

HOLY CROSS AND ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Callicoon NY and Long Eddy NY

Holy Eucharist

- 8.30 am in Holy Cross Church Mon, Tue, Fri First Saturday of Month - 8.30 am in Holy Cross Church

Thursday - 6.30 pm in Holy Cross Church

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4.30 pm in Holy Cross Church - 11.00 am in Holy Cross Church Sunday morning mass Sunday morning mass - 08.30 am in St. Patrick Church

Confession - Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm in Holy Cross

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Stewardship Dec 08, 2019

Sunday Collection \$ 1594.00

\$ 23.00 & \$ 23.00 **Candles & Poor box**

Christmas Flowers \$ 65.00

The second collection for RETIRED RELI-GIOUS will be taken next Sunday that is on December, 15, 2019.

Thank you for everybody for contributing more toys for children to be shared with united Methodist Church which shall be distributed to children. God bless you all for sharing Christmas iov with all...

An unexpected Messiah

READING 11S 35:1-6A, 10

... Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you. ...

READING 2JAS 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You too must be patient.

Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11

... This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you. Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he." ...

Gaudete Sunday

Today is Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday in the Season of Advent. The season of Advent originated as a fast of forty days in preparation for Christmas. In the ninth century, the duration of Advent was reduced to four weeks and by the twelfth century the fast had been replace by simple abstinence.

Not withstanding the changes occurring over the centuries, Advent preserved most of the characteristics of a penitential season which made it a kind of counterpart to lent. The third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, breaks through a season that is otherwise penitential to signify the nearness of the Lord's coming.

Guadete Sunday is further marked by a new invitatory, after December 17, the Church no longer inviting the faithful to adore merely "Come, let us worship the Lord, the King who is to come", but calling upon them to worship and hail with joy "The Lord is close at hand; come, let us worship him."

Advent is a time of expectation and preparation for the Christmas feast as well as for the second coming of Christ, and the penitential exercises suitable to this season are thus on Gaudete Sunday suspended, for awhile, in order to symbolize our joy and gladness in the Promised Redemption which should never be absent from the heart of the faithful.

Rejoice!!!

Reconciliation Monday

Penance is an experience of the gift of God's boundless mercy.

Not only does it [the Sacrament of Penance] free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."

Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Penance is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. In confession we have the opportunity to repent and recover the grace of friendship with God. It is a holy moment in which we place ourselves in his presence and honestly acknowledge our sins, especially mortal sins. With absolution, we are reconciled to God and the Church. The Sacrament helps us stay close to the truth that we cannot live without God. "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28).

USCCB :

When: On Monday (Dec,16, 2019) Where: Holy Cross Church Time: 4 pm - 7 pm

In all parishes of Arch-diocese of New York, on this Monday, the sacrament of reconciliation will be administered. Henceforth, feel free to go anywhere to make a prepared reconciliation as a part of preparation to celebrate Christmas.

Let us make our hearts a dwelling place of God...

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Dec 14- Dec, 22, 2019

Dec 14- Saturday

4.30 pm: + Walter & Florence Hubert by Their Children

Dec 15– Third Sunday of Advent

8.30 am : + Stephen Geosits by Frank & Kathy Geosists

11.00 am: Bruce Reichmann by his family

Dec 16- Mon - Advent Weekday

8.30 am:

Dec 17 - Tue - Late Advent Weekday

8.30 am : + Marie Noelle White by Robert & Rosemeire White

Dec 18 – Wed– Late Advent Weekday No Mass

Dec 19 – Thu– Late Advent Weekday 6.30 pm:

Dec 20 – Fri - Late Advent Weekday 8.30 am:

Dec 21 – Saturday

4.30 pm: + Lisa Ann Pastore by Doreen & Jess McDonald

Dec 22- Fourth Sunday of Advent 8.30 am: + Rozalia + Frank Geosits

11.00 am : William + Helan Theyson by Mary Schumacher

Prayer Requests

J. Gottesmann, W. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R. Knack, Ron Rhodes JR, Dan Buddenhagen, Brenda Long, Mary Ann, Eileem Ohman, , Madeleine Wootan, Olga Viruet, Barbara Donatelli, Anita Robertson, Frank Ruggeiro, Linda Roche and all sick and needy.

Fr. Joseph Raj & Dn. John Lyttle Peace & Love / Dec, 15, 2019



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