



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022

Acts 7:55-60

Psalms 97:1-2, 6-7, 9

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

John 17:20-26

On this Seventh Sunday of Easter, we find ourselves quickly moving toward Pentecost. However, this past week we celebrated Ascension Thursday, the day the risen Lord is exalted with God in heaven. We may have a difficulty imagining what the exaltation of Jesus really means. This Sunday we recognize that our image of Jesus has changed, or compounded. Jesus is the king who reigns on earth as well as in heaven. How his reign is different from other kings is that he reigns with justice for both the just and the unjust, instead of reigning with brute force, as many earthly kings have done.

Jesus, being exalted by God, is a mighty act within itself; however, it is not an act that the human nature of Jesus could have accomplished on his own. The act of exaltation by God the Father is similar to God the Father sending us his only begotten Son to us in human form. Therefore, we need to ask ourselves why God the Father would act in such a way. Why would he choose to raise to such a height one who shares our humanness? Although Christ shares our humanness and the Godliness of the Father, we have no concrete answers to these questions other than to say that God gives of himself to such an extent that he actually gives us himself in a form in which we can associate.

The exaltation of Jesus should remind us that God calls all of us, in our human weakness, to be Christ-like. For to be Christ-like toward each other is to be God-like to each other. Perhaps that is exactly why God chooses to give us life and every good gift. God wants us to love and take care of one another as he loves and cares for us! We are his gifts to one another!

Peace,

Fr. John

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, and John Toole.

CALL 315-446-0473 TO ADD A REQUEST

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, May 30

7:45 AM – Anna Barnaba / Mary Beth Smith

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

Tuesday, May 31

7:45 AM – Parishioners of Holy Cross

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

Wednesday, June 1

7:45 AM – Donna Occhipinti / Dee Petta

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

Thursday, June 2

7:45 AM – Bill Sovik / Len & Marie DeStefano

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

Friday, June 3

7:45 AM – Patricia Moran / Brenda Casinella & Mass League Intentions

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

Saturday, June 4

9:00 AM – Dick & Mary Griffin / Ehlers Family

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM – Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 PM – Mary Strandell Psacale / Barb Garr

Sunday, June 5 - Pentecost Sunday

7:30 AM - Helen Seaman / Jane Praetorius

10:30 AM - Dr. Alfred Falcone / Dan & Kathleen Mezzalingua

5:00 PM - Philip Decker / Susan Thomson

First Friday Mass League Enrollment

Lucy J. McLean / Sally Telarczyk

FIRST FRIDAY MASS LEAGUE

What is the Mass League?

Your loved one or intention will be remembered at the 7:45 AM Mass on the first Friday of each month for one year. We request a \$25 donation. To learn more contact the parish office at (315) 446-0473.

News & Events

Parish Office Closed Memorial Day

MONDAY, MAY 30, 2022

The parish office will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day. Daily Mass will still take place at 7:45 AM in the church. Please join us!

Memorial Day Mass

MONDAY, MAY 30, 2022 | 9:00 AM

Join us for Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 30 at 9:00 AM in the mausoleum at St. Mary's Cemetery. All are welcome.

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

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.

Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter to see more! [@holycrossdewitt](#)   

Potluck Dinner

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022 | 5:30 PM

All are invited to a potluck dinner on Wednesday, June 1 at 5:30 PM in Yeazel Hall. Please bring a dish to pass for 8-10 people. Contact Jo at (315) 446-3328 if you have any questions.

Knitting Group

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2022 | 1:00 PM

The Knitting Group will meet on Thursday, June 2 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.

Holy Hour for Vocations

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022
10:00 AM AT CATHEDRAL**

I would like to personally invite all of you to join Bishop Lucia for a Holy Hour for Vocations on Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 AM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. You are probably aware that the first Saturday in June is when we would typically have a priestly ordination for the diocese. Since this is an unusual year insofar that we do not have a seminarian who will be ordained to the priesthood, I asked the Bishop's permission to memorialize this day with a special Holy Hour where we could gather as a diocesan family and pray for an outpouring of priestly vocations for our diocese. It should be very moving.

Fr. Jason Hage,
Director of Vocation Promotion

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

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Outreach



Food Giving Weekend

JUNE 4-5, 2022

Grab a tote this weekend, fill it with non-perishable food items, and bring back June 4-5 to any of the Masses. Thank you in advance for your generous donations!

Pantries have emphasized the need of the following items:

- vegetable oil
- mayonnaise
- ketchup
- mustard
- breakfast items
- canned fruit
- canned vegetables
- beans
- stew
- pasta and sauce
- canned tuna
- canned chicken
- cleaning items

FOR FOURTH OF JULY

- graham crackers
- marshmallows
- paper plates

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

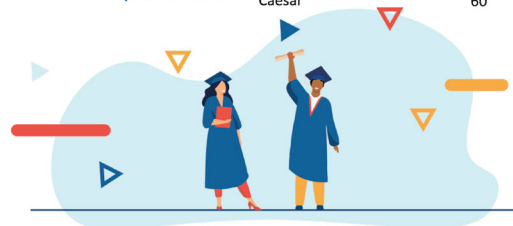
We could use a few helping hands following the 10:30 AM Sunday Mass to package the food items and to prepare the bags. It will take about 10-20 minutes. Thank you!

Support Brady Market

Having a graduation party, event, or gathering and looking for catering? Contact Brady Market at (315) 937-5959 to make your order today! Brady Market is a not-for-profit grocery store inspired by the 70+ year history of Brady Faith Center's witness and engagement with generations of individuals and families in some of the most disinvested and impoverished neighborhoods in the nation. By making a donation or using Brady Market catering services you directly support their mission to provide hope, health, and healing to our neighbors in need.

GRADUATION PARTY CATERING
CALL (315) 937-5959
TO MAKE AN ORDER TODAY!
AND TO ASK ABOUT ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

	Full	Half
Main Dish		
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		
Full - 24 Servings		
Half - 12 Servings		
<small>V= Vegan Option Available</small>		
<small>GF = Gluten Free Option Available</small>		
Salads		
Fruit	60	40
Macaroni	60	40
Potato	60	40
Chef	60	40
Caesar	60	40



Prayer Requests – If you or someone you know would like to be included on our prayer list, please have a family member or the individual contact us at news@holycrossdewitt.org. The request is included for three months unless notified otherwise.

Communications Request – 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.

*Publication is not guaranteed. Deadlines subject to change for certain holidays

News & Events

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Pastoral Council Elections

JUNE 11-12, 2022

During Masses on the weekend of June 11-12, 2022, we will hold elections from our nominees to the Pastoral Council. Elections will consist of an in-pew ballot. To learn more about the nominees, please visit our website to read the election profiles at holycrossdewitt.org/news

Scan the code to see the Election Profiles of our Pastoral Council nominees



SCHOOL NEWS



Our Caring Crusaders Thank You

The Holy Cross School Caring Crusaders thanks you for your support! The recycling for relief for Ukraine bottle and can drive raised \$503.65. The school also held a change for change for Ukraine coin collection which brought in \$929.79. Overall, \$1,433.44 was raised for relief for Ukraine.



Prayer for Memorial Day

God of power and mercy,
you destroy war
and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst
and wipe away our tears,
that we may all deserve
to be called your sons
and daughters.

Keep in your mercy those men and women
who have died in the cause of freedom
and bring them safely
into your kingdom of justice and peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

MONDAY, MAY 30

OFFICE CLOSED

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

8:15 AM Holy Hour, Church

9:00 AM Memorial Day Mass, St. Mary's Cemetery (Mausoleum)

TUESDAY, MAY 31

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

9:00 AM Monthly Movie, Yeazel Hall

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

5:30 PM Potluck Dinner, Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Adoration, Church

7:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

THURSDAY, JUNE 2

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

1:00 PM Knitting Group, Rms 2 & 3

FRIDAY, JUNE 3

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

FOOD GIVING WEEKEND

9:00 AM Daily Mass, Church

3:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

4:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

FOOD GIVING WEEKEND

7:30 AM Mass, Church

9:15 AM Adult Ministry, Rms 12 & 13

10:30 AM Mass, Church

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.

FINANCIAL REPORT

AVERAGE WEEKLY NEED: \$19,704.88
COLLECTION FOR MAY 22: \$15,857.15

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