



Welcome back to school! We had such a fun time welcoming students back on their first day, and celebrating the start of a new year with a school Mass. Fr. Kurgan blessed the children and their backpacks energizing them and encouraging them in their faith and in their studies. Bishop Emeritus Cunningham made a special visit to bless our exciting new piece of playground equipment that was funded by last spring's PTA Dinner Auction. We wish everyone a joyful start to the new school year and are praying for all of the students, educators, faculty, and school staff in our community.

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
- Penance:** Wed. 7-8pm
Saturday 3:00pm
- Sunday Mass**
- Vigil Sat.:** 4:00pm
- Sunday:** 7:30am
9:00am
11:30am
5:00 pm

Upcoming Events:

- Women's Conference Sign Up:**
Sat. & Sun., Sept. 21 & 22
- Monthly Movie**
Tuesday, September 24
- Faith Formation Classes begin** week of Sept. 29
- Fall Festival**
Sunday, October 6



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Sept. 15th -24th Sunday in Ordinary Time7:30 AM Rocco & Deana D'Eugenio/
The Lewandowski Family

9:00 AM 70th Wedding Ann. Patrick & Dolores Vassallo

11:30AM Joan Schroder/ Family & Ellyn Lubel

5:00 PM Frank Cappelletti/ Mike DeLucia

Monday, September 16th

7:45 AM Dorothy Dee/ The Dee Family

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, September 17th

7:45 AM Frank Loguidice/ Kerry Dutter

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, September 18th

7:45 AM Angela Conte/ Delores Petta

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Penance

Thursday, September 19th

7:45 AM Cathedral Candle Company/

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, September 20th7:45 AM Lucretia "Lucy" Zazzara/ Rachel Chait and
Robert & Linda Davis

8:15 AM - 3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 21st

3:00 - 3:30 PM Penance

4:00 PM Rosalie Scipione/ Carla & Tony DiBiase

Sun., Sept. 22nd - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Paul J. Hardy/ Carole & Carmen Marmillo

9:00 AM Frank Cappelletti/ Fred & Sue Jackson

11:30AM Edward O'Connell/ Katie & Emma Deehan

5:00 PM Peter Coughlin/ Leigh Marquis

Week of September 15th**Host and Wine***In Memory Of:* Frank Cappelletti/*Requested By:* Wife & Family**Second Collection Next Weekend:
Hurricane Dorian Relief**If giving by check, please make them payable to
Hurricane Dorian Relief.**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 GivingCredit card and electronic donations are now possible through the
Holy Cross website: www.holycrossdewitt.org/give**24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9/15/2019 [YEAR C]
MUSICAL NOTES****Prelude: St. Anthony Chorale** -Franz Josef Haydn**Pro. Hymn: 531 - SING TO THE MOUNTAINS**

Sung Mass Parts:

Heritage Mass

-Owen Alstott

**876-Kyrie, 877-Gloria, 878-Holy, 880-"When
we eat..."**, **882-Amen, 883-Lamb of God [Hymnal]**

Liturgy of the Word & Propers: Pg. 211 ff.

Responsorial Psalm: Pg. 212 (I will rise and go to my father.)

Gospel Acclamation: Pg. 211 (God was reconciling the world
to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the
message of reconciliation.)**Off. Hymn: 613 - WHERE MY FATHER LIVES****Comm. Hymn: 475 - CHRISTIANS, LET US LOVE
ONE ANOTHER** PICARDY**CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:30)****God Be In My Head**

-H. Walford Davies

**Rec. Hymn: 543 - JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE
THEE** HYMN TO JOY

Recessional / Postlude:

With A Voice Of Singing

-Martin Shaw

CANTORS: 4:00 - Tom Griffith

9:00 - Mia Quatrone

11:30 - CHOIR - Mia Quatrone

Today we read the familiar parable of the Prodigal Son. The father accepts his son back into the love of his family even though he left home and squandered his inheritance. Thus it is with God and us. The Lord is always ready to welcome His children back to His fold when there is repentance. The Offertory Hymn is a new one for us, *Where My Father Lives*. It conveys the message of this parable, teaching us that we are always welcome home to the Lord, regardless of our transgressions. The other hymns sing of the love that we must give to one another if we wish to call ourselves Christians. And the message of joy is present in the hymns also.

Today at 11:30 Mass we welcome back our Choir after their summer break. Let them guide you in song as you sing during Mass. Let them also inspire and comfort you with their musical offerings. Ernest Camerota

YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT**\$19,704.88** Average weekly need

\$18,294.30 Collection of Sept. 1

\$(1,410.58) Deficit

\$14,986.22 Collection of Sept. 8

\$(4,718.66) Deficit

\$ 1,274.00Catholic University of America

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

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

Please register soon as classes begin the week of October 1st. We are accepting registrations for 2019-20 Faith Formation Program for all grades (1-12) If you haven't registered please do so soon.

The first Sacramental Prep meeting has taken place and books were distributed. If you have a second grader and wish to enroll them in the program please contact Julie.

For families who participated in Faith Formation last year, you will register by replying to the email that you have received that contains a pre-populated digital registration file. For families that are new to the program or did not receive an email, online registration may be accessed via the parish website at: holycrossdewitt.org/youth. Scroll down to the Faith Formation Section & select register here. Complete the information & follow the prompts. Please register today. If you need financial assistance, or you need a paper registration, please communicate with our office (see above) and we will be happy to assist you.



Confirmation Group Session & Parent Dinner **Next Sunday**



This past Sunday marked the Opening Confirmation Mass for the 2020 Class. We are very excited about this year's group and look forward to their year

of preparation to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit. Their first group session will be next **Sunday, Sept 22nd from 3:30-6 pm** (including the attendance at the 5 pm Mass). Parents are invited to attend Mass with the teens and then join them afterwards for the Parent / Confirmandi Dinner.

RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The process is for:

- Those never baptized who would like to become Catholic
- Those baptized in another Christian Church who would like to become Catholic or
- Those already baptized as a Catholic but who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation
- Those who are already Catholic & interested in knowing more about our Catholic Faith are welcome.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic invite them to contact Fr. Kurgan at 446-0473



Holy Cross is hosting the following Virtus sessions

INITIAL CERTIFICATION: Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 9:00am and again at 5:30pm in Yeazel Hall Register online at Diocese of Syracuse web site, syradio.org.

RECERTIFICATION: Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 9:00am and again at 5:30pm. Call the office to leave a message for Julie.

*Also visit the Diocesan Safe Environment website for additional dates/times.

Mark Your Calendars **2nd ANNUAL HOLY CROSS PARISH FESTIVAL** **Sunday, Oct. 6th**

FUN, FUN, & more FUN! ...
& of course FOOD!
Join us for Mass, then check out the totally wild inflatables for all ages, yard games and fun activities, friendly competitive games for the youth, and a major Dodgeball Tournament for the Teens!



So come, new friends are waiting to meet you and old friends are eager to reconnect after the summer.

For more info or if you'd like to help before, during or after, please contact Steve or Julie—446-0473.

CATHOLIC MEDIA - AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Catholic Media Kiosk

Book: "7 Secrets of Confession", by Vinny Flynn

Comment: "If you've ever dragged your feet on the way to confession, gotten discouraged about confessing the same sins over and over, or wondered how your confessions could be more fruitful, then you'll love this book. It turns what many see as a tiresome obligation into a precious, longed-for encounter with the Lord." ~ Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC

FORMED:

9/14 Exaltation of the Cross 9/15 Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

Listen: Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows

Listen: The Sorrowful Mysteries with Vin Scully

Watch: Hildegard's Gift (9/17 St. Hildegard of Bingen)

Listen: The Gospel of Matthew / San Mateo* (9/21 St. Matthew)

A Family Perspective

Parents are like that shepherd in today's gospel for they don't give up and can't rest if one of their children has wandered away. A parent's persistent love provides a glimpse of the unconditional love for each of us by God, Our Father. A parent is a window to the Divine.



Formation for Ministry Information Session, Sunday, Sept. 22, 1-2pm at Holy Cross. Is God calling you to serve his Church? Formation for Ministry can help you answer that call by deepening your understanding of your Catholic faith and helping you use your gifts to the fullest in service to parish. If you would like to learn more, join us for this information session. Register by calling Beth Walsh at 315-470-1479

Permanent Diaconate Information Seminar Sunday, Sept. 22, 2-4pm at Holy Cross Church. Do you have an interest in learning more about the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Syracuse? This information seminar will assist you in your discernment. A Permanent Deacon is ordained as a servant of the Gospel, the sacraments & acts of charity. Men wishing to apply to enter this program must attend this seminar with their spouse if married. To register go to <https://syracusediocese.org/offices/Permanent-diaconate/> or call Beth Walsh 315-470-1479.

Prayers Are Requested For...



REMEMBER
in your prayers

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

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.

Pray the Rosary Daily

Most mornings after daily Mass a group gathers in the Church to pray the rosary. It is informal, and open to anyone who would like to pray. Please join us!



**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.



Attention Ladies! Mark your calendars!

The 10th Annual Syracuse Catholic Women's Conference is coming soon! Saturday, Oct. 26th at the Oncenter. Our 2019 theme is "Fountain of Life". We will be having an early registration sign up after Masses on Sept. 21 & 22. More information next week or check the bulletin board.

Monthly Movie

Tuesday, September 24 at 1:00pm

All are invited to come. Watch for the movie pick in next weekend's bulletin. Movie is free and will be shown in Yeazel Hall. We will provide the popcorn.



Adult Ministry:

There is a group of adults in our parish who get together each Sunday from 10:15 to 11:15 in room 12 of Yeazel Hall to share their faith and explore different spiritual themes through books and videos. Please join us! If you have questions, please call Deacon Dare Dutter at 446-0473 or email at ddutter@twcny.rr.com.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, September 15th - Sign Up Sunday

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - room 12

Tuesday, September 17th

8:15 AM Third Tuesday Sandwiches - Yeazel Hall

1200 PM Coffee & Conversation & Angel Blankets - Yeazel Hall

Wednesday, September 18th

10:00 AM Small Christian Community - Member's Home

6:00 PM STEP Meeting - room 11

7:00 PM NA & Nar-Anon Mtgs. - Yeazel Hall

7:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

7:00 PM Penance - Church

Thursday, September 19th

9:00 AM Divine Mercy Cenacle - room 6

1:00 PM Knitting Group - Yeazel Hall

6:30 PM Divine Mercy Cenacle - room 9

Saturday, September 21st

3:00 PM Penance - Church

Sunday, September 22nd

10:00 am Parish Council Meeting - room 11

10:15 AM Adult Ministry - rooms 12 & 13

3:30 PM Confirmation Group Session - Yeazel Hall

**Coffee and Conversation - Angel Blankets
Calling All Who Sew**

There is always a need at our local hospitals for Angel Blankets. You are invited to join us on **Tues., Sept. 17th - 12:00pm** in Yeazel Hall to help make Angel Blankets. 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. Bring your bagged lunch & we will provide the dessert and refreshments.



New Knitters - Welcome

We will meet on Thursday, September 20th - 1PM downstairs in Yeazel Hall- room 12 & 13. New knitters are always welcome. Stop by even if you are a beginner and want to learn more or if you want help with ongoing projects such as knitting hats for newborns in the hospitals.



**Rosary and Evening Movie
Tuesday, Sept. 24 - 6:30pm**

Join us on Tuesday, Sept. 24th at 6:30 PM for the viewing of **Power In My Hands** (2019 Gabriel Award Winner). Prominent individuals, Jeff Cavins, Philip Rivers & others will not only present the beauty & power of the rosary, but also share their personal witness to this power in one's hands.

We will begin the evening by praying the Rosary at 6:30 PM & then view the movie. All are invited to come. Movie is free.



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.

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

Sign up today for Faith in Action Ministry outreach opportunities!

When we work together to promote the well being of the wider community, we become the body of Christ to the world by loving & serving others.

After Mass today, you are invited you to stop by the tables by the front doors. Parishioners who volunteer with several outreach ministries are eager to answer your questions and tell you about their experiences!



Please sign up for one of the opportunities listed, or take a flyer home to check your calendar. Contact me next week to sign up for an outreach ministry that interests you! beth@holycrossdewitt.org or call the parish office and ask for Beth (315) 446-0473.

Samaritan Center large group specific Sunday afternoons all ages

Emmaus Ministry small group 2nd Thursday evening + 14 years old

Refugee Assistance 1-2 person various dates & times all ages

Neighbors Helping Neighbors various dates & times all ages

Third Tuesday Sandwiches: September 17th, 8:15am
No sign up or donations necessary to drop in after daily mass. We will prepare peanut butter & jelly sandwiches for Men's Shelter on South Clinton St. Join us!

Fall Save the Dates:

- Samaritan Center Dinner--September 22nd, 11am-12:30pm or 12:30-3pm
- First & Third Tuesday Sandwiches--October 1 & 15, 8:15-9:15am
- Emmaus Meal -- October 10th, 4-6:30pm
- Samaritan Center Dinner--October 20th, 12:30-3pm

OUR PCA MASS AND HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE

Below are the Mass times for our Neighboring Parishes in our Pastoral Care Area (PCA). **Note the new times for Masses at St. Matthew, St. Francis, St. Mary.**

St. Matthew's:

- Daily Mass - M~TH~F 6:45am; Sat. 8am
- Weekend Masses: Sat. 4:30pm Vigil; Sun. 8:00am
- Confessions : Thursday 5-6pm
- Reconciliation: Wednesdays 5-6pm

St. Francis of Assisi (Bridgeport):

- Weekend Masses: Vigil; Sun. 9:30am

St. Mary of the Assumption (Minoa):

- Weekend Mass: Vigil; Sun. 11:00am

Blessed Sacrament:

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

St. Vincent de Paul:

- Daily Mass - Mon., Tues., Wed. 12:00pm
- Weekend Mass: Sat. 4pm Vigil; Sun. 9:30am

Join us for an inspirational evening with Artie Boyle on

September 17th at Immaculate Conception Church in Fayetteville. Twenty years ago this father of 13 was given 6 months to live! He was miraculously healed after visiting Medjugorje where the Virgin Mary first appeared on Apparition Hill in 1981. Learn more about this "emotional journey into the unknown" & the remarkable series of events that forever changed his life.



Cheesecake Factory employees have requested our help with their September drive to collect peanut butter for local after-school programs. If you would like to help them, please add your jar of peanut butter to the bins by the front door. Thank You!

EDUCATE - A - KID

Some companies that match contributions. If your employer is not listed here please ask them if they contribute to this program.

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| Ally (GMAC) | Exxon Mobil | O'Brien and Gere |
| Aetna | Federated Dept. Store | Pfizer Phamacia |
| AllState | JP Morgan Chase | Pitney Bowes |
| American Express | Key Corp | Pricewaterhouse |
| Aon | Gannett | Coopers |
| AT&T | General Electric | Principal |
| AXA | HSBC | Proctor and Gamble |
| Bank of America | IBM | Prudential |
| Bank of New York | John Hancock | Syr. Research Corp. |
| C&S Engineers | Johnson & Johnson | Time Warner |
| Cisco | Lincoln Financial | United Technologies |
| Citgo | Merck | United Parcel Svc. |
| Citigroup | Merrill Lynch | Verizon |
| CNA Insurance | Modern Woman | Welch Allyn |
| Constellation Energy | MONY | Wellpointe |
| Cooper Industries | National Grid | WW Granger |
| Covidien | Nationwide Ins. | Xerox |
| Ernst & Young | Nordsen | Wachovia |

Holy Cross parish has a glorious history of never turning a parish student away who seeks a Catholic Education.

Some of our parents cannot afford the tuition in whole or part. If you are able to help Educate-A-Kid, please help us provide a Catholic Education for a boy or girl. Tuition is \$5,250.00.

We have a Holy Cross School Incorporation that also allows matching funds from many companies. It is "Friends of Holy Cross School, Inc." - Federal Tax ID is 26-3789417.

Please complete this form if you can help. God bless you and I know He will for bringing a child closer to Him.

I wish to help a family afford a Catholic education.

Name _____

Address _____

Full Scholarship _____

Partial Scholarship _____

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE ~ WEEKEND OF September 21st & September 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 Gayle Resetarits	CH1 Martha O'Leary	Alaina DiBiase	Dennis Cole
		H2 Priest	CH2 Deacon	Nicholas DiBiase	
		H3 Lola Gualtieri			Michael Krisak
		H4 Betty Galletta			
Sunday, 7:30AM	Paul Mooney	H1 Mary Malay	CH1 SUB Needed	Lindsay Parker	Ed Coolican
		H2 Priest	CH2 Robert Brunette	SUB Needed	Tony Ebersole
		H3 Charlene Hughes			Len Smith
		H4 Ronald Naumann			Charles Stepneski
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Steve Lindemann	H1 Catherine Muller	CH1 Beth Schafer	Declan Reed	Tom Kenah
		H2 Priest	CH2 Deacon	Rayna Reed	Ray Moade
		H3 Cookie Dunham			Ed Purcell
		H4 Tim Conan			Joe McCaffrey
Sunday, 11:30AM	Karen Markoff	H1 Ron DeLuca	CH1 Karen Kirkman	Juliana Walker	Don Brown
		H2 Priest	CH2 Deacon	Ryan Walker	Neil Bourcy
		H3 Rita Bergamo			Mike Sigona
		H4 Joan Snyder			Peg Foraker
Sunday, 5:00PM	Volunteer Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	

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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Website: holycrossdewitt.org ■ E-Mail: info@holycrossdewitt.org

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

4200 E. Genesee St., DeWitt, NY 13214

School Office – Phone: 315 446-4890, FAX: 315 446-4799

Website: hcschooldewitt.org

E-Mail: moleary@syrdioocese.org

Staff ~ Name and Title

Martha O'Leary, School Principal

Joanne Markert - Administrative Assistant, Nina Walters - Nurse

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. 18

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