





Sunday, Feb. 26th - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Bud Larkin/ Lisa Larkin

9:00 AM Louis Aiello/ Janice Stauffer Vassar

11:30 AM Anthony Christopher/ Steve & Nancy Yarnell

Monday, February 27th

7:45 AM People of Holy Cross

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

Tuesday, February 28th

7:45 AM W. Donald Hanlon/ Bette Marten

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

Wednesday, March 1st - Ash Wednesday

7:45 AM Herb Silvestri/ Dan & Nancy Gaworecki

10:30AM Eileen K. Marina/ The Ridzi Family

12:00 PM Distribution of Ashes only

5:00 PM Margaret Loftus/ Michelle Loftus

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

Thursday, March 2nd

7:45AM James Brown Sr./ Wife & Children

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

Friday, March 3rd

7:45 AM Mass League

12:15 PM Stations of the Cross - Church

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

Saturday, March 4th

3:15—3:45 PM Confessions

4:00 PM Jim Tout, Mary Jo Tout Rosenblatt &

Terri Tout McNeil/ Wife & Mother

Sunday, March 5th - First Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Tenello Family/ Family

9:00 AM Katherine Christian/ Denise Yakawick

11:30 AM Marge Callanan/ Mary Collins & Family

Week of - February 26th Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of: Mona Brown

Requested by: Mickey Brown - daughter-in-law

Ash Wednesday's collection is: Church in Central & Eastern Europe

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.

8th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2/26/2017 [YEAR A] MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: **Trumpet Tune in D Major** -John Stanley

Pro. Hymn: 427 - THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS
MAY FALL

Sung Mass Parts:

Heritage Mass

-Owen Alstott

878, 879, 880, 882, 884, 885 (Hymnal)

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 71 ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 71 (Rest in God alone, my soul.) Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 72 (The word of God is living...)

Off. Hymn: 399 - THERE IS A LONGING COMMUNION MEDITATION: (all Masses)

Offertoire (Offertory) -Geroges Bizet

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

Alleluia

-Randall Thompson

(a cappella Choir)

Rec. Hymn: 440 - HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

ENDLESS SONG

Postlude: The Glory Of The Lord

The Lord -Benedetto Marcello

(Choir and Organ)

CANTORS: 4:00 - Roger Schafer

9:00 - Liam Fitzpatrick

11:30 - CHOIR - Liam Fitzpatrick

This Sunday is the last before Lent begins on Wednesday. We have been focusing on the love and mercy of God. The hymns are joyful. For the Choir the act of singing the Mass and the special motets and anthems which they offer is their special ministry. However, this is important for all participating in the Mass. We should all sing with the voice God gave us! Don't hold back. As St. Francis said, "when we sing, we pray twice!"

The Choir will sing the Postlude this week following the Recessional Hymn, so you may wish to stay and enjoy it.

The Choir Anthem (11:30) was written at the request of the Berkshire Music Center in Tanglewood, Mass. It was thought that Randall Thompson would compose a joyful piece, but World War II having begun 10 months before, it was becoming clear that America would soon be a participant. He wrote an introspective piece using the word "Alleluia" over 100 times and a final "Amen". Listen, meditate, and notice the brief optimistic section toward the end of the piece. It was first performed on July 8, 1940.

Ernest Camerota

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

Your goodness is exceptional ~ Thank you!

Collection of February 19: \$20,453.00

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

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

Programs for Lent Programs

<u>Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible</u> - w/ Jeff Cavins 8 week Small Group Sessions - register at http:// www.holycrossdewitt.org/umb or call the parish office. Workbook cost \$10

Preview of this series - Sunday 2/26 at 10:00 in Yeazel Hall. Join one of the following groups:

- ◆ Sunday Group meets @ 10:00-11:15 in room 12; with Deacon Dutter as facilitator ~ March 5 April 30
- ◆ Tuesday Group meets @10:00-11:30 in room 12 & 13 with facilitator Joan Snyder ~ March 7 April 25
- ♦ Wednesday Group meets @1:00 -2:30 in rms 12 & 13 with Dc. Nathan Gunn as facilitator ~ March 8 April 26
- ◆ Thursday Evenings (Men's Group) meets 7:00-8:30 with Dc. Dare Dutter as the facilitator in rms. 12 & 13 ~ March 2—April 27

Raising Kids in Today's World

Mondays: March 13 & 27; 7:00-8:15pm - Yeazel

Hall; Facilitator: Dc Nathan Gunn

Session 1— Discussion on raising awareness of the realities kids face in their world today.

Session 2 — Designing a blueprint for parents' role, using Pope Francis' wisdom from the *Synod on the Family* guide.

Knowing the Authentic Jesus Through the Four Gospels -

Tues. March 21 & April 4; 7:00 - 8:30pm; Yeazel Hall; Facilitator: David Hines Register: Parish Office 315-446-0473 or email DVHines51@aol.com

*Optional Book – \$15.00: <u>Paul Johnson's Jesus: A Biography</u> <u>from a Believer.</u> **Deadline to order book – March 6.**

Session 1: view Father Mitch Pacwa's, SJ presentation on "Lost Gospels, or False Gospels."

Session 2: learn why the four Gospels in our New Testament became canonical & meditate on how we can know Jesus more by learning the purposes of the Gospels.

<u>Day of Reflection</u>— with Deacon Dare Dutter on March 13 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM in Yeazel Hall.

Faith Formation Programs

Elementary classes (1st – 4th)

Lent for Kids 2017 booklet with daily thoughts, activities & prayers; Stations of the Cross 3/9 & 10; Grade-level Service Projects

Middle School - Penance Service during Lent.

Holy Cross School

Ash Wednesday School Mass @ 10:30am
Lent for Kids 2017 booklet- daily thoughts, activities & prayers; Penance Service for grades 3-6; Random Acts of Kindness; Stations of the Cross; Drive for St. Jude Hospital (4th Grade); Lenten Journey (6th Grade)

<u>Best Lent Ever"</u> -Dynamic Catholic, Matthew Kelley at BestLentEver.com. Free online daily mediation/reflection/inspiration via email.

Ignite 2016 Men's Conference

Saturday, March 25th, 8am to 5pm @ SRC Arena. Information at www.ignitecatholicmen.org

<u>Faith in Action at Holy Cross</u> - see column on pg. 5

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As we begin the season of Lent this week I want to encourage you to make it the Best Lent You Have Ever Had.

PLEASE do something <u>more</u> this Lent. Learn something new from our many programs; learn anew how to pray meaningfully; do more outreach than you have ever done; get to be closer to the Lord than you ever have been.

I will be daily praying for you that indeed this will be The Best Lent You Ever Had. God bless you abundantly, Msgr. Yeazel

PARISH MISSION:

Give God a Second Thought with Fr. John Collins.

- Begins weekend of March 4 & 5 Fr. John Collins will preach at all Masses.
- March 6, 7, & 8 (Monday – Wednesday) 7:00 PM. Bring a friend.

"Can you describe what happens in those events in your life in which you experience the presence of God?"

What good is God? Why don't prayers work? Why do some people get the best of me? Do I have to love everybody? Come explore these and other questions in a humorous down-to-earth manner with Paulist Father John Collins. Haven't been to church recently? Don't worry! All are welcome. An opportunity for questions and socializing will follow the talks.

Masses and Devotions

Ash Wednesday Masses: 7:45am, 10:30am and 5:00pm

Ashes only: 12:00 to 12:30pm

*LENTEN REGULATIONS - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast & abstinence. Catholics 14 years of age & older are bound to abstain from meat on the Fridays during Lent. Catholics age 18 to 59 are bound to the law of fasting. ("The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening, observing-as far as quantity & quality are concerned-approved local custom." Apostolic Constitution Poenitemini, 1966

Stations of the Cross - We will have the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 12:15pm. (except Good Friday)

Daily Mass: 7:45am Weekend Masses:

Saturday—4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Weekdays: 8:15am to 3:00pm (Chapel)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesdays: 7:00-8:00pm (Church)

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

"Light Is on For You" - Monday, April $10^{th} \sim 4-7$ pm

FAITH FORMATION

Kathy Fitzgibbons, DFF Julie Sheridan (interim DFF) PreK - 6, First Reconciliation 446-0473 x 18 Julie@holycrossdewitt.org **Tammy Gunn**Coordinator for grades 7-12
446-0473 x 19
tammy@holycrossdewitt.org

First Communion Information

First Communion will be celebrated at Holy Cross on **Saturday**, **May 6, 2017**, 10:00 AM. Preparation and classes begin Sunday, March 5th at 9:00 AM Mass with the Rite of Enrollment for all First Communion children during the Family Mass. We are looking forward to walking this journey of faith with you.

Soup & Bread Meal—Ash Wednesday 3/1



Have you thought about how to enter into the Lenten season? On Ash Wednesday we observe fasting & abstain from eating meats. This year we will be again hosting a simple, lite Soup & Bread meal on Ash Wednesday in Yeazel Hall following the 5pm Mass. Please join us for soup & homemade bread,

(spaghetti-o's for the kids!) Then spend some quiet time reflecting on the Lord at the 7pm Adoration & Benediction... a wonderful way to begin Lent with your Holy Cross family. We will ask for a \$5 per person donation with proceeds going to help our Food Donation for the poor.

New Coordinator for Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Matt Lumia has graciously agreed to help coordinate the Eucharistic Minister/ Lector scheduling. We are most grateful to Matt for his great goodness in taking these ministries over from John McGowan who has moved South in his retirement.



February Mass League Enrollment

Jeffrey Cox ~ Friends
Margaret Pajak ~ Friends
Marilyn Root ~ Friends
Vita Sada ~ Friends
Donald Honis ~ Friends
Virginia A. Albanese ~ Patti Borer & Family

A Note of Thanks from Toby & The Kelly Family

We want to tell you how much we appreciate all the parish did for the bow tie sale.

Selling these at church was the best sale ever.

The women of our Kenyan village will be most happy. Thank you all.

Gratefully yours,
Toby & the Kelly Family

P.S. Toby raised over \$4,000 on this sale

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, February 26th

10:00 AM Pastoral Council Meeting - room 10

10:00 AM Preview of Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible

10:15 AM Adult Ministry—room 12

10:15 AM RCIA - room 11

Monday, February 27th

11:00 AM Dorothy Day Ministry - room 9

7:00 PM AIM - Youth Room

Tuesday, February 28th

6:50 AM High School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

10:00 AM Exploring God's Word-room 9

1:00 PM Monthly Movie - Yeazel Hall

6:00 PM Discovering Christ - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Recovery - room 9

Wednesday, March 1st

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

5:30 PM Lenten Soup Dinner - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

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

Thursday, March 2nd

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible - rms. 12 & 13

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Friday, March 3rd

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

12:15 PM Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 4th - Food Giving Weekend

3:15 – 3:45 PM Reconciliation - Church

Sunday, March 5th

10:00 AM First Communion Class—Yeazel Hall

10:00 AM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible - rms. 12 & 13

10:15 AM RCIA - room 11

Pizza Sale This Weekend

The Knights of Columbus will be selling fresh made pizza to support our seminarians. We will be taking orders after Mass on the weekends of **2/18** and **2/25**. The pizzas will be delivered after the Masses on the weekend of March 11th. Thank you for your continued support of our seminarians.

Monthly Movie

Mark your calendar for this month's feature which will be "The Last Ounce of Courage" is a 2012 American Christian Christmas drama film centers on the struggle of Bob Revere, a man dealing with what he feels is his freedom of religion under attack by the government of his community and an ACLU-like group. Come on **Tuesday**, **February 28th at 1PM in Yeazel Hall.** Bring your friends.

Food Donation Weekend ~ March 4th & 5th

Please help our friends who are in need of food by bringing your non-perishable food items to any of the Masses. Thank you in advance for your donation.

Faith in Action

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

Looking for a way to put your FAITH IN ACTION

In <u>Amoris Laetitia</u> (which means the Joy of Love), Pope Francis writes:

Families should not see themselves as a refuge from society, but instead go forth from their homes in a spirit of solidarity with others. . . A married couple who experience the power of love know that this love is called to bind the wounds of the outcast, to foster a culture of encounter and to fight for justice. God has given the family the job of "domesticating" the world and helping each person to see fellow human beings as brothers and sisters. (nos. 181, 183).

Neighbors Helping Neighbors:

This month our email volunteers helped a homebound parishioner clear snow from her driveway & brought a meal to another parishioner recovering from surgery. Thank you for your efforts on behalf of our parish community. On these cold evenings, what a blessing to receive a hand with a heavy snowfall or a hot meal delivered with a prayer to your home.

Vietnam Veterans Appreciation Day: Friday, March 24th

Our monthly Parish Day of Service is an opportunity to volunteer and thank our Vietnam Veterans at Clear Path for Veterans located at 1223 Salt Springs Road in Chittenango. Clear Path has a beautiful campus in a former country club at the top of a hill overlooking Oneida Lake. The view is spectacular and the ambiance is peaceful and serene. The mission of Clear Path is to offer a single place in which to support and serve the needs of our former military service persons. Veterans are served free healthy meals & enjoy camaraderie, dog training for companionship, acupuncture & massage, wheelchair basketball as well as workshops about everything from fly fishing to financial help. Check them out online at clearpath6veterans

We will visit Clear Path in order to assist them with Vietnam Veterans Appreciation Day. Volunteer Coordinator Jeannine Rogers is seeking help in the morning with dining room prep (8 to 11am), food prep (8 to 12pm), coffee station (11am to 1pm), parking help (9am to 1pm), & clean up in the afternoon (12:30pm to 3pm). Working side by side with our neighbors & friends is a delight & the staff at Clear Path are always friendly & smiling. Please sign up to volunteer by 3/10 by contacting Beth (see above).

Save the Date for upcoming events:

Brady Bread Sale after weekend Mass: March 11& 12th
First Tuesday Sandwiches: March 7th, 8:15am
Dorothy Day Gift Bags: Monday, March 13th, 11am
Matthew 25 Farm Day of Service: Saturday, April 15th

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are urgently needed to share the love of Jesus at an informal ecumenical prayer group with some lovely Christians, which is held at Menorah Park every Thurs. from 10 - 11AM. We join in the singing of some hymns, share stories, scripture & prayers. Call Lee Potter - 449-0592 if you can find time to help.

Job Club

Our Holy Cross Job Club has a number of parishioners seeking employment. If your company has an opening in any of these areas, please contact Fr. Yeazel for a resume. If you, in your kindness, would give it to HR and ask for an interview—you would be a blessing to these family people.

- A. Woman who has worked on production line for 31 years look ing for same.
- B. Mission Division, strategic senior level non-profit executive—background in successful fundraising, financial planning and team building. Proven track record.

Please see Fr. Yeazel if you know of an opening. <u>Please help</u> these good people begin the new year productively.

Position Wanted

Experienced Office/ Project Manager with exceptional Executive Assistant skills with a Masters degree and three years of professional experience. Immediate availability. Contact at heater.e.malinowski@gmail.com. Or 315-546-3274.

Care for the Elderly

Compassionate woman parishioner with experience & references looking to care and to assist (non medical) for seniors in their home or facility with meals, shopping, laundry, cleaning & appointments. Call the office 446-0473.

Wanted: Someone to deliver flowers in the SU/DeWitt area. 20 hrs. a week. Please see Fr. Yeazel.

Augustine Catholic Media Kiosk

Stations of the Cross with Pope Francis

The Catholic Truth Society - booklet

To know who we are as Catholics, we look to the Crucifix and remember our Lord's death and resurrection for the forgiveness of our sins. Pope Francis has reflected on the Passion of our Lord in this compilation of meditations for the Stations of the Cross. Take a few moments each day to pray one station with our beloved Pope to understand the message of love and mercy in the Passion of our Lord. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." [John 3:16 NABRE]

Prayers Are Requested For.....



Joann Amore, Diana Arnold, Anna Barbra, Beverly Bilbo, Dr. Ann Bishop, Leana Mae Bonnell, Mary Cargin, Regina Cardulis, David Carr, Linda Cote', Dr. Christop Allamyer-Beck, Ricco Gauf, Katie Glisson, Mary Griffin, Richard Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Elaine Hill, Monica Hoey, Susan Keller,

Bill Keohane, Austin & Tres Mahan, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Dominick M., Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, John F. Moltion, Faith Muller, Stephen Oliva, Deanna Peters, Mona Rawles, Martha Rossi, Finn S. Schafran, Rosalie Scipione, Dolores Schiano, Dawn Simmonds, Kay Simon, Joseph Smith, Stephen Smith, Eleanor Sullivan, Nina Taylor, Shelly Tortora, P.J. Vaughan, Joseph Wilczynski, Brett Young.

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.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF March 4th & 5th

MASS	<u>LECTORS</u>	EUCH. MIN.	EUCH. MIN.	ALTAR SERVERS	<u>USHERS –A</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Michael Read	H1 John Passonno	CH1	Meghan Culligan	David Jureller
		H2 Susan Klenk	CH2	Grace Culligan	Claude Pilon
		H3 Mary Ann Montforte	СНЗ		
		H4 Martha O'Leary	CH4		
		H5 Mary Relihan			
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Peter Demlein		СН		Ed Coolican
		H2 Richard Wright	CH2		Tony Ebersole
		H3 Mary Malay	CH3		Len Smith
		H4 Maureen McManua	CH4		Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Family Mass	H1 Brigid Ristau	CH1	Aiden Duggan	Tom Kenah
		H2 Margaret Ingraham	CH2	Connor Gleasman	Ray Moade
		H3 Teri Skandalis	CH3	Oliver Gleasman	Geoff Ristau
		H4 Michele Kretsch	CH4		Ken Kirkman
		H5 Catherine Muller			
Sunday, 11:30AM	Robert Baldwin	H1 Ron Hauer	CH1	Caden Parker	Donald Brown
		H2 George Given	CH2		Peter Bergamo
		H3 Sue Given	СН3		David Rapp
		H4 Mary Haley	CH4		Wayne Queor
		H5 Tammy Gunn			

SACRAMENTS

<u>Baptism</u> ~ Please call the Parish Office

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

Penance ~ Saturday, 3:15PM

to make arrangements Classes required for 1st Baptism

prior to wedding

†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. (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. 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. 16

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

Kathy Darcy, Housekeeper

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

Tammy Gunn, Director Religious Ed. 7 – 12, 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

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

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

Carla Semmel, Faith Formation Assistant, ext. 32

Julie Sheridan, Director of Evangelization, ext. 18

Matt Stano, Maintenance

Cathy Young, Coordinator of Maintenance