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Welcome to Holy Cross

A CARING COMMUNITY

"We are a community of Catholics who draw our strength from the celebration of the Eucharist, so that Christ may live in us and we may express the values He taught by our loving service to family, neighbor and society."

Whether this is your first Mass with us or you are a lifelong parishioner, we are so glad you are here. We hope Holy Cross can be a place for you to call home. If you are new here, check us out online at **holycrossdewitt.org** to learn more or grab a welcome packet from the church entrances. Please do not hesitate to reach out and introduce yourself. We'd love to meet you!

Readings & Reflection

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 Luke 20:27-38

One of the things that we try to understand about our faith is how eternal life is going to work. Are we immediately transported to our eternal destination or do we have to wait for a while? When we get there, what are we going to find? Some faiths say that all of our loved ones who have passed on will be waiting there at the pearly gates for us. Others say that Jesus alone will be waiting to escort us into heaven. We just don't know how things are going to happen. But today our readings give us a glimpse of how eternity might be for us.

The reading from Maccabees tells us about the faith in the beauty of eternal life that allowed the young Maccabee brothers to give their lives for their religion. They were certain that their heroic acts would result in their resurrection and the punishment of their tormentors. Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians tells us that faith in the word of God will help us to triumph over those who have faith only in the workings of this world. But Jesus gives us the most

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 6 - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - Timothy J. Decker / The Hardy Family 10:30 AM - Patrick Mannion & Family / Kevin Mannion 5:00 PM - Sr. Kathleen Osbelt / Elaine Lostumbo

Monday, November 7

7:45 AM - Pasquale Bombard / Drumlins

Tuesday, November 8

7:45 AM - Donna Bonacci / Husband

Wednesday, November 9

7:45 AM - Parishioners of Holy Cross

Thursday, November 10

7:45 AM – Intentions of the Holy Cross Rosary Group

Friday, November 11

7:45 AM - Catherine Lynn / Daughter & Family

Saturday, November 12

9:00 AM – James F. Collins / Wife & Children 4:00 PM – Stanley Blanchfield / Family

Sunday, November 13 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - Dr. Alfred Falcone / Dr. Philip & Barbara Falcone 10:30 AM - Anthony & Alice Jastrem / Kirkman Family 5:00 PM - Jack Tobin / Jim & Mary Kay Moore

Wine, Hosts, & Lamp

Stephen Oliva / Wife & Family

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Peter Allmayer-Beck, Nancy Ferrara, Katie Glisson, Jeanette Heick, Ann Kronner, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dinita Machlin, Faith Muller, Nancy Patane, Nash Daniel Stannard, and John Toole

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 or call 315-446-047

News & Events



KoC Pancake Breakfast SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 | 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a pancake breakfast this weekend on Sunday, November 6 at Holy Cross Church in Yeazel Hall. Come enjoy a hot, delicious breakfast of pancakes, French toast, bacon, sausage, home fries, eggs, coffee, milk, and juice. Breakfast is available from 8:00 AM until 12:30 PM. See you there!

- Adults \$10, Kids \$6, Under 6 is free
- Proceeds to support our youth program at Holy Cross

Food Giving Weekend NOVEMBER 5-6, 2022

This weekend, November 5 and 6 is Food Giving weekend. Thank you for your continuing generosity, help with packaging, and to those who contribute grocery bags each month, including a donation from Wegman's.

No High School Faith Formation On TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Due to Election Day on Tuesday, November 8, there will be no High School Faith Formation that morning. Middle School & Elementary Faith Formation will still take place on Wednesday and Thursday. If school is closed in J-D school district due to holidays or inclement weather, Faith Formation will also be canceled on that day. We also update our website and all major local news stations if Faith Formation is canceled. The full calendar for classes can be found on our website at holycrossdewitt.org/youth

Monthly Luncheon

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2022 | 12:00 PM

Join us for lunch at Danzer's at 153 Ainsley Drive on Thursday, November 10 at 12:00 PM. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by Monday, November 7. Call Jo Oliva at (315) 446-3328 to make your reservation or if you have any questions.

High School Retreat FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Pray for our high school students going on retreat next weekend in the Catskills. Students will experience fellowship and fun games, bonfires, and adventuring in the great outdoors, but they will also have an unparalleled opportunity to encounter Jesus in Mass, Adoration, and the opportunity for confessions.

Veterans Day FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022

Holy Cross Parish Offices will be closed on Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day.

Daily Mass will be at 7:45 AM and the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit will be open at its regularly scheduled time from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

- A PRAYER FOR VETERANS DAY -

Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.

Reflection

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important information today when he answers the Sadducees' absurd question about marriage in the resurrection.

Jesus' words describe a state of grace that will transcend the limitations of our current world. We get married in this world for many reasons, but most of all to share love with someone. In heaven, God's love will be so palpable that we will not have to get married to feel the love that exists in the His world. All time will be filled to the brim with the love of God, and we will spend eternity as His cherished children. Sounds pretty good to me.

Keep the faith, Deacon Dare

St. Marianne Cope Guild

of the Catholic Medical Association

Invites you to the

Annual White Mass For Healthcare Workers



Sunday, November 20, 2022 – 9:45 AM

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception 259 E Onondaga Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

> Mass with Bishop Lucia Reception to follow

Please RSVP: Dr. & Mrs. Jim & Betsy Mostrom 315-637-4611 JMostrom1@verizon.net



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HOLY CROSS CHURCH PRESENTS

International Exhibition THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

Designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis

SEPTEMBER 14, 2022 - NOVEMBER 6, 2022



To get exhibit times, learn about Blessed Carlo Acutis, and access promotional downloads, visit holycrossdewitt.org/emotw

EXHIBIT TIMES

SUNDAYS	7:00 AM - 7:00 PM*
MONDAYS	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
TUESDAYS	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
WEDNESDAYS	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM†
THURSDAYS	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
FRIDAYS	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
SATURDAYS	8:15 AM - 6:00 PM*

The Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World at Holy Cross will continue through Advent while preparations are made to update our chapel into a Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. New panels will be on display in the chapel beginning November 7. Come again and again to this evolving display and continue to deepen your faith through the stories of the miraculous signs of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Being a greeter for the exhibit is a spiritual, prayerful, and memorable ministry as visitors often share heartfelt stories of faith with our greeters. If you would like to assist as a greeter or as we prepare for the next phase of this exhibition which includes lending the display to other organizations and parishes, please contact our parish office at info@holycrossdewitt.org.

Refugee Assistance Committee MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2022 | 6:30 PM

All are invited to attend a meeting of the Refugee Assistance Committee (RAC) on Monday, November 7, from 6:30 – 7:30 PM in Rooms 12-13 of Yeazel Hall.

Two guest speakers, Valerie Hardy of Catholic Charities refugee assistance program and Sarah Dolbier, a citizenship and civic engagement student at Syracuse University, will share information about a new program designed to support the teams that offer short-term assistance to new immigrant families and facilitate their independence and self-sufficiency.

Following their presentation, the RAC will discuss and consider this opportunity and plan for next steps to welcome and support new immigrant families settling in our community. If you are unable to attend, but would like to learn more, please feel free to reach out to Trish Lowney at tlowney@aol.com.

Knitting Group Recognition

We wanted to share a bit of impressive news regarding our Knitting Group with recognition of their ministry they provide to St. Joseph's. The Knitting Group is recognized for 21 year of service for a total of 19,026.5 hours. We want to thank all of our amazing knitters for their ministry and service and especially recognize Eileen Ferrara for 7,000 hours of service and Rita White for 5,200 hours of service. Thank you for your incredible acts of faithfulness and goodness!

NEXT KNITTING GROUP: NOV 17, 2022 | 1:00 PM

The next Knitting Group meeting will e on Thursday, November 17 at 1:00 PM down in Yeazel Hall. We're always looking for new knitters and are happy to help you learn! Questions? Please call Rita at (315) 472-1478 or Jo at (315) 446-3328.

Adult Ministry SUNDAYS AT 9:15 AM | ROOMS 12-13

Interested in joining a group of parishioners who meet regularly to learn more about our faith and engage in discussion on a topic or book? Check out our Adult Ministry that meets on Sunday mornings. You can find them most Sundays downstairs in rooms 12 & 13 at 9:15 AM. No need to register or RSVP, just join in if you can.





CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

Giving Tree at Holy Cross BEGINNING NOVEMBER 19

We know it's still a ways off, but we are already planning for our Advent & Christmas seasons. Once again this year we will host our 39th annual Holy Cross Giving Tree! This year we will be providing gifts and gift cards to 7 agencies that work with those in need in our community. Gift tags will be available on the trees in the Gathering Area starting Saturday, November 19. Please plan to return your unwrapped gift/gift card by Sunday, December 4 at 11:00 AM. Thank you for continuing to be the caring and generous community for which Holy Cross is known.

"For it is in giving that we receive."

- ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Thank You for Your Faithful Generosity

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 partner with an industry leader to give you secure and convenient opportunities for supporting our faith community. Visit holycrossdewitt.org/give to learn more.

FINANCIAL REPORT

AVERAGE WEEKLY NEED: \$19,704.88

COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER 30: \$16,585.00

COLLECTION FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: \$765.00

Scan the code to get started with online giving



2022 Annual HOPE Appeal

YOU ARE THE LIGHT

Thank you for your support of the 2022 HOPE Appeal. We are inspired by the generosity of individuals and families in our parish. Together we will reach our parish goal of \$95,335.88. If you have not yet made your gift, prayerfully join us in strengthening our church and serving people throughout our diocese.

You may bring your completed pledge card to Mass, drop it by the parish office during the week, or use the return envelope included with your letter. You can also make a gift online at **www.syracusediocese.org**. Every gift makes a difference. Thank you and God bless!

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 8:15 AM Holy Hour, Church 9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel 6:30 PM RAC Meeting, Rooms 12-13

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

NO HIGH SCHOOL FF
7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

6:45 AM M.S. Faith Form., Yeazel Hall 7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 8:15 AM Adoration, Church 9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel

7:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7:45 AM Elem. Faith Form., Yeazel Hall
7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel
12:00 PM Monthly Luncheon, Danzer's
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

SCHOOL & PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

8:15 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel 9:00 AM Daily Mass, Church 3:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

4:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

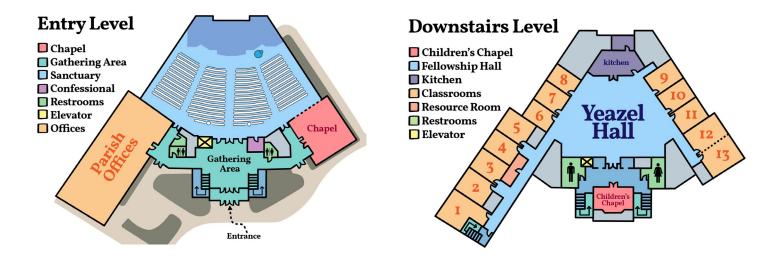
7:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel
7:30 AM Mass, Church
9:15 AM Adult Ministry, Rms. 12-13
10:30 AM Mass, Church
11:00 AM Council Meeting, Rooms 12-13
3:30 PM RCIA, Rms. 12-13
5:00 PM Mass, Church

Visit <u>holycrossdewitt.org/calendar</u> for the latest event details.



Parish Office

The parish offices are located at the far entrance from East Genesee. Look for the signs for "Office." Parish Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. The church sanctuary is open for private prayer Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.



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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"We love because he first loved us."

- 1 JOHN 4:19

