



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 5, 2022



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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022

Acts 2:1-11

Psalms 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

Celebrating Pentecost always makes me think of the Sacrament of Confirmation. When we receive Confirmation, the Bishop says: "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit," recalling the special gift of the Holy Spirit that we first received at Baptism. We should be encouraged that those words of the Bishop are just as definitive as our Baptism: the gift of the Holy Spirit has been given to us in a very permanent, life-changing way!

Sometimes, though, we may wonder what our relationship with the Holy Spirit really looks like, or where the Holy Spirit is in the midst of our lives. I invite you to consider the possibility that the Holy Spirit is much more present and active in your life than you may initially think! Perhaps this would be a good way for you and I to observe Pentecost this year: to spend the next week praying daily about where the Holy Spirit has been present in our lives and deepening our openness to the Holy Spirit. Openness to the Holy Spirit brings faith in Christ, as we hear in our second reading: "No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit."

How do we recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit? We are told in Galatians 5:22-23 that "the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.**" What a wonderful list! During this week, I encourage you to pray each day, briefly reflecting and asking the Lord to help you see where you encountered these fruits in your day, both in others and also in yourself. St. Paul assures us that these are 'fruits of the Holy Spirit,' indicating the presence of the Holy Spirit in our life and, indeed, very much at work right in our own hearts. And if one of these fruits is noticeably absent from your life, ask the Holy Spirit to cultivate it and teach it to you. Let us be open and respond to that grace which we received in Baptism and Confirmation! "*Veni, Sancte Spiritus*" - Come Holy Spirit!

God bless,

Dc. James Buttner

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, June 6

7:45 AM - Jennie Sala / Brenda Casinella

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

Tuesday, June 7

7:45 AM - Raleigh Beran / Jean & David

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

Wednesday, June 8

7:45 AM - Charles & Sue Farnett / Claude & Maryanne

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

Thursday, June 9

7:45 AM - Parishioners of Holy Cross

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

Friday, June 10

7:45 AM - Maureen McManus / Peter & Rita Bergamo

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

Saturday, June 11

9:00 AM - Nora Depperman / Tim Erwin

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

4:00 PM - John Fennessey / Carol Dwyer

Sunday, June 12 - The Most Holy Trinity

7:30 AM - Joanne Pistello / Mary Lee & Tom

10:30 AM - Dr. Charles DiCosimo / Bill & Lisa

5:00 PM - Margaret Terzini / Mary Waskiewicz

Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

Stephen Oliva, Sr. / Wife & 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, and John Toole.

CALL 315-446-0473 TO ADD A REQUEST

News & Events

Sandwich Ministry

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2022 | 8:15 AM

The Tuesday Sandwich Ministry will meet on Tuesday, June 7 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

Receptions for Dc. James Buttner

JUNE 11-12, 2022

Deacon James Buttner was ordained a transitional deacon on May 14 by Bishop Lucia at his home parish, Holy Family Church in Fairmount. We are thrilled that he will be with us at Holy Cross again this summer. We will have refreshments after all Masses next weekend, June 11-12, for parishioners to offer congratulations and well wishes. Keep Dc. James in your prayers as he begins this new chapter in ministry on his journey toward priesthood!



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

Knitting Group

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022 | 1:00 PM

The Knitting Group will meet on Thursday, June 16 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.

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Divine Comedy

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022 | 5:30 PM

All are invited to a presentation by Dc. Dan Reynolds entitled "Divine Comedy" on Saturday, June 18 at 5:30 PM in Yeazel Hall. Dc. Dan says of his presentation, "I describe, through clean jokes, saintly humorous examples, and hysterical religious cartoons, how our faith life is enriched by daily humor. It's a memorable comedy presentation that you will not soon forget. You will learn how God loves you yesterday, today, and 'ever-laughter'." The cost is \$10.00 per person. Contact Jo at (315) 446-3328 to make your reservation by Wednesday, June 15.

Coffee & Conversation

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022 | 12:00 PM

Join us Tuesday, June 21 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM in Yeazel Hall for Coffee & Conversation. Bring your bagged lunch and drink.

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



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CALLED BY NAME

This weekend which typically is the weekend our diocese celebrates our priestly ordinations, the Diocese of Syracuse invite you to participate in a new vocation promotion initiative, "CALLED BY NAME." It helps invite men and women to consider a vocation as a priest, sister, brother or deacon. All of us share a common calling through Baptism, to which we are invited to respond in a variety of ways – marriage, single life, consecrated life and ordained ministry. The CALLED BY NAME process focuses on priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life and stresses the role of the Christian community in calling forth men and women to consider these vocations. Parishioners throughout the diocese are encouraged to consider who in our midst might serve well as a priest, deacon, or religious and submit their names to our parish. There are many good prospective priests, brothers, and sisters who are simply waiting to be asked. The following qualities are desirable in persons identified as potential candidates:

- A person of prayer who loves the Lord
- A person who is actively involved in the life of the Church
- A person who is successful in life, including school, work, and relationships
- A "people person"
- A person with personal integrity, honesty, generosity

How does CALLED BY NAME work? Parishioners are invited to submit names of potential candidates from our parish using the response cards available at the church entrances. Our parish staff and clergy will review submissions and persons nominated will be invited to the Tenth Hour, Bishop Lucia's annual Vocations Picnic held every first Wednesday of August at Christ the King Retreat House in Syracuse. Here, participants will learn about each of the vocations while having the opportunity to seek answers to their questions and explore the discernment process further. It remains so very important that we actively support and promote a future generation of priests, religious sisters and brothers, and deacons to serve a growing Church, hungering for Christ in the Eucharist. God continues to call people to serve Him in our world today. The faithful have a responsibility to help identify and invite those called. Please pray for the success of this initiative and consider whom in our midst God might be calling to serve. Grab a response card today and drop it off in our collection boxes at your convenience.

Outreach

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.

Holy Cross Girl Scouts Thank You!

Thank you Holy Cross Church and School for supporting and partnering with our Holy Cross Girl Scouts to collect supplies for Ukrainian refugees!

Through this effort close to 1600 items were collected of medical supplies, hygiene products, feminine products, food, and some clothing. In total, Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways collected, sorted, and packed about 100 boxes of supplies. The supplies were collected from 26 counties, and we contributed 20% of this total.

This donation will not remove the heartache experienced by impacted families but we pray we can show even children and small groups can come together and try to share love and hope. Thank you and God bless!





SLIDE INTO SUMMER AT HOLY CROSS




THIS SUMMER... 🙌☀️

Don't miss the fun, friends, and the faith that brings us all together! We're teaming up with the diocese and other local parishes to offer some incredible opportunities: opportunities to get away, to serve, to laugh, to strengthen friendships—and to form new ones, opportunities to sing and dance and to learn new things, and opportunities for quiet and stillness in the presence of God.

See more at holycrossdewitt.org/summer


FEARLESS



Steubenville Youth Conference
July 15-17

Join 9-12th grade students from our diocese for a weekend at Franciscan University packed with dynamic talks, uplifting concerts, transformative prayer & Adoration, and growing deeper through the Sacraments.

Learn more & sign up at holycrossdewitt.org/fearless




TOTUS TUUS 2022

Totus Tuus is a vacation bible school day camp and evening youth retreat run by trained college students at Catholic parishes during the summer. It is extremely fun, energetic, and engaging while bringing youth to the depths of the faith. **Holy Cross is hosting Totus Tuus the last week of July!**

- ☀️ **Grades 1-6**, day camp, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Monday, July 25 to Friday, July 29
- 🌙 **Grades 7-12**, evening retreats, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Sunday, July 24 to Thursday, July 28

Check out more & sign up at holycrossdewitt.org/tt

Our Staff

Please know that all of us at Holy Cross are here to be of service to you. Please never hesitate to seek our support whenever it may be needed. The parish office can be reached by phone at (315) 446-0473.

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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.

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