

**Welcome to Holy Mass at Holy Cross Church
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Solemnity of Brotherly Love**

**Sunday, September 12, 2010
11:00 am**

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The Liturgy of the Word

Reading I

Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once to your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt, for they have become depraved. They have soon turned aside from the way I pointed out to them, making for themselves a molten calf and worshiping it, sacrificing to it, and crying out, 'This is your God, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt!' I see how stiff-necked this people is," continued the Lord to Moses. "Let me alone, then, that my wrath may blaze up against them to consume them. Then I will make of you a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord, his God, saying, "Why, O Lord, should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with such great power and with so strong a hand? Remember your servants, Abraham, Isaac and Israel, and how you swore to them by your own self, saying, 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky; and all this land that I promised, I will give your descendants as their perpetual heritage.'" So the Lord relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 51: 3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

R: I will rise and go to my father.

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R: I will rise and go to my father.

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Case me not out from your presence, and your holy spirit take not from me.

R: I will rise and go to my father.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise. My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit; a heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.

R: I will rise and go to my father.

Reading II

I Timothy 1: 12-17

A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy

Christ came to save sinners.

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, that he has made me his servant and judged me faithful. I was once a blasphemer, a persecutor, a man filled with arrogance; but because I did not know what I was doing in my unbelief, I have been treated mercifully, and the grace of our Lord has been granted me in overflowing measure, along with the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. You can depend on this as worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I myself am the worst. But on that very account I was dealt with mercifully, so that in me, as an extreme case, Jesus Christ might display all his patience, and that I might become an example to those who would later have faith in him and gain everlasting life. To the King of ages, the immortal, the invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever! Amen.

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**Gospel Alleluia I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
No one comes to the Father, except through me.**

Gospel

Luke 15: 1-32

A reading of the holy gospel according to Luke

There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.

The tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus, at which the Pharisees and the scribes murmured, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Then he addressed this parable to them: *"Who among you, if he has a hundred sheep and loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wasteland and follow the lost one until he finds it? And when he finds it, he puts it on his shoulders in jubilation. Once arrived home, he invites friends and neighbors in and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, there will likewise be more joy in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need to repent.*

"What woman, if she has ten silver pieces and loses one, does not light a lamp and sweep the house in a diligent search until she has retrieved what she has lost? And when she finds it, she calls in her friends and neighbors to say, 'Rejoice with me! I have found the silver piece I lost!' I tell you, there will be the same kind of joy before the angels of God over one repentant sinner."

Jesus said to them, *"A man had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the estate that is coming to me.' So the father divided up the property. Some days later this younger son collected all his belongings and went off to a distant land, where he squandered his money on dissolute living. After he had spent everything, a great famine broke out in that country and he was in dire need. So he attached himself to one of the propertied class of the place, who sent him to his farm to take care of the pigs. He longed to fill his belly with the husks that were fodder for the pigs, but no one made a move to give him anything. Coming to his senses at last, he said: 'How many hired hands at my father's place have more than enough to eat, while here I am starving! I will break away and return to my father, and say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against God and against you; I no longer deserve to be*

called your son. Treat me like one of your hired hands.” With that, he set off for his father’s house.

While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him and was deeply moved. He ran out to meet him, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against God and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.’ The father said to his servants: ‘Quick! Bring out the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet. Take the fatted calf and kill it. Let us eat and celebrate because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life. He was lost and is found.’ Then the celebration began.

“Meanwhile, the elder son was out on the land. As he neared the house on his way home, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked him the reason for the dancing and the music. The servant answered, ‘Your brother is home, and your father has killed the fatted calf because he has him back in good health.’ The son grew angry at this and would not go in; but his father came out and began to plead with him. He said in reply to his father: For years now I have slaved for you. I never disobeyed one of your orders, yet you never gave me so much as a kid goat to celebrate with my friends. Then, when this son of yours returns after having gone through your property with loose women, you kill the fatted calf for him.’

“My son,’ replied the father, ‘you are with me always and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice! This brother of yours was dead, and has come back to life. He was lost, and is found.’”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Thoughts from the Pulpit

Announcements for September 12, 2010

We hope you will all join us after Holy Mass today for our end-of-summer picnic. A full menu of Polish goodies awaits you. See you all outside!

The White Eagle Medical Bridge Golf Tourney will be held this coming **Saturday, September 18**. Breakfast will be served at the church from 7:00 – 8:30. Golf starts at 9:00, with the banquet scheduled for 2:00 pm.

The first YMS of R breakfast will be next **Sunday, September 19**. French toast and ham are on the menu. Bring your appetites!

We have gathered many items for our upcoming community garage sale on **Fri-Sat, September 24-25**. Bobbi and Maureen will be coordinating this event but much help will be needed the week of September 20. Please see Bobbi or Maureen to find out how you can assist. Thank you in advance for your support.

The Bi-annual Convention of the YMS of R is scheduled for **Sat-Sun, October 23-24** at Holy Mother of Sorrows Parish in Dupont, PA. Registration is \$35 per delegate and there is no limit to the number of delegates that can attend from a parish. Information on the convention is available on the table in the foyer. The deadline for registration is **Friday, October 1**.

Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, September 14 **SOLEMNITY – EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

Wednesday, September 15 4:00 pm choir rehearsal

Thursday, September 16 6:00 pm Polish language class

Saturday, September 18 **White Eagle Medical Bridge Golf Tourmanent**
 in New York Mills
 7:00 – 8:30 Breakfast @ the church
 9:00 – 2:00 Golf @ Twin Oaks
 2:00 pm Banquet @ Twin Oaks

Sunday, September 19 **ORDINARY 25**

Intention: +William and LaVoie and
 Requested by the Kolonko family

11:00 Holy Mass
 12:15 YMS of R French Toast/Ham Breakfast

Financial Corner

Week of	Weekly Income	Weekly Income Needed	Balance
September 5	\$645	\$642	\$5
TOTALS	\$645	\$642	\$5