

Join us for a special presentation after 10 AM Mass Sunday in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day



HOLY CROSS
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Youth and Adults

Plan to attend this Sunday's special
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day presentation
(January 15, after 10 AM Mass)
on the topic:

"Transformative Faith"

Speaker: Cora Cole-McFadden

Mayor Pro Tempore
City of Durham



About the speaker:

Cora Cole-McFadden represents Ward 1 on Durham's City Council and is a

Durham Youth Commission advisor. As mayor pro tempora, she sits in for the mayor when he is not available for a council meeting.

Ms. Cole-McFadden has been appointed to several roles as a member of the Durham City Council, including chair of Council Procedures Committee and vice chair of its Legislative Committee. She also serves on the Durham Convention and Visitors Bureau, Housing Appeals Board and Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities, as well as several City Council subcommittees.

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She has retired from several roles with the Durham City Government, including Equal Opportunity/Equal Assurance Director and Community Service Supervisor. Other roles in her professional career include housing counselor, social worker and foster care supervisor for Durham County Social Services.

Ms. Cole-McFadden is active in numerous community programs and organizations, including first vice-chair of the Durham Branch of the NAACP, a member of the Homeless Services Advisory Committee, president of the Ebonettes Service Club, member of the Human Development Committee-National League of Cities and the People's Alliance. She is a member of the West Durham Baptist Church, Sunday School Superintendent and Celestial Choir member.

Education:

Ms. Cole-McFadden has two degrees from North Carolina Central University: a bachelor's degree in business education and a master's in counseling/sociology, and has completed post-graduate studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. [Read more](#) about Ms. Cole-McFadden.

This event is hosted jointly by the Holy Cross Altar's Society and Men's Society.

Share this message

Please share this information with parishioners you know who typically do not follow electronic communications. Thanks to all those who helped get the word out about the Mass cancellations during last weekend's inclement weather.

Also Coming Up

Saturday, January 14 | 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM - Safe Environment Training. This annual training/refresher is required by the Diocese of Raleigh for all clergy, catechists or others who work with youth in the diocese. Please call Toni Hall at the parish office to register, so that documentation of participation can be prepared. (Phone: 919-957-2900)

Monday, January 16 | Diocesan Observance of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Mass at 0 AM followed by refreshments provided by the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary. Holy Cross parishioners who want to donate unopened packages of diapers for the service project are asked to bring them to church when coming to the Saturday Vigil or Sunday morning Mass. Leave them near the Catholic Charities food bins in the multipurpose room. Deacon Phil and Anna Rzewnicki will bring them to the diocesan observance Monday morning. [Read more](#) about the diocesan observance other other events in the diocese.

Saturday, January 21 | Looking for a new ministry this year? Consider joining the Holy Cross Quilting Group. Their next quilting session will be Saturday, Jan. 21, 9 AM - 12 Noon in the multipurpose room. For details, contact Cherry Siewert or Lori Crump.

Monday January 23 | 6:30 PM. Franciscan Reading Groups launch. Please purchase (via Amazon.com or area bookstores) your copy of the book that we will be reading and discussing: "Simplicity, the Art of Letting Go," by Fr. Richard Rohr. [Read details](#)

Friday/Saturday Overnight, March 24-25 | Lent with St. Francis. Save the Date/Register for this Holy Cross overnight retreat for adults, at the Avila Retreat Center in Durham. [Read more](#).

Volunteer Opportunity | Students and adults interested in developing or strengthening communications skills are welcome to join the parish's Communications Committee. This is a great way for students to fulfill community service hours and begin to build professional skills. If interested, contact Ava Thompson (Saturday Vigil Mass) or Anna Rzewnicki (typically Sunday morning Mass), or send an email to communications@holycrossdurham.org

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