



A Statement from Timothy Cardinal Dolan and the Bishops of New York State

Governor Cuomo and Legislature: Don't let us down!

One year ago, with the promise of Education Tax Credits on the horizon, thousands of tuition-paying families were left out in the cold – excluded from a state budget that provides the nation's highest level of spending per pupil in public schools. Governor Cuomo knows how genuinely disappointed we were.

This year, the Governor has included Education Tax Credits in his proposed state budget. And so we have renewed hope. But in politics, it is not enough to propose; the measure still must survive the negotiation process with the Legislature in order to be enacted, and we are strongly urging the Governor to be unwavering in demanding the tax credit be included in the final budget.

We have reason to be hopeful. In addition to the Governor's important actions, we have seen continually increasing support for Education Tax Credits since last year. The state Senate has again passed the measure with strong bipartisan support, and strong bipartisan support exists in the state Assembly. Nearly 150 community, business, education, faith, and labor organizations support the measure, having seen the benefit such tax credits bring to improving educational opportunity in other states.

While tax law can be complicated, the bottom line is quite simple. The Education Tax Credit will help all children by encouraging increased charitable donations to generate more private scholarships for tuition-paying families *and* additional resources to our public schools. It's a win-win for all families, regardless of where their children attend school.

Despite the strong support of families and parishes firmly committed to the value of Catholic education, more than 200 Catholic schools have closed in the last 15 years throughout New York State, simply due to increasing costs. This has been devastating, both to the children who missed an opportunity for a quality education, and for taxpayers.

Governor Cuomo is right to have called the Education Tax Credit a "matter of justice." And with matters of justice, there can be no delay. Please join us in praying that our leaders include it in the enacted state budget this month.



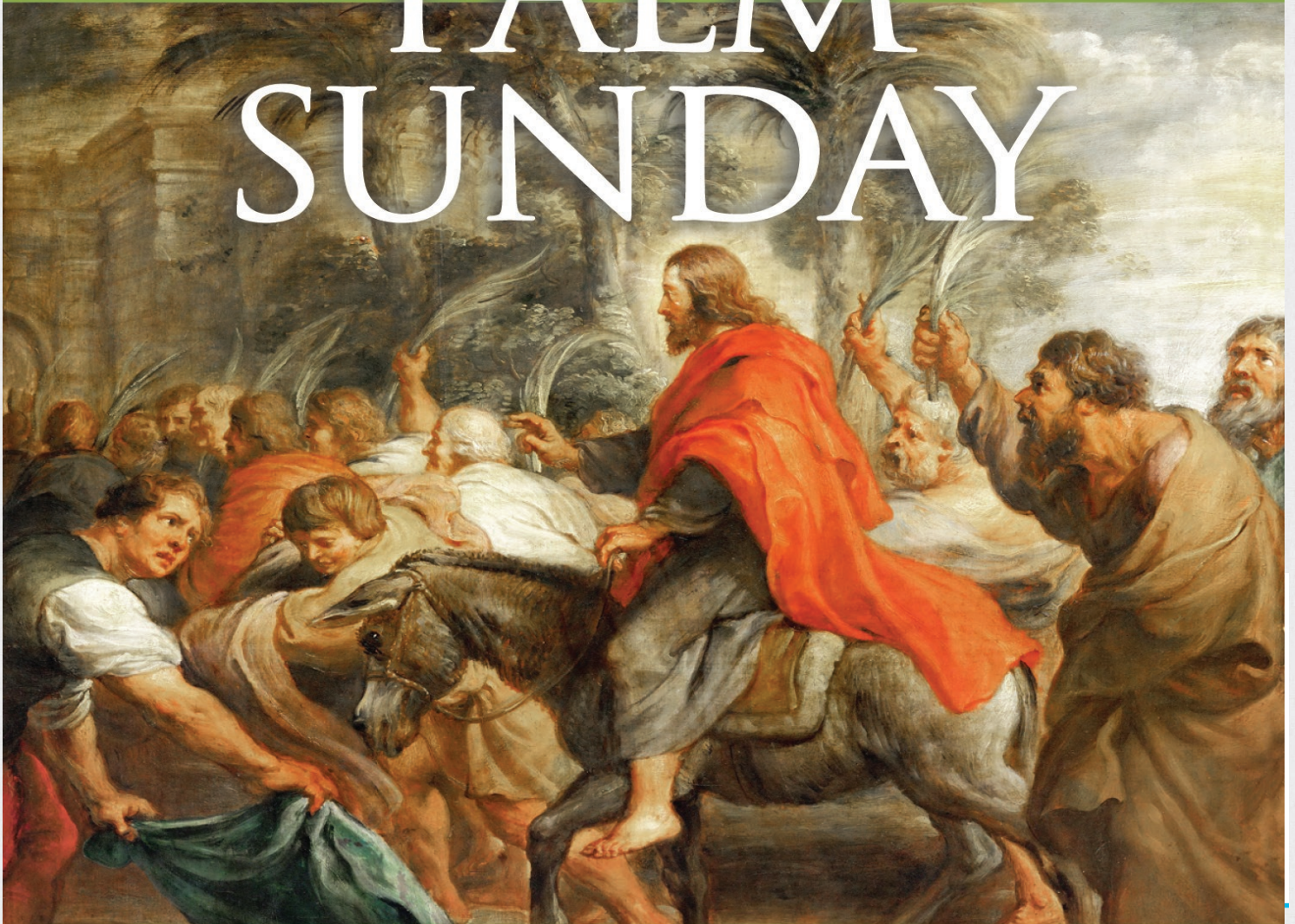
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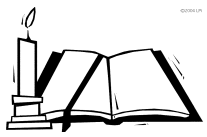


PALM SUNDAY



So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.

– Mk 11:7-8



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 29th – Palm Sunday

7:30 AM Kathleen Corbett/ Linda & Tom Wilson
 9:00 AM Etta & John Simeone/ Ellen Rose Galgano
 11:30 AM Kathleen Delavan/ Elaine Sexton

Monday, March 30th

7:45AM People of Holy Cross
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 4:00 to 7:00PM **The Light Is On For You**

Tuesday, March 31st

7:45 AM Charles Falter/ Friends
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, April 1st

7:45 AM Kristen Blake/ Gary & Joan Habenger
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00 PM Tenebrae

Thursday, April 2nd - Holy Thursday

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper/ Adoration will follow until 10:00pm

Friday, April 3rd - Good Friday (No Mass)

2:00 PM Passion of the Lord
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 4th - Holy Saturday

8:00 PM **Easter Vigil**: People of Holy Cross

Sunday, April 5th - Easter Sunday

7:00 AM Fr. Michael Sahain/ wife
 8:30 AM Lena Alexander/ Jan Blasland
 10:00 AM George Myatt/ Boule Family
 11:30AM Rosalid Pristash/ Jerome & Ellen Pristash

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN MASS TIMES

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Your goodness is exceptional.

Collection of March 22: \$21,146.35

Credit card and electronic donations are now possible through the Holy Cross website: www.holycrossdewitt.org/give

Also, don't forget to use our QR Code with your smartphones!

Planned Giving For Our Parish

Please consider our parish through:

- Your Will or Trust
- Retirement Assets
- Life Insurance Policies
- A Life Income Gift which will provide you with payments for life and ultimately will benefit our parish.



**Good Friday's collection is for:
The Holy Land**

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: **Music from the Motion Picture *The Robe***

-Alfred Newman; arr. by Ernest Camerota

Pro. Hymn: XXX - HOSANNA! (from *Jesus Christ*

***Superstar*)** -Andrew Lloyd Webber

Sung Mass Parts:

Mass of Renewal -Curtis Stephan

870, 874, 875, 878, 879 (Hymnal)

[OMIT "GLORIA" DURING LENT]

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 95 ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 99 (My God, my God, why...)

Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 100 (Christ became obedient...)

Off. Hymn: 153 - O SACRED HEAD, SURROUNDED

PASSION CHORALE

COMMUNION MEDITATION: (9:00 & 11:30)

O Divine Redeemer

-Charles Gounod

(Ryan Boyle - baritone solo)

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

Requiem Aeternam (from *Requiem*)

-Gabriel Faure

[OMIT "RECESSIONAL HYMN" DURING LENT]

Postlude: **Jerusalem, My Destiny**

-Rory Cooney

(Andrew Wiley & Kevin Witmer - trumpets)

CANTORS: 4:00 - Roger Schafer

9:00 - Mia Quatrone

11:30 - ADULT CHOIR - Mia Quatrone

The liturgy of Palm Sunday needs very little comment. It is the beginning of Holy Week and as such, is the start of the observances of the most solemn period in the life of the Lord, Jesus Christ. Beginning with the raucous "Hosannas" of the people as Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey, hailed as the King and Lord, the Liturgy immediately takes a "nosedive" into the sadness and solemnity of the Passion of the Lord. It is indeed high drama in which we participate!

The Brass Quintet will return for the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday, 11:30 Mass. We shall all be uplifted by the beautiful music if the Quintet. I am anxious to have them return.

REMEMBER TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDARS THE SERVICE OF TENEBRAE WHICH IS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 AT 7:00. IT IS A MOVING AND DRAMATIC SERVICE WHICH DRAWS US INTO THE HOLY WEEK EVENTS WITH READINGS AND MUSIC. A UNIQUE AND SURPRISING CLIMAX BRINGS US TO THE EMOTIONAL IMPACT OF THE CRUCIFIXION.

Ernest Camerota

Easter Offerings

During the Easter season, it is encouraging to see both new & familiar faces at our worship services. Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent & financial contributions but greater participation is always welcome. We encourage you to look into our electronic giving program. It takes just a few minutes to setup a recurring giving plan. Visit the church website & locate the donation link or complete a paper authorization form.



“Oremus”

The study program on prayer, “Oremus”, will be meeting on Mondays starting at 7pm in rooms 12 & 13 downstairs.



Join us this Monday, March 30 -
 4:00 to 7:00pm
 “The Light is On For You” (confessions)
 At Holy Cross Church

**TENEBRAE
 SERVICE**



Join us April 1
7:00 pm Holy Cross Church

Note from Fr. Francis Pompei

Thank you to Fr. Yeazel and all those who came to the Mission for sharing your faith and for your generous donations to help our ministries to continue in Buffalo.

By the time you read this, I will be half-way to Mars..... pray for me.

Father Pompei



Holy Cross School
 invites you to enjoy a
SUNSET AT THE BEACH
 at the 18th Annual
DINNER & AUCTION
 Saturday, April 18, 2015
 Holy Cross Church (Yeazel Hall)

5:30pm Silent Auction & Cash Bar
 6:30pm Dinner by Carnegie Catering
 Live Auction & Raffles

Auction Co-Chairs
 Katie Kilmerlin &
 Denise McCarthy

THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, March 29th
 9:00 AM Child Care - room 5
 9:00 AM Sunday School - rms. 2,3,4 & 6
 10:00 AM Pastoral Council Workshop - rm. 11
 10:15 AM Adult Ministry - Room 12

Monday, March 30th
 4:00 - 7:00 PM “The Light Is On For You”- confessions -church
 5:30 PM Young Adult Bible Study - room 4 & 5
 7:00 PM “Oremus” Prayer Group - rm. 12 & 13

Tuesday, March 31st
 6:50 AM High School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall
 10:00 AM Exploring God’s Word - room 12 & 13
 1:00 PM Monthly Movie - Yeazel Hall
 7:00 PM Lenten Study- rm 11
 7:00 PM Love Thy Neighbor—rm 10

Wednesday, April 1st
 6:45 AM Middle School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall
 10:00 AM Small Christian Community - member’s home
 10:30 AM Mom’s Group - room 5
 7:00 PM Service of Tenebrae - church
 7:00 PM Small Christian Community - room 11

Thursday, April 2nd - Holy Thursday
 6:45 AM HC Men’s Group - choir loft
 8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall
 1:00 PM Knitting Group - Yeazel Hall
 7:00 PM The Mass of the Lord’s Supper /Adoration until 10pm

Friday, April 3rd—Good Friday
 2:00 PM Good Friday Service - Church
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, April 4th - Holy Saturday
 12:00 PM Blessing of the Food
 1:00PM RCIA rehearsal - church
 8:00 PM Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5th - Easter Sunday (note change in times)
Mass times: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

**The Parish Office will close at noon on
 Good Friday, April 3rd and
 for the full day on Easter Monday, April 6th.**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will not take
 place when the office is closed.**

HC Men’s Group

A small group of hearty men who gather to read a slice of God’s Word and to encourage one another as husbands, fathers & professionals. We meet in Ernie’s Choir Loft directly above the main entrance to the church at 6:45am. Dates: Apr. 2, 16, 30; May 7, 21

Monthly Movie

This month’s movie will be “The Passion of the Christ”. This is a powerful depiction of the last 12 hours in the life of Jesus. Mel Gibson is the director of this 2004 movie. **Come on Tuesday, March 31st at 1PM.**

Holy Week Schedule

“The Light is On” (Sacrament of Reconciliation):

Monday, March 30 from 4pm—7pm at Holy Cross

In every church in the Diocese of Syracuse, confessions will be heard this Monday of Holy Week from 4-7pm. If you know someone who has been away from confession, please let them know of this opportunity.

CHRISM MASS – March 31st

Tuesday of Holy Week is the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 7pm. It is a Mass celebrated by Bishop Cunningham during which the sacred oils are blessed and distributed to all the parishes. Oil of the Infirm--to anoint the sick; Oil of Catechumens--to anoint all who are about to be baptized; Oil of Chrism--used to seal Baptism, Priesthood, and Confirmation.

Also, the priests of the diocese renew their commitment to serve you—your presence would be a gift to us. God bless always.

TENEBRAE SERVICE – April 1st

Wednesday at 7pm—Tenebrae is an ancient musical meditative service that began in the monasteries in the Middle Ages. In this service you will hear readings from Sacred Scripture that will take us through Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. In between these readings, the Holy Cross Choir will provide beautiful meditative music that will allow us to go deeper into the mystery of Holy Week. Please join us for this beautiful event.



HOLY THURSDAY – April 2nd

7:00pm - The Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration following until 10pm

GOOD FRIDAY – April 3rd

2:00pm – Passion of the Lord

7:00pm – Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY – April 4th

12:00 Noon - “Blessing of Easter Food”

8:00pm – Easter Vigil with reception for new Catholics

EASTER SUNDAY MASS CELEBRATIONS,

April 5th

7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIMES

***LENTEN REGULATIONS** - Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of fast & abstinence. Catholics 14 years of age & older are bound to abstain from meat on the Fridays during lent. Catholics age 18 to 59 are bound to the law of fasting. (“The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening, observing-as far as quantity & quality are concerned-approved local custom.”

Apostolic Constitution Poenitemini, 1966

From Our Pastor

March 29, 2015

Dear Friends,

This weekend begins the most solemn week of the liturgical year.

It is a week filled with blessings if only we enter into it with all of our heart.

Palm Sunday is Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Holy Thursday is the night we celebrate the Last Supper and our lasting Supper with the Lord. Good Friday is the time we reflect on just how much the Lord loves us ~ “What more can I do for you, tell Me?”

Easter Sunday is the greatest of Feasts - Jesus has risen & now so can we.

Please be with us this week as we both seek and will receive blessings in abundance from our God.

Msgr. Yeazel

Programs for Lent Programs

“Exploring God’s Word” - “The Bible Timeline”

by Jeff Cavins (DVD format)- meets weekly on

Tuesday @10:00am in rms. 12 & 13

Seniors’ Group –Working on “The Lamb’s Supper”,

meets on Sundays @ 10:15 in room 12 & 13;

contact Deacon Dutter - ddutter@twcny.rr.com

Love Thy Neighbor

Tuesdays, 7-8pm on 3/31 ~ This Bible Study

will an in-depth look at the Parable of the Good Samaritan. Led by Nathan Gunn

Faith in Action at Holy Cross - see column on pg. 5



Week of March 29th

Wine & Hosts

For the intentions of: Angelina Silvestri

Requested By: Family



Kathy Antonini, Jean Bailey, Anna Barnaba, Robert Barnello, Dr. Ann Bishop, Jane Blizzard, Deborah Boland, Marianne Boland, Matthew Bush, Dan Calkins, Mary Cargin, Beth Clapper, Cosimo Camardella, Bill Cuhane, Ryan Cummings, Steve Durant, Jim DaRin, Anthony DeAngelis, Alyssa Dodge, Helen Eck, Bill Fitzpatrick, Frank Fudesco, Justin Fuller, Katie Glisson, Tresa A. Graziano, Mary Griffin, James Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Stanley Jackimek, Titus Johnson, William H. Kearney Jr., Beth Keohane, Gerry Killian, Paul R. Kolodziejczyk, Stephen LaRose, Mary Lambert, Doug Mace, Patricia MacKillop, Angie Marziale, Mary Mastroianni, Mary Maiurino, Jerime McHerron, Mike McCarthy, Eleanor Moloney, Helen Muller, Jim Newton, Meg Paige, Sr., Nancy Patane, Dianna Patrea, Fred Josiah Poe, Kimberly Poe, Mark Queor, Sr. Marion Reid, Mary Beth Renaud, Bob Rose, Rosalie Scipione, Barbara Santaro, Joan Schroder, Thomas Sommers, J.D. Tessier, Marisa Vacco, Frank Wagner, George Wilcox, Heather Wilhelm

Faith in Action

**For more information or to volunteer, contact Beth Schafer:
315-416-4576 or beth@holycrossdewitt.org**

Catholic Social Teaching- *The Common Good*

As God’s family, we are all called to look out for one another. It’s not just about “me,” but about “us.” How can we be sure that the decisions we make in our own community and in the world help build up and protect God’s entire family?

For Reflection: Am I aware of the problems facing my local community and am I involved in efforts to find solutions? Do I stay involved and make my voice heard when needed?

Neighbors Helping Neighbors: join the crowd!

NHN is a ministry that cares for people through small acts of kindness to our neighbors. This group will provide a few meals, help with a chore, provide a ride or offer a brief respite to a caregiver. Please contact Beth (contact info above) if you would like to be added to the email list when help is requested, or if you know of a particular need with which NHN can help.

L’Arche Potluck Dinner Rescheduled: April 7, 5:30pm

This month’s parish visit with the L’Arche community was cancelled due to weather. If you are able to join us at the dinner on the first Tuesday in April at the Reformed Church on Teall Ave, please contact Beth (info above) for more details.

**Clear Path for Veterans: April Day of Service:
Saturday, April 25th**

Save the date for our April Parish Day of Service! We will serve a noon meal at Clear Path for Vets on Salt Springs Road. The main building at Clear Path is a former country club with expansive views of the surrounding countryside. It is a magnificent place of beauty and of healing. On Saturdays, veterans & their families are invited to participate in a variety of healing events - and a hot lunch is served. Parish volunteers will have an opportunity to tour the facility and to prepare the luncheon on Saturday morning in April.

Do you have a family member in military service?

Faith in Action is collecting the names of the service men & women in our parish. If you or a family member is a veteran or an active duty soldier, please call or email Beth (contact info above) with their names. We will add them to a list that will be published in the bulletin. This is a way to recognize and pray for the people in our parish who are involved in the work of preserving the freedoms we enjoy in our country.

Spring Cleaning?

Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement is currently looking for gently used household furnishings such as twin or full beds, dressers, kitchen tables & chairs, bedding & towels. Catholic Charities truck will pick them up if you call 474-7428, ext 19.

Food Donation

Since the first Sunday of the month is Easter Sunday we will not have a regular food collection. Instead please offer a prayer for those we serve. Food donation will resume on May 2/3

Lighthouse Catholic Ministries Kiosk

Be sure to check it out in the Gathering Area. There are a variety of resources available to help you grow and share your faith. (suggested donations are listed on the Kiosk)

The following CDs are new for Lent:

- **“Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross”**, by Msgr. James P. Shea
- **“Meditations on the Stations of the Cross”**, by Ronald Thomas
- **“My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent”**, by Fr. Robert Barron
- **“Seven last Sayings of Christ”**, by Dr. Scott Hahn
- **“The Passion of Christ in Light of the Holy Shroud of Turin”** by Fr. Francis Peffley
- **“The True Meaning of Easter”**, by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Meals for New Moms

We have a new ministry here at Holy Cross that makes meals for new moms.

We provide new moms at Holy Cross with a meal one-a-week for six weeks after they give birth. If you would like to help us by volunteering to make a meal, please contact Emilie at emilieamartin@gmail.com. This is a great way to care for new moms in the parish. Also, if you are going to be a new mom, please email Taylor so we can provide meals for you!

PCA Town Hall Meeting

A PCA Town Hall meeting will take place at Bishop Grimes High School on Sunday, April 12th 1pm. A short presentation will be given by Sister Laura Bufano who is an Associate Director for the Diocese’s Pastoral Planning staff. Sr. Laura will give a brief overview of the PCA concept and activities.

Please come and meet representatives from the various churches within our PCA. Light refreshments will be served.

More Announcements

- ◆ **Lobby For Life** on April 29 - NYS Right to Life’s Advocacy Day Focused on the Life Issue. To sign up for bus sponsored by Syr. Right to Life, call Chris Fitch 457-5362 or email cmfitch@juno.com with full name, home address, email & phone #. Departs 6:30am from Holy Cross Church with return by dinner hour. \$20 requested donation per person. Call for more info.
- ◆ Bishop Cunningham & the Catholic Sun are leading a **pilgrimage to Ireland!** Come meet the trip organizers & learn more at an information session April 15, 5:30pm at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub Restaurant, 301 W. Fayette St., Syr, RSVP to Ireland@thecatholicsun.com. All are welcome.
- ◆ Fr. Amedeo Guida’s Healing Mass will be on March 30, 7pm at St. Mary’s in Minoa

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF April 4th & 5th

<u>MASS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Easter Schedule	H1 Easter Schedule	CH1	Sign up-Easter Schedule	Easter Schedule
		H2	CH2		
		H3	CH3		
		H4	CH4		
		H5			
Sunday, 7:30 AM			CH1	Sign up	
		H2	CH2		
		H3	CH3		
		H4	CH4		
		H5			
Sunday, 9:00 AM		H1	CH1	Sign up	
		H2	CH2		
		H3	CH3		
		H4	CH4		
		H5			
Sunday, 11:30AM		H1	CH1	Sign up	
		H2	CH2		
		H3	CH3		
		H4	CH4		
		H5			1

SACRAMENTS

Baptism ~ Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements
Classes required for 1st Baptism

Marriage ~ Please make an appointment with a priest at least 6 months prior to wedding

Penance ~ Saturday, 3:15PM

†To request either the **Anointing of the Sick** or **Communion to the Sick** please call the Parish Office.†

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Website: hcp parish.com ■ E-Mail: info@holycrossdewitt.org

PARISH INFORMATION

- **Please notify the Parish Office** when a parishioner or family member is confined to home, hospitalized, or entering a nursing home, please be sure to notify our parish office. Hospitals no longer notify us of a patient’s admittance.
- Bulletin items need to be in the parish office no later than Monday at 9am for the upcoming weekend. (Thursday if a holiday). E-mail preferred; please send to: peg@holycrossdewitt.org
- Hearing impaired ear phones are available in the Robing Room in the front lobby.
- Recovery ~ Contact Dave.....638-2303
- Pregnant and Need Help? Please call Catholic Charities 424-1800

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

4200 E. Genesee St., DeWitt, NY 13214
School Office – Phone: 315 446-4890, FAX: 315 446-4799
Website: hcschooldewitt.org
E-Mail: moleary@syrdiocese.org

Staff ~ Name and Title

Martha O’Leary, School Principal
Joanne Markert - Administrative Assistant, Nina Walters - Nurse

Holy Cross Parish Staff ~ Name, Title and Phone Extension

- Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel, Pastor, ext. 15
- Rev. Charles S. Vavonese, In Residence/Parochial Vicar
- Rev. Msgr. George F. Sheehan, In Residence
- Rev. Louis P. Sogliuzzo, SJ, Weekend Homilist
- Deacon Dare Dutter
- Sister Rose Bill, MFIC, Pastoral Associate, ext. 13
- Seminarian Ken Kirkman
- Seminarian Matt Lyons
- Katharine Fitzgibbons, Director Religious Ed. Pre-K – 6, ext. 12
- Tammy Gunn, Director Religious Ed. 7 – 12, ext. 19
- Taylor Arras, Director of Evangelization, ext. 18
- Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38
- Leigh C. Marquis, Director of Finance & Human Resources, ext. 24
- Cathy Young, Coordinator of Maintenance
- Sheila R. Guinto, Office Manager, ext. 10
- Eileen Chappell, Youth Minister, ext. 20
- Nathan Gunn, Mentor for Scripture/Leadership, ext. 19
- Maureen McManus, Sacristan
- Peg Olson, Administrative Assistant, ext. 22
- Beth Schafer, Director of Faith in Action Ministry, ext. 34
- Brennan Schwab, Youth Minister
- Dan Littlepage, Director of Technology, ext. 36
- Danielle Hendricks, Director of Young Adult Ministry, ext. 18
- Denise Yakawiak, Housekeeper
- Matt Stano, Maintenance