



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022



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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

*"When the Son speaks, we **take** in the words; when the Holy Spirit teaches, we **understand** those words..."*

—St. Augustine

Again this Sunday, the comforting words of Jesus that we hear in today's Gospel are not from a post-Resurrection appearance, but rather we continue to return to what Jesus said in his final instruction *before* he died. We can trust that piecing together life after Jesus' death and Resurrection led the Apostles to do this same thing: go back to the words of Jesus, remember the promises he made, and now proceed forward. Jesus longed to build up his disciples and fill them with encouragement and assurances of his presence for the days ahead when they would soon need to be reminded of his consolation. *Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid* (John 14:27).

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, is the assurance of God's presence to **give comfort and understanding** to disciples when the hostile, unbelieving world will inevitably persecute them. When invoked, the Holy Spirit comforts one who is lost, alone, afraid, hurting, or experiencing doubt. The Acts of the Apostles depicts for us the incredible narrative of the Holy Spirit alive and dwelling within human beings—or better, the results of Jesus' gift at work. Because of the Spirit, disciples come to know and understand Jesus and are enabled to bear witness to him and to the message of salvation. This is still true to this day, this is *still* the work of the Holy Spirit: to raise up disciples, to help us in our lives to know God and to let His **Peace** control our hearts after Jesus' ascension into heaven (Colossians 3:15).

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 22 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM - Delia Phillips / Great-niece
10:30 AM - Robert Tisdell / Dan & Kathleen Mezzalingua
5:00 PM - Joseph Northrop / Carol & Don Scullion

Monday, May 23

7:45 AM - William Lynn / Daughter & Family
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, May 24

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

Wednesday, May 25

7:45 AM - Mike McGuire / Mary Lee & Tom Muench
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Private Prayer & Devotion

Thursday, May 26 - Ascension of the Lord

7:45 AM - Ruth Larabee / CSV & PAF
5:30 PM - Anne Fialkovic / Casinella Family
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, May 27

7:45 AM - John Pristash / Jerome & Ellen Pristash
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, May 28

9:00 AM - Helmut Arens / CSV
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM - Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 PM - Ted, Bridgett & Matt Kelly / Family

Sunday, May 29 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM - Patrick Ryan / Joseph Marinelli
10:30 AM - McManus & Aungier Families / Karen & Erin Markoff
5:00 PM - Anthony Almanzi / Anonymous

Sanctuary Lamp

Frank S. Locurcio / Corcoran Family

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Nancy Ferrara, Ann Kronner, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dinita Machlin, Faith Muller, Al Paparo, Nancy Patane, Carol Scullion, John Toole, and Teresa Vita.

CALL 315-446-0473 TO ADD A REQUEST

News & Events

Refugee Assistance Committee

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022 | 6:30 PM

The Refugee Assistance Committee will meet on Monday, May 23 at 6:30 PM in Yeazel Hall to discuss future projects. Please join us!

Ascension Thursday Mass Schedule

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2022

Join us for Mass to celebrate the Ascension of the Lord on Thursday, May 26. The Mass schedule is as follows:

- 7:45 AM at Holy Cross
- 10:00 AM at St. Mary's, Jamesville
- 5:30 PM at Holy Cross
- 7:00 PM at St. Anthony's (bilingual)

The month of May is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Mother. Join us in praying the rosary immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass on Ascension Thursday. The rosary will be led by Deacon Dare Dutter.

St. Bernadette Relic Tour

SATURDAY, MAY 28 - TUESDAY, MAY 31

The Sanctuary of Lourdes in partnership with Lourdes North American Volunteers-Syracuse, The Sovereign Order of Malta and The Hospitality of Miami are thrilled to announce that for the first time in US history, the relics of St. Bernadette will be in Syracuse, NY from Saturday, May 28-Tuesday, May 31. The relics will travel between Holy Family Church, The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart in Cicero. It is an extraordinary opportunity to pray with St. Bernadette and follow her example of holiness. Learn more at

lourdesvolunteers.org/syracuse-relic-tour

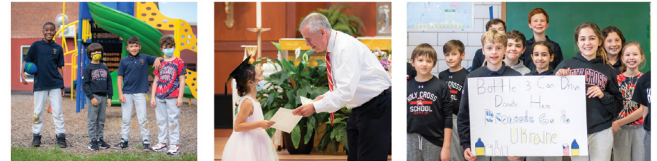
Care for Creation Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022 | 6:30 PM

Join our Care for Creation group on Monday, June 13 to pray and plan future efforts to care for the environment. Contact Beth Schafer: schaferbeth97@gmail.com

OPEN HOUSE **TUESDAY,**
MAY 24TH
4 - 7 PM

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Holy Cross School Open House

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022 | 4:00-7:00 PM

You're invited! Holy Cross School Open House is on Tuesday, May 24, from 4-7 PM. Tell your friends, and come get to know the caring and compassionate Holy Cross School community!

Monthly Movie

TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2022 | 1:00 PM

This month's feature will be *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. An adaptation of the hit Lloyd-Webber stage musical based on the Old Testament story of the youngest son of Jacob tells of his betrayal by his jealous brothers and of his being sold into slavery. The movie is free to attend and will be shown in Yeazel Hall.

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Outreach

Holy Cross Girl Scouts to Support Ukraine

Holy Cross Girl Scouts are organizing a supply drive for Ukrainian Refugees and would greatly appreciate your support. They 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

Please drop off items in the Gathering Area as you enter the church. You will find boxes labeled for each type of item. Thank you for your generous support!

Support Brady Market

Having a graduation party or gathering/event and looking for catering? Contact Brady Market at (315) 937-5959 to make your order today! Thanks for supporting our mission to provide Hope, Health and Healing.



Main Dish	Full	Half
GF Mac N' Cheese	\$75	\$40
GF Baked Ziti	\$85	\$45
V/GF Chicken Riggies	\$105	\$55
GF Chicken Broccoli Alfredo	\$105	\$55
GF Pasta Prima Vera	\$60	\$35
V/GF Sweet & Sour Tofu	\$60	\$35
GF Steak Bake	\$140	\$75
<small>Strips of steak with peppers, mushrooms, onions, and melted mozzarella</small>		
GF Sausage, Peppers, & Onions	\$95	\$50
Meatballs in Marinara	\$95	\$50
GF Baked Chicken	\$105	\$55
Fried Chicken	\$105	\$55

Serving Sizes	Salads	60	40
Full - 24 Servings	Fruit	60	40
Half - 12 Servings	Macaroni	60	40
V= Vegan Option Available	Potato	60	40
GF = Gluten Free Option Available	Chef	60	40
	Caesar	60	40



Reflection

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Peace within us is the evidence of the Holy Spirit's indwelling. But as we studied all through Lent, this peace is not simply something that the world can give, nor is it the absence of conflict or discord in our lives. Rather, this peace is Jesus, a (divine) Person for us to intimately *know and love*. Only God's real presence allows disciples to navigate the chaotic waters of life, even in the face of being shipwrecked. It is *this* gift of peace that will never leave disciples feeling abandoned or without hope. And this is ultimately why we gather together around the Altar: God continues to give himself to us in a way that forever allows for his dwelling with us and in us. It is here that the Lord invites us into his light where we come to know and understand him...his Spirit...his peace (cf. Rev 21:23).

Peace,

Fr. Brendan Foley

Youth & Families



This weekend during our 5 PM Sunday Mass, we celebrate the culmination of our school year by giving thanks to God for all of that He has done in our parish this past year. In the fall, forty-six teens received the Sacrament of Confirmation. In the spring, forty-five children received the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist. Over 250 youth participated in our Faith Formation programs this year and over sixty teens are actively involved in our youth discipleship. And one of the most exciting events that just took place is our seminarian James being ordained a deacon as he continues his journey towards priesthood. James has been a huge part of our youth and family ministry over the years here at Holy Cross! Congratulations Dc. James!

Lastly, the big announcement of the year is our House Cup winner! Our hope is that no matter what program or activities our youth are involved in at Holy Cross, whether it be Faith Formation, Sacramental Prep, youth ministry, or

Holy Cross School, he or she has a place to belong and have fun. To build unity across all of our many programs and ministries, every youth is placed in one of the four Houses of Holy Cross. Each house is based on one of the four traditional images of the Gospels: angel, lion, ox, and eagle. Throughout the year, competitions (Olympics) are held and house points are awarded. At the end of the school year house points are tallied and our House Cup winner is announced. This year's House Cup winner is the Angels! To learn more about the Houses of Holy Cross and check out what we have going on this summer, visit holycrossdewitt.org/youth

Thank you to our many parents, catechists, teachers, and volunteers for making this year such a success. We are so grateful to God for bringing this incredible community together. We cannot wait to see what He has in store for next year!

"For it is in giving that we receive."

- ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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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.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY NEED: \$19,704.88
COLLECTION FOR MAY 15: \$14,878.12

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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 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. Deadline to be included for consideration in this publication is Mondays at 12:00 PM* for the upcoming weekend.

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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.