

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

Please see future bulletin for financial update as the bulletin had to be submitted early. We are very grateful for all your continued sacrifice to support the running of our parish. Thank you so much.



**PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL UPDATE:** As of 7/20/23, Holy Cross has received **\$22,065** surpassing our goal of \$18,800. We wish to thank everyone for supporting this year's Appeal.

### STAR OF BETHLEHEM-HAND CARVED OLIVE WOOD RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Maysoon Khair will be available after Masses on August 12-13, representing Christian families living in the Holy Land, who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved olive wood religious articles, (nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last supper and religious statues). Please stop by. Website: [www.starofbethlehemhandicrafts.com](http://www.starofbethlehemhandicrafts.com)



### SANCTUARY CANDLES

M/M Michael Beaulieu, M/M Tom Benbenek, M/M Norman Boudreau, Raymond Boudreau, Pat Flynn, Roseanne Fuller, M/M Greg Gagnon, M/M James Haverty, M/M Scott Huntoon, M/M Jim Killay, Joyce & Shirley Koczan, Laura Lawrence, M/M Raymond LeBlanc, M/M Yvon LeBlanc, M/M Robert LeVangie, Victor Maillet, M/M Larry Martin, M/M Daniel Meskaukas, M/M Frank Moschetti, M/M Leo Murray, Suzanne Racette, M/M Pete & Pris Valliere, Edward Yablonski, M/M Michael Yablonski, & **In Memory of:** Nancy Anderson, Paul Benbenek, Kyle Berger, Helena Breton, Alphonse & Loza Chartier, Deacon Arthur & Leah Chartier, Michael Fichtel, Rachel & Chuck Frenier, M/M Allen Garvey, Nellie & Stanley Koczan, M/M Chester Lepkowski, Bobbie Lesneski, Gloria Magnuson, Anthony J. Manca, Fr. George O'Brien, John & Eleanor Quarella, Philip Robichaud, Damien Royer, Paul Tourigny, and Barbara Yablonski.

### ABUSE VICTIMS

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the church, and you need a place to talk with someone about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, contact the Victim Services Coordinator, Office for Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363, direct line. A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

# Church of the Holy Cross



**August 6, 2023, The Transfiguration of the Lord**

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**Parish Council: Thomas Royer, Chair, Phone: 978.939.2593**

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Holy Days of Obligation: As announced.  
Eucharistic Adoration: Last Tuesdays of the month, 7:00-8:00pm.  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:30- 4:15pm and anytime by appointment.  
Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the rectory for registration, preparation and details.  
Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call the rectory at least one year in advance of the desired date to begin the Couple to Couple Marriage Preparation Program.  
Sacrament of the Sick/Communion Calls: Please notify the rectory if anyone is hospitalized or confined to home due to illness, handicap or age, so that we may keep them in prayer, visit them and support them with the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Sick.

**New Parishioners:** We welcome you into our parish family and invite you to enter fully into our spiritual and social life. Please introduce yourself after mass and arrange to enroll as a member.

**Coffee Hour:** You are cordially invited to join us in our Church Hall, the first Sunday of every month, after the 7:45am Mass. Good conversation and tasty treats. We hope to see you there.

**Parish Bulletin:** All items must be submitted in writing at the rectory prior to 9:30am on Monday mornings, preferably 2 weeks in advance.

**Parish Council:** Every parishioner is welcome to submit items for consideration, by calling the rectory or through any council member. You may contact Thomas Royer, Chair at 978.939.2593.

**Religious Education:** For information about our CCD Program, Grades K-11, please contact Elizabeth Schroeder, Coordinator, at hcchurchet@gmail.com.

**AA Meetings:** Wednesdays 7:00 pm in the Church Hall.

**Pastoral Ministries:** There are many opportunities for ministry to our fellow parishioners. You are invited to volunteer your time and talent by expressing your interest to the pastor or to members of the Pastoral Council or the Religious Education Program.

MEETING SCHEDULE					
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri. Sat.
Wednesday	7:00pm	AA			

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**SATURDAY AUGUST 5**  
4:30pm

**SUNDAY AUGUST 6**  
7:45am  
9:15am **Mass at St. Martin's**  
10:45am

**MONDAY AUGUST 7**  
8:00am +Fr. Charles R. Arney

**TUESDAY AUGUST 8**  
8:00am

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 8**  
8:00am

**SATURDAY AUGUST 12**  
4:30pm

**SUNDAY AUGUST 13**  
7:45am +Jack Flynn By Family  
9:15am **Mass at St. Martin's**  
10:45am

### LIVING FAITH INITIATIVE

*Get more out of Sunday Mass,  
by reading ahead...*

### NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

**August 13, 2023: Nineteenth  
Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a (115A)  
Romans 9: 1-5  
Matthew 14: 22-33**




### ROSE OF LIFE

Each week a parishioner/family places a rose in the vase at the Blessed Mother's statue to express witness to the sanctity of life. Please see sign up book at the main entrance to participate.

### ALTAR CARE:

This week Altar Care is provided by Michelle C.

*Prayer Requests*  You are requested to remember in your prayers the following: an anonymous cancer patient, Doris Bickford, Stacy Bishop, Jared Blais, Raymond Boudreau, Randall Carrol, Henry Connery III, Judy Davis, Mike Dembek, Diana Earle, Jane Fleck, Frank Flynn, Gail Gabis, Lilah Grace Gagnon, Tim Gatautis, Doris Geyster, Marley Guthrie, Paul Jurgelonis, Sandy Kulvete, Marie LeBlanc, Bob LeMieur, Joyce Moschetti, Kirk Moschetti, Simone Nash, Gabe Olszak, Judy Roberts, Jane Royer, Paul Saari, Maria Rose Schroeder, Joy Taintor, Marie Valeri, Priscilla Valliere, Gloria Wilder, Michael Young, & All affected by Coronavirus.

*Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.*