





# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 14th - Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM Patrick Lawless/ Jeanine Shahin

9:00 AM Michael Parziale/ Family

11:30 AM Phyliss & Kris Reid & Carmasita Samuels/ Reid Family

Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

7:45AM Marilyn Gearty/ Family

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

Tuesday, December 16th

7:45 AM Jim Hughes/ Alyce MacNamara

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

Wednesday, December 17th

7:45 AM People of Holy Cross

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

Thursday, December 18th

7:45 AM Deceased Members of Cathedral Candle Co./

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

Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM Honorable Neal McCurn/ Dodi & Jack Dee

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

Saturday, December 20th

3:15—3:45 PM Penance - Church

4:00 PM Michael Hattala/ mother Mary

Sun. December 21st - Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM Fred Bullion/ Family

9:00 AM Keough—Gocklin Families/ Family

11:30AM Mary Phillip/ Monique Missoff

#### YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Your goodness is exceptional.

Collection of December 7: \$24,656.00

Credit card and electronic donations are now possible through the

Holy Cross website: www.holycrossdewitt.org/give

Also, don't forget to use

our OR 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.



# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT [GAUDETE *REJOICE*] SUNDAY MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: Alleluia! Hurry, The Lord Is Near

-Ernest Sands

Pro. Hymn: 38 - O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

(VERSES 1,3,6) VENI, VENI EMMANUEL

Sung Mass Parts:

**Mass of Creation** 

-Marty Haugen

885, 886, 887, 888 (Hymnal)

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 40ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 41 (Lord, come and save us...)

Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 41 (the Spirit of the Lord...)

Off. Hymn: 61 - CREATOR OF THE STARS OF NIGHT
CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

COMMUNION MEDITATION: (4:00, 9:00 & 11:30)

**Ave Maria** -Franz Abt

(Katie DiMaria - soprano solo)

ADULT CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming - Michael Praetorius

Rec. Hymn: 52 - ALLELUIA! HURRY, THE LORD IS NEAR

Postlude: The Coventry Carol

-English Tune

(Andrew Wiley - trumpet)

(Kevin Witmer or Josh Nightingale - trumpet)

TEEN CHOIR MUSIC: (4:00) - TBA

CANTORS: 4:00 - TEEN CHOIR - Teen Cantor

9:00 - Katie DiMaria

11:30 - ADULT CHOIR - Katie DiMaria

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say Rejoice! Indeed the Lord is near! This is the Opening Antiphon or Introit for today's Mass and is the reason for the title of this Sunday, "Gaudete" or "Rejoice" Sunday.

PLEASE PUT IN YOUR CALENDARS AND SMART PHONES THE DATE OF THE <u>SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS</u> WHICH WILL BE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00PM HERE AT HOLY CROSS. IT IS A CHANCE FOR ALL TO HEAR BEAUTIFUL READINGS AND MUSIC FROM THE CHOIR AND INSTRUMENTALISTS... A SPECIAL TREAT IS THAT EVERYONE, CHOIR AND CONGREGATION WILL SING CHRISTMAS CAROLS TOGETHER, AND JOIN IN THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

Ernest Camerota

# Make year-end gifts on the church website

In the course of year---end tax planning, you may find yourself considering special one---time donations. There is a growing trend among donors to make contributions to their favorite organizations online during the final week of the year. As you contemplate year---end gifts, please keep the church in mind. We welcome your donations through the giving page on the Church website

# 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

# **Cancellation Information**

• Reminder: When J-D is on a weather DELAY, Faith Formation classes are cancelled.

■ Parents: Sign up for school delay/closing email/text alert. Go to localsyr.com click on email/text alert to sign up.

# Christmas Pageant - Christmas Eve

**Children** ~ would you like to take a special part in our 4pm Christmas Eve Liturgy this year? Any school age child is invited to be in our pageant. Come to Yeazel Hall Sun-



day, December 14th anytime from 10am to 11:30am to sign-up

and receive your costume. All pageant participants must attend our only rehearsal on Monday, Dec. 22 from 4:00 to 5:30pm.

### For Our High School Youth

**Confirmation 2015**: Group session next week Sunday, December 21st! We will be meeting in Yeazel Hall at 10:30, attend Mass, enjoy a fabulous pizza lunch and wrap up by 1:30. See you there!!!!

### "Growing In His Kingdom"

Are you desiring to grow more in God? Would you be interested in joining others who have that same desire?

A new weekly group will be offered to all interested in becoming a part of this small Christian Community. It will be guided by the Books of the Irish Jesuits, called "Sacred Space." It will be rich in faith sharing, scripture, reading, prayer & fellowship.

Anyone who is interested in the opportunity to connect with your church family, to form friendship, & grow in God's love together, this group will be for you. "Growing in his Kingdom" will begin January 16 at 1pm for 12 weeks in rm. 11. Anyone who is interested, please call 446-0694 - Joan.

World Marriage Day Celebration ~ February 8, 2015 -2:30pm at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The Most Reverend Robert J. Cunningham will celebrate the Mass and renew the marriage vows of all couples. Couples celebrating silver anniversaries, golden anniversaries & beyond 50 years in 2015 will be honored. Call Peg at the parish office by December 22 to register.

RELAX .....

God's taking care of everything.

### **Vocation Crucifix**

Each week a different family will take home the crucifix as a reminder to pray for Vocations. See Mary Clemmer (214-5019) if you are willing to take home the crucifix.



# **Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers**

Sign up sheets for Christmas and New Year Masses will be available on the weekends of Dec. 13 & 14 and on Dec. 20 & 21. Sheets will be located I hallway near Chapel Doors. Beat the

The new schedules have been mailed. If you did not receive one, please call the office. Thank you



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.



Kathy Antonini, Jean Bailey, Anna Barnaba, Robert Barnello, Mary Begnoche, Jane Blizzard, Deborah Boland, Marianne Boland, Matthew Bush, Dan Calkins, Mary Cargin, Mary Phyllis Centore, Crumb, Cummings, Steve Durant, Jim DaRin, Anthony

DeAngelis, Alyssa Dodge, Jo Anne Dooher, Yolanda Falcone, Bill Fitzpatrick, Justin Fuller, Katie Glisson, Tresa A. Graziano, Mary Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Tim Haley, Stanley Jackimek, Titus Johnson, William H. Kearney Jr., Gerry Killian, Debra King, Paul R. Kolodziejczyk, Doug Mace, Angie Marziale, Mary Mastroianni, Mary Maiurino, Jerime McHerron, Eleanor Moloney, Chuck Mousseau, Meg Paige, Al Paparo, Sr., Dianna Patrea, Fred Josiah Pie, Kimberly Poe, Mark Queor, Marion Reid, Mary Beth Renaud, Rosalie Scipione, Barbara Santaro, Karen Butler Schultz, Leonard Silvestri, John Spurrier, Thomas Sommers, Marisa Vacco, George Wilcox, Heather Wilhelm

# Week of December 14th Sanctuary Lamp

For: Deceased Members of Byrne & Seubert

**Families** 

*By:* Martha Byrne

Hosts and Wine

For: Angeline Silvestri

By: Family

# **Christmas Flower Memorials**

Cards and/or envelopes are available at the church entrances if you wish to memorialize a Christmas Poinsettia. Please return the card either in the Sunday collection basket or mail to the church office. Names will be posted as a memorial.



# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

# Sunday, December 14th

9:00 AM Child Care - room 5

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

10:00 AM Giving Tree sorting gifts

10:00 AM Children's Pageant Sign-Up - Yeazel Hall

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

7:00—8:30 PM Lenten Penance Service

#### Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

3:00 PM Girl Scouts - room 9

4:00 –7:00PM "The Light Is On For You"

# Tuesday, December 16th

6:50 AM High School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

10:00 AM Exploring God's Word - room 12 & 13

12:00 PM Coffee and Conversation

7:00 PM Lessons & Carols - church

7:00 PM Catholicism: Now I Get It!

#### Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

6:45 AM Middle School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

9:00 AM Small Christian Community - member's home

9:00 AM 33 Days of Morning Glory - room 11

3:45 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal - church

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - church

# Thursday, December 18th

6:45 AM HC Men's Group - choir loft

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - choir room

7:00 PM School Concert - church

7:00 PM Men's Book Group - room 12 & 13

# Friday, December 19th

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

# Saturday, December 20th

2:15 PM RCIA - room 7

3:15 - 3:45 PM Penance - church

#### Sunday, December 21st

9:00 AM Child Care - room 5

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

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

10:30 AM Confirmation Prep Class - Yeazel Hall

# <u>Lessons & Carols</u> Dec. 16—7PM - at Holy Cross

Join us for this spiritual event that features splendid Christmas Music and 7 short Scriptural Readings. Bring a friend as a special Christmas gift. The service is free and open to the public.



# **Bulletin Deadline Changed**

The deadline for the bulletin of December 28<sup>th</sup> will be **Thursday, Dec. 18th at 9am.** Any notices received after that date will appear in the bulletin of January 4th. Thank you

# **Banns of Marriage:**

Meghan Wheeler & Scott Harrison

# ADVENT PENANCE OPPORTUNITIES

# **♦** Advent Penance Service - Today

Plan on attending our communal **Advent Penance Service** on **Dec. 14** at 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Holy Cross. Several priests will be here to hear confessions. Let the Lord come to you in a deeper way and feel His love.



# "The Light Is On For You"

In every church in the Diocese of Syracuse, confessions will be heard on **Monday**, **December 15** from 4-7pm.



# Christmas and New Year's Schedule 2014

Christmas Eve Masses - Wednesday, December 24

4:00pm Mass with Pageant

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Christmas Concert and Carols begin at 11:30pm

12:00pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Masses—Thursday, December 25

8:30am, and 11:00am

New Year's Vigil Mass

5:00pm - Wednesday, December 31

New Year's Day Masses - Thursday, January 1, 2015- 9:00am

#### **MISSING**

A couple months ago someone borrowed the five disc set of the Catholicism
DVD series. We really need them for the Adult Education classes. If you have them, please return



them to Sr. Rose at the Church Office.

# **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 & professional. We meet in Ernie's Choir Loft directly above the main entrance to the church at 6:45am. Dates: Dec. 18

#### Coffee and Conversation/ Movie

All are invited to join us for Coffee and Conversation at 12:00pm on Tuesday, December 16 in Yeazel Hall. This month we will be showing the movie, *Jersey Boys*. Don't forget to bring your bagged lunch. We will provide the beverages.





New parishioners & visitors. Please introduce yourself to one of the priests. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community & welcome you. Please take a census envelope from the gathering area or contact the Parish Office for one.

# **Faith in Action**

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

# Jail Ministry: Christmas hard candy/chapstick request due today!

Today is the last day to donate hard candy or chapstick; there is a box in the Gathering Space for them. These will be added to small gift packages that are prepared to remember those who will not be home for Christmas. Monetary donations may be mailed to: Jail Ministry, 259 East Onondaga St., Syracuse, NY 13202.

### Samaritan Center Dinner today

A team of volunteers from the parish will prepare and serve a meal at the soup kitchen this afternoon. If you would like to join them on one of the 9 Sundays next year that Holy Cross teams serve a meal downtown, contact Carol Dwyer:cdwyer@syr.edu/378-4194.

### Joseph's House: Monday, December 15th at 7pm

Tomorrow our youth ministry (FHC) will spread Christmas cheer by making Christmas Cookies at Joseph's House. Join them to spread holiday cheer to the women and their babies supported by Joseph's House. Call Beth (info above) to register.

### Butternut Community Christmas Party, 12/19, 4-9 pm

Members of our parish community will participate in the Syracuse Police Department's annual Christmas party for the Butternut neighborhood refugee families this Friday afternoon & evening. If you would like to volunteer for a few hours, call Beth for more information.

#### Dorothy Day Women's Shelter, December 20th

Connie Chase and her daughter will prepare & deliver a hot meal for the 24 women staying at the Emergency Shelter on Saturday. If you would like to provide a meal for the shelter on the third Saturday of a month in 2015, call Beth (info above) to sign up.

#### Join Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Parishioners from our parish would like to provide a friendly visit and lend a hand when you need a little help. To volunteer in this way, add your name and email to the list and mention whether you can help with a meal or some light chores. You will have the option of accepting only if you are available. Call Beth, or fill out a flyer in the gathering area, or email <a href="https://helpingneigh-bors@holycrossdewitt.org">helpingneigh-bors@holycrossdewitt.org</a>

# First Tuesday Sandwiches on "Giving Tuesday"

Thank you to the 16 volunteers and the many parishioners who donated sandwich supplies for the 350 sandwiches Holy Cross donated to Catholic Charities



Men's Shelter. After the sandwiches were finished, we took "selfie" for Giving Tuesday. Msgr. Yeazel, Dcn. Dare Dutter & Bill Sovik distributed the sandwiches that evening at the shelter.

# **Parish Giving Tree**



Our 31st annual *Parish Giving Tree* will be in the Gathering Area this weekend. Choose a tag and purchase an appropriate gift. **Return your wrapped present December13**th and 14th. Volunteers will be sorting and delivering the gifts that Sunday. Please be sure to fill in "this box contains" on your

**gift tag.** For the past 30 years our parish has generously helped many children and adults celebrate a happier Christmas. Thank you!

# **Lighthouse Catholic Ministries Kiosk**

(Be sure to check it out in the Gathering Area.)

**CD** of the week "Journey Through Advent: Liturgical Cycle B" Get the most out of Advent by following along with Fr. Robert Barron's homilies as he unpacks the profound scripture readings for the Sunday Masses throughout Advent and Christmas 2014.

#### CD's offered for this Advent & Christmas Season:

- "Journey Through Advent: Liturgical Cycle B" Fr. Robert Barron's homilies unpack the profound scripture readings for the Sunday Masses throughout Advent and Christmas 2014.2.
- "Prepare The Way of The King" Dr. Scott Hahn reveals
  what scholars now know about the shepherds, the mysterious
  Magi, and King Herod.

#### **More Announcements**

• The Franciscan Place in Destiny Mall has a chapel and a Catholic gift/book shop. It is located near DSW in the commons level. Stop in & spend a couple minutes with Jesus in the Chapel. Call 471-9511 for more information

**Mass schedule:** Mon.-Wed.-Fri. 12:15pm; Tues. & Thurs. 4:15pm.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** daily except Sun. call for times. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday 1-4pm

• *A Carol Celebration!* Presented by Syracuse Chorale on Sun., 12/21 - 4pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedra., 310 Montgomery Street, Syr. This concert showcases carols for the Christmas season. Or more information & advance sale tickets call 682-4840

# **Going Away for the Winter?**

If you are planning on going away this winter would you please fill out the form below & return it to the office so we can stop or forward your envelopes while you are away. Even if your mail is forwarded, your envelopes come back to us & cost us for extra postage. Thank you

Name:	
Address:	
Date you will be leaving	Date returning

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Saturday, 4:00 PM	Tony DiBiase	H1 Martha O'Leary	CH1 Ashley Resetarits	Joe Kosty	Randy Elder
		H2 August Kissel	CH2 Kay Sgarlata	Emma Maher	Don LaCombe
		H3 Robert Reid	CH3 Claudette Tanner		Matthew Willis
		H4 Mary Relihan	CH4 Ben Vahey		Bill McDevitt
		H5 Katy Maxwell			
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Peter Demlein		CH1 Cookie Dunham	Chris Parker	Ed Coolican
		H2 Paul Demong	CH2 Mary Beth Elmer	Lauren Parker	Tony Ebersole
		H3 Leonard DeStefano	CH3 Ed Flynn		Len Smith
		H4 Marie DeStefano	CH4 Charlene Hughes		Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Vince Sportelli	H1 Cortney Vaughn	CH1 Sue Boone	Matt Boule	Tom Kenah
		H2 Amelia Geneco	CH2 Brenna Brown	Luke Boule	John Kissane
		H3 Corrina Wilcox	CH3 Deacon Dutter	Max Wysocki	Ed Purcell
		H4 Knox Wolaver	CH4 Patric Canale	Anna Kelley	
		H5 Ellie Baumgartner			
Sunday, 11:30AM	Cora Chirco	H1 Karen Kirkman	CH1 David Pajak	Grace Evans	Donald Brown
		H2 Ellyn Lubel	CH2 Sara Roberts	Meghan Evans	Neil Bourcy
		H3 Linda Mulvey	CH3 Patrick Saba	Ryan Evans	Peg Foraker
		H4 Loretta Nowicki	CH4 Joan Snyder		
		H5 Tony Schiano			

#### **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

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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**

4112 E. Genesee St., DeWitt, NY 13214 Church Office – Phone: 315 446-0473, FAX: 315 446-7608 Website: hcparish.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.

■ 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, Vicar General, 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

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Maureen McManus, Sacristan

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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