

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

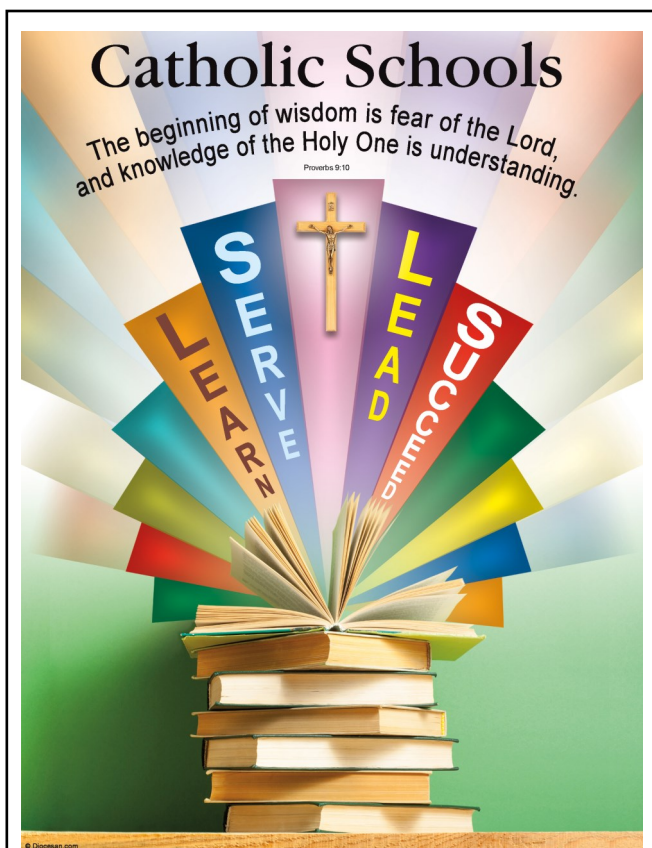
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and with a loud cry came out of him.

Mk 1:25-26



January 31, 2021

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK IS JAN. 31— FEB. 6

Although Holy Cross School is not doing our usual activities during Catholic Schools Week, we are still participating in celebration of Holy Cross.

From Principal Greg Koerner:

I would like to thank all of our Holy Cross community for the support given to the school this school year. We are truly blessed. As we get ready to celebrate Catholic schools' week, here is a list of some of the activities that are planned.

For fun and to get the into-the-school spirit, we have designated each day to dress in something special:

Monday - Favorite sports team day

Tuesday - Crazy sock day

Wednesday - Class color day

Thursday - Crazy hair day

Friday - Holy Cross spirit day

Students will also be doing a Valentine's service project. They will be making Valentines for people in nursing homes, shut ins, and veterans.

There will also be alumni videos posted on our Facebook.

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PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

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Deacon Michael Smith

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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. Monday thru Friday
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

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Phone: 217-356-9521 Fax: 217-356-1745

ADORATION

Adoration is available on the patio in the courtyard anytime.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Monday thru Friday, 6:30-6:45 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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR PARISH

HOLY CROSS MISSION STATEMENT

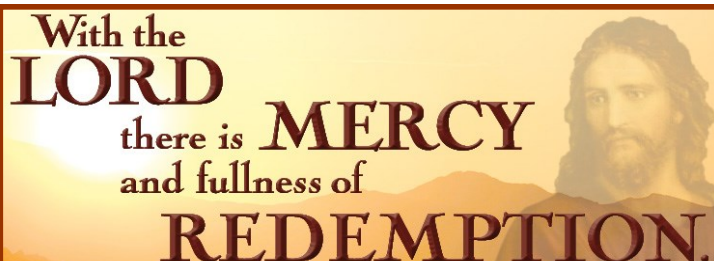
The mission of the Catholic Community of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is to provide a home for all who wish to join our spiritual family and share our Catholic beliefs and values. We are here to continue the life-giving works of Jesus Christ, to make His name known and loved, and to live our lives according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, under the leadership of the Bishop of the Peoria Diocese.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK (1:21-28)

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY (18:15-20)

Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen. This is exactly what you requested of the Lord, your God, at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let us not again hear the voice of the Lord, our God, nor see this great fire any more, lest we die.' And the Lord said to me, 'This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. But if a prophet presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die.'"



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, Feb. 1

7:00 a.m.

Rozella Hammel

Tuesday, Feb. 2

7:00 a.m.

Johnny Deponai

Wednesday, Feb. 3

7:00 a.m.

Tom Costello

Thursday, Feb. 4

7:00 a.m.

Bethany Kisting

Friday, Feb. 5

7:00 a.m.

Dominic Nguyen Huu Hieu

Saturday, Feb. 6

5:30 p.m.

Waunita Perrodin

Sunday, Feb. 7

8:00 a.m.

Beverly Lynch

10:00 a.m.

For the Parishioners

4:00 p.m.

Greg Burdette

PARISH OFFICE IS NOW OPEN

The Parish Office is now open to the public during our regular office hours 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. COVID procedures of social distancing and wearing a facemask, covering your mouth and nose, are required. We are also available by phone (217) 352-8748, and email: office@holycrosscatholic.org. The lobby of the Parish Center will be locked after office hours.

We will continue to have in-person Mass and continue to practice the COVID safety guidelines. This includes social distancing, wearing a face mask over your mouth and nose, and sanitizing practices.



NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Sally Marie Noel, daughter of Vince and Amelia Noel. Let us support little Sally on her faith journey!

WANT TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH FR. REMI?

Fr. Remi will be serving at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Kagera, Tanzania. Please pray for Father Remi, his health, and his journey home. Here is the contact information at his new parish:



Fr. Remigius Bukuru
Our Lady of Lourdes
Katoke Parish
P.O. Box 106 Biharamulo
Kagera, Tanzania

Email: bukuru.remi@gmail.com

WE MISS YOU, FR. REMIGIUS!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, February 6

5:30 p.m. Peg Swanson

Sunday, February 7

8:00 a.m. No ministers

10:00 a.m. Margie Hoss, Dawn Friedman

4:00 p.m. Ed and Juliann Seebauer, John Farney



VOCATIONS

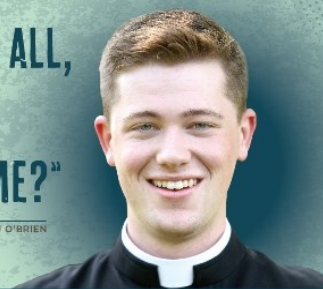
"A call from God to live in a particular way"

"GOD ALWAYS GIVES HIS ALL,
ISN'T IT TIME,
FOR US TO DO THE SAME?"



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UPDATED ONLINE GIVING



Did you know that not only can you give online to the various Holy Cross funds such as **Sunday & Holy Days Collections, Development Fund, Tuition Assistance**, etc., but also to all Diocesan collections? It is very

handy for those who no longer receive packets of Church envelopes. This is a convenient way to stay up to date with Diocesan extra collections during the whole year.

Visit the Holy Cross website (www.holycrosscatholic.org) and click on **Online Giving** logo, and you will see all funds to which you can donate. Please note that among other funds you will currently see the **Aid to Eastern Europe Churches**. This is one of the Diocesan collections scheduled for February and it will remain active until the end of the month. Later on, this fund will be replaced by the new Diocesan collection, **Catholic Relief Services**. The new fund will remain active during the month of March. Following the same pattern, according to the Diocesan schedule, the next collection's fund will be activated for a short period of time on the **Online Giving** platform. In this way, you will always know what the current Diocesan collection is.



INCOME TAX STATEMENTS

If you would like to receive a statement of your contributions made in 2020 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): _____

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The 2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal is doing well. To date, we stand at 90% toward our goal. We have received pledges totaling \$95,918 toward our goal of \$106,103. If you have not yet made a gift to the ADA, we invite you to do so today. Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important Diocesan ministries, and every dollar raised above our goal will stay here at Holy Cross Parish.

Please know that Holy Cross will have to make up the difference owed to the Diocese if we are unable to collect the remaining \$10,185. To those who have contributed, we are most grateful!

Last Week's Collection

Offering for January 23rd/24th.....\$6,461.35

Thank you very much!



Holy Cross School
356-9521
www.holycrosselem.org

From Greg Koerner, Principal:

2020 has been... a year, which makes getting a fresh start in 2021 feel super appealing. For some people, that might mean making a New Year's resolution that helps them get the year started on the right foot. Thing is, **traditional New Year's resolutions usually fail**. Turns out, our brains are just not into making swift, abrupt changes to our habits.

So instead of going for the typical diet, exercise, or financial overhaul-style resolution, why not try something a little different this year?

Pray, take time and pray. Prayer will not cost you anything except a few minutes a week. Just like any other New Year's resolution you start off doing the small things before jumping in with both feet. Prayer is the same. Start off with just a few minutes a day. A simple prayer to start with would be the Lord's prayer or a Hail Mary. The more time you spend praying, the more your tolerance increases. Before you know it, you will be saying a rosary.

Please take the time to pray for our teachers, families, and the whole Holy Cross community. We all have had some setbacks and issues in 2020. But, through prayer we can make 2021 a great year.

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!

Need Financial Assistance for the 2021-2022 School Year? You Must:

1. Apply for an Empower Illinois Scholarship.
2. Submit and pay for (\$30) the FACTS Grant & Aid Application.
3. Apply for the Diocesan Spalding Scholarship. Call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748 and get your name on the list.
4. Request assistance from your home parish (Holy Cross, St. Patrick, or St. Mary's).

HOLY CROSS PTC PRESENTS...

Virtual Pursuit. The 2021 Edition 9th Annual Trivia Night & Silent Auction

Save the Date: **Saturday, February 27th**

Trivia Contest begins at 7:00 p.m.

Silent Auction runs live from Feb. 19th-26th.

\$25 per person. Registration information at:

trivianight2021givesmart.com

Or text [trivianight2021](https://t.me/trivianight2021) to 76278

Check out our Facebook link for formal details:

<https://fb.me/e/1S8h20z5s>

Prizes for most creative Zoom background and

Prizes for Trivia winners!

All proceeds go to Holy Cross School



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

Saturday, February 6, STM Spring Gala

Join us at our 2021 virtual gala! Click on the link to RVSP: <https://one.bidpal.net/stmgala2021> No ticket purchase necessary to bid on auction items.

STM ADMISSIONS NEWS

Calling all 8th Graders. Become a St. Thomas More Saber. To apply, go to. <https://ecollect.accelaschool.com/stm>.

Applications for the 2021-2022 academic year are officially open, and those who submit a fully completed application by February 1st will receive 2% off their tuition amount. For more info, contact Miss Erica Lyons, Director of Admissions and Campus Ministry at 217-352-7210.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

STM is currently seeking applications for a Bus Driver, a Boys Tennis Head Coach, Boys & Girls Assistant Tennis Coach, and a Boys Golf Head Coach. We are also seeking applicants for a Spanish Teacher and a Biology Teacher for the 2021-2022 academic year. If you are interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org.

PRO-LIFE

40 Days for Life

Please join us for an international peaceful prayer collaboration to pray for help and healing for all affected by abortion. Prayers are welcome anytime during the 40 days, but especially welcome when the abortion clinic is open during normal business hours. Individual churches are encouraged to choose a day and time to come and pray. Please schedule one hour to come pray. Your presence can literally save a life. February 17 to March 28, 2021 at Planned Parenthood, 302 East Stoughton Street, Champaign. Contact Renee at 217-607-0811 (no texting) or

reneemullen1@comcast.net

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/40DaysCU/>

Website: <https://40daysforlife.com/champaign>

Pro-Life Billboard Project

This an ongoing project on private land in Central Illinois (i.e. farmland, outside a church or business). Generous donations have been given to fund the materials for Pro-Life Billboards (4' tall x 8' wide), to help foster a stronger Culture of Life. Volunteer laborers have now installed 10 Billboards! Additional landowners are needed to allow Billboards on their property. Volunteers will do everything else.

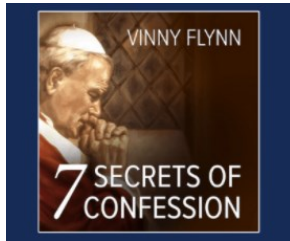
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LECTIO: MARY: EPISODE 1 THE NEW EVE

This week as we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord and Mary's role in it, join Dr. Brant Pitre, Professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, as he examines what the Old Testament reveals about the life and identity of Mary, the Mother of God.



7 SECRETS OF CONFESSION BY VINNY FLYNN

The Sacrament of Confession is the place where we get to encounter the Lord's mercy in a tangible way. In this talk, best-selling author and Catholic speaker Vinny Flynn explores the incredible gift of mercy that we encounter in Confession.

Our Parish has a FORMED subscription.
To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

A WORD FROM JOY

Pro-Life Donations: Now on the on-line giving via Holy Cross Church, there is a separate category to direct any donations to Pro-Life. That will give us flexibility to help families in need. We also accept checks made out to Holy Cross Church (please write Pro-Life in the memo line). Any donation can be mailed to or dropped off at Holy Cross Church, 405 W. Clark St., Champaign, IL 61820. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at: joypace@msn.com or 217-359-8406 (home). Thank you and God bless you for your prayers and support.

Pro-Life Discussion Group: We meet via Zoom every 3rd Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m. To join in on the Zoom meeting, please contact Joy (see above). This discussion is open to everyone. We discuss everything—from ethical vaccines to abortion to human trafficking to ethical medical practice and more. Pro-Life affects more than just abortion—and living a pro-life helps inform and guide every decision. We truly believe that every human needs to be treated fairly and with dignity, simply because he/she is human.

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.

Kellie Wolking, financial

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 Giuffre & Cacioppo Families
Boudreau & Arseneau Family
Margaret Turkcan
Aloysius J. Winka
Charlie & Evelyn Bell
Zeilenga Family
Rentfrow Family
Ron Murphy
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
Margaret Hettinger
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
John Michael Cabutti
Glen & Helen Jones
Betty Madrey
Christie & Hoss Families
Menacher & Sizer Families
Leonard & Loretto Doyle
Alan & Patricia Berndt
Thomas McCarthy
Costello Family