

Vestry Member of the Week- Kaitlin O'Leary

Kaitlin O'Leary is originally from Indiana. She was raised in the Episcopal Church and has attended Holy Cross since she moved to the area in fall 2022 to pursue a Master's degree at George Mason in Software Engineering. At Holy Cross, she is involved in EpiscoPALs, the choir, and the music committee. She has found that Holy Cross has such a welcoming and supportive community. She is excited to serve as the vestry liaison for all parish life committees and ministries. In her free time, she loves to hike with her dog and spend time with family and friends.



A Daily Prayer for Kelly at Noon



Lord, thank you for our Rector, Kelly. Please immerse her in your healing presence as she goes through treatment. Allow her doctors to provide the best care during her treatment and remove all traces of cancer from her body.

We ask that you surround all those who are sick or hurting, especially all those who have been impacted by cancer.

We also ask for prayers for Kelly's husband, Alex, her family and friends.

We trust in Your mercy and healing power that Kelly will fully recover and that she will return to health with renewed zeal to the daily life that we share at Holy Cross.

Let us remember and have faith that God's power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine (Ephesians 3:20)

**Church Office Hours Tuesday-Thursday 10am-2pm or email Garine Adams at garine.adams@holycrossepiscopal.org
Clergy available by appointment**

Donate School Supplies for Middle School Students

Students who have the necessary supplies to begin their school year get started off on the right foot, but not all families can afford to purchase these materials for their children. Holy Cross is supporting middle school students in need of school supplies, and here's how you can help! Please consider purchasing and donating items from the following list. Starting the first week of July, you can drop off your donations at the church in the box labeled School Supplies. The deadline to donate is August 4th. Items with an * are highly requested. Staples, Target, Walmart, and Amazon are great places to purchase school supplies. Contact Betsy Sweet at betsy.r.sweet@gmail.com with questions. Thank you for supporting students in need!

School Supply List

pairs of wired headphones

2" 3-ring binders *

3" 3-ring binders *

spirals (1-subject notebooks)

packs of 5-tab binder dividers

packs of 3 x 5 index cards

boxes of pencils *

highlighters (assorted colors)

packs of colored pencils

packs of Post-It notes

packs of graph paper

packs of Fine Tip Expo/Dry Erase Markers (4 pack/box)

backpacks* (large enough to hold a laptop)

1 1/2" 3-ring binders *

packs of loose-leaf paper *

composition notebooks

pencil pouches

folders

packs of pens

boxes of tissues

glue sticks (preferably Elmers)

Have you ever thought about being a Chalice Bearer?

Chalice Bearers assist the priest in serving the wine and grape juice during Communion. They stand near the priest and offer the cup to all who wish to receive it. If you are interested, please email Sonya Marsden at srwarden@holycrossepiscopal.org

We're in this together! Weekly Updates

- Kelly has had a second procedure which ensured all of her cancer was removed and is recovering well. Her prognosis is excellent and her treatment is expected to continue on schedule.
- Kelly is loving the meals. Thank you to everyone who has contributed meals or cards.. If you wish to make a meal or donate for a doordash card please sign up on the meal train.
- We are planning an active fall schedule. Please add the church's Google calendar from our website so you don't miss a thing.
 - **Sept 8th will be Holy Cross Day and our annual Picnic.** Any grillmasters should reach out to Clare Beam at clarewbeam@gmail.com
- Welcome, Rev. Hardin! If you need pastoral care, please email Rev. Hardin at crystal.hardin@holycrossepiscopal.org

Kelly will return.

Remember in your prayers this week—

For those in need of healing and support: We lift up Claire Sloyan, sister of Eileen Sloyan; Joanie Leist, friends of Emily Hoskins; Keith Harpster, uncle of Rebecca Stahl; Lydia Schaeffer; the Sanchez family, friends of Lee Bruner; Rocio Rojas, friend of Wendy Hoskins; Janie Cooksey, aunt of Kate Golden Hayes; Tom Dzeidek; Sophie Zager, Bill Repsher's wife; Denise Gehley Carlson, Doug Gehley's sister; Kathy Duval, Kelly Moughty's aunt; Elsa Marsden; Meagan Moughty, Kelly's sister; and Rev. Kelly Moughty.

For those serving at home and abroad: Jacob Levit, nephew of John & Wendy Hoskins, and Andy & Megan Hoskins; Charles Matthews, friend of Eileen Foyle; Evan Brown, nephew of Lane Abernathy and Doug Gehley; Zachary March, friend of John and Wendy Hoskins; Evan Ferree, friend of John and Wendy Hoskins; Gavin Cody-Harpster, Nephew of Becky Stahl; Leonard Weschler.

For those who have died especially Elke Kroenert, friend of Sonya Marsden;. Give to the departed eternal rest.



Announcements

July 14, 2024

Welcome Rev. Crystal Hardin

We are so fortunate to have Rev. Hardin step in while Kelly is on leave. The Reverend Crystal Hardin received her M.Div from Virginia Theological Seminary and her J.D. from the University of Alabama School of Law. She currently serves as Chair of the Committee on Liturgy & Music for the Diocese, in addition to serving other Diocesan committees. She is co-editor of the book *Prophetic Preaching: The Hope or the Curse of the Church* (2020), author of "Addressing Polarization and Apathy through Sacramental Preaching" in *Mysterion Seeking Understanding* (2022), and a contributor to additional digital publications. She lives in Arlington with her husband (Bradford), children (Lev, 14, he/him/they & Eliot, 11, she/her), and a house full of pets. She is passionate about preaching, writing, running, literature, and lunch.



Mid-year Giving Statements

Giving statements for pledgers will be going out via email next week. Please review your statement carefully for accuracy especially if you've ever sent a check in the mail to the church this year. Please contact Lori at lori.poli@holycrossepiscopal.org if you have any questions or concerns.

By the way - you can check your giving history any time by logging in to Realm, the church giving software. Simply use the link below to log in or set up your account. onrealm.org/ChurchoftheHolyCross