



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Lord, Lord, open the door for us!’ But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’”
- Mt 25:11-12

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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.

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

Sat. 3:00-3:30pm

Sunday Mass

Vigil Sat.: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 10:30am &
5:00 pm

View Sunday & Daily Mass

on TV or online -

www.holycrossdewitt.org

Upcoming Events:

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

Check the Holy Cross Web site

www.holycrossdewitt.org for up to date information.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Nov. 8th – The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Marialaura Pallotta/ Angela & Nick
Mastrogiovanni

10:30am Donna M. Bonacci/ Husband, Joseph

5:00pm M/M C.B. Ridley/ Charlene Valentine

Monday, November 9th

7:45am Rita Romeo/ Frank & Doug

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

Tuesday, November 10th

7:45am People of Holy Cross

6:00am– 9:00pm Adoration For Our Nation

Wednesday, November 11th

7:45am Kristen Woodmansee/ Jo Oliva

9:00am - 3:00pm **No Private Prayer & Devotion Today**

7:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Penance

Thursday, November 12th

7:45am James Collins/ Wife & Children

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

Friday, November 13th

7:45am Mary Carsello/ Family

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

Saturday, November 14th

9:00am Nora C. Depperman/ Tim Erwin

4:00pm Rebecca Thomas/ Johnston Family

3:00 - 3:30pm Penance

Sun., Nov. 15th – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Intentions of the Rosary Group/
Margaret Ingraham

10:30am Craig Doby/ Maureen Hall & Family

5:00pm Joe & Joan Simonetta/ Family

Sunday November 8, 2020

Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalm 63

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

Have we fallen asleep? Our second reading from St Paul to the Thessalonians speaks to the people of Thessalonica about those who have fallen asleep in Christ. When we hear these words about falling asleep, we often associate them with death and dying. St



Paul goes on to say that we should not grieve like those that have no hope. We know that there is Hope in the Resurrection, and when our chapter on this earth comes to an end, we know there is a time of purification and Resurrection. But if we put these words in another context what could they mean? Falling asleep in our faith or walking away from our faith can be just as detrimental as death. I think many of us know someone who has either grown distant from the faith or has completely walked away because of something that has happened in their life. What do we do to help them? Like anyone else who is struggling with something the first thing is to be there for them. Even if it's a listening ear and has nothing to do with the faith, it is important to be there with them on their journey. Praying for them is something else that we can do: maybe it means offering a mass intention for them or offering a dedicated prayer time for them. Prayer is one of the most powerful tools we have both for ourselves and for those around us. Whatever we find ourselves doing, we should be aware of God's presence in our lives as well as the person we are praying for. Often people do not realize God's presence is at work in them even if they are not expecting it. How are you called to help those who may have fallen asleep in their faith? Is God asking you to be a guide for those around you? Take some time to pray for those who may have walked away from their faith and allow God to work in and through you this week.

Fr. Matt Rawson

Week of November 8th

Host, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory Of: Stephen Oliva

Requested by: Wife and 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

\$20,568.00 Collection of November 1

\$ 1,007.00 All Saints

\$ 1,136.83 Catholic University

\$ 1,368.00 Respect Life

\$ 2,867.00 World Mission Sunday

\$ 3,615.46 Missionary Cooperative Appeal

**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 updated 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 NOVEMBER 8, 2020

- SUN 11/8** Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
- MON 11/9** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
- TUE 11/10** Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29 [39a]/Lk 17:7-10
- WED 11/11** Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Lk 17:11-19
- THR 11/12** Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [5a]/Lk 17:20-25
- FRI 11/13** 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 [1b]/Lk 17:26-37
- SAT 11/14** 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
- SUN 11/15** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

I WILL WALK
BY FAITH,
EVEN WHEN I
CANNOT SEE.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:7



Holy Hour
Mondays
Following
Mass
8:15 - 9:15
Main Church



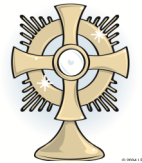
PRAYER REQUESTS

Garth H. Bishop, Eden & Mackenzie Bishop, Terry Chylinski, o, Armand Cincotta, Mark Cywilko, Stanley Jakimek, Sharon & Joe Kieffer, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Faith Muller, Patricia Pool, and Rita Smookler.

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.

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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.

Catholic Media - Augustine Institute

FORMED

- Read**, History of the Catholic Church (Pope Leo XIII, 11/10)
Listen, Saints for Sinners (St. Augustine birthday 11/11)
Listen, The Restless Flame (St. Augustine birthday 11/11)
Read, Youth: The Young People's Book of Saints (St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, 11/13)
Listen Family, St. Frances Cabrini (11/13)

WALK WITH US

on this Journey of Faith



HOPE Appeal 2020

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.

Father Kurgan is asking all parishioners to contribute to this year's HOPE Appeal. In an effort to meet our goal, he is asking every family in the parish to consider a minimum gift of \$325.00 (less than 90 cents per day ~ less than the cost of a bottle of water or coffee!). If you are able to contribute more, I strongly encourage you to do so. If you are not able to make the minimum gift, please give something. Your gift, no matter the size, is important. 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.

Please prayerfully consider your gift to this year's HOPE Appeal. You may bring your completed pledge card to Mass next weekend **and drop it in the box along with your weekly contribution. You may also drop it by the office or mail it to the parish office. If you would rather pledge your gift you may do so at syrdio.org.**

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.

GOT LIFE QUESTIONS? RCIA might just be for you!

RCIA Information Session:

Sunday, November 8th, 9am--Parish Chapel

RCIA groups are for you if:

- You are interested in becoming Catholic
- You were never baptized, but would like to be baptized
- You were baptized in another Christian denomination and would like to receive the Sacraments



If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, please join us in the Chapel on Sunday or call the parish office for more information: (315) 446-0473.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, November 8th

9:00 AM RCIA Information Meeting - Chapel
9:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12 & 13

Monday, November 9th

8:15AM Holy Hour - Church
10:30AM Christ The King MMP - rooms 12 & 13
8:00PM Night Prayer - Live on HC Facebook

Tuesday, November 10th

10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study - room 12 & 13
7:00 PM Catholic Book Club—rooms 12 & 13

Wednesday, November 11th - Veterans Day

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church
7:00 PM Penance - Church

Thursday, November 12th

10:00 AM Divine Mercy Cenacle - rooms 12 & 13
7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study - Yeazel Hall

Saturday, November 14th

3:00 PM Penance - Church
5:00 PM Laudato Si Circles - Yeazel Hall

Sunday, November 15th

9:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

Upcoming Events

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

- Laudato Si Circles - Nov. 14 at 5pm
- Coffee & Conversation - Nov. 17 at Noon
- Knitting Group - Nov. 19th at 1pm
- Giving Tree begins Nov. 21 & 22
- Monthly Movie - Nov. 24 at 1:00pm
- Thanksgiving Day Mass - Nov. 26—9:00am

Upcoming Bulletin Deadlines Changes



- The deadline for the bulletin of Nov. 22nd will be **Tuesday, November 10th at 9am.**
- The deadline for the bulletin of Nov. 29 will be **Monday, November 16th at 9am**

All notices received after these deadline will be published in the following bulletin.

Thank you!

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

- The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, Nov. 11th to observe Veterans' Day
- Private Prayer & Devotion will not take place on November 11th
- Daily Mass will be at 7:45am November 11th



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

November Jail Ministry Candy Drive

Each year, Jail Ministry asks us to collect candy for their Christmas gift bags. The bags are for incarcerated individuals who are enduring the holidays without family or friends. If you have leftover Halloween candy--individually wrapped hard candy or snack size chocolate bars--or if you are interested in purchasing candy for Jail Ministry gift bags, please leave the candy in the marked donation basket by the front doors.

Samaritan Center Team:

Sunday, November 15th 11:30-2:30pm

A few of our Samaritan Center volunteers have been helping in the soup kitchen this fall. Rigorous sanitary safety protocols are in place & meals are takeout only. 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 masks are required. To volunteer for a meal, please contact Rick: philiprcoughlin@gmail.com

Laudato Si Circle Meeting:

Saturday, Nov 14th, 5pm in Yeazel Hall

This small group discussion is open to all who are interested in the future of our common home. Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical Laudato Si encourages Catholics everywhere to consider care for the environment as essential to a life of holiness. This small group incorporates prayer, reflection and actions that are inspired by the encyclical. For more info or to sign up, contact: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

Refugee Assistance Online Meeting:

Mon, Nov 16th, 4pm

Volunteers with our Refugee Assistance group continue to work at the Refugee Resettlement clothing closet and with the Al Khel family, a single Mom with 9 children from Afghanistan who lost their father during the war. We have chosen to focus on education as a goal that will help the family to achieve independence. We are grateful to Mary Thompson, Roger Schafer & Mary Beth Smith for their help with tutoring. Joan Willard is working with the children & their teachers as they struggle with online & hybrid school at an elementary, middle & high school in the city. The older siblings are employed & food benefits have been drastically reduced--navigating the social service system is an ongoing challenge. We are seeking donations of a few gently used household items to make life inside this crowded household a little warmer & more organized: a small bookcase, a tall metal shelving unit, TV tables for the kids laptops, an air mattress, utensils for stick-free pans, draft dodgers for doors and window sills & boot trays. To donate any of these items, please contact Joan Willard: jhartwill93@gmail.com



Gardening Angels Update

"God's House has been given a beautiful visage as we come to worship. Our Gardening Angels have given their time and talents for Him and you. We prepped for Spring looking forward to an inviting welcome after our rest. There will be plenty of work opportunities in 2021 if you have an interest. Contact Sue Sovik at 315-445-8980. God blesses us all."



This Photo by

You are invited to

CTK (Christ the King) Cenacle

At the Holy Cross Church room 12&13

Every Monday 10:30-11:45 am

Contact person: Christina Hahn 315 436 5479

Rita Chanthasensak 315 395 4906

Please bring your Rosary.

The format of the cenacle:

1. Invocation to the Holy Spirit
2. The Rosary
3. Prayers for the Pope
4. Reading and meditation on a message from the book, "To the Priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons"
5. Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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.

First Friday Mass League Enrollment

Venera Ann Wright/ Vanderhoek Family
Fred Bullion/ Wife
Carl Williams / Jayne Williams
Peter & Leo Hoban/ Jayne Williams
Maria Sanh Ngo/ Son Nguyen

Attention Lectors

- We have your copy of the Workbook for Lectors in the Parish Office. Please stop by to pick up your copy.
- If you would like to be scheduled to lector at one of the weekend Masses please call or email the parish office.
- If you would like to be removed permanently as a lector please call or email the parish office.



Be a hero to kids

Support education programs by shopping at smile.amazon.com

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Do you shop on Amazon? When you do, use amazon smile and support Holy Cross School. 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 and Amazon donates to Friends of Holy Cross School.

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 \$ _____

Online Safe Environment Training Updates

The Office of Safe Environment offers online initial (PGC) & re-certification (EPDR) training opportunities to those who are interested & able to attend training online during this time. The complete schedule of available training sessions & registration links can now be found on the diocesan Safe Environment page: <https://syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/>

PGC (Initial) Training:

Thursday, November 12th 9:00am - 11:00am (Registration closes on November 5th at Noon)

Monday, November 23rd 6:00pm - 8:00pm (Registration closes on November 16th at Noon)

Tuesday, December 1st 10:00am - 12:00pm (Registration closes on November 24th at Noon)

EPDR (Re-certification) Training:

Friday, November 13th 9:00am - 10:30am (Registration closes on November 6th at Noon)

Wednesday, November 18th 6:00pm - 7:30pm (Registration closes on November 10th at Noon)

Tuesday, November 24th 9:00am - 10:30am (Registration closes on November 17th at Noon)

Thursday, December 3rd 6:00pm - 7:30pm (Registration closes on November 25th at Noon)

Pre-registration is required & are limited to 20 participants on a first-come, first-serve basis. (The training schedule is updated regularly with additional dates and times. If you have questions or concerns, contact Joelle Zarnowski, Program Coordinator, at 315.470.1421 or safeenvironment@syrдио.org.

Spiritual Adoption Program Month Three - Developing Baby

"I grabbed my hand!" The baby can now squint, swallow & move its tongue. The baby sleeps & awakens. Fingernails & toenails form & it now has its own unique set of fingerprints. Sensitive to touch, it will tightly grasp an object placed in the palm of its hand. The baby breathes amniotic fluid to help develop & strengthen the respiratory system, but gets the oxygen needed through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce & is about 3 inches in length.

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

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 13
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Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38
Brette Cooper, Maintenance
Josh Corcoran, Music Sunday 5pm Mass
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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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