

Holy Cross Catholic Parish

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Bulletin announcements accepted until
12 Noon on Mondays

Parish Staff

Father David Wynen, Pastor
Mrs. Eileen Anderson, Secretary
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Agnes Lawrence (905) 873-2434

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Joanne & Daryll Hillier (905) 873-0262
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Sunday Eucharist
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.; 10 a.m.; 12:00 noon

Weekday Eucharist
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 a.m.
(Bulletin has weekly schedule)

Reconciliation
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration
Every Wednesday
8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Ministry to the Sick

Please call the parish office to
arrange for visits, Communion
or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Parish Membership

New parishioners are encouraged to register with the parish by completing a *parish registration form*, available at the main doors of the Church. You may wish to consider offering financial support to the parish by using *Sunday Offering Envelopes* or *pre-authorized withdrawals*. For more information please contact the parish office.

Sacramental Information

Baptism - Infants and young children of parishioners are baptized on the 2nd or 4th Sundays of each month (except during the Season of Lent). Adults needing baptism or reception into the Catholic church should inquire about the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

Marriage - Weddings for parishioners are generally celebrated on Saturday afternoons. Please contact the pastor a minimum of one year before the planned marriage date.

Priesthood & Religious Life - contact Father Dave Wynen or visit the Diocesan Vocations website: www.vocationinfo.ca

"... be yourselves like living stones, built into a spiritual house ..."

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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SUNDAY, November 29 Jeremiah 33:14-16 • 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2 • Luke 21:25-28, 34-36	8:30 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass 12:00 Noon Mass	(I) Holy Cross Parishioners	
MONDAY, November 30 • St. Andrew, apostle Romans 10:9-18 • Matthew 4:18-22	No Mass	No Mass	Father Gerald Mulhall
TUESDAY, December 1 Isaiah 11:1-10 • Luke 10:21-24	7:00 p.m. Mass	† Tadeusz Walczyk	Father Jacek Walkiewicz, S.Chr.
WEDNESDAY, December 2 <i>All Day Eucharistic Adoration</i> Isaiah 25:6-10a • Matthew 15:29-37	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Lorraine Pollock & Marlene Pollock	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate, C.O.L.I.
THURSDAY, December 3 Isaiah 26:1-6 • Matthew 21, 24-27	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Louise & Franc Lescak & Mary & Danny Lolic	Father Tomasz Porzycki, S.Chr.
FRIDAY, December 4 Isaiah 29:17-24 • Matthew 9:27-31	8:00 a.m. Mass	† Kay O'Neill † Vincent Fitzpatrick † Deceased Members of the Cloutier Family	Father Ed Henhoeffler
SATURDAY, December 5 Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 • Matthew 9:35 - 10:1, 5a, 6-8	4:00 - 4:30 p.m	Reconciliation	Father Ken Miskiewicz
	5:00 p.m. Mass	† Manuel & Selisbela Soares † Antonio Borges & Deceased Members of the Borges Family † Annamarie Bickel (I) Dr. Gerald Aranha (I) Special Intentions	

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, November 30

6:30 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal - church
7:30 p.m. K of C Executive Meeting - council chambers
8:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - church

TUESDAY, December 1

7:30 p.m. For People in the Pews - church hall

WEDNESDAY, December 2

6:30 p.m. Sacramental Prep - Parish Group - hall
8:00 p.m. Prayer Group Meeting - church hall

THURSDAY, December 3

11:00 a.m. Low Impact Exercise - church hall
7:00 p.m. 12 Noon Choir Rehearsal - church

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORTS

Regular Collection • Nov. 15 & Pre-Auth. \$ 13,107.00
Total number of regular envelopes – 474
Average envelope donation – \$15.92
Building Fund \$ 3,918.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION \$ 17,025.00

CONGRATULATIONS

Recently Baptized Tyler Hansen; Matthew Krajac; Gabrielle LeFave; Michael LeFave; Jessica May; Jason May; Matthew Millar; Madison Prowse; Noah Santos; Brooke Timmons

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

All C.W.L. members and ladies of the parish are invited to our annual Christmas Social at Eagle Ridge Golf Club on **Wednesday, December 2nd**. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are \$30. Cash bar. Tickets available at all Masses this weekend or from Mary Jo 905-873-4151 or Marie 905-873-9480.

HOLY CROSS H.E.L.P.S. COLLECTION

Members of Holy Cross H.E.L.P.S. will be at the doors of the church this weekend to accept your donation in support of their corporal works of mercy in this community. As there will be no collection in December and additional help is given over Christmas, we ask that you give what you can to assist the needy families of our community.

PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Those who currently use offering envelopes to offer your financial support of the parish may pick up your 2010 box of envelopes next weekend after Mass in the main entrance of the Church. If you would like to begin using offering envelopes kindly complete a "Parish Registration Form" or contact the office. Your generous support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

❖ *Christmas Social:* The Knights of Columbus *General Meeting scheduled for December 8th is cancelled.* A catered dinner for all Knights and significant others is set for Saturday, December 12th in the Church Hall after the 5:00 p.m. Mass - dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$21 per person with cash bar. **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY DECEMBER 1st.** Contact Mike Grady 905-877-1654 or Jim Pickett 289-891-8984.

❖ *Food Drive:* For the next three weekends, **November 28/29, December 5/6 and December 12/13**, the Knights of Columbus will have a van in the parking lot before all Masses collecting non-perishable food items for the local food bank. The Georgetown Bread Basket has a greater need this year so please give generously.

❖ *Pro-Life Christmas Cakes:* The Knights of Columbus are again selling Pro-Life Christmas cakes in support of Campaign Life Coalition. They will be available for sale starting December 5/6. For further information please call Tony Smyth at 647-407-1617.

EVENTS FOR YOUR HEALTH

November 28th & 29th - after each Mass there will be a Blood Pressure clinic available for any parishioners over the age of 18 years old. This is a great way to have a registered nurse take your blood pressure, help you track it and give you advice on how to manage it.

Low Impact Exercise Program - come join us Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon for an exhilarating hour of fun, laughter and exercise in the Church Hall. Pay-as-you-go classes only \$3. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. No babysitting available. Bring water and 2-3 pound weights if desired.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

As explained in last week's bulletin insert and at Mass today, Development and Peace action cards were made available to send to our local MP, as well as the Prime Minister to ask our federal government to focus on supporting food sovereignty in developing nations. If you were not able to submit your action card today, please drop it in the mail at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for continuing to support farmers in the global south through the purchase of fair trade products at Coffee Sunday. The purchase of these coffees, teas, sugar, and chocolate helps families sustain a fair income in their communities as well as providing basic needs for their families.

SEASON OF ADVENT

Today the Season of Advent begins a new liturgical year. This year we will hear the Gospel readings taken mainly from the Gospel of Luke.

Advent has a two-fold nature - it *prepares* us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we *look forward* to his second coming in the fullness of time. Advent is a joyful season of expectation.

YEAR FOR THE SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

On the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (June 19th, 2009), Pope Benedict XVI inaugurated a "Year for Priests" in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the death of St. John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests. The year, meant to deepen the commitment of all priests to interior renewal for the sake of a stronger and more incisive witness to the Gospel in today's world, will conclude in June 2010.

In his letter of proclamation the Pope said: *"The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus" - the saintly Curé of Ars would often say. This touching expression makes us reflect, first of all, with heartfelt gratitude on the immense gift which priests represent, not only for the Church, but also for humanity itself. I think of all those priests who quietly present Christ's words and actions each day to the faithful and to the whole world, striving to be one with the Lord in their thoughts and their will, their sentiments and their style of life. How can I not pay tribute to their apostolic labors, their tireless and hidden service, and their universal charity? And how can I not praise the courageous fidelity of so many priests who, even amid difficulties and incomprehension, remain faithful to their vocation as "friends of Christ," whom he has called by name, chosen and sent?*

CHRISTMAS VACATION FAMILY FUN SKATE

Please plan to join the Holy Cross Social Committee on **Monday, December 21st** for skating, carol singing and hot chocolate. We have rented a rink at Mold Masters from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and would love to see you there! Tickets will be sold for \$5.00 a family after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday & 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon Masses on Sunday, December 5/6 and 12/13. You can also purchase tickets from Marie Simpson at 905-877-6928 or from Jane Santaluce at 905-877-7226.

Please keep the calendar attached for handy reference. God bless and have a good week!

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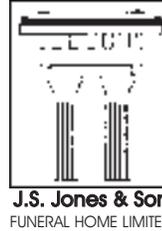
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