



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." - Lk 23:35

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Readings for the week of November 24, 2019

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/ Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/ Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/ Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/ Lk 21:5-11
Wed.: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/ Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/ Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/ Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/ Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Dn 7:2-14/ Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/ Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/ Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10 or Jn 6:63]/ Mt 4:18-22

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.

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."

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
Penance: Wed. 7-8pm
Saturday 3:00pm

Sunday Mass

Vigil Sat.: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am
10:30am
5:00 pm

Upcoming Events:

Holiday Luncheon

Saturday, Dec. 7

Lessons & Carols

Tuesday, December 10

HC School

Christmas Concert

Thursday, December 12

SVE Concert

Saturday, December 14



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Nov. 24th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 7:30 AM Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life/ Joyce Kotch
 10:30 AM Mary Dates/ Katie & Emma Deehan
 5:00 PM Rose Anne Magari/ Jo Oliva

Monday, November 25th
 7:45 AM Robert Haley/ Alan & Mary Haley
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, November 26th
 7:45 AM Salvatore Cerullo, Sr./ Wife
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, November 27th
 7:45 AM Elinore McCarthy/ Family
 8:15 AM - 12:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Penance

Thursday, November 28th - Thanksgiving Day
 9:00 AM People of Holy Cross
No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Today

Friday, November 29th
 7:45 AM John Centolella/ The Barth Family
No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Today

Saturday, November 30th
 9:00 AM Monica Maccoun/ The Nepil Family
 3:00 - 3:30 PM Penance
 4:00 PM Edward J. Tierney/ Bernadette Tierney & Charles Kelly

Sunday, December 1st - First Sunday of Advent
 7:30 AM Frank & Rose Marino/ Villani Family
 10:30 AM Mary Dates/ Cheryl Thomas
 5:00 PM Michael Spinoso/ Neal & Doreen McLane

Thanksgiving Day:
Thursday, November 28,
9:00 AM at Holy Cross
10:00 AM at St. Matthews

Holy Cross invites you and your family for this special Liturgy that includes 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.



HOLIDAY INFORMATION

The Parish Office will be closed to observe Thanksgiving from noon on Wednesday, November 20th until 8:00am on Monday, November 25th.
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will not take place from noon on Wednesday, Nov. 20th through Sunday, Nov. 24.



Week of November 24th

Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory Of: Herbert Silvestri
Requested By: Family



**HEAVENLY FATHER,
 ON THANKSGIVING DAY, WE BOW
 OUR HEARTS TO YOU AND PRAY.
 WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR ALL
 YOU'VE DONE, ESPECIALLY FOR
 THE GIFT OF JESUS, YOUR SON.
 FOR BEAUTY IN NATURE, YOUR
 GLORY WE SEE, FOR JOY AND
 HEALTH, FRIENDS, AND FAMILY.
 AMEN.**

Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse

**This weekend's 2nd collection is:
 Human Development Collection**

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.

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

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

\$19,704.88 Average weekly need

The Collection of November 17 will be reported next weekend

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF YOUR PARISH!



"Little Blue Book"

This weekend copies of "The Little Blue Book" for Advent and Christmas are available. Thank you to the students from Holy Cross School and Holy Cross Faith Formation who will be here to greet you as you come to Mass and give you one.

Day of Reflection

Advent is a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of Jesus' incarnation at Christmas. What better way to prepare for the coming of the Son of Man than to spend some time reflecting about who He is?

All men & women are invited to come for a time of deepening our understanding of what Jesus' coming to earth as our savior means for us. The Day of Reflection will take place on **Monday, December 9th, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm** in Yeazel Hall. Lunch will be from Brooklyn Pickle choice of tuna, corned beef, roast beef, turkey or seafood. Cost is \$12 (lunch included). Please join us by calling Jo Oliva at 446-3328 before **Wednesday, Dec. 4**.

Family Advent Event

Join us at Holy Cross on **Saturday, November 30th at 6:00pm** for these Family Friendly Events:

- ◆ Half-Hour Adoration with Music & Prayer
- ◆ Refreshments and Crafts

Hosted by the Syracuse Diocese NFP Ministry through the Office of Family/Respect Life.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Mark Your Calendars !

- **Breakfast With Santa** - Sunday, December 1 ~ 10AM
- **Day of Reflection for Advent** - with Deacon Dutter - Monday, December 9th ~ 10am to 2:00pm
- **Altar Rosary Mass & Luncheon** - Sat., Dec. 7th ~ 12:00pm in Yeazel Hall.
- **Lessons and Carols** - Tuesday, Dec. 10th ~ 7pm
- **Holy Cross School Concert** - Thurs., Dec. 12th ~ 7pm
- **Syracuse Vocal Ensemble Concert** - Sat., Dec. 14th ~ 6pm
- **"Light Is On For You"** - Monday, Dec. 16th ~ 4 to 7pm
- **Christmas Delight** - Wed, Dec. 18th - 12:00pm

Watch the bulletin for more details.

Prayers Are Requested For...



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Shannon Adams, Diana Arnold, Frank Blizzard, Leana Mae Bonnell, David Carr, Linda Cote', Ricco Gauf, Katie Glisson, Richard Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Virginia

Grosso, Mason Hallenbeck, Adriana Hampel, Daniel C. Healy, Elaine Hill, Susan Keller, Jane Koszulka, Kathy Kotz, John Laura, Rory Lennon, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Dominick M., Austin & Tres Mahan, Mary McArdle, Gail Moloney, Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, Monica Miranda, Faith Muller, Al Paparo, Deanna Peters, Jane Pigott, Wayne Queror, Mona Rawles, Micah Schwiezer, Brian Semerao, Dawn Simmonds, Kay Simon, Joseph Smith, Stephen Smith, Rita Smookler, Eleanor Sullivan, Shelly Tortora, Steve Wafer and Kristen Woodmansee.

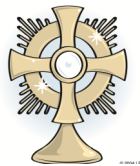
If you would like us to add someone to this list, we ask that only family members call the office or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org. We will keep them on for three months unless you notify us otherwise. Thank you.

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

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

Confessions on Wednesday Evenings

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 Church and the forgiveness of our Savior.



RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

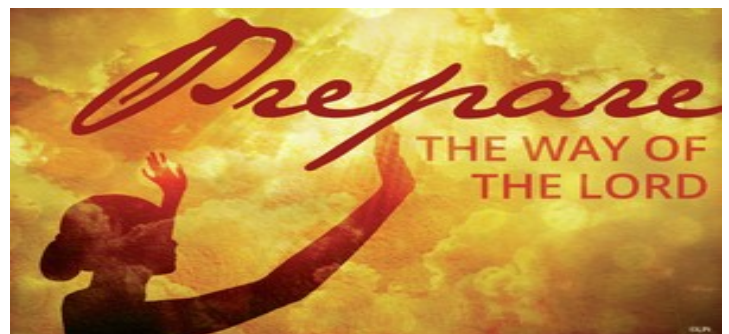
RCIA Inquiry Sessions have begun. This is an opportunity to ask about all things "Catholic"--such as what do Catholics believe and what do Catholics do. If you know someone who would like to explore the Catholic Christian Faith, please invite them to join you at one of our group sessions. We will meet weekly on Sunday, 11:30-12:30pm, downstairs in Room #9. For more info, contact the parish office: (315)446-4073.



Attention Lectors



The 2020 Lector workbooks are available for pick up this weekend. Be sure to stop by the table located near the chapel and find the book with your name on it. These will be available for the next few weeks. Thank you!



Faith Formation Cancellation Information

Reminder: When J-D is on a weather DELAY or CLOSED, Faith Formation classes are cancelled.

Parents: Sign up for school delay/closing email/text alert. Go to localsyr.com click on email/text alert to sign up.

HC Church Cancellation Information

If Holy Cross School is closed or has early dismissal because of the weather, all church events that are held on that day are cancelled. We still have morning Mass but please use your discretion about traveling. Check the HC web site for information.

Breakfast with Santa

Plan to join us in Yeazel Hall on **Sunday, December 1 after the 10:30 Mass** for a delicious breakfast and a visit from Santa.

Cost: \$20 family, \$7 adults & teens (13 & up), \$5 children ages 5 to 12, free for children ages 4 and under.



HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

**Holiday Luncheon
Saturday-December 7th**

All are welcome to this year's Luncheon at Noon in Yeazel Hall. Please make your reservations by **Monday, December 2nd** by buying your ticket at the parish office or call Jo Oliva 446-3328. Tickets \$27. Catered by Karen's Catering.

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 \$5,250.00.

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 _____

Partial Scholarship _____

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, November 24th

- 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Refugee Bake Sale - Gathering Area
- 9:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12
- 3:00 PM Faith Formation/Discipleship - Youth room & rm. 2

Tuesday, November 26th

- 10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study - room 9
- 1:00 PM Monthly Movie - Yeazel Hall
- 7:00 PM Bible Study - The Book Of Romans - rooms 12 & 13

Wednesday, November 27th

- 10:00 AM Small Christian Community - Member's Home
- 6:00 PM STEP Meeting - room 11
- 7:00 PM NA & Nar-Anon Mtgs. - Yeazel Hall
- 7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church
- 7:00 PM Penance - Church

Thursday, November 28th - Thanksgiving Day

Saturday, November 30th

- 3:00 PM Penance - Church
- 6:00 PM Family Advent Event - Yeazel Hall

Sunday, December 1st - Food Giving Weekend

- 9:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12 & 13
- 11:30 AM Breakfast with Santa
- 11:30 AM RCIA - room 9
- 3:00 PM Faith Formation/Discipleship - room 1 & 2
- 6:30 PM Third Option - rooms 12 & 13

Deadlines for the Upcoming Bulletin

- The deadline for the bulletin of Dec. 8th will be Tuesday, November 26th at 9am.
- The deadline for the bulletin of Dec. 15th will be Monday, December 2nd at 9:00 am.



All notices received after these deadlines will be published in the following bulletin of the following week.

Watch the bulletin for more deadline changes. Thank you!

Monthly Movie

Tuesday, November 26 at 1:00pm

This month we will show "Instant Family". This is a 2018 American comedy film starring Mark Wahlberg & Rose Byrne as parents who adopt three young children, played by Isabela Moner, Gustavo Escobar (Gustavo Quiroz), and Julianna Gamiz. All are welcome and it is free to attend. We will provide the popcorn.



#1 holiday hack:

When you buy your gifts at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com), Amazon donates.



Do you shop on Amazon? There is no cost to you but just by signing up, your shopping will make a difference and help Holy Cross School. Sign up today and do your regular Amazon shopping at [smile.amazon.com/ch/26-3789417](https://www.smile.amazon.com/ch/26-3789417) and Amazon donates to Friends of Holy Cross School.

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

Annual Refugee Assistance Bake Sale today!

Please stop by and purchase or donate to support the Refugee Assistance Committee's Bake sale to support the Ali Khel family! The bake sale helps us assist the family with heat during the winter & helps our refugee assistance volunteers as they show love & compassion toward the Afghani family, a widowed Mom with 9 children, who are seeking a safe and peaceful life in Syracuse. Thank you!

November Corporal Works of Mercy Drive-Thank you!

Thank you for your donations of toiletries & paper products! Our Faith Formation students learned about following the example of Jesus by caring for the many poor and struggling families in the Syracuse community. All the donations from students & the parish were combined-- and they resulted in a mountain of support for people in need of basic household supplies & toiletries! Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you to our November volunteers!

Holy Cross parishioners were busy during the month of November. In addition to Tuesday Sandwich Ministry & the Works of Mercy collection, it was a month of service every weekend! Thank you for the love and generosity you share with hungry people in the Syracuse community!



1st weekend: Boy Scout Food Drive at the Jamesville Food Pantry

2nd weekend: Men's Shelter Pancake Breakfast & Thursday Meal at Road to Emmaus

3rd weekend: Samaritan Center Cookie Bakers & Sunday Dinner.

This weekend: Annual Refugee Bake Sale

December Save the Dates!

- **Sandwich Ministry**--Tuesdays Downstairs Dec 3 & 17th, 8:15am
- **Road to Emmaus Meal**--Thursday, 4335 S. Salina St, Dec 12, 4-6:30pm

December Christmas collections:

We are collecting donations of individually wrapped hard candy or colorless chapstick to support ministry to Jamesville Prison & the downtown Justice Center. Please leave your donation in the baskets near the main doors in the gathering space.

Annual Parish Caroling Party with Neighbors Helping Neighbors: Dec 15th, 11:30

All parishioners are invited to spread Christmas cheer to our neighbors down the road at Brookdale Senior Living on Genesee St. Lunch will be provided in Yeazel Hall after 10:30am mass. Following lunch we will rehearse for an hour or so before carpooling or caravanning down the road for a 2pm performance at Brookdale. Please contact Beth if you plan to join us for lunch: (315) 416-4576 or beth@holycrossdewitt.org



2019 Giving Tree

Our 36th Annual Giving Trees will be at the Church doors on the weekend of November 23 & 24th. Please take a tag and return the unwrapped gift- with the tags attached--by the weekend of **December 7 & 8th**. Gifts can be placed under the trees during the weekend Masses or brought to the parish office during the week before December 8th. Please be sure to have your gifts back on time: volunteers will be sorting the gifts and preparing them for delivery on Sunday, December 8th.

Thank you for helping families in need to celebrate a Merry Christmas!

Food Giving Weekend is Next Weekend

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 Church Calendars are now available near all the exits. Please take one per family so there will be enough for all to enjoy.

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

More Announcements

Advent Day of Prayer

Monday, Dec. 2—10am-3pm

Advent is a time of expectant waiting & preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas. Fr. Manno will give a talk and reflections at Christ the King Retreat House on the meaning of Advent & how we can make the most of this time of preparation. Offering: \$30 includes lunch. Reservations required 315-446-2680

Natural Family Planning

To learn more about NFP/ Fertility Education visit our website ~ syracusenfp.org. On our website you can find out which method of fertility cycle tracking is right for you, how you can learn each method in the Syracuse Diocese, as well as what the Catholic Church has to say about NFP, FAQ's, and more!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF November 30th & December 1st

<u>MASS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS –B</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Theresa Beaty	H1 Martha O'Leary	CH1 Kay Sgarlata	Simon Farranto	Dennis Cole
		H3 Lola Gualtieri	CH2 Deacon	Ashlynn Johnston	
		H4 Catherine Muller			Michael Krisak
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Ed Michalenko	H1 Kelly Griffith	C1 Mary Malay	Lindsay Parker	Ed Coolican
		H3 Mary Touchette	C2 Ronald Naumann	Volunteer Needed	Tony Ebersole
		H4 Peter Demlein		Volunteer Needed	Len Smith
					Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 10:30 AM	Ellyn Lubel	H1 Joan Snyder	CH1 Rita Bergamo	Meghan Malay	Neil Bourcy
		H3 Beth Schafer	CH2 Deacon	Finn O'Brien	Don Brown
		H4 Marilyn Engle		Max Wysocki	Peter Bergamo
					Milke Sigona
					Ray Moade
Sunday, 5:00PM	Ridzi Family	H1 Volunteer Needed	C1 Volunteer Needed		
		H3 Volunteer Needed	C2 Volunteer Needed		
		H4 Volunteer Needed			

OUR PCA MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

St. Matthews:

- Daily Mass: M~TH~F 6:45am
- Weekend Masses: Sat. 4:30pm (vigil); Sunday 8:00am
- Confessions: Thursday 5-6pm
- Reconciliation: Wednesday 5-6pm

St. Francis of Assisi (Bridgeport)

- Weekend Mass: Sunday 9:30am

St. Mary's of the Assumption (Minoa)

- Weekend Mass: Sunday 11:00am

St. Vincent de Paul

- Daily Mass - M~TU~Wed. 12:00pm
- Weekend Mass: Sat.. 4pm; Sun. 9:30am

Blessed Sacrament

- Daily Mass: Chapel M - F 8:00am
- Weekend Masses: Sat. 5:00pm (vigil) Sun. 7:30, 9:30, 11:30am
- Reconciliation: Saturday 4 - 4:45pm

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, 3:00PM

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Holy Cross Parish Staff ~ Name, Title and Phone Extension

Rev. John J. Kurgan, Pastor, ext. 15
 Rev. Matthew E. Rawson, Parochial Vicar, ext. 36
 Rev. Charles S. Vavonese, Weekend Homilist
 Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 16
 Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38
 Brette Cooper, Maintenance
 Josh Corcoran, Music Sunday 5pm Mass
 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
 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. 13
 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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Staff ~ Name and Title

Martha O'Leary, School Principal
 Joanne Markert - Administrative Assistant, Nina Walters - Nurse