

SAINTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 25

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Tuesday, May 26

Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Wednesday, May 27

Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Friday, May 28

Saint Paul VI, Pope

A TIME OF HOPE, A TIME TO BUILD

Over the next three months, parishioners will have the opportunity to engage in visioning Holy Cross five years from now.

WHAT DO YOU ENVISION HOLY CROSS LOOKING AND FEELING LIKE IN 2031?

Share your thinking with Pastoral Council members, through our parish email, or on post-its in the entryway or vestibule.

Repetition of ideas is welcome: Multiple mentions shows the importance of an idea.

BUILDING TOWARDS A PASTOR

To hire a pastor, Holy Cross would need \$400 more per week. The loaves and fishes multiplied as people shared. Consider: Could you spare an extra \$2-\$10 a week?

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 ensure our parish and Diocese can be your partner in faith. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATES! BUILD COMMUNITY

MORRIS BACCALAUREATE

First Baptist will host the Baccalaureate for graduating seniors, **Sunday, Jun. 21, 6 p.m.**

Join us to celebrate our community's seniors. Come lend your voice to the choir. Watch the bulletin for information on rehearsal times!

HOLY CROSS PARISH PICNIC



Saturday, July 25, 11 a.m.–1 p.m., Parish Grounds. Holy Cross will provide burgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments.

Please see sign up sheets at the back of church: **We need people to:**

- 👉 **set up the grounds outside the church**
- 👉 **grill the meats**
- 👉 **oversee games for the children**
- 👉 **take down the set up after the picnic**
- 👉 **bring side dishes to pass**

How can you contribute to community?
Come join the fun!

Share your parish vision at Pastoral Council or Coffee Hour. Our next coffee hour after mass is June 14, and next Council meeting is July 12. Thanks to Jim Lee and Jen Spivey for attending Council last week.

DIOCESAN APPEAL

**The Appeal ends June 30, 2026.
Help Holy Cross reach its goal!**

<https://thediocesanappeal.org/>

CURRENT STATUS: \$5,293 / GOAL: \$6,379



Holy Cross Parish

MAY 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday, A

Acts 2:1–11

Psalm 104

1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13

John 20:19–23

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

*Jesus our peace,
we know very little
about praying but
we remember your
words: 'I will send
you the Holy Spirit,
he will be a source of
comfort, remaining
with you for ever'.*

–Brother Roger of Taizé

GOD DWELLS IN ALL

Medieval English anchoress Julian of Norwich makes explicit on many occasions that she speaks to a broad audience, one including those of us living 650 years later. It follows, then, that we recognize that sense of inclusion. “In God’s sight, all humanity is one person, and all people are a single humanity.”... For Julian, the traditional teaching of the church as the mystical body of Christ is extended to all humanity...

When Julian celebrates the beauty of being human, she makes explicit she is talking about all, not a sectarian group: “God made us so rich and noble in our essence that all we can do is strive to enact his will and honor him in all things. When I say ‘we,’ I mean all true spiritual seekers.”

When she says “all,” she means all. This would include, in our time, all versions of Christians and all Jews, all Buddhists, Hindus, Taoists, Muslims, goddess worshipers, those of indigenous religions, and those of no religions, whether agnostic or atheist. She is deeply ecumenical, and in the 14th century, no less. When speaking of retreating “into our own souls, where our Beloved dwells,” she again speaks about the universality encompassing our spiritual search: “Let no man or woman think this truth applies personally to the individual. It does not; it is universal. This beautiful human nature of ours was prepared for our precious Mother Christ.”

Explaining how she came to write *Showings*, she confesses she first saw [her visions] as personal but came to understand they applied to humanity as a whole. “At first, I applied this teaching to my individual self, because at the time I was not moved to see it otherwise. But the great and gracious comfort that followed made me realize that God meant this insight for the whole of humanity ... I made the mistake of privatizing this showing instead of taking it to mean loving my fellow Christians better. What could make me love my fellow Christians better than to see that God loves us all as we are all one soul?”...

This sense of universality translates into action, for “those who have universal love for all their fellow Christians in God have love towards everything that exists. For in us all is comprehended all, that is, all that is created and the Creator of all.” Creation and cosmos belong to everyone, and no one, and it calls us to a larger consciousness of expanded love.

adapted from: <https://email.cac.org/t/d-e-guyhktk-tdduxulkd-e/>

image: <https://christian-witness.org/pentecost-clipart-images/>

For Reflection

- ★ How does the Holy Spirit help overcome divisions among people?
- ★ In what ways can I be more open to the work of the Holy Spirit?

<https://young-catholics.com/700/pentecost-year-a/#thoughts>

Holy Cross Parish

96-98 Main Street, PO Box 118
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<https://parishes.rcda.org/holycross/>

Facebook: [tiny.cc/HCMorris](https://www.facebook.com/tiny.cc/HCMorris)

Find our bulletin and Pastoral Council minutes on our website. If you have a notice for the bulletin, please email: holycrossRC-church@gmail.com

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.

RECONCILIATION: St. Mary's Oneonta, every Saturday 4-4:45 p.m. Call the parish office (607-432-3920) for a different time.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastoral Associate (Parish Leader)

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

Trustees

Marguerite Webster (607) 263-5478

Richard Meyers (607) 263-5588

Parish Pastoral Council Chair

Kerry L. Mess (607) 386-1951

Parish Pastoral Council Members

Allan Dangca, Celine Francisco, Scott Kolberg, Chet McAdams, Jackie McAdams, Dana Mochovciak

Liturgical Ministry

Marguerite Webster (607) 263-5478

Faith Formation & RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults]

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

Ministry to the Homebound

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098



Pope Leo XIV's May intention: May everyone, from large producers to small consumers, commit to avoiding food waste and all having access to quality food.

Living Caring Community

HELP TO OFFER? NEED ASSISTANCE?

- ☼ 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.
- ☼ My Neighbor's Closet
3097 County Highway 11, Hartwick NY
(607) 431-8320/cooperstownangel@gmail.com
Tues/Sat: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. / Weds: 4-7 p.m.
Contact if you need someone to shop for you and coordinate getting you items.
- ☼ Helios Grief Support
Group counseling for adults in Otsego, Schoharie, Delaware counties. See helios-care.org; call (607) 432-5525.
- ☼ Friends of Recovery, Delaware/Otsego
Grassroots addiction recovery by, about, for individuals and families in recovery
22 Elm Street, Oneonta NY
(607) 267-4435
Mon/Tues/Fri: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Weds/Thurs: 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
- ☼ Holy Sews
Sew burial layettes for infants: (607) 432-5125; holysewsoneonta@yahoo.com
- ☼ Oneonta Community Health Center
No-cost healthcare services for uninsured adults (607) 433-0300
Office hours: Tues. 6-8 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- 05/24: SPECIAL COLLECTION: Eastern European Collection**
Christian Formation after mass
Catholic Charismatic Renewal Pentecost mass & reception, 1:30 p.m. Christ Our Light Church Loudonville (see albanyccr.org or call Lenora, 518-867-1371)
- 05/28: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.**
- 06/04: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.**
- 06/05: First Friday Devotion, 2:30 p.m., St. Mary's Oneonta
- 06/06: First Saturday (Fatima) devotion, 9 a.m., St. Mary's Oneonta
- 06/07: SPECIAL COLLECTION: Catholic Communications Campaign**
Christian Formation after mass
- 06/11: Liturgy of the Word**
- 06/12-14: Catholic Singles and Friends Weekend at Pyramid Life Center in Paradox NY. For more info, email cathising@yahoo.com or register at <http://www.pyramidlife.org>
- 06/14: Coffee Hour after mass**
- 06/18: Liturgy of the Word**
- 06/21: Rosary after mass**

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

Mass Attendance:

Collection: \$449.00

Catholic Charities: \$363.00

MAY 24, 2026

Celebrant

Rev. Chris Welch

Greeter: Marguerite Webster

Lector: Daphne Thompson

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Tyson

May 31

Greeters: John O'Brien

Lector: Marguerite Webster

Eucharistic Ministers: Toni Zaleski

Mass Intention

If you would like to request an intention for a mass, call Kerry (607) 386-1951 with the intention, your name, and call back number OR use the parish email (see left panel).

Pray for

- ✠ for the sick, their caregivers, and all who asked for our prayers, especially Sr. Theresa Ahern MSBT, Kathleen Barry, Jo Franklin, Sarah Grogan, Agnes Huff, Maureen Joy, Nadine Joy, John Kristofik, Michelle Lee, Fred Lemister, Carol and Jessica MacCumber, Jeffrey Meyers, Kelly Meyers, Teresa Meyers, Rich Morley, Mark Muller, Clara Murphy, John Neary, Diane Neczesny, John O'Brien, Kathy Osborne, Maria Papendrea, Scarlett Parry, Evelyn Rowe, Martin Smith, Mike Stensland, Joe and Carol Tyson, Janet VanZandt, John Zaleski
- ✠ for all those in our parish family serving in the military and all first responders and emergency personnel: Ryan Barry, Jim Barry, Meghan Barringer
- ✠ for the deceased members of our parish and their families and friends
- ✠ in thanksgiving for all those who serve our nation, especially those who gave their lives