



HOLY CROSS

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY celebration!



Saturday
September
17th

Saturday Sept 17

Mass at 4pm

- Blessing of Catechists & Teachers
- Blessing of "Backpacks"
- History & memorabilia
- Tours of the church

Golf cart shuttles will be available to those that may need assistance

Following Mass

- Cookout
- Photobooth
- Games for All
- Facepainting
- Info Table & more...

We hope you can join us following Mass on Saturday. If you weren't able to join us, know that you were missed.



Sunday, Sept. 18th – The 25rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Irene Kelly/ Children
 9:00 AM Ted Barrett/ CBA Modified Football
 11:30 AM Ted & Fran Lewandowski/ Family
Monday, September 19th
 7:45 AM The People of Holy Cross
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, September 20th
 7:45 AM Emmet DeLay/ Anne & Don LaCasse
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, September 21st
 7:45 AM Collins & Morrisroe Families/ Collins Family
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, September 22nd
 7:45 AM Genevieve & Frank Vavonese/
 Ray & Carol Blake
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, September 23rd
 7:45 AM George Myatt/ Bobby & Mary Beth Renaud &
 Josh & Angela
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 24th
 3:15-3:45 PM Penance - Church
 4:00 PM Dorothy Pericola/ Marge & Stan Blanchfield

Sun., Sept. 25th –Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM Bernie Kelly/ Wife Irene
 9:00 AM Dorothy Rice/ Jim Wise & Gianna Robinson
 11:30 AM Rocky & Deana D'Eugenio/
 The Lewandowski Family

Welcome Back

We are delighted that our Choir is with us today for the 10th Anniversary Mass of our Holy Cross Church Building.

You are a blessing beyond words & your generous sharing of your musical gifts help us to draw close to the Lord & moves our hearts to yet deeper Devotion each time we experience your goodness.

Msgr. Yeazel

**25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 MUSICAL NOTES**

Prelude: *Adagio (Organ Sonata #1 in A)*
 -Johann G. Naumann
Pro. Hymn: 720 - LIFT HIGH THE CROSS CRUCIFER
 Sung Mass Parts:
Mass of The Resurrection -Randall DeBruyn
855, 856, 859, 862, 863, 864 (Hymnal)
 Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 216 ff.
 Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 216 (Praise the Lord who lifts...)
 Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 217 (Though our Lord Jesus...)
Off. Hymn: 439 - ONLY A SHADOW
Com. Hymn: 334 - LET US BREAK BREAD
TOGETHER LET US BREAJ BREAD
Rec. Hymn: 625 - WE ARE CALLED
 Postlude: *Jerusalem* -C. Hubert H. Parry

CANTORS: 4:00 - CHOIR - Ryan Boyle
 9:00 - Abby Witmer
 11:30 - Abby Witmer

Last weekend was rather somber in remembrance of the 9/11 terrorist attack. It was tempered, however, by the call to be merciful as God is merciful with us. This weekend, by contrast, is a truly joyful one for our parish...the 10th anniversary of the building of our new church building, a project that took much generosity on the part of the parishioners and entailed hard work, sweat, tears, and joyful enterprise by many people. So, our Processional Hymn at all the Masses is *Lift High The Cross*. Our celebration 10 years ago was on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14. The 4:00 Mass is our special celebratory Mass and picnic and we will be using the Liturgy of that Feast.

This weekend the Holy Cross Choir returns from their summer break. They are singing at the 10th Anniversary Mass at 4:00, so they will not be at their usual 11:30 Mass. We have much for which to be thankful. Many people work hard in the various ministries and I, for one, thank God for the musicians who participate weekly for our Liturgies. The Choir, Cantors, Soloists and Instrumentalists provide an outstanding contribution to our services, giving Holy Cross a first-rate Music Ministry. We have 4 new members in the Choir this year and I thank them for responding to my request to ever increase our membership. We pray for another wonderful year leading our congregation in music and providing uplifting musical offerings. Thank you all!
 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 September 11 : \$20,686.86

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

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

FAITH FORMATION

Kathy Fitzgibbons, DRE
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Coordinator for PreK - 6
Kathy@holycrossdewitt.org

Tammy Gunn
446-0473 x 19
Coordinator for grades 7-12
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All Faith Formation classes will begin the first week in October. Registration letters have been mailed. If you are new to our Parish, please email Kathy or Tammy to register your child.

It is absolutely necessary that you pre-register your children for Faith Formation classes. We appreciate your early registration which helps us plan for catechist and student material needs. If you have misplaced your forms you may download them from our Parish website, holycrossdewitt.org.

2016-17 Sunday School

Children ages 3 - 5, can attend a fun, engaging and faith-forming hour during the 9am Sunday Mass! Program begins **Sunday, October 2nd** and continues throughout the school year.

Sunday school is also always looking for volunteers to teach, co-teach or substitute for a class. For more information or to register, visit holycrossdewitt.org or email mstone524@twcny.rr.com.

Childcare will begin October 2nd.



Youth Ministry

[instagram.com/holycrossdewitt](https://www.instagram.com/holycrossdewitt)
Brigid Clary, Youth Minister

El Salvador Meeting

We are looking forward to another fantastic week in El Salvador in February!

Applications for the 2017 trip are available on this website: Visitbajolempa.com We are holding an interest meeting for the trip **September 18th** at 3pm in Yeazel Hall. Anyone hoping to go on the trip should attend this meeting!

Diocesan Safe Environment Adult Training ~ Protecting God's Children:

The following sessions are being offered at Holy Cross - location is noted. No charge.

Re-certification (1 ½ hours)

- Wednesday, September 21, 11:00 – 12:15pm (Yeazel Hall)
- Thursday, September 22, 6:00 – 7:30pm (Yeazel Hall)

*All clergy, religious, parish and diocesan employees, & volunteers must attend one Initial Training session & then a Re-certification session once every 5 years. Youth age 16 - 17 may attend with parental permission. (PDF permission form available online.)

To complete the screening, participants must pass a criminal background check.

Contact the Safe Environment Office at 470-1421 with questions regarding initial Safe Environment PGC training or re-certification. More information may also be found online, see the Diocesan website at: SyracuseDiocese.org, /safe-environment

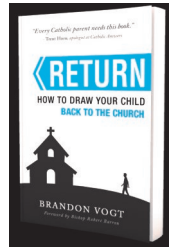
Next Sunday, Bishop Cunningham will be with us at 2:00pm to bring the Holy Spirit to our Confirmation Candidates.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH Invites ALL to *RETURN...* (by Brandon Vogt)

*Video Series Presentation and Discussion

Sundays – October 2, 9, 16, 30, November 6, 13, 20 in Yeazel Hall – Rooms 12 & 13 10:00am – 11:15am

For who you ask? ...For anyone and everyone who knows someone who has left, drifted away, or fallen away from the Catholic Church for whatever reason—perhaps your children, grandchildren, neighbor, close friend, a sibling, a spouse, a parent, etc. Chances are we all know someone who is separated from God, from the church.



"I have worked alongside Brandon Vogt for some time now in the fields of the Lord's work. He is a pioneering missionary disciple, whose sense of joy for the Gospel is contagious and reassuring. *RETURN* will serve as a true game changer for despairing parents everywhere. Every parent or grandparent with a fallen-away child needs *RETURN*."

Bishop Robert Barron

Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles

"Exploring God's Word"

We will be starting up again this fall, **Oct. 4 at 10AM** in room 9, every Tuesday morning. We will be studying the "Acts of the Apostle's" through the "Ignatius Catholic Study Bible", with commentary, by Bible teacher Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch, as well as interpretation from the Church Fathers. This study is filled with inspiring heroes, moving speeches & daring adventures.

Join us for a ten week study of the work of God in Salvation History. All are welcomed. Facilitator - Joan Snyder.

Sharing Christ - ChristLife Series, Part III

Tuesday evenings – Oct. 18, 5:30 – 8:00pm;

Retreat—Saturday, Oct. 22, 9:00am – 3:30pm

If you are still interested in registering please call Julie at the office 446-0473.

Discovering Christ – ChristLife Series, Part I will begin again November 1st. Registration is now open and more details coming soon!

RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The process is for:

- Those never baptized who would like to become Catholic.
- Those baptized in another Christian Church who would like to become Catholic or
- Those already baptized as a Catholic but who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation.
- Those who are already Catholic and interested in knowing more about our Catholic Faith are welcome.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic invite them to contact Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel or Fr. Charles Vavonese at 446-0473. Sessions will begin at Holy Cross Church in the fall.

From the Pastor

Dear Friends,

Congratulations and blessings to you all for ten very blessed and exciting years of experiencing Community in the Holy Cross Church Building that you gave as a gift to the Lord in 2006.

It was because of your sacrifices, your love for the Lord, and your desire to build a very vibrant Faith Community that we are able today to rejoice in all the God given blessings that you have graciously shared to “make the dream become the reality”.

Beginning back in 2003, you worked diligently to dream of what our new building would be like. You met, discussed, prayed and sacrificed to create the building we now have.

You give to future generations a building that now houses over 45 different Apostolates, a building that invites nearly 1,000 public school students to receive religious education each week; that invites our Holy Cross School students for monthly Mass; that creates a sacred setting for grieving our losses, celebrating our Marriages, Confirmations and Baptisms, sitting with Our Lord, and a building that stands as a sign to the DeWitt Community of the Faith we treasure.

God has so blessed us on this 10th Anniversary, may we give Him the glory ~ it is His House and is a sign of His desire to dwell with us.

May the Lord bless your sacrifices, your dreams, your faith and may you draw closer each day to the Lord Who, because of you, dwells among us in this magnificent building.

Msgr. Yeazel

THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, September 18th

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

2:00 PM Permanent Diaconate Information Seminar-rm 12 & 13

3:00 PM El Salvador Meeting - Yeazel Hall

Monday, September 19th

7:00 PM AIM—Youth Room

Tuesday, September 20th

8:15 AM Third Tuesday Sandwiches - Yeazel Hall

9:00 AM Elementary Catechists “Drop-In” - Yeazel Hall

12:00 AM Coffee & Conversation - Yeazel Hall

5:30 PM Sharing Christ - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Recovery - room 9

Wednesday, September 21st

10:30 AM Mom’s Group - room 5

11:00 AM Virtus Recertification - rooms 12 & 13

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

7:00 PM NA & DeWitt Nar-Anon Mtgs.—rms.10,12, & 13

Thursday, September 22nd

6:00 PM Virtus Recertification - rooms 12 & 13

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

7:30 PM Confirmation Rehearsal - Yeazel Hall & Church

Saturday, September 24th

3:15-3:45 PM Penance - Church

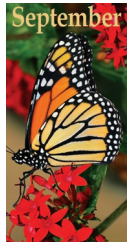
5:00 PM Confirmation Rehearsal - Yeazel Hall & Church

Sunday, September 25th

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

Coffee and Conversation

All Men & Women are invited to join us for Coffee and Conversation at **12:00pm** on **Tuesday, September 20th** in Yeazel Hall. If you haven’t joined us before come this month for some socialization and lunch. Remember to bring your bagged lunch. We will provide the beverages.



Mark your calendar with these upcoming events:

- Sept. 27 - Monthly Movie - 1:00pm
- Sept. 28 - HC Ladies Luncheon

Prayers Are Requested For.....

Our Sick:

Martha Almanzi, Beverly Bilbo, Dr. Ann Bishop, Henry Brault, Mary Cargin, Regina Cardulis, Rosemary Coolican, Helen Eck, Ricco Gauf, Katie Glisson, Yvonne Grocott, Patricia Highducheck, Elaine Hill, Monica Hoey, Eddie Johnson, Penny Locke, Mary Mayle, Mitzi McDermott, John F. Moltion, Faith Muller, Stephen Oliva, Deanna Peters, Marge Pointek, Patricia Pointek, Mona Rawles, Ronald Remick, Martha Rossi, Finn S. Schafran, Rosalie Scipione, Stephen Smith, Rita Smookler, Dr. Jorge Toretti, Shelly Tortora, Joseph Wilczynski - husband of Carol Dwyer



Our Military:

Please pray for David Derose and Chisala Ngandwe who are in the military and have been recently deployed.

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

**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.

E-Mail Request

In order to communicate even more efficiently & quickly, it would be a great help to have e-mail addresses. Please consider filling out this form returning it to the Parish Office via the Sunday collection or mail.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY! THANK YOU!

Name _____

Address _____

E-Mail _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Faith in Action

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

Year of Mercy 2016

Joseph's Hse Baby Bottle Drive: all bottles due this weekend!

Baby Bottle containers that are filled with coins, bills or checks are to be returned by this weekend, Sept. 17 & 18th. All proceeds will benefit Joseph's House, a loving home for women who are homeless & pregnant. Find them online at <http://jhfw.org>
Thank you for participating in our effort to support Joseph's House!

Third Tuesday Sandwiches: September 20th, 8:15am

Join a small crew of caring people who prepare peanut butter & jelly sandwiches for the men's homeless shelter. It only takes a half hour to let our city's homeless population know that we care.

Meals for Homeless women & children:

Once a month a family or member of our parish brings a hot meal to Catholic Charities local emergency shelter for women & children. To prepare a meal in your home and drop it off at the shelter on the third week in the month, contact Beth: 416-4576

Refugee Assistance Committee: October Coat Drive

Gently used winter coats, particularly children's clothes, are in demand. Please consider donating clean, gently used & outgrown winter coats & blankets to the Refugee closet. Clothing donations can be placed in the downstairs closet by the elevator.

Creation Celebration at Alverna Heights: October 2nd, 1-5pm
 Spend an afternoon with family & friends celebrating God's Creation at Alverna Heights. The Sisters of St Francis have a beautiful location at the top of the hill next to Green Lakes State Park. They welcome all to join them in a celebration of nature. They will have food & activities for all ages!

Let's help to make this event a success: we are looking for parish volunteers to help with direct people & traffic, to handing out food, or other offer support in other ways. Volunteers from our parish can express their love of creation & support the Sisters of St Francis. To volunteer for a shift or for all afternoon, contact Beth.

Register to Vote!

Our bishops remind us, "...participation in political life is a moral obligation." To assist our parishioners in exercising their moral obligation to participate in political life, Holy Cross Church is conducting a non-partisan voter registration drive after all Masses on the weekend of Sept. 24 & 25th. We urge you to register & vote in the upcoming election. If you are not registered, or if you moved recently, please take time to register. Individuals must be registered to vote by October 14th in order to vote in the election on November 8, 2016. Register online at <http://dmv.ny.gov>.

9/11 Lighthouse Catholic Ministries Kiosk

Be sure to check it out in the Gathering Area

As we prepare for our fall order, we would like to request your comments and feedback in order to best serve you. If there are titles you would like to see replenished, or new titles, please let us know. You can leave a note at the kiosk, where we have placed a clipboard for you to write notes, or please email us at LighthouseKiosk@gmail.com, or communicate to us via the Holy Cross Church office. There are many more CDs, books, booklets, and some pamphlets available. The website is www.LighthouseCatholicMedia.org and titles can be forwarded to us for ordering consideration. We order three or four times each year, as needed, and are happy to hear your comments. Thank you for your support and we look forward to offering you the best possible service.

Thank you, *the Kiosk Committee*

Formation for Ministry

Preparing Lay Ministers for Service in the Diocese
 2016-17 Course Offerings are: Session I - Church History, Session II - Catholicism, Session III - Sacraments, Session IV - Pastoral Care, Session V - Spirituality of Leadership, Evangelization. Courses may be taken as Personal Enrichment. All interested in more information about the program contact Fr. Vavonese at cva-vonese@syrдио.org or 470-1491.

What is a Pastoral Care Area?

A Pastoral Care Area (PCA) is a group of parishes reflecting geographic relationships within the diocese. All parishes belong to a PCA. A PCA includes various combinations of parishes: single parishes, linked parishes, merged and clustered parishes. They may also include other ministries of the diocese within their geographic area e.g., campus ministries, hospitals, and nursing homes. Parishes in a PCA work together collaboratively to achieve the highest quality of pastoral programs, mutual clergy/staff support and shares resources to move forward the mission of the Church.

PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION PROGRAM INFORMATION SEMINAR

Sunday **September 18** - 2:00pm to 4:30pm in Yeazel Hall
 A Permanent Deacon is ordained as a Sacramental Sign of the Church, as servant in active love and justice in society, in heralding the Word of God and in celebrating the Sacraments. If you have any interest in learning more about the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Syracuse this Information Seminar will assist you in your discernment.

Catholic Moral Teaching on End-of-Life Issues

A Resource – Presentation by Rev. Charles Vavonese
Sun., Oct. 23rd, 10:15 – 11:15am, Yeazel Hall
 Join us – improve your Catholic understanding of the moral issues involved with end-of-life decisions.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF September 24th & 25th

<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	Luana Impellizzeri	H1 Betty Galletta	CH1 Mary Ann Montforte	Meghan Culligan	Ray Blake
		H2 Kay Sgarlatta	CH2 Lola Gualtieri	Grace Culligan	David Jureller
		H3 Martha O’Leary	CH3 Deacon Dutter		Bill McDevitt
		H4 John Passonno	CH4 Susan Klenk		Claude Pilon
		H5 Mary Relihan			
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Theresa Beaty		CH1 Charlene Hughes		Ed Coolican
		H2 Theresa Koulouirs	CH2 Al Highducheck		Tony Ebersole
		H3 Karl Schindler	CH3 Kathleen Bullion		Len Smith
		H4 Maureen McManus	CH4 Mary Malay		Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Vince Sportelli	H1 Margaret Ingraham	CH1 Judith Hughes	Rachel Duggan	Tom Kenah
		H2 Christina Hatem	CH2 Kelly Griffith	Aiden Duggan	John Kissane
		H3 Kathy Sportelli	CH3 Kristen Hodge	Connor Gleasman	Ed Purcell
		H4 Michaline Gleasman	CH4 Mary Lee Muench	Oliver Gleasman	Ray Moade
		H5 Michele Kretsch			
Sunday, 11:30AM	Theresa Fuller	H1 Linda Mulvey	CH1 David Pajak	Carlos Nojaim	Donald Brown
		H2 Sue Judge	CH2 Joan Snyder		Peter Bergamo
		H3 Karen Kirkman	CH3 Emily Hauser		Wayne Queror
		H4 Ellyn Lubel	CH4 Spencer Southerland		David Rapp
		H5 Tony Schiano			

SACRAMENTS

Baptism ~ Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

Classes required for 1st 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, 3:15PM

HOLY CROSS PARISH

4112 E. Genesee St., DeWitt, NY 13214

Church Office – Phone: 315 446-0473, FAX: 315 446-7608

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, 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. (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.

■ 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, ext. 16

Deacon Nathan Gunn, ext. 36

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

Seminarian Rev. Mr. Matt Lyons

Rosemary Avila, Young Adult Ministry

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

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

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

Dan Littlepage, Director of Technology, ext. 33

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