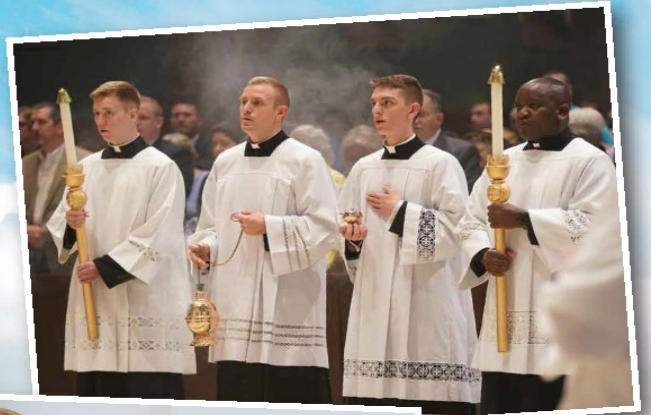




WALK WITH US

on this Journey of Faith

2020
Annual
HOPE
Appeal



Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

Sunday, Oct. 4th-The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Christine Piraino/ Maureen Hall & Family
 10:30am Anne Cody/ Maio Family
 10:30am John Prishtash/ Family
 5:00pm Mr. & Mrs. C.B. Ridley/ Charlene Valentine

Monday, October 5th

7:45am Phylliss McGlynn/ Robert & Linda Davis
 9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, October 6th

7:45am Rosemary Coolican/ Family
 9:00am- 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Wednesday, October 7th

7:45am People of Holy Cross
 9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion
 7:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Penance

Thursday, October 8th

7:45am Kristen Woodmansee/ John & Lois McDonough
 9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, October 9th

7:45am Alyce & John McNamara/ Family
 9:00am- 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, October 10th

9:00am Mary Graham/ Katie Davidson
 4:00pm Stanley Blanchfield/ Family
 3:00 - 3:30pm Penance

Sunday, Oct.. 11th-The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

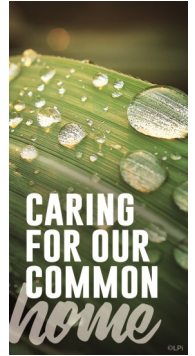
7:30am Filomena & Nicola Colantone/
 Angela & Nick Mastrogiovanni
 10:30am Brett Helmer/ Altar Rosary Members
 5:00pm Paul K. Michaels/ Janette Lupone

**Spiritual Reflection for Sunday October 4, 2020
The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 5: 1-7
 Philippians 4: 6-9
 Matthew 21:33-43

Today concludes the month long celebration of creation as described in the Papal Encyclical *Laudato Si'*.

Whatever our opinion of ecology or our environment, it is important to realize that we make up part of that environment and how we treat ourselves and others helps determine how we treat our planet. If we fail to respect ourselves, or those around us, it is unlikely that we will demonstrate concern for the planet on which we live. Why would we want to disrespect a God-given gift?




Consider all that God has given us. We are to use and enjoy the gifts of the planet, our environment, our very selves and those around us. Doing so should bring us joy! With that joy comes the responsibility to care for our earthly home. Let us pass on the God-given gift of a healthy environment to the next generation. In doing so, we may hear God say, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Peace,
 Fr. John Kurgan



This weekend's 2nd collections are:
 Respect Life & Peter's Pence



Week of October 4th
Host and Wine
In Memory Of: Frank Cappelletti
Requested by : Family

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

\$19,704.88 Average weekly need

Collection of September 20 will be reported next weekend.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT
 OF YOUR PARISH!**

What about Mass Offerings?

We encourage you to continue to support Holy Cross parish & her ministries & programs through weekly or monthly offerings. Because of your goodness, we have been able to adapt to this changing landscape & provide updates communications, resources, support, & programs to our community and to our neighbors in need. To help support this mission, become an online giver by visiting www.holycrossdewitt.org/give or mail in your envelopes to the Parish Office (4112 E. Genesee Street, DeWitt, New York 13214). Thank you



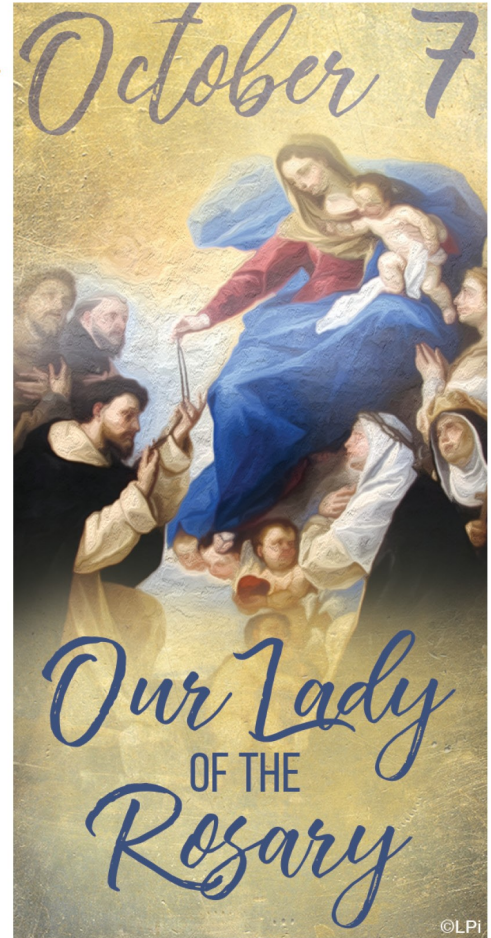
WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4, 2020

- SUN 10/4** Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/
Mt 21:33-43
- MON 10/5** Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37
- TUE 10/6** Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 [24b]/Lk 10:38-42
- WED 10/7** Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4
- THR 10/8** Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [68]/Lk 11:5-13
- FRI 10/9** Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26
- SAT 10/10** Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27-28
- SUN 10/11** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4, 2020

- Sunday:** 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
- Monday:** Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
- Tuesday:** St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
- Wednesday:** Our Lady of the Rosary






PRAYER REQUESTS

Diana Arnold, Frank Blizzard, Leana Mae Bonnell, David Carr, Terry Chylinski, Vince Cichello, Armand Cincotta, Linda Cote', Mark Cywilko, Ricco Gauf, Katie Glisson, Richard Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Virginia Grosso, Mason Hallenbeck, Adriana Hampel, Daniel C. Healy, Elaine Hill, Macey Horbauch, Stanley Jakimek, Sharon & Joe Kieffer, Susan Keller, Jane Koszulka, Kathy Kotz, Rory Lennon, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dominick M., Austin & Tres Mahan, Gail Moloney, Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, Monica Miranda, Tracey Montague, Faith Muller, Al Paparo, Deanna Peters, Joanne Pistello, Patricia Pool, Mona Rawles, Micah Schwiezer, Brian Semerao, Billy Sheridan, Dawn Simmonds, Kay Simon, Joseph Smith, Stephen Smith, Rita Smookler, Shelly Tortora, and Steve Wafer.

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

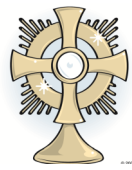
"Pray the Rosary Every Day"



On May 13, 1917, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in Fatima, Portugal to three shepherd children. She urged the children to "Pray the Rosary every day, in order to obtain peace for the world, and the end of the war (WWI)." Mornings after daily Mass and on weekends a group gathers to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy. It is informal, and open to anyone who would like to pray.

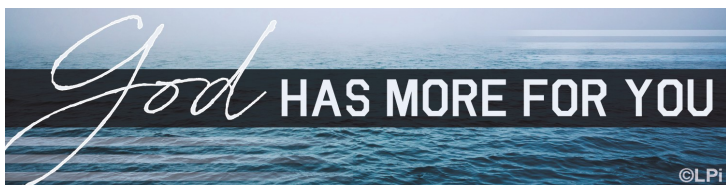
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00 - 8:00pm on Wednesdays.

Please register online as you do for Mass if you are planning on attending. We begin the hour in the church with Adoration & will conclude with Solemn Benediction.



Confessions Wednesday Evenings – Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation is being offered every **Wednesday between 7 & 8pm**. The peace of mind and soul which this sacrament imparts to us is one for which there is no substitute. Come enjoy the quietness of our Chapel and the forgiveness of our Savior.



This is HOPE Appeal Weekend!

Together, when we pledge our gift to the Annual HOPE Appeal, we are giving thanks to Christ for the innumerable gifts we've been given and helping our friends and neighbors who benefit each year from the diocesan good works funded through our annual appeal.



Father Kurgan is asking all parishioners to contribute to this year's HOPE Appeal. If we all give, we will easily meet Holy Cross' 2020 HOPE Appeal goal of \$101,362.59, which is our parish share of the support for HOPE Appeal-funded ministries, programs, and services. **If we exceed our 2020 HOPE Appeal goal, 100 percent of the excess will be returned directly to our parish. Normally, we keep 50% of the excess but this year the Diocese wants each parish to keep any amount collected in excess of the goal.** We plan to use these funds to continue the mission of Holy Cross Parish.

In an effort to meet our goal, I am asking every family in the parish to consider a minimum gift of \$325.00 (less than \$0.90 a day or less than \$27 a month). If you are able to contribute more, I prayerfully encourage you to do so. If you are not able to make the minimum gift, please give something. Your gift, no matter the size, whether it is a pledge or a one-time gift, is important.

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their HOPE Appeal pledge card! Please prayerfully consider your HOPE pledge and bring your completed pledge card to Mass next weekend or drop it by the parish office. You may also pledge your gift to our parish's campaign online at syrdio.org.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Every Wednesday 7:00-8:00pm in the chapel
- Every Saturday at 3:00 - 3:30pm in the chapel
- By Appointment

Private Prayer Hours

The Main Church will be open for Private Prayer and Devotion between 9am and 3pm - Monday to Friday.

When visiting the church, you are required to wear a mask and to use social distancing.

These hours may change so check the website.

Monday Night Prayer

Each Monday Night at 8:00 pm, we will be offering Night Prayer live on our Facebook page. Please join us for this time of prayer and reflection.



Spiritual Adoption Program
Month Two - Developing Baby

"I can suck my thumb now!" The developing baby is now called a "Fetus" (Latin for "little one"). The child is making rapid progress developing all external and internal organs. During the second month baby teeth form, and fingers and toes are developing. The ears, nose, lips and tongue can now be clearly seen. Brain waves can be recorded. The skeleton changes from cartilage to bone. The central nervous system is now functioning, and so forty muscle sets begin their first exercises. By 8 weeks all baby systems are present. This little one can now suck its thumb and is about two inches long. Thank you for praying for this precious little baby!

Catholic Media - Augustine Institute

FORMED

Watch: The Secret of St. Therese (10/1)

Watch: The Angel of Peace (10/2)

Watch: Seelos (10/5)

Watch: Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy (10/5)

Children: Watch: Brother Francis—The Rosary: A Special Way to Pray (10/7)

Listen: Praying the Rosary like Never Before (Dr. Edward Sri) (10/7)

Have you signed up for FORMED yet?

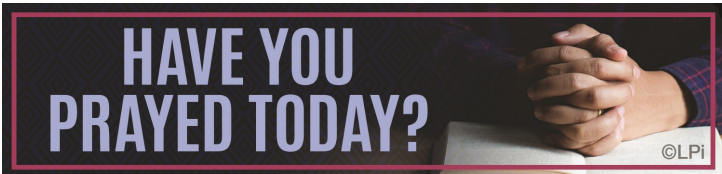
It is new and even more exciting than before. Enrich your faith with this free to you, online, get it on any computer or digital device. Just go to formed.org and click Sign Up.

Follow the easy instructions to get into your parish information, create a password and a world of Catholic movies, studies, books and audios are yours. They have recently updated the whole website so if you are familiar with FORMED, sign back in and explore all the new media that awaits you!

Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Our journey of faith and the fullness of our relationship with God is well worth the care we put into it. RCIA conversations include fruitful, sometimes prickly, conversations that participants want to engage in. There are two sides to becoming a Catholic – receiving instruction in the faith, and taking part in the services of a local Catholic community. You can start with one or the other, but you will need to have completed sufficient instruction AND be attending regular services before you can become a full member of the Catholic faith.

If you are searching for answers and a deeper relationship with God, please contact our parish office at 315-446-0473 or beth@holycrossdewitt.org



Looking for a way to put your Faith in Action?

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

Live the Gospel of Life- Imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps:

“Our defense of the innocent unborn, for example, needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development. Equally sacred are the lives of the poor, those already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirm and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection.”

Pope Francis In *Gaudete et Exsultate*

First Tuesday Sandwiches: Oct 6, 8:15am

You are invited to join our sandwich volunteers who will gather this Tuesday downstairs in Yeazel Hall. Within an hour, hundreds of pb & j, egg, tuna & chicken salad sandwiches are prepared and delivered to Catholic Charities Men’s Shelter. Sign in sheets, masks, gloves and social distancing are part of the process. Drop by the main room downstairs to join us after daily Mass on Tuesday!

Emmaus Ministry Wednesday afternoon: Oct 14th, 1-2:30pm

Sheila Austin is looking for a regular team of Holy Cross volunteers who are willing to prepare sandwiches each week on Wednesday afternoon, 1-2:30 pm. Protocols will include masks, social distancing and contact limited to a small group of 4 volunteers. For more information contact Beth: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

Samaritan Center Teams: October 25th & November 15th, 11:30-2:30pm

A few of our Samaritan Center volunteers were able to return to the soup kitchen to help with a Sunday afternoon meal last month. Thank you Katie Deehan & Tim, Jean Kelly, Rick Coughlin & Trish Lowney. Rigorous sanitary safety protocols were in place, including to-go meals rather than inside seating. Procedures are adjusted with the goal of limiting the spread of the virus while feeding our hungry neighbors. Volunteers must be over 18 years of age and will wear a mask. If you are interested in volunteering for a meal, please contact Rick: philiprcoughlin@gmail.com



Food Giving Weekend is This Weekend

Thank you for any food items that were brought in today! If you forgot to bring in your donations you may bring them next weekend.

We would like to thank everyone who donated food or money over the past few months. It was so appreciated by the Jamesville Food Pantry.



Gardening Angels Update



Your Gardening Angels continue weeding, will next separate the Iris plants for a June bloom & add Native Plants to the south wall garden. They’ve removed the overgrown trees along the north side of the Church to be replaced soon. They have put down mulch around the gardens, islands & along Paddock Drive. The September plan for the Angels to replant the Daffodils and Narcissus for blooming in Spring is done. A final Fall clean-up will happen over the coming weeks. God’s House surely is looking great for Advent. For next Spring, there will be simple work & admiration of our Fall planting. Contact Sue Sovik by phone 315 445-8980 to join the Angels now, & for next year. *“For we are God’s co-workers, you are God’s field, God’s building.”* (1Corinthians 3:9)

Be sure to check the bulletin board, located by the main entrance, for more information about upcoming events in our area.

EDUCATE - A - KID

Holy Cross parish has a glorious history of never turning a parish student away who seeks a Catholic Education. Some of our parents cannot afford the tuition in whole or part. If you are able to help Educate-A-Kid, please help us provide a Catholic Education for a boy or girl. Tuition is \$5,500.00.

We have a Holy Cross School Incorporation that also allows matching funds from many companies. Call the Parish Office for more information. It is “Friends of Holy Cross School, Inc.” – Federal Tax ID is 26-3789417.

Please complete this form if you can help.

God bless you and I know He will for bringing a child closer to Him.

I wish to help a family afford a Catholic education.

Name _____

Address _____

_____ Full Scholarship - Yes, I am interested (\$5,500)

_____ Partial Scholarship - Amount of Donation \$ _____

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**Sunday, October 4th Food Giving Weekend**

9:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12 & 13

Tuesday, October 6th

8:15 AM First Tuesday Sandwiches - Yeazel Hall

10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study - room 12 & 13

Wednesday, October 7th

7:45 AM Fellowship of Believers—Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

7:00 PM Penance - Church

Thursday, October 8th

10:00 AM Divine Mercy Cenacle - rooms 12 & 13

Saturday, October 10th

12:00 PM Rosary Rally

3:00 PM Penance - Church

Sunday, October 11th

9:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

**Upcoming Events**

Here are some of the events coming up this month. Watch the bulletin for more details.

- Knitting Group - October 15 at 1pm
- Coffee & Conversation - Oct. 20 at Noon
- Rosary and Reflection - Oct. 22 at 6:00pm
- Monthly Movie - Oct. 27 at 1:00pm

OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is open Monday thru Friday from 8am to 4pm except during the noon hour (12pm to 1pm). You may call and leave a message anytime (315) 446-0473.

Pro-Life Leadership Conference

Saturday, October 17, 2020, 12-5PM at Holy Cross Church, DeWitt. Open to students in grades 9-12

The Pro-Life Leadership Conference is more than just a day to learn about pro-life issues - it is a chance to learn how to apply the issues to your life after the conference. Learn how to discuss these difficult conversations with family members and peers and to be confident while doing so.

Sessions will be lead by our passionate pro-life speakers, Hannah Hall and Steve Nepil.

Cost is \$75/person **Scholarships Available**

Individual Registration: <https://forma.gle/dY5a8KZAgBpeDypm8>

Group Registration: <https://forms.gle/MiFvhHB4pGPgZ3WF6>

THANK YOU**TO OUR SPONSORS****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 ~ Wednesday 7-8pm, Saturday 3 - 3:30pm
Or by appointment

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Rev. Matthew E. Rawson, Parochial Vicar, ext. 16

Rev. Charles S. Vavonese, Weekend Homilist

Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 13

James Buttner, Seminarian

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

Brette Cooper, Maintenance

Josh Corcoran, Music Sunday 5pm Mass

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 & Dir. Youth Ministry ext. 19

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

Beth Schafer, Director of Faith in Action Ministry, ext. 21

Julie Sheridan, Dir. Faith Formation 1-6 & Evangelization, ext. 12

Matt Stano, Maintenance

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 deadlines 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

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