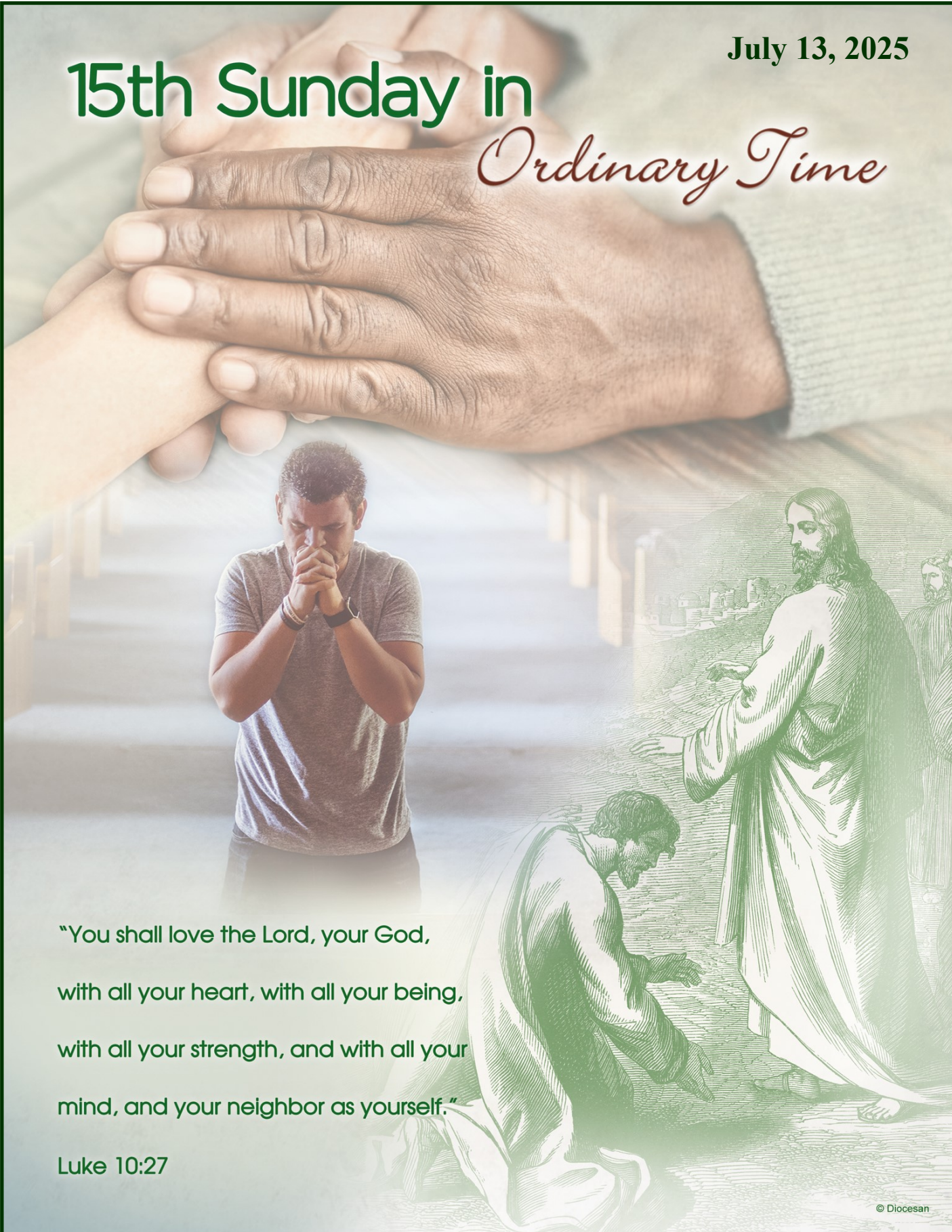


July 13, 2025

15th Sunday in *Ordinary Time*



"You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart, with all your being,
with all your strength, and with all your
mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

Luke 10:27

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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Most Reverend Louis Tylka cordially invites you to the

FOUNDATION Gala

An event to celebrate and support the Diocese of Peoria
during its 150th Anniversary



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2025

CIVIC CENTER BALLROOM | PEORIA, IL

6:00 P.M. | COCKTAILS

7:00 P.M. | DINNER

8:00 P.M. | DANCING

A religious painting will be created during the evening and auctioned

Live music by **3 and a Half Men**

Dress Attire Business Casual

RSVP Due October 20, 2025.

Online Reservations at www.cdop150.org/gala.

Call 309.671.1550 with questions.

Celebrate the
Diocese of Peoria's
150th Anniversary
with Most Reverend
Louis Tylka,
Bishop of Peoria
on an 11-day pilgrimage
to Italy for the
2025 Jubilee Year
of Grace, themed
"Pilgrims of Hope."



October 5-15, 2025

PILGRIMAGE WITH BISHOP LOU

Just a Few More Spaces Left!
You are invited to celebrate the
Diocese of Peoria's 150th
Anniversary with Bishop Louis on
an 11-day pilgrimage to Italy for
the 2025 Jubilee Year of Grace,
themed "Pilgrims of Hope".
Dates are October 5 - 15, 2025.

Contact Sonia Nelson
at sknelson@cdop.org with any
questions you may have.

DEVOTION AND MASS

Please join our parish family on Wednesday
evenings for Devotion and Mass.

The Devotion begins at 5:30 p.m. in the
church, followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

In July we are praying the
Litany to Our Lady of The Immaculate Conception



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Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

MASSSES

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m.

Weekdays: 7:00 a.m. Mon., Tue., & Thurs.

6:00 p.m. Wed.; 8:15 a.m. Fri.

DEVOTION 5:30-6:00 p.m. Wednesday

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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

Greg Koerner, Principal

410 W. White, Champaign, Illinois, 61820

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ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction
at 2:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Mon, Tue, Thur, 6:30-6:45 a.m., Fri. 7:45-8:00 a.m.

Or by appointment.

BAPTISM: Second and fourth Sunday of the month,
after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Parents must be registered
members and attend baptismal preparation sessions,
preferably before the birth of the child. Contact the
Parish Office 3 months in advance to schedule.

MATRIMONY: Couples contemplating marriage should
call the Office at least 8 months in advance. At least
one partner must be a registered parishioner at Holy
Cross and be actively practicing the faith. If you have
had a previous marriage, set no marriage date until
you have discussed this with your Pastor.

CARE OF THE SICK: Call the Parish Office to make
arrangements at any time for Communion and/or
the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Two Wednesdays prior to the
bulletin in which the information will be posted.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR PARISH

HOLY CROSS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Catholic Community of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is to provide a home for all who wish to join our spiritual family and share our Catholic beliefs and values. We are here to continue the life-giving works of Jesus Christ, to make His name known and loved, and to live our lives according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, under the leadership of the Bishop of the Peoria Diocese.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	July 19 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley John Kelley, Peg Swanson John Haggin, Joey Haggin
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	July 20 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Jay Geistlinger Ray Tucker, Barry Dickerson Trevor Tucker, McKenna Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy John Dixon, Pat Dixon, Jessica McMahon, Dawn Friedman Tim Friedman, Ursula Tembo
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Ed Seebauer Juliann Seebauer Sam Easton, Ithuriel Randall



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 14

7:00 am Mary Kay Cler

Tuesday, July 15

7:00 a.m. Joe, Ruth, and Pat Doyle

Wednesday, July 16

6:00 p.m. Bob Weber

Thursday, July 17

7:00 a.m. Ron Davis

Friday, July 18

8:15 a.m. Steven Cieslewicz

Saturday, July 19

5:30 p.m. Robert and Barbara Rosner

Sunday, July 20

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Bernadette Ateki

4:00 p.m. Mary Kondrad



SPECIAL MISSION APPEAL: JULY 19-20

We are pleased to welcome Fr. Leo Mushobozi to Holy Cross the weekend of July 19-20. During his visit, there will be a special mission appeal collection in support of the agricultural development project in his home Diocese of Rulenge-Ngara, Tanzania.

Fr. Leo is deeply grateful for the generous support he has received from our parish community over the years. The funds raised will directly benefit rural communities by helping to improve agricultural practices and sustainability.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

More details will be shared next week.

COFFEE AND DONUTS - Come over to the Parish Center after the Sunday morning Masses and enjoy a cup of coffee and a delicious donut. It's been a Holy Cross tradition for over 50 years. Join us for stimulating conversation.



CIRCLE OF PRAYER - Are you or someone you know in need of prayer support? Call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748 with your special needs and they will be forwarded to the Circle of Prayer, a group of Holy Cross parishioners who pass prayer requests to each other through a phone chain or email.

ADORATION ON FRIDAYS

Please consider signing up for a half-hour or more to visit Our Lord on Fridays beginning after the 8:15 a.m. Mass and ending with Benediction at 2:30 p.m.

Jesus would so love your company!



Summer Office Hours

Starting on June 6th going thru August 1st, the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays. Have a great summer!



FAITHFUL DEPARTED - Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Margaret Bargh and Scott Daugherty. May their souls and those of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Collections

Offering for June 28/29.....\$7,547.75
Offering for July 5/6.....\$5,835.60
Tuition Assistance.....\$539.00
Peter's Pence.....\$1,169.25

Thank You Very Much!



OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

This process also involves a parish community experiencing a renewal of faith as it welcomes new members into the Church.

The Order speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey" centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church He founded. This journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time to bring about community and commitment to the liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful.

OCIA is a restoration of the ancient catechumenate, arising within the first three centuries following the era of the apostles. It was the early Church's way of Christianizing the pagan Roman Empire. The Second Vatican Council called for the restoration and use of this venerable and powerful method of initiation for the worldwide Church.

OCIA is for:

- Individuals who are not Catholic who know they want to join the Church or who may be interested but need more information

- Catholics who have never received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation

Married couples of mixed religious faiths who wish to unite their religious practice in Catholicism

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Kelley at the Parish Office, (217) 352-8748.



FAMILY FORMATION

The Family Formation program at Holy Cross serves families with children in grades K-8. It is a faith formation opportunity for the entire family. Families are encouraged and supported in their efforts to pray, worship, and grow in faith together as a Catholic family.

All families with children K-8 are encouraged to join our Family Formation community! For those families whose children are not enrolled in Catholic school, Family Formation fulfills the need for religious education and sacramental preparation.

For more information, or if you would like to register for this year, please contact Elizabeth Kelley at (217) 352-8748. You can also check out the website at **familyformation.net** for more information!

Deadline for registration is Friday, August 1, 2025.

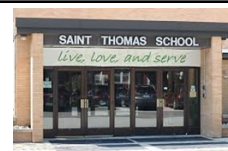


The ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY FOOD PANTRY is in need of donations.

Thank you to all who have responded to the call for help thus far. The number of people in need, including families with children, increases often. Any non-perishable food item is appreciated. Gifts can be dropped off at the back of the church or at the Parish Office. **Monetary gifts are also welcome.**

Please make checks out to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT ST. THOMAS SCHOOL IN PHILO



7th Grade Homeroom Teacher – Full Time
Starting with the 2025-2026 school year.

Eligible candidates should have a demonstrated commitment to promoting Christian ethics and a strong dedication to fostering and developing a quality, Christ-centered environment in the Catholic faith.

For full qualifications of this position, please contact:
Principal Jean Cothron at jcothron@stthomasphilo.org or call her at 217.684.2309.

A WEEKEND OF RENEWAL FOR MEN CURSILLO A SHORT COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY



Is Jesus Calling You?

*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"
And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" (Isaiah 6:8)*

SAVE THE DATE

JULY 25 – 27

ST PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH
708 W Main St, Urbana IL

The Cursillo is designed to help you in that quest. Save the dates of sign up now! For more information, go to champaigncursillo.com or contact Bruce Killian at (309) 261-0168 or Paul Telthorst (217) 649-8421.



Diocesan 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration



On September 21, 2025 at 4:00 pm, Bishop Tylka will celebrate a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception for couples who are celebrating either their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2025. **If you are among that special group, notify the Parish Office before Friday, August 1st**, so that they can forward the information to the Bishop's office that week. Each couple will receive a personal invitation from the Bishop to attend the special Mass in their honor.



FOR YOUR MARRIAGE. A marriage is only as strong as its foundation. What is the foundation for your marriage?
www.foryourmarriage.org



High School of St. Thomas More
217-352-7210
www.hs-stm.org

May 27 through August 1- Summer Office Hours

STM Office will be on summer hours, Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, May 27 through August 1. The office will be closed during the week of June 9 and June 30. The office can be reached at 217-352-7210 or by emailing info@hs-stm.org.

Admissions Application Open for 2025-2026. STM is accepting admissions applications for the next school year. Go to www.hs-stm.org and click on the menu in the upper right corner, then "Apply Now" to get started today. Have questions or need help with the application? Contact the Enrollment Office at admissions@hs-stm.org. We hope and pray to welcome you and your child to the Saber family!

STM Youth Summer Camps: Scholastic Bowl (Co-Ed), Softball, and Rome Odunze Youth Football Camp at STM!

All camps are located at the High School of Saint Thomas More, 3901 N Mattis Ave. in Champaign.

Cost: Varies by Camp

Visit <https://www.hs-stm.org/page/summer-camps> for more information and to register.

STM Job Opportunities: STM is currently seeking applications for a **School President**, a Spanish Teacher, a Head Boys Golf Coach, a Head Girls Tennis Coach, and a Bus Driver.

If interested email:

Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org and John Delaney, Athletic Director at jdelaney@hs-stm.org.



Holy Cross School
217-356-9521
www.holycrosselem.org

Summer Office Hours:

The school office summer hours began on Monday June 2nd.

Summer Office Hours are:

Monday & Friday - closed

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Regular office hours (7:30a-3:30p)
 resume on Wed. July 30.

**HOLY CROSS SCHOOL
 BOWLING FOR ATHLETICS FUNDRAISER**

We are excited to announce the Bowling for HCS Athletics fundraiser coming August 24th at Old Orchard Lanes! Grab a team of 4-6 or sign up as individuals! This is a family friendly event and all proceeds will go toward our Athletic Program. We are still working toward our goal of purchasing a 14-passenger van for sporting and other activities! Please reach out if you have any questions!

<https://bowlhcs25.givesmart.com>

CHURCH OF THE EXALTATION OF THE
HOLY CROSS

Moms' Group

Summer 2025 Schedule

Park Play Dates:

June 25	Homer Lake Playscape 1- 3:00 pm
July 2	Morrissey Park in Champaign 9:30 – 11:00 am
July 9	Ambucs Park in Urbana 9:30 – 11:00 am
July 16	Pool party at Sarah's 1- 4:00 pm
July 23	Colbert Park in Savoy 9:30 – 11:00 am
July 30	Noel Park in Champaign 9:30 – 11:00 am
August 6	Hessel Park/Splash Pad in Champaign 1- 3:00 pm

Nights Out

June 6	Bonfire @ Lori's 6:00 pm
July 11	Weiners & Wine @ Sleepy Creek Vineyards 7:00 pm
August 5	Moms' Pool Party @ Sarah's 6:00 pm

E-mail us at: hcmomsgroup@gmail.com

Join our Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/holycrossmoms/>

Lori Wood: 217-821-3811 • Sarah Bautista: 217-799-1338

BOWLING
For HCS
Athletics.



AUGUST 24TH- \$25 PER PERSON

ENTER AS A TEAM OF 4-6 OR AS AN INDIVIDUAL

START TIMES -10:00AM OR 1:30PM PLAY UP TO 3


GAMES DURING THE SELECTED TIME PERIOD

OLD ORCHARD LANES

**SILENT AUCTION, RAFFLE, LOTTERY AND PUNCH
 BOARDS!**




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**SHEEN GEMS -
THE BEST OF FULTON J. SHEEN**

Enjoy this compilation of "Sheen Gems" - excerpts remastered from many of Fulton J. Sheen's Emmy Award Winning Television Programs titled, "Life is Worth Living." Sheen's presence and sense of drama have crossed time and distance.

His words of wit and wisdom transcend the years. His eloquence portrays the sacred truth that in every human heart there is a struggle known only to the soul and God.



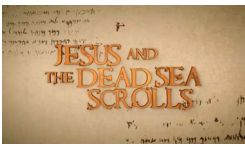
Pro-Life Discussion Group for June

Special drop-in time at **Panera's on Kirby**
11am-12:30 pm June 16th.

Come and grab a cup of coffee, snack or lunch, and join in a drop-in discussion!

Join us for any amount of time for friendship and fellowship!

For more information, contact Joy Pace 217 840-0322



**JESUS AND THE
DEAD SEA SCROLLS**

About this series:

The greatest archeological discovery of the 20th century gave the world the Dead Sea Scrolls. As the oldest sacred documents of Judaism, the scrolls have many surprising connections to early Christianity. Biblical scholar Dr. John Bergsma and Franciscan University of Steubenville president Father Dave Pivonka, TOR, discuss the history and mysteries of the scrolls, what they reveal about Jesus Christ, the sacraments, and the early Church, and why they matter to believers and non-believers today.

Our Parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

Baytowne Apts

2 local Catholic families need assistance:

We are aware of two hard-working families that need some assistance.

Both of these families are Catholic – one is a separated mom with a family that needs a highway-worthy car in good repair. If anyone has a car in good repair that can be given to this family, we would be grateful. This mom also needs a financial cushion because she is not getting much help from her husband, and she is working two jobs already.

The other family is a single woman with one child still at home, who is also providing assistance to her grandparent. We will be helping with referrals for assistance for the grandparent, and offering budgeting advice.

We want to provide more stability for both families.

If anyone wants to help these local families, please consider making a donation to the Holy Cross Pro-Life committee.

For more info – please call Joy at 217 840-0322.

Thank you and God bless you!
Please keep everyone in your prayers!

Great Job!

One of our families with twins have been toilet trained, and we are supplying this family with new panties for their girls, and wishing them well! Great job Mom and Auntie! We have been supplying diapers and other items for nearly 4 years.

We have a returning single mom with two children in diapers, who is also pregnant. This mom has many challenges, and prayers are also definitely in order. Thank you.

HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

Devall, Desmier, Jensen Families
 Menke & Leahy Families
 James, Marie, Paul, Joe, & Edward, Knoke
 Living & Dec. Mem. of Donato, Pace, Follis Families
 Dec. Mem. of Mueller, Neunhoffer, Willard Families
 Robert F. Reiser Family
 Dec. Mem. of Corkery, Cox, Murray Families
 Nichols, Oetzel, Parod, Fotzler & LoGrasso Families
 Ed & Jean Bown
 Chuck, Chad, Meghan Schweighart
 Larry Hausmann, Bob Soucie
 Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Pastore, Buzinsky, & Piccolo Families
 Lamendola/Smith/Hammers Families
 Hammel & Mitsdarfer Families
 Margaret & Eldon Tufte and Dec. Mem. of their family
 Barham & Bosch Families

Tangora & Kovera Families
 William & Mary McMahon, Linda & Mike Wesolowski
 McNamara & Mulcahey Family
 Living & Dec. Mem. of Giuffre & Cacioppo Families
 Boudreau & Arseneau Family
 Aloysius J. Winka
 Charlie & Evelyn Bell
 Zeilenga Family
 Rentfrow Family
 Towner Family
 Hagglin Family
 Rakers-Wade Families
 Hershberger & Kick Families
 Dec. Mem. of Cochrane-O'Brien families
 Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Graham, Fellers & Gordon Family
 John E. Sullivan Family

Theresa Brya
 Birdie & Edward Cronau
 Raymond Timpone
 Maxine Timpone
 Margaret B. Schwenk
 Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family
 Perodin Family
 Menacher & Sizer Families
 Leonard & Loretto Doyle
 Alan & Patricia Berndt
 Thomas McCarthy
 Costello Family
 Ron Murphy
 Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families
 Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.
 Dan Crawmer