



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

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Lent - Frequently Asked Questions

The season of Lent – when does it begin and end? It begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th. It ends on Holy Thursday, April 9th, before the celebration of the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Are you a new parishioner or visiting for the first time?

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to one of the priests. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community and welcome you. Please take a census envelope from the racks at each exit or contact the Parish Office.

OUR MISSION "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."

Stay connected with your parish family!

We are so glad you are here with us at Holy Cross! We invite you to connect with our community. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to get the latest news, photos and stories or subscribe to our weekly brief delivered right to your inbox.

Visit www.holycrossdewitt.org/subscribe to see more.



Mass Times

Daily Mass: 7:45am
Saturday 9:00am
Penance: Wed. 7-8pm
Saturday 3:00pm

Sunday Mass

Vigil Sat.: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am
10:30am
5:00pm

Upcoming Events:

First Sacrament Workshop
March 28 - 1:30pm

Monthly Movie
March 31 - 1:00pm

Palm Sunday
Holy Week begins
April 5

Easter Sunday
April 12



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 15th – Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Genevieve Zappalla/ Joann & Tommy Smith
 10:30AM Special Intention of Sebastian Carotola/
 Highducheck Family

5:00 PM Bob Coughlin/ Leigh Marquis

Monday, March 16th

7:45 AM Kevin Mullen/ The Caputo Family
 8:15 AM –3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, March 17th

7:45 AM John Honold/ Father Vavonese
 8:15 AM –3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, March 18th

7:45 AM Jim Collins/ Wife
 8:15 AM –3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, March 19th

7:45 AM Frank Cappelletti/ Marylee & Tom Muench
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, March 20th

7:45 AM Giuseppe Messina/ Spouse & Family
 8:15 AM and 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
 8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, March 21st

9:00 AM Caroline L. Reilly/ Maio Family
 3:00 - 3:30 PM Penance
 4:00 PM Betty Galletta/ Hilda Loguidice

Sunday, March 22nd - Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM Victims of Human Trafficking/ Joyce A. Kotch
 10:30 AM Richard Purcell/ Vincent Mahar
 5:00 PM Ada Lou Costello/ Al & Joann Paparo

CORONAVIRUS: The Church's Liturgical Response to Influenza

Mass attendance is not obligatory for those who are ill (*Code of Canon Law 1983, c. 898; Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), 2181*). Those who are ill not only can but should remain at home and participate – as they are able – by watching a broadcast of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on TV or YouTube and by making a spiritual communion.

Those at Mass concerned they may be getting ill are encouraged to: (1) refrain from extending hands at the Sign of Peace (some other appropriate gesture may be extended instead – e.g., a smile or nod of the head), (2) receive Holy Communion in the hand rather than on the tongue, and (3) refrain from receiving the Precious Blood from the chalice.

Those who distribute Holy Communion (i.e., priest, deacon, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion) are to practice good hygiene, particularly by washing their hands before and after the distribution of Holy Communion. They should also take care not to touch the hand or tongue of any communicant.

The pastor of a parish may decide to suspend the distribution of the Precious Blood from the chalice. It is important to remember that the whole Christ is truly present, body, blood, soul, and divinity, under each of the species of bread and wine (*CCC, 1390*).

What that means at Holy Cross.

1. We will refrain from sharing a Sign of Peace with each other until further notice.
2. We will suspend the distribution of the Precious Blood. Eucharistic Ministers will not be assigned through the end of June.
3. All are encouraged to receive Holy Communion in the hand rather on the tongue.
4. Please stay home and watch the Mass on the TV if you are sick or concerned that you may be sick.
5. We have filled the holy water fonts with sand for the Lenten Season.
6. We will keep you informed of any other decisions.



**Next weekend's 2nd collection is:
Catholic Relief Services**

PLANNED GIVING FOR OUR PARISH

Please consider our parish through:

- Your Will or Trust
- Retirement Assets
- Life Insurance Policies

A Life Income Gift which will provide you with payments for life and ultimately will benefit our parish.

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

Credit card and electronic donations are now possible through the Holy Cross website: www.holycrossdewitt.org/give

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

\$19,704.88 Average weekly need

\$14,280.00 Collection of March 8

(\$ 5,424.88) Deficit

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT
OF YOUR PARISH!**



PRAYER REQUESTS

Shannon Adams, Diana Arnold, Frank Blizzard, Leana Mae Bonnell, David Carr, Vince Cichello, Armand Cincotta, Linda Cote', Ricco Gauf, Katie Glisson, Richard Griffin, Yvonne Grocott, Virginia Grosso, Mason Hallenbeck, Adriana Hampel, Daniel C. Healy, Elaine Hill, Macey Horbauch, Susan Keller, Jane Koszulka, Kathy Kotz, John Laura, Rory Lennon, Penny Locke, Edward Loftus, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dominick M., Austin & Tres Mahan, Mary McArdle, Noah McNeil, Gail Moloney, Angela Martin, Mary Mayle, Monica Miranda, Tracey Montague, Faith Muller, Al Paparo, Deanna Peters, Wayne Queror, Mona Rawles, Micah Schwiezer, Brian Semerao, Dawn Simmonds, Kay Simon, Joseph Smith, Stephen Smith, Rita Smookler, Eleanor Sullivan, Shelly Tortora, Steve Wafer, and Kristin Woodmansee.

If you would like us to add someone to this list, we ask that only family members call the office or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org. We will keep them on for three months unless you notify us otherwise. Thank you.

Activities For Lent

Lenten Reflections

Walk with the Lord daily this Lent. Sign up at <https://formed.org/daily> to receive daily reflections directly to your inbox. Be inspired & renewed each morning with clips from Catholic authors, speakers, movies, talks, & more. FORMED Daily has turned into LENTEN REFLECTIONS on Ash Wednesday.

Catholic Media - Augustine Institute

FORMED

Listen: Freedom Through Forgiveness

Listen: St. Joseph: Patron of the Universal Church by Mark Miravalle (Feast March 19)

Watch: God's Doorkeeper - The Story of St. Andre Bessette

Watch: Celebrate St. Patrick (a concert in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh)

Catholic Media Kiosk

CD: "The Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell" Fr. Mike Schmitz tackles four very difficult topics in this exceptional presentation. Listen to this talk and get answers to the question: "What Happens When I Die?" Includes a bonus from the talk Purgatory: Holy Fire by Dr. Scott Hahn.

Comment: "In his ever engaging and witty style, Father Mike answers the tough questions about Life and Death. I could listen to this talk over and over again for greater insights on Heaven and our purpose on this earth". Jill - Sycamore, IL

A Family Perspective:

Our children are like the Samaritan woman in today's gospel. They need more than material things. They need the "living water" only the adults can give. It will teach them how to make decisions, take responsibility, respect themselves and others and live their commitments. With this "living water" they will "never thirst."



DIVINE MERCY CENACLE:

The Divine Mercy Cenacle will continue each Thursday at 9:00am in room 6 in Yeazel Hall.

All are welcome to join. If you are new to the group, please contact Soraya Andrews (447-4954) to secure materials used during the sessions.

Masses and Devotions

Stations of the Cross

We will have the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 8:15am (except Good Friday) and 7:00pm .

Daily Mass: 7:45am weekdays & 9:00am Saturday

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 10:30am & 5:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: (Chapel)

Weekdays: 8:15am to 3:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Penance: (Church)

Wednesdays: 7:00-8:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

"Light Is on For You" - Monday, April 6 ~ 3-7pm

Wednesdays: 7-8pm & Saturdays ~ 3:00pm (except April 11)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00 - 8:00pm on Wednesdays.



We begin the hour in church with Adoration & will conclude with Solemn Benediction.

Confessions on Wednesday Evenings

Sacrament of Reconciliation is being offered every Wednesday between 7 & 8pm. The peace of mind and soul which this sacrament imparts to us is one for which there is no substitute. Come enjoy the quietness of our Church and the forgiveness of our Savior.

Stations of the Cross

Please join us Fridays during Lent as we travel through the Stations of the Cross and identify with Jesus' journey to Calvary.



STATIONS of the CROSS

Stations are at 8:15 am (following 7:45 am Mass) and at 7:00 pm.

Attention Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers

As part of preparing the new schedule (starting April 4/5 thru May 30/31), we would like to know if you have any changes to your information or a change in the time or dates you would like to be scheduled. Please email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org.



2019 Tax Contribution Statements

If you wish to have a tax statement sent to your home, please fill out the form below. You may put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the office. You may also email the information to Peg@holycrossdewitt.org.

Name: _____

Address: _____



HOLY CROSS SCHOOL NEWS

News from the First Grade

The first graders in Mrs. Burns' classroom began the "Thirty Days of Kindness Challenge" from Regan's Acts of Kindness. Each day during the season of Lent, students perform an act of kindness to help others in our school and community. So far, students have shared something with a friend, sat next to someone new at lunch, held the door for someone, and paid someone a compliment. They were even featured on News Channel 9 for writing and sending letters to service men and women. We're all so proud of the kindness they are spreading in Regan's name!



Substitute Teachers & Nurses Needed

Holy Cross School is looking for substitute Nurses and Teachers. We are interested in Registered Nurses who are up to date on all certifications. All individuals must be willing to be Virtus Trained within the Diocese. Please e-mail your resume to Martha O'Leary at moleary@syrdiocese.org.

FAITH FORMATION

Julie Sheridan - DFF grades 1-6
446-0473 x 12 Julie@holycrossdewitt.org
Steve Nepil - DFF grades 7-12
446-0473 x 18 Steve@holycrossdewitt.org

Confirmation Retreat this week!



Please pray for our teens as they go away this weekend for their Confirmation Retreat. The group of 50 teens and adults will be visiting a YMCA camp in the Catskills for a weekend of fun, community, and time with God. Please pray for openness of

heart for our participants and for a great encounter with Jesus, especially in the sacraments.

Those attending the retreat will need to meet at Holy Cross at 4 pm on Friday to load the bus and depart for the weekend. Any further questions, please feel free to email Steve at Steve@holycrossdewitt.org.

Girl Scout Cookie Sale March 21 & 22



Holy Cross Girl Scout Troop 60500 will be selling cookies before and after each Mass this weekend. Your purchase helps the girls learn and give back. The troop donates 23% of its earnings to nonprofits. You can also purchase cookies for donation to help the Holy Cross

Church Food Ministry. To pre-order your cookies for pick-up, please text 315-383-3148 with your name, order, and Mass time. The cookies will be waiting for you in a gift bag. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, March 15th

Francis House Pin Sale - Gathering Area
9:00 AM Boundless Compassion - room 9
9:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12
10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - Chapel
3:00 PM 11th & 12th Grade Discipleship - rooms 1-2

Monday, March 16th

6:00 PM Catholicism- The New Evangelization - Yeazel Hall

Tuesday, March 17th

6:45 AM High School Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall
8:15 AM Third Tuesday Sandwiches - Yeazel Hall
10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study - room 9
12:00 PM St. Patrick's Day Luncheon - Yeazel Hall

Wednesday, March 18th

6:45 AM Middle School Faith Formation
6:30 PM Refugee Assistance Meeting - room 9
6:00 PM STEP Meeting - room 11
7:00 PM NA & Narnon Meeting - Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church
7:00 PM Penance - Church

Thursday, March 19th

7:45 AM Elementary Faith Formation - Yeazel Hall
9:00 AM Divine Mercy Cenacle - room 6
10:00 AM Small Christian Community - Members Home
1:00 PM Knitting Group - Yeazel Hall
7:00 PM HC Men's Group - room 9
7:00 PM MS Faith Formation/ Youth Group - rms 10-13

Saturday, March 21st

3:00 PM Penance - Church
4:00 PM First Sacrament Mass & Family Dinner

Sunday, March 22nd

Girl Scout Cookie Sale - Gathering Area
Raffle Ticket Sale - Gathering Area
9:00 AM Boundless Compassion - room 9
9:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12
10:30 AM Liturgy of the Word - Chapel
3:00 PM Discipleship (11th & 12th grades) - rooms 1 & 2

Francis House is back!

Just in time for St. Patrick's Day, Easter or anytime gifts! We have beautiful one-of-a-kind stained glass earrings, pendants and pins - - all for \$20 each. Along we our beautiful Shamrocks, we have butterfly pins! We also have specially designed note cards for \$10 per set. All sales benefit the ministry and mission of the Francis House.

Come see us after each Mass the weekend of **March 14 & 15**. "Francis House provides a home and extended family to persons with terminal illnesses so they can die with dignity surrounded by the unconditional love of God."

Monthly Movie - "The Two Popes"

Tuesday, March 31 at 1:00pm

Be sure to come for our next Monthly Movie. *The Two Popes* is a 2019 biographical drama film adapted from McCarten's play *The Pope*. It is predominantly set in the Vatican City in the aftermath of the Vatican leaks scandal, the film follows Pope Benedict XVI, played by Anthony Hopkins, as he attempts to convince Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, played by Jonathan Pryce, to reconsider his decision to resign as an archbishop.

All are welcome and it is free to attend. We will provide the popcorn.

Looking for a way to put your Faith in Action?

For more information or to volunteer, contact Beth Schafer: 315-416-4576 or beth@holycrossdewitt.org

"The things that matter most in our lives are not fantastic or grand. They are the moments when we touch one another, when we are there in the most attentive and caring way." Jack Kornfield, A Path with Heart

The Spiritual Works of Mercy Food Collection

During the month of March we invite you to join our Faith Formation class collection of non-perishable food; it will enhance our 1st weekend food collection. The items requested include specific food pantry needs at this time of year.



The Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion by which we help our neighbors with their emotional & spiritual needs: to instruct, advise, console, comfort, forgive & bear wrongs patiently. A list of requested food items can be found on the tables by the doors. It includes canned tuna, kidney beans, canned fruit or vegetables, egg noodles, ramen noodles or elbow macaroni, gluten-free cereal or pasta. Please return your donation to the baskets by the doors before March 24th.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Do you have a need for help? Our NHN group offers to assist you after surgery or illness by providing a meal for a limited time-or we could shovel your walk or provide a ride to mass if a volunteer is available. If you would like someone to help you with one of those tasks, call the parish office & ask for Beth (315) 446-0473.

Men's Shelter Pancake Breakfast: Mar. 29th, 6:30-8am

Several times a year we bring our griddles to Catholic Charities homeless shelter to prepare a hot pancake breakfast. Join us to share the morning with men who need a hot meal and a friendly smile. Contact Carolyn Smith: cjsmith5255@gmail.com

Road to Emmaus Meal: Thursday, April 9th, 4-6:30pm

Join a small group of 8-10 volunteers as we serve a hot meal provided by Emmaus ministries. Volunteers help in the kitchen or serve the meal to South side residents who rely on this ministry as a source of social interaction as well as physical nourishment. Contact Beth to sign up: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

Samaritan Center Dinner: Sun. April 26th, 12:30-3pm

On Sunday afternoon bring your family members or friends to our local soup kitchen to help serve approximately 200 hungry people in Syracuse. (An earlier time period (11am-12:30pm) is set aside for families with children under 12 years old. Please sign up in advance by contacting Rick: philiprcoughlin@gmail.com



Jail Ministry Movie: Tuesday, April 28th, 7pm

An annual fundraiser in support of Jail Ministry is an April movie night at the Palace Theater, 2364 James St. in Eastwood. This year's movie is Chariots of Fire, the 1981 film won 7 Academy Awards. \$10 Tickets are available in the parish office or contact Beth: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

Moving?

If your future plans include a change of address; would you please contact the Parish Office? You may call 315-446-0473 or email Peg@holycrossdewitt.org with your new address.

Join us for Humanae Vitae (On Human Life)

An Endow study sponsored by the John Paul II Center for Women.

Pope Paul VI's long-awaited and controversial encyclical explaining the beauty of marriage and the sanctity of human life within that bond. This study addresses many questions modern Catholics have battled in today's culture dealing with human love in relationships.



Study begins here on **Monday, April 13, 10:00-11:30 am** Space is limited, please sign up online by Wednesday, April 8! For more information or to sign up, please visit: jpiicenterforwomen.org/events or contact Rita Condon (315) 807-7530 or rita@jpiicenterforwomen.org.

Syracuse Lenten Retreat for Women

"Pray, hope, and don't worry" -St Padre Pio
Saturday March 21st, 2020 Holy Cross Church in DeWitt
Reflection by Fr. Joe O'Connor
Retreats includes Mass, Breakfast, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, the Rosary & Private Prayer!
For more information visit www.syracusecatholicwomen.org

IGNITE 2019 Catholic Men's Conference

Attention men of the parish, the theme for the 12th Annual IGNITE Men's Conference is "Take Refuge In The Lord".



There are 3 tremendous speakers that will challenge all who attend. You can be part of this on Saturday, March 28 at the SRC Arena & Event Center for an amazing day that will have a tremendous impact on you. You can register online at www.ignitecatholicmen.org or with Anthony Grasso, parish captain, at AnthonyJGrasso@yahoo.com. Sign up now.

Fish Fry at Blessed Sacrament Church

St. Vincent's/ Blessed Sacrament Lenten Fish Fry every Friday except Good Friday in the Blessed Sacrament Cafeteria, 3129 James Street. Eat in or take out available from 4:30 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. **Come enjoy a delicious meal & some great fellowship.**

Day of Hope & Healing

God has a unique and beautiful plan of healing for all who have suffered from a past abortion. Our dedicated team will assist you and offer you a safe place to begin the healing process at our Day of Hope and Healing on Saturday April 18th. Call or email to register confidentially: 1-855-364-0076 or hopeandhealing@syrdio.org

A Gift That Lasts

Chocolate Melts. Flowers fade... Choose a gift that will help your marriage grow!

Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to renew your marriage and rekindle your love. Our next local weekend retreat is April 17-19, 2020 at Notre Dame Retreat Center, Canandaigua, NY. Go to www.me.org to register or email Leonor & Ed River leoanded@aol.com with any questions.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF March 21st & March 22nd

<u>MASS</u>	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>EUCH. MIN.</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS –B</u>
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Michael Read	H1 Susan Klenk	CH1	Ashlynn Johnston	Dennis Cole
		H3 Lola Gualteri	CH2	Flynn Johnston	
		H4 Carol Dwyer		Volunteer Needed	Michael Krisak
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Melody Foster	H1 Al Highducheck	C1	Lindsay Parker	Ed Coolican
		H3 Charlene Hughes	C2	Volunteer Needed	Tony Ebersole
		H4 Ronald Naumann		Volunteer Needed	Len Smith
					Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 10:30 AM	Constance Chase	H1 Marilyn Engle	CH1	Meghan Malay	Neil Bourcy
		H3 George Given	CH2	Jack Wysocki	Don Brown
		H4 Connor Burruss		Max Wysocki	Peter Bergamo
					Mike Sigona
					Ray Moade
Sunday, 5:00PM	Angela Rigdon	H1 Elaine Ryan	C1	Ryan Rigdon	Volunteer Needed
		H3 Pat Ryan	C2	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
		H4 Volunteer Needed			

OUR PCA MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

St. Matthews:

- Daily Mass: Friday 9:00am
- Weekend Masses: Sat. 4:30pm (vigil); Sunday 8:00am
- Confessions: Saturday 3:30 - 4:00pm

St. Vincent de Paul

- Daily Mass - M ~TU~Wed. 12:00pm
- Weekend Mass: Sat.. 4pm; Sun. 9:30am

St. Francis of Assisi (Bridgeport)

- Daily Mass: Mon. 9:00am
- Weekend Mass: Sunday 9:30am

St. Mary's of the Assumption (Minoa)

- Daily Mass: Wed. 9:00am
- Weekend Mass: Sunday 11:00am
- Confessions after Sunday Mass

Blessed Sacrament

- Daily Mass: Chapel M - F 8:00am
- Weekend Masses: Sat. 5:00pm (vigil) Sun. 7:30, 9:30, 11:30am
- Reconciliation: Saturday 4 - 4:45pm

SACRAMENTS

Baptism ~ Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

Classes required for 1st child's Baptism

†To request either the **Anointing of the Sick** or **Communion to the Sick** please call the Parish Office.†

Marriage ~ Please make an appointment with a priest at least 6 months prior to wedding

Penance ~ Wednesday, 7-8PM Saturday, 3:00PM

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Holy Cross Parish Staff ~ Name, Title and Phone Extension

- Rev. John J. Kurgan, Pastor, ext. 15
- Rev. Matthew E. Rawson, Parochial Vicar, ext. 36
- Rev. Charles S. Vavonese, Weekend Homilist
- Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 16
- Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38
- Brette Cooper, Maintenance
- Josh Corcoran, Music Sunday 5pm Mass
- Patty Kirwan, Administrative Assistant ext. 10
- Dan Littlepage, Director of Technology, ext. 33
- Leigh C. Marquis, Director of Finance & Human Resources, ext. 24
- Maureen McManus, Sacristan
- Stephen Nepil, Dir. Faith Formation 7-12 & Dir. Youth Ministry ext. 19
- Peg Olson, Office Manager & Administrative Assistant, ext. 22
- Beth Schafer, Director of Faith in Action Ministry, ext. 13
- Julie Sheridan, Dir. Faith Formation 1-6 & Evangelization, ext. 12
- Matt Stano, Maintenance

PARISH INFORMATION

- **Please notify the Parish Office** when a parishioner or family member is confined to home, hospitalized, or entering a nursing home. Hospitals no longer notify us of a patient's admittance. Also, please notify us with change of: address, phone number or email.
- Bulletin items need to be in the parish office no later than Monday at 9am for the upcoming weekend. (holiday deadlines will change)
- E-mail preferred; please send to: peg@holycrossdewitt.org
- Hearing impaired ear phones are available in the Robing Room in the front lobby.
- Pregnant and Need Help? Please call Catholic Charities 424-1800

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

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Staff ~ Name and Title

- Martha O'Leary, School Principal
- Joanne Markert - Administrative Assistant, Nina Walters - Nurse



HOLY CROSS

STEWARDSHIP IN FAITH

Volume X

Sunday

March 15, 2020

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS INCREASING

As our Stewardship in Faith campaign moves ahead, we continue to see tremendous displays of commitment and encouragement, with parishioners rallying together to yield success. We are pleased to report that 190 families have returned their stewardship commitment card. The average offertory gift from these families has moved up to \$43 per week. Once again, Father John and the parish committee extend a sincere thank you to these families for their commitment and sacrifice to Holy Cross and we ask that the remainder of our parish family join us in our efforts. **Please remember that your commitment card is not a legal pledge. It is simply an indication of how much you as an individual or family feel that you can dedicate to the support of the Church. It is carefully outlined so that, in the event your income changes, you can adjust your commitment at any time.**

THE PARISH FAMILY OF HOLY CROSS

All of us are members of families—mothers, fathers, sons, daughters—who help each other in times of need. Here at Holy Cross, we are all members of a much larger family—the Parish Family of Holy Cross Church.

As our stewardship appeal continues we turn to you, the members of our parish family for assistance. You know what our plans are, and that they will be a direct benefit to all of us, as well as future members of our parish family. Many have already supported our decision to plan for the future of the parish now, and we pray it is a decision that all members of our family will support.

We are asking for sacrifice, but keep in mind that sacrifice leads to good things and most importantly that "Our Lord will not be outdone in generosity."

Please return your commitment card today