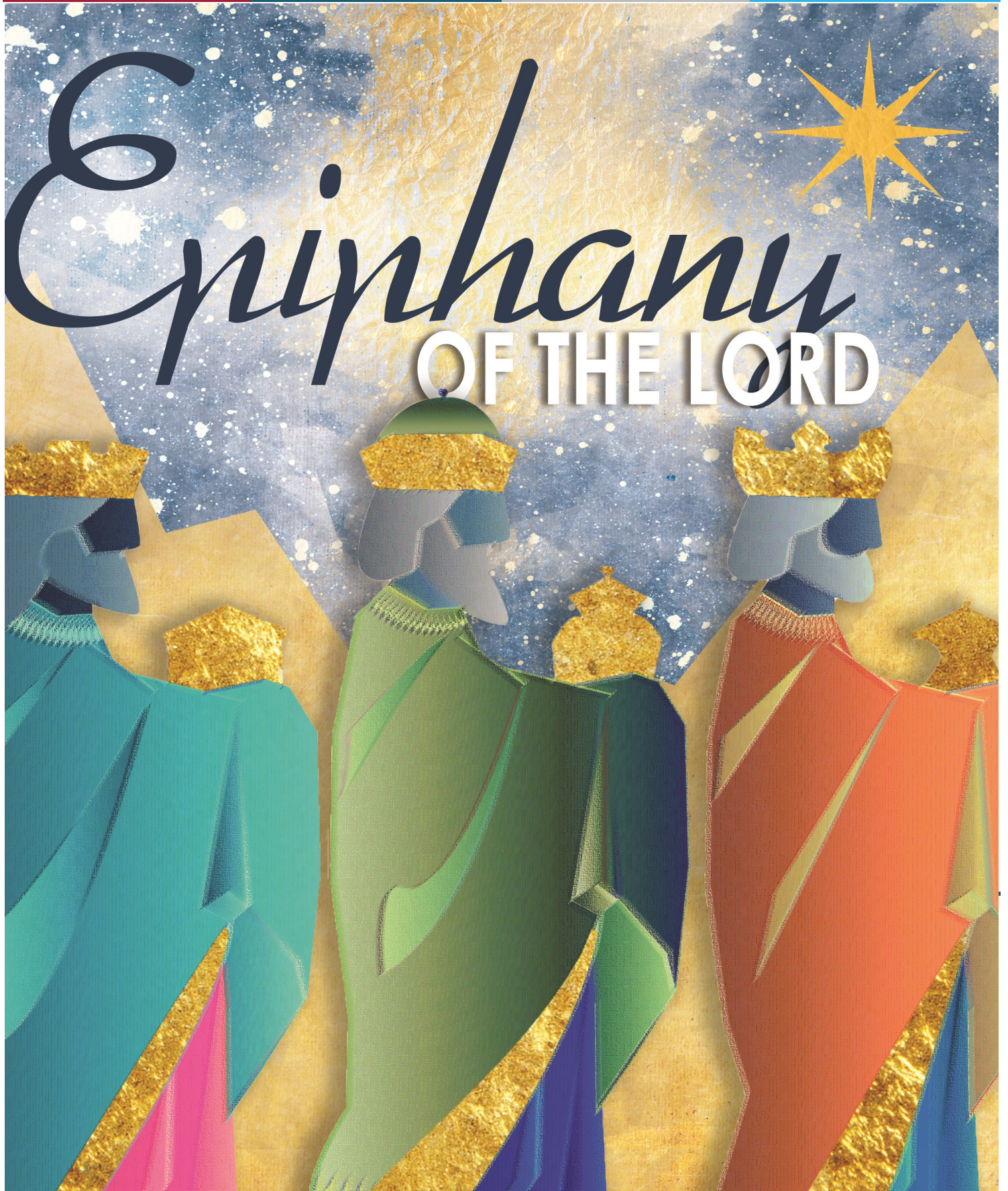




HOLY CROSS PARISH
A CARING COMMUNITY

JANUARY 7, 2018
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD





MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 7th - The Epiphany of The Lord

7:30 AM William Drescher, Sr./ The Wiese Family
 9:00 AM Ned Schepp/ Brenda Casinella & Family
 11:30 AM Herbert & Angeline Silvestri/ Family

Monday, January 8th

7:45 AM Jane Flanagan/ Debbie Clark
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, January 9th

7:45 AM Mary O'Neil/ Joanne Donovan Caputo
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, January 10th

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

Thursday, January 11th

7:45 AM Catherine Collins Bona/ mother & husband
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, January 12th

7:45 AM Thomas Cahill/ Bob Egan & Family
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, January 13th

4:00 PM Madelyn & Mackenzie Dusel/ Friends

Sunday, January 14th Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Carmencita Samuels/ Bob Reid
 9:00 AM Angelo Iacomo/ The Reed Family
 (Youth Mass)
 11:30 AM Thelma Sullivan/ Tom & Patty Quartier

Week of - January 7th

Host & Wine

*In Memory of: Nora Callaghan
 Requested by: Dymrna Callaghan*



A Family Perspective



The Magi in today's gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Do not let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this new Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

1/07/2018 [YEAR B]

MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: **What Child Is This?** GREENSLEEVES
 (Choir at 11:30)

Pro. Hymn: 107 - THE FIRST NOWELL THE FIRST NOEL
 Sung Mass Parts:

Heritage Mass -Owen Alstott
883, 884, 885, 888, 889, 890 (Hymnal)

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 57 ff.
 Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 58 (Lord, every nation on earth...)
 Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 59 (We saw his star at it's rising...)

Off. Hymn: 108 - WE THREE KINGS KINGS OF ORIENT
Com: Hymn: 106 - SONGS OF THANKFULNESS

AND PRAISE SALZBURG

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings To Zion

(from *Messiah*) -Georg Fredric Handel
 (Ceara Windhausen & Choir)

Rec. Hymn: 78 - JOY TO THE WORLD ANTIOCH

Postlude: **March Of The Three Kings** -Camille Saint Saens
 (Joshua Nightingale - trumpet)
 (Jonathan Fleischman - violin)

CANTORS: 4:00 - Ryan J. Boyle

9:00 - Jacob Goz

11:30 - CHOIR - Jacob Goz

The Solemnity of The Epiphany of The Lord is sometimes referred to as "**Little Christmas**", the day on which the Church celebrates the manifestation of Christ to the whole world, the Jewish people and the Gentiles (non-Jews) alike. In some countries, gifts are exchanged on this day, replicating the gifts which were given to the Christ Child by the Kings from the Orient. The Three Kings (The Magi) represent the outsiders who are not of the Jewish faith. On the day of the Epiphany there is also a custom of chalking the doorway above church doors and homes. It is an ancient custom that "marks the church and households for Christ". Above the entryway in chalk (a reminder that we are made from dust) can be written the following inscription: **20+C+M+B+18**

The year, 2018, is split and placed at the beginning and the end of the marking. The three "+" are the Sign of the Cross, and the initials "**CMB**" stand for the traditional names of the wise men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. Interestingly, the letters also stand for the Latin phrase: "**Christus mansionem benedicat**" ("**May Christ bless this house**"). This day is indeed fraught with imagery and unusual practices. We may ponder them as we sing the hymns of the Epiphany.

Ernest Camerota

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.

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Your goodness is exceptional ~ Thank you!

Collection of December 31 will be reported next week.

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

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



RCIA Program

The RCIA class will meet today, **Sunday, January 7** after the 9:00AM Mass in room 11 in Yeazel Hall.

Anyone interested in becoming Catholic, Receiving Confirmation or learning more about the faith are welcome to join the group.

For more information call Fr. Vavonese at 315-446-0473

Are you being called to serve in ministry?

The Formation for Ministry program prepares adult Catholics to serve as lay ecclesial ministers in their parishes. The program includes coursework, training, field work, and spiritual formation. Our next five-week session begins in January. If you feel God is calling you to serve, please contact the Diocesan Office of Formation for Ministry at 315-470-1491 or formation@syrdio.org for more information about our program. Courses can also be taken for adult faith formation

Men's Book Group:

There is a group of men of our parish who are meeting on Thursday nights to read and talk about their faith. We are reading Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist by Brant Pitre Meeting dates are on Thursdays 1/18, 2/1, 2/15, 3/1, 3/15 and 3/29. All meetings are at 7pm in room 12. If you have questions, please call Deacon Dare Dutter at 446-0473 or email him at ddutter@twcnv.rr.com.

Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Round Table Council

They will be meeting on Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 P.M. in room 11. All Knights of the parish and those interested in joining the council are invited to attend.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

- The Parish Office will be closed to observe Martin Luther King on Monday, Jan. 15th.
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will not take place on January 15th.



Coffee and Conversation

You are invited to join us for Coffee & Conversation on **Tues., Jan. 16 - 12:00pm** in Yeazel Hall. Bring your bagged lunch & we will provide the dessert and refreshments.



FAITH FORMATION

Julie Sheridan - DFF grades 1-6
446-0473 x 12 Julie@holycrossdewitt.org
Steve Nepil - DFF grades 7-12
446-0473 x 18 Steve@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.

Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers on Friday AM to monitor the entrance—for the safety of the children. Please contact Carla if you are able to give one half-hour of your time Friday mornings. If you have any questions, or missed the opportunity to sign-up, call Carla #315-446-0473 ext.32. Thank you to all who responded to our need for Volunteers.

Holy Cross School News

Holy Cross School Open House

Mark you calendar and plan to visit Holy Cross School for their upcoming **Open House on Tuesday, Feb. 13** from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. We will begin enrolling for grades preK—6th. There are also many after school activities for our students. See more at www.hcschooldewitt.org.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

May 19, 2018 the Holy Cross PTA will hold their 21st Annual Auction. This year's theme is "Supper Club" and will feature music by Stock Market Swing Orchestra. Watch for more information



Box Tops for Education



Clip Box Tops for Education for Holy Cross School. Keep an eye out for the Box Tops for Education coupons on the outside packages. Once you've finished with the product, clip the Box Top coupon. Then bring them to church & drop the clipped Box Top coupons in the pink box in the vestibule. This is an on-going project. Thank you for your support of Holy Cross School.

Giving Tree Thank You

Dear Parishioners of Holy Cross,

Thank you for helping to provide a Merry Christmas to the children of 24 Jamesville Elementary families. It is a truly amazing way for a community to come together and care for those in need. God bless you!

Sue Kimber

Divine Mercy Cenacle

Starting February 1st, two groups (one at 9:00 AM & one at 6:30pm) will be forming for a weekly study on Divine Mercy using the Diary of St. Faustina. Jesus appeared to Sr. Faustina Kowalska and shared with her His great love and mercy for all humankind, especially sinners. If you are interested contact Soraya Andrews (sryazmhash@hotmail.com) or Julie Sheridan (julie@holycrossdewitt.org, 315-446-0473).

FORMED:

Watch *God's Doorkeeper*. On January 6, 1937, the death of a humble doorkeeper for a boys' college drew over a million people to Montreal for his funeral. For forty years, Brother André Bessette of the Congregation of Holy Cross welcomed people at the door and became known as a miraculous healer. *God's Doorkeeper* looks at the heart and legacy of Brother André.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00 - 8:00pm in the church.

We begin the hour on Wednesday, **January 10th** with Adoration & will conclude with **Evening Prayer** from the Divine Office at 7:45pm followed by Solemn Benediction.



Young Adults & Families

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Fellowship January 10th

*Adoration 7:00- 8:00pm *Fellowship 8:10pm Yeazel Hall

Young Adults and Families! Join us for an hour of Adoration, prayer, and fellowship! We will be praying for our community and special intentions. We invite you to stay for fellowship in Yeazel Hall starting at 8:10pm with other young adults and young families from our community. Please contact Rosemary Avila at rosemary@holycrossdewitt.org if you have questions or would like to know more about our Young Adult Ministry.

Prayers Are Requested For.....



Diana Arnold, Anna Barbra, Dr. Ann Bishop, Leana Mae Bonnell, Margaret Bridges, Roseann Brown, Mary Cargin, David Carr, Evelyn Carroll, Sue Ciccone, Mary Cook, Linda Cote', Donald Conan, Christopher DeChick, Bob Egan, Ricco Gauf, Katie Glisson, Richard Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Lola

Gualtieri, Paula Giuliano, Elaine Hill, Monica Hoey, Nancy Hogan, Ethan Johnson, Susan Keller, Jane Koszulka, Brian Letiecq, Austin & Tres Mahan, Gail Moloney, Rory Lennon, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Dominick M., Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, Lucy McLean, Monica Miranda, John F. Moltion, Faith Muller, Stephen Oliva, Belva Owen, Deanna Peters, Jane Pigott, Wayne Queor, Mona Rawles, Martha Rossi, Jennifer Satalin, Finn S. Schafran, Ruth Schafran, Rosalie Scipione, Dawn Simmonds, Kay Simon, Joseph Smith, Stephen Smith, Rita Smooker, Eleanor Sullivan, Christine Suski, Maureen Tessier, Shelly Tortora, Martin Vasick, P.J. Vaughan, Joseph Wilczynski, Kristen Woodmansee, Steve Yarnell, Jr.

If you would like us to add someone to this list, please call the office or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org. We will keep them on for three months unless you notify us otherwise. Thank you.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, January 7th - Food Giving Weekend

10:00 AM RCIA - room 11
10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12
10:30 AM Confirmation Group Session - Yeazel Hall
5:15 PM Third Option Reception - Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM The Third Option - rms. 10,12,13

Monday, January 8th

7:00 PM AIM - Youth Room

Tuesday, January 9th

10:00 AM Exploring God's Word - room 9
6:30 PM Joy to the World - room 9

Wednesday, January 10th

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
4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal - choir Room
6:00 PM Step Meeting - Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM NA & Nar-Anon Mtgs. - Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

Thursday, January 11th

7:45 AM Elementary School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall
5:00 PM Pasta Dinner - Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Friday, January 12th

7:45 AM Elementary School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

Saturday, January 13th

3:00 PM Penance - Church

Sunday, January 14th

10:00 AM RCIA - room 11
10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

CYO Basketball Schedule

Sunday, Jan. 7

IC Jr. High at HC—5:30

Tuesday, Jan. 9

HC at IHM - 6:30 JV; 8:00 Var.

Thurs., Jan. 11

Sacred Heart Jr. High at HC - 8:00

OLP JV at HC - 6:30

Sunday, Jan. 14

HC Jr. High at St. Lucy's - 3:00

This is your open invitation to the 8th Annual Holy Cross Church Goal Planning Session (HCC GPS)

"The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. Unless a particular (wo)man made New Year resolutions, (s)he would make no resolutions. Unless a (wo)man starts afresh about things, (s)he will certainly do nothing effective. – George K. Chesterton

If that makes sense to you, then your 2018 journey can commence on Saturday morning, January 20th. Your moment begins at 8:45 am in Yeazel Hall. Your commitment is only about 40 minutes to write down your ambitions, aspirations & yearnings for 2018. For your endeavor, a 2018 goal strategy will appear from inside your core to the written page. It's certain to be interesting & fun. It is that simple. All the specific, time-tested tools will be provided for you. Bring your own pen & coffee. Bring an available family member or a friend. HCC GPS is all confidential and anonymous. Please email me bsovik@twcnv.rr.com to register by 01/09/18 for the head count.

Setting goals is the first step in turning the invisible into the visible. - Tony Robbins

The secret of getting ahead is getting started. - Mark Twain

Faith in Action

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

**Save the date: Brady Bread Sale:
January 20 & 21, 2018**

Men's Shelter Breakfast: Sunday January 14th, 6:30am

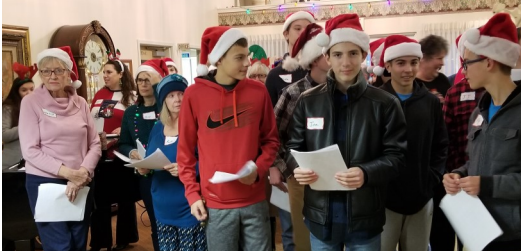
Twice a year, in January & July, Holy Cross volunteers prepare a hot pancake breakfast for homeless men at Catholic Charities Men's Emergency Shelter located at 1074 South Clinton St. Our January date is next Sunday! Volunteers will serve pancakes, pack to-go lunch bags, and offer friendship and encouragement to shelter guests heading out to the winter streets of Syracuse. Please let me know if you wish to carpool from Holy Cross. To sign up or donate toward the breakfast, please contact Beth: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

**Neighbors Helping Neighbors:
Caroling Party at Maple Downs**

Neighbors helping Neighbors sponsored at Christmas Caroling Party at Maple Downs in Fayetteville. Carolers included Helping Neighbors, Confirmation students & Choir members. Special thanks to Ryan Boyle for leading our practice session, Geoff & Angela Carbone for their musical accompaniment, and Kathy Reuter Sportelli

for hospitality & refreshments! Neighbors Helping Neighbors is an email list of over 100 Holy Cross

volunteers who are willing to help fellow parishioners and neighbors in need of a hand with a *short term or one-time task*, including shoveling snow, caregiver respite, meals after surgery or help with household tasks. To request help, please take home the card in your pew, fill it out when you need help, & return it to the parish office. Or contact Beth: 315-416-4576.

**Refugee Family Christmas**

Thank you to the Roseann Reale of the Cargill Company, for organizing a Christmas gift collection to support the Ali Khel Family, our "adopted" Refugee Family. The family traveled here from Pakistan, and consists of Maliha, a recently widowed mother, and her 9 children, ages 19 through 3 years old. Earlier this year the Refugee Assistance Committee held a bake sale to help the family with the cost of their heat & electricity bill. The gifts donated by the Cargill company were delivered by Roseann & her husband Jack. They brought boxes & boxes of toiletries, pots & pans, household items and toys for the children. With traditional hospitality & in gratitude, Maliha served them an Afghani meal along with green tea & cardamom pudding.

**SINCEREST GRATITUDE**

A special word of gratitude to those that made our celebration of Christmas so wonderful.

Decorations: Led by Julie Sheridan and helped by Carla Semmel, Katie Deehan and our great Maintenance Staff.

The Altar Rosary Society: Catherine Muller, Jo Oliva, and their committee.

Our Sacristan: Maureen McManus, who is "always there for us" and helped by Tiffany Koszalka.

Our Ushers: Who are all so very committed.

Our Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors: Led by Matt Lumia, who do a great job all year.

Our Magnificent Choir: Led by Ernie Camerota. Our vocal soloists and instrumentalists, and all of the committed and dedicated parishioners ~ marvelous!

Children's Choir: Led by Ernie Camerota and all our dedicated members.

Our Maintenance Staff: Cathy Young, Matt Stano, Kathy Darcy & Jamie Johnson.

Food Donation Committee: Involving so many led by Maureen McManus.

Our Giving Tree: Led by Carla Semmel and helped by many others.

The Children's Christmas Eve Pageant: A special thanks to Pageant Directors Kim McConnell-O'Casey, & Erin Malay Lector ~ Tony Ortega

Our Wonderful Staff: Always serving and making every season a blessing.

On behalf of all of us we wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude and thanks to all who sent their greeting cards, goodies and gifts these past weeks.

May the spirit of Christmas prevail among you as the joy in our hearts is extended to you. It is a deep joy that we priests wish to every one of you as we greet you at our Masses. God bless you all!

Priests and Deacons



CHRISTMAS

National Migration Week

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated National Migration Week, which is an opportunity to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children and victims and survivors of human trafficking. The theme for National Migration Week 2018 draws attention to the fact that each of our families have a migration story, some recent and others in the distant past. Regardless of where we are and where we came from, we remain part of the human family and are called to live in solidarity with one another. Bishop Cunningham will begin National Migration Week here in our Diocese by celebrating the 9:45 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on January 7, 2018. All are welcome and in a special way those who are migrants and refugees. Please come and join your brothers and sisters at this special celebration.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors -

We have sent out your new schedule for the Winter. We have also posted this schedule on the Holy Cross web site. If you did not receive your schedule or have any changes in your email contact Peg at the parish office via phone or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF January 13th & 14th

<u>MASS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS –A</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Carol Dwyer	H1 Berry Galletta	CH1	Chris Finger	
		H2 Priest	CH2	Alaina DiBiase	Dennis Cole
		H3 Deacon	CH3		Claude Piolon
		H4 Lola Gualtieri	CH4		Michael Krisak
Sunday, 7:30AM	Ed Michalenko	H1 Teresa Koulouris	CH1		Ed Coolican
		H2 Priest	CH2		Tony Ebersole
		H3 Deacon	CH3		Len Smith
		H4 Mary Malay	CH4		Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Youth Mass	H1 Sue Boone	CH1	Adriana DiFlorio	Tom Kenah
		H2 Priest	CH2	Francesca DiFlorio	Ray Moade
		H3 Deacon	CH3		John Kissane
		H4 Catherine Boule	CH4		Ken Kirkman
					Jason Brault
Sunday, 11:30AM	Randy Wolken	H1 Rita Bergamo	CH1	Jonathan Gunn	Donald Brown
		H2 Priest	CH2	Tanner Gunn	Peter Bergamo
		H3 Deacon	CH3		David Rapp
		H4 Cora Chirco	CH4		Wayne Queor

SACRAMENTS

Baptism ~ Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements
 Classes required for 1st child’s Baptism
 †To request either the **Anointing of the Sick** or **Communion to the Sick** please call the Parish Office.†

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

Penance ~ Saturday, 3:00PM

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 Website: holycrossdewitt.org ■ 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. Hospitals no longer notify us of a patient’s admittance. Also, please notify us with change of: address, phone number or email.
 ■ Bulletin items need to be in the parish office no later than Monday at 9am for the upcoming weekend. (holiday deadline will change)
 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. John J. Kurgan, Pastor, ext. 15
 Rev. Charles S. Vavonese, Weekend Homilist
 Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 16
 Deacon Nathan Gunn, ext. 16
 Rosemary Avila, Young Adult Ministry ext. 20
 Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38
 Kathy Darcy, Maintenance
 Tammy Gunn, Youth Ministry, ext. 19
 Patty Kirwan, Administrative Assistant ext. 10
 Dan Littlepage, Director of Technology, ext. 33
 Leigh C. Marquis, Director of Finance & Human Resources, ext. 24
 Maureen McManus, Sacristan
 Stephen Nepil, Dir. Faith Formation 7-12 & Confirmation ext. 18
 Peg Olson, Office Manager & Administrative Assistant, ext. 22
 Beth Schafer, Director of Faith in Action Ministry, ext. 13
 Carla Semmel, Faith Formation Assistant, ext. 32
 Julie Sheridan, Dir. Faith Formation 1-6 & Evangelization, ext. 12
 Matt Stano, Maintenance
 Cathy Young, Maintenance