



33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

- Mk 13:30-32

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Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give the parents faith, love, and a spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life. May your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents to consider a vocation and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.

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.”

Would you like to join us as new parishioner?

We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community and we welcome you. Please take a census envelope from the racks at each exit or contact the Parish Office.

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 Brief delivered right to your inbox. Visit www.holycrossdewitt.org/subscribe to see more.



Mass Times

Daily Mass: 7:45am

Saturday: 9:00am

Reconciliation:

Wed. 7:00-8:00pm

Sat. 3:00-3:30pm

Sunday Mass

Vigil Sat.: 4:00pm

Sun.: 7:30am, 10:30am &
5:00 pm

Watch Masses online at
holycrossdewitt.org

Upcoming Events:

Please check page 4 of the bulletin for information on this week's events.

Check holycrossdewitt.org for the latest information on Masses, events, & changes in safety protocols. For information call the office at 315-446-0473.


Sun., November 14th – 33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am Michael Whalen/ Diane Cecero & Michael Whalan

10:30am Anthony Jastrem/ Family

5:00pm Edward & Viola DeStefano/ Leonard & Marie

Monday, November 15th

7:45am Delores Vassallo/ Jeannie Linkiewicz

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, November 16th

7:45am Francis Michel/ Patrick Ryan

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Wednesday, November 17th

7:45am Parishioners of Holy Cross & Gail Marchant/ Sheila Gallagher

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Thursday, November 18th

7:45am Hilda Loguidice/ Deacon Tom & Lena Murphy

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, November 19th

7:45am William Sovik/ Claudia & Joe Kosty

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, November 20th

9:00am For Mankind To Thank God For The Precious Gift of Life

4:00pm Leonora Stach/ Frank & Wilma Frydrychowicz

3:00 to 3:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sun., Nov. 21st - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30am James Franklin Porter & Janice Litchfield Porter/ Mark & Jody Schappert

10:30am Olga G. Stirpe/ Daughters

5:00pm Mary Jo Driscoll/ David Pida & Leslie Farrand

Next weekend's second collection is:
Human Development

Sunday, Nov. 14 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November brings about the end of the Liturgical Year, and with it also comes the invitation to reflect on what the Church often refers to as the “Last things” or the “Four Last Things”: Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell. We find this invitation predominantly in our Scripture readings at Mass. A lot of “We do not know the hour when...” or “the time will come when...” or “blessed will that servant be whom the master finds doing what they were supposed to when he returns...”—all potentially leaving us with anxiety or crippling fear of the unknown. Even Jesus’ words in the Gospel this Sunday seem to give more of a serious call for concern rather than an uplifting message of hope: “...after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken...” (Mk 13:24).

Yet, Jesus doesn’t leave us without the comfort and assurance of his abiding presence by reminding us that his words will not pass away. This is to say, everything Jesus says is trustworthy and true. We should live and act knowing that what Jesus says actually carries weight. Again, this is not meant to cause us to fret, but rather this should fill us with hope and joy. Consider the Letter to the Hebrews we hear from again today: “Where there is forgiveness of [sins] there is no longer offering for sin.” The omitted verse before it reads: “Their sins and their evildoings I will remember no more (Heb 10:17).” Just think about what a gift this is, receiving the forgiveness of sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation—God actually wipes our sins and offenses clean and gone! A completely fresh start! God desires our healing and forgiveness, and it’s never too late for us to accept the invitation to know his mercy and renewal of life. Let’s allow these challenging passages of Scripture pointing to the “Last Things” to fill us with gratitude and hope rather than anxiety, and let’s continue to find peace and consolation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

May the Lord continue to bless us,
Father Brendan Foley

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

\$19,845.25 Collection of November 7th

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

Your support is invaluable. Thank You

During these uncertain times, please 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 updated communications, resources, support & programs to our community and to our neighbors in need. Please remember to help support our mission. You may become an online giver by visiting www.holycrossdewitt.org/give. Online giving is through Vanco, which is a secure site. **You have the option of giving using your credit card number or by having an electronic fund transfer.** Or mail in your gift to the Parish Office (4112 E. Genesee Street, DeWitt, New York 13214).

WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of November 14, 2021

- Sunday** Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
- Monday** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday** 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44
Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/ Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Mt 14:22-33
- Friday** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40
- Next Sunday** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37



Prayer REQUESTS

Meg Barone, Garth H. Bishop, Eden & Mackenzie Bishop, Barbara Boyd, Oliver Brown, Terry Chylinski, Armand Cincotta, Tom Coyne, Mark Cywilko, Tony Dimento, Joanne & Aidan Gallagher, John Galletta, Walt Hiscox, Sharon Kieffer, Ann Kronner, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dinita Machlin, Monique Missoff, Mary Elizabeth Morgan, Faith Muller, Nancy Patane, Patricia Pool, Stephen Smith, Rita Smookler, Rev. Georg Stockert, John Toole and Jon Zubieta.

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 include them for three months unless you notify us otherwise. Thank you.

Thanksgiving Day Mass Thursday, November 25, 9:00 AM

Please join us for this special Liturgy, including the Blessing of Bread. All will be invited to the sanctuary during the closing hymn to take a loaf of fresh bread to share with your family and friends for your Thanksgiving dinner table.



Change in the Mass Request Policy

Due to the high volume of Masses being requested, we have decided to limit the number of Masses requested by a person for the same intention to two during a six month period. Any 2023 intentions will be scheduled after Sept. 1, 2022.

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

We begin the hour in the church with Adoration & conclude with Solemn Benediction.

Confession Wednesday Evenings – Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered every **Wednesday from 7 to 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 Church and the forgiveness of our Savior.



Week of November 14

Host, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory Of: Stephen Oliva, Sr.

Requested By: Wife and Family



Attention Lectors



Your 2022 Workbook for Lectors is available this weekend at the table near the sign-in sheet. Please stop by and pick up your copy.

HOPE Appeal 2021
“Your Are The Salt Of The Earth”

Thank you to all who have pledged their support to the HOPE Appeal ministries, programs, and services that benefit so many throughout Central New York, including many in our own parish.



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. If you are not able to make the minimum gift of \$325.00, please give your best gift. If we all give, we will easily meet Holy Cross’ 2021 HOPE Appeal goal of \$92,649.06. **If we exceed our 2021 HOPE Appeal goal, 100 percent of the excess will be returned directly to our parish.** We plan to use these funds to continue the mission of Holy Cross Parish.

Please prayerfully consider your gift to this year’s HOPE Appeal. Bring your completed pledge card to Mass and drop it in the box along with your weekly contribution or mail it by the office. If you would rather pledge your gift online you may do so at syrdio.org. **We would like to wrap up this year’s drive in the next few weeks.**

Refugee Assistance Committee (RAC) Meeting:
Monday, Nov 15, 6:30 pm in Yeazel Hall and via Zoom.

Topics to discuss include ongoing needs to manage the clothing closet at the Refugee Center (CYO building – N. Salina St) and to set an agenda for the 2022 committee, including leadership roles. For more information or to request a zoom link for the meeting, please contact Trish Lowney (tlowney@aol.com) or the Holy Cross office at 315.446.0473..

Sandwich Ministry

The Third Tuesday Sandwich Ministry will be meeting on **Tuesday 11/16 at 8:15 AM.** Please join us in Yeazel Hall after daily Mass to prepare our usual variety of sandwiches for Catholic Charities homeless shelter. New volunteers are always welcome.



Tis the season... for our 38th Annual Giving Tree Program beginning next weekend

November 20th and 21st. Due to continuing covid concerns, many requests are for gift cards. Again this year, we are offering 3 options for you to participate in this wonderful tradition:

- Take a tag from the trees in the Gathering Area near the front door.
- Use the link on our parish website to purchase a gift from our Amazon Wish List
- Call the parish office and a tag will be assigned to you

Thank you for helping families in need during the Christmas Season!



THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, November 14th

- 8:15 AM RCIA - Downstairs
- 9:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12 & 13
- 4:30 PM Confirmation Group Session - Church & Yeazel Hall

Monday, November 15th

- 8:15 AM Holy Hour - Church
- 6:30 AM Refugee Assistance Committee Mtg.-Yeazel Hall

Tuesday, November 16th

- 6:45 AM Faith Formation (HS) - Yeazel Hall
- 8:15 AM Third Tuesday Sandwiches - Yeazel Hall

Wednesday, November 17th

- 6:45 AM Faith Formation (MS) - Yeazel Hall
- 7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation - Church

Thursday, November 18th

- 7:45 PM Faith Formation (ES)
- 1:00 PM Knitting Group - Yeazel Hall
- 7:00 PM Discipleship - Yeazel Hall & Classrooms

Saturday, November 20th

- 12:30 PM Giving Tree Meeting & Set Up
- 3:00 - 3:30 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

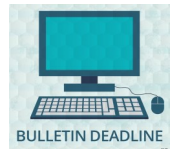
Sunday, November 21st

- 8:15 AM RCIA - Downstairs
- 9:15 AM Adult Ministry - Yeazel Hall rooms 12 & 13

Deadline Changes for Upcoming Bulletins

Please make note of the following changes:

- The deadline for the bulletin of November 28 is **Mon., November 15.**



All notices should be received by 9am on the deadline date. Notices after this deadline will be published in the following weekend’s bulletin. Thank you!

Check the bulletin board, located by the main entrance, for more information about upcoming events in our area.

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 & return it to the Parish Office by mail or email Info@holycrossdewitt.org. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!**
THANK YOU!

Name _____

Address _____

E-Mail _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____



**Coffee and Conversation
November 23**

Join us **Tuesday, November 23**, from Noon- 2pm in Yeazel Hall for Coffee & Conversation. Father Brendan Foley will be our guest speaker. Bring your bagged lunch & drink. We will be following social distancing and wearing of your mask. **Please do not bring goodies to share.**

Knitting Group

We will meet on **Thursday, November 18th** – **1PM downstairs**. New knitters are always welcome. Please do not bring food to share. If you have questions call Rita 315-472-1478 or Jo 315-446-3328.



**Mark Your Calendars!
Monthly Movie**

Tuesday, November 30th at 1:00pm
Look for the title in next weekend's bulletin.

**Join us for the Listening Sessions
for the Synodal planning.**



Listening is an integral part of the planning. Below is the schedule for sessions in our area. All are welcome to attend.

Wed., Dec. 1st	6:30-8:30PM	Immaculate Conception Church, Fayetteville
Thurs., Dec. 9th	6:30-8:30PM	Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Syracuse

Moving?

If your future plans include a change of address; please contact the Parish Office. You may call 315-446-0473 or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org with your new address.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Here are a few of the upcoming events in December:

- Breakfast with Santa - Sunday, December 5 at 11:30am
- Day of Reflection - Monday, December 6 at 10:00am
- Syracuse Vocal Ensemble Christmas Concert- Dec. 11 at 7pm

More information coming in future bulletins.

A Family Perspective:

Today's gospel teaches us **UNCERTAINTY** is normal. There are some things in life, which "no one knows... only the Father." Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel; the people we love grow and change.



Formed

- Learn:** From Nothing to Cosmos: God and Science (St. Albert the Great, Patron of Scientists 11/15)
- Watch:** Sacred Art: Sts. Peter and Paul (Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul 11/18)
- Read:** When Faith Causes Family Friction by Dr. Ray Guarendi
- Watch:** Children: Lukas Storyteller: Saints Anne and Joachim (Parents of Mary, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 11/21)

Thank You

The Holy Cross Men's group would like to thank Father Charles Oduke for coming to join us for the celebration of the feast day of St. Martin DePorres, one of the great black saints of the church. Father Charles celebrated the Mass with great joy and spiritual presence, and his homily was a blessing to all who seek to live out the words of Jesus; "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your strength and all your might, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself." These words are especially true when thought of in light of the racism that relegated St. Martin to servant status and kept him from being a full member of the order of St. Dominic.

EDUCATE - A - KID

Holy Cross parish has a glorious history of never turning a student away who seeks a Catholic Education. Some parents cannot afford school tuition in whole or part. Your contribution helps provide a Catholic Education for a student. Tuition & operating expenses per student exceeds \$7,800.00 annually.

Holy Cross School is incorporated as "Friends of Holy Cross School Inc." Many companies will match donated funds. The Friends of Holy Cross School Federal Tax I.D.# is 26-3789417.

If you are interested in supporting tuition for a child please complete the form below!

God bless you for bringing a child closer to Him.

Yes, I wish to help a family afford a Catholic education.

Name _____

Address _____

____ Cost per student - Yes, I am interested (\$7,800)

____ Partial Scholarship - Amount of Donation \$ _____

Closing Mass for the Year of Vocations Sunday, November 21—5:10pm

Bishop Lucia cordially invites the youth and young adults from our diocese to join him for this solemn celebration as he officially closes the Year of Vocations. He will also be offering a special blessing over those who attend with the traveling icon of St. Joseph that has visited all regions of our diocese during this year of grace. All are welcome.

Christ the King Retreat House Fundraiser- “Matilda” Syracuse Stage-December 12

Join us for a special matinee performance of “Matilda” at Syracuse Stage, 820 E. Genesee St. The show starts at 2 pm. Some refreshments in the lobby from 12:30 pm and take a chance on beautiful gift baskets. Tickets: \$60 per person or \$40 for under 17. If you would like to be a sponsor or contribute to our gift basket raffle or if you need more information, give us a call at 315-446-2680. Proceeds will benefit the Retreat House.

Safe Environment

Training sessions continue to be in-person. Initial Safe Environment training and recertification training will be offered throughout the Diocese of Syracuse. Find the complete schedule of available training sessions & registration links on the Diocesan Safe Environment webpage: <https://syracusediocese.org/safe-environment>. Registration is required—Walk-ins will no longer be permitted. Any questions - contact Julie Sheridan (315)446-0473

Thank You to our sponsors

The Third Option - Mentor Couples Wanted

The Third Option, a marriage enrichment program, is currently looking for couples who have overcome marital difficulties. We need your unique input for an ongoing ministry to other married couples. Please contact Stephanie Stewart at The Third Option at 315-472-6745 ext. 5 or [sstewart@syrдио.org](mailto:ssewart@syrдио.org) if interested. Please see the attached ad for posting and social media.

Totus Tuus Missionary Applications are open! Summer 2022: June 15 - August 6 \$4000 stipend for the summer!

Do you know a Catholic college-aged young adult looking for a summer job with purpose and meaning? The Diocese of Syracuse is hiring Totus Tuus Missionaries! This is a great summer job experience for anyone who wants to work in ministry, education, or with children in any setting.

These young adult missionaries will:

- Work as part of a team to execute the week-long program at parishes across the Diocese
- Attend an intensive training program
- Prepare for and disciple young people in the faith throughout the lessons
- Lead songs, games, activities, and skits designed to help youth grow in their faith
- Stay with a host family as a guest at each parish
- Be a model and visible witness of the Catholic faith in word and deed
- Pray daily with your team and frequently receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist
- And more!

Interested? Contact the Diocesan Office of Youth & Adult Ministry at 315-470-1427

SACRAMENTS

Baptism ~ Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Marriage ~ Please make an appointment with a priest at least 6 months prior to wedding.

Reconciliation ~ Wednesday 7-8pm, Saturday 3 - 3:30pm
Or by appointment

†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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Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 21
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Stephen Nepil, Dir. Faith Formation 7-12 & Dir. Youth Ministry ext. 19
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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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