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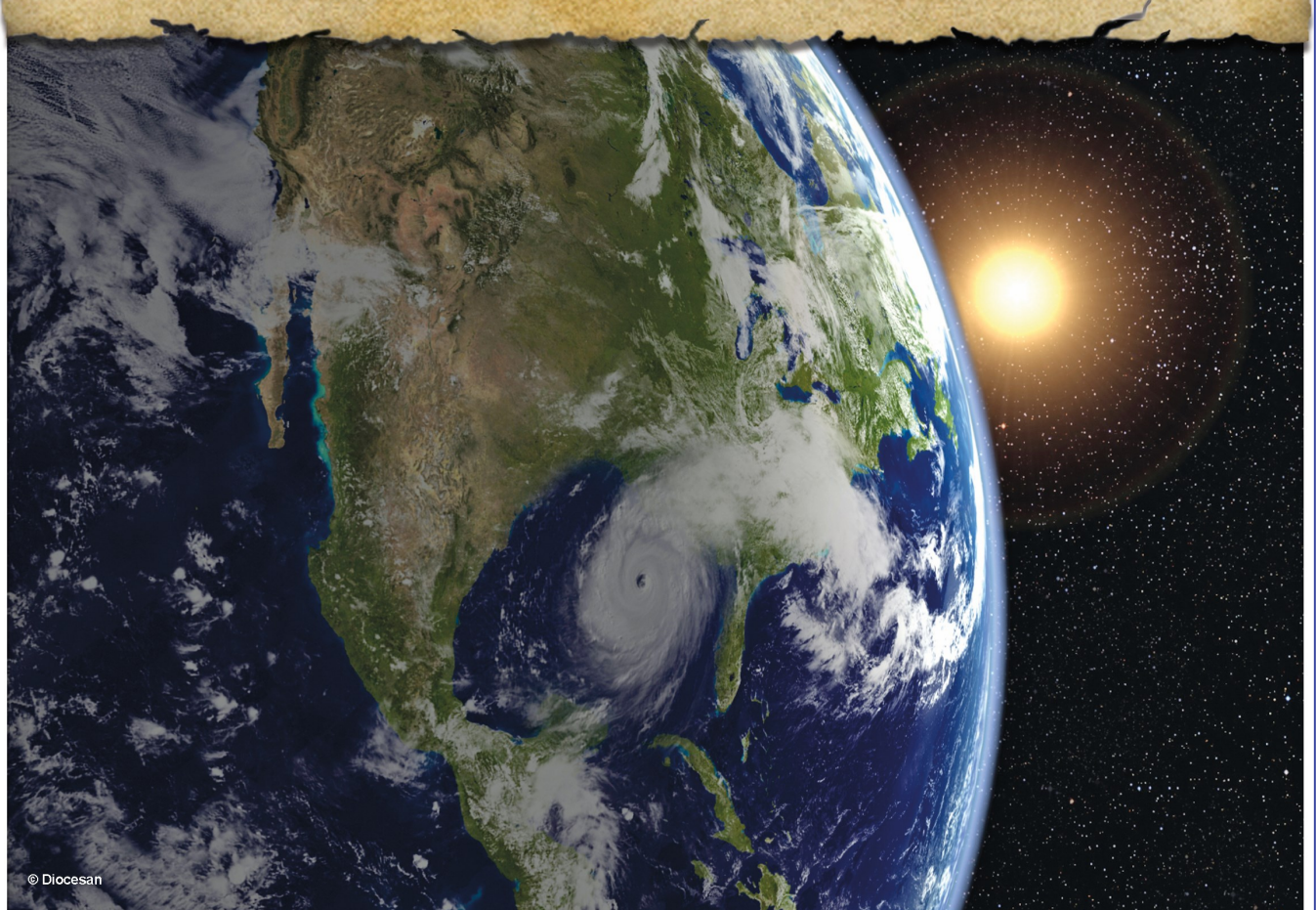
November 17, 2024

**SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY
TIME**

Need for Watchfulness

“But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

Mark 13:32



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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival



St. Gertrude (cont'd)

In another vision she was said to be given the following well-known prayer:



Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus Christ, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, those in the Universal Church, in my home, and in my family.

On his own feast day, St. John appeared to Gertrude and placed her by the wounded side of Jesus, where she could hear his beating Sacred Heart.

“Why is it, O beloved of God,” she asked him, “that you who rested on his bosom at the Last Supper have said nothing of what you experienced then?”

St. John told her:

It was my task to present to the first age of the Church the doctrine of the Word made flesh which no human intellect can ever fully comprehend. The eloquence of that sweet beating of his Heart is reserved for the last age in order that the world grown cold and torpid may be set on fire with the love of God.

Our Lord then showed her his Divine Heart, saying: Behold, I manifest to the gaze of thy soul my deified Heart, the harmonious instrument whose sweet tones ravish the Most Adorable Trinity. I give It to thee, and like a faithful, zealous servant, this Heart will be ready, at any moment, to repair thy defects and negligences. ... Make use of it and thy works will charm the eye and ear of the Divinity.

St. Gertrude encouraged others to pray to the Sacred Heart for graces. Jesus told her: “They may draw forth all they need from my Divine Heart.”

These visions continued until the end of her life. As she was dying, Jesus said to her: “Come, my chosen one, and I will place in you my throne.”

The feast of St. Gertrude was extended to the universal Church by Clement XII in 1738 and today is celebrated on Nov. 16, the date of her death in 1301 or 1302. Pope Benedict XIV gave her the title “the Great” to distinguish her from another St. Gertrude, Abbess Gertrude of Hackeborn, and to recognize her spiritual and theological insight.

-- *Patty Knap, November 16, 2016*

<https://ewtn.co.uk/article--st-gertrudes-love-for-the-sacred-heart-overflows-into-purgatory/>

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 November, we are praying the Litany for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

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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.

Thirty-Third 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.	Nov. 23 Lector: Elizabeth Kelley EMHC: John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman, John Kelley Servers: Ethan Weldy, Emma Lwao
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Nov. 24 Lector: Barry Dickerson EMHC: Sue Berndt, Lynette Barham Servers: Trevor Tucker, McKenna Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: Joe Murphy EMHC: Bonita Higginson, Jessica McMahon, Brooke McMahon, Ben Laws Servers: Ben Summers, Lincoln Wood
4:00 p.m.	Lector: Ed Seebauer EMHC: Juliann Seebauer Servers: Lydia Durdan, Sam Easton



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 18
7:00 a.m. Gernon and Boudreau Families

Tuesday, November 19
7:00 a.m. Julia Cleta Glennon

Wednesday, November 20
6:00 p.m. Tricia Hare

Thursday, November 21
7:00 a.m. Mary Sue Shay

Friday, November 22
8:15 a.m. David Atchley

Saturday, November 23
5:30 p.m. Angela Seaman

Sunday, November 24
8:00 a.m. Julia Cleta Glennon
10:00 a.m. Mary Lou Tempel
4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners

CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND



December is fast approaching, and it's not too early to contribute to the flower fund to pay for this year's poinsettia order for the church's Christmas decorations. You may drop your donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked "flower fund" or bring it to the office.

If you want to make your donation in memory or in honor of family members or friends, please write those names on a slip of paper and include it with your donation.

Thank you in advance for your generosity

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Come over to the Parish Center after the Sunday morning Masses for community fellowship. Coffee, orange juice, milk and donuts are served in the Great Hall after Sunday morning Masses. It's the perfect chance to reconnect with friends and to make new ones.



Encounter Nights:

Join us **November 27** after the 6:00 p.m. Mass in the church to spend time with Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration followed by Benediction. Stay for a little while or stay for the entire hour. Just come and spend time with Him. What a great way to thank Him for all your blessings! He waits for you!



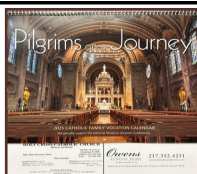
NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Kyan Robert Kirkwood Sawyer, son of Daniel and Kya Kirkwood-Sawyer. Let us support little Kyan on his faith journey!

FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Each Friday after the 8:15 a.m. Mass, Jesus holds a special open house in our beautiful church. He invites us to spend quiet time with Him to give thanks for blessings received and to tell Him about our pressing concerns. Come visit Jesus. He would so love your company!

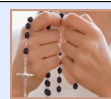



Exposition after 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction at 2:30 p.m.



2025 CALENDARS are available at all exits of the church, as well as in the Parish Office. Many thanks to Owens Funeral Home for providing us with complementary calendars every year!

PRAYING THE ROSARY AFTER MORNING MASS - Please join us as we pray the Rosary after the 7:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday.





THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES GIVING TREE PROJECT

We will once again be collecting toys and gift items for those in need in the Peoria Diocese, to make their Christmas a little brighter.



We will have a "Giving Tree" set up in the vestibule of the church with ornaments that have an age range, and type of gift requested, printed on it. Please take one or more of these ornaments from the Catholic Charities Giving Tree located at the back of the church and purchase the gift(s).

You should drop the items off at the back of the church, or in the parish office, **before December 6th**, so we can get the gifts to Catholic Charities, and they will pass them along to the families.

Everything we collect here at Holy Cross will be given to families in the local Champaign County area.

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748.

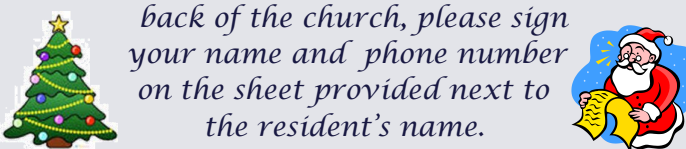

Thank you so much for your support!

~Swann Special Care Center Gifts

*This year we will again participate in the Christmas Wish List providing Christmas gifts for the residents of Swann. With each name is a wish list. Help bring the joy of Christmas to these residents. If you'd like to provide a gift for a resident, call the Parish Office at (217) 352-8748 for the list of names and ages. Or pick a name from the "tree" at the back of the church. Gifts must be in the office by Friday, **December 6th**.*

If you take a name strip from the "Tree" at the back of the church, please sign your name and phone number on the sheet provided next to the resident's name.

DEAF CATHOLIC WORKSHOP: MAKING OUR LIVES HOLY FOR GOD


On Saturday, November 23, renowned **Fr. Joe Mulcrone** will be leading a day-long spiritual workshop for the deaf at St. Patrick Catholic Church (Urbana, IL). The conference, Confession (3 p.m.), and Mass (4 p.m.) will be in **American Sign Language** as well as spoken.

If you are interested, please contact Minette at minetteministry@gmail.com. Additional information:

- Bring your Bible
- Cost is \$20
- Breakfast bagels and lunch are included
- Nov 23 (9 a.m. - 3 p.m., 4 p.m. Mass in **ASL** and English)
- Location: 708 W. Main St. Urbana, IL 61801
- Non-Catholics are welcome!

2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

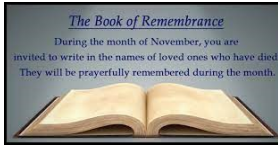
"Do everything for the *Glory of God.*"
1 Cor 10:31



ADA - Have you made a pledge for the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal? There is still time. A gift to the ADA, large or small, can go a long way. Consider a one-time gift or a monthly pledge for eight months. There are envelopes in the vestibule / pews. Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important diocesan ministries, and every dollar raised over our goal will be kept in the parish to help us with parish needs. To those who have pledged, thank you!

Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this year's appeal.


Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
~Amen~



The Book of Remembrance
During the month of November, you are invited to write in the names of loved ones who have died. They will be prayerfully remembered during the month.

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

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY ENVELOPES for All Souls Day Remembrance are available on the shelves in the back of the church.



Collection

Offering for November 9th/10th.....\$5,574.00
Development Fund.....\$1,086.00

Thank you very much!



High School of St. Thomas More
 217-352-7210
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STM Madrigal Dinner. Enter into the Advent and Christmas Season with your STM Madrigals! This beautiful holiday themed evening of revelry, food and song is sure to have you in the Christmas Spirit! Join our kingdom as we come together for an evening of soaring melodies, raucous comedy, and most importantly the story of the baby born in the manger. Two different opportunities this year to join us! A dessert-only option for those who are in for more of a concert and our traditional meal shows! Tickets for Thursday are General Admission, and for our Friday and Saturday shows you will have an assigned table. Tickets are on sale now at <https://stmusicanddrama.ludus.com/index.php>. For more information, contact the Music and Drama Department at mad@hs-stm.org.

Parent Wine & Wisdom. Thursday, December 12, 2024, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. (6:30 p.m. Fellowship Begins, 7:00 p.m. Talk Begins) at The High School of Saint Thomas More, 3901 N Mattis Ave., Champaign. Adults, please join us for fellowship, formation, wine, and snacks with Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck and his parents, Kim and Mike. Did you know that Fr. Chase was a professional soccer player before becoming a priest? How did he stay faithful while traveling the world? Come hear Fr. Chase and his parents speak about balancing a serious athletic life with a serious spiritual life.

Save the Date! Join us Saturday, February 8th, 2025 for our 25th Jubilee Gala at Pear Tree Estate. We invite you to an evening of elegance, celebration, feasting, and mirth! Help celebrate 25 years of STM and our amazing Saber family. The event will benefit two upgrades to our school: the HVAC control panel and our sound and lighting systems for our cafetorium. More information coming soon!

Shadow Visit Days for 7th and 8th Graders: 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, shadow visits give prospective students 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 on the menu on the homepage. Questions? Email Rachael McMillan at admissions@hs-stm.org for more information.

Admissions Application Open for 2024-2025. 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. Apply by December 1, 2024 and receive 5% off tuition for your first year.

CampRome Odunze Youth Football Camp at STM! Star Chicago Bears Wide Receiver Rome Odunze will be having a youth football camp for ages 6-16 here at STM on July 12th, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. Click here for more information: <https://www.flexworksports.com/camps-1/rome-odunze-champaign%2C-il>

STM Job Opportunities: STM is currently seeking applications for a Bus Driver. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at srbridget@hs-stm.org, Mr. Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org and John Delaney, Athletic Director at jdelaney@hs-stm.org.



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CALLING ALL HOLY CROSS SCHOOL ALUMNI!

We want to stay connected with our incredible alumni community! Whether you're near or far, we'd love to hear from you and keep our records up to date. Please take a moment to fill out this quick Alumni Survey to help us update our database. Your participation will ensure that you stay informed about future events, reunions, and exciting updates from Holy Cross! Simply scan the QR code below or go to: <https://forms.gle/JL3TztvZrFDsWKdd6> Thank you for being a part of the Holy Cross legacy. We look forward to staying in touch!



Holy Cross Alumni- Please Scan!



HOLY CROSS SCHOOL VETERAN'S "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 are 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 the school or parish office.

Questions? Email jcrull@holycrosselem.org

Holy Cross School Job Opportunities:

1st Grade Teacher's Aide, and Middle School Religion Teacher for 2nd semester

Our Aquaponics Lab has been up and running for over two years. We've primarily harvested lettuce but have also been experimenting with carrots, radishes, basil, and even a few tomatoes and peppers.

WHAT IS AQUAPONICS?



The Tryon Aquaponics Tower is made of PVC piping and incorporates LED lighting and rotating plant trays. Not shown are the tanks that will house tilapia, a vital part of the nitrogen cycle that makes it work. (The Catholic Post/Jennifer Willems)

Aquaponics is a method of growing plants using a water-based, nutrient-rich solution instead of soil. So rather than being "farm to table" the goal is to be "tower to table."



**RESTORED:
STORIES OF ENCOUNTER**

Witness the profound beauty of ordinary people whose lives have been radically moved by Jesus Christ. Each episode of this six-part series explores a unique ministry effort driven by fascinating individuals who live to bring Christ's light to dark and lonely places.

Restored: Stories of Encounter seeks to bring hope and renewal to the world by sharing the ways that Christ is working in the world today. Anyone – no matter where they are in their faith journey – will be inspired by this series to do good.



PRAY FOR AN UNBORN CHILD

A priest of this diocese, Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen encouraged people to spiritually adopt an unborn

child, and thereby combat the abortion mentality and general anti-life sentiment in our world today. It is said that although the identity of the child you pray for will be unknown to you during your earthly life, there is every hope that you will be united with that child forever in Heaven.

Archbishop Sheen wrote the following daily prayer to spiritually adopt an unborn child: *"Jesus, Mary, Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen."*



**LAUGH AND GROW
BIBLE FOR KIDS**

Based on the award-winning Bible! Join Minno kids Margot, Lexi, Miguel, and Logan on an exciting journey through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Learn God's big story through each episode featuring beloved Bible moments, curious questions, and a whole lot of fun!

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.

OSF Healthcare

Pro-Life News from Joy



New: we just delivered – a queen and a twin bed, with linens ! Thank you!

We hope to be delivering a computer desk, lamps, and a table and chair set soon!

We Need: 2 twin beds.

We need another twin bed set for a Holy Cross high school student who deserves to have good sleep!

If your family has excess goods and wants to share your gently-used, but lovingly-given items to this family, please contact me! [Joy Pace 217 840-0322](mailto:JoyPace217840-0322) or joypace@msn.com

Pro-Life Discussion Group
Every 3rd Monday of the month at 3:30 p.m.



Next meeting: November 18th at 3:30 p.m. We will be in the Holy Cross mezzanine (second floor of the Parish Center), 405 W. Clark St. Champaign. Please contact Joy at joypace@msn.com or 217 840-0322 for more information. We are currently unpacking Gender Ideology.

Pro-Life affects more than just abortion – and living a pro-life life helps inform and guide every decision. We truly believe that every human needs to be treated fairly and with dignity, simply because they are human.

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
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

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
Haggin Family
Rakers-Wade Families
Hershberger & 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
Theresa Brya

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.
Dan Crawmer