

Lift High Holy Cross

Carrying Our Legacy into the Future

Ways to Make a Gift

*Contribute to the Holy Cross Parish 60th Anniversary Campaign
Donate Today!*

Cash Gifts: Giving cash (check or electronic transfer) is a common method of making a donation. Your gift may be tax deductible and may be paid over three years. Checks can be directed to Holy Cross. For electronic giving options of bank account debits and credit/debit cards, Holy Cross has partnered with Faith Direct Inc. since 2006 and they will support the 60th Anniversary Campaign. You may make a one-time donation and elect to not enroll in Faith Direct or enroll to schedule payments annually, semi-annually, quarterly, or monthly through Faith Direct. Sign up via the link on our parish website: www.hcrosschurch.org

In Honor of Loved Ones: Your gifts in tribute to living loved ones or gifts in memory of deceased loved ones can offer a meaningful way to honor family members or friends, or to recognize a special celebration or anniversary.

Gifts of Securities: If you would like to make a gift by transferring stocks, mutual funds or bonds, please contact the rectory. Gifting appreciated securities can provide tax savings.

Matching Gifts: Please inquire as to your company's ability and willingness to encourage and match your personal philanthropy. This could dramatically increase the size of your gift.

Please contact Finance Council Chair John Szczur at (301)704-4319 with any questions about the process of making a gift to Holy Cross. Your tax advisor can provide guidance on the tax deductibility of your generous donation.

IRA Charitable Distributions: If you are age 70 ½ or older, you can transfer up to \$100,000 each year directly from your traditional IRA account to Holy Cross. This tax savvy strategy may satisfy a portion or all of your annual required minimum distribution (RMD) and serve as a qualified charitable distribution for your IRA, which may save on taxes even if you do not itemize.

Donor Advised Fund: Donations from your Donor Advised Fund are gladly accepted.

Charitable Lead Trusts: Holy Cross receives interest income for a period of time from an amount you retain at the end of the trust term. When people think about providing an inheritance to children and making a significant charitable gift through their estates, a vehicle known as the "charitable lead trust" is an excellent method to accomplish both objectives.

Giving Circles

\$100,000 and above	Pillars of Faith
\$50,000-99,999	Disciples of Christ
\$25,000-49,999	Missionaries of Mary
\$10,000-24,999	Apprentices of Joseph
\$5,000-9,999	Stewards of Mercy
\$1,000-4,999	Restorers of Hope

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Bequests: Charitable bequests are fully deductible from your estate and can reduce estate taxes on the balance of your estate. Your bequests may be specified as a gift of cash or securities, real estate, or other property. Alternatively, it may take the form of a percentage of your total estate. You may also consider a residuary bequest, which is a gift of all or a portion of your estate after other conditions are met. Real property can also be given as an outright gift or by bequest.

Charitable Remainder Annuity Trusts and Unitrusts: Enable you to make a significant gift to Holy Cross during your lifetime and continue to receive income for yourself and/or other beneficiaries. After the life interests have passed, the remaining principal will pass to the Parish. In addition to income tax deductions in the year the trust is instituted (with five-year carry-over privileges), donors may avoid capital gains and significantly reduce estate and gift taxes.

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Charitable Gift Annuities: Establishing a charitable gift annuity (CGA) is a wonderful way for you to secure steady payments for yourself while providing benefits for Holy Cross. You are allowed a tax deduction for a portion of the amount transferred and for a period of years only part of the payments will be taxed as income. The size of payments is based on the age(s) of the recipient(s) at the time of the gift.

Life Insurance: Gifts of life insurance could include Absolute Assignment (transferring ownership of a policy that has out-lived its original purpose) and Co-Beneficiary (naming Holy Cross as co-beneficiary of part of the proceeds of a new or existing policy).

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