

**Welcome to Holy Mass at Holy Cross Church
Ordinary 14
With Benediction to the Blessed Sacrament**

Independence Day

**Sunday, July 4, 2010
11:00 a.m.**

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The Liturgy of the Word

Reading I

Isaiah 66: 10-14a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her, all you who love her; Exult, exult with her, all you who were mourning over her! Oh, that you may suck fully of the milk of her comfort, that you may nurse with delight at her abundant breasts! For thus says the Lord: Lo I will spread prosperity over her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing torrent. As nurslings, you shall be carried in her arms, and fondled in her lap; as a mother comforts her son, so will I comfort you; in Jerusalem you shall find your comfort. When you see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bodies flourish like the grass; the Lord's power shall be known to his servants.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66: 1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God: "How tremendous are your deeds!"

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!" Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among men.

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever.

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me. Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness!

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Reading II

Galatians 6: 14-18

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Galatians

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

May I never boast of anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ! Through it, the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. It means nothing whether one is circumcised or not. All that matters is that one is created anew. Peace and mercy on all who follow this rule of life, and on the Israel of God.

Henceforth, let no man trouble me, for I bear the brand marks of Jesus in my body.

Brothers, may the favor of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Gospel Alleluia Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your son.

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Gospel

Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20

A reading of the holy gospel according to Luke

Your peace shall rest upon him.

The Lord appointed a further seventy-two and sent them in pairs before him to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them: "*The harvest is rich but the workers are few: therefore ask the harvest-master to send workers to his harvest. Be on your way, and remember: I am sending you as lambs in the midst of wolves. Do not carry a walking staff or traveling bag; wear no sandals and*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16: 1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

R: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge; I say to the Lord, "My Lord are you. O Lord, my allotted portion and my cup, you it is who hold fast my lot.

R: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

I bless the Lord who counsels me; even in the night my heart exhorts me. I set the Lord ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

R: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices, my body, too, abides in confidence; because you will not abandon my soul to the nether world, nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

R: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in your presence, the delights at your right hand forever.

R: You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Reading II

Galatians 3: 26-29

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Galatians

You who have been baptized have put on Christ.

Each of you is a son of God because of your faith in Christ Jesus. All of you who have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with him. There does not exist among you Jew or Greek, slave or freeman, male or female. All are one in Christ Jesus. Furthermore, if you belong to Christ you are the descendants of Abraham, which means you inherit all that was promised.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Gospel Alleluia Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life,
you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel

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"Into whatever city you go, after they welcome you, eat what they set before you, and cure the sick there. Say to them, 'The reign of God is at hand.' If the people of any town you enter do not welcome you, go into its streets and say, 'We shake the dust of this town from our feet as testimony against you. But know that the reign of God is near.' I assure you, on that day the fate of Sodom will be less severe than that of such a town."

The seventy-two returned in jubilation saying, "Master, even the demons are subject to us in your name." He said in reply, "*I watched Satan fall from the sky like lightning. See what I have done; I have given you power to tread on snakes and scorpions and all the forces of the enemy, and nothing shall ever injure you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice so much in the fact that the devils are subject to you as that your names are inscribed in heaven.*"

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Thoughts from the Pulpit

Sending out the disciples...

(Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20)

In the Gospel today, Jesus Christ, being the Word of God, sends out the disciples to the world as the bearers of God's Kingdom.

The bearers of God's Kingdom are not volunteers. The first initiative comes from the Lord. He is in charge of sending, of commissioning, of dispatching. The Messiah is the One who sends and equips the disciples with the necessary graces for service.

They are sent out by the Messiah, Our Lord Jesus Christ, who, by His Death & Resurrection, gifted this world with that Precious Kingdom, the Church! God's Kingdom is the Kingdom of Peace, Healing, and Salvation.

Therefore every disciple sent out by Jesus must be the bearer of Peace, Healing, and the Good News of Salvation.

How can one be a more and more effective missionary for Jesus? Practice, Practice, Practice! Start slowly, but be willing to take a few risks, small steps of faith... evangelism is all about introducing people to a person – Jesus!

Every Sunday the disciples of Jesus receive those gifts of the Kingdom, and they are sent out to go and share it. "Mass is ended, go in Peace and Serve the Lord", they hear the commission. The end of the Mass is not like the end of a football game or a film where we simply get up and leave, as being dismissed. At the end of the Mass we are **sent out! We are not dismissed, but commissioned to the harvest service.**

Every disciple of Jesus will be accountable for this commissioned task. Every disciple of Jesus must be the bearer of God's Kingdom. And, most importantly, the disciple of Jesus must not lose the gifts of God's Kingdom along the way and go empty. The disciple of Jesus must be charged in with the power received from the Sender.

Let us not forget that we all, as baptized people, are the disciples of Jesus, sent out by our Messiah and Lord Jesus Christ. Let us keep doing the work for God's Kingdom. Amen!

Announcements for July 4, 2010

Financial Corner

Week of	Weekly Income	Weekly Income Needed	Balance
June 6	\$983	\$647	\$336
June 13	\$504	\$647	-\$143
June 20	\$573	\$647	-\$74
June 27	\$669	\$647	\$22
TOTAL	\$2729	\$2588	\$141

The **2009** parish committee is scheduled to meet on **Monday evening, July 5 at 6:00 pm.** The draft revision of the parish by-laws will be a primary agenda item. Please review the draft distributed at the last committee meeting. If you have not received your copy, please pick one up in the office before leaving today. Thank you.

The annual Bell Festival in New York Mills is scheduled for **Friday-Saturday, July 9-10.** A fish fry begins at 5:00 pm on Friday, and the festival continues from noon until dark on Saturday, with Polish and American food being served.

The **2010** parish committee will be sworn in on **Sunday, July 11** before Holy Mass. Please mark your calendars for this important step in placing the new parish committee into office.

It is time to begin thinking about making pierogi for the Field Days in August. See Mary Ann if you would be able to help in this task. Pierogi will most likely be made at two different times during the month of July. We will need a good-sized crew. Please consider offering your time and expertise. Once the crew has been assembled, dates will be set that accommodates everyone. Thank you.

The White Eagle Medical Bridge Golf Tournament is scheduled for **Saturday, September 18.** Information and applications for the tourney are on the table in the foyer.

