

# The Weekly Voice

Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, March 25

## Fourth Sunday in Lent

***Baptism is sometimes called enlightenment. The gospel for this Sunday is the story of the man born blind healed by Christ. "I was blind, now I see," declares the man. In baptism God opens our eyes to see the truth of who we are: God's beloved children. As David was anointed the king of Israel, in baptism God anoints our head with oil, and calls us to bear witness to the light of Christ in our daily lives.***

### READINGS

#### **1 Samuel 16:1-3**

*David is chosen and anointed*

#### **Psalm 23**

*You anoint my head with oil  
(Ps.23:5)*

#### **Ephesians 5:8-14**

*Awake from sleep, live as children  
of light*

#### **John 9:1-41**

*Baptismal image: the man born  
blind*

## Call for Ministry Information!

So many things need to be updated! One of them is the brochure that we share with visitors to Holy Cross. To help facilitate that, we need to get information about all of the ministries that are currently happening at Holy Cross.

Please write a short information paragraph about the ministry you are in charge of, are proud of, or participate in. email or drop that off to the office.

Don't forget, The Weekly Voice is a way for HCLC to connect with one another and the community. If you have something to share from your ministry, or something happening in the community that you think your HCLC family should know about, (like the ongoing construction!) do not hesitate to send it in to: [office@holycrosswheatridge.org](mailto:office@holycrosswheatridge.org)

Submissions are due on TUESDAY at NOON for publication in the Weekly Voice.



*So happy you are here!*



***“Everything that is done in this world is done by hope.”***

Martin Luther

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

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| ○ 3/20 | SEWING GROUP                   | 9:30AM  |
| ○ 3/21 | RECYCLE PICKUP                 | 8:00AM  |
| ○ 3/21 | “TUESDAYS AT” ZOOM GROUP       | 2:00PM  |
| ○ 3/22 | SIMPLE SUPPER                  | 5:30PM  |
|        | CHOIR REHEARSAL                | 6:00PM  |
|        | LENTEN WORSHIP – HOLDEN PRAYER | 7:00PM  |
| ○ 3/23 | COUNCIL MEETING                | 6:30PM  |
| ○ 3/25 | SERVICES FOR LYNN MCCRACKEN    | 11:00AM |



### **CELEBRATING LOIS KNUDSEN**

Congratulations to Lois, celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with friends and family!

Lois was a longtime member, and is a former Office Administrator for Holy Cross.

She is doing well, and we wish her all the best!

Do you have a celebration to share with us? Send it in! [office@holycrosswheatridge.org](mailto:office@holycrosswheatridge.org) by Tuesday at NOON!



Having returned from our Ignatian pilgrimage to Spain and Rome 3 days ago, it will indeed take some time to reflect on the many experiences we had but also the graces learned from the life of Ignatius of Loyola whose commitment to growing deeper in love with God and serving those in need changed the world centuries before our time.

For now, I share these words from Ignatius that resonate with me during our Lenten pilgrimage to the cross and empty grave.

“Lord, teach me to be generous;

Teach me to serve you as you deserve;

To give and not to count the cost;

To fight and not to heed the wounds;

To toil, and not to seek for rest;

To labor, and not to ask for reward -

except to know that I am doing your will.”

— **St. Ignatius of Loyola**

A blessed Lenten pilgrimage to you, dear friends –

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## Holy Cross Wheels

Holy Cross has several members who are willing and able to drive people to appointments. Guidelines are as follows:

- Be a member of Holy Cross
- Request a one-time ride, some exceptions are possible
- Assistance is NOT required to get in and out of car
- When pre-arranging with the driver, the driver may wait with you during your appointment, or a second driver may be scheduled to come.

If you would like to schedule a ride, please contact Voanne Bertelsen at 303-234-9937.

If you are handicapped, or have special needs, there are organizations that can help with these needs.

VIA, 303-444-3043, offers door to door service for people over 60 with a disability, the charge is \$5 donation one way within a 20-mile radius.

Access-A-Ride– requires pre-approved application, rides are \$5 one way.

*While masks are no longer mandated, we strongly encourage you to continue to use them throughout the building, at your own comfort.*

*Please continue to wash and sanitize your hands. Thank you*

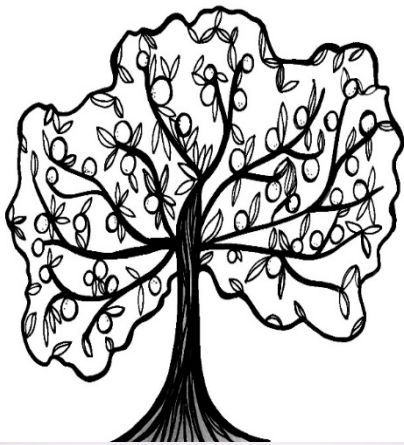
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**By Phone: 1-669-900-6833**

**Meeting ID: 671 347 885**





**SAVE THE DATE!  
EARTH SUNDAY IS  
APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>!**

**The Environmental Stewardship Team  
will host Earth Sunday in recognition  
of World Earth Day.**

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*Services for Lynn McCracken will be  
held on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at  
11:00am, here at Holy Cross.*

*As many of you know, she completed  
her baptismal journey on Thursday,  
March 9<sup>th</sup>. She had recently  
celebrated her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

*Her parents, Ben and Arlene  
McCracken were beloved members  
of Holy Cross, with Ben acting as a  
pastoral counselor here at Holy  
Cross.*

*Please keep her siblings, Kris and  
Mark, in your prayers.*

*Answered Prayers...*

*As many of you know, Marge  
Alley's 6 year-old great-  
grandson Bennett Case has  
been on our prayer list for a  
while. Marge wanted to let us  
know that Bennett recently had  
his 6th surgery, and it was  
successful! He is doing well, and  
has been able to go to school!*

*Marge is thankful to God for  
answered prayers, thankful to  
the doctors for their care, and  
so very thankful to her Holy  
Cross family for their prayers.*



**CARD MINISTRY MEETING IS SATURDAY, APRIL 1 AT  
9:00AM**

Please join the Card Ministry in assembling approximately 180 cards for the homebound and seniors on Saturday, April 1 at 9AM in the Sewing Room.

Our design committee will have various designs available that we will assemble to cover the summer months for this service ministry. All are welcome, and feel free to join us as your time permits. No special skills required!

Contact Karel Hemler at 720-708-7569 with any questions!



## Relationship

By Steve Iona

I was talking with a colleague recently, and she claimed that “it is the teacher’s job to teach and the student’s job to learn.” To her, classroom interactions should be just that simple. I knew what she was saying, but I definitely would have chosen different words.

Carrying the idea forward:

- It is the police officer’s job to enforce the laws, and it is the citizen’s job to follow the laws.
- It is the politician’s job to make the laws, and it is the constituent’s job to vote.
- It is the pitcher’s job to throw the ball, and it is the batter’s job to hit the ball.
- It is the minister’s job to preach, and it is the parishioner’s job to listen and follow.
- It is the parent’s job to parent, and it is the child’s job to obey.

While these descriptions are true, they miss the *relationship* aspects of a job description.

That is what JEDI is about. It is about *relationship*.

How can you take the economic background, the family background, the milieu of the circumstances into consideration? What about the personalities, the biases, or prior beliefs that the people might have?

What impact might these have as one is teaching, or learning, or enforcing the law, or sharing a sermon, or throwing the ball, or being a parent?

Equity, the “E” in JEDI, raises awareness of these perspectives. Diversity, the “D” in JEDI, acknowledges that the differences exist and that we all might relate better to others when we embrace the differences. Justice and Inclusion, the “J” and “I”, address fairness and welcoming. These four terms, Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion comprise an “improved” job description focused on *relationship*.

How might your job description change?

## Holy Cross Prayer List

The Family of Lynn McCracken

Horace Clair

Shaundra Rana

Rex Thomsen

Dorothy Strecker

Judy Makowski

The Family of Adele Nelson

Kristi Overstreet

Bob Hinshaw

Erik Weishelbaumer

Winnetta Mahaffey

Phil Wolfe

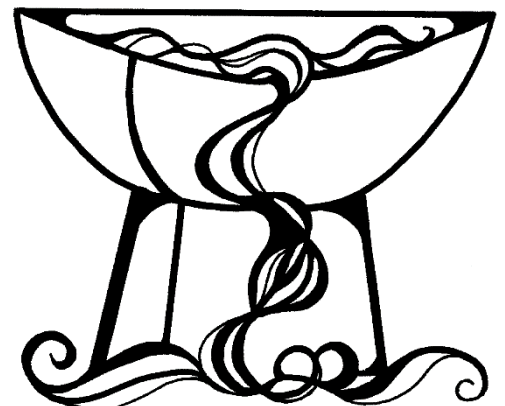
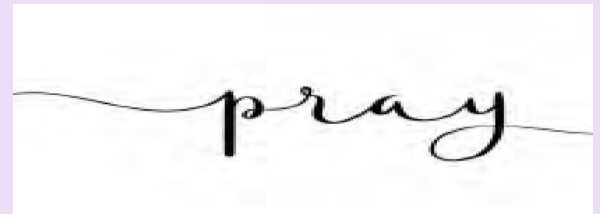
The Family of Charlie Powell

The Family of Jolita Blado

(Claudia Harris’ sister-in-law)

Thea Hunter (Bev Fernald’s granddaughter)

Pastor Libbie, our Assisting Ministers,  
Volunteers, Servants and Staff



## Lenten Simple Supper Announcement

**Attention Amicitia Circle and Book Group you are up next on Wednesday, March 22nd<sup>h</sup> to host our Simple Supper. See information below.**

Thank you to the Council, Transition Team and Staff  
for helping make Simple Suppers a success!

The sign-up notebook for Simple Suppers is in the Narthex. **Please sign up for the week that you can bring food, help coordinate, set-up or help with clean-up** so we know if we have enough food and help for each week.

### Schedule:

March 22<sup>nd</sup>: **Host Teams:**

Amicitia Circle and Book Group

Coordinators: Joyce Kamprath and Janet Iona

March 29<sup>th</sup>: **Host Teams:**

JEDI/RIC and Card Ministry

Coordinators: Annette Stott and Steve Iona

Note: If you can't help when your team is assigned choose another time to help. If you are on more than one team, you do not have to help each time, choose a time (s) that works for you. If you are not a member of a ministry team and would like to participate, choose a Wednesday that works for you. **PLEASE SIGN UP** in the Narthex. If you cannot sign-up in person, please send an email to either Bill Fleming or Janet Iona with what you will be bringing or how you would like to help. Information and Instructions for how much food is needed and instructions for set-up and clean-up is in the Simple Supper notebook.

**Questions:** Contact Bill Fleming: [bfleming1234@aol.com](mailto:bfleming1234@aol.com) 720-327-1727

Janet Iona: [janet.iona@earthlink.net](mailto:janet.iona@earthlink.net) 720-480-7602

### Wednesday Evening Lenten Schedule:

Set-up Volunteers Arrive:	4:45 pm
Food Arrives By No Later Than:	5:15 pm
Simple Supper Served Between:	5:30 – 6:30 pm
Clean-up Volunteers:	5:15 – 6:55 pm
Conversation Hosted By JEDI/RIC:	6:30- 6:55 pm
Holden Evening Prayer Service:	Beginning at 7:00 pm

The Urban Servant Corps Annual

**PALM SUNDAY PRAYER WALK!**

Sunday, April 2, 2023

1:45 pm

Urban Servant Corps, Denver

Hear about the USC community and ministry, learn about the organizations they support, and join with others to pray for the work they do to serve those among us who are marginalized.

Holy Cross friends – let's get a group together to go to the walk!

It's a GREAT way to begin Holy Week!

Meet in the Holy Cross parking lot at 1:00 to carpool!

Contact Kim Guinn or Pastor Libbie  
if you have questions!

**HOLY CROSS BOOK GROUP MEETS THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM AND ON ZOOM RIGHT AFTER WORSHIP SERVICE. PLEASE JOIN US!**

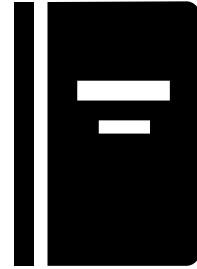
**OUR UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS:**

APRIL 16: *LESSONS IN CHEMISTRY*, by Bonnie Garmus

MAY 14: *HORSE*, by Geraldine Brooks

WE WILL BE ON BREAK FOR THE SUMMER AFTER MAY.

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT ONE OF OUR DISCUSSIONS!



**EST - Creation Care – March Message**

From the cold of winter to daylight savings time change to the first day of spring; from the season of Lent to the season of Easter; from Easter to Earth Day – we are always thinking about water. From “we need the moisture” (still shoveling snow in March) to April showers, we think about water and whether we will be irrigating our lawns and gardens this summer.

The Colorado River supplies water to Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Nevada, Arizona, and California. Forty million people rely on it. **Glen Canyon Dam** and **Hoover Dam** hold most of the water. **Imperial Dam** holds water for agriculture in the Imperial Valley of California. The last dam is **Morelos** which irrigates Mexico’s Mexicali Valley. Below that the river is mostly dry.

In Colorado, 24 tunnels move river water from west to east. Some of the biggest are **Moffat Tunnel** – Winter Park to Rollinsville for rail (since 1928) and water (since 1936); **Bousted Tunnel** – Arkansas/Frying Pan Project water to Turquoise Lake near Leadville; **Roberts Tunnel** – Lake Dillon water to Denver since 1962 (took 16 years to complete and supplies 40% of Denver’s water); **Hoosier Pass Tunnel** – diverts So. Platte River and Blue River water to the Montgomery Reservoir near Alma from which water is piped 70 miles to Colorado Springs by way of the Blue River Pipeline (since 1957); **Straight Creek Tunnel** – the Eisenhower-Johnson tunnels are also water tunnels delivering 300 acre feet of water per year to Clear Creek; **Adams Tunnel** from Lake Granby to Shadow Mountain to Grand Lake under Rocky Mt. Nat. Park to the Big Thompson River to the Horsetooth Reservoir, to Carter Lake, and to the Boulder Reservoir. WOW – and that is just a small part of this interesting story!

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, water sustains us. Every creature needs it for life. Our watery baptism sustains us. Water reminds us each day of our baptism. Christ’s love surrounds us as we move about in our daily activities in our families, in our workplaces, and in our communities. We need water; it flows in us and makes us whole. Help us to appreciate and conserve the gift of water.

## Scripture & Dramatic Readings – Call for Volunteers

If you would like to do Scriptural or dramatic readings for the Holy Week services, please contact the office and let Pastor Libbie know!

We need volunteers to read for:

- Palm Sunday
- Maundy Thursday
- Good Friday
- Easter Sunday



## SPRINGTIME FLOWERS HAVE ARRIVED!

*The beautiful Easter flowers of Holy Cross provide members and friends the opportunity to honor and remember their loved ones at Easter. Altar flowers for Easter will be taken to the seniors and shut-ins following Easter services as a way to let them know that we love them here at Holy Cross!*

*Please use this form for your dedication statement. Cash or checks of any amount can be put in the small envelopes and put in the offering plate, or given to L.J. in the office.*

**DEADLINE FOR REMEMBRANCE STATEMENTS IS MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>.**

*Thank you!*

*The Altar Guild*

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## IN THE COMMUNITY...

If there is something from the surrounding community that you would like to share with HCLC, please let me know by Tuesday at NOON!

## INFORMATION FOR YOU...

Jeffco Action Center:

<https://theactioncenter.org>

Family Promise:

<http://www.familypromise.org>

Senior Resource Center:

<https://srcaging.org>

Lutheran Family Services

<https://www.lfsrm.org>

ELCA Rocky Mountain Synod:

<https://www.rmselfca.org>

RTD Access-a-Ride:

<https://www.rtd-denver.com/services/accessaride>

*Sunday March 19, 12-5pm*

*Spring Pop-up Shop*

*2890 Ames Street*

*Artisans, crafters and more!*

**PRESCHOOL DATE  
HAS BEEN CHANGED!**

**PRESCHOOL WILL  
NOW MEET SUNDAY,  
MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup> AT  
9:00AM!**

*"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."*

Aesop

*"Grant that I may not pray alone with the mouth; help me that I may pray from the depths of my heart."*

Martin Luther