



# Holy Cross Catholic Church

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - ☩ June 25, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Today we begin a mini-series on postures and gestures at Mass. This week, let's look at the postures and gestures shared between the priest and people. How many can you list?

First, on entering the church, all the faithful -- including the priest -- make the sign of the cross using Holy Water. Second, before getting to a seat, we genuflect, touching the right knee to the floor with hands folded. Just as the priest does not make the sign of the cross while genuflecting, the faithful should not do so.

All stand for the entrance procession, introductory rites including the Gloria, Alleluia, Gospel, Creed, and intercessions. The people stand with the priest from the final part of the preparation of the gifts until they kneel at the end of the "Holy, Holy, Holy." All stand for the start of the Communion Rite -- the Our Father -- through the "Lamb of God." And finally, all stand for the "Prayer after Communion" and the "Concluding Rite." We stand out of respect, and showing a readiness to act.

All sit for the Old Testament reading, the Psalm, and the New Testament Reading. (Of course, the Lector and Cantor stand for these!) All respond to the verses of the "Responsorial Psalm". All kneel/sit for a time of silence after Communion.

The first words of the Mass are the priest saying, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," while all make the sign of the cross. All sign themselves with three small crosses after the words "A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ...." These are made on the forehead, lips, and breast. The sign of the cross reminds us that we have agreed to pick up our cross daily, and follow Jesus.

When the "I confess" is used for the penitential act, all strike their breast at the words "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." This is a sign of sorrow for our sins.

All pray together the "Our Father", and also the words "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." This is an important reminder that no one -- not even the Pope -- is worthy for God to enter his soul. We all rely on the saving action of God.

Everyone makes a physical sign of reverence before receiving the Eucharist. The priest genuflects before "Behold, the Lamb of God...", and the faithful either genuflect or bow while the person before them is receiving the Eucharist.

At the end of Mass, we should spend some time thanking God for the gift of the Eucharist. Upon leaving all should genuflect while facing the Tabernacle.

In the next weeks, we will look at what the people do and the priest does not do, then at what the priest does and the people do not do!

Fr. Jim

## Announcements

⇒ There will be **No Weekday Masses** Monday, June 19th - Friday, July 7th.

### Readings for the week of June 12

**Mon** 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42  
**Tue** 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48  
**Wed** 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
**Thu** 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15  
**Fri** Dt 7:6-11/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30  
**Sat** Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80  
**Sun** Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33



"Thou shall not have on thy cell phone during church".  
- Cellphonians 4:15

### Stewardship Report

June 17&18 .....\$3372.90  
 Online Giving .....12%  
 Growth & Dev. ....\$403.00

*Thank you for your generosity and support.*

In 2020, the **Diocese of Charleston will mark its Bicentennial**. We have a remarkable history and future full of possibilities to celebrate! In preparation, **Bishop Guglielmone is inviting input from people throughout the diocese through a brief survey**. It will help to frame an understanding of what is most valued, areas of concern, and the hopes and expectations of our diocesan family as we move forward.

The English survey link is:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CharlestonMAP>

**Please complete by July 5<sup>th</sup>.**

The Spanish survey link is:

<https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/EncuestaCharleston>

**Mass Times:**

Sat ..... 4:00 PM  
Sun ..... 11:30 AM  
Mon, Wed, Fri ..... 12:15 PM

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*Welcome* Msgr. Christopher Lathem and thank you for celebrating Mass with us this weekend.

**The Week Ahead**

Mon. 6/26	10:30 AM	No Men's Prayer Group
	12:15 PM	No Mass (HC)
Tue. 6/27	6:00 PM	No Choir Practice (HC)
Wed. 6/28	12:15 PM	No Mass (HC)
Thur. 6/29	12:15 PM	No Mass (SL)
Fri. 6/30	10:30 AM	No Women's Prayer Group
	12:15 PM	No Mass (HC)
Sat. 7/1	2:30 PM	Confessions
	4:00 PM	Mass (HC) Offered for † Joe Christ by Sarah Christ
	6:00 PM	Mass (SL) Offered for All Parishioners
Sun. 7/2	9:00 AM	Mass (SL) Offered for † Joseph & † Eleanor Kiesznoski
	9:30 AM	RCIA (CH)
	11:30 AM	Mass (HC) Offered for All Parishioners

HC-Holy Cross, CH-Church Hall basement , VH-Villano Hall, SL-St. Luke

**For additional information about happenings in the Diocese of Charleston and other churches in our area, please see the bulletin board, contact the church office or visit the church webpage.**

Please consider a gift to the **Bishop's Annual Appeal**. In doing so, you will touch the lives of many in a very positive way. Your gifts will provide critical funding to accomplish things such as: pay for the education and formation of seminarians and deacons, help our brothers and sisters in need through Catholic Charities services, evangelize future generations through Youth and Young Adult Ministry programs, and provide pensions and healthcare for our retired priests. **Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Together, we are doing the Lord's work and building His kingdom.**

**The facilities of Holy Cross are available to all ACTIVE parishioners.** This includes the use of the church for Baptism, Weddings & other Sacramental events. Active Membership is determined as follows:

1. Registered in the parish for 6 months.
2. Faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
3. Financial support of the church according to your means.

**Marriage:** Those contemplating marriage should contact the office at least EIGHT months prior to the wedding date to schedule an appointment with the Priest.

**Baptism:** Parents must attend a training class prior to having a child baptized. Please call the parish office to schedule the training.



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