



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 1, 2022



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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

We can't miss the subtle detail in our Gospel of the meal shared with Jesus was prepared around "a charcoal fire." This recalls the same setting of Peter's threefold denial in the courtyard of the high priest where he rejected Jesus and his identity as his disciple. It's the only other time we have this detail of being around a charcoal fire. As a result, in the intimate moment following their meal, taking him aside, Jesus refers to Peter as Simon—his name before becoming Jesus' disciple and 'rock.' By asking of Peter's love, Jesus calls to mind the fervent boast that Peter made during the Passion narrative when he assured Jesus that he was willing to die for him. Rather than condemn Peter or walk away from this relationship, Jesus restores its life. Jesus does the same for us.

This beautiful exchange of mercy for Peter is a good reminder for us that not only are we called to discipleship of Jesus, but a personal love for Jesus, too. This is what must be at the heart of all discipleship and leadership in the Church: personal love for Jesus. This is the condition necessary for a shepherd, and it is only this level of love and devotion that one could ever even begin to hope to imitate or embody Jesus' laying down of his life for his sheep. This is supreme love.

Pieced together, we can see the moment in our first reading which chronologically would have followed long after this moment of reconciliation on the shore. Peter, who in fear and in doubt, denied any connection with the name of Jesus, has been strengthened by the gift of the Holy Spirit and by his encounter with Mercy itself/Resurrected Life in Jesus. Now with Peter's lead, he and the other disciples have no fear and actually rejoice to be found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of Jesus' name. Quite a turn around. Faith now drives out all fear.

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 1 – Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM - Dr. Alfred Falcone / Eva Majewski
10:30 AM - John F. Bernier / Diane, Brenda & Families
5:00 PM - Maureen McManus / Elaine Lostumbo

Monday, May 2

7:45 AM – Bartolo Spano / Mary Lee & Tom Muench
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, May 3

7:45 AM – Alice Jastrem / Jo Oliva
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Wednesday, May 4

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

Thursday, May 5

7:45 AM – Pam Hancock / Dee Petta
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, May 6

7:45 AM – Mass League Intentions &
Kevin Mullen / Elizabeth & Jerry Hoffman
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, May 7

9:00 AM – Gail Marchant / Peter LeRoy & Sarah Gaines
LeRoy
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM – Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 PM – Mike Ferrante / Carla & Tony DiBiase

Sunday, May 8 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM - Beatrice E. Jutton / Family
10:30 AM - Ann & Jack Lowney / Family
5:00 PM - Edward Loftus / Family

Host, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

Stephen Oliva, Sr. / Wife & Family

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Frank Colao, Kathleen Crouch, Ann Kronner, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Faith Muller, Al Paparo, Nancy Patane, Carol Scullion, John Toole, and Teresa Vita.

CALL 315-446-0473 TO ADD A REQUEST

News & Events

Sandwich Ministry

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022 | 8:15 AM

The Tuesday Sandwich Ministry will meet on Tuesday, May 3 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. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Johnson at jjohn27363@aol.com.

L'Arche Flower & Plant Sale

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4 - SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022

The annual Mother's Day Flower & Plant Sale to support L'Arche Syracuse is May 4-8. Visit their tent in the Shop City Plaza to find a beautiful selection of flowers and plants. Find times and info online at larchesyracuse.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

L'Arche is looking for volunteers to help set up and assist customers. (Plant knowledge is helpful but not necessary.) They're also looking for a few people with a flair for flower arranging on Saturday morning. Call the L'Arche office at 315-479-8088 if interested.

Knitting Group

THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022 | 1:00 PM

The Knitting Group will meet on Thursday, May 5 at 1:00 PM. Please join us downstairs in Yeazel Hall. New knitters are always welcome. Questions? Please call Rita at (315) 472-1478 or Jo at (315) 446-3328.

Food Donation Weekend

MAY 8 & 9, 2022

Thank you for your ongoing support. We have been able to help out the Cathedral pantry as well as Jamesville, St. John the Evangelist, and St. Lucy's. The items always needed include canned fruit, vegetables, tuna, chicken,

beans (any variety), pasta and sauce, vegetable oil, and mayonnaise. Breakfast items including cereal, pancake mix, syrup, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate mix. Personal items including shampoo, deodorant, soap, and women's personal hygiene items.

Monthly Luncheon

THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022 | 12:00 PM

Join us for lunch at Olive Garden on Erie Boulevard on Thursday, May 12 at 12:00 PM. Please make your reservation by 11:00 AM on Monday, May 9. Call Jo Oliva at (315) 446-3328 if you have any questions and to make your reservation.

Rosary at St. Anthony of Padua

MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022 | 9:30 AM

The Holy Cross Altar & Rosary Society invites you to come pray the rosary on Monday, May 16, the Feast of St. Brendan. Prayers will be led by Father Brendan Foley at St. Anthony of Padua Church at 1515 Midland Avenue in Syracuse. We will carpool from Holy Cross at 9:15 AM and begin at 9:30 AM.

Helpful Info

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 the entrances of the church, or visit holycrossdewitt.org/welcome for a helpful guide to Holy Cross Church. Please introduce yourself to our priests at Mass.

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.

Celebration of First Eucharist

APRIL 30 - MAY 1 & MAY 7 - 8

Our children preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist will celebrate with our parish families during Masses on the weekends of April 30 - May 1 and May 7 - 8. We thank all of our faithful community for your ongoing prayerful support. Be sure to join us in encouraging and celebrating the faith of these children and their families over the next few weeks.



AnnaClaire Reese Atwater

Richard Lee Bartlett III

Nina Josephine Blair

Elizabeth Avery Brown

Wesley Michael Brown

Reilly Margaret Cadaret

Olivia Contento

Carter Peyton Corcoran

Matthew Donald DeKay

Leila Kathryn DeMarchi

Alessia Faith DiFlorio

Gavin Michael Dougherty

Giovanni Chris Doumit

Kobe Alexander Douthit-Ferro

Luke Thomas Forgione

Nathan Paul Fricke

Josephine Helen Grant

Holland Helena Groat

Finley Lorraine Heyer

Kyna Nmachi Ifeonu

Mirabel Onyinyechi Ifeonu

Makalynn Wilson Johnston

Hannah Leigh Larned

John Wilson Leone

Sophia Marie Leone

Kate Alice Malay

Margaret Ann McNamara

Veronica Mendez-Siquier

Brendan Christopher Moltion

Emily Ann Moore

Madalyn Mae Nepil

Sofia Grace Nowakowski

Rory Patrick O'Connor

Russell James Oyer

Tate DiLorenzo Patchen

Matthew Joseph Rabideau

Harrison James Rowe

Bradley Steven Schaffling

Paul Joseph Spiegel

Kensington Rose Staring

Remus Robert Sugar Jr.

Cameron Lucas Thorpe

Nolan Edward Truex

Eleanor Jane DeCoursey Westpfal

Nolan Jacob Zoghby

Reflection

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Have you encountered this transformative Resurrected Life? Like really encountered it? Have you been so touched by it that you know your life will never be the same again? Peter and nearly all disciples ever since have had to struggle through this exact space of faith. If you yearn for this encounter, begin in prayer by asking the Lord to profoundly reveal himself to you and to make his love for you felt. The disciples were given faith that enabled them to recognize Jesus in the meal he provided them along the shore in today's Gospel. Similarly, the eyes of faith allow us to see the risen Jesus present in the Eucharist under the appearances of

bread and wine. But this is pure gift and pure grace—by his generosity, may the Lord renew in us the ability to confidently recognize his presence in and around us, and above all, in his Sacraments which provide us eternal life.

Peace,
Fr. Brendan Foley



Caring Crusaders Celebrate Earth Day

On Earth Day, our club of Caring Crusaders at Holy Cross School led our whole student body in activities celebrating our incredible planet. Students up-cycled and painted old tires to be used as the future garden beds of the Holy Cross School Community Garden! These clever and creative works of art will house many varieties of plants creating a thoughtful and beautiful ecological habitat here at Holy Cross. Students also decorated pots and filled them with flowers to be shared with residents of local assisted living facilities. We are so proud of our students and their commitment to create a bright, beautiful, and sustainable home for all living things! Follow along on Instagram for more photos! [@hcschooldewitt](#)

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

MONDAY, MAY 2

7:45 AM - Daily Mass, Church
8:15 AM - Holy Hour, Church

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

7:45 AM - Daily Mass, Church
7:00 PM - Adoration, Church
7:00 PM - Reconciliation, Church

FRIDAY, MAY 6

7:45 AM - Daily Mass, Church
9:15 AM - School Mass, Church

TUESDAY, MAY 3

7:45 AM - Daily Mass, Church
8:15 AM - Sandwich Making, Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM - PTA Meeting, Yeazel Hall

THURSDAY, MAY 5

7:45 AM - Daily Mass, Church
1:00 PM - Knitting Group, Rms 2 & 3
7:00 PM - Choir Practice, Choir Room
7:00 PM - Youth Discipleship, Yeazel Hall

SATURDAY, MAY 7

FOOD DONATION WEEKEND

9:00 AM - Daily Mass, Church
3:00 PM - Reconciliation, Church
4:00 PM - Vigil Mass, Church

SUNDAY, MAY 8

7:30 AM - Mass, Church
9:15 AM - Adult Ministry, Rms 12 & 13
10:30 AM - Mass, Church
4:00 PM - RCIA, Conference Room
5:00 PM - Mass, Church

Visit holycrossdewitt.org/calendar
for the latest event details.



"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.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY NEED: \$19,704.88
COLLECTION FOR APRIL 17: \$32,568.07
COLLECTION FOR APRIL 24: \$17,217.37

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