Sylvia Smith	Tom George, Bruce and Sioban Kobal, Tim Healy, Cindy Dropcho, Nancy Hodas, Dan and Marianne Levstek, Carole Wingerter, Fran Buseck
SERVERS:	Daniel Dewey, Carly Garrow, Bridgett Palo	Shelby Folga, Thomas Shuttleworth, James Shuttleworth	Liam Kobal, Thomas Connell, Michael Connell
MUSIC:	Cantor	Cantor	VIP Choir
MINISTERS OF CARE:		Karen Kocjancic	
NURSERY:	<i>Nursery is available at the 10:00 a.m. mass only</i>		



Mass Intentions

Monday	November 9, 2009
8:00 AM	Fred Lichtenwalter Req. by Mary Lichtenwalter
Tuesday	November 10, 2009
8:00 AM	George T. Tuschak Req. by Jennifer Ziesenheim
Wednesday	November 11, 2009
8:00 AM	Anna Marie Maresh Req. by Marianne and Dan Levstek
Thursday	November 12, 2009
8:00 AM	Communion Service
Friday	November 13, 2009
8:00 AM	Barry Spiegle Req. by The Levstek Family
Saturday	November 14, 2009
5:30 PM	Frances Benz Req. by Jim and Jean Terry
Sunday	November 15, 2009
8:00 AM	George T. Tuschak Req. by Mr. and Mrs. George Drushel
10:00 AM	Holy Cross Parish Family

Readings for the Week of November 8

Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday:	Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12/1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday:	Wis 2:23-3:9/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22-8:1/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16;19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14,18/Mk 13:24-32

Our sanctuary lamp will burn this week for
Fr. Scott, Fr. Caz and all the priests around the world.
"The Year of the Priest"

Requested by Worldwide Marriage Encounter
(If you wish to request that the candle burn in memory of a loved one or for some other shared intention, please call the office. Donation \$10.)

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

207/597 Adult Env. Received.....	Average \$32.16
25/257 Children Env. Received	Average \$1.11
Budgeted Average Weekly Expense.....	\$7,300.00
Actual Offertory Collection (\$116.55 Loose)	\$6657.40
Difference	-\$642.60
Year-To-Date Budget (18 weeks)	\$131,400.00
Actual Year-To-Date Collection	\$119,341.06
Year-To-Date Difference	-\$12,058.94

Catholic Services Appeal

# Responses.....	260
Total Amount Pledged	\$90,416.00
Payments or Pledges.....	\$74,045.50
Balance Due on 2009 Pledges by 1/31/10.....	\$16,370.50

S.M.A.R.T. FAITH

[Strengthening a Mature Appreciation of our Religious Tradition]

Topic: The Priesthood of All Believers

For the last several weeks, our 2nd reading has been from the Letter to the Hebrews. The focus of those readings has been about the great high priest, Jesus Christ, who comes from the people and offers sacrifice to God on behalf of the people. Certainly the imagery of the priesthood of Christ has much to say about the role of those who are ordained priests and bishops. They are ordained into "the Ministerial Priesthood" [our topic for next week]. But you may not know that everyone who is baptized has been anointed to share in the priesthood of Christ. This is called "the Priesthood of All Believers" or "the Priesthood of the Baptized."

In the Catholic ritual, after someone has been baptized with water, the priest or deacon then anoints that person with sacred chrism and prays, "As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet, and King (Shepherd), so may you live always as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life." In that moment, a newly baptized person is consecrated a priest. This does not mean that baptized men and women are now to stand at the altar and offer the sacrifice of Christ within the Eucharist. Nor are they expected to preach homilies or perform the sacraments.

So what does it mean for baptized persons to share in the priesthood of Christ? It means, first of all, that they are to join their lives to Christ and offer everything about their lives as a sacrifice to God and to God's People as Christ did. This involves making a deliberate connection between their role as spouses and parents with their faith. It means bringing their deep convictions into how they engage in relationships, how they do their jobs, how they learn in school, how they participate in civic life and sports, how they use their free time, and how they spend their money.

Furthermore, the baptized Priesthood of All Believers can lead other people to God in ways that ordained priests never could. For instance, parents have much more effect on the faith life of their own children than religious leaders do. Co-workers, teammates, classmates, and friends can offer comfort, support, wisdom, and companionship in powerful ways because they are a part of the day-to-day lives of the people they help. Neighbors are often the first to visit families who have lost a loved one or to assist those in crisis. People whose jobs involve providing help and service to others can often touch the lives of their clients/customers in profound ways.

All of these examples involve offering the sacrifice of one's life. And that can only happen meaningfully when that self-offering is deliberately joined in prayer to the self-offering of Christ in his life. Our sacrifice finds sustenance and strength when it is regularly nourished by the sacrifice of Christ celebrated in the Eucharist. And so "the Priesthood of All Believers," which begins in Baptism, constantly needs the Eucharist to be lived out effectively.