

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EXER

MAY-8, 2022

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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022

Acts 13:14, 43-52 Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5 Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 John 10:27-30

Today the reading from the Book of Revelation refers to Christ as the Lamb. The Gospel of John refers to the believers as sheep. What is the significance of these common animals as symbols in Sacred Scripture?

There is nothing more tender and innocent than a lamb. It is common at the Easter dinner table to see a representation of a Lamb, sometimes in butter or if you are lucky, as a cake! Do we see the sheep represented? Well of course, they are the ones sitting around the table waiting for the Lamb to feed them! They are us!

The sheep may not be as innocent as the Lamb, but through Baptism, Christ calls them to become innocent. We remember the innocence of Christ as the Lamb that they led to slaughter. In the Book of Revelation, we hear that the great multitude, the sheep, have survived the "great time of distress" and "have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." For this, they are thankful, and they now worship the Lamb of God sent to supply all their needs.

This Easter, may we recognize that the Lamb of God, Jesus the Christ, has been sent to us, not only to teach and heal us, not only to guide and forgive us, but to lead us to eternal life with the Father. For this must give thanks, and realize that God gives us eternal life only through the selfless love of Christ!

Peace,

Fr. John

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Rev. John Kurgan



Mass Intentions

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

Monday, May 9

7:45 AM – Dolores Pandelly / Jo Oliva & Family 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, May 10

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

Wednesday, May 11

7:45 AM – Alyce & John McNamara / Family 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Thursday, May 12

7:45 AM – Joe Farnett / Claude & Maryanne 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, May 13

7:45 AM – Ludwig Vita / Family 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, May 14

9:00 AM – Anne Fialkovic / Paul & Clara Votra
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM – Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 PM – Rev. C. Patrick Keating / Mary Ellen Brown & Family

Sunday, May 15 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM - Charles T. O'Donnell / Deehan Family 10:30 AM - Maureen McManus / Karen & Erin Markoff 5:00 PM - Noel Williams / Quartier Family

Sanctuary Lamp

Miriam Valls / Josh Corcoran

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Frank Colao, Kathleen Crouch, Nancy Ferrara, 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

Holy Hour at St. Mary's THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022 | 10:00 AM

Please join us for a Holy Hour at St. Mary's in Jamesville on Thursday, May 12 at 10:00 AM. All are welcome!

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 to make your reservation or if you have any questions.

Pastoral Council Meeting THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022 | 5:30 PM

Holy Cross Pastoral Council meetings are open to the parish, and meeting minutes are available on our website once approved. To find past meeting minutes or contact our pastoral council, visit holycrossdewitt.org/hcpc.

Transitional Diaconate Ordination

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022 10:00 AM AT HOLY FAMILY

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse joyfully announces the ordination of James Buttner to the Sacred Order of

Deacon through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by Bishop Douglas J. Lucia on Saturday, May 14, 2022 at 10:00 AM at Holy Family Church, 127 Chapel Drive, Syracuse NY 13219. All are welcome to attend, and let us continue praying for James as he takes this next step on his journey toward priesthood!

The Book of Revelation SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022 | 9:15 AM

The Sunday morning adult ministry group is starting a study of the Book of Revelation. The last book of the New Testament and often misunderstood book of the bible deals with the ultimate plans that God has for our eternal lives. If you are interested, please join us for an information session on Sunday, May 15, 2022 from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM in Room 12 of Yeazel Hall.

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. Please call Jo at (315) 446-3328 to sign up or if you have any questions.

Coffee & Conversation

TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022 | 12:00 PM

Join us Tuesday, May 19 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM in Yeazel Hall for Coffee & Conversation. Bring your bagged lunch and drink. Our speaker will be Holy Cross parishioner Michael Affleck. Michael earned a Master's degree in theology at the Franciscan School of Theology at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, CA. He served on the faculty of the University of Notre Dame and continues to teach and study theology. His talk is titled "God's Call to People with Gray Hair."

Communications at Holy Cross

If you have important news & events related to the activities, ministries, and parishioners of Holy Cross, please get in touch with us at 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 DeCourcey Westpfal

Outreach

Refugee Assistance Committee

The Refugee Assistance Committee would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone for your very generous response to our Baby Shower for Refugee Moms-to-be!

The Holy Cross family is so giving; it is overwhelming! We received so many wonderful donations for 27 children in need including beautiful handmade items. The committee has been busy organizing, sorting, and shopping, and we expect to deliver the donations soon.

Thank you so much for your support and kindness to those in need! It is appreciated more than you will ever know!

Care for Creation Meeting MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022

A small, but highly committed group met on Earth Day Saturday, April 23 to represent Holy Cross in the Town of Dewitt. The Erie Blvd stretch from the end of Marshall's Plaza to Bridge Street was cleaned of roadside trash.

We hope to see many more faces next year! Please mark your calendars and plan to join the parish Care for Creation group on Monday, June 13 to pray and plan future efforts to care for the environment. For more info, contact Beth Schafer: schaferbeth97@gmail.com



Holy Cross Girl Scouts to Support Ukraine

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 60500 thanks you for your cookie purchases! There were 34 boxes purchased for the Holy Cross Food Collection. Your generosity gave us the opportunity to contribute \$300 to the Educate-A-Kid Fund at Holy Cross School, make a contribution to the Rosamond Gifford Zoo, take a trip to Albany, NY to tour the NYS Capitol and to Washington, D.C. to tour the US Capitol and city. Thank you again!

We can do more good with your support! For the next two weeks we are participating in a supply drive for Ukrainian Refugees and would greatly appreciate your support. We are collecting items that will be shipped by St. John the Baptist Catholic Ukrainian Church. Items needed include:

- 1. New Medical Supplies (e.g., bandages, gauze, wraps, first aid items, etc.);
- 2. New Hygiene Products (e.g., hand sanitizer, body wash, lotion, shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste/toothbrush, women's hygiene products, etc.);
- 3. Dried and canned food

DROP ITEMS IN GATHERING AREA BY MAY 22

Items will be collected beginning May 14 through May 22. There will be boxes labeled for each type of items located in our central Gathering Area. Thank you for your generous support!

SCHOOL

Holy Cross School Dinner Auction SATURDAY, MAY 14 | HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

Get your tickets today for the 24th Annual Holy Cross School Dinner Auction! Our annual dinner auction has proven to be a success over the years because of support from people like you. Proceeds from this event, the school's only fundraiser, will go to support the educational experience of Holy Cross students including supporting the creation of a STEAM (Science Technology Engi-

neering Arts and Math) lab. We hope you will consider attending and supporting our extraordinary school community.

 Visit <u>bit.ly/HCAuction2022</u> or scan the code to get your tickets





50/50 Raffle to Support our School GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

As part of our annual auction, Holy Cross School also holds a 50/50 Raffle. You can get tickets after Masses this weekend or online. No need to be present to win. Use the code above to get your tickets!

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 all of the entrances of the church, or visit us at holycrossadewitt.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 different stories on finding their faith. If you have questions on Christianity, Catholicism, or the Church, get in touch with us at <a href="https://hospid.com/ho

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

MONDAY, MAY 9

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

TUESDAY, MAY 10

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church **7:00 PM Adoration**, Church

7:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

THURSDAY, MAY 12

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
10:00 AM Holy Hour, St. Mary's Jamesville
5:30 PM Pastoral Council Meeting,

Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Choir Practice, Choir Room

FRIDAY, MAY 13

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

SATURDAY, MAY 14

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

SUNDAY, MAY 15

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

5:00 PM Confirmandi/Sponsor Mass &

Dinner, Church & Yeazel Hall

Visit <u>holycrossdewitt.org/calendar</u> 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.

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 MAY 1: \$16,215.00

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