

## SAINTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 14  
Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Tuesday, October 15  
Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday, October 16  
Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Thursday, October 17  
Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Friday, October 18  
Saint Luke, Evangelist

Saturday, October 19  
Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

The surest way to determine whether one possesses the love of God is to see whether he or she loves his or her neighbor. These two loves are never separated. Rest assured, the more you progress in love of neighbor, the more your love of God will increase.

—Saint Teresa of Jesus (Avila)

## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We are blessed to have you worship with us as we nurture each other in faith. While visiting our community, we humbly ask you to consider investing in our parish offertory and Diocesan Appeal to help ensure our parish and Diocese can be one of your partners in faith. Thank you!

## DIOCESAN APPEAL

As you plan your budget, consider a pledge. Use your bank's Bill Pay feature to set up automatic payments or use envelopes on the back table.

<https://thediocesanappeal.org/>  
**CURRENT STATUS: \$1,240 / GOAL: \$5,000**



## GOD CALLS...

### ARE YOU LISTENING?

Time, treasure, talent. Stewardship calls us to share our gifts with the community.

**Please consider how God is calling you to contribute to our community life.**

**Currently, Holy Cross is looking for a few more good greeters. Would you be willing to arrive 10 minutes before mass and greet people once a month?**

Perhaps you'd like to lector or be a Eucharistic minister or sing. Opportunities are waiting for you. We could use you!

**Look for Marguerite Webster or Kerry Mess who would love to talk with you and answer your questions.**

## REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

For the All Saints / All Souls day weekend (November 1-3), you are welcome to bring pictures of their departed loved ones to place on the Table of Remembrance.

## SUPPORTING OUR NEIGHBOR

Please consider donating to support hurricane relief efforts through Catholic Charities: <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org>



**A welcoming, vibrant community committed to growing in and sharing the love of Jesus**

**OCTOBER 13, 2024**

*28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, B*

Wisdom 7:7-11

Psalms 90

Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30

## WISDOM AND ANCESTORS

*Choctaw elder and retired Episcopal bishop Steven Charleston explains how Indigenous elders carry the wisdom of the past in service of the present and future:* Elders are a people of the future. My culture respects the elders not only because of their wisdom, but because of their determination. The elders are tough. They have survived many struggles and many losses. Now, as they look ahead to another generation, they are determined that their sacrifices will not have been in vain, that their children's children will not grow up in a world more broken than the one they sought to repair. The elders are voices of justice. They are champions for the earth. They defend the conscience of the community. We follow the elders because they have a passion for tomorrow. They are people of the future, not the past.

Tradition is not about staying the same. It is not about continuing spiritual business as usual. Native American tradition is the path to the future because it is how we constantly renew what we have. Faith is about making all things new. All things—not just a few. It is about transforming life in the kiva [communal home] by reimagining it and recreating it until life emerges, just as our past reshaped to fit our future....

The ancestors carried us. They were as troubled as we, our ancestors, those who came before us, and for the same reasons: fear of illness, a broken heart, fights in the family, the threat of another war. Corrupt politicians walked their stage and natural disasters appeared without warning. And yet they came through, carrying us within them, through the grief and struggle, through the personal pain and the public chaos, finding their way with love and faith, not giving in to despair, but walking upright until their last step was taken. My culture does not honor the ancestors as a quaint spirituality of the past, but as a living source of strength for the present. They did it and so will we.

Our ancestors in the faith are not only still here for us, but they actively seek to help us in every way they can.

Our eternal grandparents. They are watching over us, all those who have gone before. They are our ancestors, and they have seen enough in their own lives to know what we are going through. They have survived economic collapse, social unrest, political struggle, and great wars that raged for years. Now, from their place of peace, they seek to send their wisdom into our hearts, to guide us to reconciliation, to show us our mistakes before we make them. Their love for us is strong. Their faith in us is certain. When times get hard, sit quietly and open your spirit to the eternal grandparents, who are still a part of your spiritual world. Receive their blessing, for their light will lead you home.

<https://cac.org/daily-meditations/ancestors-and-wisdom/>

## For Reflection

- ★ What does Solomon's prayer for wisdom teach me about my own priorities?
- ★ How can I seek and value God's wisdom in my daily life?

<https://young-catholics.com/3407/28th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-b/>

# Holy Cross Parish

96-98 Main Street, PO Box 118  
Morris NY 13808

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

*Our bulletin and Pastoral Council minutes are posted on our website. Council minutes are under Ministries & Committees. If you have a notice for the bulletin, please email: [holycross-rcchurch@gmail.com](mailto:holycross-rcchurch@gmail.com) by Thursday, 12 p.m.*

## MISSION

To care for the poor, abandoned and the marginalized.



## SCHEDULE

**Mass:** Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

**Liturgy of the Word:** Thursday, 10 a.m.

## PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

**Pastoral Associate (Parish Leader)**

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

## Trustees

Michael Stensland (607) 783-2764

Richard Meyers (607) 263-5588

## Parish Pastoral Council Chair

Kerry L. Mess (607) 386-1951

## Parish Pastoral Council Members

Dana Mochovciak, Jenna Turner, Carol Tyson, Marguerite Webster

## Liturgical Ministry

Marguerite Webster (607) 263-5478

## Faith Formation

Daphne Thompson (607) 263-2410

## Ministry to the Homebound

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

Jenn Spivey (207) 539-5094

## RCIA Contact

Maureen Joy (607) 263-5132

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## Celebrant

Rev. Chris Welch

**Deacon:** Paul Cerosaletti

**Lector:** Annette Hammond

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Toni Zeleski, Peg Lilley

## Mass Intention

**For all those suffering from the recent hurricanes**

If you would like to request an intention for a mass, simply call the office to schedule: (607) 263-5143.

## Pray for

- ✠ the deceased members of our parish and their families and friends
- ✠ the sick, their caregivers, and all who have asked for our prayers, especially Sr. Theresa Ahern MSBT, Kathleen Barry, Diane DeDominicus, Jo Franklin, Tony Giambra, Agnes Huff, Louisa Joy, Lynn Joy, Maureen Joy, Rebecca Joy, Michelle Lee, Valerie McCann, Pam McGraw, Teresa Meyers, Connie Mockovciak, Rich Morley, Clara Murphy, John Neary, Diane Neczesny, Karen Newell, John O'Brien, Maria Papendrea, Joe and Carol Tyson, John Zaleski
- ✠ all the men and women of our parish family serving in the military and all first responders and emergency personnel: Ryan Barry, Jim Barry, Meghan Barringer

## WELCOME! CURIOUS? BEING CALLED?

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults into the Catholic faith.

For more information, go to [myrcia.org](http://myrcia.org).

**Holy Cross Parish RCIA Contact:**

Maureen Joy (607) 263-5132

**Pope Francis's October intention: May the Church continue to sustain a Synodal lifestyle, promoting participation, communion, and mission among all.**

## Engage in Living Community

### NEED ASSISTANCE?

#### HAVE HELP TO OFFER?

- ☼ **Butternut Valley Food Pantry**  
166 Marion Avenue, Gilbertsville NY  
(607) 783-2267  
Thurs., 3-5 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- ☼ **The Lord's Table & Food Pantry**  
305 Main Street, Oneonta NY  
(607) 432-1458  
Mon./Weds./Fri., 4-5:30 p.m.
- ☼ **The Magic Closet**  
158 East Main Street, Morris NY  
(607) 263-5116 or (607) 263-5859  
Weds./Sat. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

### PREPARING FOR END OF LIFE

Come join a conversation on paperwork and plans for our own or a loved one's death. Professionals will discuss health plans, wills, funeral planning, monuments.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2-4 P.M.**

Butternut Valley Grange Hall,  
7 Bloom Street, Gilbertsville

[The building is handicapped accessible.]

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

Mass Attendance: 62

Collection: \$1141.00

**WHOM HAVE YOU WELCOMED LATELY?**

## Upcoming Events

**10/13: Coffee hour and Parish Council meeting after mass—all are invited!**

10/15: Taizé Prayer, 7 p.m., St. Mary's Oneonta

**10/17: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.**  
Consolation Group, 10 a.m., St. Mary's Oneonta

10/16: Book study of *Jesus and the Barbequed Fish Breakfast* by Dan Daly SJ, 6:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Sidney

**10/19: Bible Study, 9 a.m.**

10/19: Diocesan Women's Conference, St. Edward the Confessor Church Clifton Park



**10/20: SPECIAL COLLECTION – Mission Sunday; Rosary after mass**

**10/24: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.**

**10/26: Bible Study, 9 a.m.**

**10/31: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.**

**11/01: All Saints' Day mass, 9 a.m.**  
All Saints' Day mass, St. Mary's Oneonta, 12:10 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

**11/02: Bible Study, 9 a.m.**

**GO AND INVITE AS MANY AS YOU CAN FIND TO THE WEDDING FEAST.**

MISSION SUNDAY



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