

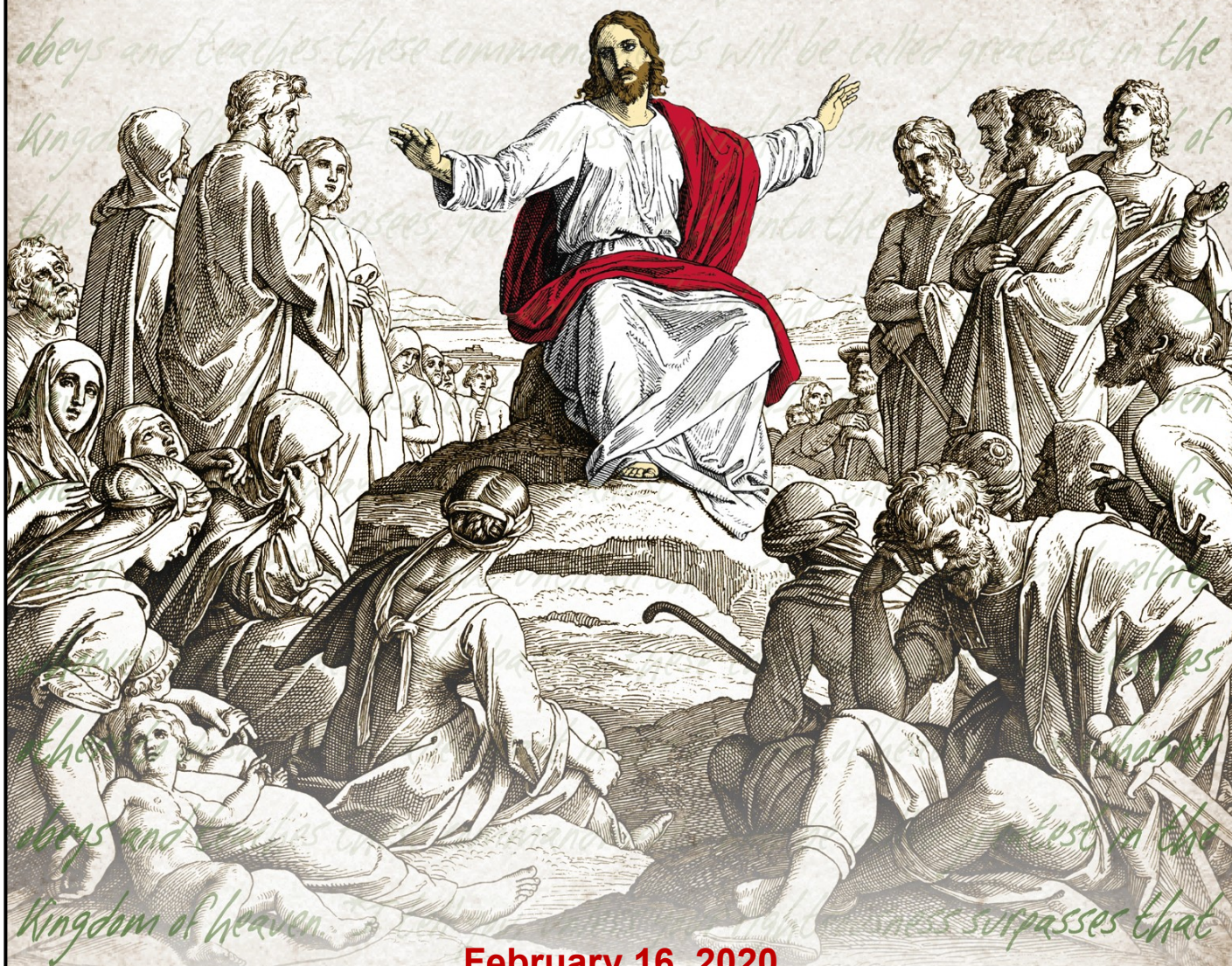
# 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY

## in Ordinary Time

"Do not think that I have come to abolish  
the law or the prophets.

I have come not to abolish but to fulfill."

- Mt 5:17



February 16, 2020

**Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**





### PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Oh ever Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy,  
Health of the Sick, Refuge of Sinners,  
Comforter of the Afflicted, you know my wants,  
my troubles, my sufferings.

Look upon me with mercy.  
When you appeared in the grotto of Lourdes,  
you made it a privileged sanctuary  
where you dispense your favors,  
and where many sufferers have obtained the cure  
of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.

I come, therefore, with unbounded confidence  
to implore your maternal intercession.  
My loving Mother, obtain my request.  
I will try to imitate your virtues so that  
I may one day share your company  
and bless you in eternity. Amen

### MARIAN DEVOTION AND MASS

Please join our parish family on Wednesday evenings for a Marian Devotion and Mass. The Devotion for February is Our Lady of Lourdes. It begins at 5:30 p.m. in the church, followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

### PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

*Fr. Joseph P. Donton, Pastor*  
*Fr. Remigius Bukuru, Parochial Vicar*  
*Deacon Ed Mohrbacher*  
*Deacon Michael Smith*

#### TRUSTEES

*Tom Murray John Powers*

#### DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*Gloria Fellers*

#### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

*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.  
Holy Days: 8:15 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

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

### HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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Phone: 217-352-8748 Fax: 217-366-2929  
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website: [www.holycrosscatholic.org](http://www.holycrosscatholic.org)

### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

*Rose Costello, Interim Principal*  
410 W. White, Champaign, Illinois, 61820  
Phone: 217-356-9521 Fax: 217-356-1745

### ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 Mass when school is in session, until Benediction at 2:15 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.  
Mon, Tues, Thurs, 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.

# Sixth 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. 22</b> Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley Brian Barnes, Gloria Fellers, John Kelley, John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman Rachel Burdette, Nora Kelley, Susannah Paoli
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 23</b> Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Barry Dickerson Fran Hacker, Greg Koerner, Mary Shelden, Gary Scaff Henry Karduck, Wil Karduck, Jack Walters
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Victoria Fitzgerald Steve Carter, Dawn Friedman, Margie Hoss, Jessica McMahon, Ben Laws, Bonita Higgerson Alex Summers, Ben Summers, Vivian Pyle
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Robert Porter Tylor Hull, Bob Weber, Jan Weber, Anthony Frasca, Beth Frasca Bailey McMahon, Jack McMahon, Brooke McMahon

### WEEKDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
17 Garrett Unger, Nick Unger	18 Trevor Tucker, Nate Farney	19 6:00 p.m. John Bingaman	20 Jack McMahon, Brooke McMahon	21 8:15 a.m. School Servers



### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Monday, Feb. 17

7:00 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory

#### Tuesday, Feb. 18

7:00 a.m. Joe, Ruth, & Pat Doyle

#### Wednesday, Feb. 19

6:00 p.m. The John A. Reiser, Sr., family

#### Thursday, Feb. 20

7:00 a.m. Joseph Haggin

#### Friday, Feb. 21

8:15 a.m. Jerry Willard

#### Saturday, Feb. 22

5:30 p.m. Donald McDuffee

#### Sunday, Feb. 23

8:00 a.m. Alan & Patricia Berndt

10:00 a.m. Joe Stoerger

4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners

### MATCHING GRANT FOR "INVEST IN KIDS TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS"

You can provide a Catholic school education to children from low-income families while also receiving a state tax credit yourself. The Tax Credit Scholarship program offers a 75% income tax credit to individuals and businesses that contribute to Holy Cross School under the *Invest in Kids Act*.



And there has never been a better time to take advantage of the program. A generous donor has created a 1-to-1 matching gift program, which means your donation to Holy Cross School will be doubled. But we must act fast! The matching gift program will only last until April 1st, 2020, or until in-matching funds is depleted. For more info contact Stephanie Rank at [stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org](mailto:stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org) or call the parish office at 352-8748.

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED.** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Johnny Deponai IV, and also for the soul of Brian Kelly. May their souls, and all those of the Faithful Departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.



**COFFEE SHOP.** Warm up with coffee, juice, milk & donuts after both Sunday morning Masses. Come on over to the Parish Center, catch up with friends, and make some new friends!

**PARISH NURSE NEWS.** The Parish Nurses will be taking BP readings in the Parish Center **next Sunday** from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Take advantage of this free and convenient service.



### HOLY CROSS COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY

Sundays & Holy Days:	\$37,860.00
Automatic Contribution Program:	\$9,890.00
Online Giving Contributions:	<u>\$5,449.00</u>
Total:	\$53,200.00
Average Weekly Contribution	\$13,300.00

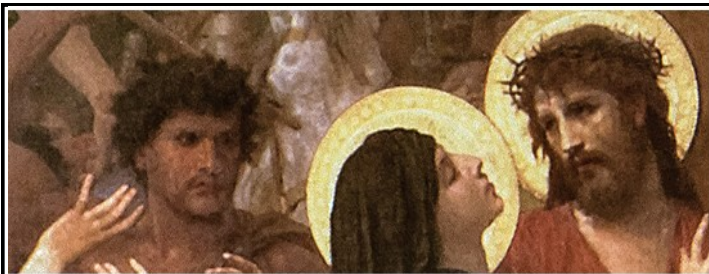
## LET'S PLAN AHEAD FOR LENT

**FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** The Friday Night Fish Fry will begin on **February 28th**. We need volunteers to work at least one hour during the Fish Fry: from 5:15-6:15 p.m., or 6:15-7:15 p.m., or clean-up crew. Jobs include cleaning tables, helping people to their seats, taking out trash, refilling supplies, etc. Please call or text Jessica McMahon at 217-898-8846 to sign up. Your help will be much appreciated!



**DONATIONS OF CAKE MIXES & Frostings** are needed for the **Fish Fry Cake Table**. Please drop them off at the back of the church or at the Parish Office. We also need 3 dozen eggs per week and vegetable oil. Bring eggs to the Parish Office to be refrigerated.

**Also needed:** A gluten-free dessert, one item each week. If you'd like to prepare one (brownies, cookies, etc.), please call the Parish Office; let them know which week(s) you can bake for. **Volunteers** also needed to bake cakes at the Parish Center and serve at the dinners. Proceeds from the cake sale will benefit Children of Hope & Faith.



### NO GREATER LOVE: A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION

We often hear about Jesus' passion and death, but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In "*No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion*," we will walk step-by-step with Jesus' journey from His agony in the garden to His crucifixion on Calvary.

Along the way we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with Him today.

This 5-part study will begin Monday evening, **Feb. 24th** at 6:30 p.m., and Tuesday morning, **Feb. 25th** at 9:30 a.m. For more information or to register for the study, call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

The following children received their First Reconciliation on Monday, February 10th at 6:30 p.m.:

June Barnhart	Teagan Merz
Brendan Byard	Avery Natschke
Bowen Crackel	Braden Ritter
Landen Douglas	Harper Scott
Lydia Durdan	Petra Scott
Alex Enriquez	Elisa Seman
John Fletcher	Colton Stonecipher
Jax Gibas	Joel Tittora
Sophie Hamby	Rebecca Welch
Michael Hartnett	Alice Withers-Sickles
Bridget McCullough	

### HELP! NEED EMPTY BASKETS

The Trivia Night & Silent Auction committee is looking for empty baskets in which to display items at the event (see next page). Please drop off any empty baskets in the parish or school office. We are also very grateful for any restaurant gift cards donated to the event. Your help is much appreciated! Questions? Contact [joslynunger@gmail.com](mailto:joslunger@gmail.com).

### Last Week's Collection

Offering for February 8th/9th...\$7,163.20

Development Fund...\$1,431.07





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

**PRESCHOOL & K INFORMATION.** Want to know more about our Preschool and Kindergarten programs? You are invited to visit our preschool and kindergarten classrooms **Sunday, February 23rd** after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses. Teachers and school staff will be there to guide your tour. Start at the check-in table at our Parish Center coffee shop. See what opportunities await your family at Holy Cross School. Parents and children welcome!

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY.** There will be no school on Monday, February 17th, in honor of Presidents' Day.

**SPRING MUSICAL.** Save the date for our annual Spring Musical. Rehearsals have started and this year's musical is *"Into the Woods."* The shows will run from Thursday, April 30th through Saturday, May 2nd.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE KICK-OFF EVENT "ABBY'S JOURNEY"

Sunday, **February 23rd** at 6:30 p.m.,  
Holy Cross Parish Center

"Abby's Journey" is a videotaped presentation by Abby Johnson. It tells the story of her journey working and rising through the ranks of Planned Parenthood over many years, until finally being awakened to the truth about abortion and becoming a staunch pro-life advocate, and becoming Catholic.



This video is being presented in partnership with the Pregnancy Resource Center, a free local pregnancy center that provides much needed assistance to many in our community. All are welcome, but teens and young adults are especially encouraged to attend and learn more about Sanctity of Life issues.

Questions? Contact Renee at [reneemullen1@comcast.net](mailto:reneemullen1@comcast.net) or Web Site: <https://40daysforlife.com/champaign>



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

**STM 8TH GRADER NEWS.** Calling all 8th graders! We want you here! Become a Saber! To apply, go to <https://stm-il.client.renweb.com/oa/?memberid=102>  
For a Shadow Visit:  
<https://forms.gle/epBHFwBfBaBSrdHA>.

**STM SPRING PREVIEW NIGHT.** STM will host a Spring Preview Night on Wednesday, **February 19th**, from 6:00 to 7:05 p.m. at the high school. Check-in/registration begins at 6:00 p.m. followed by a brief address by the Administration, then campus tours, and ending with a Departmental/Athletics Fair. Come see your future high school, ask questions of our faculty and staff, and get a sampling of the extracurriculars we offer. To RSVP, email [lmokus@hs-stm.org](mailto:lmokus@hs-stm.org) or [mvandervennet@hs-stm.org](mailto:mvandervennet@hs-stm.org) or call 217-352-7210. Walk-ins most certainly welcome.

## "A NIGHT IN VEGAS"

### 8TH ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION

Holy Cross School PTC welcomes "A Night in Vegas" on **Saturday, February 29th** in the school gym. Appetizers and Bar open at 5:30 p.m. Trivia Contest begins at 7 p.m. \$30 per person, \$240 for a table of 8 people. Trivia winner receives \$240. Prize to best dressed table! Registration closes on February 24th. All proceeds go to Holy Cross School. RSVP to Joslyn Unger: [Joslynunger@gmail.com](mailto:Joslynunger@gmail.com).

## MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND



Men of God: Want to get a closer relationship with Christ and others who think similarly? There is a way! A men's Cursillo weekend is coming up **February 20th-23rd** at St. Patrick's Church in Urbana. The 3 days will include 15 talks, with a way to continue this way for the rest of your life. Come join us for fellowship, fun, food, and wisdom. More info at [ChampaignCursillo.com](http://ChampaignCursillo.com) or contact Gary Scaff, 384-6480; or Dick Baxley, 217-867-2686, or 217-377-0318.

## DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

Girls, invite your Dad or other special man for an evening of fun, dancing and refreshments at our Daddy-Daughter Sweetheart Dance. Encourage all your friends to join you at the social event of the year! We will have door prizes!

**Who:** Girls (up to 8th grade) and their dads or special friends. Dress fancy.

**When:** Friday, Feb. 21st from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Where:** High School of St Thomas More

**Cost:** Only \$25 per Dad (checks made payable to STM). Mail checks to Becky Leibach, 340 Weeping Cherry Court, Champaign, IL 61822. Questions? Becky at 217-202-0998 (text) or email [leibach@gmail.com](mailto:leibach@gmail.com). Tickets can also be purchased at the door.



## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul leads us 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 your generosity in making this outreach possible. Your collective food and financial contributions enabled us to assist 139 adults and 196 children in Champaign during January.

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.

## FertilityCare™ Services of Champaign-Urbana, Featuring NaProTECHNOLOGY®

Free group Introductory Session for the Creighton Model System on Tuesday, **Feb. 25th** at 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Church in Urbana. The CM System is medically standardized and networks family planning with reproductive health. It can be used by married couples to achieve, avoid, or space pregnancies, or by any woman to monitor her health. It offers a fertility-care rather than fertility-control approach to medical evaluation and treatment, and offers new hope to couples struggling with infertility. Visit [www.cufertilitycare.org](http://www.cufertilitycare.org) for more information or to register for the session.

Other sessions to follow: Wednesday, **April 1st** at Holy Cross; Thursday, **May 14th** at St. Matthew; Wednesday, **June 17th** at St. Patrick; Monday, **July 20th** at Holy Cross; and Thursday, **August 27th** at St. Matthew.

## A WORD FROM JOY

Thank You's to our committee and church:

From one family: We received children's clothes, a donation and a beautiful note with a picture: "Enclosed please find a picture of \_\_\_\_\_, who would not be with us today without your bravery and sacrifice. I can never thank you enough for rescuing our grandchild, because you also rescued our daughter. Praying for you and for all of your "babies."

From another family with furniture, rent, food assistance and Christmas help: "I have been the recipient of your kindness and generosity. At times when I thought I could not go another step, there you were with your time and resources and Christmas for my family. My family had a wonderful holiday season thanks to all of you!

If you would like to help with any needs, please contact Joy at 359-8406. If you give a check, please make it out to Holy Cross and mark it with Pro-Life in the memo line. Thanks!



## K OF C DINNER & DANCE FUNDRAISER AT ST MATTHEW

FUNraiser - Join us for dinner, dancing, and fun! The Knights of Columbus will host a Dinner and Dance on **Saturday, March 7th** from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Feeney Hall, St. Matthew Parish Center. Dinner will include Hors D'Oeuvres and your choice of Ribeye Steak or Baked Chicken by Applewood Foods Catering.

Cost is \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. For reservations call, text or email Larry Swinyer at 217-493-3678, [swinyer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:swinyer@sbcglobal.net) or call St. Matthew Parish Office at 217-359-4224. All profits from this event will be donated to St. Mary Cemetery in Champaign for improvements.

## 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  
Evelyn Bell  
Zeilenga Family  
Rentfrow Family  
Ron Murphy  
Harold Kremer 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