



With joy at our Easter Vigil, Holy Cross Parish family welcomed nine new people into full communion into our church. Let us keep Patricia Kirshner, Samantha McCormick, Ralph Long, Richard Ingraham, Gary Shimer, Trinette Seburn, Zachary Seburn, Brendan Seburn, and Ryan Seburn in our prayers as they continue on their journeys of faith. If you see them at Mass, please take a moment to welcome and congratulate them!

OUR MISSION "We are a community of Catholics who draw our strength from the celebration of the Eucharist, so that Christ may live in us and we may express the values He taught by our loving service to family, neighbor and society."

Are you a new parishioner or visiting for the first time?

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to one of the priests. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community and welcome you. Please take a census envelope from the racks at each exit or contact the Parish Office for one.

Connect with us online!

We are excited to say we are active on the following social media sites and have a freshly pressed website and blog. Friend us, like us, follow us, +1 us, and find out what's happening here at Holy Cross. Visit us at **www.holycrossdewitt.org** to see more.











Mass Times

Daily Mass: 7:45am

Saturday Mass: 4:00pm *Penance at 3:15pm*

Sunday Mass: 7:30am

9:00am 11:30am

Choir sings at 11:30 Mass

Upcoming Events:

HC School Dinner & Auction

Saturday, April 18:

5:30 Silent Auction begins

6:30 Dinner

Parish Photo Album

Dates are open after April 20th to have your picture taken. Sign up online.

First Communion

Saturday, May 2



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 12th – Second Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM Louis Mastriani/ Anne & Don LaCasse 9:00 AM Jane Van Hanswyk/ Larry & Sandy Mulhern 11:30 AM Frank Borer/ Marge & Stan Blanchfield

Monday, April 13th

7:45AM Teresa Viscomi/ Maria Primerano

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, April 14th

7:45 AM Charles Holland/ wife Mary Doherty

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **Wednesday, April 15**th

7:45 AM Rosemary Geraty/ Family

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **Thursday, April 16**th

7:45 AM Kathleen Delavan/Dan & Kathleen Mezzalingua 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, April 17th

7:45 AM Transplant Donors/ A Recipeint

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **Saturday, April 18**th

4:00 PM Kathleen Delavan/ Carol & Ray Blake

Sunday, April 19th - Third Sunday of Easter

7:00 AM The Kelly Family/ Anne Kelly

9:00 AM Frank Borer/ George & Mike Deptula

11:30AM John DiMillo/ Family

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Your goodness is exceptional.

Collection of March 29th: \$22,529.11 Holy Land Collection: \$ 755.00

Collection of April 5th: see next week's bulletin

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.

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New at Sunday - 9AM Mass

Deaf Interpreter, Michele Stephenson is with us each Sunday at 9:00AM Mass. If you or someone is deaf who will be in front of the pulpit - please sit in the front pew to see her.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (or SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: The Strife Is O'er -Giovanni da Palestrina

(Choir)

Pro. Hymn: 433 - BLEST BE THE LORD

Sung Mass Parts:

Heritage Mass -Owen Alstott

885, 886, 887, 890, 891, 892 (Hymnal)

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 153 ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 153 (Give thanks to the Lord...)

Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 154 (You believe in me, Thomas...)

Off. Hymn: 493 - THERE'S A WIDENESS IN

IN GOD'S MERCY IN BABILONE

Com. Hymn: 494 - WE WALK BY FAITH SHANTI

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

Alleluia! For Christ The Lord Is Risen! -J. S. Bach Rec. Hymn: 174 - ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! LET THE

HOLY ANTHEM RISE HOLY ANTHEM

Postlude: **Prelude to** *Te Deum* -Marc A. Charpentier (Andrew Wiley - Coordinator of Musicians)

(Andrew Wiley & Kevin Witmer or Josh Nightingale)

(trumpet)

CANTORS: 4:00 - Ryan Boyle

9:00 - Roger Shafer

11:30 - ADULT CHOIR - Roger Schafer

"THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE. LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!" Easter is not a day, but a fifty-day long Great Feast Day. Until the Descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost (which in Greek literally means "fifty days") we rejoice in Christ's fulfillment of God the Father's Salvific Plan for the human race. The story of "doubting Thomas" in today's Gospel teaches that those who do not see, yet believe, are blessed indeed. We sing of this in the Communion Hymn, "We walk by faith, and not by sight...". Pope John Paul II gave this Sunday the name, "Sunday of Divine Mercy", and the Offertory Hymn sings of the mercy of God for the sins and foibles of humanity. Of course, in the Processional and Recessional Hymns we sing with great joy of the Resurrection of Jesus, as does the Choir Anthem (11:30)

I wish to thank the Adult Choir for their hard work in preparing and singing for the SIX services of Holy Week. I am honored to have these dedicated people in the Choir, singing not only during Holy Week but all throughout the Church year.

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.

FAITH FORMATION

Kathy Fitzgibbons, DRE 446-0473 x 12 Coordinator for PreK - 6

Kathy@holycrossdewitt.org

Tammy Gunn 446-0473 x 19

Coordinator for grades 7-12 tammy@holycrossdewitt.org

Confirmation 2015

Group Session next Sunday, April 19th. We will be meeting in Yeazel Hall 10:30-1:30. See you there!

Holy Cross School 50/50 Raffle **Last Chance**

The 50/50 raffle is well underway. The support from our church community has been absolutely amazing so far this year! Thanks to all of you who have purchased tickets already. We mailed tickets



to each household but if we missed you somehow or you need more, please feel free to stop into the parish office for some tickets. 1 ticket for \$10.00, 3 tickets for \$25.00. The big drawing will be held on April 18th. Any questions, please feel free to contact Joan at 569-9923.



A Special Thank You to our parishioners who delivered Easter plants to our homebound and Nursing Home residents Saturday before Palm Sunday. Our Deacon Dare Dutter gave them a blessing before they departed on their mission.

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.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 12th - Welcome Sunday

9:00 AM Child Care - room 5

9:00 AM Sunday School - rms. 2,3,4 & 6

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - Room 12

Monday, April 13th

7:00 PM "Oremus" Prayer Group - rm. 12 & 13

Tuesday, April 14th

10:30 AM Liturgy at Menorah Park

Wednesday, April 15th

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

3:45 AM Children's Choir - Choir Room

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

Thursday, April 16th

6:45 AM HC Men's Group - Choir room

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

7:00PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - choir room

Friday, April 17th

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall **Saturday, April 18**th

3:15-4:15 PM Penance - Church

5:30 PM Holy Cross Auction - Yeazel Hall

Sunday, April 19th

9:00 AM Child Care - room 5

9:00 AM Sunday School - rms. 2,3,4 & 6

10:00 AM Pastoral Council Meeting - room 11

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - Room 12

10:15 AM Confirmation Group Session - Yeazel Hall

10:15 AM First Communion Class - classrooms

Adult Ministry:

There is a group of adults in our parish who get together each Sunday from 10:15 to 11:15 to share their faith and explore different spiritual themes. The meetings take place in rooms 12 and 13 in Yeazel Hall. Feel free to stop by and see what we will be working on.

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. 16, 30; May 7, 21

"Oremus"

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



Moms' Group

We are a group of moms who get together for fellowship and to let our little ones run around together in a nurturing and fun environment. We would love to invite anyone with children to join us in this small, unique group! We meet on Wednesday mornings (usually at 10:30am) in room #5.

Welcome, Father Wilderotter

Please join us next weekend (4/18) to hear Rev. Paul C. Wilderotter speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America & the Caribbean.

Father Wilderotter will share personal witness about Food For the Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Fr. Wilderotter was ordained for the Diocese of Charlotte in 1974. Before preaching on behalf of Food For The Poor, he worked as a hospital chaplain.

Please welcome Father Wilderotter.



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, Marion Drake, 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, Mary Beth Renaud, Bob Rose, Rosalie Scipione, Barbara Santaro, Thomas Sommers, J.D. Tessier, Marisa Vacco, Frank Wagner, George Wilcox, Heather Wilhelm

Please Pray for Our Troops



O Prince of peace, we humbly ask your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion, the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Be their rock, their shield, and their stronghold and let them draw their strength from you.

Active Duty

Capt. Adam Marquis Cpl. Tom Schafer Cpl. Amanda Murphy Dan Griffin Ryan Buck

WO4 Eric Wilczynski

SFC Scott Wilczynski LtCol Peter John Cuenca, MD

LtCol Rachel Anne Cuenca, MD

COL. Greg Semmel

Veterans

Julia A McGuire James Griffin Richard Griffin Mike Marr Frank Frydychowicz Joe Wilczynski Dan Snyder

Week of April 12th

Sanctuary Lamp:

For the intentions of: Helen Dawson Requested By: Martha Byrne Host & Wine:

For the intentions of: Maria Jimenez Requested by: Chuck & Maria Lee

Thank You

To all who helped to make our Lenten, Holy Week and Easter Season so inspiring. Most special gratitude to the Altar Rosary Society for caring for the altar linens, our maintenance staff & volunteers and our parish staff, for the inspiring decorating of our Church during these times, especially at Easter; to Westcott Florist for the beautiful flowers in Church donated by you and your loved ones; to our magnificent choir, cantors, musicians and Choir Master Ernie Camerota; to our Sacristan Maureen McManus; to Tiffany Koszalka for simulcasting our Easter Sunday Masses downstairs for our overflow crowd & helping with our altar servers; our altar servers, lectors and Eucharistic Ministers under the direction of John McGowan; to our parish staff for cleaning the church and helping with the many preparations and details; to Msgr. Sheehan, Fr. Rose, Fr. Vavonese, Deacon Dare Dutter for joining us during Holy Week along with our Seminarian Matt Lyons; to our RCIA candidates and their sponsors and families who, by their encouragement led them to the Church along with Sister Rose and our RCIA Team; to all of the other "Helping Hands" who made these days so special.

Thank you all and God bless you all.

Most gratefully yours, Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel



Eucharistic Every Wednesday the parish community will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available in the main church from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. You are invited to stop in during this hour for as long or as little as you like. This will be a great opportunity during the week to spend some quiet time with the Lord. The hour will

conclude with Evening Prayer from the Divine Office at 7:45pm followed by Solemn Benediction at 8:00pm. Please bring your family and friends. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

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)

PHOTOS OF HOMEBOUND



Cannot get out to have your photo taken for the church photo album? If you are sick/elderly/homebound and you want your picture included in the Holy Cross album, give Sr. Rose Bill a ring and she will try to come to your house and take your photo.

Sr. Rose @446-0473 and leave a message.

Faith in Action

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

Catholic Social Teaching:

The Call to Family, Community & Participation

Human beings are social by nature. We, like the early disciples, are called to come together in community, whether that community is in our classroom, workplace or family.

For reflection: Do I try to make positive contributions in my family and in my community?

Clear Path for Veterans:

April Day of Service: Saturday, April 25th

Clear Path offers easy, one stop access to programs and services for Veterans and their families. Some of the programs they offer: Service Dog Training, Peer Support, Recreation (including golf, hiking, basketball), Complementary Alternative Medicine, Vocational training, Financial Literacy and Legal Services. Save the date for our April Parish Day of Service: we will serve a noon meal at Clear Path for Vets at 1223 Salt Springs Road, Chittenango. Parish volunteers will have an opportunity to tour the facility & to help with the luncheon on Saturday, April 25th. There will be two groups of volunteers: 10am to noon will set up & prepare the meal; the noon to 2 pm shift will serve it & clean up afterward. Call or email Beth (info above) to join us!

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.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Party: May 3rd

NHN is planning a party to recognize and celebrate the many people who have joined our email & phone list of volunteers. Please join us on Sunday, May 3rd at 11:30am Mass for a blessing and a reception immediately following the liturgy. NHN is a ministry that cares for people in our community though small acts of service. 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 your email added to the list. Call Beth at the phone number above if you need help or know if someone needs assistance.

Hot Meals to Dorothy Day Women's Shelter: April 18th

Thank you to Tish Hauser & her family who volunteered to bring a nutritious one-dish meal for 25 women to Catholic Charities Emergency Shelter. Holy Cross brings a hot meal to the shelter on the 3rd Sat. of each month. I am looking for volunteers to bring a meal in the coming months on May 16, June 20, July 18 and August 15th. Please call or email Beth (info above) to help.

Looking for Gardeners

Would two or three retirees who love gardening and weeding, be willing to volunteer their time and help me this May weeding and planting all around the property of Holy Cross. All it would take is two hours. Sometimes it's a last minute call because of weather. If you could call me, Loretta Nowicki, at 682-9484 I would appreciate your help. Thank you.



Don't miss Eat Drink Pray – a heavenly food and wine tasting eatdrink pray event with the Sisters of St. Francis.

Wed., April 22nd, 6 – 8 pm at Franciscan Vil-

la, 6900 Buckley Rd., Syracuse. This evening of "good food & good cheer" features delicious foods, wine pairings, live entertainment, & a silent auction. All proceeds benefit the retirement needs & community care of our Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities. Tickets are just \$50 each. To order yours, visit www.sosf.org, call 315.634.7026, or purchase at the door.

More Announcements

- **Spirituality of Aging -** Tues., 4/21, 10AM at Christ the King Retreat Ctr. While we know that what is familiar is comfortable & offers us security, real transformative growth takes place in when we have to deal with the foreign & unfamiliar. If you are 50 & over Fr. Rose will help us discover our God Self. Offering: \$25 incl. lunch, call 446-2680
- 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 Departs 6:30am from Holy Cross Church with return by dinner hour. \$20 requested donation per person.
- Bishop Grimes Academic Games-4/25; open is all Catholic school students in grades K-6. Info contact Kristine at kfirenze@syrdiocese.org
- **Bishop Grimes Open House**—Thurs., 5/28, 3:30-5:30pm.
- **VocaMe April 29**—7pm at St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church. An opportunity to see a world-class early music vocal ensemble in Syracuse. Concert of music from the 9th to the 12th centuries. Tickets \$12.50 call 446-5222.
- "Taste of Destiny" Hosted by Destiny usa to Benefit Joseph's House for Women on 4/18, 4-8pm in The Canyon. Information: info@destinyusa.com
- St. Margaret's Summer Camp 7 weeks of Fun & Adventure 6/29-8/14. Call 455-5791 Donna for more info.
- Ladies Night Our Food & Faith April 30 7pm at Bellevue Country Club, Syr., Fr. Jason Hage will speak to us about the perfect model to help us reclaim our authentic feminism—Mary the Mother of God. 673-9458 Rita



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Saturday, 4:00 PM	Luana Impellizzeri	H1 Carol Dwyer	CH1 John Passonno	Charlie Miller	Randy Elder		
		H2 Lola Gaultieri	CH2 Susan Klenk	Brelyn Tyler	Don LaCombe		
		H3 Betty Galletta	CH3 Martha O'Leary		Matthew Willis		
		H4 Ellyn Lubel	CH4 Lisa Nardone		Bill McDevitt		
		H5 Mary Ann Monteforte					
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Ed Michalenko		CH1 Al Highducheck	Chris Parker	Ed Coolican		
		H2 Mary Malay	CH2 Pat Highducheck	Lauren Parker	Tony Ebersole		
		H3 Teresa Koulouris	CH3 Deacon Dutter		Len Smith		
		H4 Donald LaCasse	CH4 Julie Johnson		Charles Stepneski		
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Vincent Sportelli	H1 Kelly Griffith	CH1 Amelia Geneco	Connor Gleasman	Tom Kenah		
		H2 Kathy Sportelli	CH2 Marc Engle	Kaleigh Ristau	John Kissane		
		H3 Kathleen Gibson	CH3 Michelle Engle		Ed Purcell		
		H4 Terry Essel	CH4 Knox Wolaver				
		H5 Christina Hatem					
Sunday, 11:30AM	Randy Wolken	H1 Sue Cate	CH1 Jane Flanagan	Jonathan Gunn	Donald Brown		
		H2 Rebecca Wolken	CH2 Ron Deluca	Tanner Gunn	Neil Bourcy		
		H3 Rita Bergamo	CH3 Bonnie Dimillo		Peg Foraker		
		H4 Maureen Wagner	CH4 John Fix				
		H5 Cora Chirco			1		

SACRAMENTS

<u>Baptism</u> ~ Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

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

Penance ~ Saturday, 3:15PM

Classes required for 1st Baptism

prior to wedding

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†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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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.

■ 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