



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

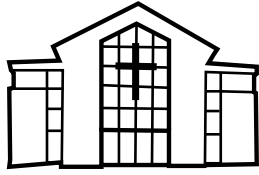
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

*Let us go rejoicing to the
house of the Lord*

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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 20, 2022

2 Samuel 5:1-3
Psalms 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43

The readings for the final Sunday of the Liturgical Year, otherwise known as the Christ the King, were not chosen in the same way as other Sunday readings in Ordinary Time.

Today's feast celebrates the authority and actual power of Jesus Christ by creating images that help us understand some of the characteristics of the kingship of Christ. These images allow us to understand kingship in a way that we do not understand earthly kingship.

As we know, earthly kingship is about absolute authority over their subjects. There are times that this power has even shown itself as a slave vs. authoritarian relationship. This is not, and cannot be so with the kingship of Jesus Christ! Jesus came to serve. We must remember that Jesus while fully human is also fully divine. He has not appointed himself but God the Father has appointed Him to serve, not be served.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:30AM Joan Frani / Mark & Judy Martino
10:30AM Flaver, Roux, & Kahl Families / Family
5:00PM Leonora Stach / Jerome & Ellen Pristash

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:45AM Jack Mollica / The Maio Family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:45AM Stephen Oliva, Sr. / Wife & Family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:45AM Parishioners of Holy Cross

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24 | THANKSGIVING

9:00AM In thanksgiving for the former priests of Holy Cross Church—living and deceased.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:45AM Virginia Kemme / Family

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

9:00AM Carmella Mcurillo / Faculty Center Kitchen Staff
4:00PM Jim Bachman / Jim & Mary Kay Moore

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30AM Richard Metz / June Kieffer & Family
10:30AM Frank & Jeanne Kirkman / Kirkman Family
5:00PM Sr. Katherine McPeak / Elaine Lostumbo

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Peter Allmayer-Beck, Joe Evans, 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 contact us at news@holycrossdewitt.org or call 315-446-047

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Sunday Read in your inbox



NEWS & EVENTS



Thanksgiving Day Mass

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2022 | 9:00 AM

Please join us for this special liturgy and Blessing of Bread on Thanksgiving Day. All will be invited during the closing hymn to take a loaf of fresh, homemade bread to share with family and friends at your Thanksgiving table. If you won't be able to join us in person, be sure to tune in to our livestream. Know that we are so grateful for you and your family. God bless and be well!

Parish Office Closed

NOVEMBER 24-25, 2022

The parish office will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25, Mass on Thanksgiving will be at 9:00 AM. The church will *not* be open for private prayer or the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit. On Friday, November 25, daily Mass will be at 7:45 AM and the church will be open for private prayer and for the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit.

School Poinsettia Sale

ORDERS DUE NOVEMBER 20

Holy Cross School students are selling poinsettias to benefit the Cathedral's Christmas gift giving program that brightens the holidays for families in need in the Syracuse area. This weekend is your last chance to order from our group of Caring Crusaders. Order forms and drop box are available in the Gathering Area.



Giving Tree at Holy Cross

BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

Christmas will be here before you know it! This weekend we kick-off our 39th annual Giving Tree. Once again, we will be providing gifts and gift cards to 7 agencies that work with those in need, especially children and families in our community.

Many of the requests this year are for gift cards as the agencies have found the families enjoy being able to choose their own gifts. Tags are now available on the trees in the Gathering Area. Please take a tag, purchase the requested item, and then return your gift ***unwrapped with tag attached*** no later than Sunday, December 4 at 11:00 AM.

Gifts may be returned during weekend Masses or brought to the parish office during the week. If you are returning gift cards, please deposit them in the collection box in the Gathering Area. Thank you for continuing to be the caring and generous community for which Holy Cross is known!

Monthly Movie

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2022 | 1-3 PM

Join us on Tuesday, November 29 at 1:00 PM in Yeazel Hall for a free viewing of ***God Bless the Broken Road***, the heartwarming story about a grieving army widow who finds her way back to her daughter, her faith, and new love. See you there! Refreshments provided.

Reflection

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We can describe Christ as the Eternal Shepherd and Commander, the King of Israel, the Image of the invisible God, the Firstborn of all creation, the Source of all created things, and Head of the body, which is the Church. We also know Christ as the Crucified King that is Firstborn or the dead!

On this last Sunday in our liturgical year, we understand Christ from the infant birth as the newborn King to the Firstborn of the dead. These images help us understand the progression and person of Christ, both human and divine in service to the people of God. May our worship of Him this day consider these images in preparation for another Advent Season of anticipation, as we move toward welcoming the newborn King once again into our lives.

Peace,



Fr. John

Coming Up

Advent Day of Reflection

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

There will be a day of reflection led by Deacon Dare Dutter on Monday, December 5 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in Yeazel Hall. What better way to prepare for the coming of the Lord than to reflect on the stories and scriptures of this wonderful season. We will start with morning prayer and then dig into the readings to find the peace, joy, and love that our God has sought for us since the beginning of time. The cost is \$12 and includes lunch.

Please sign up by Wednesday, November 30. Call the parish office at (315) 446-0473 to sign up or if you have questions.



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HOLY CROSS CHURCH PRESENTS

International Exhibition

THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

Designed and created by
Blessed Carlo Acutis



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

UPDATED EXHIBIT TIMES

SUNDAYS	7:00 AM - 5:00 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 - 5:30 PM*

* Please note that the exhibit closes during Mass (including funerals).
† Eucharistic Adoration is available in the church on Wednesdays from 8:15AM-8:00PM.

Around the Diocese

Charles Gounod – St. Cecilia Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022 | 2:00 PM

A festival choir of singers from around the diocese will reconvene for the first time since 2019 to perform Charles Gounod's St. Cecilia Mass as a concert with orchestra under the direction of Peter Ciarelli at 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 20, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse. Free and open to the public.



Breakfast with Santa

Sunday, December 4th

Join us for a special celebration with Santa that includes a delicious breakfast and festive photos with the big guy!

Helpful Info

Going Away for the Winter?

If you receive envelopes and are going away this winter, please contact Peg Olson peg@holycrossdewitt.org or call the parish office at 315-446-0473. We can pause your envelopes while you are out of the area saving money on the postage. Please provide your name, address, and the dates you will be leaving & returning.

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. If you have questions or would like some helpful resources on Christianity, Catholicism, and the Church, drop us a line at 315-446-0473 or hello@holycrossdewitt.org.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST PENANCE

NOVEMBER 16 & 19, 2022

Our children who have been preparing for the Sacrament of First Penance celebrated with their families on November 16 and 19, 2022. We are so thank all of our faithful community for your ongoing prayerful support. Be sure to join us in encouraging and celebrating the faith of these children and their families.

Lucy Albanese	Eric Eno	Gabriel Moskowitz
Karli Alkhouri	Elliott Farranto	Andrew Paulus
Vincent Bagley	Weston Garner	Luca Ranieri
Preston Balash	Frances Harty	Pia Ricciardiello
Joseph Brisson	Rowen Harty	Landon Shaffer
Lauren Brown	Norah Hebert	William Soper
Emerson Burns	Grady Hooks	Luciana Sorbello
Hunter Cameron	Georgina Hucul	Isabel Sorensen
Luke Castaneda	Kaylee Larned	Sophia Soury
Adrian D'Amico	Lawson Locke	Katherine Truex
Tessa DeKay	William Lynch	Thomas Truex
Livia Diez	Brianna Messe	Adriana Vacco
Abigail Dougherty	Drew Meyers	Olivia Woiler
Connor Dougherty	Caleb Moltion	Juliana Zogby



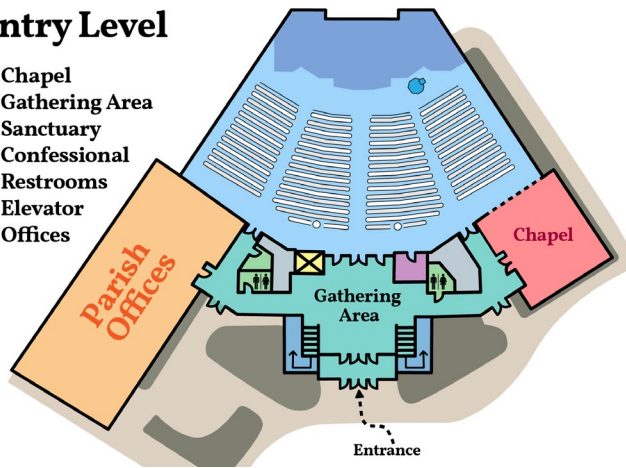
*I am the good shepherd,
and I know mine and mine know me.*

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. Adoration is available on Wednesday from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Entry Level

- Chapel
- Gathering Area
- Sanctuary
- Confessional
- Restrooms
- Elevator
- Offices



Downstairs Level

- Children's Chapel
- Fellowship Hall
- Kitchen
- Classrooms
- Resource Room
- Restrooms
- Elevator



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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"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 NOVEMBER 13
WILL BE REPORTED NEXT WEEK

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 21

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
8:15 AM Holy Hour, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
8:15 AM Adoration, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel
7:00 PM Adoration & Reconciliation

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

THANKSGIVING DAY
9:00 AM Mass, Church

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church
9:00 AM Euch. Miracles Exhibit, Chapel

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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 27

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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
3:30 PM RCIA, Rms. 12-13
4:30 PM Solemn Evening Prayer, Church
5:00 PM Mass, Church

Visit holycrossdewitt.org/calendar
for the latest event details.



"We love because he first loved us."

- 1 JOHN 4:19



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