

Holy Cross Church of Charlotte

September 9, 2018

*Our Eucharistic Community at Holy Cross
Welcomes all to faith in Jesus Christ and nurtures their growth,
Celebrates and demonstrates God's presence in our communities,
And sends forth all to serve God and each other
as guided by the Holy Spirit.*



“Ephphatha!”-that is,
“Be opened!”



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Reconciliation by appointment or

Saturday Eves of First Fridays & Holydays
3:30 PM—4:30 PM 4:45 PM—5:10 PM

Anointing of the Sick and Communion

*In an emergency, call the parish office (663-2244) at any time.
Arrangements for Communion for the sick and infirm can be
made by calling the parish office (663-2244).*

Marriage Arrangements must be made at least six months
in advance by calling Deacon Joe Placious for an appointment.

Baptism Baptism is usually celebrated at 1:00 PM on
Sunday afternoon. Every family must be interviewed and have
attended a recent PreBaptism program.
Arrangements should be made at least two months prior.

Welcome!  @holycrossroc

If you are new in the parish, please
introduce yourself after Mass or at the
Parish Office. We want to know and serve you! Know
that your prayers, your presence, and support are
appreciated. www.holycrossrochester.org

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday

(Mass of Anticipation)
5 PM

Weekday

*(M-F) 7:30 AM & 5:20 PM
(Saturday) 8:00 AM*

Sunday

8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 Noon

Holydays and Lent

Please see inside bulletin

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Interested in registering as a parishioner? Go on-line and
download a registration form or contact the parish office at
663-2244 between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, Monday through
Friday.

*Items of parish interest for the bulletin must be submitted to
the parish office in writing by Monday, noon. Articles on disk or
as an e-mail attachment are preferred.*



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

In his letter to the People of God, Pope Francis invited us: *"To see things as the Lord*

does, to be where the Lord wants us to be, to experience a conversion of heart in His presence. To do so, prayer, and penance will help. I invite the entire holy faithful People of God to a penitential exercise of prayer and fasting, following the Lord's command."

In response to this invitation, Bishop Matano has asked that all priests in the Diocese of Rochester observe Sept 14, 2018, the *Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*, as a day of penance by the priests in our Diocese.

We will be offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass that day at 9:00 AM (School Mass celebrated by Bishop Matano) **and at 5:20 PM.** As the bishop requests, we will plead for the Lord's mercy for the grave offenses committed and remember especially the innocent victims of clergy sexual abuse, the faith of our people, the purification of the Church and the renewal of the clergy. On this day, and in all the days that follow, we will ask the Lord to grant us healing, reconciliation and conversion of heart.

We invite all to attend one of these Masses. In addition, we encourage all to take advantage of the opportunities also available that day for:

- **Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament** from 1:00 to 5:00 PM
- the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** from 7:30 to 8:30 AM

We also ask you to pray the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and/or the Stations of the Cross.

Sincerely, Father Gagnier



Bible Study

Starts THIS Tuesday, September 11

Join us to study the Gospel of John and the Johannine Letters. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and led by parishioners, Corrado Zollo at 1:00 PM, and Chuck Leary at 7:00 PM

Please prayerfully consider this study to increase your knowledge of scripture and your Catholic faith.

**Book Sets are approximately \$17. This includes a study commentary and a work book.*



Help Wanted

Interested in helping create the Liturgical Environment for weekend Masses, and the Advent and Lenten Seasons? Contact May Jo DiNoto at Mary.Jo.DiNoto@dor.org or 663-2244.



Next weekend, September 16/17, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift

themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

RITE OF
CHRISTIAN
INITIATION
OF ADULTS

There will be an information session THIS Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

Are You Thinking about the Catholic Faith?

Christian Initiation for Adults is a process where you can experience and immerse yourself in the Catholic faith community. It is an opportunity for questions to be answered, for sharing with others who find themselves asking similar questions, and for learning about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church.

Is this process for you? Do you have a friend or neighbor who may be interested? If so, **please call Mary Jo DiNoto at the Parish Office (663-2244) no later than THIS Tuesday, September 4, 2018.**



**Blessing of Parishioners-
Catechetical Sunday**

NEXT Weekend, September 16 at the 10 AM Mass, we celebrate the Catechetical

Ministry in our parish. Specifically we honor: **Our Catechists - Faculty, Administrators and Staff of Holy Cross School** and our **Religious Education Teachers and Aides** who give of their time and talent to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with children!

Our **Community** as a living example of Jesus in the way we pray and serve others especially in the following ministries: **RCIA Leaders, Children's Liturgy Leaders, Teen Ministry, Pre-Cana, Pre-Baptism and Sacramental Team Leaders, and**

Our Parents, Guardians and Caretakers, who are

the first educators to our children and whose everyday loving deeds teach the way of Christ.

To remind us that we do this in memory of Christ, our parish will Bless and Commission all those who share their faith with children, youth, and adults!

Seniors & Friends!

Save the Date!

**Thursday, September 20
1:30—3:00 PM in the Parish Center**

More details to come.

**Men's Retreat for Holy Cross Parish
September 21 – 23, 2018**

Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd, Canandaigua, NY

2018 Retreat Season Theme: Faith, Hope, and Love

At the root of every Christian are the three theological virtues of FAITH, HOPE, and Love. This year's retreat season will focus on improving and growing every aspect of your life through Faith, Hope, and Love.



The basic time frame for the weekend is 8:00 PM, Friday evening through Sunday Noon. We do ask that you get your room assignment and settle into your room by 7:30 PM on Friday.

This allows a little time before starting the retreat experience.

Contact Person for questions & reservation or if you need a ride: Fred Amato, email: fredamatony@gmail.com; call 585.621.5605

**Women's Weekend Retreat
September 28-30, 2018**

Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY

*"Faith, Hope
and Love..."*

Come, strengthen your roots so you might grow and bloom in your walk with Christ and others.



For more information or to register, contact: Rose Marie Speranza at

585-730-4978 OR Notre Dame Retreat House at 585-394-5700 or ndretreat@rochester.rr.com

**Mirror Mirror
on the Wall...**



Youth Ministry is in need of several small hangable mirrors before the weekend of September 23, 2018. If you have any you can donate, please leave

them in the parish center foyer in a bag with my name on it.

Thanks Donna Jacobi

Youth



Activities



Register Now for 2018-2019 Religious Education

- **Registration** forms are available in the Parish Center Foyer and on the Holy Cross website. Please return your registration forms ASAP! Thank you!
- **NEXT Sunday, September 16** is the first day of Religion class for **Grades K – 7**. All students and parents or guardians, please come to the **family meeting in the school gym at 11:30 AM** to receive your classroom assignment.
- **Monday, September 17** at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center is the student and parent/guardian meeting for those interested in preparing for the Sacrament of **Confirmation (Level 1)**. The student must be in 8th grade or older.
- **Tuesday, September 18** at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center is the student and parent/guardian meeting for those continuing with **Confirmation (Level 2)**.
- **Sunday, September 23** is the first day of class for **Preschool Sunday School**, for 3, 4 and 5 year-olds. Please arrive to room #101 in the school by 9:45 AM. Preschool is a time of Bible stories, songs and art projects that teach young children how much Jesus loves them!

Any questions, please call the Faith Formation office at 621-8133 or email mary.toot@dor.org or

CYO SPORTS

Teen Scene



Fall 2018

Tween/Teen Gathering

Each Sunday from 1-2 PM in Convent

Foam Dart Games

Saturday, September 22, 4-6 PM at Olympia HS

Calling all tweens and teens. This is our first event of the year! The Catholic Churches in Eastern Greece/Charlotte have rented the gym at Olympia High School on Maiden Lane for an afternoon of fun, friendship and food.

\$15 includes: Games, Pizza, and Drinks. Permission slips in the Parish Center Foyer and on the parish website.

Tween/Teen Gathering

Sunday, September 23, 1-2 PM, Holy Cross Convent Side

All tweens and teens are welcome and encouraged to join our weekly gatherings which include pizza and refreshments while enjoying games and activities together. At our first gathering this year, please bring the left shoe you wore on the first day of school, along with a drink and dessert to share.

Anxious to gather and hear all about your first couple of weeks of school. See you soon.

Please contact Mrs Jacobi at 261-5552 for more information.



CYO Basketball

Grades 7-12 Registration

Monday, September 24

and Thursday, September 27

5:30-7:30 PM in the Gym

\$85 Fee per Player. Questions? E-mail Jeff Lootens jlootens@monroe2boces.org



Divine Mercy

PRAY: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the three o'clock hour for the virtue of patience.

CONSIDER: How can I "arm" myself with patience this day after the example of St. Faustina?

ACT: When someone tests your patience, say a prayer for them and resist the temptation to be impatient with them.



Mark Your Calendar! Rosary Coast to Coast Sunday, October 7 at 3:00 PM in Church

The time is now to call upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary, to heal our country and return it to holiness.

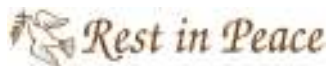
Please join us as Holy Cross Church prays the rosary in unison with the faithful from across America.

Masses for the Week, September 8—16**SAT, Sept 8** *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*5:00 †Amedeo & Diana DiPrima
by Mario & Maria Ciminelli**SUN, Sept 9** *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*8:00 †Mary Capezzuto by The Family
10:00 †Charles Hurd by Diane Smith
12:00 †Ida & Isidor Straus by Deacon Joe Placious**MONDAY, September 10** *Weekday*7:30 †Richard Iaws by Ellen & Earl Askam
5:20 †George Haungs by The Family**TUESDAY, September 11** *Patriot Day*7:30 †Joseph Brett by Anton Siegl
5:20 †Millie Marafioti by The Family**WEDNESDAY, Sept 12** *The Most Holy Name of Mary*7:30 †Weekly Mass for the Living and Deceased
Members of Holy Cross Parish
2:00 †Mass at Fleming Point
5:20 †Leona Hancock by Douglas & Onolee Johnson**THURSDAY, September 13** *St John Chrysostom*7:30 †All Souls Intentions
5:20 †Gail Leveck Seas by Mr & Mrs Robert**FRIDAY, September 14** *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*7:30 †CANCELLED
9:00 †Healing, Reconciliation, Conversion of Heart
5:20 †James Fleming by The Family**SATURDAY, September 15** *Our Lady of Sorrows*8:00 †Betty Dobrzanski *9th Anniversary*
by the Taccone Family**SAT, Sept 15** *Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 †Richard Amico by The Family

SUN, September 16 *Catechetical Sunday*8:00 †Sylvia Singer by Kevin & Cindy Foy
10:00 †Virginia Meagher by Her Husband Bill
12:00 †Kathy Sirianni Mills by Holy Cross Parish

Wills/Bequests/Memorials—
Please Remember Holy Cross Parish & School



*Pray for the deceased, especially:
Alessandra Rosati and Michael "Mike" Doyle*



Grotto Candle Gifts:
Week of September 9—15

*One Candle in Mary's Grotto will Burn
in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima for World Peace*

This Week at a Glance:**SUNDAY, September 9**

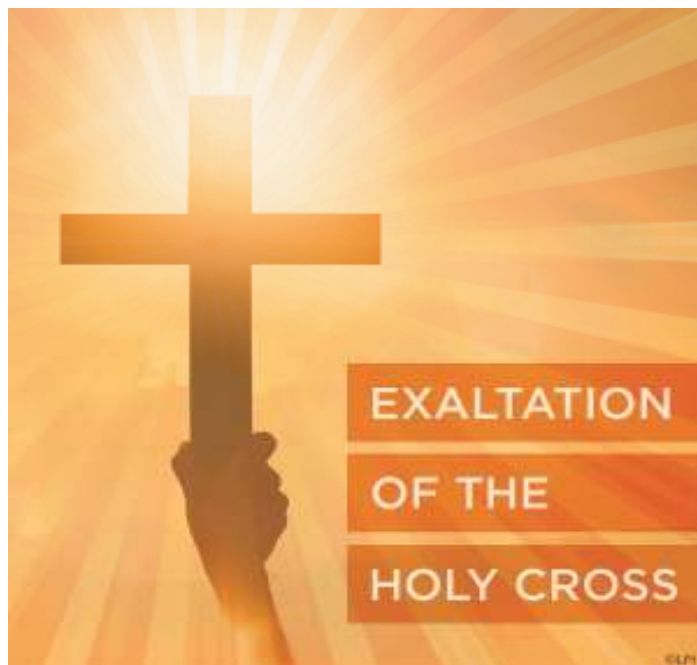
11:00 AM Coffee Hour – Parish Center

MONDAY, September 108:00 AM Pre-K Breakfast – Parish Center
7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting – Parish Center**TUESDAY, September 11** *Patriot Day*8:30 AM School 9-11 Ceremony – School
1:00 PM Bible Study – Parish Center
6:00 PM Girl Scouts – Beacon Place
7:00 PM Bible Study – Parish Center
7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal – Church**WEDNESDAY, September 12**1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration – Church
2:00 PM Mass at Fleming Point
6:00 PM Cub Scouts – Beacon Place
7:00 PM RCIA Information Night – Parish Center
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Church**THURSDAY, September 13**9:15 AM Rosary – Church
6:00 PM Cheerleading Practice – Gym
7:00 PM Contemporary Music Ens – Parish Center**FRIDAY, September 14** *Feast of the Holy Cross*

9:00 AM School Mass with Bishop Matano – Church

SATURDAY, September 15

10:00 AM Grade 2 Bomber Practice – School Gym

SUNDAY, September 16 *Catechetical Sunday*10:00 AM Blessing of all Catechists – Church
11:00 AM Coffee Hour – Parish Center
11:15 AM Religious Ed Begins – School Gym

Blessings of Financial Stewardship

September Goal: \$ 61,180 . Total Collected: \$ 14,433.33

Mass Attendance.....	633
Loose Monies.....	\$ 970.00
Using Envelopes.....	\$ 9,605.00
Electronic Transfer*.....	\$ 3,858.33

September 2.....	\$ 14,433.33
Collection Amt needed per week	\$ 12,236.00
Weekly Average since July 1, 2018.....	\$ 10,895.96

*Electronic Transfers take place on the 5th, 10th, and 25th.

*Running Shortfall in collections since July 1, 2018 (\$ 13,400.44)

Thank you for using your envelopes!

Special Collections

THIS Week, September 8/9 Debt Reduction
 NEXT Week, Sept 15/16 Campaign for Human Development



Missed Mass? Going on Vacation? Sign up TODAY at www.holycrossrochester.org!

Please help us keep our prayer list of those serving in our Armed Forces up to date. Let us know if any have safely returned home or have been deployed.



Let us keep in our prayers those who are serving our country in the Armed Forces;

Maj Paul B. Bock-USMC, E6 Dominick Caito USAF, Army, David Hendershott, Brandon Jackson, Ian Lindamood USAF, Pvt. Blake Manfredi, Chief Christopher Manfredi, SRA Jon McHugh, Jessica Meyer, U.S. Navy, Cody Miller, Connor Mims, U.S. Air Force, Steven Moll, Sgt. Irv Ogdenski, Tyler Owen, Maj Kevin J. Smith, Janine Swanson, and Charles Williams, U.S. Navy

We Miss You!



We are concerned about the drop in the number of parishioners attending weekly Mass. When you are not here, we are missing an *important* part of our family.

Celebrated Mass with Our Parish Family		
Week	Sept'17	Sept'18
1	799	633
2		
3		
4		
5		

Father Gagnier

AROUND THE DIOCESE



Port of Rochester & Charlotte Community Vision Plan Presentation - CCA Meeting
 THIS Monday, Sept 10 at 7 PM
 Robach Community Center

The CCA's Community Development Committee will present a preview of the community-driven, long-term vision plan for development of the Port of Rochester and surrounding areas. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

The full charrette report, prepared by the Community Design Center Rochester (CDCR), is posted on the CCA website: <http://www.charlottecca.org/community-development/charrette-process/>. You can follow the committee's monthly updates there as well.

You can also share your feedback and ideas by contacting infocharlottecca@gmail.com.

St Lawrence Garage Sale 2018

Deacon Hall, 1000 North Greece Rd
 Thursday/Friday, Sept 13/14, 9 AM- 6 PM
 Saturday, Sept 15, 9 AM- 2 PM

Browse awhile and find a new Treasure!
Too many items to list!

The Knights of Columbus will be selling hot dogs and hamburgers at lunchtime hours during Garage Sale.

Continuing the Conversation: Moving Dreams into Action

Tuesdays: Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 6, and Dec 4
 10:00 - 11:30 AM or 7:00 - 8:30 PM
 Mercy Spirituality Center, 65 Highland Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620

We offer time and space for people to engage in deep conversation about how we might move from dreaming about what could be, to building the kingdom. All are welcome. We want to keep the energy in motion!

Facilitator: Mercy Spirituality Team
Fee: Free will offering



Hope and Healing for the Opioid Epidemic

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross with the Very Reverend William G. Coffas, Celebrant

Friday, Sept 14 at 5:30 PM

Our Mother of Sorrows Church 5000 Mt. Read Blvd.

All are welcome to join us for a service of hope and healing in response to the opioid epidemic. We will pray the psalms and celebrate Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. After the service, join us for light refreshments and fellowship in the OMOS Parish Hall.

Free and open to all faiths. For more information, call (585) 663-5432.

Liturgical Ministers Weekend of September 15/16 (3rd Sunday of the Month)

	Sacristan	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Cantors	Altar Servers	Streamed Mass
5 PM	Elaine Veltre	Iris Ioannone, Jim DiPaola, Janette Byers, Julie Lockamyeir, Elaine Veltre, Need Someone	Mary Jo Jesmer	Contemporary Music Ens	NEED Servers	
8 AM	Pat Gunther	Deb Hodges, Pat Gunther, Jim Cinelli, David Kommeth	Terri Sharpe	Karen Cavacos	Talia Norton Annabelle Muratore	
10 AM	Lou D'Angelo	Mary and Lou D'Angelo, Annemarie Caricchio, Margaretmary Zeh, Need 2 People	Kevin Monaghan	Michael Valicenti	Joseph Lombardo Patrick Morissette	Karen LeBeck
12 PM	Molly Jardas	Josie Baccoli, John Jardas, Pat Palermo, Jerry Palermo	Fred Amato	Ray Lanzafame	Brennan Dornberger	

Liturgical Ministers Weekend of September 15/16 (3rd Sunday of the Month)**September 19**

Children's Liturgy	Coffee Hour	Small Altar Linens	Clean Church	Shore Winds
<i>Begins Late September</i>	Michele Slattery	Joanne Fisher	Jack & Darlene Stewart	Joan Powers

Weekday Altar Servers

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 AM	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>
5:20 PM	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>	<i>Need Server</i>