

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival



"When you have received Holy Communion, close your bodily eyes so that you may open the eyes of your soul. Then look upon Jesus in the centre of your heart."



-St. Teresa of Avila

Excerpt from How To Get More Out Of Holy Communion

by St. Peter Julian Eymard



Look upon Communion simply as the source of your sustenance and strength. It is not an exalted and arduous act of virtue, nor is it offered to you as a recompense for your virtues. You must receive Communion, not because you are holy, but because you wish to become so. That is the

rule. Go to Communion because you are weak and overburdened by the labors of the Christian life. See how Jesus Christ calls you to Communion: "Come to me, all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you."

If at times Communion does not give us that rest and refreshment, it is because we make of it a difficult act of virtue. We exert ourselves to the utmost in it, making countless exhausting acts – in short, laboring when we should be taking repose and nourishment.

Receive our Lord, and be at peace. Why all this agitation? You do not go to a banquet to transact business. Enjoy this celestial Food, then, and since you are receiving the Bread of angels, give yourself, like the angels, to contemplation for a while. You do not take the time to taste our Lord, and then you withdraw full of anxiety over having felt nothing! Follow in spirit the example of the Carthusians, who lie in prostrate at the foot of the altar throughout the time of their thanksgiving.

Good people will often say, "My Communions do not profit me, for I do not feel them." That is a wrong conclusion. The Eucharist is sweetness and strength. Thus it is represented throughout the Old Testament. Now it is a bread containing all sweetness. Again, it is a mysterious bread that, offered to the discouraged Elijah, gives him strength to continue his journey. In another instance, it is the refreshing cloud that cools the desert by day, the fire that gives light and warmth by night. Such is the Holy Eucharist. If you are weak, it strengthens you; if you are weary, it gives you rest. It is essentially a help proportioned to each one's need.



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



PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Leopold Mushobozi, Parish Administrator Fr. Deogratias Mpewo, Parochial Vicar Fr. Joseph P. Donton, Pastor (leave of absence) Deacon Ed Mohrbacher Deacon Michael Smith

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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.

Twenty-Ninth 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. 28 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley Peg Swanson Nora Kelley, Brody Oliveira
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Oct. 29 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Jay Geistlinger No Ministers Nicolette Burton, Landen Douglas
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy Ben Laws, Jay Ehlman Ben Summers, Ursula Tembo, Nolan Kiser
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers	Mary Linnenburger Penny Devall James Linnenburger, Sam Easton

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 been a Holy Cross tradition 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 11:00 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.

Join us today for the Eucharistic Rival with Fr. Luke Spannagel! Adoration 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm followed by Parish Ice Cream Social.



Holy Cross Eucharistic Revival Weekend with Fr. Luke Spannagel October 20 – 22, 2023



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



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 23

7:00 a.m. Ken Murphy

Tuesday, October 24

7:00 a.m. Deborah Hofmann

Wednesday, October 25

6:00 p.m. Maurice Gordon

Thursday, October 26

7:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of

Catholic Daughters Court #1070

Friday, October 27

8:15 a.m. Bernardine Spannagel

Saturday, October 28

5:30 p.m. Jason Davis

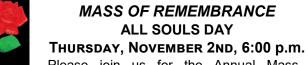
Sunday, October 29

8:00 a.m. Phil and Vinna Leahy
10:00 a.m. Lee and JoAnne Cabutti
4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners



Our Prayers and Best Wishes go

with Sean McMahon and Haley Emerick, who were married here on October 14th. May God's grace support them throughout their married life!



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.

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.





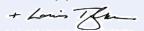
My Dear Friends in Christ,

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,



Most Reverend Louis Tylka Bishop of Peoria

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



OSF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Come volunteer with OSF Hospice!

We have a variety of opportunities that help serve our patients and their families. Available opportunities: visiting with patients, crocheting prayer shawls, sewing fidget blankets, office help, etc. Training is provided.

For more information on requirements or to obtain an Application, please call 217-355-4120 Ext 7 or email Mary.Cox@osfhealthcare.org.



HOLY CROSS DIRECTORY UPDATE

Thank you to all who came and had your picture taken for the directory. It will take some time to put the new directory together, so it may be Spring before we actually

have it done. Thank you for your patience as we gather information to put the new directory together! We will let you know as soon as they are done.

Again, thank you for your patience!

Collection

Offering for Oct. 14th / 15th.....\$9,732.82

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

Please email stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org for more information!

ad in the program and tickets to the event.

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

STM Empty Bowl Supper and Saber Talent Showcase

The STM Art Club and Art Department are sponsoring the Empty Bowls Supper and Saber Talent Showcase to benefit The Daily Bread Soup Kitchen in Champaign. When? Friday, Nov. 3rd at STM from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. We will partner 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, Nov. 9th in the STM gym for our annual Veterans Day Assembly. If you are a veteran, STM would be honored to have you attend. Please RSVP to info@hs-stm.org before Nov. 7th.

2023–2024 Paideia Award and Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award Nominations: The Paideia Award is presented each year to an individual or married couple who exemplifies true leadership in service to Catholic elementary and secondary education, sustained or substantial contributions of time, talent or treasure to the Champaign Vicariate educational community, and leadership in spreading the Good News through Catholic education.

Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award is presented to an STM alum who has made a positive impact on the community (local, long distance, or international), has displayed exceptional human and ethical qualities, and exemplified success in and out of the classroom or in his/her chosen career. Both awards will be presented at The STM Annual Spring Gala at Pear Tree Estate on Saturday, Feb. 3rd, 2024. Nominations are being accepted through Monday, Jan. 1st, 2024. Please complete the forms to submit names and a brief reason why the nominee is deserving of this prestigious recognition. Questions? Contact Joanna Yallaly at jyallaly@hs-stm.org.

7th & 8th Grade Student Shadow Visits: Do you have a 7th or 8th grader interested in attending STM? 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.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL VETERAN'S DAY 2023 "WALL OF STARS"



Share with us your military family members who have answered the call to service for our freedom. If a service member does not yet

have a star on our school "Wall of Stars," forms available at the back of the church and in the parish office & school office. Info needed: Name of military member, branch, years, rank/division, honors/awards, and relationship to Holy Cross family. Include a photo (3x3 or 3x5) of military member; photo will not be returned. Turn in the forms & photos to school or parish office. Questions? Email jcrull@holycrosselem.org



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

From the Desk of Principal Koerner:

With the end of the first quarter drawing near, I would like to thank all of our teachers, staff, families, parishioners, stake-holders and the Holy Cross community for their continued support. We could not have made it to the end of this successful quarter without the support, prayers, and generosity of you all. WE ARE TRULY BLESSED.

Have I shared how special our teachers are? Each of us has at least one special talent that we need to practice, and the Lord will lead us to use our talents best when we provide them for the good and enjoyment of others. Our teachers here at Holy Cross have amazing talents. I have witnessed their talents shine through when they are standing in front of a classroom teaching. A tremendous round of applause please for our teachers!

Giving our teachers the resources that they need to demonstrate their talents has been one of my goals. As you know, the resources needed this school year are expensive with inflation being what it is. The influx of 74 new students and an overall enrollment of 254 students has greatly added to our cost. Year to date, we have had to purchase 30 new chrome books, 10 iPads, 40 sets of headphones, and 2 mobile charging carts for the chrome books and iPads for a total of \$13,510. Other costs added to this school year was the west wall window replacement, which totaled \$159,000. With the window project complete, I still need to have blinds installed on the windows at a cost of \$7,928. One other major expense this year was replacing window air conditioners at a cost of \$12,329.

Our time, talents and treasure are on loan to us from God, and if you are able, give them away with unlimited generosity. In this light, the generosity of a few Holy Cross donors has partially offset the above costs. However, we still have a shortfall in the current budget. So, please pray about any contribution that might help offset this deficit. Your talent might be providing lunch for the teachers, sharing a little bit of your treasure to the school by giving a little bit more to the school or parish, coming to our Cabaret Night fundraiser, adopting a chrome book at \$370, or an iPad at \$360, or offering your prayers for the health, safety, and success of our Holy Cross community. Whatever you choose, know that we are so thankful for your support.

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.



VETERAN'S DAY HONORS

Holy Cross School Students, Faculty, and Staff invite all Veterans and Active Military to join in

our appreciation of your service to our country on **Friday**, **November 10th** for an **8:15 a.m.** Mass, followed by refreshments and a short program in your honor by our students.

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POPE JOHN PAUL II

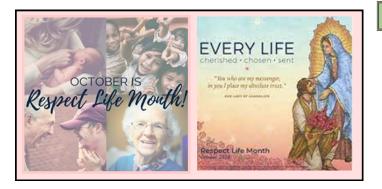
JOHN PAULII
This epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of

St. Peter. It explores his life behind the scenes: how he touched millions of people, changed the face of the Church and the world, and how he defended the dignity of mankind. Jon Voight's powerful, Emmy-nominated performance as John Paul II was widely praised, as was Cary Elwes as the young Karol. Shot on location in Rome and Poland in close connection with the Vatican, this is the definitive epic film on the life of Pope John Paul II. Stars Jon Voight, Cary Elwes, Ben Gazzara, James Cromwell, and Christopher Lee.



JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST: A SMALL GROUP SERIES FOR EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

During this time of Eucharistic Revival, Jesus is inviting us to encounter him in our life stories. Together, we'll explore the story of salvation as told through Scripture, fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus, and lived out in the Church and the Sacraments—especially the Eucharist. At the conclusion of this series, participants will be empowered to live out the Gospel in their own lives and share its message of hope with others.





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

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.

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HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

Tangora & Kovera Families

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 Families 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 Barham & Bosch Families

William McMahon, Linda & Mike Wesolowski McNamara & Mulcahey Family Living & Dec. Mem. of Giuffre & Cacioppo Families Boudreau & Arseneau Family Aloysius J. Winka Chárlie & Evelvn Bell Zeilenga Family Rentfrow Family Towner Family Haggin Family Rakers-Wade Families Hershbarger & Kick Families 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 McNabnev Family Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Eli & Hazel Kinser Family Menacher & Sizer Families Leonard & Loretto Dovle 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.