

Holy Cross Catholic Church

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 16, 2023

Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30, 10:00 a.m.,
12:00p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays:

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Thursdays: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Other times: By appointment only

Marriages:

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Baptisms:

Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.

Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

Matrimonios:

Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

Bautismos:

Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo. Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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SUNDAY'S READINGS -

First Reading:

The rain and snow come down
and do not return there
till they have watered the earth,
making it fertile and fruitful. (Is 55:10)

Psalm:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a
fruitful harvest. (Ps 65)

Second Reading:

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are
as nothing
compared with the glory to be revealed for us.
For creation awaits with eager expectation
the revelation of the children of God. (Rom 8:18-19)

Gospel:

And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying:
"A sower went out to sow. (Mt 13:3)

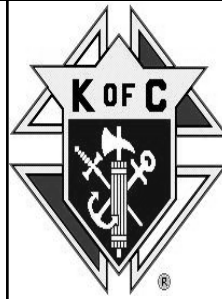
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Readings for the week of July 16, 2023

- Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14
(Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23
or 13:1-9
- Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/
Mt 10:34—11:1
- Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/
Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/
Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-
25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30
- Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15
and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3
-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-
16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/
Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



**Knights of Columbus Council
9969 for the weekend of 7/15-7/16**

The 27th Annual 9969 Foundation
Golf Tournament and Wine Social
– scheduled for Sunday, August
13th at beautiful Moorpark CC – is
right around the corner. We need
your help with donations for
auction items and raffle prizes, and

don't forget to sell your Super Drawing tickets as
this year's prize is \$5,000 in cash! Help us make
this year's event the best ever! If you'd like to get
involved and volunteer, join us at the next
Tournament planning meeting, scheduled for
Thursday July 20th at 7PM in the Chapel.

Tournament information and sign-up brochures are
available in the church vestibule.

Services for Beloved Brother Knight Kevin Letson,
co-founder of the 9969 Foundation Annual Golf
Tournament, will be held at Holy Cross on Saturday,
July 22nd at 10AM, with a reception to follow at the
Cosgrove Center.

The Knights are sponsoring a blood drive on
Sunday, July 23rd, at Holy Cross from 8AM to
12PM. Check the insert in the bulletin for more
information and details on how to schedule an
appointment.

All are invited to join the Holy Cross Knights of
Columbus Council 9969 as we recite our Scriptural
Rosary on Wednesday, July 26th at 7:30PM at the
Chapel. If you wish to attend the Scriptural Rosary
via Zoom, please contact Leonard Cruz at
(805) 889-1620 or E-mail
leonardcruz386@yahoo.com.

Why not join your Brother Knights for the August
General Business Meeting on Thursday, August 10th
at 730PM at the Chapel? Why not make a New
Columbian Year's Resolution to get involved with
the many charitable efforts your council supports?
We could use your help!

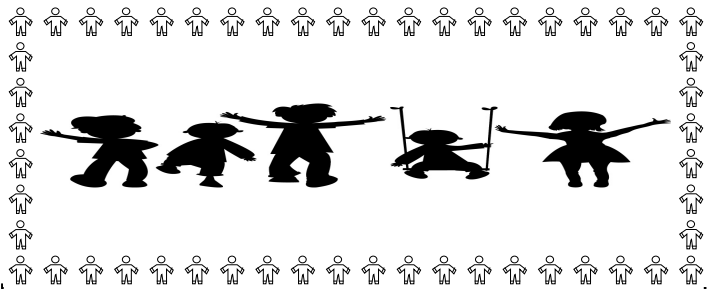
Prayer for Good Fruit

Dear Lord,
Grow your word, truth, identity,
and mission in us.
Inspire us with the fruit
you would have us produce.
Help us to stay close to you.
Amen.

Pray for ...

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Jamie Belch	Ramon Godinez	Judy Buckley
Ed Brown	David Bowden	Vanda Glaspey
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Did you know? July 15-16

Protect children with disabilities

Children living with disabilities are nearly three times more at risk for abuse and maltreatment, compared to children who do not have special needs. This mistreatment can range from physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or neglect. Safe adults can help prevent this abuse, by recognizing the higher risk for these children and being alert to any signs of abuse. Because parents and caregivers of these children are at increased risk of stress and isolation, abuse may be harder to spot. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

Proteja a los niños con discapacidad

Los niños que viven con discapacidades corren casi tres veces más riesgo de abuso y maltrato, en comparación con los niños que no tienen necesidades especiales. Este maltrato puede variar desde abuso o negligencia físico, sexual o emocional. Los adultos de confianza pueden ayudar a prevenir este abuso al reconocer el mayor riesgo para estos niños y estar alertas a cualquier señal de abuso. Debido a que los padres de familia y cuidadores de estos niños corren un mayor riesgo de estrés y aislamiento, el abuso puede ser más difícil de detectar. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® “Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization” (Niños que viven con discapacidades y riesgo de maltrato y victimización infantil) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

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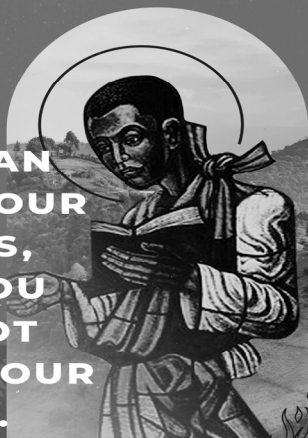
Moorpark Pantry Plus Priority Items

We will accept and appreciate all food donations
 Bagged Beans 16 oz Sugar Jelly
 Bagged Rice 16 oz Flour
 Oil Peanut butter

Updated Called to Renew information for June 2023

Parish Name: Holy Cross Parish
 Parish Goal: \$915,000.00
 Total Pledged: \$1,014,687.26
 Total Paid: \$747,959.67

“ YOU CAN
 BURN OUR
 BODIES,
 BUT YOU
 CANNOT
 HARM OUR
 SOULS.”



UGANDAN MARTYR



- ST. CHARLES LWANGA

GOSPEL MEDITATION

July 16, 2023

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a relationship, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed.

— Father John Muir

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**First Reading:**

The prophet Isaiah assured the Israelites who were exiled in Babylon that God's word is reliable and purposeful. How might you help friends or family trust more in God?

Second Reading:

Paul sees creation itself sharing in the redemption and future glory that awaits all believers — "For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God." What do you imagine earth would look like filled with God's glory, absent any "corruption?"

Gospel:

Over the next few Sundays, we will be hearing many parables from Jesus. Today's parable of the sower and the seeds speaks to how people react differently to the Good News of the kingdom of heaven. How would you describe your reaction to Jesus's parables of the kingdom?

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA**Primera Lectura:**

El profeta Isaías aseguró a los israelitas que estaban exiliados en Babilonia que la palabra de Dios es confiable y útil. ¿Cómo podrías ayudar a tus amigos o familiares a confiar más en Dios?

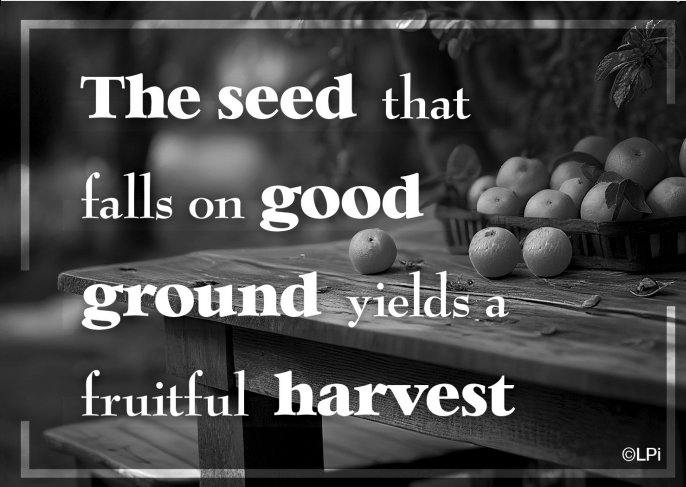
Segunda Lectura:

Pablo ve a la creación misma compartiendo la redención y la gloria futura que les espera a todos los creyentes: "Porque la creación aguarda con ansiosa expectativa la revelación de los hijos de Dios." ¿Cómo imaginas que se vería la tierra llena de la gloria de Dios, sin ninguna "corrupción"?

Evangelio:

Durante los próximos domingos, estaremos escuchando muchas parábolas de Jesús. La parábola de hoy del sembrador y las semillas habla de cómo las personas reaccionan de manera diferente a las Buenas Nuevas del reino de los cielos. ¿Cómo describirías tu reacción a las parábolas de Jesús sobre el reino?

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The seed that
falls on good
ground yields a
fruitful harvest

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Grow
— YOUR —
Faith

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MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

16 de julio de 2023

15° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Escuchar la Palabra de Dios, entenderla con la mente y llevarla al corazón para que enseguida dé fruto. Así de fácil es decirlo, pero, ponerla en práctica es como el proceso de la semilla que se siembra, se entierra, y poco a poco, con la luz del sol, brota cuando menos se espera. Cuidar es la clave para que haya fruto en abundancia. Dejar que la semilla penetre en el corazón es no dejar de luchar contra las tentaciones que a diario nos aquejan. El diablo siempre está en busca de quitarnos las cosas buenas que tenemos, tal como la bondad y las ganas de trabajar por la justicia y la paz. La vida cristiana no es fácil, no estamos aquí para encontrarlo todo fácil y a la medida de nuestros caprichos, sino que estamos para servir.

El Papa Francisco nos dice sobre este Evangelio que “La parábola del sembrador es un poco la madre de todas las parábolas, porque habla de la escucha de la Palabra. Nos recuerda que la Palabra de Dios es una semilla que en sí misma es fecunda y eficaz; y Dios la esparce por todos lados con generosidad, sin importar el desperdicio. ¡Así es el corazón de Dios! Cada uno de nosotros es un terreno sobre el que cae la semilla de la Palabra, ¡sin excluir a nadie! La palabra es dada a cada uno de nosotros” (07/12/2020). El reto para cada uno de nosotros es pedir una mente atenta y un corazón fértil para escuchar la Palabra de Dios y dar frutos abundantes. ¿Cuáles son tus frutos? ¿Cómo los esparces a los demás?

Mater Dolorosa Centro de Retiros Pasionista

Presenta el retiro anual de fin de semana de español para mujeres:

" Bendita eres entre todas las mujeres"

Meditaciones sobre las Bienaventuranzas

Los Ejercicios ESpirituales

estarán dirigidos por:

Hna. Ma del Socorro Ruiz Ríos, CFP

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P. Clemente Barrón, CP

¿Cuándo?

4 al 6 de Agosto, 2023

¿Dónde?

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LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO -**Primera lectura:**

La lluvia y la nieve caen
y no vuelvas ahí
hasta que hayan regado la tierra,
haciéndolo fértil y fructífero. (Is 55:10)

Salmo:

La semilla que cae en buena tierra dará una cosecha fructífera. (Sal 65)

Segunda lectura:

Considero que los sufrimientos de este tiempo presente son como nada

en comparación con la gloria que nos ha de ser revelada.

Porque la creación aguarda con ansiosa expectación la revelación de los hijos de Dios. (Romanos 8:18-19)

Evangelio:

Y les habló largamente en parábolas, diciendo:

"Un sembrador salió a sembrar. (Mt 13, 3)

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Las lecturas de la semana del 16 de julio de 2023

Domingo: Is 55, 10-11/Sal 64, 1. 11. 12-13. 14
(Lucas 8, 8)/Rom 8, 18-23/
Mt 13, 1-23 o 13, 1-9

Lunes: Ex 1, 8-14. 22/Sal 123, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8/
Mt 10, 34—11, 1

Martes: Ex 2, 1-15/Sal 68, 3. 14. 30-31. 33-34/Mt 11, 20-24

Miércoles: Ex 3, 1-6. 9-12/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 6-7/
Mt 11, 25-27

Jueves: Ex 3, 13-20/Sal 104, 1 y 5. 8-9. 24-25. 26-27/Mt 11, 28-30

Viernes: Ex 11, 10—12, 14/Sal 115, 12-13. 15 y 16. 17-18/Mt 12, 1-8

Sábado: Cant 3, 1-4 o 2 Co 5, 14-17/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 20, 1-2. 11-18

Domingo siguiente: Sab 12, 13. 16-19/Sal 85, 5-6. 9-10. 15-16 (5)/Rom 8, 26-27/
Mt 13, 24-43 o 13, 24-30

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Soil Conditions

I am a hopeless gardener. I never met a plant I couldn't swiftly kill with good intentions and poor understanding of soil conditions.

Because really, it's all about the soil conditions — at least, that's what Google tells me when I helplessly search phrases like "Why aren't any of my seeds sprouting? Please, I tried so hard." I can never seem to match the right type of soil offering the right type of drainage and texture with the right plant. I can't understand why it's not enough to bury the seed in whatever ground is available, sprinkle some water and ask it, very nicely, to grow.

This is also a quality that makes me a poor evangelist to people who do not share my beliefs. How many times have I encountered a friend or loved one who left the faith, and I tried to coax them back by hurling Catechism passages in their direction, offering advice they never asked for and are ill-equipped to understand? I sow these seeds of witness and bang my fists in frustration that they rot where I plant them, never realizing that it's all about the soil.

It is Christ, and Christ alone, who works within the heart. It is Christ who is the sower of the seed, not me. When I leave him out of the equation, when I fail to offer the Person and instead only offer the teaching, I can anticipate that any witness I have to offer will rot where it is planted just as sure as a tulip bulb in a bed of clay.

"...my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it." — Isaiah 55:11

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Holy Cross Parishioners!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is offered the First Friday of every month. Adoration begins after the 8:00 am mass & continues until 6:00pm.

From 6:00pm -7:00pm , there is a Holy Hour in Spanish with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

We are currently in need of volunteers to commit to an hour of time with Our Lord. If you are available please contact: Kathy Johnston at 805-402-7856

Thank you !

(PRACTICANDO) CATÓLICA: RECONOCE A DIOS EN TUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

Por Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Condiciones del Suelo

Soy una jardinera empedernida. Nunca conocí una planta que no pudiera matar rápidamente con buenas intenciones y poca comprensión de las condiciones del suelo.

Porque en realidad, se trata de las condiciones del suelo; al menos, eso es lo que me dice Google cuando busco frases como "¿Por qué no brota ninguna de mis semillas? Por favor, me esforcé mucho." Parece que nunca puedo hacer coincidir el tipo correcto de suelo que ofrece el tipo correcto de drenaje y textura con la planta correcta. No entiendo por qué no basta con enterrar la semilla en cualquier terreno disponible, echarle un poco de agua y pedirle, muy amablemente, que crezca.

Esta es también una cualidad que me convierte en una pobre evangelista para las personas que no comparten mis creencias. ¿Cuántas veces me he encontrado con un amigo o un ser querido que dejó la fe, y traté de persuadirlos de que regresaran lanzándoles pasajes del Catecismo, ofreciéndoles consejos que nunca pidieron y que están mal equipados para entender? Siembro estas semillas de testimonio y golpeo mis puños con frustración porque se pudren donde las planté, sin darme cuenta de que todo se trata de la tierra.

Es Cristo, y sólo Cristo, quien obra en el corazón. Es Cristo quien es el sembrador de la semilla, no yo. Cuando lo dejo fuera de la ecuación, cuando dejo de ofrecer la Persona y en cambio solo ofrezco la enseñanza, puedo anticipar que cualquier testimonio que tenga que ofrecer se pudrirá dónde está plantado tan seguro como un bulbo de tulipán en una cama de arcilla.

"...la palabra que sale de mi boca: no volverá a mí sin resultado, sino que hará mi voluntad y cumplirá su misión". — Isaías 55:11

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Feligreses de la Santa Cruz!

La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento es ofrecida el primer viernes de cada mes. La Adoración comienza después de la misa de las 8:00am y continúa asta las 6:00pm.

De las 6:00pm - 7:00pm, hay una Hora Santa en español con La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento.

Estamos necesitando voluntarios que se comprometan y enlisten para acompañar por una hora a Nuestro Señor.

Si tú estás disponible y deseas hacerlo por favor contacta a:

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We always welcome new members to our Ministries

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Mass Intentions for the week 7/16

Sunday 7:30 am Michael Williams (RIP)
10:00 am Jeanette Jordan (RIP)
12:00 pm Parishioners

Monday 8:00 am

Tuesday 8:00 am

Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday 8:00 am
7:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am

Saturday 4:00 pm Imelda Tjia (RIP)
Frigga

Prayer Request