

July 16, 2017

**Holy Cross Church, Callicoon, NY (845)-887-5450
(www.holycrosscallicoon.com)**

Sunday Mass: 11:00AM

Sat. Vigil Mass: 4:30PM

Daily Mass: Mon. – Fri. 8 AM

Confessions: Saturday 4-4:30PM

St. Patrick Church, Long Eddy, NY - Sunday Mass: 8:30AM

From the Pastor:

Pope Francis relates words to us about Jesus that are both comforting and challenging:

“When we seek Jesus, we discover that he is waiting to welcome us, to offer us his love. And this fills your heart with such wonder that you can hardly believe it, and this is how your faith grows – through encounter with a Person, through encounter with the Lord. Some people say, ‘No, I prefer to read about faith in books!’ It is important to read about faith, but look, on its own, this is not enough! What is important is our encounter with Jesus, our encounter with him, and this is what gives you faith, because he is the One who gives it to you!”

“The mystery of Jesus’ voice is evocative. Only think that from our mother’s womb, we learn to recognize her voice and that of our father; it is from the tone of a voice that we perceive love or contempt, affection or coldness. Jesus’ voice is unique! If we learn to distinguish it, he guides us on the path of life, a path that goes beyond even the abyss of death.”

“Let the Risen Jesus enter your life; welcome him as a friend, with trust: he is life! If up till now you have kept him at a distance, step forward. He will receive you with open arms. If you have been indifferent, take a risk; you won’t be disappointed. If following him seems difficult, don’t be afraid; trust him, be confident that he is close to you. He is with you, and he will give you the peace you are looking for and the strength to love as he would have you do.”

“Jesus gave himself up to death voluntarily in order to reciprocate the love of God the Father, in perfect union with his will, to demonstrate his love for us. On the cross Jesus ‘loved me and gave himself for me’ (Galatians 2:20). Each one of us can say: ‘He loved me and gave himself for me.’ Each one can say this ‘for me.’”

[Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts: Words of Challenge and Hope. Frederick, MD: The Word Among us Press, 2013, pgs. 21-23,25.]

Fr. Charles

Reg. Coll., July 9th: \$1,800.

Thanks.

Tues: 8AM Special Intention

Wed: 8AM +Tom Paciga by Ron Bauer

Thurs: 8AM +Souls in Purgatory

Fri: 8AM +Val Reinhardt by his wife, Pam

Sat: 4:30PM +Janet Hawley

Sun: 8:30AM +Ann Hannigan Rhodes by Craig & Linda English

Sun: 11:00AM +Luella Murphy

Please pray for the Sick of our parishes:

G. Rosenberger, P. J. McCarthy, J. Gottesmann, T. Capuano, V. Capuano, H. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R.&J. Sauve, M. Roche, R. Knack, S. Annunziata, M. Mahoney, M.W.

Announcements and Upcoming Events:

Bible Study: Bible study on Monday, July 17th, 11:00AM Holy Cross Friary.
Cardinal's Appeal: Thanks so much for those of you who have given to the Cardinal's Campaign this year. - - Fr. Joseph Raj: I'll be working with our new administrator for the next three weeks. The weekends of July 22-23 and 29-30 he will be with me at the weekend Masses. On July 30th at the 11AM Mass we will formally install him. If you wish to attend the luncheon after the 11:00AM Mass, please put the number in your party attending on the sheet at the doors of Holy Cross and St. Patrick by Friday, July 21st. - - Religious Education Registration: Religious Education Registration forms have been given out. Please fill them in and return them to the parish at your first opportunity. If you are registering your child for the first time, you can obtain a form by visiting the parish web-site, www.holycrosscallicoon.com. There are also registration forms available at the entrance to Holy Cross. Fall classes begin Sunday, September 17, 2017, and meet in the parish hall from 9:30 – 11:00AM. - - Faith Formation: Our parish now has access to adult faith formation resources on the internet. It is called *FORMED*. To access the site type into your search engine: Google, Yahoo, etc.: www.formed.org. The site will ask you to enter the parish's access code. Our parish's code is: [WWV83Z](http://www.formed.org). Once you enter the parish code the site will ask you to register. Once you are registered, you will have access to the material. - - For reflection: "Quite simply, the good steward is the person who takes care of whatever it is that she or he has been entrusted. Uses it well, to good purpose. Doesn't squander it. As the US Catholic bishops said in Stewardship: A Disciple's Response: 'A Christian steward is one who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible manner, shares them in justice and love with others and returns them with increase to the Lord.'" (Catholic Update, August 2005.)