

# Holy Cross

April 28, 2024

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

IRIS LANE & SOUTH A1A - VERO BEACH, FLORIDA



I am the vine,  
you are the  
branches.

JOHN 15:5

### PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Rev. Thomas E. Barrett,  
Pastor

### Assisting Priests:

Rev. Paul Huesing, CSP

Rev. Danny Murphy

### Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Richard Blake

Deacon Wayne Creelman

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm

**Sunday:** 7:30 am,  
9:00 am., 10:45 am,  
12:15 pm

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through  
Saturday  
8:00 am

### CONFESSION

Saturday  
11:00 am

### PARISH OFFICE

500 Iris Lane  
Vero Beach, FL 32963  
(772) 231-0671

[www.holycrossverobeach.org](http://www.holycrossverobeach.org)

Monday: 1:00-4:00 pm

Tuesday-Friday:  
8:30 am-4:00 pm



### **Celebration of the Sacraments**

“The purpose of the sacraments is to sanctify men, to build up the Body of Christ and, finally, to give worship to God. Because they are signs, they also instruct. They not only presuppose faith, but by words and objects they also nourish, strengthen and express it. That is why they are called ‘sacraments of faith’.”

— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1123

### **Mission Statement**

We CELEBRATE the Gospel when we encounter Jesus Christ in the Sacraments and through prayer.  
We TEACH the Gospel in order to strengthen each family in their knowledge of and in their relationship with God.  
We LIVE the Gospel by seeking justice, granting forgiveness and through works of service which enhance the spiritual, emotional, social and physical well-being of the entire community.

### **Eucharist**

Saturday Vigil Masses: 4:00 PM  
Sunday Masses: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,  
10:45 AM, 12:15 PM

Daily Masses: Monday through Saturday 8:00 AM

### **Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Monday through Friday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM  
Saturday 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Sunday 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM

### **Baptism**

Congratulations, we welcome new members to our Catholic Community.

Requesting the Sacrament of Baptism for a child birth up to age seven involves a serious obligation and a faith commitment on the part of both parents. To prepare both parents for this commitment, they will be requested to participate in a Parent Baptism Catechesis, prior to the scheduling of an infant Baptism.

Parents are encouraged to begin this preparation prior to the birth of their child.

For additional information on infant Baptism please contact the Parish office 772-231-0671

### **Confirmation**

Candidates are those already baptized and who have received the necessary formation in religious education. Candidates must be at least in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade to receive this Sacrament.

### **Reconciliation**

The Sacrament is celebrated each Saturday at 11:00 AM

### **Anointing of the Sick**

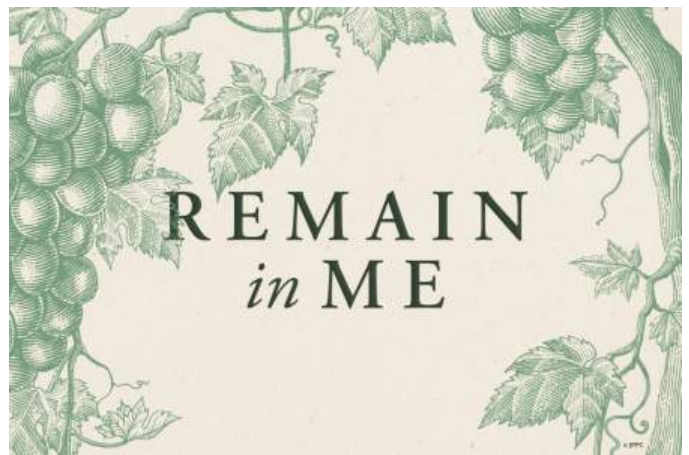
The Sacrament is administered on request to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Please call the Parish Office (231-0671).

### **Matrimony**

Congratulations on your engagement. Call the Parish Office (231-0671) to make arrangements at least six months in advance. It is necessary that either the prospective bride or groom are registered, active members of Holy Cross Parish.

### **Holy Orders**

If you feel you may have a vocation to serve the people of God in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ, contact Fr. Daniel Daza-Jaller at the Diocesan Vocation Office phone: (561-775-9552) E-mail: vocations@diocesepb.org or speak to one of the parish priests.



## **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

“I am the vine, you are the branches,” we hear Jesus tell his disciples in today’s Gospel. We are those branches now. Connected to the vine that is the Lord, we are expected to bear fruit. What fruit do we bear? Let us contemplate that question as we prepare to celebrate Mass today. May listening to God’s word and sharing in the Eucharist nourish us as we strive to bear good fruit for the Lord.

### **Reading I: Acts 9: 26-31**

Paul is at first much feared by the disciples because of his past persecution of them. But his conversion led to the peace described here.

### **Reading II: 1 John 3: 18-24**

The test of one’s acceptance by God is the willingness to do “what pleases Him,” namely loving one another as He commands.

### **The Gospel: John 15: 1-8**

Jesus describes Himself as the true vine, replacing the older image of Israel as the vine. The disciples, representing Jesus in the world, give glory to the Father.

## **Scripture Note**

In the first reading, we catch a glimpse of Saint Paul (still called Saul) at a unique time. Just recently converted, he is intent on speaking boldly in Jesus’ name and loving one another are the ways to remain in him. Finally, we hear Jesus ask his disciples to remain in him as branches remain on a vine. In doing so, he assures them, they will bear fruit abundantly. Let us hear how we can become such disciples ourselves.

## **Readings for the Week of April 29-May 5**

**April 29, 2024, Monday** Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26

**April 30, 2024, Tuesday** Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 Jn 14:27-31a

**May 1, 2024, Wednesday** Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 Jn 15:1-8

**May 2, 2024, Thursday** Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11

**May 3, 2024, Friday** 1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Jn 14:6-14

**May 4, 2024, Saturday** Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 Jn 15:18-21

**May 5, 2024, Sunday** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17





## First Eucharist

Let us pray as a Parish for the 17 children who will receive the Lord for the first time at the 9:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday.

Lord Jesus, Bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be an initial step into a life-long love for the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness. May their hands, extended in anticipation of your Body and Blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred sacrament.




**MAY CROWNING**  
There will be a Traditional May Crowning during the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 12th. This tradition honors our Blessed Mother as we celebrate her in a special way during the month of May.

## Mother's Day Novena of Masses



Beginning on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12th, a Novena of Masses will be celebrated for all Mothers, living or deceased. This is a good opportunity to have your Mother remembered in a significant way. Envelopes are available in the pews and the vestibule of the Church. If you wish to have your Mother remembered in the Novena of Masses, please return the intention envelopes prior to Mother's Day either in the collection or by mail.





**DONATE  
BLOOD  
SAVE LIFE**

**Sunday, May 5, 2024**

**8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus  
are hosting a blood drive.  
*Please donate if you are able.*



**Holy Cross  
Women's Guild**

As the Holy Cross Women's Guild celebrates the end of a spectacular year, we will also be welcoming the new officers for the 24-25 season at a special installment event on May 14.

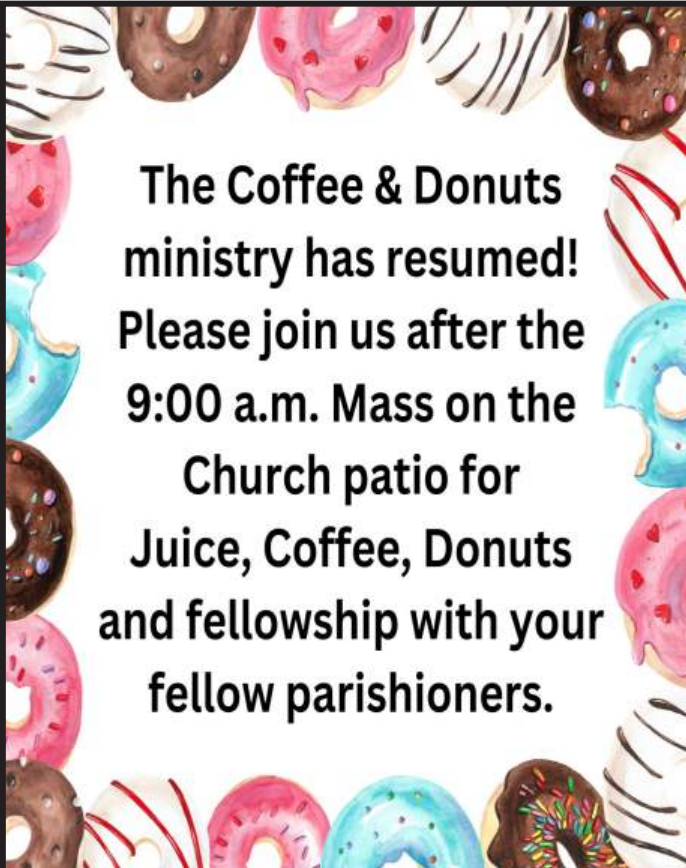
The event will begin with Mass at 10:30 am, followed by a luncheon at Grand Harbor County Club.

The new officers are as follows:

**President-** Veronica LaVista  
**Vice President-** Maryellen Cosentino  
**Treasurer-** Anne Wartman  
**Recording Secretary-** Alison Maggio

Please join us in wishing our best to our new officers. Reservations for the luncheon can be made in the parish office beginning Monday, April 22nd.

The cost is \$35.00 per person.  
**Deadline for reservations is May 7th.**



**The Coffee & Donuts  
ministry has resumed!**

**Please join us after the  
9:00 a.m. Mass on the  
Church patio for  
Juice, Coffee, Donuts  
and fellowship with your  
fellow parishioners.**



**He is before  
all things,  
and in him  
all things  
hold together.  
He is the head  
of the body,  
the church.**




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## Saints of the Week of April 29-May 5

### Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church, April 29



Catherine, † 1380; O.P. tertiary, mystic, and author (*The Dialogue*); peacemaker within the Church and renewer of religious life; worked toward ending the Avignon papacy under Gregory XI (1377); declared Bridget of Sweden and St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, co-patroness of Europe.

### Saint Pius V, Pope, April 30



Pius V, † 1 May 1572; O.P. who implemented the reforms of the Council of Trent; promulgated the *Roman Catechism*, the *Roman Missal*, and the *Roman Breviary* whose 1962 editions may be used according to the 2007 *motu proprio, Summorum Pontificum*, of Pope Benedict XVI, later modified, 16 July, 2021, by Pope Francis in his *motu proprio, Traditionis custodes*; canonized 22 May 1712.

### Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, May 2



Athanasius, † 373; forty-five years the bishop of Alexandria; champion of Nicea; prolific polemicist against the Arians who exiled him five times; one of the four great doctors of the Eastern Church; wrote *On the Incarnation*, the *Discourse Against the Arians*, and the *Life of Antony*; known as the “Doctor of the Incarnation.”

### Saints Philip and James, Apostles, May 3



Philip, † 1st c.; from Bethsaida; among the first disciples called by Jesus; tradition holds he preached in Phrygia, dying on a cross at Hierapolis; two apocryphal works attributed to him; with James, venerated as the patron saints of Uruguay.  
James, † 62; son of Alphaeus and cousin or “brother of the Lord”; surnamed “the Less” or “the Just” for his piety; leader of the Jerusalem Church; an epistle is ascribed to him; believed to have been beaten or stoned to death; patron of the dying; both saints mentioned in the Roman Canon.

#### PRAYER WHEN LEAVING HOME

Into the way of peace and prosperity, may the almighty and merciful Lord lead us and may the Angel Raphael be with us along the way, that we may come to our home again in peace, and health, and gladness.

In viam pacis et prosperitatis  
dirigat nos omnipotens et  
misericors Dominus: et Angelus  
Raphael comitetur nobiscum in  
via, ut cum pace, salute et  
gaudio revertamur ad propria.

## “Take; this is my body”

—Mark 14:22

The presence of  
Christ in the  
Eucharist is real, true,  
and substantial.

“Jesus awaits us  
in this sacrament  
of love.” (St. John  
Paul II, *Dominicae  
cenae*, no. 3)

“It is called: Eucharist,  
because it is an action of  
thanksgiving to God.”  
(CCC, no. 1328)

Eucharist “makes  
present the one  
sacrifice of Christ the  
Savior.” (CCC, no. 1330)





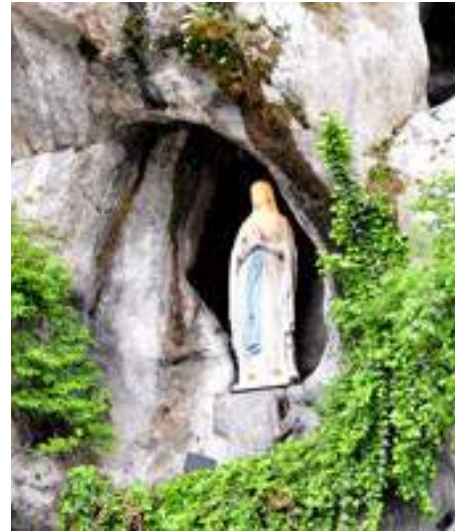


## The Knights and Dames of Malta Book of Petitions

The Knights and Dames of the Order of Malta will be going on their annual pilgrimage to Lourdes, France from April 30th until May 7th.

All Parishioners are invited to sign and place their petitions in a book of petitions that is in the vestibule of the Church. The book will be removed from the Church on Sunday, April 28th, and the Knights and Dames will bring it to the Grotto in Lourdes during the week of May 1st-May 6th.

*Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.*



## YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS

We are grateful to our children who have responded to the call and have begun serving on the Altar.

### **It is never too late to join them!**

All children of our Parish ages 9-18 (4th grade thru High School) are welcome to help serve at our Masses.

Please contact the Parish Office to obtain more information and to receive a registration form.

### **Training sessions in April will be held**

**Tuesdays 4:00-4:45 pm and Wednesdays 6:00-6:45 pm.**

All trainings take place in the Church


Training sessions are led by Miss Sara Cardenas.

For more information please contact the Parish Office at 772-231-0671.



**"WITH WHAT HUMILITY SHOULD WE ASSIST AT MASS,  
IF WE REALIZED THAT OUR GUARDIAN ANGEL WAS  
KNEELING BESIDE US, PROSTRATE BEFORE THE  
MAJESTY OF GOD! WITH WHAT EAGERNESS SHOULD WE  
NOT ASK HIM TO OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO  
JESUS CHRIST!"**

**- ST. JOHN VIANNEY**

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## A Note from Fr. Danny Murphy

Please join me as I celebrate my 80th birthday on Friday, October 26, 2024 with a gala dinner dance starting at 6:00 p.m. in the basement of St. Saviour Catholic Church located at 611 Eight Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215.

Everyone is welcome! No invitation or RSVP needed. Just come and enjoy!

I am very much looking forward to being with you on October 25!

Love,

Fr. Danny Murphy



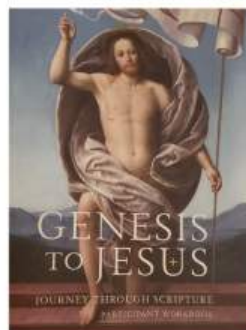
**Anne & Marty Farb** will receive the Elijah Cup this weekend.

**Joyce Gorman** will receive the Elijah Cup next weekend.

Let us all pray for vocations this week:  
*God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.*

## Catholic Bible Study about the Bible Salvation History

***Understanding the Bible requires an understanding of its "PLOT."***



In Genesis to Jesus we'll study the divine covenants that God made with humanity in the course of salvation history. We will focus on the Old Testament covenants with Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David, and then we'll see how each is fulfilled in the New Testament covenant that God makes with the World through Jesus Christ.

***These Inspirational Videos will be shown from 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m. in the Holy Cross Catholic Church Parish Hall.***

**May 1, 2024-"New Beginning" and "Our Father in Faith"**

**May 8, 2024-"From Egypt to Sinai" and "Wandering in the Wilderness"**

**May 15, 2024-"Rise of the Covenant Kingdom" and "Features of the Kingdom"**  
**May 22, 2024-"New Moses, New Covenant" and "The Kingdom Transformed"**



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, and Altar Servers.

**There is need at all Masses but the need is especially great at the 10:45 a.m. and the 12:15 p.m. Masses on Sunday.**

If you are interested in volunteering for one or more of these vital ministries please call the Parish Office at 231-0671.



## ADVERTISEMENT



## Kiwanis Club of Vero-Treasure Coast

### Service Mission Trips

#### Bahamas Mission Trip

Come join us in **Marsh Harbour, Bahamas**, to help with the education and maintenance of **Every Child Counts**, a school for special needs children. It is the only special needs school serving several islands. This will be our 36th visit, and each year we find more things that we can do to help be part of the community there. This is a great opportunity to help the handicapped, and at the same time, experience the Bahamian culture. One day enjoying the island. Check out Every Child Counts at their website [EveryChildCountsAbaco.org](http://EveryChildCountsAbaco.org).



Young Adults Mission Trip  
May 25-31  
Marsh Harbor, Bahama



#### Service Mission Trip work

Become part of the legacy as we make our 52<sup>nd</sup> visit to Marsh Harbor, Bahama, to help at Every Child Counts, the school for special needs children. Each year we find more things that we can do to help, as we truly become part of the community there. This is a wonderful opportunity to help the handicapped and at the same time experience the rich local culture as we spend one day enjoying the island's various amenities. Check out this website: [everychildcountsabaco.org](http://everychildcountsabaco.org)

**Young Adult/Adult Trip  
and Graduating Seniors**  
Scholarships available  
Cost -\$450

#### SIGN UP

Text YOAM TO 84576  
Or online at:  
[YOAM.flocknote.com](http://YOAM.flocknote.com)

Contact Richard Schlitt with questions  
[richschlitt@gmail.com](mailto:richschlitt@gmail.com)

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**2024 PARISH SURVEY**

**We want your input!**

- Liturgical Experience
- Hospitality
- Evangelization & Community Outreach
- Future Events & Opportunities

**Complete Your Survey by May 21!**



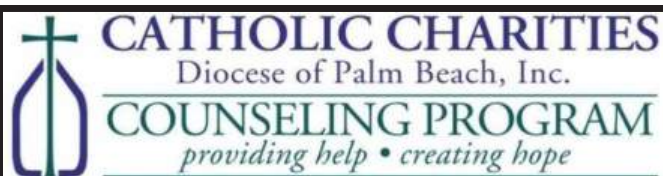
**SCAN FOR ACCESS**

You're invited to participate in a new parish-wide survey, as an opportunity to reflect and review how Holy Cross Catholic Church serves its faith community and the community at large. You will be asked questions about the future of the parish, and how we can add new opportunities for fellowship, collective prayer, and outreach to meet the needs of our parishioners. All registered parishioners are encouraged to participate.

If you regularly attend Mass, but are not registered, you may still take part.

You can access the survey from the parish website, [www.holycrossverobeach.org](http://www.holycrossverobeach.org),

or directly at <https://tinyurl.com/hcccsurvey24>. Paper copies will also be available in the rear of the church and in the Parish Office. All responses will remain anonymous.



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### UPDATE YOUR INFO

We would love to update your information in our Parish Database System.

If you no longer have your home phone, have a new phone number, or have an email address you would like us to

update,

please email

secretary@holycrossverobeach.org with any changes, or you may update your information on

our website online

[www.holycrossverobeach.org](http://www.holycrossverobeach.org).

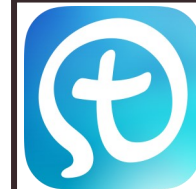
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## HOLY CROSS PRAYER CHAIN

You pray every day; please join us in prayer for our parishioners. We welcome you to join us in this very special ministry.

The Holy Cross Prayer Chain consists of a group of parishioners responding to the needs of others, as requested by parishioners, through daily prayer.

Prayer requests are transmitted via a phone chain or e-mail. By spending time in daily prayer for those in need, we grow closer to God while helping others through the trials of life. The amount of time spent in prayer is up to the individual. To join the prayer chain, request prayer, or for more information please visit our Parish website or call the Parish Office 231-0671.



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Download our app today at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com) or search your phone's app store for **My Parish** or text **App** to **88202**. The My Parish App has daily readings and prayers as well as important announcements regarding Parish Events. It is a great way to stay connected with our Parish!

## Choir Rehearsals

**ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS**  
WILL CONCLUDE ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 5TH.

Rehearsals will resume in October.

Thanks to the choir for all their hard work and inspiring music!

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSALS**  
Children's choir will conclude on April 23 and will resume on Tuesdays in October at 5 PM in the parish hall following Religious Education.

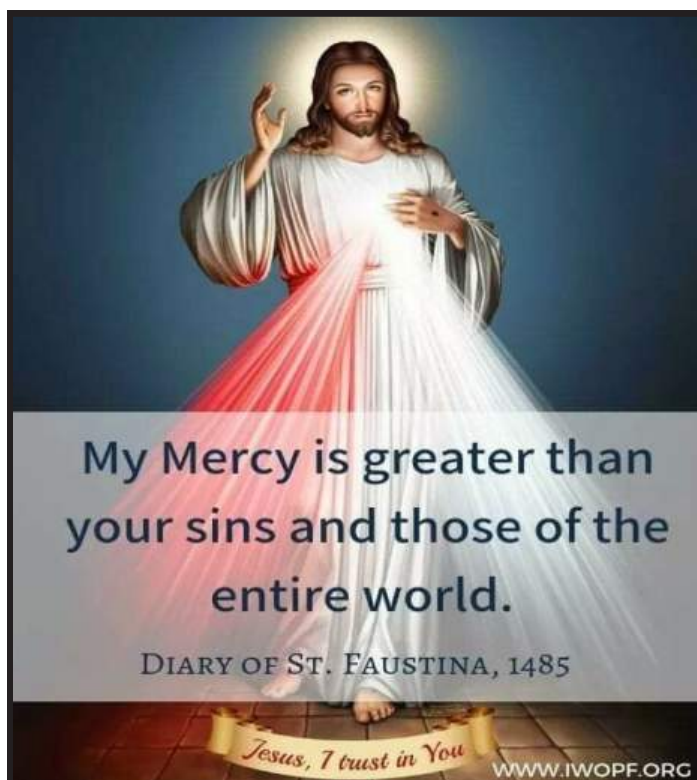


## Divine Mercy Prayer for Healing



Tuesdays, 2:15 p.m.-3:15 p.m. Holy Cross Catholic Church invites anyone who is suffering illness, along with their caregivers, to come to Eucharistic Adoration and join in prayer for healing.

We urge anyone who suffers from chronic pain or the stress of today's uncertain times to please come.



Please remember  
Holy Cross Catholic Church  
in your will and estate  
planning.



**The Diocese of Palm Beach's Office  
of Safe Environments is a resource  
for those in the community:**

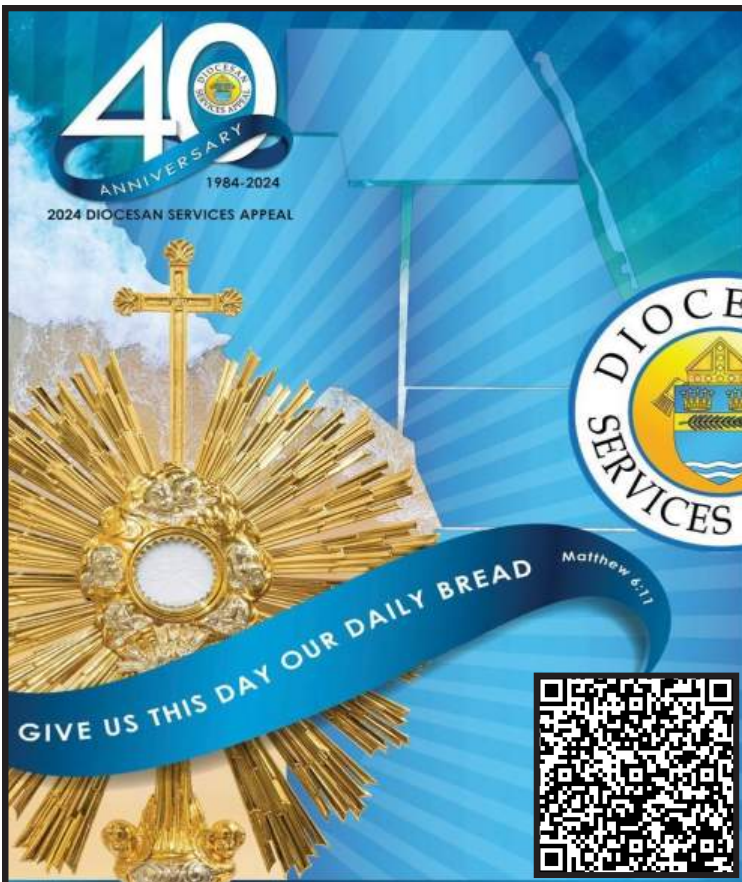
The Diocese of Palm Beach is committed to the safety and protection of minors and vulnerable adults in its care.

Visit [www.diocesepb.org/safe-environments](http://www.diocesepb.org/safe-environments) for information on policy and procedures, education, background screening, real life and online safety resources, parenting tips, and helpful websites.

The Diocese has implemented numerous procedures to minimize risk, build barriers, and continue to foster a culture of safe environment.







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2024 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

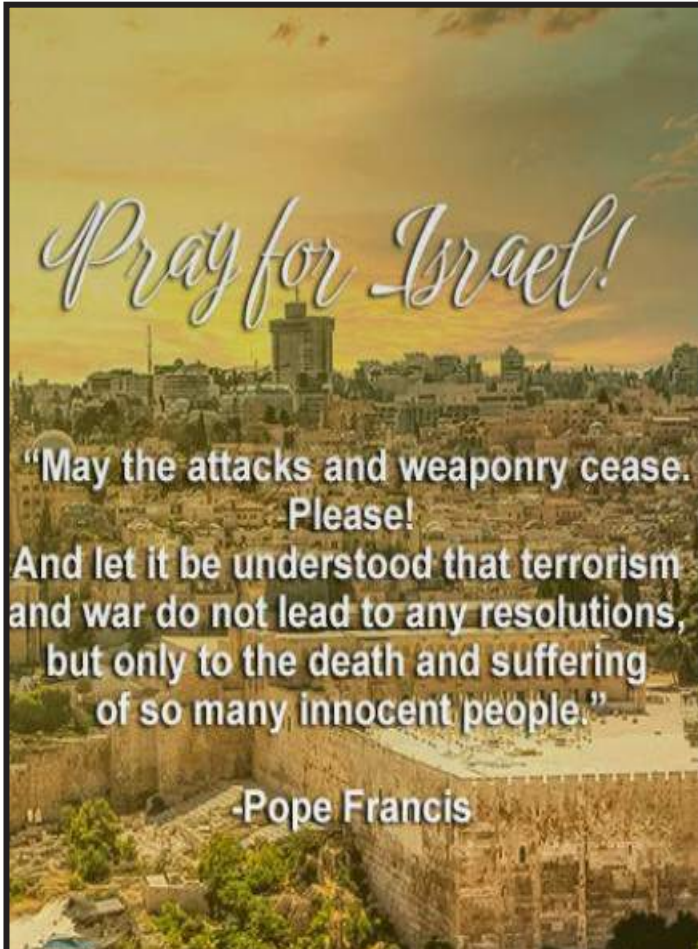
**DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL**

**2024**  
*Diocesan Services Appeal*

Your gift makes it possible to continue vital programs and ministries serving those in need throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach.

Please give generously  
[DiocesePB.org/DSA](https://DiocesePB.org/DSA)

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD Matthew 6:11



*Pray for Israel!*

"May the attacks and weaponry cease.  
Please!  
And let it be understood that terrorism  
and war do not lead to any resolutions,  
but only to the death and suffering  
of so many innocent people."

-Pope Francis



**CAMP HAVEN**

Cooks are needed for the 22 men at Camp Haven. If you are able to cook for twenty-two hungry men on a Monday or Tuesday night by providing either a main dish (meat, casserole, pasta, etc.) or a side dish or two, we would be grateful for your help. Many hands make for easy work! Please call the Parish Office at 231-0671 for open dates.

**Dates are filled until May 28th.**  
*We are in dire need of volunteers after May 28th.*





Scan the QR code to  
join the movement!



## VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR

St. Helen Catholic Church will be hosting a Holy Hour for Vocations on **Wednesday, May 15th at 6:00 p.m.** All are welcome to join us as we pray for vocations to the priesthood. This program rotates the third week of each month among St. Helen, Holy Cross and St. John of the Cross.

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# Kid's Corner

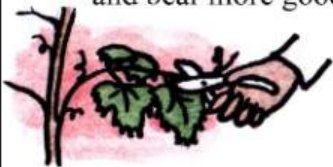
## Jesus is the True Vine

Jesus says that He is the vine and we are the branches. Branches grow out from a vine and receive their food from the main stem. They grow leaves and bear fruit. Our souls get their life from Jesus. When we stay united with Him then our souls are healthy and able to do good works, like the grapes that grow on a healthy vine.



Doing a serious sin is like cutting oneself off of the main vine. The nutrition can't flow into the branch because it's cut off! The branch can't grow leaves or fruit and it withers and dries up. Even though you can't see it, that is what happens to a soul that doesn't have God's life coming into it.

Sometimes a branch of a vine needs to be pruned. A bit gets cut off, but then it grows even better where it was cut. In the same way, sometimes God lets us suffer, but then our souls can grow even stronger and bear more good fruit. Next time you are suffering, remember that God might be using this time to make your soul stronger!



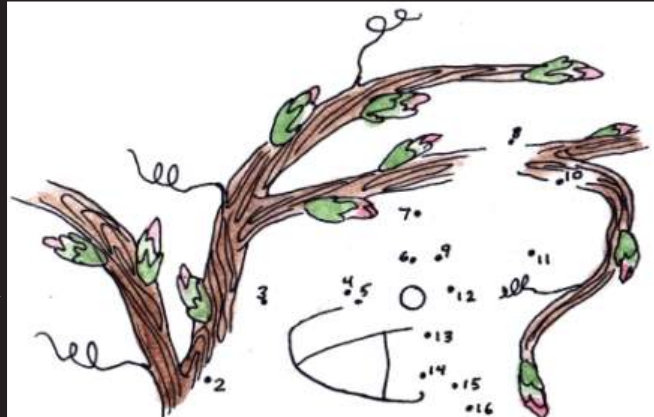
Answers to True or False: 1. true 2. true 3. true 4. true 5. false 6. true 7. false

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

## SAINT PAUL: TRUE OR FALSE

*How much do you know about Saint Paul when he first became a Christian?*

1. Saint Paul's name used to be Saul. True or false?
2. Before his conversion, Saint Paul hated the Christians. True or false?
3. The disciples in Jerusalem were afraid of Paul when he first came. True or false?
4. Barnabas told the other Christians that Saint Paul had seen our Lord on the way to Damascus. True or false?
5. It took a long time before Saint Paul began to speak about Jesus in public. True or false?
6. When Saint Paul told some people about Jesus, they tried to kill him. True or false?
7. The other disciples would not let Saint Paul travel around to preach about Jesus. True or false?



Jesus tells us that He is the true vine and we are the branches. But something needs to be done to the branches so that they will bear good fruit. Follow the dots to find out what it is. (Start at the little grapes!)

## Hail Mary

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen







### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children of the Parish in grades Kindergarten-Third are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word which is held on Sundays during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. During the Mass we dismiss our children in grades Kindergarten-Third, along with their adult catechists, to take part in the Sunday Scripture at their level. Terminology at the appropriate age level helps the children to understand and appreciate the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. In the past we have noted that children who attend Mass and participate in the Liturgy of the Word for Children have a more complete understanding of their Catholic education, and are more prepared for their celebration of the Sacraments. This is a required preparation for those receiving the Eucharist for the first time.

**There will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word session on Sunday, April 28th.**

**building OUR FUTURE together.**



Please log onto our website:  
[www.holycrossverobeach.org](http://www.holycrossverobeach.org) to sign up  
 for the electronic giving program.  
 Your consistent stewardship is appreciated  
 throughout the year.

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**HOLY CROSS  
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**JOIN US TUESDAY  
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The new season for the Holy Cross Catholic Men's Ministry meets on Tuesdays at 6:50 a.m. in the Parish Hall continuing this year with the powerful *That Man is You* series. The theme for this season is *Worthy of the Call* which features 11 amazing presenters. You can view a preview of the series on the Men's Ministry section of our website.

All men who are interested in broadening their faith are welcome to join. For more information please contact Paul Flynn at 561-307-4157.



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Kidz Closet Charities provides clothing, essentials, and educational items directly to many agencies who help children in need throughout our community.

As many know, there was a devastating fire that destroyed the Kidz Closet Charities storefront back in May 2022. We are excited to announce that we are now a drop off location for gently used items for children for Kidz Closet Charities. If you have items to donate, you can place them in the white box located in the vestibule of the Church.

*At this time Kidz Closet is most in need of gently used clothing for Men, Women, & Children including school uniforms.*



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**Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center has announced its 2023-2024 retreat season schedule!**

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For more information, including a full retreat schedule, please visit their website at [www.ourladyofflorida.org](http://www.ourladyofflorida.org)



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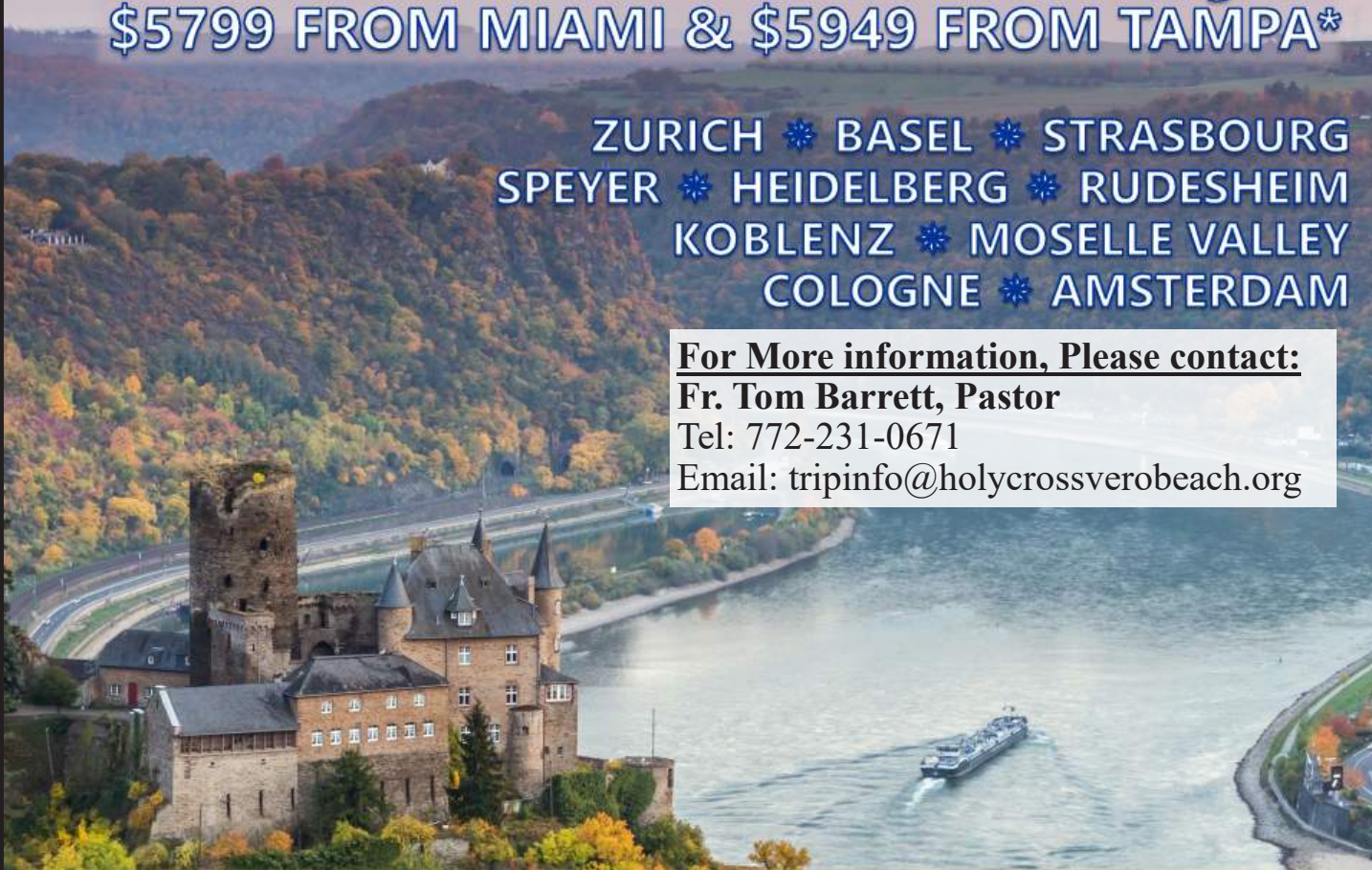
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**Treasure** - The offertory for the weekend of April 13/14 totaled \$26,821.86. The second collection for Peter's Pence totaled \$3,021.43.

**May God bless and reward your stewardship.**

*"For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven . . .*

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*a time to be born . . .* Nathan Douglas Lima Hachat, Makenna Marie Welek

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*a time of peace. "* — Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

The **Flowers** on the **Main Altar** were donated in memory of our son, Ryan, as requested by the Wynne family.

The **Sanctuary Light** in the **Church** will burn this week for the intentions of Michael Burger as requested by Tom & Joanne Balshi.



### Sunday, April 28

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
9:00 a.m. Barbara Trubisky †/Dorrie & John Krause  
10:45 a.m. Marie-Josée Bordaz †/Monique Leslie  
12:15 p.m. Francis Fanzutti †/Gloria & Nunzio Covello

### Monday, April 29

8:00 a.m. Margaret & Patrick Tuohy †/Patricia Tuohy

### Tuesday, April 30

8:00 a.m. Kryn Bosland †/Marilyn Bosland

### Wednesday, May 1

8:00 a.m. Norrene Serraes †/Fr. Tom Barrett

### Thursday, May 2

8:00 a.m. Rita Schlitt †/Frances Tomcavage

### Friday, May 3

8:00 a.m. Bob Horack SI/Linda Scarpa

### Saturday, May 4

8:00 a.m. Jhovany Diaz Rojas †  
4:00 p.m. John Husar †/Colleen Butcher

### Sunday, May 5

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
9:00 a.m. Kryn Bosland †/Marilyn Bosland  
10:45 a.m. Charles LaFleur †/Laurianne Alston  
12:15 p.m. Jeffrey Paul †/Eileen Paul

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4
		6:50 am Men's Ministry 2:15 pm-3:30 pm Divine Mercy 3:30 pm-5:00 pm Religious Education K-5 7:00 pm AA	9:00 am Catholic Bible Study 5:00 pm Choir Rehearsals 7:00 pm-8:15 pm Religious Education 6-8 7:00 pm-8:15 pm High School Youth Group			11:00 am Confession

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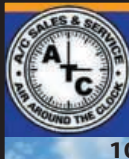
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