

# Our Lady of the Cross Parish

## Holyoke, Massachusetts

**July 30, 2017**  
**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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### This Week at Our Lady of the Cross

**August 6:**    2:00 pm Exposition  
                  3:00 pm Divine Mercy

### Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory Collection for **July 23**

#### First Collection:

211 Envelope Users:	\$3,846.00
Loose Money:	\$350.00
18 Envelopes Mailed:	\$1,535.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5,731.00</b>
Milk Money:	\$89.00

**Thank you for your continued generosity!**

# Pray For

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**The Pope, our Bishop, Priests & Religious**



### Holy Hour For Vocations

On Friday, **August 4**, Mary, Mother of Hope Parish will host the 4th annual Holy Hour for Vocations from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. The evening will feature time for personal prayer as well as Scripture readings with a reflection by newly ordained Fr. Barrent Pease. Please join us as we pray for an increase in vocations.

### Mass Intentions



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#### Saturday, July 29

4:00 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessings for Bob & Nancy Bailly - Family

#### Sunday, July 30

7:30 Birthday Blessings for Barbara Bernard - Friend  
9:00 +Tomasz Rzasa - Stanislaw Kucinska  
10:30 +Daniel Cain - Jack & Elizabeth Maloney & Meg St. Martin

#### Monday, July 31

8:30 +Kazimierz Szczudlo - Granddaughter, Alicja

#### Tuesday, August 1

8:30 For Our Parish

#### Wednesday, August 2

8:30 +Joseph Szot - Family

#### Thursday, August 3

8:30 +William J. Dean III, M.D. - Family

#### Friday, August 4

8:30 +Joseph Soltys - Sister, Mary

#### Saturday, August 5

8:30 +Tomasz Rzasa - Piotr Lapinski  
4:00 +Michael Patrakis - Skal & Marcia Guidi & Family

#### Sunday, August 6

7:30 +Chester Janis (1 Year Anniv.) - Lorraine & Deborah Janis  
9:00 +Marta Legowski - Family  
10:30 Birthday Blessings for Giada Williamson - Family



The Altar Candle is burning  
the week of July 30 for  
**Blessings for Al Keeler**  
From Wife, Terry

### Adoration & Divine Mercy Devotions

Next Sunday, **August 6**, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place beginning at 2:00 pm. You are invited to spend some time in quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. At 3:00 pm, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed, followed by Benediction. All are welcome!

### Cash Calendars For August

The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi will be having a cash calendar for August. The calendars are available in the parish office for \$10.



# From the Pastor

Dear Good People of Our Lady of the Cross,

**The Winners:** In case you were not with us last weekend, these are the winners of the **\$5K Pay Day** raffle:

\$5,000.00	Louise George
\$ 500.00	Tom Pancione
\$ 500.00	Charlie Davignon
\$ 250.00	Mark & Jill Tellier
\$ 250.00	Helen Lamagdeleine

### ***Congratulations to these lucky winners!***

I would like to thank everyone who purchased a ticket for the \$5K Pay Day. Your generosity made this fundraiser a huge success. As I mentioned last week, we once again sold ALL 160 raffle tickets. As soon as all the bills are paid, I will let you know how much we made.

Our \$5K Pay Day would not be possible without our dedicated committee. And so I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to the chairpersons of the \$5K Pay Day, *Lee McGarrigle & Maxine Stawasz*, as well as to the members of their committee. Not only did they organize this fundraiser and sold raffle tickets after Mass, but they also planned the raffle drawing party. They worked very hard setting up and cleaning up ~ and so many tasks in between. Thank you, Lee and Maxine, and your outstanding committee!

I must tell you that the drawing party was wonderful. The meal was prepared by Hamel's Catering and it was delicious. Everyone seemed to have a great time. I want to mention that in addition to the monetary prizes, we also had "consolation" prizes that were donated by parishioners. This year, the prizes included gift cards, an afghan and beautiful bouquets of sunflowers. I would like to thank the following individuals for their kind donations: Madeleine Partyka, Barbara Gagnon, Terry & Al Keeler, Lee McGarrigle, Charlotte Martin, Maxine Stawasz, Peter Tallman, Beth Szmonik and Joanne Patruno.

And finally, one of our parishioners offered to pay for the entire cost of the meal. Obviously this means that our profit will be substantially higher. I would like to express my gratitude to this parishioner for her generosity.

**Second Collection:** Most of you are familiar with the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi. Their convent is located on Northampton St. and they had been a presence in both Holy Cross and Mater Dolorosa parishes for many years. The Sisters are still a presence here in Our Lady of the Cross: attending Mass, singing in the choir, washing the church linens, visiting the homebound, having Food Sales and being employed as our parish bookkeeper. A second collection will be taken up for the Sisters next Sunday. The Sisters will be grateful for your generosity.

**Parish Office:** The new hand railing was installed last Saturday on the front steps of the office. I hope this will make it much easier for individuals to climb the stairs!

**New Total:** I am happy to report that another \$300.00 was contributed to our Snow Removal collection. Our grand total is now \$15,374. Once again, thank you for your generosity!

Peace,  
FR. ALBERT

### **Mater Dolorosa School**

Mater Dolorosa School has fall openings for all grades Pre-K 3 through Grade 8. Please call the school office for more information at 532-2831. *Faith-based education in a positive and inviting environment that strives for academic excellence.*



### **Mass Times**

When you are out of town or on vacation, you can find Mass times all over the country by way of the internet. Simply log onto: [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org). This service is provided by donations given to the Catholic Communications Campaign.

### **Quotable Quotes**

*"Christians love but they are not always loved."*

~ **Pope Francis**, during his June 28 general audience