

Dear Parishioners,

Reaching a priest for an emergency can be very hard, and our emergency phone number **864-897-7980** makes it as easy as possible. If you need to reach me to request the anointing of the sick in less than four days, or to inform me of a parishioner's death, please use this number! Since I am often meeting with people or driving, I am not free to answer any phone immediately — when I cannot, the message you leave will be sent to my phone so that I can reach you. During extended times that I am not available, a parish staff member will get the message and help you reach a priest. This one number will always be the fastest way we can help you reach a priest.

For the anointing of the sick, those who are in danger of death from sickness or old age (70 and older) should come to Mass at Holy Cross on a Friday when the anointing is offered. You should come when first diagnosed with a sickness that can end in death, and every six months unless your condition gets significantly worse. These Masses will next be May 20th, June 10th, and July 15th. I hope that all parishioners will make a special effort to get to Mass on these days so that we can pray together for all of our sick brothers and sisters in Christ.

Fr. Jim Dubrouillet

This Week in our Parish

Sun., 1 9:00 AM Mass
 10:00 AM Sr. High Youth Mtg.
 Tue., 3 7:00 PM RCIA
 Thu., 5 12:15 PM Mass
 Sat., 7 9:00 AM First Communion Retreat
 3:30 PM Confession @ Holy Cross
 7:00 PM Mass
 Sun., 8 9:00 AM Mass
 10:00 AM Sr. High Youth Mtg.

Mass Intentions

Thu., 5 12:15 PM Priest Intention
 Sat., 7 7:00 PM For the People
 Sun., 8 9:00 AM Janice Sewell †
M/M Grady Sewell



Please pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of the following parishioners, Anthony Bazza and Evelyn Burkhardt. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Oliva Papa, mother of Elisa DiFilippo. Our thoughts, prayers, and sympathies are extended to their families.

Readings for the Week

Sun Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29
 Mon Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b;
 Jn 15:26—16:4a
 Tue 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14
 Wed Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14;
 Jn 16:12-15
 Thu Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9;
 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23;
 Lk 24:46-53
 Fri Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23
 Sat Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28
 Sun Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9;
 Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jun 17:20-26

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners: B. Ahearn, G. Amorosia, Mrs. A. Bazza, C. Carpenter, D. Clements, L. Currens, J. Dunn, I. Maziarz, J. Maziarz, P. Mitchell, B. Moll, R. Pavlick, J. Russell, D. Sheridan, K. Tallyen, M. Tobon, A. Young

Friends and Relatives: D. Amorosia, K. Armstrong, B. Authement, Bolt Family, George Cohen, Jr., D. DeLise, S. DeLise, D. Doria, S. Drake, B. Elliott, M. Fernandez, J. Gniewek, Mr. & Mrs. E. Guderian, Jr., H. Hanahoe, A. Heredia, E. Kiesznoski, W. Kuell, D. Lovett, L. G. Marcengill, C. Maziarz, J. Merck, B. Metts, M. Nash, V. Navasnik, T. & M. Nicholson, C. O'Quinn, L. O'Quinn, L. Paradis, J. Pavlick, T. Quatrini, M. Reddy, J. Richeda, M. Rizzo, G. Roberts, C. Robinson, M. Sanchez, T. Shayne, P. Shoemaker, E. Swire, J. Taylor, S. Taylor, our homebound members, all current & former members of our military and those who have asked for our prayers.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Monday Mass: Effective May 2, the Monday daily Mass at Holy Cross will be celebrated at 12:15 PM.

Confession at St. Luke: Confession on Wednesday evening is suspended until Religious Education classes resume in the fall. Confessions may be heard by appointment on Thursday mornings or at Holy Cross each Saturday at 3:30 PM.

Respect Life: Would you like to honor someone in a very special way? After Mass on the weekends of May 1 and May 8, baby bottles will be distributed for the Mother's Day Baby Bottle Campaign which supports Hope Women's Center. This project helps women in crisis pregnancies. You may put your donation in the bottle along with the completed card so that your honoree may be notified of your donation. Bottles may be returned during the month of May to the bassinet located in the entrance to the church. Thank you for your support.

Youth Group Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, May 14 from 7 AM until 3 PM at 204 Fairforest Way in Pickens (Club Ridge Community). Thanks to all who donated items and please come out and shop!

Attention Graduates of the Parish: St. Luke's would like to honor those graduating from high school and college. If you wish to be recognized, please call the parish office at 855-9039 or send an email to office@stlukeeeasley.org with your name and school name **by Monday, May 30.**

Lighthouse Media CDs: *We Must Go Out: the Sacrament of Confirmation* It is through the Sacrament of Confirmation that a Catholic is fully initiated into the Church. Why then do so many newly confirmed Catholics never come back? Fr. Mike Schmitz addresses this concerning trend in the Catholic Church with honesty, energy, and humor and challenges ALL Catholics to see this sacrament not as a "graduation" but as a commissioning by the Holy Spirit to go out and proclaim the Gospel. All CDs are only \$3.00 which benefits our Catholic Outreach ministry.

Stewardship Report

April 23-24, 2016

Weekly\$4,006.79
 YTD Collection.....\$188,976.30
 Surplus/ (Deficit)\$147.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

May 7-8, 2016

7:00 PM Lector: G. Bida
 Servers: J. Sewell
 M. Kline
 A. Bissonnette
 Greeters: B. Jacob
 D. Jacob

9:00 AM Lector: K. Borcherts
 Servers: A. Borcherts
 J. McConnell
 E. Plauplis
 Greeters: R. Heredia
 G. Pittman
 B. Polomski
 P. Stevenson

Capital Campaign Report April 25, 2016

Cost to Date	\$1,174,692	From Growth/Dev	\$550,000
Balance Due	\$69,334	Donations & Int.	\$456,305
Loan Interest (5 yr)	\$29,645	Pledges Expected	\$99,398
Total Cost	\$1,273,671	Total Funding	\$1,105,703
	Funds Needed		\$167,968

Holy Cross Catholic Church
 558 Hampton Ave Pickens, SC
 Mass Schedule*

Saturday.....5:00 PM
 Sunday.....11:15 AM
 Monday.....12:15 PM
 Wednesday.....12:15 PM
 Friday.....12:15 PM

**Check the website to confirm.*