



Holy Cross Parish

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time BULLETIN # 35 September 20, 2026

Contact the office @ 306-757-1325 for

Baptism 1st Eucharist
 Confirmation Reconciliation
 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 & Wednesday 8:30 am—4:30 pm
 Office closed 12:00 pm—1:00 pm
 Friday 8:30 am—noon

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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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:6-9 / Philipians 2:20c-24, 27a / Matthew 20:1-16a

Monday

September 21
St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
 Eph 4:1-7, 11-13
 Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday

September 22
Weekday
 Prv 21:1-6, 10-13
 Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

September 23
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
 Prv 30:5-9
 Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

September 24
Weekday
 Eccl 1:2-11
 Lk 9:7-9

Friday

September 25
Weekday
 Eccl 3:1-11
 Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

September 26
Weekday
 Eccl 11:9-12:8
 Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday

September 27
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Ez 18:25-28
 Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5
 Mt 21:28-32

Next Up!

MIGUEL DULICK

I keep hearing preachers say this is their least favorite gospel, because it makes people so mad! All the workers in a vineyard get a full day's pay—which folks interpret as heaven—even the ones who came at the last hour of the afternoon. "You mean, I work hard my whole life, and some nobody from nowhere just waltzes into heaven ahead of me?" But wait a minute! You think you *deserve* your "pay"? None of us is anywhere or anything, even breathing, without God's grace. It's not a competition; it's our only hope! We should be dancing in the street to celebrate God's generosity. Matthew himself must have chuckled at this parable, since he was also a latecomer, having spent his life grinding his own brothers and sisters into poverty to feed the tax maw of the Roman Empire. Then, Jesus called him! I love the twist in the parable: the owner not only pays the last ones equally, but he pays them *first*!



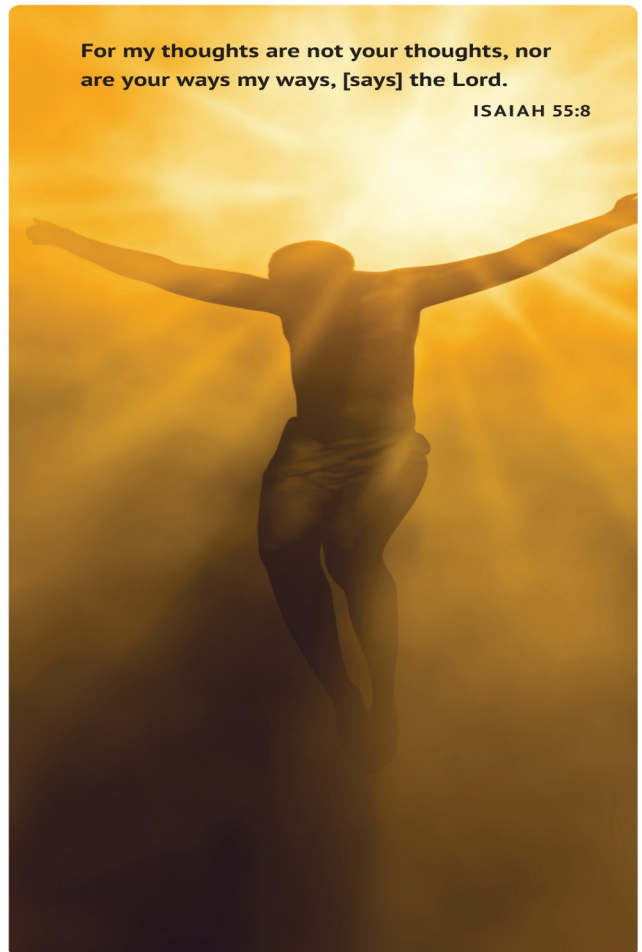
LEARN ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

If you don't like standing in line, you could be like Paul, who wants to just skip to the end: "I long to depart this life and be with Christ" (Philippians 1:23). As he says, "To me life is Christ, and death is gain"

(Philippians 1:21). We should all be so eager. Just concentrate on the "fruitful labor" of service to others. Put everyone else ahead of you, and don't be afraid of some hard work. Any vineyard is a challenge, even when that vineyard is the Church. ●

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, [says] the Lord.

ISAIAH 55:8



Reflect

Do I feel more deserving than others or struggle with envy?

What's Happening at Holy Cross 2

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER

September 13, 2026—Dave & Grace Gottselig
Hoy Cross Feast Day \$100—Lorraine Ferrera

MASS INTENTIONS for Sept. 12-20, 2026

Sat.	Sept. 19	For the intentions of Art & Marlene Biegler offered by the Dever & Herzberger families.
Sun.	Sept. 20	For the intentions of .Alfreda Sali for good health, offered by the Holy Cross Choir.
Tues	Sept. 22	In memory of Alfred Funke, offered by Sandra & Mike Morris.
Wed.	Sept. 23	In memory of Lynn Rieden, offered by Lori Garchinski.
Thurs.	Sept. 24	
Fri.	Sept. 25	For the repose of the soul of Ken McCaffrey, offered by Judy Miazga.
Sat.	Sept. 26	PRO POPULO
Sun	Sept 27	



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

Setting envelopes are found in the Gerein Centre. Pen in the information, place the money, seal and leave in the basket or drop into the donation baskets.

CUERNEVACA PROJECT

Joan Rink will be bringing an update on the Cuernevaca Project in Peru to our Masses the weekend of Sept 26 & 27. The Cuernevac PopUp store will be there as well.

HOLY CROSS PARKING LOTS

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

Next Sunday is "Orange Shirt Day" in recognition of Survivors of Indian Residential Schools.

Orange ribbons will be available at the church both Sat. and Sun. and parishioners are encouraged to wear orange shirts to Mass that weekend.

CALL FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer forms are still available at both Douglas Avenue entrance and the Gerein Centre. ALL volunteers are requested to complete a form. Please return them by Sept. 28.

ALTAR SERVERS!

Altar server training will be held Saturday, October 3 at 10 am. Please be

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CWL NEWS



The monthly meeting of the Holy Cross CWL will be held on the first Tuesday of October, the 6th. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us.

And a reminder of our special program of providing muffins for the children of Sacred Heart Elementary School. These are collected at the meeting or may be left in the freezer in the Gerein Centre kitchen at any time.

PRO-LIFE NEWS

Words matter. When we replace words like “killing, suicide and homicide”, with softer phrases such as “Medical assistance in dying”, we risk disguising the reality of the act. Euthanasia and assisted suicide should not be separated by clever terminology. In both cases medicine moves from treating the patient to deliberately bringing about the patient’s death. If we are going to have an honest conversation about euthanasia, we first need honest language.

Based on *Gordon Friesen, President, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, Aug. 21, 2026.*

“Euthanasia and assisted suicide are a form of medical homicide, not medial assistance in dying.”

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Sept. 27
After 9 am Mass



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



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

K of C CHARITY APPEAL 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 \$100 weekly, \$225 monthly, \$1,500 twice during the year \$5,000 at mid-year and \$10,000 at the end of the year. .

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

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.

ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, October 10th at 12 noon
Holy Cross Parish
315 Douglas Ave E, Regina
Hot dogs and refreshments to follow

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.

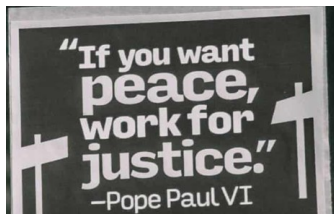
*To fall in love with God is the greatest
romance; to seek Him, the greatest
adventure; to find him, the
greatest achievement.*

....St. Augustine of Hippo

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SOCIAL ACTION CORNER

"By this, all people will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another." John 13:35



The Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church is the body of official Church teaching on social, economic, and political life. It draws on Scripture, tradition, and papal encyclicals to articulate principles such as human dignity, the common good, solidarity, and subsidiarity.

Starting next weekend, we will present to you a weekly synopsis of one Social Teaching of the Catholic Church. All we ask is that you read it and reflect on it – how does it affect my life? How can I incorporate it into my life? etc. Hope this exercise will help clarify why and how the Roman Catholic Church promotes social justice.

REMINDER – In June, we appealed to you to give to local charities that feed the hungry in our community. The trade war with the USA has only heightened over the summer so, as meeting basic needs becomes increasingly difficult, we continue to encourage you to think of the disadvantaged members of our society. Regina Food Bank reports that 1 out of every 3 people who use their services are children. FYI – Salvation Army has generous supporters who will match the amount you give up to November 15th dollar for dollar. Maybe you can take advantage of this offer.

The Social Justice Committee has also committed to feeding the hungry. Any loose change put into our jars at the entrances to the Church along with a donation of \$200 from our budget will be designated for this purpose. If you require a receipt, you can donate directly to your favourite charity or drop your donation (properly identified) into the collection basket & we will forward it for you.

Thank you for anything you can spare. May God bless you for your generosity!!



St. Takla.org

PARISHIONERS' CORNER

Birthdays for this week: Magdalena Pepper on Mon, Sept. 21; Stefanie Wolfe, on Fri. the 25th; Ann Schuster on Sat. the 26th. Happy birthday all.

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.

Two of our parishioners are in hospital as our this publication (Friday) Both are at the General Hospital and would appreciate having visitors. Gladys Herzberger is in the Cardiac Care Unit for observation. She can be found in Rm. 17 there. Harvey Kennedy is on 5A Rm. 17 and would also appreciate having visitors.

Condolences to Brad & Heather Holmes on the loss of Heather's mother Beryle LaRonge recently. And to Theodore Lambert, relative of Leona Bégard's family. May their souls rest in peace.

We hope many of you were able to participate in the Recollection and special Mass on the Holy Cross and our Feast Day.

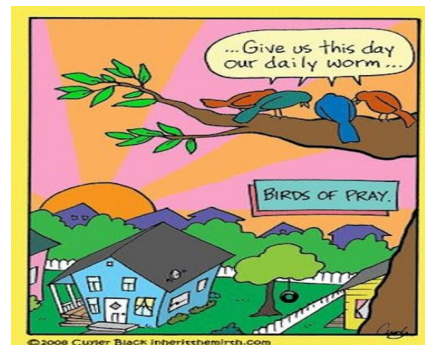
A reminder: There are still volunteer forms available in the Gerein Center and at the Douglas Ave. entrance to the church if you would like to join the army of volunteers who help to make Holy Cross Parish what it is. Please feel free to join in. It's a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners and you will soon find Holy Cross becomes your second home. Forms need to be returned by Mon. the 28th.

There are lots of Fowl Suppers scheduled for these next few weeks. Here's a fun place to be involved. Our own Harvest Supper is Sun. Oct. 18. Look for how you can help—decorating, setting up and taking down, baking pies, making perogies with the CWL ladies, selling 50/50 tickets or manning the wine bar. Many hands make light work. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

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





OCTOBER



Happenings at Holy Cross for the Month of the Holy Rosary

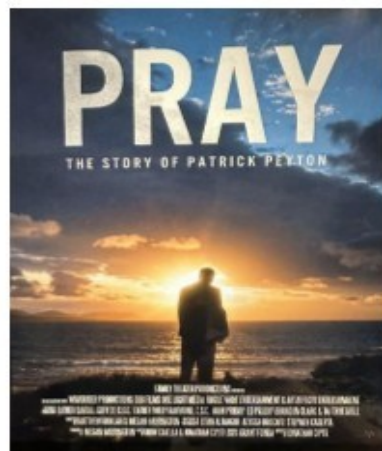
Free movie - Monday, October 5th at 7 pm

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

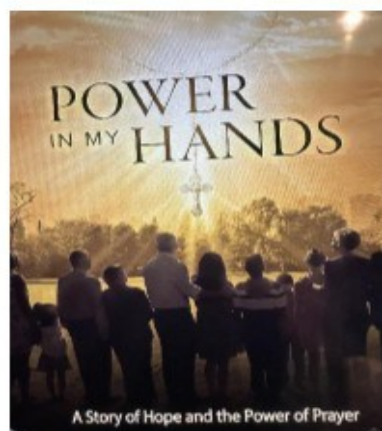


Free Movie – Tuesday, October 6th at 7 pm

Moonlight Cinemas, 3806 Albert St.

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

What's Happening in the Archdiocese

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN BITS

**"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last".
– Matthew 20:16**

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

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!

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. Visitation House is a drop-in centre for women and children, it is a safe place for women to come together to use the phone, read the newspaper, enjoy coffee, snacks and a hot lunch made by volunteers. They can also obtain information and referrals to other agencies. The centre is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Regina, but also relies on funding by donations of food, clothing, kitchen items and money.

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 11. We again ask for prayers for Fr. John, the runners, and the success of the fundraiser.

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. Thank you and God Bless.

AT THE
**THRESHOLD
OF GRACE**
2026 CONFERENCE FOR MEN AND WOMEN
October 16-17, 2026
St. Martin de Porres | Regina SK
ONE CONFERENCE. TWO DISTINCT EXPERIENCES.

10TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE
A CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC MEN
WHO WANT TO BE EMPOWERED
BY GOD'S GRACE
WITH PETER HERBECK
MADE4GREATNESS.CA
OCTOBER 16 & 17, 2026
ST. MARTIN DE PORRES PARISH, REGINA, SK
MEN'S CONFERENCE

FIRST ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
A CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN WHO WANT
TO RECEIVE FROM GOD'S ABUNDANT GRACE
SPEAKER: DEBBIE HERBECK
MADE4GREATNESS.NET
OCTOBER 16 & 17, 2026
ST. MARTIN DE PORRES PARISH, REGINA, SK
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

To Register and for More Info: BoatsOnFire.net

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon is raising funds to provide urgently needed assistance to our brothers and sisters in the Exarchate of Odesa.

The war has severely damaged infrastructure and disrupted supply chains, creating serious hardships for the people of the region. Last winter, prolonged blackouts meant that, on average, people were without electricity for 18 to 22 hours a day.

We are seeking monetary donations to help purchase **power generators** and to help provide **essential supplies for the local food bank**.

You Can Donate in Three Ways

1. By Cheque Make your cheque payable to:

Ukrainian Catholic Episcopal Corp. of Saskatchewan
Mail your donation to:

214 Ave M. South
Saskatoon, SK S7L 2K4

Please write "Odesa" in the memo line.

2. By Credit Card Visit ucfsask.org or call 306-653-0138 ext. 223. Please note that credit card donations are subject to a 10% administrative fee.

3. By E-Transfer Send your e-transfer to ad-min@skeparchy.org. Please include "Odesa" in the message/comment field, along with your **name and address or phone number**. **All tax receipts will be issued by the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon.**

Fall Supper

Supporting the Refugee Sponsorship Committee

Saturday, October 3, 2026, 6-8 p.m.

Holy Family Parish
1021 McCarthy Blvd. N.

Turkey dinner with all the trimmings,
catered by Charlotte's Catering

50/50

Ticket Prices:

Adults: \$30

Youth (Ages 7-12): \$15

Children (6 & under): Free

Payment by cash, cheque or e-transfer
finance@hollyfamilyregina.com

For more information, contact
Patty at 306-535-8251 or
patty.gianoli@gmail.com or
Donna at 306-535-3618

● LIVE WEBINAR

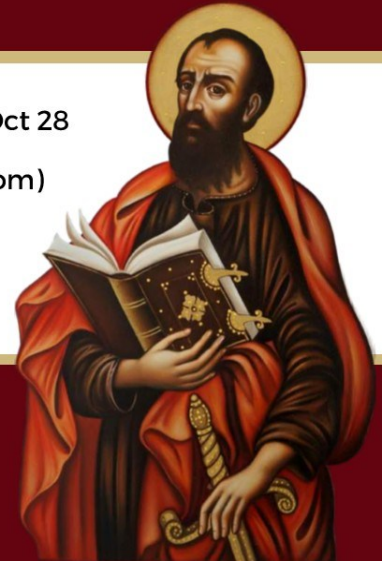
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THE PARADOXICAL APOSTLE:
CONTRADICTIONS, INCONSISTENCIES, AND SURPRISES
A non-credit scripture webinar series with Fr. Scott Lewis, SJ

Wednesdays, Sept 23-Oct 28
(except Sept 30)
10-11AM | Online (Zoom)



REGISTRATION IS FREE!
SIGN UP BY SEPT 21



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.

We embrace the process of transformation in
Christ, both in ourselves and in others, through
the practice of Centering Prayer".
Father Thomas Keating, Trappist Monk

Christ-Centred Meditation

Introductory Centering Prayer
Workshop

October 17, 10 am to 3pm

Christ the King Church- Parish Centre
(3239 Garnet St)

**Suggested
Offering: \$25
Includes lunch**

Centering prayer is a method of silent
Christian meditative prayer in which we
experience God's presence within us. This
workshop offers an opportunity to learn this
method. All are welcome!
For more info or to register please
contact Judy Corkery: 306-543-2914
or judithcorkery@gmail.com

Sponsored by Contemplative Outreach

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