



Crossings

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS ✠ EPISCOPAL
875 COTTON STREET, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
OCTOBER 5, 2016

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 9:30 and 11:00 AM
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Wednesday 12:15 PM

Nursery

Sunday
9:45 AM – 12:30 PM

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday: 9:45 AM

Sunday School

Sunday: 10:00 AM

The Vestry

Reece Middleton, Senior Warden
Gerry Brooks, Jr. Warden
Steve Snodgrass, Secretary
Greg Criddle
Melissa Fowle
Jo Ann Horton
John Hughes
Meredith Lucius
Kendall Raymond

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Deadline

Material for *Crossings* must be received by **12:00 Wednesday**.

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What Holy Cross Means to Me

Mark, Meredith,
Malayna, and Mason



Holy Cross is my church “home.” This beautiful entity has made a profound impact on me and my family, extended family, and friends. I remember with great fondness the open arms that welcomed me and my mother, Monica Austin-Jones (church secretary for many years) over eighteen years ago.

I have truly loved taking my seat on the very front pew for many years now. That pew has seated us through many of life’s ups and downs, joys and heartaches, always there, waiting for us . . . a constant.

It has been a place to learn, worship, grow, and to give and receive comfort.

I have shared so much life here with my children. Their births, Malayna’s adoption, their Christenings, their years of growing up, the decline and death of my mother, and recently, the death of their father, JD Warren. While this is still very fresh and we are navigating our way through the coming weeks and months, we have each been impacted by the love and support that has blanketed us during this time. And, on September 11, 2016, it was our pleasure to be able to share with all our church family the joyous occasion of Mark and Malayna’s Confirmation.

Stories . . .

Our church family has helped me laugh and love my way through motherhood. I can still hear Mark as a baby squealing out in church, and Father Paul declaring to the congregation, “Let us stop and listen to the sound of the future.” This still makes me smile.

Our Malayna was adopted by our family through the Holy Cross Child Placement Agency. I cannot imagine our lives without our sweet girl. I will be forever grateful to Father and Mrs. Heacock and all of the people in our church for their part in bringing our beautiful brown-eyed girl all the way from Pune,

India to her forever home with all of us in Shreveport.

Our Mason, whether it's his first steps toward Mrs. Earlie in the Education Building, his precious Christening, playing the piano in the Undercroft, or holding our precious dog Angel of God to be blessed by Priest Sally, I am completely overwhelmed by my good fortune to have him grow up following his siblings in a church that takes seriously its charge to show others the love of God.

I am grateful to all that make up our dear church. My gratitude and love for Holy Cross is immeasurable. Thank you Holy Cross Church. Thank you, Charles Alford—you have looked after us well. Thank you, Father Kenneth and Ginger Paul, Father Donald and Mrs. Heacock, Priest Mary Richard and Herschel, and Priest Sally Fox for making our church what it is and what it will become in the future.

FAITH, Family, Support, Laughter, Advice, Knowledge, Growth, Joy, Sorrow, Comfort, and Peace.

What Holy Cross means to me

Meredith Lucius

Four Ideas about Pledging



This is the time when each of us is looking ahead to next year: what we will be doing, how we will order our priorities, where we will put our resources, where our commitments will be. This is the time we do that in the church also, and our Finance Committee will soon begin to work on our budget for 2017. Some of our income is not predictable, but pledge income is, and we depend on knowing what that income will be as we consider Holy Cross's commitments.

Each of us gives to the church as we are able to give. Historically, the church has suggested that planned giving is not only efficient

for both the giver and the receiver, but is also a beneficial spiritual discipline, or practice for the one who gives. The biblical measure, the church's measure, has traditionally been the *tithe*: a commitment of one tenth of one's gross income to be given for the ministry of the church. A second suggestion is *proportionate giving*: deciding on a percentage other than one tenth of the gross income to be given to the church, usually less than 10%, but with the goal of raising it each year until the desired level, or percentage, is reached.

My third suggestion is one that I have not always been disciplined enough to follow: *giving each week or each month right off the top*. It's easy to wait till later, to pay bills first, but sometimes "later" brings a time of reduced funds, and sending the pledged amount can become a hardship or a stress. This is not what the church desires; giving should never be a hardship, only pure pleasure. There is pleasurable satisfaction in giving to the church "right off the top."

Fourth, *giving should be a joy*. God has given us everything: life and the promise of salvation. We give because we are grateful and because giving for the ministry of the church allows us to be a vital part of something much bigger than ourselves. Each one of us is essential to God's plan for the reconciliation of the world. We participate as individuals and as a church to help people in crisis around the world and in our state and country. We do God's work in our community when we reach out to people living with HIV/AIDS, to seniors receiving meals in their homes, to our neighbors who sleep each night and live each day on the streets. In addition, we value and contribute to the quality of life in Northwest Louisiana as we underwrite the Summer Music Festival and *With Heart and Voice* on Red River Radio.

We have much to be joyful about and thankful for. In the coming weeks you will receive your pledge card. Please consider prayerfully the commitment you will make for Holy Cross's ministry in 2017. And please know that your Vestry and your Finance Committee plan very carefully so that every penny that comes to Holy Cross is used carefully and prayerfully in ministry.

The Rev. Mary B. Richard

Wealth stays with us a little moment if at all: only our characters are steadfast, not our gold.
Euripedes

Daily Feast: Meditations on the Word, Year B

Louisville: Westminster, John Knox Press, 2012



The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost Proper 23, October 9, 2016

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7; Psalm 66: 1-12
2 Timothy 2: 8-15; Luke 17: 11-19

(*Psalm 66: 1-12*) The point of the poetry here is not to identify an exact historical event but to call to mind all the times that God has both saved us and called us into account. The world is called to praise God both as savior and as one who sets the people back on a straight path. Praise is not reserved for times when God saves the people from others, but is also given when God saves the people from themselves . . . it tells the truth that we should praise God for all the times in our own lives when we too needed correction of our actions.

Beth Laneel Tanner

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Proper 24, October 16, 2016

Jeremiah 31: 27-34; Psalm 119: 97-104
2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 5; Luke 18: 1-8

(*Jeremiah 31: 27-34*) God sees that forgiving allows for mistakes and offense, but forgetting places their remembrance behind, so that they can no longer be a barrier to relationship. God sees that forgiving informs another about the removal of grudges but forgetting releases harbored anger and hurt. God sees that forgiveness receives apology and accepts blame but forgetting closes wounds and fades scars. God sees that forgiveness soothes disgust and disappointment but forgetting builds determination to deter such distress in the future. God sees that forgiveness is an act of compassion prompting worth and value in another but forgetting is an act of love that reinforces the desire that the relationship not be broken.

So God chose to be amnesiac and mercifully to forgive.

Bruce G. Boak

Calendar for October

Sundays	Informal Eucharist	9:20 AM	Rose Garden or Chapel (depending on weather)
	Choir Rehearsal	9:45 AM	Nave
	Nursery	9:30 AM – noon	Education Building
	Sunday School	10:00 AM	Education Building
	Holy Eucharist II	11:00 AM	Nave
Saturdays	Holy Eucharist I	5:00 PM	Chapel
Wednesdays	Holy Eucharist (Enrichng our Worship)	12:15 PM	Chapel
Saturday, October 8	Camp Hardtner 75 th Anniversary Celebration	12:00 – 4:00 PM	Camp Hardtner
Sunday, October 16	St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals	2:00 PM	Rose Garden
Wednesday, October 19	Vestry meeting	5:30 PM	Undercroft
Saturday, October 22	<i>Rooftop Rescue</i>	7:00 AM till . . .	Hope House
Sunday, October 30	<i>Oktoberfest</i>	after the 11:00 service	Undercroft and patio

Prayer List

Wanda Allen
Lulu Ashcraft
Warren Bankston
Michael Breedlove
Jay Colvin
Evelyn Corley
Janice Crawford
Tricia Davis
Ron Dean
Jean Dooley
Elizabeth Eglin
Shirley Enani
Ed Finuf
Floyd "Buzzy" Farrar

Lady Martha Garner
Ken George
J. M. Hardwick
Christine Hennigan
Thomas Hennigan
Mary Hill
Terry Hutchinson
Kenneth Jordan
Flo Little
George Love
Kenneth Lowe
Sherry Lowe
Chris Lowery
Mim McCoy

Paige McCranie
Melody Mhyre
Doug Meshell
Randy Piedrahita
Melissa Richard
Ila Riggs
Bob Robinson
Linda Robinson
Sandra Robinson
Jenni Scarce
Brady Sessions
Mary Ann Shemwell
Tommy Simrall
Allyn Stroud

Jack Theuerkauf
Jennifer Theuerkauf
Robert Todd
Cliff Townsend
Virginia Walker
Mattie Washington
Molly Wilkinson
Roger Wilkinson
Bill Wright
Larry Wright
Mary Wright

If you would like to request an addition to the Prayer List, please call the church office, 222-3325. Our practice is to keep names on the list for six weeks. If we have an update at that time requesting that we continue to pray for the person, we will leave the name on the list. If not, we will remove it. You can always call if you would like us to add it again.

We pray for those who serve and are served by Holy Cross Villas and Holy Cross Villas West, for the people of South Louisiana recovering from flooding and for others suffering disasters; for the people of our country, that we may find together the way of compassion and peace from our prejudices and racial tensions; for law enforcement officers and the people they serve; for the people of Mexico, South and Central America, the Middle East, and all places where there is war and fear, and for all who contemplate the ways of violence, and for all who seek peace; for migrants in Africa and Europe, for immigrants seeking acceptance and safety; for candidates seeking office this year, and for our President and Congress, that they may work together to pass legislation to lessen the danger of violence and injustice and provide for the needs of the most vulnerable.

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. Paul's, Shreveport, and the Rev. Paul Martin (Christine).

O God, you know our needs. Grant us to wait on your word, to act under your power, and to always come back to you.
Amen.

Say Ministries

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 9, 2016

Sat. 5:00 PM Lector: Larry Wright
Sun. 11:00 AM:
Lectors: Melissa Fowle, Josh Boyte
Prayers of the People: Becky Snodgrass
Acolytes: Joe Bob Evanson, Patrick Raymond
Ushers: Herschel Richard, Tommie Sue Brooks
Altar Guild Sat. 5:00: June Kirkland, Margaret Heacock
Altar Guild Sun. 11:00: Tommie Sue Brooks, Becky Snodgrass

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost October 16, 2016

Sat. 5:00 PM Lector: Stephanie Hamblin
Sun. 11:00 AM:
Lectors: Herschel Richard, Maggie Fowle
Prayers of the People: David Richard
Eucharistic Ministers: Fred Ogunyemi, Reece Middleton
Acolytes: Aaron Horton, Audrey Roberts, Hannah Wallace
Ushers: Lynn Walford, Monty Walford
Altar Guild Sat. 5:00: June Kirkland, Margaret Heacock
Altar Guild Sun. 11:00: Jo Ann Horton, June Kirkland

Service Music

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost: Morning Prayer Proper 23, October 9

Canticles: *Venite*, S 35 *A Song of Praise/Benedictus es, Domine*, S 231 *Benedicite/A Song of Creation*, 428
Anthem: *All praise to God, who reigns above*, Melchior Vulpius, arr. Lenel
Hymns: *Old One Hundredth*, 377 Offertory: *The Church's Desolation*, 566 *Abbot's Leigh*, 379
Organ: *Jubilate Deo*, G. Gabrieli *Aria*, Hancock *Procession*, Arnatt

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Proper 24, October 16 Steve Snodgrass, violin

Mass: Decius, Proulx, and Hurd, 420
Psalm 119:97-104: Robert Knox Kennedy
Anthem: *O Breath of life*, English trad., arr. Allan Bullard
Hymns: *Liebster Jesu*, 631 Song 13, 670 Southwell, 641 St. Anne, 680
Violin and harpsichord: *Sonata I*, G. Kirchhoff
Violin and organ: *Sonata II: Largo and Allegro*, Kirchhoff
Organ: *Prelude, Fugue, and Ciacona in C*, Bux. WV137, Buxtehude



Steve Snodgrass, violinist



PLEASE PICK UP THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE TABLE IN THE
NARTHEX

- SUGGESTIONS FOR HELPING PEOPLE WHO ARE VICTIMS OF THE SOUTH LOUISIANA FLOODS
- AN EXCELLENT LETTER BY JIM WALLACE OF *SOJOURNERS MAGAZINE*: REFLECTIONS FIFTEEN YEARS AFTER THE DESTRUCTION OF THE TWIN TOWERS ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001



FALL FESTIVAL

DON'T FORGET!

Saturday, November 5
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Holy Cross Undercroft

The Holy Cross Fall Festival, sponsored and organized by the ECW, isn't far away! We'll serve vegetable beef soup, crackers, dessert, coffee, and ice water for only \$4.00. Baked goods will be on sale, including homemade breads, cakes, pies, cookies, and candy, along with our famous *HOLY CROSS PICKLES*, jellies, and jams.

Along with these goodies we'll sell vintage items such as picture frames and pictures, jewelry, crystal, china, Christmas decorations, books (including a selection of vintage cookbooks), toys, and gently used coats and dresses.

If you'd like to bake something, if you have a lovely vintage item to donate, or if you'd like to volunteer to serve soup or assist shoppers, please call the church office.



75th Anniversary

CAMP HARDTNER

Camp Hardtner

- a pearl of great price. matt 13:44-46

Sat. October 8th - 12-4 pm
Silent Auction - Raffle for Free Camps



ROOFTOP RESCUE FUNDRAISER

Since October 2004, we've been a place for our homeless friends to take a shower, do laundry, use the phone and receive mail. There's always coffee in the morning, a newspaper to read and special classes or activities. Many lives have been touched through this ministry.

Our Executive Director, Donna Earnest will be locked on the roof of the Hope House until we have raised \$2,016.

Donations can be made on the day of the event at the Hope House or you can mail a donation prior to the event to ensure the funds are included in the fundraiser. Please make your checks payable to Holy Cross with Rooftop Rescue noted in the memo.

FUNDRAISER 2016

Help us raise funds to bring Donna off the rooftop

Date: Saturday
October 22, 2016

Time: 7am until
the goal of \$2,016
is raised

All funds raised
will go towards
operating costs of
the Hope House

HOLY CROSS HOPE HOUSE

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Shreveport, LA 71101

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Mission Statement: *The Church of the Holy Cross, Shreveport, Louisiana, strives to be the presence of Jesus Christ in our community and beyond, through worship of Almighty God, open inquiry, sharing fellowship, valued diversity, genuine inclusiveness, and servant leadership—encouraging all to exercise God's gifts and calling as we share the Gospel of Hope in programs, to serve without regard for religious affiliation, race, or economic status.*

Hope House: There is an ongoing need for coffee, sugar, creamer, laundry detergent, disposable razors, and personal size hygiene products (soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc.). Donations can be taken to 762 Austen Place or to the church office. Thank you for your continued support.

Forward Day by Day for **November/December** in both standard and large-print editions, is available in the Narthex and the Undercroft.



The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Ph.D.
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