

EASTER SUNDAY

He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:5-7

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Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give the parents faith, love, and a spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life. Let your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.

Mass Times

Daily Mass: 7:45am
Saturday: 9:00am
Reconciliation:
 Wed. 7:00-8:00pm
 Sat. 3:00-3:30pm
Sunday Mass
Vigil Sat.: 4:00pm
Sun.: 7:30am, 10:30am & 5:00 pm

View Sunday & Daily Mass on online - holycrossdewitt.org

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, New York Case No. 20-30663

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on June 19, 2020, The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, New York, ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established April 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").

If you have a claim against the Diocese including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date with Stretto, the appointed Claims Agent. Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofsyracuse> or call (855) 329-4244 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY FUTURE DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

Upcoming Events:

Please check page 4 of the bulletin for this week's schedule.

PLEASE WATCH THE HC WEBSITE FOR CURRENT INFORMATION ON MASSES, REGISTRATION FOR MASSES & DEVOTIONS & REGULATIONS FOR ATTENDANCE.



Sunday, April 4th – Easter Sunday

7:30am The Deceased Members of Holy Cross
 9:00am The Deceased Members of Holy Cross
 10:30am The Deceased Members of Holy Cross

NO 5:00PM MASS TODAY

Monday, April 5th

7:45am William Henry Thomsen, Jr./
 Elizabeth & Raymond Appleby

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Tuesday, April 6th

7:45am Parishioners of Holy Cross

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Wednesday, April 7th

7:45am Phylles, Robert Sr. & Kris Reid/ Family

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Thursday, April 8th

7:45am Jim Hughes/ Family

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Friday, April 9th

7:45am Mass League Intentions

9:00am - 3:00pm Private Prayer & Devotion

Saturday, April 10th

9:00am Susan Halleran/ The Kinnan Family

4:00pm John Stach/ Frank & Wilma Frydrychowicz

3:00 to 3:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, April 11th

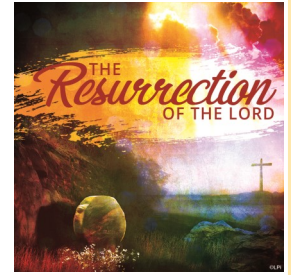
7:30am Marilyn Rowland/ Family

10:30am Douglas Kemme / Family

5:00pm The Bertrand Family / Mona Bertrand

**Scriptural Reflection for Sunday, April 4, 2021
 Easter Sunday**

Acts of the Apostles 10: 34a, 37-43
 Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23
 Colossians 3: 1-4
 John 20: 1-9



Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

On this most Holy Day let us put ourselves in the place of Mary of Magdala as she approaches the tomb. She is there to anoint the body of Jesus because they buried him without ceremonial washing due to the Sabbath. Mary is upset, devastated at the death of Jesus, and now wants to do this one last thing for him. She approaches the tomb to find that the tomb is open, the stone rolled back. Upon entering the tomb, she sees that the body of Jesus is gone and a man seated at the right side. Being amazed she hears the man say, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not her. Behold the place where they laid him."

Do we feel that same sense of amazement when we think of Christ rising from the dead? Have we walked with Christ during this Lenten Season, and participated in Holy Week? If we have, we must remember the blessings Christ gave to his followers before his death. Jesus instituted the Eucharist and Priesthood on Holy Thursday, he carried his cross on Good Friday, was crucified and now has resurrected from the dead on Easter Sunday. Are we moved by the love and compassion that has been demonstrated by God our Father through his Son Jesus? If we answer yes to that question, then, let our faith be ever the stronger so we can experience the great victory and joy the entire Easter Season has in store for us!

Happy Easter!
 Fr. John

Week of April 5

Host and Wine

In Memory Of: Frank & Theresa

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory Of: Joseph & Anna Stach

Both Are Requested By :

Frank & Wilma Frydrychowicz



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

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.

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.

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

\$19,704.88 Average weekly need

\$12,656.00 Collection of March 21

\$ 1,404.00 Catholic Relief Service

Collection of March 28 will be reported next week

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

Your support is invaluable. Thank You

During these uncertain times, please continue to support Holy Cross parish & her ministries & programs through weekly or monthly offerings. Because of your goodness, we have been able to adapt to this changing landscape & provide updated communications, resources, support & programs to our community and to our neighbors in need. Please remember to help support our mission. You may become an online giver by visiting www.holycrossdewitt.org/give. Online giving is through Vanco, which is a secure site. **You have the option of giving using your credit card number or by having an electronic fund transfer.** Or mail in your gift to the Parish Office (4112 E. Genesee Street, DeWitt, New York 13214).

WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

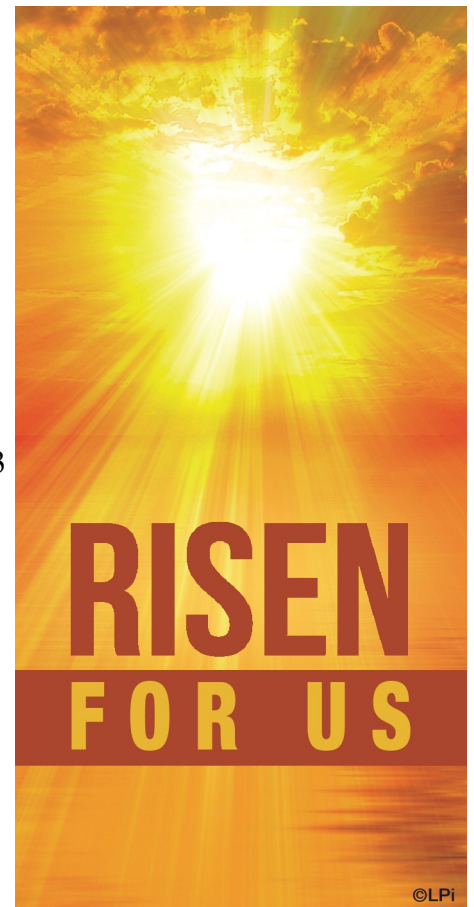
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15
 Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

Observances for the week of April 4, 2021

Sunday: Easter Sunday
 Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
 Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
 Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
 Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
 Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter
 Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter
 Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Congratulations to Mark Hayes RCIA

Mark Hayes was Confirmed at the Easter Vigil this weekend. Mark declared his intention to be Confirmed during Mass at the Rite of Welcome in February. At that time, Mark was warmly introduced to the parish by his sponsor, JD Tessier; thank you for your prayers and support! In the RCIA program, Mark met online weekly with Fr. Kurgan, Beth Schafer and Seminarian James Buttner to explore prayer, scripture and Catholic Tradition. Congratulations Mark!



Prayer REQUESTS

Garth H. Bishop, Eden & Mackenzie Bishop, Barbara Boyd, Terry Chylinski, Armand Cincotta, Tom Coyne, Mark Cywilko, John Galletta, Stanley Jakimek, Sharon Kieffer, Elaine Lostumbo, Abrielle Lynch, Dinita Machlin, Monique Missoff, Mary Elizabeth Morgan, Faith Muller, Patricia Pool, Rita Smookler and John Toole.

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.

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

Please register online as you do for Mass if you are planning on attending. We begin the hour in the church with Adoration & will conclude with Solemn Benediction.



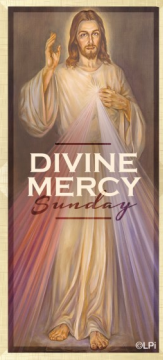
Confessions Wednesday Evenings – Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation is being offered every Wednesday from 7 to 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 Chapel and the forgiveness of our Savior.

"Pray the Rosary Every Day"

On May 13, 1917, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared in Fatima, Portugal to three shepherd children. She urged the children to "Pray the Rosary every day, in order to obtain peace for the world, and the end of the war (WWI)." Mornings after daily Mass and on weekends a group gathers to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy. It is informal, and open to anyone who would like to pray.





Coming Next Sunday
April 11th

All are invited to join us on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11 at 3:00pm in the Chapel for the Divine Mercy Prayers. There are sign-up sheets in the Gathering Area for those who plan on attending. All are welcome!

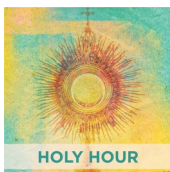


First Friday Mass League Enrollment

- The Pierret Family/ Margaret Blanchfield
- The Blanchfield Family/ Margaret Blanchfield
- Francesco & Anna Zubieta/ Family
- Bart & Ida Jereb/ Family
- Frieda & Anthony Ianuzzi & Family/ Maio Family
- Grace & Joseph Maio & Family/ Maio Family
- Grace & Frank Scibilia & Family/ Maio Family
- Maria Linh Dang / Family
- Charles Kronner Family / Ann Kronner
- John P. Surina Family/ Ann Kronner

First Friday Mass League

What is the Mass League? Your loved one or intention will be remembered at the 7:45am Mass on the First Friday of each month for one year. Donation is \$25 and membership is available by stopping by the Parish Office.



Holy Hour—8:15 to 9:15AM

Join us on Mondays following the 7:45 Mass for a Holy Hour that will be held in the Church.

Private Prayer Hours

The Main Church will be open for Private Prayer & Devotion between 9am and 3pm Monday to Friday.
When visiting the church, you are required to wear a mask and to use social distancing.

Monday Night Prayer



Each Monday Night at 8:00 pm, we will be offering Night Prayer live on our Facebook page. Please join us for this time of prayer and reflection.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 4th

See schedule on page 4

Monday, April 5th - Parish Office Closed

8:15 AM Holy Hour - Church

8:00 PM Night Prayer - Live on HC Facebook

Tuesday, April 6th

8:15 AM First Tuesday Sandwiches - remote

Wednesday, April 7th

7:45 AM Fellowship of Believers - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation - Chapel

Thursday, April 8th

7:00 PM Youth Alpha - Yeazel Hall

Saturday, April 10th

2:30 PM First Communion Session & Workshop - Yeazel Hall

3:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation - Chapel

Sunday, April 11th

9:00 AM RCIA Session— virtual

3:00 PM Divine Mercy Sunday Prayers - Chapel

3:30 PM First Communion Workshop - Yeazel Hall

Check the bulletin board, located by the main entrance, for more information about upcoming events in our area.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 5th.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Every Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00pm in the chapel
- Every Saturday at 3:00 - 3:30pm in the chapel
- By Appointment

Be sure to pick up a “Little White Book for Easter”. You can find them on the tables near the bulletins.

ANGEL BLANKETS

Make your reservation now!



There is always a need at our local hospitals for Angel Blankets. All those who sew are invited to join us on **Thurs., April 15th**. We will meet in rooms 12 & 13 in Yeazel Hall at 1:00pm. We will be keeping socially distance. **Reservations are required.** Call Jo (315-446-3328). **You must wear a mask.** Come to find out more about how these blankets are made & how important this ministry is. You only need to have the ability to sew a simple stitch.

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

April Baby Shower for Birthright:

Birthright is a local organization that provides practical help and emergency assistance to pregnant women and new mothers in need. Holy Cross will be collecting baby items until Mother's Day, May 9th. Items can be added to the baskets by the church doors. If you would like to participate, please donate a new or gently used item from their list of needs: diapers and baby wipes, 8oz. baby bottles, sippy cups, baby towels, receiving blankets, clothing items 0-3 months, diaper bags & Walmart gift cards.

First Tuesday Sandwiches: April 6th

Thanks to donations and help from many parishioners we provide over 350 sandwiches, bananas, cookies and fruit punch for Catholic Charities Men's Shelter. Due to current restrictions on gathering, volunteers will put the sandwiches together at home this month. Sandwiches should be delivered to church by 10am on Tuesday morning.

To volunteer to help us feed hungry & homeless people, contact Beth: (315) 416-4576.

Laudato Si Circle Online: Saturday, April 10th, 5pm

Thank you for participation in our Laudato Si Lenten program! Please join us to participate in a biweekly discussion about creation and our responsibility to care for it. Meetings include prayer, reflection and discussion. Contact Beth for a link to the next meeting: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

Hot Meal Volunteers: April 20th, 3pm

Our next hot meal will be the third Tuesday of April. We are seeking volunteers who are willing to prepare a beef goulash casserole at home for 25 persons. The meal can be placed in a disposable tin serving dish and delivered to Holy Cross on Tuesday at 3pm. We need 4 individuals to prepare a casserole and someone who can deliver the meals to the shelter. If you are willing to help with this, please contact Beth: (315) 416-4576

Parish Earth Day Clean-up:

9am Thursday, April 22nd & Saturday, April 24th

Join the Laudato Si committee and the Gardening Angels to celebrate Earth Day! Teams of volunteers will work together outside to clean up discarded debris in a local area. Contact Beth for times and locations: beth@holycrossdewitt.org

Samaritan Center Sunday Dinner: April 18th

Please join a group of parish volunteers who help to serve a Sunday meal at the soup kitchen. The meals are sponsored by Holy Cross and donations of fresh fruit from Wegmans. There are 2 shift options for helping with the Sunday meals: 9am to noon, or noon to 3pm. Masks & social distancing are required to serve the take-out meals.. To sign up for a date & time, contact Rick: philiprcoughlin@gmail.com

April Food Giving Weekend Postponed to May 1 & 2

Our Food Giving Weekend has been cancelled for April because it falls on Easter. We will be accepting food donations again in May. Have a Happy Easter and thank you to everyone who faithfully supports the Jamesville Food Pantry. It is always so appreciated.

April Baby Shower for Birthright:

The Spiritual Adoption prayer program is beginning its 8th month and it's time for a baby shower!

Birthright is a local organization that provides practical help & emergency assistance to pregnant women and new mothers in need. Holy Cross will be collecting baby items the weekend after Easter until Mother's Day, May 9th. Items can be added to the baskets by the church doors. If you would like to participate, please donate a new or gently used item(s) from their list of needs: diapers and baby wipes, 8oz. baby bottles, sippy cups, baby towels, receiving blankets, clothing items 0-3 months, diaper bags & Walmart gift cards. Thank you for your support of the Spiritual (Spiritual Adoption prayer) and Corporal (supplying needed items) Works of Mercy.



Spiritual Adoption Program -Month Eight

"I like to listen to my Mommy's voice!" In the last two months the baby continues to gain weight. The baby is developing a layer of fat that will keep it warm after birth. In the 9th month the baby will shift to a head-down position, preparing for birth. Its lungs are now fully developed and capable of making the transition to breathing air. After birth it will continue the human growth process for many years to come. The baby is about 18 inches in length. Your baby's mother appreciated the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It has not been easy, but your prayers have given her the grace she needed to bring her baby to term.

Catholic Media - Augustine Institute

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HAPPY EASTER!

Watch: The Shroud of Turin - Formed Now with Dr. Ben Akers and Fr. Francis Peffley (Very interesting, informative discussion)

Study, Lectio Eucharist

Watch, Brother Francis: The Mass

Watch, Brother Francis: He Is Risen

Watch, Did Jesus Really Rise From the Dead?

2020 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 box, drop it off at the office or email the information to Peg@holycrossdewitt.org. Requested statements will be sent out by mail unless you prefer email.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Holy Cross School Auction

Save the date for the 23rd Annual Holy Cross School Auction! Join us on **Saturday, May 15th at 5:30pm** for live and silent auctions, 50/50 raffle, and an amazing celebration. Registration and more info to come!



National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Every April, the Diocese of Syracuse, parishes, and Catholic schools, recognize the National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Diocese embraces this opportunity to deepen our awareness of the need to be vigilant about providing a safe environment in our parishes, schools, agencies, and our communities. For information on how the Diocese of Syracuse implements safeguards to protect our children, young people, and vulnerable adults from abuse, contact the Office of Safe Environment at 315.470.1421 or visit www.syrдио.org.

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE

Holy Cross School students will be selling raffle tickets next weekend after the 4 p.m. 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses to support the school. Raffle tickets are one for \$10.00 and 3 for \$25.00. Stop by the table in the Gathering Area.

IMPORTANT Information

- To remain in compliance with current government restriction of the number of individuals allowed to gather, we kindly ask that you register for Mass & other devotions using our scheduling system. This may be found on the Holy Cross website. You may also call the parish office (315) 446-0473 to register for Mass or for any questions that you may have.
- Also please remember to wear your face mask in order to keep everyone safe.

A Family Perspective:

That first Easter morning was confusing. Jesus was missing and Mary Magdalene, Peter and John “did not know” what to do. In family life, there are confusing moments when “we don’t know” what to do. Like the apostles, we are Easter people when we believe and trust in each other even when all seems lost.



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

Reconciliation ~ Wednesday 7-8pm, Saturday 3 - 3:30pm
 Or by appointment

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Holy Cross Parish Staff ~ Name, Title and Phone Extension

- Rev. John J. Kurgan, Pastor, ext. 15
- Rev. Charles S. Vavonese, Weekend Homilist
- Deacon Dare Dutter, ext. 13
- James Buttner, Seminarian
- Ernest J. Camerota, Director of Music, ext. 38
- Brette Cooper, Maintenance
- Josh Corcoran, Music Sunday 5pm Mass
- Dan Littlepage, Director of Technology, ext. 24
- 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. 21
- 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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