



Summer Servants 2017 spots are available!

Here are a few photos from last year's Summer Servants experience. Summer Servants is an overnight mission trip for teens in our own backyard. We go into the heart of Syracuse and are transformed by our conversations, our actions and our experiences. Holy Cross will be participating in Summer Servants from July 23 to July 27, 2017. See more photos from last year and download a registration form at www.holycrossdewitt.org/summer-servants

**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.

## Stay connected with your parish family!

We are so glad you are here with us at Holy Cross! We invite you to connect with our community. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to get the latest news, photos and stories or subscribe to our weekly bulletin brief delivered right to your inbox. Visit www.holycrossdewitt.org to see more!

## 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

### **Upcoming Events:**

Food Giving Weekend: April I & 2

Palm Sunday: April 8 & 9

Family Food & Fun: April 9 following 9:00 Mass

"The Light is On For You" Monday, April 10 - 4-7pm





Sunday, March 26th - Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Irene Kelly/ Mona & Archie Greene

9:00 AM Marie McHugh/ Don & Anne LaCasse

11:30 AM Caroline & Jim McDonald/ Peggy Ryan

Monday, March 27th

7:45 AM People of Holy Cross

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

Tuesday, March 28th

7:45 AM Geri Galvin/ Louise Sessa

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

Wednesday, March 29th

7:45 AM Americo Pagan/ Friend

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

Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

7:45AM Patti Pagano/ Roxanne Kopecky

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

Friday, March 31st

7:45 AM Paolo Casinelli/ Casinelli Family

12:15 PM Stations of the Cross - Church

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

Saturday, April 1st

3:15—3:45 PM Confessions

4:00 PM Chris Witting/ Friends

Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM George Finkbeiner/ Liz & Tony Mollica

9:00 AM Mary Parnell/ Egan Family

11:30 AM Joan MacDonald/ Ann & Ron

Readings for the Week of March 26, 2017

Monday: Is 65:17-21/ Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b/ Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/ Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/ Jn 5:1-16

Wed.: Is 49:8-15/ Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-15, 17-18/ Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/ Ps 106:19-23/ Jn 5:31-47

Fri.: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/ Ps 34:17-21, 23/J n 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/ Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12/ Jn 7:40-53

This weekend's second collection is for: Catholic Relief Services

## 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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday) 3/26/2017 [YEAR A] MUSICAL NOTES

Prelude: **Air** (**from** *Overture* **in D**)

-J. S. Bach

Pro. Hymn: 466 - THE KING OF LOVE MY

**SHEPHERD IS** ST. COLUMBA

Sung Mass Parts:

**Mass Of Christ The Savior** 

-Dan Schutte

912, 916, 918, 920, 921 (Hymnal)

THE GLORIA IS OMITTED DURING LENT

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 84 ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 84 (The Lord is my shepherd...)
Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 85 (I am the light of the world...)

Off. Hymn: 431 - AMAZING GRACE NEW BRITAIN

Com. Hymn: 663 - LOVING AND FORGIVING

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)

Lord, Hear Our Prayer -Don Besig

[THE RECESSIONAL HYMN IS OMITTED DURING LENT]

Recessional / Postlude: Lord, Who Throughout

These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

CANTORS: 4:00 - Mia Quatrone

9:00 - Mia Quatrone

11:30 - CHOIR - Mia Quatrone

Our Lenten practices include at this point a brief anticipation of the joy of Easter midway through the penitential season. Thus, we mark Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday. Check out the Entrance Antiphon for this Sunday on page 84 of the Missal portion of the Hymnal, and you will read: "Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast." We remember the Cross, but we have the full knowledge that the battle over death has already been won by Jesus Christ.

The Choir Anthem (11:30) employs the old and venerable hymn, "Sweet Hour Of Prayer" and expands upon it with a beautiful setting. The text says: "Gathered here in this place, we can feel God's love and touched by God's grace. Some are troubled by doubt and fear, but our faith assures us that God is near. This time of prayer, this time we share will give us hope in a world of care, and we will reach beyond these walls to show God's kindness and love. O teach us, Lord, to share with hearts and hands. Be with us, Lord, and hear our prayer".

### **YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT**

*Your goodness is exceptional* ~ *Thank you!* Collection of March 19th: \$21,000.93

## **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**

### Raising Kids in Today's World

Monday: March 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** 

Monday, March 27 & April 4; 7:00 - 8:30pm; Yeazel Hall; Facilitator: David Hines - Register: Parish Office 315-446-0473 or email <a href="mailto:DVHines51@aol.com">DVHines51@aol.com</a>; \*Optional Book - \$15.00: Paul Johnson's Jesus: A Biography from a Believer.

**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.

Faith in Action at Holy Cross - see column on pg. 5

## **Masses and Devotions**

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

Daily Mass: 7:45am - (Church)

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 10th ~ 4-7pm

## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

<u>HOLY THURSDAY</u> ~ April 13th 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY ~ April 14th 2:00 pm Passion of the Lord 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

<u>HOLY SATURDAY</u> ~ April 15th 8:00 pm Easter Vigil (No other Masses)

<u>EASTER SUNDAY</u> ~ April 16th Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30

(PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIMES)

Dear Friends,

This weekend (Sunday 10 am—11 am) we are having Open House at our Holy Cross School.

Please stop in and see our school of which we are so very proud.

We can offer your child an education with solid values based in Christ. Today, more than ever, we need such a foundation for life. Please consider Holy Cross School for your child. No child is turned away because of finances.

I look forward to seeing you at Holy Cross School.

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel





## **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, Patty Kirshner, Austin & Tres Mahan, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Dominick M., Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, John F. Moltion, Faith Muller, Stephen Oliva, Deanna Peters, Jane Pigott, Mona Rawles, Martha Rossi, Finn S. Schafran, Rosalie Scipione, Dolores Schiano, Dawn Simmonds, Kay Simon, Joseph Smith, Stephen Smith, Eleanor Sullivan, 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.

## **Augustine Institute Catholic Media**

Our bookshelf in the vestibule, known as "the Kiosk", has inspiration for more of what you may need. For assistance, write a note on the clip board, or visit the church office.

One favorite topic: Prayer. There are multiple titles for Prayer, and one will speak to you.

Prayer for Beginners Dr. Peter Kreeft book
Praying the Rosary Like Never Before Dr. Edward Sri CD
How to Pray the Holy Rosary Lighthouse Catholic
Media pamphlet

The Holy Rosary Matthew Arnold CD

Prayer Time: A Collection of Catholic Prayers Knights of Columbus booklet

A New Hospital Prayer Book Catholic Truth Society booklet Making this your best year ever requires effort, yet it does not have to be hard. Pray. Get started and see where the Holy Spirit takes you.

### **Easter Flower Memorials**

Envelopes/cards are available at the church entrances if you wish to memorialize an Easter Plant. Please return the envelope, card by either in the Sunday collection basket or mail to the church office by **April 9**. Names will be posted as a memorial.



## **Attention Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

As part of the preparation of the new schedule, we are updating our addresses. If you have changed your email, address or phone number since the last schedule (June 1) please call the office or email Peg (Peg@HolyCrossDewitt.org) with your new information. Thank you.

#### Clip Box Tops for Education for HC School.

Keep an eye out for the Box Tops for Education coupons on the outside packages. Clip the Box Top coupon and then bring them to church & drop them in the pink box in the vestibule. This is an ongoing project. Thank you for your support of Holy Cross School.



## Moms' Group Brunch

Calling all families! Join the families of Mom's Group for brunch after 9:00 Mass today, at the Jacobs' house (202 Buffington Road) as we gather together to kick-off the spring. Let's enjoy good company as we come together for food, drink, and fellowship. Kids of all ages welcome. RSVP to Maria at mjpodbelski@gmail.com to let us know you can make it!

### **CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT REQUEST**

If you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2016 please complete the information below and return it to the Parish Office via mail or the collection basket.

Name:	
Address:	
Envelope #	Phone:

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

## Sunday, March 26th

10:00 AM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible #4\*- rms. 12 & 13 10:00 AM School Open House - HC School

10:15 AM RCIA - room 11

7:00 PM The Third Option - Yeazel Hall

### Monday, March 27th

7:00 PM AIM

7:00 "Raising Kids in Today's World" - Yeazel Hall

### Tuesday, March 28th

6:50 AM High School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

10:00 AM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible #3\*- room 9

1:00 PM Monthly Movie - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Recovery - room 9

## Wednesday, March 29th

6:45 AM Middle School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

10:00 AM Small Christian Community - Member's Home

10:30 AM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible #3\*- rms 12 & 13

1:00 PM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible #3\*- room 12 & 13

4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

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

#### Thursday, March 30th

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible #5\*- rms. 12 & 13

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

#### Friday, March 31st

8:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall

12:15 PM Stations of the Cross - Church

## Saturday, April 1st - Food Giving Weekend

8:45 AM Goal Planning Session - Yeazel Hall

3:15 -3:45 PM Reconciliation - Church

## Sunday, April 2nd - Food Giving Weekend

10:00 AM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible #5\*- rms 12 & 13

10:00 AM First Communion Class - Yeazel Hall

10:15 AM RCIA - room 11

\* Session Number

## **Monthly Movie**



Mark your calendar for this month's feature which will be "The Passion of the Christ" a 2004 American biblical epic drama film that covers the final twelve hours of Jesus' life. It is directed by Mel Gibson. It depicts the Passion of Jesus largely according to the

Gospels (of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John). Come on Tuesday, March 28 at 1PM in Yeazel Hall. Bring your friends.

#### **Change of Date**

The April Family, Food and Fun date has been changed from April 2 to April 9 after the 9:00am Mass. See you then!

## **Bulletin Deadline Changed**

The deadline for the bulletins of April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 16<sup>th</sup> will be **Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9am.** 

## **Faith in Action**

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

# Looking for a way to put your FAITH IN ACTION?

## Caring for one another during Lent

## Refugee Assistance Committee Meeting Monday, April 3rd, 7pm

The Refugee Assistance committee met last month to surface ideas about how to befriend & support refugees in the Syracuse area. After our last meeting, committee members shared some effective ways to let our government representatives know of our concern for families fleeing oppression and death. In addition to advocacy, a continuing project of the committee is assisting a committed group of volunteers who continue to organize and manage the clothing closet at Refugee Resettlement. Over the past winter, many parishioners supported the clothing closet by donating used children's clothing, winter coats, & other items. Thank you for your generosity! Upcoming discussion will assess the progress of those efforts in addition to planning new ways to befriend and support refugees in the coming months. Please join us in Yeazel Hall next Monday!

## **Neighbors Helping Neighbors:**

Some ways you can help: deliver a meal, help a caregiver with a respite, provide a ride, help with light housework or yard work. Sign up to join our email list of volunteers: <a href="helpingneigh-bors@holycrossdewitt.org">helpingneigh-bors@holycrossdewitt.org</a> If you, or someone you know needs help, please contact Beth (above).

#### Caring for Creation during Lent

#### Matthew 25 Farm Day of Service: Saturday, April 15th

A parish day of service is scheduled for Holy Saturday, April 15th, starting at 10:00am until noon. Encourage your family to celebrate Holy Week in a unique way: bring your teens and young adults for a workout in the fields of Tully! We are promised a day of planting apple trees & raspberry bushes along with building a trellis and putting wood chips around all the trees. Matthew 25 Farm is a collaborative project of many area churches; local groups send volunteers to labor in the fields. The produce that results from their combined effort is shared with food pantries and soup kitchens in several counties. Check out Matthew 25 Farm's Facebook page for current news about the farm. To sign up for the day of service contact Beth.

#### Town of DeWitt Earth Day, Saturday April 22nd

Celebrate spring by cleaning up the town! Bring your family or a group of friends, wear your work gloves & meet at the DeWitt Town Hall, or Robbie T's Pizza on Saturday, April 22nd between 9am. The town will provide refreshments and supplies including trash bags & stickers for picking up litter at one of the town's suggested locations. Drop in or register by contacting Dennis Payne: paynedennis1@gmail.com

# Food Giving Weekend is Next Weekend April 1 & 2

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 donations.



## **Holy Cross Ladies Luncheon**

This month's luncheon will be Wednesday, April 5th 12 noon at the Genesee Grande Hotel. Reservations are required and *must* be received by Monday, April 3rd.

Reservations cannot be accepted after Monday. Please contact Jo Oliva for your reservation, 446-3328.

## LOBBY FOR LIFE DAY in ALBANY at STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Wed., May 3. will highlight a Lawyer & a Neurologist speaking on PRO-LIFE and sitting down with your district state SENATOR and ASSEMBLYMAN in their offices. Gov. Cuomo will push in 2017 for Abortion Expansion and Euthanasia. Let your opinions be heard directly to your representative. Bus leaves from Holy Cross parking lot at 6:30 AM. Arrives back at 5:30 PM. Suggested donation \$25 to defray bus expense. Free coffee, tea, & pastry at Capitol Building. Call Syr. RTL to register 315/546-2229 or e-mail snowstorm1966@verizon.net or call Jim Dooher at 315/446-6168.

## **More Announcements**

#### St. Patrick's Church Spring Speaker Series

Guest Speaker Jim Krisher, Founder & Director of the Spiritual Renewal Center, will be giving talks at 7 pm at St. Patrick's in Chittenango.

April 18th, "Living in Relationship with the Risen Jesus Christ" April 25th, "What does Grace Look Like."

May 9th,"Understanding and Practicing Prayer in Christian Life"

• Women's Lenten Retreat will be held on April 1 from 7:30

to Noon at Holy Trinity in Fulton. Registration is mail only to Women's Commission c/o Diocese of Syracuse, 240 E. Onondaga St., Syracuse, NY 13202 or RSVP:

SWC@syracusediocese.org. Cost is \$15. You may also register at the door.

## Bishop Grimes 50th (Golden) Anniversary Dinner & Auction Celebration Saturday, April 29th, 2017

Enjoy delicious food, beverages, and exciting
Live & silent auctions!
\$40/Person \* \$375/Table of 10

All proceeds benefit the Bishop Grimes Scholarship Fund. Purchase your tickets today by contacting Michele Belge (315) 314-7157 ext.4 or mbelge@syrdiocese.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF April 1st & 2nd
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MASS	<u>LECTORS</u>	EUCH. MIN.	EUCH. MIN.	ALTAR SERVERS	<u>USHERS –A</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Carol Dwyer	H1 Mary Relihan	CH1	Meghan Culligan	David Jureller
		H2 Susan Klenk	CH2	Grace Culligan	Claude Pilon
		H3 John Passonno	CH3		
		H4 Mary Ann Montforte	CH4		
		H5 Martha O'Leary			
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Karl Schindler		СН		Ed Coolican
		H2 Julie Johnson	CH2		Tony Ebersole
		H3 Teresa Koulouris	СН3		Len Smith
		H4 Charlene Hughes	CH4		Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM		H1 Kathleen Gibson	CH1	Aiden Duggan	Tom Kenah
		H2 Kelly Griffith	CH2	Connor Gleasman	Ray Moade
		H3 Michaline Gleasman	CH3	Oliver Gleasman	Ken Kirkman
		H4 Christina Hatem	CH4		
		H5 Nancy Thompson			
Sunday, 11:30AM	Theresa Fuller	H1 Ellyn Lubel	CH1		Donald Brown
		H2 Tammy Gunn	CH2		Peter Bergamo
		H3 Cora Chirco H4 John Fix H5 Ron DeLuca	СНЗ		David Rapp

### **SACRAMENTS**

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

to make arrangements Classes required for 1st Baptism <u>Marriage</u> ~ Please make an appointment

Penance ~ Saturday, 3:15PM

with a priest at least 6 months 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

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

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Carla Semmel, Faith Formation Assistant, ext. 32

Julie Sheridan, Director of Evangelization, ext. 18

Matt Stano, Maintenance

Cathy Young, Coordinator of Maintenance