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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY JUNE 12, 2022

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Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022

Proverbs 8:22-31 Psalm 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

"O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!"

- PSALMS 8:2A

Our psalm today reflects a great approach toward how we should go about articulating the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity: Always start with a sense of wonder that echoes praise and thanksgiving from the depths of your heart. In other words, allow this mystery to awaken within you a hunger and longing for the divine. Rather than be intimidated by talking about the Trinity, it's always better to attempt and in the process grow in gratitude that God can never fully be understood or contained by our limited senses. This is a good thing! As a result, our relationship with the Lord continually unfolds and deepens whenever we engage this 'longing' within us.

Trying to get to the heart of the Trinity, it becomes difficult to grasp at the same time both the vastness of God and also his profound intimacy/closeness with us. This is what leads us to wonder and amazement at God. God becomes more and more knowable but in a way where we cannot exhaust the depths of his newness. St. Augustine described the beauty of God as being both "ever-ancient" and "ever-new." Consider again our reading from Proverbs, a wisdom book we don't often hear from. The more we soak in this infinite beauty of God, the more we realize there is no limit to being saturated with it. I think of this when I hear Jesus say in our gospel reading today, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now... the Spirit of truth will guide you to truth" (cf. John 16:12-13). With this assurance, Jesus promises that his Spirit will continually fill us and draw us into deeper knowledge of himself. Even in the moments we don't understand, the Spirit can lead us to a place of consolation.

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Mass Intentions

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

Monday, June 13

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

Tuesday, June 14

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

Wednesday, June 15

7:45 AM – Suzan Boland Taglialatela / Christine Cannella Suski 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Thursday, June 16

7:45 AM – James F. Collins / Wife & Children 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, June 17

7:45 AM – Peter Ridley / Jim & Mary Kay Moore 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, June 18

9:00 AM – Muller Family / Kathleen & Stephen Davis 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM – Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 PM – Hilda Marnell Loguidice / Mrs. Robert J. Leo

Sunday, June 19 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

7:30 AM - Bernard Vallilee / Don & Sam Toner 10:30 AM - Jennie Sala / Nick & Janet Rausch 5:00 PM - Raquel Romeu / Karen, Rick & Erin

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

Receptions for Dc. James Buttner AFTER MASSES THIS WEEKEND

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 this weekend.



Please join us in offering congratulations and well wishes to Dc. James. Keep him in your prayers as he begins this new chapter in ministry on his journey toward priesthood!

Feast of St. Anthony of Padua MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022 | 5:00 PM ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA, 1515 MIDLAND AVE., SYR.

Join us at St. Anthony's to celebrate the Feast of St. Anthony of Padua! Monday, June 13 at 5:00 PM, we will have a bilingual Mass followed by a social gathering. All are welcome!

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. A police officer will be with us to discuss safety for senior citizens. Bring your bagged lunch and drink.



- High School Youth Conference / July 15-17
- Totus Tuus (Grades 1-12) / July 24-29
- Middle School Niagara Falls Trip / August 13
- June Youth Nights / Frisbee & Sno Top

Questions? Contact Steve (steve@holycrossdewitt.org)

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**

CALLED BY NAME

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.

Reflection

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It was in our Baptism that the Trinity first claimed us as beloved sons and daughters, and it was in that moment that the very Spirit of the divine life was poured into us for our transformation. St. Paul to the Galatians: "Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father" (Gal 4:6). It is the work of the Spirit to diffuse and communicate in the depths of our hearts the love of the Father and the knowledge of his Son. The Most Holy Trinity wants to be known by us and to lead us to share this communion of love. Psalm 8, again: "When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you set in place - What is man that you should be mindful of him, or the son of man that you should care for him?" O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the Earth.

Peace, Fr. Brendan Foley

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**.

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SCHOOL







Sixth Grade Poetry Cafe

We are so proud of our thoughtful and expressive sixth grade students! Under the direction of Ms. K, they shared original poems for an audience of friends and family at their very own "Poetry Cafe!" They shared reflective, introspective pieces that revealed their maturity and vulnerability. They recited group pieces that unified their spirits and had a way of bringing everyone just a little closer together. We know the school days are quickly coming to an end, but we sure do appreciate every memory we make with these amazing students! Know that they will always be members of our Holy Cross family! Follow along for many more great memories to be shared!

Find us at @hcschooldewitt

Adoration

"Be still and know that I am God." - PSALM 46:11

WHAT IS ADORATION?

From the earliest teachings of the Church, the Catholic Church has understood that Jesus, on the last night of his life, took bread and wine and in a literal way changed it into his actual Body and Blood. He commanded the Apostles to continue to do this in his memory. The cornerstone of the Early Church will become the continual practice of doing this fulfilled Passover meal, and it will come to be known as "the Mass." From the last night of Jesus's life, the Church has continually, for over 2,000 years, celebrated this mystery of changing bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus. Even today, the Church teaches that the Eucharist is no symbol, but actually God himself. The Church developed a special time of prayer with the Eucharist. Taking a piece of consecrated host, the Eucharist is placed in the center of a display case, known as a monstrance, in order for the faithful to gaze at Jesus and to pray within his midst. This exposition, or praying before the Eucharist is called Adoration and is one of the most intimate and personal methods of prayer for many Christians.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Every Wednesday the parish community has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available in the main church from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM. You are invited to come to this hour for as long or as little as you like. This will be a great opportunity during the week to spend some quiet time with the Lord. The hour will conclude with Evening Prayer from the Divine Office at 7:45 PM followed by Solemn Benediction at 8:00 PM. Bring your family and friends. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) is also offered during this time.

MONDAY MORNINGS

Join us on Monday mornings following daily Mass for a Holy Hour in our church sanctuary, 8:15 AM -9:15 AM. Come start your week in quiet reverence and stillness with the Lord. No reservations necessary. All are welcome to attend.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

MONDAY, JUNE 13

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 8:15 AM Holy Hour, Church 5:00 PM Feast of St.Anthony, St.Anthony's 6:30 PM Care for Creation Meeting, Outside or Rooms 12 & 13

TUESDAY, JUNE 14 7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 6:30 PM Racial Justice Meeting, Rms 12-13

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 16 7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 1:00 PM Knitting Group, Yeazel Hall 7:00 PM Frisbee & Ice Cream, SnoTop

7:00 PM Sixth Grade Graduation Mass

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 9:30 AM Pre-K Graduation 10:30 AM Kindergarten Graduation

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

9:00 AM Daily Mass, Church 3:00 PM Reconciliation, Church 4:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church 5:30 PM Divine Comedy, Yeazel Hall

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

FATHER'S DAY / JUNETEENTH 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."

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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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 29: \$16,505.0 COLLECTION FOR JUNE 5: \$14,542.30

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