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315-866-6373

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Please send all questions, & inquiries in regards to
Family of the Holy Cross Pastoral Network to the
above email, please or call 315-866-6373.

Information, updates and cancellations from all
four parishes will be on our Facebook page:

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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—MAY 5, 2024



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**"If you keep my commandments, you will remain in
my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments
and remain in his love." - Jn 15:10**

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Sacramental Information for all of our Churches

To make arrangements, please contact Parish Office @315-866-6373

Reconciliation

After Mass and By Appointment

Matrimony

Please contact Parish Office @ 315-866-6373 six months in advance. One year for those
who are under the age of 21. Pre-Cana is expected. Wedding dates are scheduled after
meeting with the Pastor

Anointing of the Sick

Can be administered at any stage of a person's illness. If possible, one should not wait
until someone is near death before requesting anointing. To schedule please call Parish
Office 315-866-6373.

Baptism & RCIA

Call Maria Fiorentino—Faith Formation Coordinator 315-866-6373

ALL ARE WELCOME!



BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

May 5th—Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am—Amy Fahy (Birthday)

Kay Ciletti

Ann Pargansky

Charlotte Guido

Req. Family

Req. Pearl Dunn

Req. Ellen Culver & Betty Lynch

Req. Eleanor Catlin

May 12th—Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 am—Victoria Kane

Warren & Joan Canorro (Anniversary)

Kay Ciletti

Req. Family

Req. Deacon Mike & Dorothy

Req. Dick & Johanna Stowell

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, May 5th—Sixth Sunday of Easter

11:00 AM—Karen Thierry

Req. Barbara & Conrad

Sunday, May 12th—Seventh Sunday of Easter

11:00 AM—Presider's Intention



St. Johnthe 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

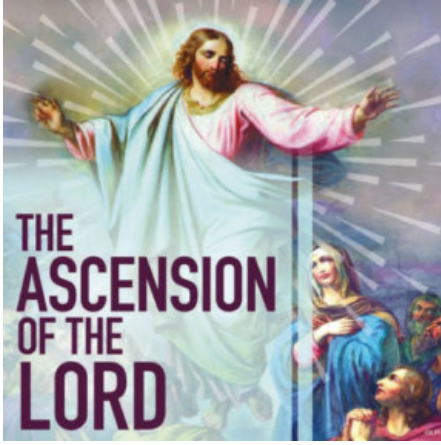
6th Sunday of Easter

Once a man came to the Vatican and asked to see Pope John Paul II, claiming that they had been friends in Poland. When told of the man, the Pope said, "He is mistaken about our friendship. I don't recall ever having suffered with him." As it turned out, the man had never known the Pope. Now, I'm not sure if the story is totally factual. But doesn't the juxtaposition of *suffering* with *friendship* sound exactly like JPII? He understood that the deepest and most lasting friendships are forged in the fires of shared suffering. No suffering, no friendship. Amazing.


This week we hear Jesus say to the apostles and to us, "**You are my friends if you do what I command you**" (John 15:14). In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, God entered the world of human suffering and transformed it into an avenue of friendship with Himself. Following His command — to love, to lay down our lives for others — will always entail suffering. But this suffering only deepens our friendship with Him. His suffering is ours; ours is His. We have become friends of God.

This week, how might you share your suffering with the Risen Jesus? How might he be sharing his suffering with you, in the lives of those around you? Be attentive to that, and you'll find that you are indeed a friend of God, because you've suffered together a great deal. — *Father John Muir* ©LPI

FAMILY OF THE HOLY CROSS
A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CHURCHES




**Thursday,
 May 9, 2024
 Ascension
 of the Lord
 Mass will
 be at 12:10
 pm at Sts.
 Anthony
 and Joseph
 Church.**



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 1st Grader. You can schedule a tour when you call our school office!



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
 COFFEE & DONUTS at
 ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**
Sunday, May 19, 2024, after the 9:30 am Mass at the St. Francis De Sales Parish Hall. This event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. All are welcome, whether parishioners of St. Francis de Sales or friends of the parish.



The Family of the Holy Cross Pastoral Network is collecting for the month of **May condiments** for Kuyahoor Food Pantry and The Salvation Army of Herkimer.
 Thank you for your support.

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 call the office at 315-866-6373 with any questions.

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? _____

Diocesan Appeal Envelopes are in the vestibule



Diocesan Appeal
 Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany

2023 – 2024
 July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

“Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit.” PSALM 51:14

FIRST COMMUNION THANK YOU



Thank you to Mary Grogan & the Sts. Anthony Glee Club for providing music for our celebration.

Thank you to Erin View and Marybeth Napolitano, our second grade Catechist, for sharing their faith in preparing our children for this sacramental celebration.

Thank you to our Altar Server Hannah Reff

Thank you to the Catholic Daughters, Court Saint Bridget, who hosted the First Communion Reception.

A special thank you to all the parents for living their faith and bringing their children to Christ truly present in the Eucharist.

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The Family of the Holy Cross Pastoral Council held their April meeting on the 23rd @ 6:30 via zoom. Topics of discussion were:

Chicken BBQ at St. Francis was a success
 Faith Formation classes are over, pleased with the enrollment.
 Looking for a hospitality committee to represent the 4 parishes.
 The network office signs are finished & will be going up soon at the office.
 The bushes in front of the office will be removed & a handicap ramp will be installed.
 All staff offices are now located at the network office across from Sts. Anthony & Joseph Church.
 Cemeteries are open.
 Still in need of council members for St. John the Baptist & Blessed Sacrament Churches.
 Next meeting is scheduled for May 28th @ 6:30pm. Any parishioner interested in speaking with information or concerns are invited the first 15 minutes before the meeting starts. Please contact Sue at the Family of the Holy Cross office as she will get the zoom link invite to you. Thank you



The souls of the just are in the hands of God!

Joseph Mlekoday, Jr.

Eternal Rest! Grant unto him,

O Lord! And let perpetual light shine upon

Faith Formation Important Dates

Confirmation Rehearsal—Sunday, May 5th @ 11:00 am

Confirmation—Tuesday, May 7th @ 6:30 pm

Any questions or concerns please call Maria Fiorentino—Faith Formation Coordinator @ 315-866-6373 or email @ 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. **Starting in July we will have in the bulletin drop off dates and times for donations.**

Thank You
FOR
GIVING
GENEROUSLY

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**

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, May 5th—Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:30 am—Carlotta Fuller (Birthday)

James Garnsey (Birthday)

Req. Family
Req. The Valasek Family

Tuesday, May 7th—Confirmation Mass @ 6:30 pm

Sunday, May 12th—Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:30 am—Margaret Kirkpatrick

Edson & Theresa Schofield

Margaret Hall & Sheila Hall (Anniversary)

Catherine McLaughlin

Req. Her Children
Req. Family
Req. Family
Req. Daughter, Rita



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 call 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.



The rosary is sometimes called the Gospel in miniature because the mysteries cover many of the main events in the lives of Jesus and his mother Mary. By thinking about these mysteries, we are meditating on some of the most important messages of Christ in the Gospels. Please join us in praying the rosary Tuesday, May 14th at 7:00 pm, at St. Francis. During the months of May and Oct. we will meet each Tuesday.

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

STS. ANTHONY & JOSEPH CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 4th—Sixth Sunday of Easter (Vigil Mass)

4:00 pm—Dennis Sanita

Anthony Losito, Mary Conklin, & Nick Losito, Jr.

Dawn Vallese (Anniversary)

Tom Pendergast (Birthday)

Req. Joanna Sementilli & Family
Req. Anthony Losito
Req. Family
Req. Virginia

Wednesday, May 8th—Easter Weekday

12:10 pm—Patricia Sincebaugh

Req. David Evangelista

Thursday, May 9th—Ascension of the Lord

12:10 pm—Presider's Intention

Saturday, May 11th—Seventh Sunday of Easter (Vigil Mass)

4:00 pm—Dennis Sanita

Bertha Thompson

Vincent Ocuto

Ruby Harrer

Yvonne Franco (Month's Mind)

Bill Martin (Birthday)

Req. Julia & Bill Fifield
Req. Cheryl Zumbo
Req. Joanne Sementilli & Family, Duanne & Lisa Mayo
Req. Family
Req. Cousin, Mary
Req. Family



Sts. Anthony & Joseph Church

229 S. Main St. Herkimer, NY 13350

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



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Dennis Sanita

Req. Sylvia & Dina
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