



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.

#### **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



Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> - The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 AM Jean R. Peterson/ Don & Ann LaCasse 9:00 AM Judy Coates/ Aunt Betty & Uncle Bill

11:30 AM Kathleen Antonini/ Mary Bowen

Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM People of Holy Cross

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

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM James Newton / Wife

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

Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM George Kinder/ David Pida

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

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM Anne Gensler/ Husband

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

Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM Jean M. Lovas/ Patrick & Dolores Vassallo

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

Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

3:15-3:45 PM Penance—Church

4:00 PM Dan Calkins/ Rose Tout

Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 PM Michael David Ball/ DeMari Family

9:00 AM Frank Borer/ Dan & Martha O'Leary

11:30 AM Henry Tutor/ Engle Family

#### YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Your goodness is exceptional.

Collection of December 27<sup>th</sup>: \$20,821.00 Collection of Solemnity of Mary: \$ 2,305.00 Collection of January 3<sup>rd</sup>: \$19,740.00

Credit card and electronic donations are now possible through the Holy Cross website:

www.holycrossdewitt.org/give

Also, don't forget to use our 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.

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: O Cleansing Stream

-Douglas Wagner

(Choir at 11:30)

Pro. Hymn: 112 - WHEN JESUS COMES TO BE

**BAPTIZED** 

WINCHESTER NEW

Sung Mass Parts:

Mass of the Resurrection -Randall DeBruyn

855, 856, 859, 861, 863, 864 (Hymnal)

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 59 ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 60 (O bless the Lord, my soul.) Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 61 (John said: One mightier...)

Off. Hymn: 654 - BAPTIZED IN WATER

BUNESSAN

Com. Hymn: 89 - OF THE FATHER'S LOVE

**BEGOTTEN** DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

Shall We Gather At The River? -arr, John Ness Beck Rec. Hymn: 78 - JOY TO THE WORLD ANTIOCH Postlude: Minuet (from Fireworks Music) - Georg F. Handel

CANTORS: 4:00 - Tom Griffith

9:00 - Roger Schafer

11:30 - CHOIR - Roger Schafer

Today we observe *The Baptism of the Lord*, which Jesus allowed as an adult from John The Baptist in the Jordan River. He did this to be an example and a model of what all His followers (Christians) down through the ages must do to enter the Kingdom of His Father. Baptism cleanses the soul from the "sin of Adam", called "original sin".

Now you may ask, "Why do we sing the hymn Joy To The World today? Was not the Christmas season ended last week with The Epiphany of The Lord? The answer is "NO". The Christmas season officially ends this Sunday, The Baptism of The Lord. Father Lou clearly explained this in his opening remarks. Read the complete text of Joy To The World and you will observe that it is a hymn of praise, suitable not only at Christmas, but throughout the year! It sings "Joy to the world, the Lord IS come!" He is here now and for all time, has saved us, is The King of kings, and is always with us. It is a fitting hymn for the end of the Christmas season as we embark on the Carnival, post Epiphany time before Lent. Although the decorations may be removed in most places, we may still sing it loudly, and with joy!

Ernest Camerota

#### Welcome Deacon Ken Kirkman

Ken is our homilist this weekend. He is finishing his studies at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore and will be ordained a priest on June 4, 2016.

We are most pleased and proud that Ken is with us today.

# 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

### **FAITH FORMATION -CHRISTMAS WISH LIST**

Santa was good to our Children and youth this year.

Sincere thanks to Kelly Green and Erin Malay for **Directing our Children's Pageant**. Kaitlin Doby was also a big help. The "word" is that Hollywood is looking to hire you.

Special thanks to Katie Deehan who volunteered **to teach 5<sup>th</sup> grade** for the next 3 months. J.D. Tessier came to the rescue once again. J.D. will teach another 5<sup>th</sup> grade class in January. Yes, you can "winter" in Florida and still be a Faith Formation Catechist.

**Our Sunday School** children will enjoy having Maura Stone teach them. Thanks, Maura, for answering our "call". Blessings to all our new volunteers!

# Youth Ministry

Facebook.com/HolyCrossFHC Brigid Clary, Youth Minister

In July 2016, a group of students from Holy Cross will be journeying to Poland for two weeks. While there we will be serving in an orphanage alongside Polish teenagers. We will have the opportunity to live out the corporal works of Mercy in new and very real ways during this week. Then we will be traveling to Krakow for the celebration of World Youth Day with Pope Francis. There we will learn about and experience the joys of Mercy during this Jubilee Year.

We are asking for support from the Holy Cross parish. We are looking to raise \$25,000, so that every student who wants to attend will be able to. If you would like to donate, please make checks out to Holy Cross and send them to Brigid here at Holy Cross with "youth - WYD" as the memo.

As always, we are grateful for your prayers & support. Thank you!



#### **Holy Cross School Annual Dinner Auction**

Did you receive a gift over the holiday that you might be returning? Please consider donating it to the auction and help us raise funds for our school. No one likes standing in those holiday return lines and your help will continue to make our school the best it can be! Proceeds from this year's event are being raised for a new multi media and technology center for our library, something all students will benefit from. If you have any questions, please contact one of our Solicitation Chairs by email or phone, Kristen Pickard at Kristenlpickard@yahoo.com, or 420-1036 or Michael Damon at mdamon23@yahoo.com or 430-9224.

# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

# Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>

10:15 AM Confirmation Session - Yeazel Hall

# Tuesday, January 12th

10:30 AM Menorah Park Liturgy - menorah Park

1:00 PM Monthly Movie - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Recovery - room 9

#### Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

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 - church

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

### Thursday, January 14th

8:00 AM Elementary School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

7:00 El Salvador Meeting - Yeazel Hall

#### Friday, January 15th

8:00 AM Elementary School Faith Formation—Yeazel Hall

#### Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Goal Workshop - Yeazel Hall

3:15-3:45 PM Penance - Church

#### Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM Third Option - Yeazel Hall

#### **Monthly Movie - Radio City Rockettes**

This month's feature will be on Tuesday,
January 12 at 1PM in Yeazel Hall. We
will have popcorn and refreshments. Santa
Flies to New York. Jump right into Santa's
sleigh as it zooms over the frozen North,
pass international borders, and right to the
doors of Radio City Music Hall.





Martha Almanzi, Jeffrey Baker, Dr. Ann Bishop, Catherine Bona, Barbara Boyle, Susan Boyle, Mary Cargin, Joan Doyle, Helen Eck, Bill Fitzpatrick, John Fix, Vince Genecco, Katie Glisson, Amanda Goodhines, Theresa Graviano, Mary Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, BC Heitzman, Vann Johnston, Sr., William H.

Kearney, Jr., Bill Keohane, Henry Keller, Paul Kolodziejczyk, Al Koszalka, Mary Lambert, Patricia MacKillop, Angie Marziale, Linda Markley, James McGinnis, Eleanor Moloney, James Montague, Faith Muller, Mary Ellen Myres, Patricia Perry, Anthony J. Pirano, Fred Josiah Poe, Kimberly Poe, Mark Queor, Flora Rockburn, Martha Rossi, Georgia Sanderson, Edward (Ned) Schepp, Rosalie Scipione, Laura Smith, Rita Smookler, Neal Sorkin, Maureen Tessier, Frank Vavonese, Carol Watkins, Renata Wolszczak

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

#### Moving?

If your future plans include a change of address; would you please contact the Parish Office. You may call 446-0473 or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org with your new address. Thank you!

#### SINCEREST GRATITUDE

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

**Decorations**: Led by our great Maintenance Staff and Julie Sheridan and Cindy Nicoletti **The Altar Rosary Society**: Catherine Muller, Jo Oliva, and their committee.

Westcott Florist: Thanks to Dino Centra and staff for all our beautiful flowers.

*Our Sacristan*: Maureen McManus, who is "always there for us" (and her helper Tiffany Koszalka).

*Our Ushers*: Led by Ed Coolican ~ all so very committed.

*Our Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors*: Led by John McGowan, 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 & Connie Chase and all our dedicated members.

*Our Maintenance Engineers*: Headed by Cathy Young and helped by Matt Stano, Kathy Darcy & Jamie Johnson. *Food Donation Committee*: Involving so many led by Maureen

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*Our Giving Tree*: Led by Carla Semmel, Barbara Canale and so many others.

*The Children's Christmas Eve Pageant*: A special thanks to Kelly Green, Erin Malay and Kathy Fitzgibbons

Pageant Directors: Pageant Assistants: Jodi Ridzi, Kate Gross, Kaitlin Doby & Emily Gorczynski

**Lector** ~ Tony Ortega **AV**: Tiffany Koszalka

*Lessons & Carols* led by Ken Kirkman, Ernie Camerota including our wonderful choirs, instrumentalists and soloists.

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

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

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!

> Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel Deacon Dare Dutter Sister Rose Bill Seminarians Ken Kirkman & Matt Lyons

#### **Giving Tree Thank You**

Dear Parishioners of Holy Cross,

The Jamesville Elementary community is once again indebted to you for your overwhelming generosity this year. We have 16 very needy families that you helped to have a very Merry Christmas.

Thank you for all your support of our Christmas project.

God bless you,

Sue Kimber



CHRISTMAS

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

We begin the hour on Wednesdays with adoration & will conclude with **Evening Prayer** from the Divine Office at 7:45pm followed by Solemn Benediction at 8:00pm.

# PARISH MISSION: February 13 – 17, 2016 with Fr. Richard (Dick) Gielow, C.M,

#### Save the dates!

We will welcome Fr. Dick's return to Holy Cross and pray that all will participate in what is sure to be inspirational Parish Mission. If you are familiar with Fr. Dick, you will appreciate his recent reflection below. If you've not had the pleasure of experiencing Fr. Dick's Parish Mission, we pray you enjoy this small sampling of his spiritual nature and insight. We pray also that you will make attending this year's Parish Mission a priority for you and your family. \*Babysitting will be provided

#### Fr. Dick's Spiritual Reflection: 12/21/2015

"It IS that time again. May the choicest of God's blessings come to you and your family at this Christmas. So much to reflect upon and so much to be grateful for...A former head coach of the Chicago Bears used to tell Bob and me that there were three F'S in his life... FAITH, FAMILY AND FOOTBALL, in that order.

I was thinking about that for today. Faith, Family and Friends, (replacing football). That surely makes Christmas special. A priest friend of mine has been emailing me during this time with the same title to his emails..... SHARING. And you know that this brings us the greatest joy.

My thanks to you for all the sharing you do. This past week I decided to visit another person in the nursing home. She is battling Dementia and cannot remember too much.

This is really tough on her daughter and her family. I enjoy visiting her and she tells everyone that I am her sweetheart. I decided to share some Christmas cookies with her that I received. She loves sweets. You would have thought I gave her a diamond necklace or bracelet.

She was so thankful and so happy. She lit up the room with her smile. I tell you this because I know you do things like this all the time and probably don't know how important that sharing is. When we give to others as Jesus taught us, He fills us with a joy and happiness the world cannot give.

And this is the real spirit of Christmas. It is a time of giving, a time of sharing, a time of Peace, Joy and Happiness, a time of faith and trust not fear. May all of these fill your heart and may you experience God's kindness and generosity today and throughout the new year. My special greeting to you is in the words of Robert Schuller, 'God loves you and so do I'."



# **Vocation Crucifix**

Each week a different family will take home the crucifix as a reminder to pray for Vocations. See Sister Rose (446-0473) if you are willing to take home the crucifix.

# **Faith in Action**

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

# Pope Francis has declared the year 2016: Holy Year of Mercy

Holy Cross Parish is starting the year with a few opportunities to serve others.

#### The Corporal Works of Mercy:

Clothe the naked, feed the hungry & shelter the homeless

# Used Coats & Boots for Refugees: January 3rd through 16th

During the first weeks of 2016, the Holy Cross Refugee Assistance Committee is collecting <u>clean</u>, <u>used coats</u> for children and adults. In addition, Holy Cross School is collecting <u>used</u>, <u>clean boots</u> for children to be donated to the Refugee Apostolate. Please leave your coat or boot donation in the closets downstairs next to the elevator.

### Men's Shelter Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, January 17th, 6am

It takes under 2 hours, but your presence there is a message of care and concern for the men served by Catholic Charities Emergency Shelter. To sign up for the breakfast, or to provide donations of coffee, juice, fruit or pancake syrup, contact Beth: 416-4576/beth@holycrossdewitt.org

# Visit to the Center for New Americans: Saturday, January 16th

You are invited to carpool with a group of parishioners to the Northside CYO building at 527 N. Salina St. We will spend the morning learning about the place upon which refugees, newly arrived in Syracuse, depend. We will work in the clothing closet and meet refugees learning English, applying for jobs, and visiting with friends. Contact Beth to sign up: 315-416-4576/ beth@holycrossdewitt.org

# An opportunity to help Dorothy Day Women's Shelter:

Holy Cross volunteers bring a hot meal to this Catholic Charities Emergency Shelter once a month on the third weekend. Thank you to Connie Chase, who will provide a meal for 24 persons on January 16th. Our volunteers also partner with Emmaus Ministry at St. James in order to create toiletry gift bags for the shelter's families of homeless women & children. If you are interested in signing up for a one-time opportunity to help, call Beth to sign up!

### Seeking Babysitters on Wednesdays AM

Seeking 2 babysitters to watch a group of about 10 toddlers during Moms' group on Wednesday morning from 10:30-11:30. Moms will be at a bible study just down the hall. Anyone interested in helping should contact Maggie at <a href="maggie@holycrossdewitt.org"><u>maggie@holycrossdewitt.org</u></a>

# This is our open invitation to the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holy Cross Church Goal Planning Workshop.

Most people will dedicate more time to change their car's oil than change the direction of their lives by writing down personal goals.

If that point resonates with you, then venture giving 40 minutes to yourself on Saturday morning, January 16th. It is that simple. The time is 9:00 am in Yeazel Hall (downstairs in our Church) on Saturday 01/16/16. Your commitment is only about 40 minutes to write down your aspirations, desires and hankerings for 2016. In the end for your effort, your 2016 plan will result.

All the specific, time-tested tools will be provided. Bring your own pen and coffee. Bring a friend. It is all confidential and anonymous. Please email <a href="mailto:bsovik@twcny.rr.com">bsovik@twcny.rr.com</a> to register by 01/12/16 for a headcount.

A person without goals is like a ship without a rudder. -E. Nightingale

You are never too old [or young] to set another goal or to dream a new dream. - C. S. Lewis

### **Lighthouse Catholic Ministries Kiosk**

Be sure to check it out in the Gathering Area. (Suggested donations for materials are listed on the kiosk. NOTE: All books are \$4 ea.).

CD Highlighted: "The Holy Eucharist" by Fr. William Casey Comment: "As a returning Catholic after 34 years, this CD was extremely helpful in showing the TRUE Presence of CHRIST at the Mass. I (as a Protestant) have misunderstood the true biblical meaning of the Eucharist. All of it changed my life. To GOD be the glory. Thank you so much for making this available." ~Vincent - La Mesa, CA

#### **More Announcements**

#### **Christ the King Retreat Center Events 446-2680**

- **CTK Conversation Series** January 8 Syracuse Chief of Police Frank Fowler will speak on "Crime is Never Easy" 7pm
- **Dinner & Divine Comedy** with Dan Reynolds on Feb. 14 Treat your Valentine to a delicious dinner and laugh long with this memorable comedy presentation.

World Marriage Day Celebration ~ February 7, 2016 - 2:30pm at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The Most Reverend Robert J. Cunningham will celebrate the Mass and Witness the renewal of marriage vows of all couples in attendance. He will specially honor those couples celebrating 25th & 50th anniversaries, & those celebrating beyond their 50th year. Call Peg at the parish office to register.

# The Franciscan Place Chapel & Gift Shoppe in Destiny Mall 471-9511

- Mass is celebrated Mon., Tues. & Wed at 12:15 & Tues. & Fri. at 4:15pm
- Reconciliation times are Mon-Fri from 2-4
- Gift Shoppe supports our ministry at Destiny USA

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF January 16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup>					
MASS	<u>LECTORS</u>	EUCH. MIN.	EUCH, MIN.	ALTAR SERVERS	<u>USHERS - B</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Lisa Nardone	H1 Martha O'Leary	CH1	Meghan Culligan	Randy Elder
		H2 Ben Vahey	CH2	Gracie Culligan	Don Lacombe
		H3 Susan Klenk	СН3		Dennis Cole
		H4 Mary Ann Montforte	CH4		Bill McDevitt
		H5 John Passonno			
Sunday, 7:30 AM	John McGowan		CH1	Chris Parker	Ed Coolican
		H2 Claire McGowan	CH2	Lauren Parker	Tony Ebersole
		H3 Theresa Beaty	СН3		Len Smith
		H4 Kathleen Bullion	CH4		Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Christina Hatem	H1 Nancy Thompson	CH1	Connor Gleasman	Tom Kenah
		H2 J.D. Tessier	CH2	Oliver Gleasman	John Kissane
		H3 Catherine Muller	СН3		Ed Purcell
		H4 Brigid Ristau	CH4		Ray Moade
		H5 Ann Marie Lankes			
Sunday, 11:30AM	Karen Kirkman	H1 Ed Judge	CH1	Carlos Nojam	Donald Brown
		H2 David Pajak	CH2	Kaitlin Hougland	Neil Bourcy
		H3 Ellyn Lubel	СН3		Peg Foraker
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#### **SACRAMENTS**

CH4

<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

asses required for 1st Baptism

H4 Linda Mulvey
H5 Sue Judge

†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.

■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

Rev. Msgr. Richard M. Kopp, Vicar for Priests, Weekend Homilist

Deacon Dare Dutter

Sister Rose Bill, MFIC, Pastoral Associate, ext. 13

Seminarian Ken Kirkman

Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38

Maggie Byrne, Director of Young Adult Ministry

Brigid Clary, Youth Minister, ext. 20

Kathy Darcy, Housekeeper

Katharine Fitzgibbons, Director Religious Ed. Pre-K – 6, ext. 12

Sheila R. Guinto, Receptionist, ext. 10

Nathan Gunn, Mentor for Scripture/Leadership, ext. 36

Tammy Gunn, Director Religious Ed. 7 – 12, ext. 19

Dan Littlepage, Director of Technology, ext. 36

Leigh C. Marquis, Director of Finance & Human Resources, ext. 24

Maureen McManus, Sacristan

Peg Olson, Office Manager & Administrative Assistant, ext. 22

Beth Schafer, Director of Faith in Action Ministry, ext. 34

Julie Sheridan, Director of Evangelization, ext. 18

Matt Stano, Maintenance

Cathy Young, Coordinator of Maintenance