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# St. Mary - Holy Cross Parish



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 8:00am Mass, Holy Cross <i>After Mass:</i> - Blessing of Throats - Coffee & donuts - Pick up snack packs  10:00am Mass, St. Mary <i>After Mass:</i> - Blessing of Throats - pick up snack packs - NCYC Thank You Breakfast and donuts, Social Hall	<b>2</b>  <b>Presentation of the Lord</b>  6:15-7:45pm Adult Faith Formation, Youth Room	<b>3</b>  <b>Feast of St. Blaise</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	<b>4</b> Religious Ed - - 9-11:00am, Session C, CGS Toddler-9th Grade - 4:30-6:00pm Session A Preschool-6th Grade - 6:15pm First Communion Enrollment Mass - 6:15-7:30pm Session B Preschool-6th Grade  5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross, 6:00-7:30pm EDGE Session, Social Hall 7:30-9:00pm Youth Group, Youth Area	<b>5</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	<b>6</b> 8:00am First Friday Mass, St. Mary,	<b>7</b> 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary Building Fund Collection <i>After Mass:</i> Chili Cook-Off & Cinnamon Roll Baking contest, Hall -Pick up Snack Packs 
<b>8</b> Building Fund Collection 8:00am Mass, Holy Cross  10:00am Mass, St. Mary, with  Baptism of Georgia Harlow  11:00am-12:30pm 9th Grade Confirmation session, Youth Room  Friedow & Shuler families to prepare meal for Emergency Family Shelter	<b>9</b> 6:15-7:45pm Adult Faith Formation, with special guest Father Bruce Riebe, Social Hall	<b>10</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	<b>11</b> Religious Ed - - 9-11:00am, Session C, CGS Toddler-9th Grade - 9:15am First Communion Enrollment Mass - 4:30-6:00pm Session A Preschool-6th Grade - 6:15-7:30pm Session B Preschool-6th Grade  5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 6:00-7:30pm EDGE Session, Social Hall 7:30-9:00pm Youth Group, Youth Area	<b>12</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	<b>13</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary <i>Youth attend Youth 2000 at St Pius X Church</i>	<b>14</b> <i>Valentine's Day</i>  11:00am-3:00pm 10th Grade Student/Sponsor Prayer Stations, Social Hall  4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary <i>Youth attend Youth 2000 at St Pius X Church</i>
<b>15</b> 8:00am Mass, Holy Cross  10:00am Mass, St. Mary  11:00am-3:00pm 10th Grade Student/Sponsor Prayer Stations, Social Hall  <i>Youth attend Youth 2000 at St Pius X Church</i>	<b>16</b> 7:00pm, K of C meeting, Social Hall	<b>17</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary  6:30pm, Parish Council meeting, Social Hall	<b>18</b>  <b>Ash Wednesday</b> <i>Fast and abstain from meat 7:00am and 6:30pm Masses at St. Mary</i>  <i>No Mass at Holy Cross today</i> <i>No PreK-12 Religious Ed</i>	<b>19</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	<b>20</b>  <b>Abstain from meat</b>  8:00am Mass, St. Mary  8:30am-9pm Hall in use 6:00pm Stations of the Cross, St. Mary 5:00-7:00pm fish fry, Social Hall	<b>21</b> 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary Collection for Catholic Charities Food Pantry
<b>22</b> <b>First Sunday of Lent</b>   8:00am Mass, Holy Cross  10:00am Mass, St. Mary  Collection for Catholic Charities Food Pantry  11:00am-12:30pm 10th Grade Confirmation session, Youth Room	<b>23</b> 6:15-7:45pm Adult Faith Formation, Youth Room	<b>24</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary  6:30pm, Finance Council meeting, Social Hall	<b>25</b> Religious Ed - with Reconciliation at 9:00am, 4:30pm & 6:15pm - 9-11:00am, Session C, CGS Toddler-9th Grade - 4:30-6:00pm Session A Preschool-6th Grade - 6:15-7:30pm Session B Preschool-6th Grade  5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 6:00-7:30pm EDGE Session, Social Hall 7:30-9:00pm Youth Group, Youth Area	<b>26</b> 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	<b>27</b>  <b>Abstain from meat</b>  8:00am Mass, St. Mary  6:00pm Stations of the Cross, St. Mary, followed by Lenten meal, Social Hall	<b>28</b> 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary

## Winter Weather Cancellations

Whenever North Polk School is cancelled, dismissed early, or evening school activities are cancelled due to weather, classes, meetings and activities here at the Parish will be cancelled as well. In most instances, Masses - both daily and weekend - will not be cancelled, so please use your own judgment. If the need arises to cancel weekend Masses or activities, it will be on Channel 8 TV and online only —Holy Cross is under "Maxwell".

**Fasting:** Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these days, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals together should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juice are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not apply. **Abstaining:** Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.