

MONTH OF THE Rosary

*The Rosary is a weapon to
put the devil to flight and to keep
oneself in peace
in your life
you can find
to
day
how
cares and labors.*



October 15, 2023

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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival



Dear Friends,

The Executive Team for the National Eucharistic Revival gathered to prepare and plan for the Year of Mission, which launches at the conclusion of the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis next July 2024, and culminates in 2025, the Jubilee year.

As we discerned and considered the various opportunities possible to help every Catholic engage more deeply in what it means to be on mission, one member shared a jarring question that had come to him in prayer:

“When did Jesus stop being enough?”

In big and little ways — if we are honest — we can all relate to this question. I remember years ago when I first sensed the call to religious life. I struggled because, deep in my heart, I didn't believe Jesus' love was enough for me. It was only when I chose to surrender to His merciful love that I began to experience how His love—indeed, how Jesus Himself—is infinitely more than enough for me.

Before Sunday Mass, in the quiet of an adoration chapel, before the tabernacle, or even in the privacy of your room—you can join me in making a spiritual examination, asking Jesus these questions:

- Jesus, in my heart do I still doubt that you are enough?
- What part of me believes I am unworthy of you?
- How do I believe the lie that other people or pleasure or possessions or power will fill my heart, when the truth is that only you can?

After you have sat for a little while in prayer with these questions, ask Jesus to show you how:

“He alone nourishes our soul; He alone forgives us from that evil that we cannot overcome on our own; He alone makes us feel loved even if everyone else disappoints us; He alone gives us the strength to love and, He alone gives us the strength to forgive in difficulties; He alone gives that peace to the heart that it is searching for; He alone gives eternal life when life here on earth ends.” (Pope Francis, 8 Aug '21)

He alone is enough. Wait in the silence.

He will answer, ever so softly.

Sister Alicia Torres, F.E.

Managing Editor, “National Eucharistic Revival”



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MASSES

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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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.



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 October, we are praying the
Rosary for Respect of Life



Twenty-Eighth 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.	Oct. 21 Lector: Tim Spila EMHC: Kathy Murray Servers: Tom Murray, Lydia Durdan
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Oct. 22 Lector: Barry Dickerson EMHC: No Ministers Servers: Trevor Tucker, McKenna Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: Joe Mefford EMHC: John Dixon, Pat Dixon Servers: Abby, Chris, and Tim Friedman
4:00 p.m.	Lector: Matthew Korah EMHC: Jan Weber Servers: Lucy Rank, Sophie Rank



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 16

7:00 a.m. Mary Sue Shay

Tuesday, October 17

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

Wednesday, October 18

6:00 p.m. No Mass or Devotion

Thursday, October 19

7:00 a.m. Edmund Mitsdarfer

Friday, October 20

8:15 a.m. Gernon and Boudreau Families

Saturday, October 21

5:30 p.m. Mary Elizabeth Warner

Sunday, October 22

8:00 a.m. Velma Jerkovitz
10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners
4:00 p.m. Todd Fleming



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE ALL SOULS DAY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND, 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for the Annual Mass of Remembrance on Thursday, Nov. 2nd, All Souls Day, at 6:00 p.m. It brings families and fellow parishioners together to remember those who have died this past year. There will be a special rite during the Mass when the names of our deceased will be announced and a rose will be presented to our Blessed Mother on their behalf.

Those involved in any parish ministry that supports those who have lost a loved one are especially encouraged to attend: the Bereavement Ministry: Funeral Luncheon cooks & servers, Parish Nurses, and Funeral Servers. All parishioners are welcome to attend.



COFFEE AND DONUTS - Coffee, donuts, juice, milk AND great conversation. Stop at the parish center after Sunday morning Masses for all of these. It's a Holy Cross tradition that's been going on for over 50 years. Join your friends, meet new people. Coffee Shop would be an excellent forum to kick around ideas with fellow parishioners.

One very important meeting to be held at our parish Oct. 28 at 1100 a.m. will be discussion, thoughts, and feedback on diocesan plans for future parish reorganizations. Your opinions and input are crucial. Please come over to coffee shop AND to the Oct. 28th meeting.



Holy Cross Eucharistic Revival Weekend with Fr. Luke Spannagel

October 20 – 22, 2023

Fr. Luke will celebrate Friday school Mass and all weekend Masses



Friday: Fr. Luke will visit classrooms

Saturday: Parish Potluck after 5:30 p.m. Mass, please bring a side dish or desert to share. Pulled pork sandwiches provided.

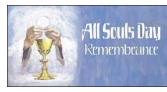
Sunday: Coffee Shop after morning Masses.

Adoration from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. with meditation by Fr. Luke, followed by Parish Ice Cream Social

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE. Be sure to enroll the names of your deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance located in the vestibule of the church.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY ENVELOPES.

Envelopes for All Souls Day Remembrance are available on the shelves in the back of the church.



FAITHFUL DEPARTED. Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of David Smith. May his soul and those of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

There will be no Devotion or Mass on Wednesday, Oct. 18th



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year we celebrate **World Mission Sunday**, an opportunity for us to reflect on the wide mission of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world.

Recognizing our own calling to the mission given us by the Lord, we share in the efforts both locally and around the globe to bring people to Christ. Whether it be on our own street corners or in remote lands thousands of miles away, fellow disciples of Jesus bring hope and love to whomever they encounter. The task of evangelization is dependent on our willingness to do our part in sharing the Good News.

I ask that you prayerfully remember the missionary activity of the Church in your daily prayers and that as we mark World Mission Sunday you consider how you might contribute to the missionary efforts of the Church. Please be generous in support of the collection for World Mission Sunday; your donation makes an impact in the lives of missionaries and the people they encounter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Louis Tylka

Most Reverend Louis Tylka
Bishop of Peoria

Note: The collection will be taken up next weekend, Oct. 21st - 22nd.



World Mission Sunday 2023
October 22nd

Were not our hearts burning within us?
Luke 24:13-35

26M Children, 38,140 Disciples, 8,750 Holy Crosses, 12,000 Catholics, 844,000 Evangelists, 258,540 BE THE SPARK THAT TRANSFORMS LIVES. GIVE NOW.

WWW.ONEFAMILYMISSION.ORG



HOLY CROSS MOMS' GROUP

Our next gathering is on Wednesday, **Oct. 18th** at Holy Cross Parish Center for Halloween Cookie Decorating.

Email us at: hcmomsgroup@gmail.com

Join our Facebook Group:

www.facebook.com/groups/holycrossmoms

Collection

Offering for Oct. 7th / 8th.....\$6,539.75

Development Fund.....\$543.00

Thank you very much!

The Holy Cross Cabaret Committee is hosting the 6th Annual Cabaret Night



**Friday evening, November 3rd
in the Holy Cross Church Parish Center**

Entertainers Geoff Poor and David Thies will again perform popular music for every generation, featuring the Great American Songbook.

Special guests include Bobby Poynton of The Lettermen.

Tickets are \$40 and include Heavy Hors D'oeuvres, Wine, Martinis, Beer & Coffee and can be purchased in the parish office or online at <http://e.givesmart.com/events/yDL>.

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. program 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Sponsorships are available in the amounts of \$250 (bronze), \$500 (silver), and \$1,000 (gold), and include an ad in the program and tickets to the event.

Please email stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org for more information!

All proceeds will benefit Holy Cross School.



Why are we doing Growing Disciples as a Diocese? We are Growing Disciples. Bishop Tylka chose that title intentionally. The world is different and we have to find new ways of doing things. We have fewer priests. Fewer Catholics. Fewer children. People are moving. We have to reimagine the way we reach people with the Good News.

The Growing Disciples process is designed to provoke conversation, to gather data and receive feedback. No decision has been made – and Bishop Tylka will consider all of the data and your feedback as he discerns the future footprint of the Diocese of Peoria.

Please attend our parish meeting, and check out growingdisciples.cdop.org for information about how the second draft models were created and how to provide your feedback to them. Please continue to pray that all our efforts today will bear fruit for a brighter tomorrow.

**The Parish meeting for Holy Cross will be
Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.
in the Great Hall of the Parish Center.**

**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of
the Son and of the Holy Spirit - Matthew 28:19**



High School of St. Thomas More

217-352-7210

www.hs-stm.org

Fall Open House: Check us out! STM will host its Fall Open House at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18th. Families of students in grades 7 & 8 are invited to meet our administration team, learn about our sports, clubs, and activities, and take a tour of the school. Questions? Email admissions@hs-stm.org for more information.

STM Empty Bowl Supper and Saber Talent Showcase

The STM Art Club and Art Department at The High School of Saint Thomas More are sponsoring the Empty Bowls Supper and Saber Talent Showcase to benefit The Daily Bread Soup Kitchen in Champaign. The event will be held at STM on Friday, November 3rd, 2023, from 5:30 to 7:30pm. We will be partnering with Culvers Restaurant on Marketview Dr. to bring participants a simple, but delicious meal, of soup and bread. The suggested donation for the bowl and meal is \$10 and for the meal alone is \$5. Additional donations are always welcome and there will be a silent auction of various artworks.

Veterans Day Assembly: Join us at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, November 9th in the STM gym for our annual Veterans Day Assembly. If you are a veteran, STM would be especially honored to have you attend. Please RSVP to info@hs-stm.org before November 7th.

Bowl Making: The Empty Bowls Supper and Saber Showcase which benefits a local food pantry is Friday, Nov. 3rd! Two more bowl-making nights open to anyone are Tuesday, Oct. 10th and Tuesday, Oct. 24th. Come to STM anytime between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. These handmade bowls will be sold at the event. Please reserve a spot with Mrs. Pagel at dpagel@hs-stm.org so we can have enough supplies and help!

7th & 8th Grade Student Shadow Visits: Do you have a 7th or 8th grader interested in attending the High School of St. Thomas More? Sign them up for a Shadow Visit Day! Generally, on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday of each month, these visits give a prospective student a chance to see firsthand what STM is all about by following a current Saber for a day. To sign your son or daughter up, go to hs-stm.org and click the "Visit" button in the menu on the homepage. Questions? Email Rachael McMillan at admissions@hs-stm.org for more information.

Job Opportunities: STM is seeking applications for a Director of Advancement, Head Girls Soccer Coach, and a Bus Driver. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at stmbridget@hs-stm.org, Mr. Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org, and Jon Marston, Athletic Director, at jmarston@hs-stm.org.



*Lord Jesus, You are a shield around me.
Strong in love, heavy with power,
shaped with hope, and glided with truth.
I will fear no evil, for you watch over
me. You defend and deliver me. In this
day, this hour, this moment I put my
trust in you. Amen.*



HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

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www.holycrosselem.org

From the Desk of Principal Koerner:

Holy Cross School considers bullying to be a serious issue. We promote a safe and secure learning environment in which students are able to learn, grow, and develop. The school also seeks to enlist the support and co-operation of all parents in the school community.

October is National Bully Awareness Month. Here at Holy Cross we support a **Bully Free School Environment**. As part of our continued effort to provide awareness against bullying, we will implement a month of bully-free activities. This will be beneficial to all students and staff at Holy Cross.

We had Bully Awareness Workshop October 2—6

Bully Awareness Workshops were held for all students in grades K-8 to educate them about the harms and dangers that bullying causes, and to show students what they can do to prevent and stop bullying.

We had Culture Awareness Week October 10—13

This week focused on the variety of cultures we have at Holy Cross.

October 16—20: Stand Up for Others Against Bullying Week

This week we will focus on the theme **"Friends lead, bullies divide."**

Did you know students who experience bullying are more likely to find peer actions more helpful than an educator or self-actions? By teaching children to stand up for one another, they learn to not only help their classmates and the importance of bully prevention, but that they can always turn to their classmates for help and support.

October 23—27: Share-a-Kind-Word Week

Students will participate in creating posters, with positive messages on post-it notes, handing them out to students at school, and share inspirational stories in the classroom.

October 30: Blue Shirt Day to Support Bullying Awareness

Students and staff will demonstrate their commitment to ending bullying by wearing either a navy or light blue school uniform polo shirt.

With your help, we hope to foster a safe, educational school environment where all students learn of the harms of bullying, and the importance of stopping bullying and supporting its awareness.

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!

There is an opening for a Teacher's Aid for the hours 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. Please contact the school if interested in this position. Holy Cross School : 217-356-9521.

*"The only purpose of our prayers and sacrifices
is to be an apostle of the apostles, to pray for
priests while they evangelize souls."*

—St. Therese of Lisieux



CHANGING SIDES 50m

Can hearts really be changed on the issue of abortion?

This film tells the powerful true story of the conversion of a dedicated Planned Parenthood director to a leading Pro-life Activist. Abby Johnson was the director of the abortion facility that was the launching pad of the bold new pro-life effort—40 Days for Life.

Abby believed that she was helping women by working for the nation's largest abortion operation, Planned Parenthood. She quickly rose in the ranks to become the director of an abortion facility and was even given an "Employee of the Year" award.

But one Fall morning everything changed.

Abby suddenly found herself on the other side of the fence, facing the truth about abortion. The real question now was, in her time of crisis, what would she do and who would help her?

This film reveals what happens when people pray, fast, sacrifice, love their enemies and take a stand on the most controversial issue of our time—abortion. Fences come down, hearts change, and the love of God shines light in the darkest, most unexpected places. And the evil of abortion is exposed and defeated.

The film includes exclusive interviews with those Abby encountered while she was on both sides of the fence including—the activists who prayed for her daily, the secular media who broke the big story of her conversion, the attorney who won the massive lawsuit that Planned Parenthood tried to silence her with, and more.

Plus great "bonus" material featuring Fr. Frank Pavone, David Bereit, Shawn Carney, Peter Kreeft and former abortion provider Carol Everett!



Join others, praying peacefully for an end to abortion.
Fall 2023 / Sept 27 - Nov 5
23,525 lives saved since 2007

At Planned Parenthood, 307 E. Stoughton St., Champaign

Planned Parenthood is the largest single abortion supplier in the U.S. According to their 2021-22 annual report, they performed over 374,155 abortions in the U.S.

Free 2-hr parking directly next to the apartment building at 3rd and Stoughton only. Sign-up at www.40daysforlife.com

Leader Contact Info: Sandi Ostrowski (217) 781-2022
sostrow@mchsil.com

At the Champaign site, they perform abortions by pills (to 10 weeks) and surgically (thru 21 weeks = 6 months of pregnancy). We know a child in the womb has a beating heart at 3 weeks, a beautiful ultra-sound starting at 6 weeks, and is growing and living as long as his or her environment is safe (no abortion). Illinois is now a destination state for abortion. Our laws and Executive Orders encourage women to travel to Illinois to get their abortions to avoid their own state laws. Won't you pray and stand for LIFE? Come and join us. Join your family and friends to defend the most vulnerable among us.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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Devall, Desmier, Jensen Families
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Dec. Mem. of Mueller, Neunhoffer, Willard Families
Robert F. Reiser Family
Dec. Mem. of Corkery, Cox, Murray Families
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Dec. Mem. of Happ, Krueger Families
Ed & Jean Bown
Chuck, Chad, Meghan Schweighart
Larry Hausmann, Bob Soucie
Living & Dec. Mem. of Cler & Flavin Families
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Pastore, Buzinsky, & Piccolo Families
Lamendola/Smith/Hammers Families
Hammel & Mitsdarfer Families
Margaret & Eldon Tufte and Dec. Mem. of their family
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William McMahon, Linda & Mike Wesolowski
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Zeilenga Family
Rentfrow Family
Towner Family
Haggin Family
Rakers-Wade Families
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Dec. Mem. of Cochrane-O'Brien families
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of David & Bernice Williams Family
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Graham, Fellers & Gordon Family
John E. Sullivan Family

Birdie & Edward Cronau
Raymond Timpone
Maxine Timpone
Margaret B. Schwenk
Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family
Perrodin Family
Living & Dec. Mem. of McNabney Family
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Eli & Hazel Kinser Family
Menacher & Sizer Families
Leonard & Loretto Doyle
Alan & Patricia Berndt
Thomas McCarthy
Costello Family
Leta & Kenny Porter
Ron Murphy
Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families
Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.