



HOLY CROSS CHURCH
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 13, 2022

the LORD
is my light
AND MY
Salvation



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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14
Philippians 3:17 - 4:1
Luke 9:28b-36

This Sunday, the Second Sunday of Lent shows us a glimpse of heaven. But that vision of heaven comes at the price of faith in God and faith in His plan for our lives. In our first reading today, we see Abram putting his trust in God for the second time. He has already left his home in Ur of the Chaldeans to travel many miles to a place where he is challenged in many different ways. Once again, he puts his trust in the Lord when He promises to give Abram's descendants the land he is now living in despite the fact that as an old man he and his wife Sara have no children. Talk about a test of faith! Miraculously, they do have a child, who has a child, and so on, until indeed, Abram becomes Abraham and is in fact, the father of many descendants.

The gospel is perhaps an even greater test of faith for Peter, James, and John when they join Jesus in climbing a mountain, where he is transfigured in their sight and appears in radiant glory standing between Moses and Elijah – the two key figures for the Jews from the Old Testament. The apostles received a vision of Christ's true glory on the mountain, but they did not understand what it meant. It was only after the resurrection that they truly understood what they had seen. The Transfiguration also has an important implication for each of us which is brought out by Saint Paul in the second reading. Paul tells us that Christ will transform our mortal bodies and make us like his own in glory. The Transfiguration didn't just give the apostles a glimpse of their glorified Lord – they also got a glimpse of what they too would be like when they joined him in eternity. That glory awaits those of us who have been faithful to God in this life. This season of Lent is about making us aware of what we need to do to be able to attain God's perfection and ultimately the glory which awaits us in heaven. Let us trust in the Lord always.

Peace,
Deacon Dare

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 13 – Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM - Alice Jastrem / Karen Markoff
10:30 AM - Betty Jane Mascolo / Claude & Mary Anne
5:00 PM - Robert Coughlin / Leigh Marquis

Monday, March 14

7:45 AM – Gerald Utter / Mike & Jeanne Donovan
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, March 15

7:45 AM – Bill Sovik / Leonard Smith
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Wednesday, March 16

7:45 AM – Parishioners of Holy Cross & John Stach / Jerome & Ellen Pristash
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Thursday, March 17

7:45 AM – Maureen Mirucki & Peg Celano / Loretta Nowicki
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, March 18

7:45 AM – Victims of Clergy Abuse / Anonymous
8:15 AM – Stations of the Cross
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion
7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 19

9:00 AM – John McNamara / Family
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM – Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 PM – Roxanne McAloon Compoli / Rachaelle Warroner

Sunday, March 20 – Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM - Michael Ferrante / Mr. & Mrs. John Andalaro
10:30 AM - Genevieve Walker-Falso / Bill & Sandy Walker
5:00 PM - Rod & Nanette Groat / Hall Groat Family

Sanctuary Lamp

Angeline M. Locurcio / Corcoran Family

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, Frank Colao, Tom Coyne, Kathleen Crouch, 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.

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News & Events

Girl Scout Cookie Sale

MARCH 12-13, 2022

The Holy Cross Cadette Girl Scouts will be selling cookies before and after each Mass on March 12 and 13. 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. Girl Scout Cookies will also be sold next weekend, March 19 and 20 at all Masses except 7:30 AM.

Coffee & Conversation

TUESDAY, MARCH 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 angel blankets. Bring your bagged lunch and drink.

Diocesan Listening Session

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2022 | 6:30 PM

Listening is an integral part of planning for the future. Make your voice heard. Join us for the next Listening Session on Wednesday, March 16, 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at The Church of the Nativity at St. Joseph Church in LaFayette. All are welcome to attend.

St. Patrick's Day Party

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2022 | 12:00 PM

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us at Holy Cross! Corned beef dinner will be served. Price is \$23 per person. Please call Jo Oliva at (315) 446-3328 by 11:00 AM on Tuesday, March 15 to make your reservation.



IGNITE Catholic Men's Conference

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2022

"I would like to invite you to join me for the IGNITE 2022 Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, March 26, 2022. The theme invites us to "Live in His Presence" and this will be developed by a great slate of speakers: Matt Birk, Fr. Jim Walsh, and Bob Rice, who was recently ordained a permanent deacon. This year, we will gather at a new venue: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Baldwinsville. As we continue to balance the value of meeting in person and health concerns of the pandemic, we will also provide an opportunity for individuals to join us by streaming from home. Register today and I look forward to seeing you on March 26th!"

— Most Rev. Douglas J. Lucia

Sign up at ignitecatholicmen.org and contact our parish captain Anthony Grasso at anthonyjgrasso@yahoo.com with any questions and to connect with men attending from our parish.



IGNITE 2022
CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

2021 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 email peg@holycrossdewitt.org. You will need to provide your name and address.



For updates on policies and procedures at Holy Cross regarding COVID-19, please visit our website at holycrossdewitt.org/coronavirus.

Support the 2022 School Auction

Holy Cross School is collecting gift certificates to restaurants and local businesses for their annual Dinner Auction on May 14, 2022. Gift certificates can be dropped off at the school or church office during regular business hours. Please include your name and address with your donation. Any questions please contact Samantha Herron at donations.hcschool@gmail.com.

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MARCH 19: SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ST. JOSEPH: PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH BY MARK MIRAVELLE

St. Joseph, the holiest of the patriarchs, serves as a model of fatherhood, obedience, chastity, and so many other virtues. Join Dr. Mark Miravalle as he shares incredible lessons found in the hidden life of Joseph.



Find this and other engaging content at

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Lenten Reminders

Catholics ages 14 and older are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday (March 2) and Good Friday (April 15) as well as on all Fridays during Lent.

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are required to fast (eat only one full meal; two smaller meals may be taken but may not be equal to the one full meal) on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. When possible, the fast from Good Friday should continue until the Easter Vigil. This is called the "Paschal Fast." It is done to enter into the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare more fully to celebrate his Resurrection.

Sandwich Ministry

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022 | 8:15 AM

The Tuesday Sandwich Ministry will meet on Tuesday, March 15 at 8:15 AM. Please join us in Yeazel Hall following daily Mass to prepare a variety of sandwiches to be delivered to the Catholic Charities' homeless shelter.

Samaritan Center

Interested in volunteering at the Samaritan Center? Volunteers are needed on Sunday, March 20 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM. To sign up, contact Richard Coughlin at rcoughlin@irr.com or (315) 870-4054.

Food Donation Thank You

Many thanks to all of you who contributed to our food pantry this month. We received bountiful amounts of foods and household goods. And thank you to all of you who helped package and transport the food to the different pantries. We couldn't do it without you. God bless you!

Pray the Rosary

Bishop Lucia has asked "that we pray for a conversion of heart and for an end to what one can only describe as the greatest threat to world peace since the end of the Cold War era." In Fatima, Our Lady of the Rosary asked that we "pray the rosary every day, in order to obtain peace for the world".

At Holy Cross a group gathers Monday through Saturday at 8:15 AM to pray. It has been suggested that we also pray 30 minutes before Mass so that those who are unable to stay after Mass would also have the opportunity to pray the rosary together in community. Rosaries and pamphlets are available throughout the vestibule. Please join as you are able. May we join with others throughout the world to pray the rosary daily for peace in the world.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:20)

LENT



Lenten Book Study

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Join us this Lent in reading Father Jacques Philippe's *Searching For and Maintaining Peace*. Parishioners can pick up a copy of the book at Holy Cross. Read along each week and then join us at Holy Cross on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM for a reflection on the selected week's passage led by Fr. Foley and Steve Nepil. Then spend some time in prayer and Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

Audio recordings of the reflections will also be available on our website in case you cannot attend in person.

READING SCHEDULE

- **WEEK 1** (March 2 - 9): Pages 1-10
- **WEEK 2** (March 10 - 16): Pages 10-20

Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter for weekly reading reminders and extra content related to *Searching For and Maintaining Peace*. [@holycrossdewitt](https://www.instagram.com/holycrossdewitt)

Evening Prayer

SUNDAYS AT 4:30 PM

Join us for Evening Prayer on Sundays at 4:30 PM prior to the 5:00 PM Mass, starting on March 20, 2022.

- March 20
- March 27
- April 3
- April 10

TENEBRAE

THURSDAY, MARCH 31 | 7:00 PM

Through scripture readings and music we experience the events of the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ.



The Light is On

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Monday, April 11, 4 - 7 PM at Holy Cross
- Tuesday, April 12, 4 - 7 PM at Holy Cross
- Tuesday, April 12, 4 - 6 PM at St. Anthony's



Stations of the Cross

FRIDAYS | 8:15 AM & 7:00 PM

The Stations of the Cross began as the practice of pious pilgrims to Jerusalem who would retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. Please join us Fridays during Lent as we travel through the stations and identify with Jesus' journey to Calvary. Stations are on Fridays at 8:15 AM (following 7:45 AM Mass) and at 7:00 PM.

EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 14, 2022

7:45 AM - Morning Prayer

7:00 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper at Holy Cross

7:00 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper (bilingual) at St. Anthony's

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 15, 2022

7:45 AM - Morning Prayer

2:30 PM - Liturgical Service at Holy Cross

7:00 PM - Stations at Holy Cross

7:00 PM - Liturgical Service (bilingual) at St. Anthony's

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 16, 2022

9:00 AM - Morning Prayer

8:00 PM - Easter Vigil Mass at Holy Cross

8:00 PM - Easter Vigil Mass (bilingual) at St. Anthony's

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 17, 2022

7:30 AM - Easter Mass at Holy Cross

10:30 AM - Easter Mass at Holy Cross

5:00 PM - Easter Mass at Holy Cross

9 AM - Easter Mass at St. Anthony's (English)

11 AM - Easter Mass at St. Anthony's (Spanish)

"For it is in giving that we receive."

- ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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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 MARCH 6: \$18,128.75

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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 bulletin. Send an email to news@holycrossdewitt.org. 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 news@holycrossdewitt.org with all pertinent details and information. Deadline to be included for consideration is Mondays at 12:00 PM for the upcoming weekend. Deadlines are subject to change for certain holidays. Content is subject to editing for length, formatting, and style and must be approved by the pastor. Publication is not guaranteed.

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 holycrossdewitt.org/welcome 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](https://www.instagram.com/holycrossdewitt), or drop by the parish office. Be sure to ask us about our RCIA program.