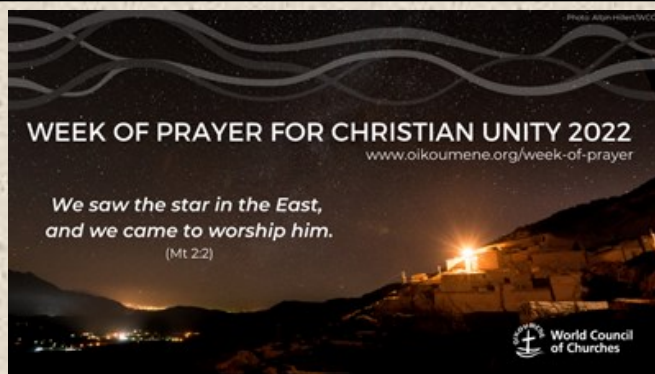


January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

Luke 4:21



**POPE: MAY WE ALL JOIN IN
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

Pope Francis has invited everyone to participate in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from 18 to 25 January, which this year focuses on a theme relating the experience of the Magi, who came from the East to Bethlehem to worship the Messiah King: "*We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him.*"

The Pope said that in a similar way, Christians of diverse backgrounds and traditions "are pilgrims on our way to full unity" who come closer to our goal when keeping our gaze fixed on Jesus.

The Pope encouraged us to pray for Christian unity and also offer up our struggles and suffering.

Prayer for Christian Unity

Loving God, we ask that you grant us
the spirit of wisdom and unity,
so that we may be one,
even as you are one with our
Lord Jesus Christ—and he with you.

Enable all the members of the body of Christ
to live together in unity and fellowship with one
another, and lead us into the paths of
peace and righteousness so that we
may be well pleasing in your sight.

We ask you to teach us how to
love one another as Christ loved us
and help us to show one another
the unusual kindness that can only come
from knowing your Son, Jesus.

May the Spirit stir up in our hearts a desire
to be united as one, in the bond of
peace and fellowship.
This we ask in Jesus' name.
Amen.

For the month of January, we will be
praying the Rosary for Holy Cross Parish
on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m.



PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Joseph P. Donton, Pastor
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Deacon Michael Smith

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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.

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

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ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction
at 2:15 p.m. (when school is in session).

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 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.

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.	Jan. 29 Lector: Tim Spila EMHC: Peg Swanson Servers: Garrett Unger, Nick Unger
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Jan. 30 Lector: Sue Berndt EMHC: No ministers Servers: Nicolette Burton, Trevor Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: Joe Murphy EMHC: John Dixon, Pat Dixon Servers: Philip Christhlf, Ben Summers
4:00 p.m.	Lector: Rob Shanahan EMHC: Ed Seebauer, Juliann Seebauer Servers: Kristina Maloney, Nate Farney



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 24

7:00 a.m. Rosemary Pisani

Tuesday, January 25

7:00 a.m. Fr. Joseph Mai-Chi-Thanh

Wednesday, January 26

6:00 p.m. Fr. Remigius Bukuru

Thursday, January 27

7:00 a.m. John Garvey

Friday, January 28

8:15 a.m. Santiago Gonzalez

Saturday, January 29

5:30 p.m. Waunita Perrodin

Sunday, January 30

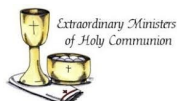
8:00 a.m. Rozella Hammel

10:00 a.m. Marilyn Ferrario

4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners

LOOKING FOR WAYS TO GET INVOLVED? HOLY CROSS HAS A GREAT NEED!

There are 3 important ministries available for parishioners that provide amazing ways to serve Our Lord! Please consider becoming a Lector or a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion. Students in Grade 5 and older, please consider becoming an Altar Server.



We will hold training sessions for these ministries soon! Please call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748, or email elizabethkelley@holycrosscatholic.org



Coffee and Donut Shop will be held in the school cafeteria **NEXT Sunday, January 30th** in celebration of the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. Come join us during the Catholic Schools Week Open House during the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon. (Self-guided tours of the school). All are Welcome!

FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION JESUS IS CALLING YOU!



Each Friday when school is in session, 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!



EUCCHARISTIC OUTREACH

is available now! If you would like to have an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion make home visits to you, call the Parish Office at (217) 352-8748, or email at office@holycrosscatholic.org to be added to the list.



ADULT FORMATION—*THE CREED*

Adult Formation is here! Bishop Robert Barron's "Word on Fire" Study Program—*The Creed*

Recent decades have witnessed a surge of the religiously unaffiliated, especially among young people. Many former believers have simply turned their backs on Christianity and no longer accept its teachings. But what are those teachings?

In *The Creed*, a new film series blending documentary conversations and dynamic talks, Bishop Robert Barron guides viewers into the depths of the Nicene Creed, a fourth-century statement of faith that has profoundly influenced Christian spirituality, theology, and liturgy in both the East and West.

Explore the meaning of "belief" and whether it contradicts reason; the creative love of God the Father; the shocking mystery of his Son's Incarnation, and the great drama of his Crucifixion and Resurrection; the life-giving power of the Spiritus Sanctus, or "holy breath," shared between them; and the mystical reality of the Church, which calls all of humanity out of the world of sin to receive forgiveness and participate in Christ's divinity—not only in the next world but here and now.

Classes meet:

Mondays 6:30—8:30 p.m. Tuesdays 9:00—11:00 a.m.

February 21, 28

February 22

March 7, 14, 21, 28

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April 4

April 5

The cost for the study is \$25, which will cover the cost of the book, *Light From Light*.

Please register **by Friday, January 28**. You may contact Elizabeth Kelley, elizabethkelley@holycrosscatholic.org or call the Parish Office, 217-352-8748 to register.



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

From Principal Greg Koerner

If you have a child entering preschool or kindergarten in August, you are invited to come see what our school is all about!

The Holy Cross Kindergarten Readiness Program and Kindergarten Information Night is Thursday, **February 3rd** at 6:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross School gym. After a brief presentation in the gym, you will have the opportunity to meet our teachers and visit our classrooms. We hope to see you there!

Preschool students must be 3 years of age and kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by Sept. 1st, 2022.

Always Home - Always Family"
WE ARE HOLY CROSS

Catholic Schools Week is January 30th--February 4th. Join us for the Catholic Schools Week open house on Sunday morning after Mass in the school cafeteria. Coffee & Donuts will be provided.



EMPOWER ILLINOIS TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP

Monsignor Hallin once said, "No student will be denied a Catholic Education due to financial issues."

If you believe in the benefits of a Catholic Education like Monsignor did, then please consider giving to Empower Illinois. We have a gentleman who will match up to \$25,000 for Holy Cross School. This past school year we had 75 students apply for Empower Illinois, and 31 students received funding. If this is something you believe in, then please consider giving to Empower Illinois for the 2022-23 school year and help make Monsignor's dream come true.

Donors make a gift to Holy Cross School through Empower Illinois and receive a 75% state tax credit for the amount of their gift on their 2022 taxes!



If you have any questions, email stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org with any questions or visit

<https://empowerillinois.org/donate/make-my-tax-credit-scholarship-donation/>.

Collection

January 15th/16th.....\$6,324.09

Thank you very much!



TRIVIA NIGHT

Let the Good Times Roll at the 10th Annual Holy Cross School PTC Trivia Night! It will be held on **Saturday, February 26th** at Holy Cross School. Appetizers and bar will be available at 5:30, and Trivia will start at 7:00. There will be a Silent Auction, Raffle, and Games during the night.

Registration opened on Jan. 21st and is online at hcstrivianight.givesmart.com

Cost is \$30 per person /
\$240 per table of 8.

Registration closes
February 19th.



High School of St. Thomas More

217-352-7210

www.hs-stm.org

Early Application Tuition Discounts: Our 2022-2023 admissions application is now live and it is FREE to apply! Please note that if you submit your completed application, including all forms, by February 1st, 2022, you will be eligible to receive a 2% discount. Get started on the first step of three for the admissions application by going to <https://ecollect.accelaschool.com/stm>.

Guitar Donations: The STM Guitar Class is looking for guitar donations. Please contact the school at 217-352-7210 if you would like to make a donation.

Daddy Daughter Sweetheart Dance: Friday, Feb. 11th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at STM. Cost is \$30 per Dad or Special Guest. How to register:

<https://one.bidpal.net/daddydaughterdance22/welcome>
Sponsored by STM Parent Association. Questions? Contact Becky Leibach at leibach@gmail.com or 217-202-0998

Job Opportunities: STM is currently seeking applications for a Head Girls Tennis Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org and Mr. Anthony Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org.

Shadow Days: Attention Future Sabers: STM Shadow Days are open to 7th and 8th graders. Please go to <https://forms.gle/8NyCPGiRf3CZj5az9> to register. We look forward to welcoming you to campus! You belong here; sign up today!

Saint Thomas More App. We have an app for your smartphone! It's everything St. Thomas More, in your pocket. Download the app on Android: <http://bit.ly/39Tytt6> or iPhone: <https://apple.co/303rQQx>.



CATHOLIC SPIRIT RADIO PILGRIMAGE

Join Catholic Spirit Radio for a Lenten Pilgrimage on **Saturday, March 12th**. The all-inclusive trip provides charter bus transportation from Normal to Princeville and Peoria. We will visit the Community of Saint John for a Lenten talk, Adoration, Confession, Mass, and lunch; also the Archbishop Fulton Sheen Museum & Gift Shop; a talk on Sheen by Katie Bogner, followed by her book sale; Sheen's Tomb at the Cathedral; and dinner at Obed & Isaac's. Register by **Feb. 7th** for \$140 or by **Feb. 19th** for \$155 at catholicspiritradiocom. Questions? Contact Pam at (217) 855-4418 or elliottbus@gmail.com.

Total Collections for December 2021

Sunday & Holy Days.....	\$38,025.04
Automatic Contributions.....	\$9,905.00
Online Giving.....	\$12,034.10
	\$59,964.14
HC Tuition Assistance.....	\$1,733.50
STM Tuition Assistance.....	\$512.00
Development Fund.....	\$3,142.00



INCOME TAX STATEMENTS

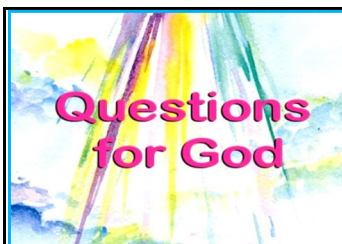
If you would like to receive a statement of your contributions made in 2021 for tax planning purposes, please fill out this form, cut it out, and drop it in the collection basket at Mass. Or you can also email your request to:

office@holycrosscatholic.org

Or call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748.

NAME: _____

Phone Number (optional): _____



QUESTIONS FOR GOD

comprises 10 short videos based on the children's books. Children easily learn material in story form. *Questions for God* presents God's salvation history plan as a story,

complete with a beginning (creation), a middle (the prophets and covenants), and an end (redemption and eternity). The prayers at the end of each book will be quickly learned when incorporated into nightly prayers.

Sign up at [FORMED Daily](https://formed.org) to receive these daily reflections directly to your inbox.

Start your day off right. Be inspired and renewed each morning with a short video from Dr. Tim Gray. View all Daily Reflections, according to month and year, in a drop-down menu.



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.

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A Word from Joy

As we enter into this New Year, I wanted to let you know of our situation at the Holy Cross Pro-Life Group. COVID has been hard on everyone – individuals, families and parishes alike. I view our dealing with the poor of Champaign-Urbana as sacred work and indeed a miracle work, in all our years and especially during the last 5 or so. During the last 5 years we have only been donor-driven – no special collections have taken place at our church; our donors and partnerships have been fantastic. We have expanded to do local pro-life billboards, and have the Pro-Life Discussion Group and continue to shepherd 40 days and much more!

In looking at our finances, we will only have enough funds to continue as we have been for 3 or so more months. While we do distribute a HUGE amount of diapers, we also provide rent assistance, utility payments, food assistance, security deposits, car repair, car license and registrations. We have paid some insurance, transportation assistance and other items. While we knew that our response to the great need to the service of the poor was a step out in faith, we also knew taking on the families we have for the last 2 years would stretch us. But we are more than just an agency to help the poor with monetary or baby items or furniture; we provide hope to those who suffer. We help provide a tangible and loving response to those in need. Hopefully we do all these things with the love of Christ and the tenderness of Mary.

In practical terms, we will need some help. We'll be finding ways to have innovative donations at Holy Cross, and will work closely with Father Donton and Father Leo. But we need your help too. While we are based at Holy Cross, I have always considered us an area-wide entity; and we have always shared our knowledge, expertise, speakers, time and talent, and material goods with people in the community. We love our collaborations!

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
Charlie & Evelyn 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
Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family
Perrodin Family
Living & Dec. Mem. of McNabney Family
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Eli & Hazel Kinser Family
Glen & Helen Jones
Betty Madrey
Menacher & Sizer Families
Leonard & Loretto Doyle
Alan & Patricia Berndt
Thomas McCarthy
Costello Family
Leta & Kenny Porter
Bill Mooney
Ron Murphy