

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**Entrance Antiphon:** :We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.” cf. Gal 6:14

**Communion Antiphon:** “When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.” Jn 12:32

**Reflection for this Sunday:** The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, celebrated each year on September 14, is a profound reminder of the mystery of God’s love revealed in the sacrifice of His Son. Also called the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross, it commemorates three key moments in history: the discovery of the True Cross by St. Helena in 326, its public veneration at the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in 335, and its recovery from the Persians by Emperor Heraclius in 628. While rooted in these historical events, the heart of the feast is not about the wood of the Cross itself, but about what it represents: the selfless love of Christ, who turned an instrument of torture into the greatest sign of hope, mercy, and redemption. The Cross teaches us that God can transform suffering and even death into life and victory. Each time we make the Sign of the Cross, venerate a crucifix, or unite our own daily struggles to Christ’s Passion, we participate in that triumph. The Cross challenges us not to run from life’s hardships, but to let Christ transform them into occasions of grace, conversion, and new life. On this feast, the Church invites us to gaze upon the Cross not as a defeat, but as a glorious victory, and to live each day with faith in the One who conquered sin and death through His perfect sacrifice.

**Charismatic Mass:** When: Sunday, September 28, 2025; Where: St. Andre’s Bessette Parish Notre Dame Church + 11 Church Place Malone, NY 12953. Mass Time: 2:00PM. Prayer teams will be available after Mass for private prayer. All Are Welcome! For more information please call (518)-483-1300 at sseymour@rcdony.org COME HOLY SPIRIT!!

**PLATTSBURGH CLM EVENT:** St. Peter's Church Join Bishop LaValley and the area Commissioned Lay Ministers at St. Peter's Church, Plattsburgh, September 14th a Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage starting at 2 p.m. Registration: [www.rcdony.org/plattsburghyearofhope](http://www.rcdony.org/plattsburghyearofhope) Contact for More Information: Cathy Russell Email: [crussell@rcdony.org](mailto:crussell@rcdony.org)

**2025 Bishop’s Fund Appeal “Commitment Weekend”:** As we begin “Commitment Weekend” for the 2025 Bishop’s Fund Appeal, it is our hope that we can continue or increase our support to this vital Appeal. The theme of this year’s Bishop’s Fund Appeal is “United We Bring Hope”. Please prayerfully consider supporting the many good works of the Diocese. This year, any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to further supplement the Bishop’s Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our own community and throughout the Diocese. Your pledge will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated. Our goal is to have 120 families or more participating in the Bishop’s Fund Appeal. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you for your prayers and support. Please visit the Bishop’s Fund Appeal website at [www.rcdony.org/bfa](http://www.rcdony.org/bfa) to view this year’s Bishop’s Fund video. Here you will witness the true impact of your generosity. Donations may be brought to Mass, returned in the provided envelope, or made online at [www.rcdony.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund](http://www.rcdony.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund). Thank you for your prayerful support!

**St. Ann’s & Holy Angels Parish Families: St. Ann's Harvest Dinner (Altona)** St. Ann's Harvest Dinner will feature turkey & all the trimmings, apple & pumpkin desserts, bake sale, themed basket raffle and lottery raffle. Sunday, September 21, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Holy Angels Hall, Altona. Cost is \$16 for adults, \$9 for children ages 6-12, and free for children ages 5 & under. **Contact for More Information:** PARISH OFFICES Phone Number: 518-236-5632

**SACRED HEART CHAZY HARVEST DINNER: Turkey Dinner With All The Trimmings (Chazy)** Sacred Heart Parish in Chazy is having their Harvest Dinner on September 28, from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Parish Center. Menu includes roast turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, corn, rutabaga, rolls and butter, beverage, apple or pumpkin pie. Adults and all take outs are \$16, meals for kids ages 6-12 are \$9. Visit our Sinners' Den Pantry for "sinfully" delicious goodies. There will be a raffle with great prizes. Please join us!! We are handicapped accessible. For more information, 518-846-7650 or [Chazypa@rcdony.org](mailto:Chazypa@rcdony.org)

Mass & Envelope Schedule

Saturday 9/20	Sunday 9/21
<b>4:00pm (SB)</b> (L) Pat Chase (EM) Mon Siskavich	<b>8:00am (SE)</b> (L) Barb LaBombard (EM) Peggy McNeil (EM) Doug Trombley
<b>6:00pm (SE)</b> (L) Donna Curry (EM) Judy Bombard (EM) Betty Bulriss	<b>10:30am (SB)</b> (L) Mike Chase (EM) Mike Chase (EM) Bonnie Relation
<b>Counters (Week 3)</b>	Janet Waldron Bonnie Relation
<b>September 14</b>	<b>September 21</b>
Regular Collection	Regular Collection Build & Maint.

**St. Bernard’s & St. Edmund’s Annual Turkey Dinner : Sunday, September 14, 2025 – 11:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.** Adults \$15 • Ages 6–12 \$7 • 5 & under Free. Enjoy a delicious turkey dinner, plus a **50/50 Raffle** and **Lottery Tree Raffle**. For info, call **518-594-3907**. Thank you for your support!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Little Rose #1300 – **64th Annual Harvest Dinner:** Join us on **Sunday, September 28, 2025, from 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.** at **St. Edmund’s Parish Center, Route 11, Ellenburg, NY** for an **All-You-Can-Eat Roast Beef & Ham Dinner** with all the trimmings, homemade desserts, and beverages. **Take-outs available**—call **518-536-2442**. **Cost:** Adults \$15 • Children (6–12) \$7 • Ages 5 & under Free. Enjoy a **Big Ticket Raffle, Bake Sale, and Lottery Tree** as part of this wonderful community event.

**\*Court Little Rose #1300** will have a meeting on Tuesday sept. 16th @ 6:00pm.

**\*K of C Blood Drive Drawing** on Sept. 16th from 4-7pm at the Parish Center

**Pray for the Sick:** Betty Gregory, Shirley Guerin, Baby Walter, Bill LePage, Fred Cayea Jr., Veronica Demers, Amy Wilson,, Jimmy Kowalowski, Mary Denton, Michael Burleigh

**Offertory Collections for Weekend of 9/25**  
Regular Collection: \$5,942.00  
Fuel Collection: \$1,500.00 *Thank You*

Schedule of Holy Mass & Devotions

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**Saturday, September 13th, 2025**  
4:00pm(SB) Trevor Blondo by Jim & Linda Kowalowski  
6:00pm(SE) Ramona Curry by Pat & Donna Curry

**Sunday, September 14th, 2025**  
8:00am (SE) Cora & Louis LaValley by Nancy & Andy Miller  
10:30am(SB) Clarence, Donald, Steven & David Lawrence by a Friend

**Monday, September 15th, 2025: Novena & Adoration**  
5:30pm (SE) The People of the Parish  
**Tuesday, September 16th, 2025:**  
9:00am (SE) Freda Whitfield by Sharon Lamare Benjamine

**Wednesday, September 17th, 2025:**  
**No Mass**  
**Thursday, September 18th, 2025:**  
9:00am (SE) Tom Silver by Betty & Martin Gregory  
**Friday, September 19th, 2025:**  
9:00am (SB) Sally Shusda by Mary Pageau

Next Weekend

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, September 20th, 2025**  
4:00pm(SB) Alfred Pageau 30th Ann. by Don & Jeanie Pageau  
6:00pm(SE) Linda Johnson by David Johnson  
**Sunday, September 21st, 2025**  
8:00am (SE) Lawrence & Jeff Smith by Sandra & Stewart Smith  
10:30am(SB) Joan Farrell by John & Children

*In addition to mass dedications, sanctuary candles which remain lit on the altar for a full week can be dedicated for your prayer intentions.*

SANCTUARY CANDLE  
(Week of September 14th)

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Est. 1875  
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### Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday	Sunday
4:00pm (SB) 6:00pm (SE)	8:00am (SE) 10:30am (SB)

### St. Edmund's Church

Est. 1883  
 5526 Route 11  
 Ellenburg Center, NY

### Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday,  
 Wednesday:  
 9:30am to 1:30pm or  
 by appointment

The sacrament of penance and reconciliation is available 20 minutes prior to each Saturday Evening masses, or anytime by appointment.

For the sacraments of baptism and RCIA please contact Deacon Lushia (518) 493-6671 or [lushiak@westelcom.com](mailto:lushiak@westelcom.com). For the sacraments of marriage and anointing of the sick, please contact Father Tojo.

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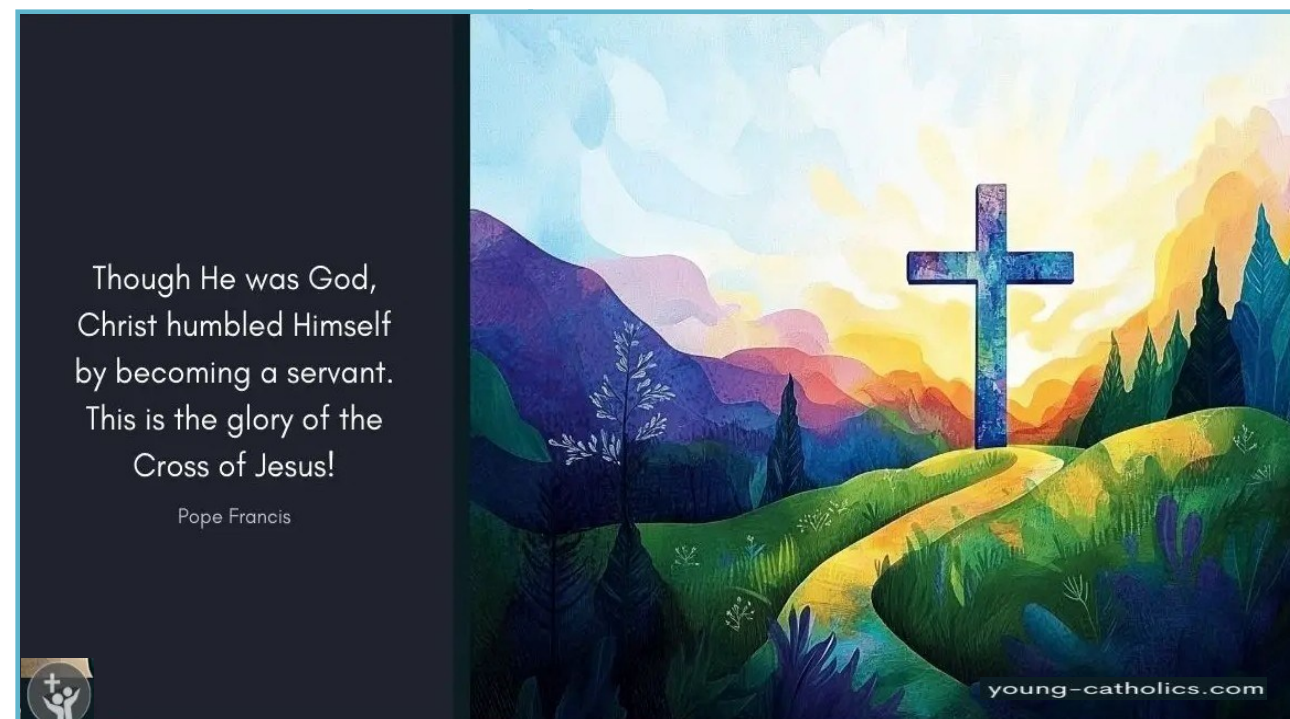
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