

**August 27, 2017**

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

Sunday Mass: 11:00AM Sat. Vigil Mass: 4:30PM

Daily Mass: Mon. – Fri. 8.30 AM Confessions: Saturday 4-4:30PM

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

*“Tolle, lege: take up and read.”*

**St. Augustine** (354-430) was one of the great figures of the early Church. The story of his conversion to Christ is told in his *Confessions*, in which he describes how God used a single verse from the epistle to the Romans to suddenly convert him. He went on to serve the Church as an illustrious teacher and bishop in the African city of Hippo.

*Chapter XII.- Having Prayed to God, He Pours Forth a Shower of Tears, And, Admonished by a Voice, He Opens the Book and Reads the Words in Rom. xiii. 13; By Which, Being Changed in His Whole Soul, He Discloses the Divine Favor to His Friend and His Mother.*

....I was saying these things and weeping in the bitterest contrition of my heart, when, lo, I heard the voice as of a boy or girl, I know not which, coming from a neighboring house, chanting, and oft repeating, "Take up and read; take up and read." Immediately my countenance was changed, and I began most earnestly to consider whether it was usual for children in any kind of game to sing such words; nor could I remember ever to have heard the like. So, restraining the torrent of my tears, I rose up, interpreting it no other way than as a command to me from Heaven to open the book, and to read the first chapter I should light upon. <sup>2</sup> For I had heard of Antony, that, accidentally coming in whilst the gospel was being read, he received the admonition as if what was read were addressed to him, "Go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven; and come and follow me." And by such oracle was he forthwith converted unto Thee. So quickly I returned to the place where Alypius was sitting; for there had I put down the volume of the apostles, when I rose thence. I grasped, opened, and in silence read that paragraph on which my eyes first fell, - "Not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying; but put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof." No further would I read, nor did I need; for instantly, as the sentence ended, - by a light, as it were, of security infused into my heart, - all the gloom of doubt vanished away.

**Food for families**

The Knights of Columbus and Alter & Rosary Society are collecting non-perishable food items at Holy Cross/ St. Patrick Church for the Blessing Food Pantry in Callicoon. Please place safely-dated items.

Mass intentions – Aug 26<sup>th</sup> – Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017

26<sup>th</sup> Sat - 4.30 pm + Sue Annunziata by Ruth Brustran

27<sup>th</sup> Sun -8.30 am + Anna Haight by Linda & Craig English

27<sup>th</sup> Sun - 11 pm + William Keegan by daughter

28<sup>th</sup> Mon - 8.30 am Thanksgiving mass – Arockia Xavier & Sonia

29<sup>th</sup> Tue - 8.30 am + Leuda by Leidiene M.N.Colares

30<sup>th</sup> Wed - 8.30am + Leuda by Conceicao

31<sup>st</sup> Thu - 8.30am + Maria Lima de Novaes by Irene

01<sup>st</sup> Fri - 8.30am + Gecival Pereira de Novaes by Irene

02<sup>nd</sup> Sat - 4.30pm + Sue Annunziata by Shirley Rangaves

03<sup>rd</sup> Sun - 8.30am Special Intention

03<sup>rd</sup> Sun - 11.00am+ Ruth Ann B by her family

**Are you in?**

Dear brethren, as we are taking census of our parish, we are still waiting for your enrollment. Kindly those of you who have not yet sent your census registration as a member or the family belonging to Holy Cross and St. Patrick's, send the form to Holy Cross Church or place it in the offertory basket. Thank you 4 your support.

Aug 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017

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| <b>Regular</b>           | : \$ 1560.36 |
| <b>Poor box</b>          | : \$ 53.00   |
| <b>Candle Money</b>      | : \$ 114.64  |
| <b>Second Collection</b> | : \$ 362.00  |
| <b>Ass. Of BVM</b>       | : \$ 464.00  |

**Total : \$ 2554.00**

**Thank you for your generosity!!!**

**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.org. 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.

**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, M. Mahoney, M.W.

**Fr. A. Joe MMI**