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### Family of the Holy Cross Office

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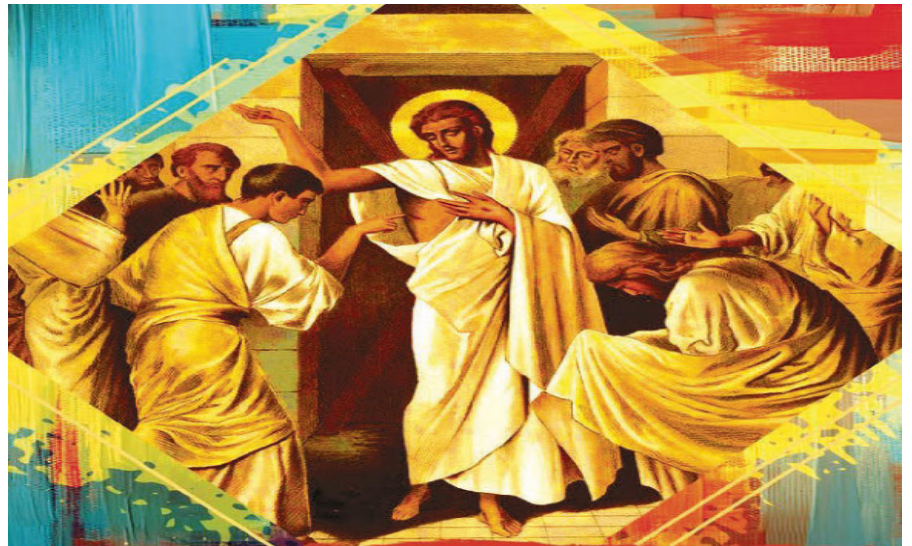
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above email, please or call 315-866-6373.

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four parishes will be on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/familyoftheholycross>

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 7, 2024



### 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

“Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your  
hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving,  
but believe.” - Jn 20: 27

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## **CALVARY & ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY UPDATE**



ON OR BEFORE APRIL 7, 2024,  
PLEASE REMOVE ALL HOLIDAY  
DECORATIONS(WREATHS ETC..)  
FROM TOMBSTONES. STARTING

ON APRIL 8, 2024, WE WILL START CLEANING THE CEM-  
ETERIES AND ALL DECORATIONS LEFT BEHIND WILL  
BE REMOVED.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



## BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### April 7th—Second Sunday of Easter

8:00 am—Margaret Brouillette

Victoria Kane

Rose Mary Kane

Req. The Dunn Family

Req. Family

Req. Lucile Greshel

#### April 14th—Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 am—Margaret Brouillette

Chip Williams

Rose Mary Kane

Ann Pargansky

Req. George Baron

Req. Denise & Family

Req. Joyce Earl

Req. Lucile Greshel

### Blessed Sacrament Church

71 East Main St. Mohawk, NY 13407

<https://parishes.rcda.org/BlessedSacramentMohawk/>

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday—8:00 a.m.

#### Reconciliation

After Mass and By Appointment

#### Trustees

Jim Walczak

Erin View



## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sunday, April 7th—Second Sunday of Easter

11:00 AM—Presider's Intention

#### Sunday, April 14th—Third Sunday of Easter

11:00 AM—Presider's Intention



### St. John the Baptist Church

7514 N. Main St. Newport, NY 13416

<https://parishes.rcda.org/StJohnsNewport>

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday—11:00 a.m.

#### Reconciliation

After Mass and By Appointment

#### Trustees

Joe Gizzi

Brianne Slatton

### 2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

A protestant pastor friend of mine was invited to meet Pope Francis with a group of other pastors. He noticed the Pope's chair was especially ornate and set at the head of the group. He somewhat playfully said, "Holy Father, why do you get that special chair?" The group chuckled nervously at my friend's audacious chide.

The following year, the group was invited to return. They entered the room to find only simple chairs placed in a circle. Pope Francis entered, sat down in one of the humble chairs and, looking directly at my friend, with a twinkle in his eye, asked, "What do you think of my chair now?" My friend was stunned that the Pope remembered his concerns — and took the time to answer them.

Thomas the apostle was certainly stunned by the Risen Jesus displaying his wounds in person. But he also must have been equally shocked that Jesus knew and answered his particular questions, worries, and even demands related to his faith. How humbled — and perhaps a bit terrified — he must have been to realize God remembers his concerns and cares enough to answer them.

What questions or demands about Jesus do you find in your heart? Like Thomas, will you be bold enough to voice them this week? How wonderful to know that if we do so, God will remember and respond even to our most audacious desires.— Father John Muir ©LPi



# FAMILY OF THE HOLY CROSS

## A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CHURCHES



In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the priest anoints the seriously ill, injured, or the elderly with the oil of the sick. The oil of the sick is a special oil used for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. It is blessed by the bishop at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week.

**At All Masses on April 20th & April 21st we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at all Masses.**

PLEASE WELCOME DAN DENOFRIO TO THE FAMILY OF THE HOLY CROSS PASTORAL NETWORK STAFF. Dan is Administrative Assistant of our cemeteries. Any questions or concerns about Calvary Cemetery, Herkimer or St. John the Baptist Cemetery, Newport, please call Dan at 315-866-6373.

If you are **New** to our network and would like to register to one of our parishes, please fill out the form below. **Current parishioners** please use the form below if you would like to update your information on file. Please complete and drop the form in the collection basket or mail it to the network office.

**Family of the Holy Cross Pastoral Network Office**  
**228 S. Main St.**  
**Herkimer, NY 13350**

Please check one: New Registration \_\_\_\_\_  
 Updating info \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church you wish to register to or update info:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive envelopes? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive The Evangelist? \_\_\_\_\_



St. Francis de Sales School is continuing to enroll students for the 2024-2025 school year. Please call our school office to enroll your Pre-k 3, Pre-k 4, Kindergarten, or 1<sup>st</sup> Grader. You can schedule a tour when you call our school office!

Our Pre-k 3, Kindergarten, and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade students will be enjoying our Mother Goose Olympics on April 12<sup>th</sup> and Prek-4 students on April 26<sup>th</sup>. The children and their families will enjoy a dinner of pizza and salad before the Olympic Games!

School Improvements-A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their generous donation to help us install security cameras outside of our school! It is greatly appreciated and provides our students and staff additional safety and assurance. We also recently repaired our concrete steps at the front of the school (facing Henry St). They were crumbling and in desperate need of renovation and thanks to J&J Franco, they are now restored!

**Celebrate spring at the Mohawk Valley's party of the season!**  
**The Spring Soirée promises to be a fun night out to eat, drink, and win great prizes!**

Join us on Saturday, April 20, from 7 - 10 pm at Francesca's Banquets + Catering in Ilion. Try your luck with our basket raffle, featuring 60+ baskets and prizes, and bid on luxury items and dream vacation venues while you delight in the company of family and friends.

**PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS AFTER MASS ON APRIL 6 + 7!**

**SPECIAL PRICE:**

**\$40 PER PERSON**

April 6 - 7, 2024, only

Available at all Churches

Cash, check, and card accepted.

Proceeds from the event support the St. Francis de Sales Early Childhood Learning Center. This is an adults-only event.

Cocktail attire is suggested.



**St. Anthony's Crusaders** Annual Chicken Barbeque on **April 25<sup>th</sup>** @ the parish hall. 4:00 pm till sold out. The ticket cost is \$15.00. Take-out-only. You can purchase tickets

at the network office or from any member of the Crusaders.

# FAMILY OF THE HOLY CROSS

## A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CHURCHES

**The Family of the Holy Cross Pastoral Council held their March meeting on the 19th @6:30 pm via zoom**

**Topics of discussion are as follows:**

Garage sale raised for Faith Formation Program, will be held on Saturday, August 10th. Looking for volunteers to help organize, set up & clean up Parish picnic discussed for later in the year

Network office has been busy

Volunteers needed to help in all areas of church functions or activities

**In need of pastoral council members for Blessed Sacrament & St. John the Baptist**

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23rd, 6:30 via zoom. We meet the 4th Tuesday of each month

Any parishioner interested in speaking with information or concerns are invited to speak the first 15 minutes before the meeting starts.

Please contact or email Sue at the Family of the Holy Cross as she will get the zoom link invite to you. Thank you!



### Faith Formation News

**1st Reconciliation will be on April 13, 2024 @ 10:00 am at**

**St. Francis de Sales Church**

**Family Faith Formation Mass & Classes on April 14, 2024**

Any questions or concerns please call Maria Fiorentino—Faith Formation Coordinator @ 315-866-6373 or email @ [St.FranFF2021@gmail.com](mailto:St.FranFF2021@gmail.com)



### Annual Family of the Holy Cross Garage Sale

**Saturday, August 10, 2024**

**At St. Francis de Sales Church Hall**

Please join us! We are in need of your donations. All proceeds go to our Faith Formation Program. We are also in need of people to help set up, to work the day of, and to pack up and tear down. Any help is greatly appreciated. Please call the Faith Formation Office if you are able to help at; (315)-866-6373.



Please remember you can put your envelopes into the collection basket at any of the churches and they will be delivered to the church marked on the front of the envelope. Also, if you don't have envelopes and would like to put cash/check into the collection basket for a specific

church, please use an envelope and put the name of the church on the front of the envelope. There are white envelopes in the vestibule of the churches. **Please make checks payable to the church that you are donating to and NOT to Family of the Holy Cross. Thank you!**

### Mass Intention Request

Need a Mass Intention? Fill out the form below along with money/check **(please make check payable to the church you are requesting the Mass from)** and mail it to the office ,drop it off at the office, or put it in an envelope mark the front of envelope Mass Intention and place it in the collection basket. You may also email the parish offices and give all the information below and then mail a check to the network office or place the check/money in an envelope mark on the front of envelope payment for Mass intention with your name, church's name and put it in the collection basket. **Mass Intentions are \$15.00 per request. There will now be a limit of 6 Mass Intentions per Mass at every church.**

When requesting a Mass Intention please remember that Masses fill up fast so, please try to schedule in advance for specific dates.

Also, so we can accommodate others, please only one intention per form. **Please submit Mass Intentions 2 weeks in advance if you are requesting a specific date.**

Any questions please call 315-866-6373 or email:

[familyoftheholycross@gmail.com](mailto:familyoftheholycross@gmail.com)

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Intention: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

And email: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a Mass card sent: \_\_\_\_\_

If "yes"

Name of recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

# ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, April 7th—Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 am—Frank DeMartino  
 Carlotta Fuller (Anniversary)  
 William Gallagher  
 James Casadonte (Birthday)  
 Paul Earl Jr. (Birthday)

Req. Family  
 Req. Family  
 Req. Family  
 Req. Family  
 Req. Wife & Children

### Sunday, April 14th—Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 am—The Skelly Family  
 Kip Sklarz

Req. Jack Kirkpatrick's Children  
 Req. Charles & Maryann Collins



### St. Francis de Sales Church

219 N. Bellinger St. Herkimer, NY 13350

<https://parishes.rcda.org/StFrancisdeSales/>

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday - 9:30 am

#### Reconciliation

After Mass and By Appointment

#### Trustees

Paul Frezza

Mark Ainsworth



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is every Sunday at 9:30 am Mass. Children will have the opportunity to attend the children's version of the Mass. Children will be called forward after the opening of the Mass to go downstairs to the church hall and hear the Scripture Readings and will return after the Homily. All children ages 3yrs. old—10 yrs. old invited to attend.

# STS. ANTHONY & JOSEPH CHURCH

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, April 6th—Second Sunday of Easter (Vigil Mass)

4:00 pm—Dennis Sanita (Birthday)  
 Sal Nicolette

Req. Dear Friend, Angie  
 Req. Wife & Family

### Wednesday, April 10th—Easter Weekday

12:10 pm—Presider's Intention

### Saturday, April 13th—Third Sunday of Easter (Vigil Mass)n

4:00 pm —Dennis Sanita  
 Stanley Godlewski (Anniversary)  
 Tim Forbes

Req. John, Roseann, & John Franco  
 Req. Jane Godlewski  
 Req. Jane Godlewski



### Sts. Anthony & Joseph Church

229 S. Main St. Herkimer, NY 13350

[https://parishes.rcda.org/sts\\_anthony\\_joseph/](https://parishes.rcda.org/sts_anthony_joseph/)

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass @ 4:00 PM

#### Reconciliation

After Mass and By Appointment

#### Trustees

Deborah Sweeney

Paul DeCeglie

Sts. Anthony and Joseph Church Sanctuary Lamp is given in Memory of:

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Req. Special Friend,  
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