

# Holy Cross Catholic Church

558 Hampton Ave. • Pickens, SC 29671

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ February 11, 2018

Dear Parishioners,

During the season of Lent we remember Jesus' 40 days of fasting and prayer. Jesus went into the desert for 40 days, depriving Himself of food, to prepare for His public ministry. We prepare ourselves to celebrate Easter with 40 days of more serious fasting, prayer, and giving alms.

- Abstaining from meat is required for Catholics 14 and older on the Fridays in Lent, and Ash Wednesdays. Meat is the flesh of warm blooded creatures. Eggs and fish are not meat. This is a form of fasting.
- More strict Fasting is required on Ash Wednesday (February 14) and Good Friday (March 30) for Catholics who have reached their 18th birthday and not reached their 59th. This fasting means one full meal at any time, and eating two other times a total of food less than or equal to one full meal. This fast includes avoiding food between meals. For this fast, beverages like coffee, milk, and juice are not food. Catholics are encouraged to continue the Good Friday fast until the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.
- The Eucharistic Fast is required of all Catholics preparing to receive the Holy Eucharist on any day. This means avoiding all food and beverages for one hour before Mass -- water and medicine being the only exception.

This year, we will try two different ways to pray together during Lent. First, we will pray the Stations of the Cross more solemnly on the Fridays of Lent, starting at 6:30pm alternating between St. Luke and Holy Cross. I will lead the stations, and will include a reflection on the Passion. The whole service will last 30-40 minutes, and will be followed by a simple meal provided by parishioners.

Second, at 6:30 AM on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, we will gather at Holy Cross to pray parts of Morning Prayer and the Office of Readings in a service called "Tenebrae". The Holy Saturday Easter Vigil this year will include the fewest permitted readings. In order not to deprive parishioners of the opportunity to hear all the readings, we will include the omitted four readings and psalms with the morning "Tenebrae" service. I hope that participation in the morning Tenebrae services will help us reflect on God's saving work throughout these most Holy days.

I pray that you will have a joyful season of Lent while preparing for Easter.

Fr. Jim Dubrouillet

## Announcements

- ◆ For complete 2018 BAA information go to the church homepage and click on "2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal Video and Campaign Information".
- ◆ Ash Wednesday Mass will be 12:15 PM at Holy Cross, and Liturgy of the Word with Ashes will be 7:00 PM at St. Luke.
- ◆ Stations of the Cross will be at St. Luke this Friday evening at 6:30 followed by a simple meal.

Please Note: Holy Cross Catholic Church and its properties are smoke free.



No Smoking or Vaping!

# In our Parish

## Mass Times:

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

## Office Hours:

Mon-Wed 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
 Fri 9:00 AM - NOON

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## Staff:

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| Mon. 2/12  | 10:30 AM | Men's Prayer Group (CH)                                   |
|            | 12:15 PM | Mass (HC) Offered for Priest Intention                    |
| Tue. 2/13  | 5:00 PM  | Choir Practice (HC)                                       |
| Wed. 2/14  |          | <b>Ash Wednesday</b>                                      |
|            | 12:15 PM | Mass (HC) Offered for † Julie Elias                       |
|            | 7:00 PM  | Liturgy of the Word & Ashes (SL)                          |
| Thur. 2/15 | 12:15 PM | Mass (SL) Offered for Priest Intention                    |
| Fri. 2/16  | 10:30 AM | Women's Prayer Group (VH)                                 |
|            | 12:15 PM | Mass with Anointing of the Sick (HC) Offered for All Sick |
|            | 6:30 PM  | Stations of the Cross with simple meal (SL)               |
| Sat. 2/17  | 2:30 PM  | Confessions (HC)  |
|            | 4:00 PM  | Mass (HC) Offered for All Parishioners                    |
|            | 6:00 PM  | Mass (SL) Offered for † JoAnne Boer                       |
| Sun. 2/18  |          | <b>First Sunday of Lent</b>                               |
|            | 9:00 AM  | Mass (SL) Offered for All Parishioners                    |
|            | 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.**

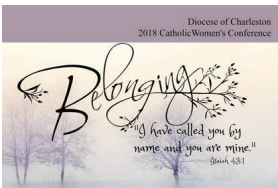
**40 Days for Life Kickoff Rally** Sat., Feb. 17, 9:30 am-10:30 am, public right-of-way in front of Greenville Women's Clinic, 1142 Grove Road. Parking is at the empty shops across the street from Piedmont Women's Center and at Grove Road Baptist Church.



South Carolina Catholic  
**MEN'S CONFERENCE**  
 Building The Domestic Church  
 March 3, 2018  
 Our Lady of the Lake Church / 195 Amicks Ferry Road / Chapin, SC



**S C Catholic Men's Conference** – Register online at [www.sccatholicmensconf.org](http://www.sccatholicmensconf.org) National speakers: Most Reverend Robert Guglielmo – Bishop of Charleston, Gus Lloyd – Radio Host, and Tom Leopold – TV Comedy Writer.



**2018 Catholic Women's Conference** - Keynote speaker, workshops, vendors, Mass and confession. Cost is \$35 if before Feb. 20. Includes breakfast and catered lunch. Join us this Lent to be renewed and refreshed. Saturday, March 3, 9:00-5:00, St. Joseph's Catholic School, Greenville. Sign-up now at [www.SCCatholicWomensConference.com](http://www.SCCatholicWomensConference.com).

## Readings for the week of February 12

**Mon** Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13  
**Tue** Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21  
**Wed** Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
**Thu** Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25  
**Fri** Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15  
**Sat** Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32  
**Sun** Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



## Stewardship Report

February 4&5 .....\$3,652.50  
 Online Giving.....17%

*Thank you for your  
 generosity and support.*

## Have you registered with the parish?

If not, register online through our parish website: [holycrossstluke.org](http://holycrossstluke.org) using the "My Own Church" button. Call or email the parish office if you'd like to receive envelopes.

**Please don't forget** to notify the parish office if you have a change of address, phone number or email address. If you have a My Own Church account you can log in and make these changes.