



# Catholic Schools Week

January 30, 2022

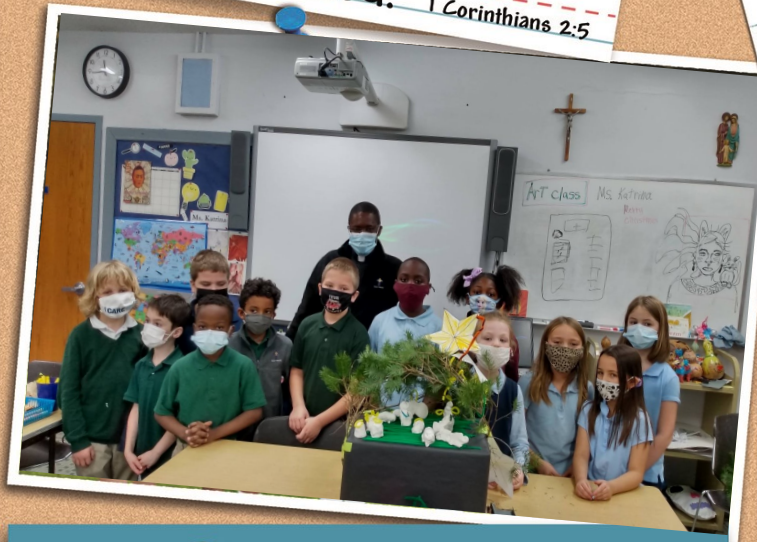
## Faith

...so that your faith  
might rest not on  
human wisdom but  
on the power of God. 1 Corinthians 2:5



## Knowledge

Teach me wisdom  
and knowledge,  
for in Your  
Commandments  
I trust. Psalm 119:66



## SERVICE

Whoever serves Me must follow  
Me, and where I am, there also  
will My servant be. The Father  
will honor whoever serves Me.

John 12:26



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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



## PRESENTATION OF THE LORD AT THE TEMPLE

February 2, 2022

The Presentation of Jesus at the Temple celebrates an early episode in the life of Jesus. This relatively ancient feast celebrates the 40th day after Christmas when Jesus was presented in the Temple at Jerusalem.

**Luke 2:22** - "When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord"

### Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,  
we humbly implore your majesty that,  
just as your Only Begotten Son  
was presented on this day in the Temple  
in the substance of our flesh,  
so, by your grace, we may be presented to you  
with minds made pure.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
your Son, who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

Wednesday Devotion for February 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation.

*"As Jesus was presented in the Temple by the hands of His Mother, let us accordingly make the offering of our souls through Mary and beg His graces through the same channel."* Rosary - Joyful Mysteries

## PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

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### MASSSES

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

### HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

*Greg Koerner, Principal*  
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Phone: 217-356-9521 Fax: 217-356-1745

### 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.

# Fourth 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

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>Feb. 5</b> Lector: David Kristovich EMHC: Sharon Kristovich Servers: Nora Kelley, Mary Beth Franey
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 6</b> Lector: Jay Geistlinger EMHC: No ministers Servers: Henry Karduck, Wil Karduck
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Lector: Joe Mefford EMHC: Bonita Higgerson, Dawn Friedman Servers: Abby Friedman, Timmy Friedman
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Lector: Ed Seebauer EMHC: Anthony Frasca, Beth Frasca Servers: Kristina Maloney, Nate Farney



### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Monday, January 31

7:00 a.m.

Frank and Therese Reilly

#### Tuesday, February 1

7:00 a.m.

Rosemary Decker

#### Wednesday, February 2

6:00 p.m.

Salvador Federizon

#### Thursday, February 3

7:00 a.m.

Johnny Deponai

#### Friday, February 4

8:15 a.m.

First Friday Memorial

#### Saturday, February 5

5:30 p.m.

Mary Young

#### Sunday, February 6

8:00 a.m.

For the Parishioners

10:00 a.m.

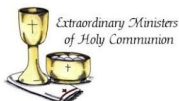
Louis A. Pisani

4:00 p.m.

For Louis Morton

### 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](mailto:elizabethkelley@holycrosscatholic.org)



### 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](mailto:office@holycrosscatholic.org) to be added to the list.

### COFFEE AND DONUTS



It's cold outside but oh so warm in our Parish Center. Come over after the Sunday morning Masses for a cup of hot coffee and a delicious donut. That's not your thing? We also have granola bars, milk, and orange juice, AND stimulating conversation. Join old friends, make new friends.



Harry & Cheri Rakers, 217-352-4918.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FR. LEO!

Fr. Leo's birthday is **Saturday, February 5th**. Make sure to wish him a Blessed and Happy Birthday!



*"The secret behind success is the goodness of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. My favorite greeting or motto:*

*"God is good all the time..., All the time God is good!"*



## ADULT FORMATION THE CREED

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

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](mailto:elizabethkelley@holycrosscatholic.org) or call the Parish Office, 217-352-8748 to register.

## BINGO IN FEBRUARY!

Join us for BINGO and fun at Holy Cross Parish Center on Friday, **February 11th!** Doors open at 5:30 p.m. to purchase cards. Bingo will begin at 6:30 p.m. Join us for 15 games: \$20 for 9 cards per game, or \$10 for 3 cards per game. Cash prizes will be \$25, \$50, & \$100. (Prizes based on a minimum number of 25 people.) Daubers are \$1 or bring your own.



If you have questions, contact the Parish Office at 217-352-8748. Concessions open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner & dessert for a donation of \$5. Soda for \$1. Beer and Wine will be served in addition to dinner. Proceeds go to Holy Cross School. We request that masks be worn while not eating and drinking.



**Holy Cross School**  
**217-356-9521**

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

From Principal Greg Koerner:

National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts January 30 – February 5. Here are a few of the activities Holy Cross School will be doing for Catholic Schools Week.

**Sunday 1/30** - Coffee shop and Open House 9-11:30 school cafeteria.

**Monday 1/31** - Students will have a dress-down day fundraiser. We are asking students to donate \$1 toward a Catholic charity or service organization to earn an out-of-uniform pass.

**Tuesday 2/1** - Older students will spend time reading aloud or partner on special projects with younger students.

**Wednesday 2/2** - 5-8<sup>th</sup> Saint House volleyball tournament.

**Thursday 2/3** - Students will write letters of thanks to the priests, deacons, sisters and brothers involved in their local parishes.

Kindergarten Information Night 6:30 school gym.

**Friday 2/4** - Student Talent Show – 1-2:30pm, watch on Facebook Live Stream

Always Home - Always Family"  
**WE ARE HOLY CROSS**



**CELEBRATE CATHOLIC  
SCHOOLS WEEK 2022**



## 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](mailto:stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org) or visit <https://empowerillinois.org/donate/make-my-tax-credit-scholarship-donation/>.



**Collection** Jan. 22/23 \$7,274.00 Thank You!



## High School of St. Thomas More

217-352-7210  
[www.hs-stm.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:srmbridget@hs-stm.org) and Mr. Anthony Corapi at [acorapi@hs-stm.org](mailto: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>.



Holy Cross School PTC presents  
Our 10th Annual Trivia Night and Silent Auction

*Trivia Night 2022*  
*Let the Good Times Roll!!*

**Saturday, February 26, 2022**  
**Holy Cross Gymnasium**

Appetizers and Bar Open at 5:30 p.m.  
Trivia contest at 7:00 p.m.  
Silent auction, raffle and games through the night!  
Prize to best dressed table!

**Silent Auction online February 19th—26th**

\$30 per person - \$240 table of 8  
Registration online at:  
[trivianight2022.givesmart.com](http://trivianight2022.givesmart.com) or  
text [trivianight2022](https://text.trivianight2022) to 76278  
Registration closes February 19



Stay safe! State, local and Diocesan COVID 19 protocol will be followed. Changes to the event will be posted




## 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 [catholicspiritradio.com](http://catholicspiritradio.com). Questions? Contact Pam at (217) 855-4418 or [elliottbus@gmail.com](mailto:elliottbus@gmail.com).

**HEAVENLY DUSTERS** for February are  
Susan Burton and Betsy Place



## 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](mailto:office@holycrosscatholic.org)

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

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (optional): \_\_\_\_\_



## SAINT THOMAS MORE: THE AGE OF THE AUTHOR

The Renaissance was an age of discovery and innovation during which many lost their way amidst bold new visions of secular happiness. Thomas More was one of the greatest humanists of his age but also a man devoted to the spiritual life. His lifetime of learning, charity, and service to the public good of England enabled him to stand a patient and holy witness—and one of the greatest of modern martyrs—against the tyranny of Henry VIII.

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## 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.

**Kitchen Bath & Cabinet Co.**

## A Word from Joy

This past week, we arranged thru Saint Vincent de Paul the payment of heat and water bills for a family in need. THANK YOU St. Vincent de Paul Society!

We will start our 2022 diaper ordering and delivering! As we embark on a new year, please pray for continued assistance for the Holy Cross Pro-Life work. In 2021 we: Distributed more than 38,000 diapers. Serviced at least 17 families with over 30 children in diapers/pullups; Provided rent and food assistance, and provided formula and toiletries; Arranged for Christmas for area families thru Holy Cross donations and St. Matthew School teachers and Grades 3 and 4.

We picked up and delivered gently used furniture to several families. We paid for car repairs, and for title and license; Provided travel assistance and gave gift cards to families in need. St. Vincent de Paul Society arranged Christmas meals to several of our families. Thank you!

We delivered used car seats, gently used toys, clothes and dehumidifier. We now have 3 hearing impaired families we are working with. We supplied medical supplies, housing and food for a family temporarily homeless and with the mom suffering from COVID at the same time! This was a shared effort between us and the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission! Whew! Special projects include: 40 Days for Life, Pro-Life Billboard project, Ecumenical Memorial Prayer Vigil, Pro-Life Discussion Group, Life Chain, Pro-life speakers, education and programs, and more!

Please help support us so we can help others in need! Check out what Holy Cross Pro-Life does—40 Days for Life, the Billboard Project, the Ecumenical Prayer Vigil, Outreach to the Poor with help for: diapers, food, utility bills, some rent payments, gently used furniture. Also, we provide speakers, training, and the Pro-Life discussion group! Join us! God bless you all.

## 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 & Foltzler 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 Giuffrè & Cacioppo Families  
Boudreau & Arseneau Family  
Margaret Turkan  
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  
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  
Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families