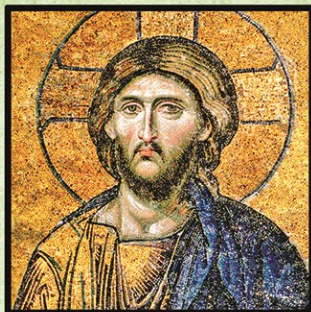


# Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Look, there is the  
**LAMB  
of GOD!**



January 18, 2015



## LIGHT ONE CANDLE FOR LIFE



Being in proximity of a church for all my adult life, when the "lights went out" with electricity outages over the years, candles were always around to provide sufficient light for me to avoid stumbling and get the essential things done. The light of even one candle is so valuable when darkness surrounds us.

Back on January 22, 1973, the "lights went out" on our American society. On that date abortion became legal in our entire country. Since then our nation has groped in darkness. Lighting one candle could bring hope and lead us toward respecting the sanctity of human life.

Biology is clear that at conception a unique organism comes into existence. Since this new life possesses human DNA and is the offspring of human parents, it can only legitimately be described as human life. As far as observable science is concerned, human life begins at conception.

The American Medical Association contends that human life exists even at the earliest stages of gestation. The AMA held this position since the 1850's. All science has done since then is show us more and more clearly that these are living human beings, at every stage of development.

However, their official position today is: "The Principles of Medical Ethics of the AMA do not prohibit a physician from performing an abortion in accordance with good medical practice and under circumstances that do not violate the law." (III, IV)

What changed? The only change has been a moral one. God is no longer a part of AMA thinking and human life no longer has any intrinsic value. We live in darkness.

As Christians, we are not to curse the darkness, nor are we to be content to live in darkness. We are to light a candle. We are to bring the light of truth and life back into our society. We are to stand up and proclaim the infinite worth of every human being.

There are plenty of ways to light our candles. First, we could pray for our legislators that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit's inspiration and courage to defend human life at every stage—from conception to natural death. Many times God's inspiration will come first through the human means of making our values known to our political representatives. Lighting a candle may mean for you to write a letter or send an email or make a phone call to your local legislator.

Another way to light a candle is to support our parish's Pro-Life activities. There are many ways for you to get involved. Spreading awareness of the sanctity of life will bring light into our world. Lighting a candle may lead you to be an agent of healing for those who had abortions. The Project Rachel Ministry provides ways toward healing and forgiveness.

Human beings are like snowflakes. No two are the same. We are unique. We are one of a kind. Let's do what we can to bring the light of every human life into our world.

Fr. Dave

### PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

*Fr. David Sajdak, S.D.B., Pastor*  
*Fr. Joseph Santa Bibiana, S.D.B., Parochial Vicar*  
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*Deacon Henry 'Hank' Hart*  
*Deacon Ed Mohrbacher*  
*Deacon Robert 'Bob' Ulbrich*

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*Scott Montgomery*

#### TRIBUNAL AUDITORS

*Deacon Ed Mohrbacher Deacon Henry Hart*

### MASSSES

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 4:00 p.m.  
Daily: 7:00 a.m. Mon–Fri, 6:30 p.m. Wed,  
& 8:15 a.m. Sat.

### HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

*Christina Ellis, Principal*  
410 W. White, Champaign, Illinois, 61820  
Phone: 217-356-9521 Fax: 217-356-1745

### ADORATION

Fridays all day, with Benediction at 4:45 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Monday through Friday: 6:45 to 6:55 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 three months in advance to schedule.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples contemplating marriage should call the Pastor at least eight 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.

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## OUR PARISH



### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday, Jan. 19**

7:00 a.m. Francis Fleming and Daniel

**Tuesday, Jan. 20**

7:00 a.m. John Hirschfeld

**Wednesday, Jan. 21**

7:00 a.m. John Cacioppo

6:30 p.m. Memorial Mass

**Thursday, Jan. 22**

7:00 a.m. In honor of Joseph B. Haggin

**Friday, Jan. 23**

7:00 a.m. Jozef Vamos  
Gene Lachenmyer  
(All School Mass)

8:15 a.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 24**

8:15 a.m. In honor of Rosemary Pisani  
5:30 p.m. Fred and Irene Schlorff

**Sunday, Jan. 25**

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners  
10:00 a.m. In honor of Dennis Cable  
4:00 p.m. Gene and Mike Lachenmyer

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY ST. JOHN BOSCO!

#### YOUTH MASS

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup> AT 5:30 P.M.**



Help celebrate St. John Bosco's Feast Day and the anniversary year of his 200<sup>th</sup> birthday with a special Youth Led Mass on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. The children will be lectors, ushers, and greeters, and will sing in the choir.

A Reception will follow in the Parish Center Great Hall. Everyone is welcome!

### YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

20-Somethings Take Note

You are invited to a get-together Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, directly after Mass, at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Great Hall. Come for pizza and meet new friends. Singles and married couples are welcome.

For more information, call the Parish Office at 352-8748.



**FAITHFUL DEPARTED.** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Zachary McNabney. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

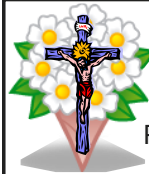


**COFFEE AND DONUTS VOLUNTEERS** for January 25<sup>th</sup> are Cheri and Harry Rakers for the 8:00 a.m. Mass crowd and the Howard Walker family for the 10:00 a.m. Mass crowd. Thank you for your gift of time! **More volunteers are needed**, especially for the 8:00 a.m. Mass crowds.



**PARISH NURSE NEWS.** The Parish Nurses will be taking blood pressure in the Parish Center **next Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** Undetected high BP can lead to heart disease, stroke, and kidney disease. Take advantage of this free convenient service. It could save your life!

**HOLY CROSS MOMS' GROUP.** Have questions about Natural Family Planning? Please join us on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center library. Erin Taylor will lead us through some basic topics of NFP and answer any questions we might have. She'll also guide us if we're interested in taking a class with our spouse. She teaches classes here in town. Hope you can make it! We'll enjoy some refreshments and coffee. The nursery will be open for our children.



### HELP SUPPORT OUR RCIA catechumens and candidates during this time of preparation!

Please join in prayerful support of both the RCIA team and participants with a Spiritual Bouquet. The gift of a Spiritual Bouquet is simply a collection of prayers the giver has offered or will offer for the recipient.

Spiritual Bouquet forms are available at the back of the church and in the Parish Office. Fill one out with your prayer intentions for our incoming brothers and sisters, and turn it in to the collection basket or Parish Office.

### SPONSOR A CEILING!

In our ongoing "face-lifting" of our school, you could have a classroom ceiling dedicated to you! The classrooms of our older building are in need of improved lighting and suspended ceilings. The cost is \$8,035 per classroom. You could have a partial sponsorship, or go in with several family members or friends. Just like "adopting a highway" you can now "own a ceiling"!

### 2014 Church Contributions Tax Statements

In order to save money on postage and office supplies, Annual Statements for 2014 contributions to the church will not be sent automatically. If you need a copy for your tax return, please call the Parish Office at 352-8748. Or email [office@holycrosscatholic.org](mailto:office@holycrosscatholic.org).



## FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> IS SCOUT SUNDAY!

Join us for the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Scout Sunday is an annual event that recognizes the religious achievements of boys and girls involved in Scouting. These achievements are based on the individual Scouting program and are designed to promote age appropriate religious learning. Groups participating in Scout Sunday activities include Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Brownies.

Boy Scout Troop 9 will host a **PANCAKE and SAUSAGE BREAKFAST** at the Parish Center on Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses. Proceeds help support Scouting at Holy Cross School. Stop by to enjoy some tasty sausage and pancakes! Adults: \$4.00, Children: \$3.00, Families: \$15.00 maximum.



## DINNER FOR OUR PRIESTS

Some parish families provide dinner for our priests one weekday a month. If you would like to be among those providers who are so appreciated by our priests, call the Parish Office at 352-8748 to schedule a day. Or log in to the calendar and sign up using the following information:

www.carecalendar.org  
Care calendar # 154196  
Helper security code: 9944

**Another option:** Give our priests restaurant gift cards or have take-out delivered to them.

Thanks for your consideration!

## Last Week's Collection

Offering for week of JAN. 11<sup>th</sup> .....\$8,658.84  
Development Fund.....\$1,846.79

Thank you for your generous contributions.

## LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday, 5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Jan. 24</b> Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	David Kristovich Gloria Fellers, Lynette Lykins, Charlie Parr, Dennis Menke, Sharon Kristovich Max Walters, Spencer Burgin, Alexis Burgin
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Jan. 25</b> Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Jay Geistlinger Greg Koerner, John Sullivan, John Deponai III, Frances Hacker, Joseph Hacker Joseph Herges, Laura Nussel, Beth Geistlinger
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Joseph D. Murphy Karen Ulbrich, Jessica McMahon, Bonita Higgerson, Margie Hoss, Peg Swanson, Carol Bergeson, Steve Carter Natalie Deptula, Adam Zasada, Sydney McMahon
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Mary Schell Lee Cabutti, Joanne Cabutti, Sharon Foreman, Ed Seebauer, Rob MacKichan Maci Walters, Jerrica Gallegos, Alondra Feliciano

## 7:00 a.m. WEEKDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
19	20	21	22	23
Spencer Burgin, Stephen Jerkovitz	Emma Brunson, Maci Walters	Sarah Tangen, Julia Tangen	Alondra Feliciano, Molly Moomaw	Rachel Burdette, Noelle Schacht

## KIDS CORNER



## Respect Life

"The measure of love is to love without measure."

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## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is inspired by Gospel values and leads men and women to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to the needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederick Ozanam, and its patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

The Holy Cross/St. Matthew Conference is blessed by the generosity of our parishioners who make this outreach possible. Your collective food and financial contributions enabled us to assist 143 adults and 192 children in Champaign during December. We also delivered Food Baskets to 57 needy families.

Please continue your support and keep the members of St Vincent de Paul Society and those they help in your prayers. Our donation poor box is in the vestibule of the Church.



## OUR SCHOOLS



Holy Cross School  
356-9521  
[www.holycrosselem.org](http://www.holycrosselem.org)

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION CHANGE!!! AGE REQUIREMENT FOR PRESCHOOL AT HOLY CROSS IS 3 TO 4 YEARS.

We apologize for the previous misinformation.

#### PRE-SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

**NIGHT** for the 2015-2016 school year will be Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. Children ages 3 and 4 years old are eligible for enrollment in Pre-School, and children ages 5 or older by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, may be eligible for enrollment in Kindergarten. For more information please call the school office at 356-9521.

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK IS JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>-31<sup>ST</sup>

Come to our Open House here at Holy Cross School Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.



High School of St. Thomas More  
352-7210  
[www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org)

**STM PREVIEW NIGHT-TAKE 2.** All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents are invited to attend STM Preview Night-Take 2 on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**PACK THE GYM!** All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders and parents are invited to attend Pack the Gym at STM on Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. Help us cheer on the STM girls basketball team play SJO and join us for FREE Culver's ice cream and brownies! Students must be accompanied by an adult. Please RSVP to Jack Clifford at [jclifford@hs-stm.org](mailto:jclifford@hs-stm.org).

**STM 2015-2016 ADMISSIONS.** The High School of Saint Thomas More is accepting applications for the 2015-2016 school year. For an application please call 819-5705.

*Here Am I, Lord;*

**I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.**

## STEWARDSHIP

"Everything is a gift from God"

Today's responsorial psalm is the theme song of the good steward: "*Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*" May I, too, stand ready to offer myself and my gifts in the service of God.  
(see Psalm 40)

## OUR DIOCESE



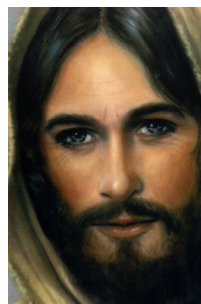
[www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org)

#### John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Fund Grants:

Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2015-2016 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed. Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website [www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org):

Click on **EDUCATION**; then on **OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**; highlight the Select list and then down to **SPALDING SCHOLARSHIPS**. Consult the detailed Protocols and Procedures for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award. Parents are encouraged to apply online at: [online.factsmgt.com/aid](http://online.factsmgt.com/aid). Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for 2015-2016 must **reapply**. Deadline date for the completed application is **MARCH 15, 2015**. Notification of grant awards will be made by mid-April.

#### FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION JESUS IS CALLING YOU!



**Open House. All Are Invited.** Each week Jesus holds a special open house in the peacefulness of 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.

Please consider signing up for a half-hour or more to visit Our Lord on Fridays beginning after the 8:15 a.m. all-school Mass and ending with Benediction at 4:45 p.m. It would be time well spent. And Jesus would so love your company!

## VOCATIONS

"A call from God to live in a particular way"

"Behold the Lamb of God." Could it be that you are being called to point out the Lord to others as a priest or in the consecrated life? Call Msgr. Brian Brownsey at (309) 671-1550, or write: [msgr\\_brownsey@cdop.org](mailto:msgr_brownsey@cdop.org).

**Please pray for all vocations:** Marriage, Priestly, Religious Life, Consecrated Single Life. Pray also for all Salesian seminarians and Diocese of Peoria seminarians.

## OUR COMMUNITY

### FUMC'S AUSTIN PLACE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The First United Methodist Church's shelter for women is open until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, and needs more volunteers. ***Otherwise the shelter cannot stay open to help the homeless during the winter.***

Please support their mission by volunteering for one of the following:

- Stay overnight with their guests
- Transport their guests
- Donate food, time, or money

If you are willing to volunteer, contact Pastor Cathy Minor at 356-9078 or cminor@champaignfumc.org.

### UNEMPLOYMENT IS A PAINFUL PILGRIMAGE

Trying to find a job isn't easy. You don't have to do this journey alone! Meet with other unemployed people while looking for work. Shared experiences and solutions can reduce the threat of:

- Eviction or loss of access to email or phone which are essential to a job search;
- Not having enough money for food, clothing, car repairs, or prescription drugs;
- Feeling isolated, rejected, or hopeless because people no longer treat you like you have any worth.

To get started, call Cliff Maduzia at 217-791-1264 or email cmaduzia1@sbcglobal.net.

## 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.

**Dave & Harry Locksmiths.**

## PRO-LIFE ISSUES

### LIFE CANDLELIGHT VIGIL



On Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 p.m., a candlelight prayer vigil for all victims of abortion will be held at Women's Health Practice directly north of Biaggi's Restaurant at 2125 South Neil, Champaign. The event marks the 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the end of basic human rights for the unborn. For more information please call Myrna Buyno at 352-1007.

### COMMUNITY ECUMENICAL PRAYER VIGIL

To be held January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at First Wesleyan Church, 408 E. Illinois, Urbana. Sponsoring area churches include First Wesleyan Church; Holy Cross, St. Matthew, and St. Patrick Catholic Churches; InsideOut Church; Monticello Church of the Nazarene; Three Hierarchs Greek Orthodox Church; Twin City Bible Church; and Windsor Road Christian Church. We hope you can join us in this prayer service. Reception to follow.



### A Word from Joy

We have been busy helping families this Christmas season! We have helped 8+ families—delivering a turkey, food, lots of diapers, a baby swing, a booster car seat, a coat in good condition, a week's groceries for two families, gift cards, special soy formula, clothes for babies, hand-made blankets, and winter hats and scarves!

Small acts of kindness give people hope. Our families are grateful for the help and kindness, and they pay it forward to others in need. Let us prepare to receive with joy all the children in the womb, and the poor in our midst. Want to help? Call Joy at 359-8406.

## HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

Devall, Desmier, Jensen Families  
Menke Family  
Jerry & Loretta M. Dano  
Paul, Joe, & Edward Knoke  
Dec. Mem. of Henry, Butler, Reynolds Families  
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, Parod, Fotzler Families  
Bruns Family  
Dec. Mem. of Happ, Krueger Families  
William Pllum & Kevin Pllum  
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  
ALL SOULS, Living and Deceased

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  
Wm. Zeilenga Jr.  
Eleanor Zeilenga  
Ellen Zeilenga  
Arlin Rentfrow  
Rita Rentfrow  
Ron Murphy

Fred Porter  
Harold Kremer  
Rakers-Wade Families  
Dec. Mem. of Slykas Family  
Hershbarger & Kick Families  
Dec. Mem. of Cochrane-O'Brien families  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of David & Bernice Williams Family  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Gilbert & Betty Graham Family  
John E. Sullivan Family  
Birdie & Edward Cronau  
Margaret Hettinger  
Raymond Timpone  
Maxine Timpone  
Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family  
Bill Gilles  
Loretto B. Doyle  
Perrodin Family  
Living & Dec. Mem. of McNabney Family  
Christie & Hoss Families