



# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PARISH

*Iglesia Católica de La Santa Cruz*

1244 S Power Road, Mesa, Arizona 85206

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July 18, 2021

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.”* MK 6:34

### Mission Statement

#### **AD INTRA** (for ourselves):

To deepen our experience of Jesus Christ through a vibrant sacramental life and our common liturgical worship.

#### **AD EXTRA** (to the world)

To reach our vocational fulfillment individually and as a community by engaging our neighbor with the Gospel Message.

### Weekday Masses:

Monday through Saturday; 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass. and 4:00 p.m. (English - ad orientem)

### Confessions:

After Daily Mass Monday - Saturday

5:00 - 6:45 p.m. Wednesday

### Adoration:

Wednesday Evening Adoration: 5:00 to 6:45 p.m.

Benediction at 6:45 p.m.

First Friday Adoration: After the 8:30 a.m. Mass in Latin.

Benediction at 11:45 a.m.

# PARISH DIRECTORY

**Parish Office:** 480-981-2021  
**Religious Ed Office:** 480-325-5375  
**Fax:** 480-981-6844  
**Website:** [holycrossmesa.org](http://holycrossmesa.org)

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
(Reopens after 8:30 Mass) until 12:00 p.m.  
Closed for Lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Open 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday**

**Parish Receptionist:** Angie Perez  
ext. 201, [aperez@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:aperez@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Office Administrator:** Laura Shirling  
ext. 205, [lshirling@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:lshirling@holycrossmesa.org)

## Priests

**Pastor:** Fr. Larry Merta  
ext. 208, [lmerta@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:lmerta@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Parochial Vicar:** Fr. Jaya Rao Maddu  
ext. 202, [frmaddu@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:frmaddu@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Visiting Priest:** Fr. Raul Herrero

**Deacons:** Richard Conn, Clarence Vetter,  
Joe Scaccia, Jim Gersitz & JC Gonzalez

## Pastoral Ministry

**Pastoral Associate:** Bridgette Cosentino  
ext. 206, [bcosentino@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:bcosentino@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Assistant to Pastoral Assoc.:** Olga Rivera  
Ext. 204, [orivera@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:orivera@holycrossmesa.org)

## Religious Education

**Coor. of RE & Evangelization:** Cynthia Benzing  
ext. 214, [cbenzing@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:cbenzing@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Coor. of Youth Faith Formation (grades 6-12):**  
Patti Phillips, ext. 213, [pPhillips@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:pPhillips@holycrossmesa.org)  
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Donna Macia, ext. 209, [dmacia@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:dmacia@holycrossmesa.org)

## Music and Liturgy

**Director of Music:** Jason Phillips  
ext. 215, [jphillips@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:jphillips@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Facilitator of Liturgical Ministry:**  
Laura Spaugh  
Ext. 216, [lspaugh@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:lspaugh@holycrossmesa.org)

## Maintenance:

**Maintenance:** Gabriel Suarez  
ext. 218, [gsuarez@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:gsuarez@holycrossmesa.org)  
**Maintenance:** Paul Mansberger  
**Maintenance:** Abrham Warness

## Infant Baptism

A Parent requesting that their child be baptized must be a registered parishioner who is actively participating in the life of the parish. Baptism preparation classes are required. Please call the parish office for additional information.

## Marriage, Marriage Prep and Annulments

Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage must be registered parishioners who are actively participating in the life of the parish. Notification of intent to marry must be provided nine months in advance. For more information on the marriage preparation process, please call the parish office.

## Communion of the Sick

Ministers of Care bring Holy Communion to the sick and to those who are unable to attend Mass. Please call the parish office to schedule a visit from one of our Ministers of Care.

## Emergency Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone you know is in critical condition or near death, **call 480-981-2021 (after 5 p.m. and weekends, PRESS 4 when instructed to do so.)** Leave a detailed message, including a contact name and phone number that will be heard by the Priest on call. **Please Do Not use this service for any other reason.**

## Federal Privacy Regulation

HIPPA (Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act) prohibits all hospitals from informing churches of a patient's presence unless the patient gives permission for the hospital to do so. If you are admitted to a Hospital and would like a member of the clergy or a caregiver to visit you, please notify the hospital or call the parish office.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Vincent de Paul Society provides food, clothing, and other assistance to the poor and needy. Located at the North end of the campus, their hours are **Monday through Thursday from 9-11 a.m.** Please call 480-985-4259 to schedule an appointment.

## Funerals

Funeral Mass is reserved for families and friends alike who have made prior arrangements for proper burial of the mortal remains. Contact Laura Spaugh in the Liturgy office at 480-981-2021, ext. 216 to make arrangements.



**Holy Cross is now a Baby Safe Haven.**  
**Call the Parish office for more information.**

# LITURGY

## Mass Intentions for the Week of July 19 through July 25, 2021

Mon.	8:30 a.m.	†	Judy Peterson
Tue.	8:30 a.m.	†	Cecilia Arica
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	†	John Meyer
Wed.	7:00 p.m.	†	Maria Elena de Armas
Thu.	8:30 a.m.		(SI) The Tabamo Family
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	†	Jerry & Karen Johnson
Sat.	8:30 a.m.	†	April Ried
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	†	Annam Ouseph
Sun.	7:00 a.m.		Pro Populo
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	†	Mark Klink
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	†	Nancy Gilligan
Sun.	1:00 p.m.	†	Rosa Maria Hernandez
Sun.	4:00 p.m.	†	Salvador Romeio

## Celebrant Schedule (subject to change) Week of July 19 through July 25, 2021

Mon.	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu
Tue.	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu
Wed.	7:00 p.m.	Fr. Larry Merta
Thu.	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Larry Merta
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu
Sat.	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Fr. Larry Merta
Sun.	7:00 a.m.	Fr. Larry Merta
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Fr. Larry Merta
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu
Sun.	1:00 p.m.	Fr. Raul Herrero
Sun.	4:00 p.m.	Fr. Jaya Maddu- <b>Ad Orientem Mass</b>



**The Early Church Fathers were the disciples of the 12 apostles.** In short they were the Christian leaders who took charge of the Church following the death of the 12 apostles. They are excellent “go to” resources to learn more about the early history of the Catholic Church.

### The Early Church Fathers...*On the Eucharist*

**The doctrine of the Real Presence asserts that in the Holy Eucharist Jesus is literally and wholly present—body and blood, soul and divinity—under the appearances of bread and wine.** Many Protestants attack this doctrine as “unbiblical,” but the Bible is forthright in declaring it (cf. 1 Cor. 10:16–17, 11:23–29; and, most forcefully, John 6:32–71).

**The early Church Fathers interpreted these passages literally.** Here are examples of what early Christian writers had to say on the subject of the the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist:

#### Ignatius of Antioch

*“I have no taste for corruptible food nor for the pleasures of this life. I desire the bread of God, which is the flesh of Jesus Christ . . . and for drink I desire his blood, which is love incorruptible”* (Letter to the Romans 7:3 [A.D. 110]).

#### Justin Martyr

*“For not as common bread nor common drink do we receive these; but since Jesus Christ our Savior was made incarnate by the word of God and had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so too, as we have been taught, the food which has been made into the Eucharist by the Eucharistic prayer set down by him, and by the change of which our blood and flesh is nurtured, is both the flesh and the blood of that incarnated Jesus”* (First Apology 66 [A.D. 151]).

#### Irenaeus

*“He has declared the cup, a part of creation, to be his own blood, from which he causes our blood to flow; and the bread, a part of creation, he has established as his own body, from which he gives increase unto our bodies. When, therefore, the mixed cup [wine and water] and the baked bread receives the Word of God and becomes the Eucharist, the body of Christ, and from these the substance of our flesh is increased and supported, how can they say that the flesh is not capable of receiving the gift of God, which is eternal life—flesh which is nourished by the body and blood of the Lord, and is in fact a member of him?”* (ibid., 5:2).

#### Origen

*“Formerly, in an obscure way, there was manna for food; now, however, in full view, there is the true food, the flesh of the Word of God, as he himself says: ‘My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink’ [John 6:55]”* (Homilies on Numbers 7:2 [A.D. 248]).

Taken from: [catholic.com/tract/the-real-presence](http://catholic.com/tract/the-real-presence)

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# THE TRINITY OF STEWARDSHIP

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## Offertory Income

July 2020 - June 2021 Plate Actual: \$1,159,010.99

July 2020 - June 2021 Plate Budget: \$1,144,385.00

### **Atención Parejas en Preparación Matrimonial:**

Gran Oportunidad para participar en el Retiro de Plan de Dios y Clases de Planificación Familiar Natural

Parejas que están actualmente en preparación matrimonial aquí en la parroquia están invitados a registrarse en la oficina para el retiro de Plan de Dios, el 7 de agosto de 9AM-4:30 PM y para Planificación Familiar Natural el 10 de agosto a las 6PM. Los dos eventos son requisitos para casarse y el Padre Larry ha proporcionado esta formación para los feligreses de la parroquia.

Por favor aprovechen esta oportunidad. La ubicación de la formación será en el Wellens Hall. Pueden pedir más información en la oficina o llamar a Olga Rivera, 480-981-2021 x 204 o orivera@holycrossmesa.org



## REFLECTION July 18

MARK 10:45 “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His Life a ransom for many.” Help Support the Needy In Our Community During These Very Hot Summer Months With Your Prayers And Treasure.

August 13th is the Feast Day of the Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, our founder. The church will be honoring Father McGivney at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Council Business Meetings are held, on the 1st Thursday of each month, in Wellens Hall. The Rosary begins at 6:30 p.m. and the Business Meeting starts at 7 p.m.

### **Join the Knights!**

Become a Holy Cross Council 7904 Knight!  
Learn More About the Knights at: [kofc7904.org/home.html](http://kofc7904.org/home.html) and call Jim Pergo at (480) 721-2201 to join.

Council 7904 has created a Facebook page of the activities our Knights enjoy! Go to: [facebook.com/kofc7904/photos](https://facebook.com/kofc7904/photos)

Online Knights of Columbus Membership:  
Designed to introduce men to our Order in a way that will help them to grow as a Catholic man and a Knight. Go to: <http://www.kofc.org/un/newjoin/en/index.html>



**St. Vincent de Paul  
Holy Cross Conference**  
480-985-4259

### **St Vincent de Paul School Drive..**

SVdP is holding their annual school drive to collect the following school supplies for needy families. In the past, Holy Cross parishioners have been very generous with their contributions. ***We'd like to thank you ahead of time for your continued generosity this year.***

### **Supplies needed include:**

Notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, erasers, pencil holders, glue sticks, small scissors (blunt tip), markers, pocket folders, and pencil sharpeners.



**Kino Catechetical Institute is accepting applications for our fall cohorts, in both English and Spanish, through August 1st.**

The Kino Institute is currently taking applications for both evening and morning cohorts in English, and evening in Spanish. If needed, distance learning options are available, and we are also very blessed to have some partial scholarships available for students with a financial need. If you or someone you know has considered formation with Kino, go to our website:

**[www.kinoinstitute.org](http://www.kinoinstitute.org)** for more information.

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & PARISH EVENTS

## Part-Time Bilingual Parish Receptionist Position



**Part-time Non-Exempt, 4-5 Days/wk – 20-28 hrs/wk.  
Reports to Pastoral Associate**

- Fully Bilingual; able to speak, read and write both English and Spanish
- Welcoming and compassionate approach to all communications
- Excellent administrative and organizational skills; attention to details and high level of accuracy in work
- Excellent written, verbal, and interpersonal skills with ability to prioritize, multi-task and work with minimal supervision
- Extremely proficient in Microsoft Office; able to create spreadsheets and memos
- Adept in handling highly confidential matters; discretion always required
- Must be able to work with multiple distractions and interruptions, and multitask
- Ability to learn new things and adapt to change

### Minimum Requirements:

- High School Diploma.
- Living in full communion with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church

Please contact Bridgette Cosentino @ [bcosentino@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:bcosentino@holycrossmesa.org) or 480-981-2021; ext 206 to apply.

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## Sacristan Training 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 24, 2021

Do you love hosting family and friends for special meals at your home? Does it give you pleasure to set the table with your best dishes and glassware, placing the centerpiece in just the right location? If so ***your church home is looking for you!*** As a Sacristan at Holy Cross, you

will set the table for your church family to receive the greatest gift we have ever been given – the Holy Eucharist!

We will be having a Sacristan Training on Saturday, July 24th starting at 10:30 am. inside the Church. We would love to have you join us to ensure that every Mass is as beautiful and special as Jesus is. Being a sacristan is a very beneficial way to serve your church community, and an active way to participate in Mass.

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### **DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...**

- *is searching for God and has never been baptized?*
- *has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?*

***We offer opportunities to come together to learn more about the Catholic faith.***

Contact Cindy Benzing at 480-981-2021 x 214 or [cbenzing@holycrossmesa.org](mailto:cbenzing@holycrossmesa.org) to set up a time to talk.