Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

January 5, 2020

Matthew 2:2

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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

HOLY CROSS CHURCH CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS



PRAYER TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

I greet you, ever-blessed Virgin, Mother of God, throne of grace, miracle of almighty power! I greet you, sanctuary of the Most Holy Trinity and Queen of the Universe, Mother of mercy and refuge of sinners! Hail Mary,....

Most loving Mother, attracted by your beauty and sweetness, and by your tender compassion, I confidently turn to you, miserable as I am, and beg of you to obtain for me of your dear Son, the favors I request in this novena. Hail Mary,....

Obtain for me also, Queen of Heaven, the most lively contrition for my many sins and the grace to imitate closely those virtues which you practiced so faithfully, especially humility, purity, and obedience. Above all, I beg you to be my mother and protectress, to receive me into the number of your devoted children, and to guide me from your high throne of glory. Hail Mary,....

MARIAN DEVOTION AND MASS

Please join our parish family on Wednesday evenings for a Marian Devotion and Mass. The Devotion for January is Mary, Mother of God. It begins at 5:30 p.m. in the church, followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Joseph P. Donton, Pastor Fr. Remigius Bukuru, Parochial Vicar Deacon Ed Mohrbacher Deacon Michael Smith

> **TRUSTEES** Tom Murray John Powers

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Gloria Fellers

> DIRECTOR OF MUSIC Jonathan Young

TRIBUNAL AUDITOR Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

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.

 Holy Days:
 8:15 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

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

HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

Rose Costello, Interim Principal 410 W. White, Champaign, Illinois, 61820 Phone: 217-356-9521 Fax: 217-356-1745

ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 Mass when school is in session, until Benediction at 2:15 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m. Mon, Tues, Thurs, 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 a baptismal preparation session, 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.

The Epiphany of the Lord

OUR PARISH

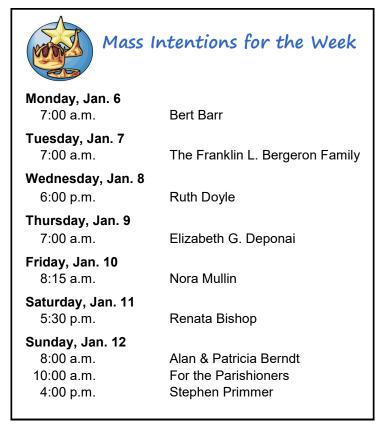
HOLY CROSS MISSION STATEMENT

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. | Jan. 11 Lector: Euch Min: Servers: | Rochelle Heidbreder Dennis Menke, John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman, Gloria Fellers, Brian Barnes Molly Moomaw, Miles Moomaw, Michael Moomaw |
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| Sunday 8:00 a.m. | Jan. 12 Lector: Euch Min: Servers: | Tim Spila Candy Rollins, Barry Dickerson, Fran Hacker, Greg Koerner Henry Karduck, Wil Karduck, Jack Walters |
| 10:00 a.m. | Lector: Euch Min: Servers: | Skip Thompson Dawn Friedman, Steve Carter, Pat Dixon, John Dixon, Benjamin Laws Ginny Friedman, Abby Friedman, Chris Friedman |
| 4:00 p.m. | Lector: Euch Min: Servers: | David Morris Anthony Frasca, Beth Frasca, Mike O'Brien, Bob Weber, Jan Weber, Elaine Hershbarger Anthony Frasca, Kate Frasca, Kristina Maloney |

| WEEKDAY SERVER SCHEDULE | | | | | | |
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| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | | |
| 6 Wil Karduck, Henry Karduck | 7 Josie McFarland, Maddie McFarland | 8 6:00 p.m. John Bingaman | 9 Emily Herges, Therez Herges | 10 8:15 a.m. School Servers | | |





COFFEE SHOP. Join us for Coffee & Donuts after the Sunday morning Masses. Meet and greet fellow Parishioners and enjoy their company!

HOLY CROSS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP will meet Today, January 5th, in the Parish Center Library after the 10 a.m. Mass. Anyone suffering the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend.

SENIOR LUNCHEON. Join us for our monthly Potluck on **Wednesday**, **January 8th**, beginning around noon. Those who can do so should wring a covered dish and their own table ser-

vice. A Parish Nurse will be available for BP checks and health-related questions.

RECYCLE YOUR MAGNIFICATS in the basket at the back of the church and we'll put them to good use.

Dinner at St Patrick's: "Cluckin' for Catholic Education" Fundraiser



St. Patrick's and Holy Cross parishes will co-host "Cluckin' for Catholic Education" smoked chicken dinner by Nelson's Catering on **Saturday, January 25th,** from 5

to 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's (Urbana) Parish Center. Tickets are \$12. Enjoy smoked chicken, southern style green beans, cheddar cheese potatoes, roll w/ butter, cake, and choice of coffee, lemonade or water. Tickets on sale in the Parish Office until January 17th, and after all Masses the weekends of January 12th and 19th at both parishes. Proceeds benefit the Catholic School Fund for both parishes. Questions? Call the Parish Office at 217.352.8748.

COOKIE SALE THANK YOU!



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Champaign County #1070 want to thank you for your support of our Annual

Christmas Cookie Sale in December. Thanks to your generosity we were able to give substantial gifts to two Seminarians at Mount St Mary's Seminary, and an Aspirant to the Sisters of St John Bosco from Champaign!

Mass for the Unborn

Will be held at the Cathedral of St Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Peoria on Friday, **January 24th** at 10:30 a.m. Celebrant will be the Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C. Sponsored by the Diocese of Peoria Respect Life Ministry and Office of Catholic Schools.

HOLY CROSS HAS PURCHASED A GIFT FOR YOU!

Everyone in our parish has a wonderful present awaiting them. Enjoy a free subscription to FORMED which features the best Catholic content, all in one place. Discover many books, audio talks, movies, and documentaries. There is something for



every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. AND IT IS FREE for all parishioners!

To create a FORMED account visit formed.org, select the parish box and type in Holy Cross and then type 61820, our zip code. Enter your email and you are all set! To watch and listen from your mobile device, check your app store for the formed mobile app. Come to Coffee Shop after the Sunday morning Masses for more information and help in setting up your account.

ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN

Holy Cross Parish is offering a Morning of Reflection on **Saturday, January 18th** at Holy Cross from 8:30 a.m. until noon. Msgr. Stanley Deptula, pastor of St. Matthew Church in Champaign, will join us and will share information about the life of Archbishop Fulton Sheen. This event is open to anyone in the Champaign Vicariate. The morning will include a light breakfast, a video about Archbishop Sheen entitled "Servant of All," and an informative talk by Msgr. Deptula. We will also spend some time in Eucharistic Adoration in the church. If you would like to attend, please call Holy Cross Parish Office at 217/352-8748 to make a reservation. Please join us!

MANY THANKS TO MANY PEOPLE!

Thanks to all who've donated so generously to the Flower Fund, and to those of you who spent hours adorning our church with beautiful decorations that gave it the true spirit of Christmas. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.

Thank You to our Music Ministry for your inspiring songs, especially during the Christmas Eve concert, and the beautiful organ music by our talented Jonathan Young.

Many Thanks for the generous contributions toward all the needs of Holy Cross Parish and School.

Thanks to all who brought in gifts for those in need, and also to those who brought in goodies to the office staff.

FLOWER FUND

Donations have been made in memory of Kevin Hodge; the Donna Menacher family; Joe Santarelli; the Lecher, Lynch, & Leathers families; Pat Rodgers; the Cochrane & O'Brien

families; Bern Buese & Jeri Hix; the Desmier, Devall, & Jensen families; Jack & Janet Dixon; Margaret, Jim, & Bobby Spencer; the Wagner, Painter, & Hettinger families; Ed & Jean Bown; Delores & Wayne Wade; Clara & John Rakers; Jo Ann, Harold Thomas, & Charles T. Heidbreder; Gene, Elaine & Ross Mayor; C. Thomas & Anne Corkery; Ethyl Cox; John F. & C. Joan Murray; Eve & Elmer Corkery; Jim & Kathryn Bristow; the Tamarri & Patton families; the Bingaman & Cosgrove families; Frank J. Hartman; and Chuck Schweighart.

Last Week's Collection

| Offering for December 21st/22nd | \$8,883.45 |
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| Christmas Offering | \$10,696.42 |
| Offering for December 28th/29th | \$9,825.82 |

Thank you very much!



AT HOLY CROSS SCHOOL, service to others is an important part of our students' curriculum. This year our students teamed up to complete several Advent service projects. Our **kindergarten, 1st, & 3rd graders** completed chores around the house to earn money to spend on donations for the Champaign County Humane Society.

Our **2nd & 4th grade students** held a bake sale to earn funds for the Daily Bread Soup Kitchen. Our **5th thru 8th graders** collected gently used towels, wash cloths, blankets, and gloves for the Canteen Run, sponsored by the Salvation Army, as well as coats and winter accessories for Austin's Place, an emergency overnight shelter for women.

Our 6th thru 8th grade choral students visited Clark Lindsey Retirement Village for Christmas caroling. Our Girl Scouts in Grades K—5 collected toiletries and assembled toiletry bags for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. They also visited several assisted living facilities to deliver poinsettias on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Thank you to our school faculty for teaching our students the importance of serving others and that there is always something we can give!



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

STM 2020-2021 ADMISSIONS. We are now accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year. For our online application and information on the high school, visit www.hs-stm.org. Questions? Call 217-352-7210.

STM 20TH ANNIVERSARY GALA. Save the date for the 2020 STM Gala on **February 8th** at Pear Tree Estate. STM invites you to spend an evening celebrating 20 years and giving thanks to all who had the vision for a Catholic high school in our community. Formal invitations to come.

To find out about the Gala sponsorship opportunities available, contact Bobbie Jo Kirby at <u>bjkirby97@gmail.com</u> or Matthew Vander Vennet at <u>vandervennet@hs-stm.org</u>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. We are seeking applicants for a Spanish Teacher and a Boys Head Tennis Coach. If interested, please email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org

WE NEED A BUS DRIVER to aid in transportation to extra-curricular events. If you are interested in driving, please contact Thomas Welte at <u>twelte@hs-stm.org</u>

SAVE THE DATE

The Ecumenical Memorial Pro-Life Prayer Vigil will be held on **January 22nd**, the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, at 7:00 p.m. This year's event will be held at Meadowbrook Community Church, 1902 South Duncan Road in



Champaign. Join us to pray for the victims of abortion.

We will come together to remember the precious babies lost to abortion, and the mothers and families who were wounded. We look for healing for them as we pray for an end to abortion. The theme is "*Now is the Time*." Our main speaker will be Delores Sofranko. Pastors will read Scripture and lead intercessory prayer, music and singing. There will be a rose procession, and refreshments and a chance to get to know fellow pro-life supporters at the end. This event is open to all.

APOSTLESHIP OFPRAYER

REFLECTIONS ON THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS, JANUARY 2020

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other Religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

www.apostleshipofprayer.org



INCOME TAX STATEMENTS

If you would like to receive a statement of your contributions made in 2019 for tax planning purposes, please fill out this form, cut it out, and drop it in the collection basket at Mass. Or you can also email your request to:

office@holycrosscatholic.org.

Or call the Parish Office at 352-8748.

NAME:_

Phone Number (optional):_____



Wise Men Still Seek Him



YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Bereaved Parents of the USA in the Champaign-Urbana area offers support meetings the 2nd Sunday of each month. The next meeting is Sunday,

January 12th at 4:30 p.m. at Stephens Family YMCA, 2501 Fields Dr. South, Champaign.

From the front door, the community room is down the hall to the left. For more information, contact Jerry or Jane Pica at 373-1321 or pica2521@comcast.net.

FertilityCare[™]Services of Champaign-Urbana, Featuring NaProTECHNOLOGY®

Free group Introductory Session for the Creighton Model System on Wednesday, **Jan. 22nd** at 7:30 p.m. at St. Matthew Church. The CM System is medically standardized and networks family planning with reproductive health. It can be used by married couples to achieve, avoid, or space pregnancies, or by any woman to monitor her health. It offers a fertility-care rather than fertility-control approach to medical evaluation and treatment, and offers new hope to couples struggling with infertility.

Visit <u>www.cufertilitycare.org</u> for more info or to register for the session. Other sessions to follow: Tuesday, **Feb. 25th** at St Patrick's in Urbana, and Wednesday, **April 1st** at Holy Cross.

GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

These services are available to residents in Champaign and nearby areas. The Good Samaritan Program offers free inhome or office-based counseling. Contact professional counselor Eileen Mathy (217-621-3014) or Lorraiine Kim for assistance. The "Caring Companions" part of this program matches volunteers with senior citizens who need help with chores, errands or transportation. Contact Kim McAvoy for assistance or to volunteer: <u>kmcavoy@ccdop.org</u> (217-637-2395).

POTLUCK LUNCHEON IN TOLONO

On Wednesday, **January 8th** at 11:30 a.m. the Catholic Charities Good Samaritan Program of Champaign and Piatt Counties is sponsoring a Potluck Lunch at St Patrick's Parish Center in Tolono. We will play Bingo, so please bring your white elephant items for prizes. Everyone age 55 and over is welcome; feel free to invite your friends. Please bring a dish to share. Call Kim McAvoy at 217-637-2395 with any questions.

HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

Devall, Desmier, Jensen Families Menke & Leahy Families Jerry & Loretta M. Dano Paul, Joe, Edward, & Marie Knoke 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 Pellum & Gillis Families Thelma Sparks, Parents of Charles & Thelma Sparks Ed & Jean Bown Chuck, Chad, Meghan Schweighart Larry Hausmann, Bob Soucie Living & Dec. Mem. of Cler & Flavin Families Graham & Huguet 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 Living & Dec. members of Baum & Decker Families Barham & Bosch Families Tangora & Kovera Families William McMahon, Linda & Mike Wesolowski McNamara & Mulcahey Family Living & Dec. Mem. of Giuffre & Cacioppo Families Boudreau & Arseneau Family Margaret Turkcan Aloysius J. Winka Evelyn Bell Zeilenga Family Rentfrow Family Ron Murphy Harold Kremer 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 Margaret Hettinger Raymond Timpone Maxine TImpone Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family Perrodin Family Living & Dec. Mem. of McNabnev Family Liv.& Dec. Mem. of Eli & Hazel Kinser Family John Michael Cabutti **Glen & Helen Jones** Betty Madrey Christie & Hoss Families Menacher & Sizer Families Leonard & Loretto Dovle Alan & Patricia Berndt Thomas McCarthy