



Thank you Bishop Lucia for joining us at Holy Cross for our Red & White Games during Catholic Schools Week! It was an amazing celebration of our community, and we are so grateful for your presence during our spirited finale. We also want to say how grateful we are for our students, faculty, staff, families, and friends that embody the Crusader family and made Catholic Schools Week possible. Lastly, to our parishioners, thank you for continuing to pray for and support our school community. The impact you have on these students' life is eternal!

**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](http://www.holycrossdewitt.org/subscribe) to see more.



**Mass Times**

<b>Daily Mass:</b>	7:45am
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00am
<b>Penance:</b>	Wed. 7-8pm Saturday 3:00pm
<b>Sunday Mass</b>	
<b>Vigil Sat.:</b>	4:00pm
<b>Sunday:</b>	7:30am 10:30am 5:00 pm

**Upcoming Events:**

**HC School Raffle Ticket Sale** Feb. 15 & 16

**Ash Wednesday**  
Wednesday, Feb. 26  
Bread & Soup Supper

**Monday Night Movie**  
Feb. 24 - 6:30pm

**Tuesday Movie**  
Feb. 25 - 1:00pm



# MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM Holy Priests in Purgatory/ Joyce A. Kotch  
10:30 AM Mary Maiurino/ Pate Gates, Brian, Cheryl,  
Douglas and Maureen

5:00 PM Betty Galletta/ Carol & Don Scullion

**Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 AM Rick Mastronardi/ The Read Family  
8:15 AM -3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 AM Angelo & Josephine Nicolletti/ Family  
8:15 AM -3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 AM Joanne Bradford/ The Maio Family  
8:15 AM -3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 AM People of Holy Cross  
8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 AM Frank Cappelletti/ The White Family  
8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Kathleen Powers/ Don LaCasse  
3:00 - 3:30 PM Penance  
4:00 PM Kelly Harrington/ Mom

**Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM Dr. Lorne Renge/ Hall Family  
10:30AM Souls in Purgatory/ Margaret Ingraham  
5:00 PM Dominic Tirinato/ Tom & Patty Quartier

## February 9th, 2020 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



What does it mean to be salt and light? If we listen carefully to Jesus' words, we gain some direction. To be salt means to bring taste, zest, and joy to life. We are asked to liven things up a bit by allowing the joy of

our faith to spill over into the lives of others. Only a sincere and deep relationship with God can freshen up humanity and set it on proper course. To be light means that our faith must translate into action so that we can be Christ for others and extend the same arm of mercy and compassion that Christ did. Our acts of piety, then, cannot be directed solely at ourselves. Prayer is never about self-benefit but must always be directed toward union with God, deepening our relationships with one another and learning how to be effective stewards of the beautiful universe God has entrusted to our care.

The Master gives us wise direction in terms of how we can best become the salt and light He desires. Listen carefully to the Beatitudes. Think about the oppression and alienation that exists in our world, the violence and prejudice, the anger and the hatred, the fear and the shame. All of these things require action. The poor need food, housing, and clothes. Hatred must be replaced by love. Retaliation and violence by forgiveness. Our thoughts and speech can become more like Christ. We can change and continue to change. Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman said, "To live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often."

But it doesn't end with just offering the bandages needed to heal wounds. It must go deeper. We must ask ourselves what has happened that we have found ourselves in this place with these wounds and divisions. What are their causes? Together we must address these systemic problems, politically and spiritually, and face the truth. Only then will we truly be salt and light. But then again, we may not like what the light shows us.

**Week of February 9<sup>th</sup>****Host & Wine**

*In Memory Of:* Frank Cappelletti  
*Requested By:* Wife & Family

**Sanctuary Lamp**

*In Memory Of:* Imperioli Family  
*Requested By:* Mary Beth Smith

**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.

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**Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving**

Credit card and electronic donations are now possible through the Holy Cross website: [www.holycrossdewitt.org/give](http://www.holycrossdewitt.org/give)

**YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT**

**\$19,704.88** Average weekly need

\$16,968.27 Collection of February 2  
(\$ 2,736.61) Deficit

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**A Family Perspective:**



Today's gospel challenges us to be a "light" to our family. Parents shine their guiding light, not in front but behind them, inviting children to follow their "good deeds."

**Pray the Rosary Daily**

Most mornings after daily Mass a group gathers in the Church to pray the rosary. It is informal, and open to anyone who would like to pray. Please join us!



**Bulletin & Scheduling Information**

- If you would like to submit an item for the bulletin please send the item in to the parish office before the deadline on Monday at 9am for the upcoming weekend. Deadlines will change when there is a holiday. Preference is given to Holy Cross events and are approved by Fr. Kurgan. If there is extra room, other announcements will appear. Send your announcements by E-mail to: [peg@holycrossdewitt.org](mailto:peg@holycrossdewitt.org). All announcements are subject to editing.
- Anyone who would like to hold an event or activity at Holy Cross should contact Peg at the parish office. Yeazel Hall and classrooms are open to parishioners for meetings & special events. Any others may submit a request. Priority is given to parish events, parishioners & diocesan events. For non-parish groups, proof of insurance may be required. All requests must be approved by Fr. Kurgan & prior to getting placed on the Holy Cross calendar.

**2019 Tax Contribution Statements**

If you wish to have a tax statement sent to your home, please fill out the form below. You may put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the office. You may also email the information to [Peg@holycrossdewitt.org](mailto:Peg@holycrossdewitt.org). Requested statements will be sent out at the end of January.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayers Are Requested For...**



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

Yvonne Grocott, Virginia Grosso, Mason Hallenbeck, Adriana Hampel, Daniel C. Healy, Elaine Hill, Macey Horbauch, Susan Keller, Jane Koszulka, Kathy Kotz, John Laura, Rory Lennon, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Elaine Lostumbo, Dominick M., Austin & Tres Mahan, Mary McArdle, Gail Moloney, Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, Monica Miranda, Tracey Montague, Faith Muller, Al Paparo, Deanna Peters, 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 Kristin 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](mailto:Peg@holycrossdewitt.org). We will keep them on for three months unless you notify us otherwise. Thank you.**

**Notify the Parish Office**

If a loved one has been admitted to the hospital, please inform the parish office of which hospital and their room number. The priests or deacon would like to make a pastoral visit, but that cannot happen without being notified by the families. Due to HIPPA laws, the hospitals cannot share that information with the parish. In addition, if a loved one is admitted to a nursing home or rehab facility, please notify the office. Thank you.

**Mass for Homebound**

Sunday Mass for the ill and home-bound is available each week on TV Sunday at 6:30am on Channel 9, Sat. at 8:30pm on Channel 98, and on the Syracuse Catholic Television YouTube channel. For a complete list of channels & air times, visit [facebook.com/syracuseCTV](http://facebook.com/syracuseCTV). Televised Mass is made possible by your generous donations to the HOPE Appeal.

**Homebound and Nursing Home Ministry:**



We are looking for volunteers to help fellow parishioners who are home-bound or Nursing Home residents.

Our parish needs people to visit our fellow parishioners & people to call them on the phone to assess their current situations. If God is moving your heart to provide either of these services, please contact Claude Pilon by email at [claudjepilon@outlook.com](mailto:claudjepilon@outlook.com) or call the parish office 446-0473.

**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.

## THIS WEEKEND

### Knights of Columbus Pizza Sale

This weekend the Knights will be taking orders for pizzas in the Gathering Area. Cheese (\$9) or pepperoni (\$10). All proceeds will benefit the Seminarians of the diocese. Pick up will be March 7/8 weekend.



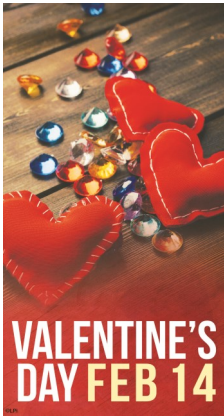
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## RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets will be on sale to support Holy Cross School.

### Valentine's Day Luncheon/ Party



All (men & women) are invited to share a special lunch with your friends on Valentine's Day, **Friday, February 14 at Noon**. We will be serving pizza and salad.

Cost is \$10. **Reservations are needed.** Please call Jo (315-446-3328) by Tuesday, Feb. 11.

The Valentine's Day Luncheon will take the place of the Monthly Luncheon in February.

### Middle School Youth Retreat

All 6-8 grade students are invited to an overnight youth retreat that we are planning here in Syracuse! We are collaborating with several other parishes and the Diocese to host an incredible retreat that includes transformative talks, exciting games and skits, small group time in our parish, opportunities to make friends from all over the Diocese, worship, Adoration, confession, & Mass. The retreat will be held at Christ the King Retreat House (just up the road from our parish) from **Friday evening, May 8 to Saturday Evening May 9th**. The cost is just \$35 and registration is now open. We have a limited number of spots, so sign up soon! To register visit our website at [holycrossdewitt.org/youth](http://holycrossdewitt.org/youth) or for more information email [Steve@holycrossdewitt.org](mailto:Steve@holycrossdewitt.org)



### Substitute Teachers & Nurses Needed

Holy Cross School is looking for substitute Nurses and Teachers. We are interested in Registered Nurses who are up to date on all certifications. All individuals must be willing to be Virtus Trained within the Diocese. Please e-mail your resume to Martha O'Leary at [moleary@syrdiocese.org](mailto:moleary@syrdiocese.org).

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

### Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

KOC Pizza and HC Raffle Sale - Gathering Area  
9:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12 & 13  
3:00 PM Confirmation Group Session - Yeazel Hall

### Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

6:45 AM HS Faith Formation  
10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study - room 9

### Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

6:45 AM MS Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall  
10:00 AM Holy Cross Community Meeting - rms. 12 & 13  
6:00 PM STEP Meeting - room 11  
7:00 PM NA & Narnon Meeting - Yeazel Hall  
7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church  
7:00 PM Penance - Church

### Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM Elementary Faith Formation  
9:00 AM Divine Mercy Cenacle  
1:00 PM Knitting Group - Yeazel Hall  
7:00 PM HS Faith Formation - Youth Room  
7:00 PM Middle School Faith Formation/ Youth Group - Rms 10-13

### Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

12:00 PM Valentine's Day Lunch & Party - Yeazel Hall

### Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

3:00 PM Penance - Church  
HC Raffle Sale - Gathering Area

### Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

HC Raffle Ticket Sale - Gathering Area  
9:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

### Evening and Monthly Movie "Fatal Flaws"

Monday, February 24 at 6:30pm and  
Tuesday, February 25 at 1:00pm

*"Are laws allowing euthanasia and assisted suicide leading society down a dangerous path?"*

A thought-provoking journey through Europe & North America to ask one of the most fundamental philosophical questions of our time: should we be giving doctors the right in law to end the life of others by euthanasia or assisted suicide? Filmmaker Kevin Dunn uses powerful testimonies & expert opinion from both sides of the issue to uncover how these highly disputed laws affect society over time. All are welcome and it is free to attend.



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### 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](mailto:beth@holycrossdewitt.org)

"For me this word is very important; Encounter with others. Why? Because faith is an encounter with Jesus, and we must do what Jesus does: encounter others... with our faith we must create a 'culture of encounter', a culture of friendship, a culture in which we find brothers and sisters, in which we can also speak with those who think differently, as well as those who hold other beliefs, who do not have the same faith. They all have something in common with us: they are images of God, they are children of God."

Pope Francis, Q&A Session, 5/18/13

#### Here are some opportunities to encounter others:

##### Emmaus Ministry Meal:

**Thursday, February 13th, 4-6:30pm**

Road to Emmaus Ministry has moved to a new location-but it is just around the corner from their previous building on South Salina Street. The new address is 127 East Glen Ave. Holy Cross volunteers serve a hot meal to homeless people and hungry families who live near Emmaus. We are now using a webpage to manage our 2nd Thursday meals. Contact Beth to register or to receive an invitation to sign up online. The next meal at Emmaus is scheduled for March 12th: [beth@holycrossdewitt.org](mailto:beth@holycrossdewitt.org)

##### Samaritan Center Dinner: February 16th, 12:30-3pm

On Sunday afternoon, one week from today, bring your family members or friends to our local soup kitchen to help serve hungry people in Syracuse. Each month, a different area church sponsors a Sunday afternoon meal. Holy Cross has committed to helping on Feb 16th & April 26th. Contact Rick to sign up: [philiprcoughlin@gmail.com](mailto:philiprcoughlin@gmail.com) An earlier (11:30am-12:30pm) time period is set aside for families with children under 12 years old. Please sign up in advance.



##### Jail Ministry Visitor Advocate Training: Tuesdays

Is your heart calling you in a new direction this year? Jail Ministry's Visitor Advocate Training will begin in February. The initial commitment is for 6 weeks on Tuesday evenings. After a background check, a one hour visit once per week is expected. For more information or to sign up, contact Beth or Keith Cieplicki: [jailministry@gmail.com](mailto:jailministry@gmail.com)

##### Book Buddies:

**1 hour, once per week (11-12am or 12-1pm)**

Do you want to help a child learn to read? Book Buddies is a volunteer program that is offered by the Syracuse School District on behalf of Seymour Elementary School. Seymour is a dual language Academy; first & second graders need help learning to read. Volunteers work as a group to meet one-on-one with a regular student for an hour each week. The program is currently in need of volunteers - some have had to step aside & some are away for the winter. The program needs at least 15 volunteers to help students learn to read. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please ask Beth or contact Lori Black: [laurieblack72@gmail.com](mailto:laurieblack72@gmail.com)

### Mission in Motion – Disciple Series

You asked for it – and we listened! Calling lay Catholics more fully into the life and mission of the Church is critical for creating evangelizing, vibrant parishes. **Mission in Motion** is a practical workshop that covers these critical topics:

- How each of us is called to evangelize – & what that means
- Real ways to have one-on-one faith conversations
- The nuts and bolts of a parish evangelization team

Join international presenters Michael Dopp, Fr. Jon Bielawski, and Michele Thompson for **Mission in Motion**, the latest installment in the Disciple Series on **Feb. 13** Immaculate Conception, Fayetteville 8:30am – 2:45pm

### Oratory Contest

Syracuse Right To Life Oratory Contest will be on Sunday, March 29 from Noon to 3pm at the Holiday Inn @ 441 Electronics Parkway, Liverpool. Students will speak 5-7 minutes on a pro-life issue (abortion or euthanasia). 11th and 12th graders vie for \$250 first place and \$150 and \$50 2nd & 3rd place. 9th and 10th graders vie for \$50 first place. For an application call Jim Dooher at 315-446-6168.

### Valentine's Day Dinner & Cabaret

Don't fight the crowds this Valentine's Day. Join us for an evening of social, dinner and entertainment at Christ the King Retreat House on **Friday, Feb. 14th**. Social at 6pm followed by dinner & entertainment. Offering: \$35 per person. Reservations required by calling 315-446-2680 or [ctkretreat@syrdio.org](mailto:ctkretreat@syrdio.org).

### ATTN: Musicians & Liturgical Ministers:

**Jeanne Cotter events - All are invited.**

Le Moyne is bringing liturgical composer, singer, pianist, and storyteller Jeanne Cotter to Syracuse for two events as we launch our Inaugural Hildegard Workshop.

The first will be an evening of reflection and song for musicians and liturgical ministers. This will be held on Monday Feb. 10 @ 7 PM in the Chapel. She will be doing a concert on Wednesday Feb 12 @ 7 PM in the Chapel. Both events are free and open to the public.

If you have general questions about 2020 Census jobs, please contact us through the **Jobs Line: 1-855-JOB-2020** (1-855-562-2020) or online at [2020census.gov/jobs](http://2020census.gov/jobs).

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF February 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>**

<u>MASS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS -A</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Michael Read	H1 John Passonno	CH1 Claudette Tanner	Kaitlin Houglund	Dennis Cole
		H3 Kay Sgarlata	CH2 Deacon	Cecila Lombardi	Claude Pilon
		H4 Catherine Muller		<b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Michael Krisak
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Theresa Beaty	H1 Mary Touchette	C1 Kathleen Bullion	Riley Biddlecome	Ed Coolican
		H3 Ronald Naumann	C2 Julie Johnson	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Tony Ebersole
		H4 Teri Skandalis		<b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Len Smith
					Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 10:30 AM	Karen Kirkman	H1 Ron Deluca	CH1 Marilyn Engle	Joshua Gleasman	Neil Bourcy
		H3 Mary Haley	CH2 Deacon	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Don Brown
		H4 Cookie Dunham		<b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Peter Bergamo
					Milke Sigona
					Ray Moade
Sunday, 5:00PM	Angela Rigdon	H1 <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	C1 Stephanie Heath	Ryan Rigdon	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
		H3 Elaine Ryan	C2 Joan Snyder	Declan Reed	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
		H4 Pat Ryan		Rayna Reed	

**OUR PCA MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**St. Matthews:**

- Daily Mass: Friday 9:00am
- Weekend Masses: Sat. 4:30pm (vigil); Sunday 8:00am
- Confessions: Saturday 3:30 - 4:00pm

**St. Vincent de Paul**

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

**St. Francis of Assisi (Bridgeport)**

- Daily Mass: Mon. 9:00am
- Weekend Mass: Sunday 9:30am

**St. Mary's of the Assumption (Minoa)**

- Daily Mass: Wed. 9:00am
- Weekend Mass: Sunday 11:00am

**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](mailto: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



## HOLY CROSS

### STEWARDSHIP IN FAITH

Volume V

Sunday

February 9, 2020

#### TODAY IS COMMITMENT SUNDAY

This Sunday, February 9, is *Commitment Sunday* for all parishioners of Holy Cross Parish. In response to our Stewardship in Faith appeal, we are asking all of our parish families to return their completed pledge card either by placing it in the collection basket or mailing it to the office.

In preparation for *Commitment Sunday*, both Father John and members of our Finance Committee have explained the reasons for our appeal and the manner in which you can help. In addition, we mailed a brochure, pledge card, and return envelope, to assist you with your commitment. Also, for the convenience of those who may have misplaced their pledge card or return envelope, there will be extra materials at the exit of the church.

#### A GUIDE FOR GIVING

Below is a series of suggested sacrificial giving plans. They are presented to assist you in planning your annual commitment. *It is understood that the financial ability of each family is different, but one of these plans should be within the means of many of our parishioners.*

Your generous commitment will determine our course for the coming year. It is your investment in your parish and the pastoral care it provides to each of us as individuals, families, and the community at large.

#### SUGGESTED SACRIFICIAL GIVING PLANS

HOUSEHOLD INCOME	ANNUAL OFFERING	WEEKLY OFFERING
\$150,000	\$7,500	\$150
\$100,000	\$5,000	\$100
\$75,000	\$3,750	\$75
\$60,000	\$3,000	\$60
\$50,000	\$2,500	\$50
\$40,000	\$2,000	\$40
\$30,000	\$1,500	\$30