

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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** or grab a welcome guide from the church entrances. Please do not hesitate to reach out and introduce yourself. We'd love to meet you!

Sunday Reflection

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2023

READINGS

Zechariah 9:9-10 Psalms 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11,13-14 Romans 8:9, 11-13 Matthew 11:25-30

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened..."

This command should remind us that we are not completely lost in oblivion. The God whom we know and love, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, touches our lives in some ways that are tangible and others that demand faith.

It is obvious that the most tangible manifestation of God is the person of Jesus himself. How much more proof could we or those who interacted with him during his public ministry desire, yet, there were those who could not come to belief because they were not expectSunday Reflections in your inbox; subscribe today!



ing a gentle and loving Messiah, but instead, a warrior king.

This type of gentle and loving Messiah denotes the fact that Jesus, the human manifestation of the divine is humble.

Jesus leads us to the realization that we too must be humble if we are truly to serve him as his hands and feet. We cannot lord any power we might have over those who do not share in that power.

We must let loose of our own desires and opinions, and work toward understanding each other in such a way that we can help one another grow closer to the Holy Trinity, rooted in the faith of Jesus Christ.

Peace,

Rev. John Kurgon

Mass Intentions

FOLLOW ALONG

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Host, Wine, & Lamp In Memory of John Gamage

by Family Saturday, July 8

4:00pm vigit Romeo Pilon / Pilon Family

Sunday, July 9

7:30AM Suzanne Sarno / Carol & Don Scullion 10:30AM Col. Robert Davis / Womens' Bible Study 5:00PM Richard S. Roche / The McDevitt Family

Monday, July 10 7:45AM John McNamara

Tuesday, July II 7:45AM Parishioners of Holy Cross

Wednesday, July 12 7:45AM Kevin Hanlon / Lisa

Thursday, July 13 7:45AM Mary Lou Hickey / Paul & Amy Sansone

Friday, July 14 7:45AM Arthur J. Jutton / Family

Saturday, July 15 9:00AM Catherine Muller / Altar Rosary 4:00PM VIGIL Sue & Charles Farnett / Pilon Family

Sunday, July 16

7:30AM Helen Seaman / The Shulte Family 10:30AM Lena DeRollo / The Wood Family 5:00PM Rev. Eric Harer / Michael

News & Events

Refugee Assistance Clothing Drive COLLECTION BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

The Refugee Assistance Committee is sponsoring a two week clothing drive to replenish the racks and shelves at the CYO clothes closet where newly arrived refugees can select needed items. Requested items include:

NEW

- toddler and children's socks and underwear
- men's and women's sport socks

CLEAN, GENTLY USED SUMMER & FALL CLOTHING

- 6 month to 18 month infant sizes
- toddler and children's sizes including sleepwear
- men's sizes small and medium casual/teeshirts and sweatpants / joggers / running pants (no shorts or clothing with logos other than manufacturers brand)
- women's sizes small and medium casual dresses / teeshirt dresses / sundresses (modest styles please)
- sneakers / casual shoes for men, women, children

Please drop off your donations at weekend Masses on July 8-9 and July 15-16.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support!

Monthly Luncheon WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023 | 12:00 PM

Join us for lunch at Olive Garden at 3147 Erie Boulevard on Wednesday, July 12 at 12:00 PM. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by Monday, July 10.

Call Jo Oliva at (315) 446-3328 to make your reservation or if you have any questions.

Mass at St. Mary's Jamesville THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2023 | 7:00 PM

There will be Mass at St. Mary's Church in Jamesville, on Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

We hope you can join us. All are welcome!

Coffee & Conversation TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023 | 12:00 PM

Join us Tuesday, July 18 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM in Yeazel Hall for Coffee & Conversation. We will be making angel blankets. All are welcome to join-blankets are made using a simple stitch. Bring a bagged lunch & drink.

Knitting Group THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2023 | 1:00 PM

The next Knitting Group gathering will be on Thursday, July 20 at 1:00 PM downstairs 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.

Evening of Adoration WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023 | 7:00 PM

Holy Cross offers Eucharistic Adoration each Wednesday evening from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM in the church. On Wednesday, July 26, all are invited to attend a special evening of Adoration accompanied by worship music led by special musician, Jeremy Bobak.

Childcare provided by our youth discipleship and adult leaders will be offered at the church during this time to give any parents the opportunity for uninterrupted prayer and reflection.

Play & Pray Mom's Group

SUMMER UPDATE

Play & Pray Mom's Group is moving outside for the summer! We'll meet the last Friday of each month (June 30, July 28, and August 25) at various locations. Newcomers welcome! Contact Lindsay Rowe 585-369-8237 for more information.

Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, & Twitter to see more! @holycrossdewitt



Pastoral Council

Here's a summary from the Pastoral Council from their most recent meeting.

TALENT AND MISSION WEEKENDS

A huge thank you to Kay and her team! Many people were engaged and there were plenty of sign ups.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION

An announcement about the election of new officers will be put in the bulletin after the 4th of July. There will be candidate nominations and then a short bio will be put in the bulletin before the election of two new Council members. August 5 & 6 is the target for the election. We are also looking for a high school student to volunteer as a Student Representative.

SURVEY NEXT STEPS

The Holy Cross Pastoral Council will focus on supporting and educating on the Eucharistic Revival.

STEWARDSHIP

A sign with a scan code will be placed inside the front door so that people who wish to donate can do so via cell phone.

JAMESVILLE FOOD PANTRY BOARD

We have 2 new JFP board members from our parish: Carla Semmel & Chris Moltin.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

We are looking for a first grade teacher, a PK3 teacher, teachers' aides & a part-time custodian. Enrollment is going well with 180 students.

An Alumni Dinner & Gala is planned to celebrate the 65th year of Holy Cross School. It will be held in the school gym on Sept 23, 2023. All Holy Cross alumni are invited.

RETIRING MEMBERS

Thank you to Ken Kirkman, Linda Cadaret & Lola Gualtieri for their time serving on the HCPC.

NEXT MEETING DATE

September 28, 2023, 5:30 PM.



THIS SUMMER... 👋 🌞

Don't miss the fun, friends, and the faith that brings us all together! Registrations for summer programs for youth of all ages are now open. Learn more & sign up today!

Visit holycrossdewitt.org/summer





STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE JULY 14-16, 2023

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. **holycrossdewitt.org/refuge**

Giving

"For it is in giving that we receive." - ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Thank you! We are so encouraged by all of the ways that you respond to God's faithfulness and share your gifts. Gifts of prayer, time, and talent serve and support our community in so many meaningful ways. And financial gifts are incredible acts of service that allow us to continue our mission and the work of the Church.

To give online, visit holycrossdewitt.org/give

FINANCIAL REPORT

AVERAGE WEEKLY NEED: \$19,704.88 COLLECTION FOR JULY 2 REPORTED IN NEXT ISSUE

DIOCESAN/NATIONAL SECOND COLLECTION

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION: AUGUST 13, 2023

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Helpful Info

HOLY CROSS COMMUNICATIONS

If you have important news & events related to the activities, ministries, and parishioners of Holy Cross Church & School and would like to be included in this publication or on our website, please notify **news@holycrossdewitt.org**

HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND?

Please notify the parish office **315-446-0473** when a parishioner or family member is confined to their home, hospitalized, or entering a nursing home, so that clergy may make arrangements for a sick visit.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please have a family member or the individual contact us to have their name included on our prayer list. The request will be included for three months unless notified otherwise.

FREE LIBRARY/ BOOK SWAP

Check out our free library and book swap area downstairs in the right rear corner of Yeazel Hall. All books are free to take and include titles for a variety of topics and for all age levels.

THIS WEEK AT HC

MONDAY, JULY 10

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 8:15 AM Holy Hour, Church

TUESDAY, JULY 11

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 10:00 AM Communion Service, Menorah Park

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 12:00 PM Monthly Luncheon, Olive Garden 7:00 PM Adoration, Church 7:00 PM Reconciliation, Church

THURSDAY, JULY 13 7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church 7:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's, Jamesville

FRIDAY, JULY 14 STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE 7:45 AM Daily Mass, Church

SATURDAY, JULY 15

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE REFUGEE ASSISTANCE CLOTHING DRIVE 9:00 AM Daily Mass, Church 3:00 PM Reconciliation, Church 4:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

SUNDAY, JULY 16

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE REFUGEE ASSISTANCE CLOTHING DRIVE 7:30 AM Mass, Church 9:15 AM Adult Ministry, Rooms 12-13 10:30 AM Mass, Church 5:00 PM Mass, Church

Get the latest event details at holycrossdewitt.org/events



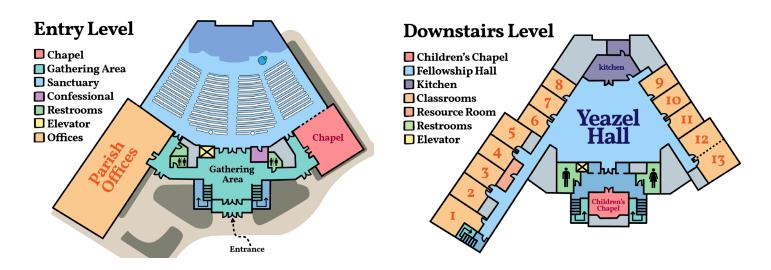
PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Abrielle Lynch, Adam Resetarits, Ann Kronner, Celia Flaver, Elaine Lostumbo, Ellyn Lubel, Faith Muller, John Toole, Joseph Smith, Liz and Tony Mollica, Margaret Blanchfield, Margaret (Peg) Driscoll, Nancy Ferrara, and Nancy Patane

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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Holy Cross School

Educated Minds • Faith-Filled Hearts

Holy Cross School is a private, Pre-K through 6th grade Catholic educational community associated with Holy Cross Parish in Dewitt, New York and part of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse. At Holy Cross School, our students get a superior education in an innovative learning institution that produces outstanding overall academic performance year after year. They also learn lifelong values that never change including faith, service, honesty, courtesy, and compassion. Since family is a key value, we also offer flexible hours for busy parents with before and after school programs, are conveniently located, and foster a safe environment for children.

Nationally accredited by the Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools. To learn more or schedule a tour, visit our website at **www.hcschooldewitt.org** or give us a call at **(315) 446-4890**.



Community

We invite you to get connected with our Holy Cross family. There are many opportunities for all walks of life. Here are just a few ways to get connected with our community.

Special Events

Events and special activities throughout the year help connect our parishioners and build community with one another. Events include festivities like our Fall Festival, Breakfast with Santa, and Parish Picnic. These events are always open to all, and we invite you to use them as an opportunity to deepen your friendships, meet new people, and invite others into our community. We also provide unique experiences for our youth like retreats, pilgrimages, vacation bible schools, and youth conferences. Visit our website to see what's coming up next!



Connect

Adult Bible Studies

Throughout the year, there are groups of adults in our parish who get together on a regular basis for Bible study programs. On Sunday mornings our Adult Ministry comes together downstairs in Rooms 12 & 13 for fellowship and scripture study. All are welcome to join! No registration necessary. Other bible studies meet on a rotating basis. To get updated when new studies start, sign up for our weekly newsletter at **holycrossdewitt.org/subscribe**.

Senior Social Activities

We have a variety of regularly scheduled activities for seniors. The last Tuesday of each month is our Monthly Movie. Coffee and Conversation is a monthly gathering of fellowship, coffee, and lunch. Our knitting group meets every other week. Check the church newsletter to find out more about these groups and the next time they meet. All are welcome!

Gardening Angels

Gardening Angels are a faithful group of Holy Cross volunteers who meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 AM -10:30 AM to make the surrounding landscape of our church home a beautiful, and welcoming place to worship and pray. Specifically, the volunteers plant flowers and bushes, remove weeds and brush, trim bushes, spread mulch as needed. Work begins in the spring and ends in late fall.

Rosary Prayer Group

Most mornings after Daily Mass, a group gathers in the church or in the front circle to pray the Rosary. It is informal and open to anyone who would like to pray. Please join us!

Play & Pray Mom's Group

The Play & Pray Ministry at Holy Cross strives to create opportunities for connection among Catholic mothers with young children. Our mission is to support the vocation of motherhood by providing our infants and toddlers a chance to play and pray in a safe and faith-filled environment with their peers. We meet Fridays from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM in the toddler room (Room 5) of Yeazel Hall.

Follow Along

We are so glad you are connected to our community! To get the latest news, photos and stories, follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter (@holycrossdewitt). Subscribe to our weekly newsletters to get all of the latest content delivered right to your inbox. Visit us online at holycrossdewitt.org/subscribe to connect!



