#### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FEBRUARY 13, 2022** 





# World Marriage Day FEBRUARY 13, 2022

The observances of National Marriage Week (February 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 13) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. The theme for 2022 is "Called to the Joy of Love."

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to William and Jean Leiker celebrating 26 years of marriage this year, Edward and Susan Judge celebrating 52 years of marriage this year, Jack and Joan Garbinski celebrating 61 years of marriage this year, and all married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries. Holy Cross couples are participating in the World Marriage Day Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception this weekend.

# Prayer for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God,
You blessed the union
of married couples
so that they might reflect
the union of Christ
with his Church:
look with kindness on them.

Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Find more resources for marriage at foryourmarriage.org

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## **Readings & Reflection**

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2022

Jeremiah 17:5-8 Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Luke 6:17, 20-26



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"Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings; blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord."

In whom do we place our trust? In practicality, we do need to trust those who are closest to us, but in today's first reading Jeremiah reminds us that ultimately we must place our trust in the Lord. Now, understand that we

often say that Christ is in each of us, and that is true. We must understand, however, that the one we trust in when we trust those around us really is the Lord himself. After all, God gives us all good gifts, but when we fail to honor the trust that others place in us, we not only injure that individual, but we injure the Lord as well.

When we trust in human flesh alone, the part of the individual that has turned away from God, the Lord says we are cursed. To avoid this we must make sure that those we do trust have not turned away from God but are in close relationship with God so as to avoid sin. These people can help us on our path to holiness! We also must remain close to the Lord so that we can be of help to those we encounter who struggle to be close to God as well.

Peace, Fr. John

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> > holycrossdewitt.org/subscribe

### **Mass Intentions**

## Sunday, February 13 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - William F. Lynn / Sister 10:30 AM - Charles O'Donnell / Antonacci Family 5:00 PM - John Fennessey / Sheila Gallagher

#### Monday, February 14

7:45 AM – Robert Rodite / Pam Shimer & Family 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

#### Tuesday, February 15

7:45 AM – Living Intention of the Family of Faustina Raddell / Chuck & Regina Harty
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

#### Wednesday, February 16

7:45 AM – Farnett, Silvaggio & Magnarelli Families / Claude & Maryanne Pilon

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Private Prayer & Devotion

#### Thursday, February 17

7:45 AM – Parishioners of Holy Cross 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

#### Friday, February 18

7:45 AM – Carl Shumway / Caryn Scuderi & Family 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

#### Saturday, February 19

9:00 AM – Mary Stanley / Sue & Sandy Hoddinott 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM – Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 PM – Ted, Bridgett & Matt Kelly / Family

## Sunday, February 20 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - Sheila Guinto / Rose Tout 10:30 AM - Wanda Koen / Relihan & Foraker Families 5:00 PM - Leonard Casciano / Elaine Lostumbo

> Host, Wine, & Sanctuary Lamp Bill Nowicki / Wife

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Andy Agrasto, Meg Barone, Garth H. Bishop, Eden & Mackenzie Bishop, Oliver Brown, Terry Chylinski, Armand Cincotta, Tom Coyne, Mark Cywilko, Tony Dimento, Joanne & Aidan Gallagher, John Galletta, Stanley Jackimeck, Ann Kronner, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dinita Machlin, Brianna Messe, Monique Missoff, Elizabeth Mollica, Mary Elizabeth Morgan, Faith Muller, Kathryn Muller, Nancy Patane, Laura Suarez, Stephen Smith, Rita Smookler, John Toole, and Teresa Vita.

## **News & Events**



# Knights of Columbus Pizza Sale FEBRUARY 12-13

The Knights of Columbus are having their annual pizza sale. They will be taking orders after Masses February 12-13. The pizzas will be delivered after the Masses on March 26-27.

## Coffee & Conversation TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022 | 12:00 PM

Join us Tuesday, February 15 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM in Yeazel Hall for Coffee & Conversation. We will be discussing upcoming Altar & Rosary events. Bring your bagged lunch and drink. We will follow social distancing guidelines. Please wear a face mask.



# Knitting Group THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2022 | 1:00 PM

The Knitting Group will meet on Thursday, February 17 at 1:00 PM. Please join us downstairs in Room 12 & 13. New knitters are always welcome. Questions? Please call Rita at (315) 472-1478 or Jo at (315) 446-3328.

# Girl Scout Cookie Sale FEBRUARY 19-20

The Holy Cross Cadette Girl Scouts will be selling cookies before and after each Mass on February 19 and 20. They will be donating 10% of all sales to the Holy Cross Educate-a-Child fund. People wishing to purchase cookies and then donate them may do so.

#### Adoration

From her earliest teachings, the Catholic Church has understood that Jesus, on the last night of his life, took bread and wine and in a literal way changed it into his actual Body and Blood. The early Church developed a special time of prayer with the Eucharist by placing a consecrated host in the center of a display case, known as a monstrance, in order for the faithful to gaze at Jesus and to pray within his midst. This exposition, or praying before the Eucharist is called Adoration and is one of the most intimate and personal methods of prayer for many Christians.

**WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 PM**-Every Wednesday the parish community has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available in the main church from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM. You are invited to come to this hour for as long or as little as you like. Bring your family and friends. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also offered during this time.

**MONDAYS AT 8:15 AM**–Join us on Monday mornings following daily Mass for a Holy Hour in our Church sanctuary, 8:15 AM - 9:15 AM. Come start your week in quiet reverence and stillness with the Lord.

#### **Tax Contribution Statements**

If you wish to have a tax statement sent to your home, please contact Peg Olson by calling the parish office at (315) 446-0473 or you may also email <a href="mailto:peg@holycross-dewitt.org">peg@holycross-dewitt.org</a>. You will need to provide your name and address.

### **FORMED**

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## FEBRUARY 13: WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

#### **BELOVED - SESSION 1: DOES MARRIAGE MATTER?**

On this World Marriage Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.



Find this and other timely content at <a href="https://www.formed.org">www.formed.org</a>

## In Remembrance of Sister Dorothy Stang

"The death of the forest is the end of our life."

Martyrdom date: February 12, 2005

Sister Dorothy Stang was born in 1931 and became a missioner in the Amazon forests of Brazil. She was murdered in 2005 for her standing up for the rights of farmers who were being pushed off land in the Amazon Forest. She's in the canonization process, is revered in several parts of the world, and has been officially recognized by our Church as a martyr.

To learn more about Sr. Stang, and read a thoughtful article from our own parishioners Ed Judge, visit our website at <a href="https://holycrossdewitt.org/news">holycrossdewitt.org/news</a>

### Outreach

### Thank You from All Faiths Food Pantry

With food prices increasing, your food donations help us to continue to serve our clients with a good selection of food items. May 2022 bring peace to our world.

Thank you, Elaine Secretary of All Faiths Food Pantry, Inc.



An impressive illustration of the generous nature of our parishioners on food donation Sunday. Thank you for your generosity and goodness. 

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### Thank You Volunteers!

I want to thank everyone who has been helping with the food pantry lately. This includes all those who so generously donate the food items, those who separate the items and repack them, those who put the brown bags into the plastic bags, the loyal drivers, and any I have failed to mention. We are blessed to have so many who assist in this project. Also, a huge thank you to Mary Beth Smith who has patiently taught me about the ins and outs of the food pantry.

Next month I hope to utilize those who volunteer after the Saturday 4:00pm Mass.

Susan Jereb Holy Cross Food Donation Coordinator



#### Stories from Catholic Schools Week

Students at Holy Cross School had an amazing week celebrating their faith and educational community. Here's a few snapshots of their faith, excellence, and service in action. Visit <a href="holycrossdewitt.org/news">holycrossdewitt.org/news</a> to see more.





Congratulations to our Holy Cross School Spelling Bee winner, Zach (who participated remotely), and to our runner-ups Lincoln and William! We want to give a big round of applause to all of our students who competed! Way to go! We are so proud of your effort, determination, and positive attitudes.



Second graders really take Wacky Tacky Day very seriously...





To learn how you can support our school and continue our legacy of scholarships for parishioners pursuing a Catholic education at Holy Cross School, visit holycrossdewitt.org/school

## "For it is in giving that we receive."

- ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

## Thank You For Your Generous Support

We are so encouraged by all of the ways that you respond to God's faithfulness and share your gifts. Financial gifts are incredible acts of service that allow us to continue our mission to our community and the world. Did you know Holy Cross offers convenient and secure, online giving? Whether you want to make a one time donation or setup a recurring gift, we've partnered with an industry leader to give you secure and convenient opportunities for supporting our faith community. Online donations helps reduce overhead and administrative costs allowing our staff to focus on the mission of the Church. If you are considering signing up for online giving and have questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out. Contact the parish office at (315) 446-0473, visit us online at holycrossdewitt.org/give, or send an email to finance@holycrossdewitt.org.

#### A NOTE ON PRIVACY AND SECURITY

We have taken great care to choose a partner that is dedicated to protecting personal information and privacy. They comply with the highest level of industry security standards and must pass rigorous independent on-site audits annually in addition to other critical assessments. We take information security very seriously and value your right to privacy.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

AVERAGE WEEKLY NEED: \$19,704.88 COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY 6: \$15,907.98



Scan the code with your phone's camera to get setup with online giving

## Helpful Info

### **Prayer Requests**

If you or someone you know would like to be included on our prayer list in this publication, please have a family member or the individual contact us to have the prayer request included in the next newsletter. Send an email to <a href="mailto:news@holycrossdewitt.org">news@holycrossdewitt.org</a>. The request will be included for three months unless notified otherwise.

### **Communications Request**

If you would like to include an item for consideration in this publication, contact <a href="mailto:news@holycrossdewitt.org">news@holycrossdewitt.org</a> with all pertinent details and information. Deadline to be included for consideration is Mondays at 9:00 AM for the upcoming weekend. Deadlines are subject to change for certain holidays. Content is subject to editing for length and style and must be approved by the pastor.

### **New to Holy Cross?**

We are so glad you are here with us and invite you to learn more about our community and faith tradition. Welcome Packets are available at all of the entrances of the church, or visit us at <a href="https://horssadewitt.org/welcome">holycrossadewitt.org/welcome</a> for a helpful guide to Holy Cross Church. Please introduce yourself to our priests at Mass.

#### New to Catholicism?

If you're new to the Catholic faith, curious about the Church, or just checking it out, we'd love to partner with you on your journey. We have Catholics from all walks of life and all with a different story on finding their faith. If you have questions or would like some helpful resources on Christianity, Catholicism, and the Church, drop us a line at 315-446-0473, send us a message via email at hello@holycrossdewitt.org, or on Twitter/Instagram/ Facebook at @holycrossdewitt, or drop by the parish office. Be sure to ask us about our RCIA program.