



Holy Cross Parish

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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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September 13, 2026

Contact the office @ 306-757-1325 for

Baptism 1st Eucharist
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Marriage Funerals and
other concerns

We acknowledge that Holy Cross Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional homeland of the Nêhiyawak (Cree), Nahkawé (Saulteaux) and Nakota and homeland of the Métis Nation, Dakota and Lakota.

PARISH STAFF TEAM

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NEW HC Office Hours:

Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Office Closed 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Masses

Sat. 5:00 pm
Sun. 9:00 am
Tues. 7:00 pm
Wed. 9:00 am
Thur. 9:00 am
Fri. 9:00 am

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Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 27:30—28:7 / Romans 14:7-9 / Matthew 18: 21-35

Monday

September 14
*The Exaltation
of the Holy Cross*
Nm 21:4b-9
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday

September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Cor 12:12-14,
27-31a
Jn 19:25-27 or
Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday

September 16
*Sts. Cornelius,
Pope, and Cyprian,
Bishop, Martyrs*
1 Cor 12:31-13:13
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

September 17
Weekday
1 Cor 15:1-11
Lk 7:36-50

Friday

September 18
Weekday
1 Cor 15:12-20
Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

September 19
Weekday
1 Cor 15:35-37,
42-49
Lk 8:4-15

Sunday

September 20
*Twenty-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*
Is 55:6-9
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a
Mt 20:1-16a

The Debt We Have in Common

THOMAS M. SANTA, CSsR

As we hear today's Gospel of the servant whose enormous debt is forgiven, yet who refuses mercy to a fellow servant owing far less, we cannot help but ask: how can this be? This is the first question that comes to mind. How could a person be forgiven so much and then, just a few minutes later, refuse to forgive something inconsequential in comparison? Selfishness doesn't really explain it. Being so full of oneself doesn't explain it. Being completely dense and obtuse is perhaps closer to the truth, but even that explanation comes up short.

The truth is that the exaggeration of the debt is secondary to the story. What is essential to the story is the invitation to reflect on what it means to be a human being. It is to acknowledge that, when all is said and done, everyone owes a huge debt. No one is exempt from gratitude. An honest acceptance of who we are—completely and totally dependent on God who created us—is the core truth. To be so disconnected from this truth as to not recognize one's own dependence and be completely unaware of the need to be grateful—that is the real challenge the story considers. ●

Reflect

How am I at forgiveness—with others and with myself?



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY



Can one refuse mercy
to a sinner like oneself,
yet seek pardon for
one's own sins?

SIRACH 28:4

What's Happening at Holy Cross 2

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER

September 6, 2026—Jenna & Rocky Boyko

MASS INTENTIONS for Sept. 12-20, 2026

Sat.	Sept. 12	PRO POPULO
Sun.	Sept. 13	For the intentions of Harvey & Phyllis Kennedy for good health, offered by the Holy Cross Choir.
Tues	Sept. 15	For the repose of the soul of Beryle LaRonge, mother of Heather Holmes, offered by Lori Gar-chinski
Wed.	Sept. 16	For the repose of the soul of Theodore Lambertt offered by Leona & Family.
Thurs.	Sept. 17	
Fri.	Sept. 18	
Sat.	Sept. 19	PRO POPULO
Sun.	Sept. 20	For the intentions of Alfreda Sali for good health, offered by the Holy Cross Choir.

HOLY CROSS PARKING LOT ENTRANCES - FRIENDLY REMINDER

This is to remind Holy Cross parishioners to ensure the parking lot entrances are closed after all masses and Holy Cross functions. It is important that the last individual(s) leaving from each weekend mass (incl. Sunday coffee), each meeting and other functions held at the church, close both the Douglas Ave. & rear parking lot entrances with the chains that are provided.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Holy Cross Building & Grounds Committee

PRO-LIFE NEWS

The Prolife Corner took a break over the summer. Unfortunately, the encroaching culture of death around the world, did not.

On July 15 France's National Assembly authorized euthanasia and assisted suicide in France, now joining European countries like Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, and Spain that already have euthanasia in practice.

The State of New York is setting up a new assisted suicide clinic as legalization kicks in. US Medicare does not pay for assisted suicide. Private insurance companies have been smart enough to stay out of the controversy. A death doctor in New Jersey has assisted "customers" for death charging \$5,000—\$8,000 for the deed.

Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, Sept. 7, 2026

Gov. Maura Healey (Massachusetts) signed legislation that will make it easier for patients to receive an abortion later in their pregnancy, becoming another state with no gestational limits on abortion. There are now 10 US States without a statutory gestational limit on abortion.

(The Boston Globe Aug 10/2026)

Note: Canada allows full term abortions.

HOLD THE DATE!

The Holy Cross fall supper has been set
for Sunday, October 18
Resurrection Parish

More details to come as plans are finalized.
It will be another great time for good food.



NEW OFFICE HOURS!

Sr. Alma's start date is Monday, Sept. 14. We will be sharing her time with St. Mary's Parish. Her office hours at Holy Cross will be:

Mondays 8:30am - 4:30pm Office closed from 12pm-1pm

Wednesdays 8:30am - 4:30pm Office closed from 12pm-1pm

Messages may be left at the office anytime as voice mail will be regularly monitored.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Sept. 27
Following 9am Mass



Adults: \$12
Student: \$6
Children Under 6: Free

What's Happening at Holy Cross 3

SEPTEMBER, THE MONTH OF MARY

September is traditionally dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows because the Church celebrates her memorial on Sept. 15—immediately after the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Sept. 14.

On Sept. 14, the Church lifts up the Cross of Jesus Christ, the instrument of His Passion, but also the sign of His victory over sin and death. The next day, Catholics turn their eyes to Mary, who stood faithfully at the foot of that Cross.

As the Gospel of John tells us: “Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother...” - *John 19:25*. Mary did not run away. She remained with her Son in His suffering.

The title “Our Lady of Sorrows” honors the deep suffering Mary endured throughout the life and Passion of Jesus. Traditionally, Catholics meditate on her Seven Sorrows:

The Seven Sorrows of Mary

1. The prophecy of Simeon, who told Mary that a sword would pierce her soul.
2. The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt.
3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple for three days.
4. Mary meeting Jesus on the way to Calvary.
5. Mary standing at the foot of the Cross during Jesus' Crucifixion.
6. Mary receiving Jesus' body after He was taken down from the Cross.
7. The burial of Jesus.

Her sorrow was never hopeless despair. Mary suffered as a mother who loved her Son completely—and who trusted God even in the darkest moment imaginable.

The Church's Sept. 15 memorial was fixed on the day following the Exaltation of the Holy Cross by Pope St. Pius X in 1913. It invites Catholics to contemplate Mary's unique union with Christ, especially during His Passion and death.

September, then, becomes an opportunity to remember a consoling truth: Mary understands sorrow.

She knows what it is to receive frightening news, to flee in fear, to search anxiously for a child, to watch someone she loves suffer, and to remain faithful when answers seem impossible to find.

That is why Catholics do not honor Our Lady of Sorrows merely by looking back at what she endured. We ask for her intercession in our own grief, anxiety, illness, loss, and suffering. We ask for her intercession in our own grief, anxiety, illness, loss, and suffering.

... ChurchPop, The Editors, Sept. 1, 2026



KNIGHTS KORNER
38 Years of Service to Holy Cross
1988—2026

K of C CHARITY APPEAL

The 2026 Charity Appeal tickets are available for purchase from our Council members. The cost of each ticket is very reasonable at \$1.00 each. Holy Cross parishioner support for this year's K of C Appeal is appreciated, as the Appeal rebate received for our Council is committed to Holy Cross Parish. Tickets will be available 'til October 1st. The deadline for returning sold tickets is October 9th.

K of C CASH CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

The K of C SK Charitable Foundation has once again established the Cash Calendar fundraiser opportunity for K of C Councils. Calendars for 2027 are now being offered to K of C members, family of K of C members, parishioners, and the public. **The earnings from the calendars will be used to support our Council's charities.**

This is your opportunity to purchase a calendar. The cost is \$40.00, which provides a chance to win cash prizes weekly, monthly, a mid-year bonus and a year-end grand prize.

If you wish to purchase a cash calendar, contact Wayne Rutten by email at rutten.w@sasktel.net or by calling at **306-535-7038**.

Please note that this is a **first come, first served** opportunity, as there are only a limited number of calendars available.

K of C CAROL FESTIVAL

This is advance notice of the Knights of Columbus Carol Festival to be held on Nov 30 & Dec 1, 2026. This is also an invitation to all Church and school choirs who would like to participate at the Carol Festival. If your choir is interested, please contact Andrij Lazurko, K of C Carol Festival coordinator at AndrijL@semc.ca.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Tuesday, Sep 15th – Monthly Council Meeting – 7:45 PM (after 7:00 PM Mass)

Sunday, Sep 27th – K of C Pancake Breakfast – 10:00 AM (after 9:00 AM Mass)

What does it take to become a Knight of Columbus?

Find out by filling out an information request ballot at the K of C information table located in the Gerein Centre of the Church. You will be contacted by a Knight from the Gerein Council.

CO-OP TAXI RIDE-A-CAB Program at Holy Cross Parish

This is to remind parishioners that a taxi ride service program is available at our Parish. Contact Martin at the Parish Office for details and to request a CO-OP Taxi business card if a ride is needed. The card includes an account number associated with the Ride-a-Cab program.

What's Happening at Holy Cross 4

PROFIT & LOSS REPORT

		May 2026	June 2026	July 2026	August 2026	Year to Date
Income						
Collections	Envelopes/ Loose	10,642.80	7,393.10	7,791.65	7,960.55	67,706.91
	Automatic debit	3,594.00	3,569.00	3,569.00	3,569.00	28,477.00
	E-transfer	2,280.00	1,480.00	1,428.00	2,705.00	14,267.00
Fundraising						
	Net Income - Harvest Supper				10.00	10.00
	Net Income - Spring Supper	-50.04	81.25			1,206.21
	Net Income - Golf Tournament	7,840.00	5,277.37	400.00	335.00	13,852.37
	Calendar Raffle		256.24	-843.20		0.00
	Mom's Pantry	20.00	978.38			998.38
	Missal Sales					30.00
Sundry Revenue						
	Donations	695.00	489.00		3,000.00	5,736.38
	Funerals			400.00		620.00
	Flowers					1,040.00
	GST Rebate			835.43		1,478.85
	Gerein Centre Use					150.00
	Interest	524.41	524.41	524.41	524.41	4,239.70
	Votive Stand	320.60				320.60
	Other Sundry Revenue		-288.36	291.00		2.64
Total Income		25,866.77	19,760.39	14,396.29	18,103.96	140,136.04
Expense						
Administration		9,894.95	10,398.53	10,844.17	9,307.41	81,782.64
Build & Ground		3,427.94	8,675.19	4,818.78	5,424.86	36,410.38
Diocesan		3,150.00	3,150.00	3,150.00	3,150.00	25,200.00
Ministries		-12.18	1,129.19	-949.95	777.10	2,752.22
Total Expense		16,460.71	23,352.91	17,863.00	18,659.37	146,145.24
Net Income		9,406.06	-3,592.52	-3,466.71	-555.41	-6,009.20

PARISHIONERS' CORNER

Birthdays for this week: Ed Mann, Mon. Sept. 7 and Eldon Ell on Fri. the 11th.

May the Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you Peace.

In the next week or so you will be asked to fill out a form to indicate in which activities of parish life you would like to volunteer. We are asking for all volunteers

to complete the form so that we know who is actually in what position and not miss those no longer active leaving the position open. The forms will be collected on Sept. 28. Volunteers help to make this parish run smoothly and your services are very much appreciated.

It is through you that we are able to let our other parishioners know about those who may be in need of prayers or celebrating a special occasion. Please let Deacon Martin or Joyce know.

Martin—pastoral.assistant@holycrossregina.ca

Joyce—byapple@sasktel.net, 306-789-1983

What's Happening in the Archdiocese

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN BITS

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." – Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to the life that He intended for you.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Many people who have visited Medjugorje in Bosnia Herzegovina have been touched by a strong feeling of God's peace, and the presence of Mother Mary. Medjugorje has a reputation for spiritual and physical healing.

If God is calling you to experience such peace and healing, please consider joining us on a Medjugorje 'Pilgrimage of Peace' which will take place from October 12 to October 22, 2026.

The price is \$900 for the land portion of the pilgrimage. Air flights can be arranged with the help of Passport Travel in Calgary at margaret.passport@shaw.ca, 404-256-9343. For more information, contact Deacon Dave or Bev Hudy at dave@stphilomena.ca.

CAMP MONAHAN HARVEST DINNER

September 19 @ 5:00 pm at Camp Monahan

Please join us at our Harvest Dinner in giving thanks for the bounty of our blessings at Camp Monahan this summer. Tickets may be purchased online at the website <https://www.campmonahan.ca/>. Contact our office for further information at 306-522-1047.



ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, October 10th at 12 noon

Holy Cross Parish
315 Douglas Ave E, Regina

Hot dogs and refreshments to follow

Visitation House Supported Through Queen City Marathon 2026

Fr. John Weckend ran in the first marathon in 2001 and since then has raised over \$200,000 in support of Visitation House, an outreach centre for women in downtown Regina, under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Regina.

Again, this year, Fr. John has organized and is running with the "Holy Soles" Team. The five team members chose the Virtual option to run on a day, time, and location that fits their schedules. This needs to be completed between September 13 (Marathon Day) and October 10.

How you can donate:

Cash or cheque (payable to Visitation House) accepted after weekend Masses by CWL members. Donations of any amount are welcome. Donations of \$10 or more receive a charitable donation receipt from Visitation House.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GATHERING

Upcoming Dates: September 27, October 18, and November 29 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Resurrection Parish.

Come Alive! You are invited!

come and experience Christ's loving embrace through music, praise, worship, teaching, prayer, and fellowship!

Mark your calendars now. Hope to see you there!

What's Happening in the Archdiocese 2

ArchRegina Congress SAVE THE DATE!

This year's ArchRegina Congress will be held on Saturday, October 31, from 10 AM – 3:00 PM at Resurrection Parish, 3155 Windsor Pk Rd. Please set this date aside in your calendar.

This gathering is for priests, parish staff members, any member of pastoral or finance councils, volunteers, and anyone who is interested in the life of the church. More information about this year's Congress will be available in the next few weeks.

*God is the only Master of our hearts;
He alone can give solid peace, and our
whole confidence must rest in Him
only.*

St. Claude de la Colombiere

BAKE SALE FOR CUERNAVACA PROJECT

The Gathering Place
329 Dewdney Ave

Sunday, September 13, 2-4 pm

Anyone wishing to donate baking call Joan Rink at
306-533-1648



CONQUEST

FORGED IN VIRTUE. CALLED TO SERVE.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

Conquest Boys' Club

@ St. Anne's Parish

Wednesday evenings - Gr.K-6 (late Sept.- early May)

Friday evenings - Gr. 7-12 (late Sept.- early May)

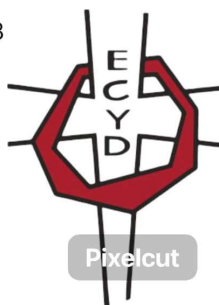
Register using the QR Code:



<https://conquestyouthministry.com/>

[www.regnumchristi.com/en/
ecyd-challenge-and-conquest/](http://www.regnumchristi.com/en/ecyd-challenge-and-conquest/)

Registration contact:
Mark Joubert (306)527-1068
mark.joubert@sasktel.net
conquest.regina@gmail.com
Cost: \$125/boy



REGNUM CHRISTI

Love, Build, Serve



OCTOBER



Happenings at Holy Cross for the Month of the Holy Rosary

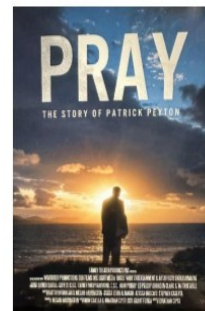
Free movie - Monday, October 5th at 7 pm

Moonlight Cinemas, 3806 Albert St.

Father Patrick Peyton's mission, 'The family that prays together stays together'.

"May we all learn the beauty of prayer and find time to come together every day to pray".

Archbishop Jose Gomez, Archdiocese of Los Angeles

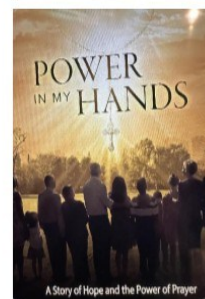


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The Power of the Rosary!

A film depicting personal stories about how the rosary has affected their lives.



Rosary Rally

Saturday, October 10th at 12 noon

Holy Cross Parish

315 Douglas Ave E, Regina

Hot dogs and refreshments to follow

Rosary Rally



CANADA NEEDS
OUR LADY

A special campaign of the Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization

2026

FALL PARISH SUPPER

(PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE - 2517 25TH AVE)



SUNDAY OCTOBER 4TH, 2026

16h30 - 18h30

TICKETS

Adults (17 years old and above) - 25,00\$

Children (7-16) - 10,00\$

6 years old and under - free

Family - (2 Adults + children 16 yrs and under) - 70,00\$

Purchase your tickets today !

Call 306-586-5006 and pay by cash or cheque , or by interac at :
baptiste@accesscomm.ca . Specify # of tickets for adults, children or family.

Answering God's Call: Investing in Our Youth, Building Our Future

Dear Parish Family,

Jesus calls us to welcome children, nurture their faith, and lead them to know His love. As a parish community, we have a unique opportunity to answer that call in a meaningful and lasting way.

Fr. Carlos has a vision to actively engage with the students of Miller High School and St. Dominic Savio School by building relationships, fostering faith, and creating opportunities for young people to encounter Christ in their daily lives. The need is there. The desire is there. Our young people are searching for hope, purpose, belonging, and truth. They need to know that God is present in their lives—the source of hope, comfort, strength, and peace.

To make this vision a reality, Martin Kondzielewski is transitioning to full-time Pastoral Assistant and will maintain a regular presence in these schools and develop faith-filled programming for students and their families. Through mentoring, prayer, faith formation, and relationship-building, this ministry will help bring the Gospel to young people where they spend much of their time.

We believe that when we engage our children and young adults, we also engage families. As faith grows in the hearts of young people, parents become more connected, families become stronger, and our parish community is renewed. By investing in our youth today, we are helping to build a vibrant parish family for generations to come.

To support this ministry, we need to raise **\$2,000 each month**. This funding will cover a portion of the Pastoral Assistant's salary as well as the programs and activities necessary to effectively reach and accompany our young people in their faith journey.

We cannot fulfill this calling alone. We need your prayers, your encouragement, and your financial support. We prayerfully ask you to consider becoming a monthly donor. Whether your gift is \$25, \$50, \$100, or another amount, every contribution brings us closer to our goal and helps ensure that this important ministry can flourish. Please indicate your donation is for Pastoral Assistant ministry upon submission.

Together, we can answer God's call to evangelize the next generation. Together, we can bring the light of Christ into the lives of our children and young adults. Together, we can help build a stronger, more vibrant parish family rooted in faith, hope, and love.

Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, and your commitment to the future of our parish. May God bless you abundantly In Christ,

Fr. Carlos and the Parish Leadership Team



HOLY CROSS PARISH HARVEST SUPPER

Charlotte's Catering

Turkey, salads and trimmings

Sunday, October 18

Reserved seating 5:00 pm

Resurrection Parish Hall

3155 Windsor Park Road

\$30 Adult

\$12 Youth (6-12)

Free—Child (under 6)

50/50 draw and cash bar



Payment by: Cash or cheque (made out to Holy Cross Parish)
There are not physical tickets for Harvest Supper but you can register by e-transfer to bookkeeper.holycross@sasktel.net or complete a registration envelope available in Gerein Center.
(NOTE number of guests for each order & who you wish to sit with)

Order deadline Tuesday, Oct. 13

Call Wayne 306-789-8151 or Pat 306-533-4180

