

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



#### To the Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Diocese of Peoria:

When there is news in our families, whether good or challenging, it spreads quickly. An engagement, the birth of a child or grandchild, or someone taking ill results in a flurry of emails, phone calls, and social media posts sharing our joy or inviting prayer.

The Diocese of Peoria is our large family of faith in central Illinois. As with any family, it is important that we stay connected, listen to one another, and make an effort to know one another. And a vital way that is done among our 26 counties is through the print and digital efforts of our excellent diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Post.

The Catholic Post is launching its 2022 Delivering Unity Campaign with a theme of "Spread the Word." The theme reflects the call of every baptized Catholic to share the good news of Jesus Christ. It also calls to mind The Catholic Post's mission of reporting on the words and actions of the People of God. Further, it invites readers to assist that mission -- through financial support, prayer, and sharing the Post's stories and photos, including via social media.

I strongly urge your support and readership. Details about how to subscribe are printed below. Thank you for choosing to be an informed Catholic, united with your family of faith across our great diocese. With prayers for your health and for your own efforts to "Spread the Word" in 2022. I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C. **BISHOP OF PEORIA** 

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#### How to Subscribe to and Support The Catholic Post:

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#### **MASSES**

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. Sunday: Weekdays: 7:00 a.m. Mon., Tue., & Thurs. 6:00 p.m. Wed.; 8:15 a.m. Fri.

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

# DEVOTION HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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#### **HOLY CROSS SCHOOL**

Greg Koerner, Principal

410 W. White, Champaign, Illinois, 61820 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.

# Eighth 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.	March 5 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Tim Spila Peg Swanson Nora Kelley, Mary Beth Franey
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	March 6 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Barry Dickerson No ministers Henry Karduck, Wil Karduck
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Michael Roedelbronn Bonita Higgerson, Dawn Friedman Abby Friedman, Timmy Friedman
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Ed Seebauer, Juliann Seebauer Kristina Maloney, Nate Farney

# **Ash Wednesday Schedule**



7:00 a.m. Mass

8:15 a.m. School Mass (seating is limited as our school children will be present)

12:10 p.m. Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes No 6:00 p.m. Mass or 5:30 p.m. Devotion

# LENTEN PILGRAMAGE: A WALK TO THE SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

(2 Corinthians 5:7) Making the Decision: "For we walk by faith, not by sight."

It is so easy to procrastinate. We have made the decision to begin on this walking journey and decide to be good stewards of the body God has given us. Walk by faith and grow stronger spiritually and physically as you spend time with our Heavenly Father. Questions to think about: 1) What steps am I taking to strengthen my faith? 2) Is God telling me to **step** out in faith about some issue?





**FAITHFUL DEPARTED.** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Patricia Cook, May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



# Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 28

7:00 a.m. Louis A. Pisani

Tuesday, March 1

Teresa Kim Thi Nguyen 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 2 (Ash Wednesday) 7:00 a.m. Kathleen Young 8:15 a.m. Rosemary Smith

6:00 p.m. (No Mass)

Thursday, March 3

7:00 a.m. Juliana Jungsoon Lee

Friday, March 4

8:15 a.m. First Friday Memorial

Saturday, March 5

For the Parishioners 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 6

8:00 a.m. Thomas James Dorsey

10:00 a.m. Ricardo Galvan

4:00 p.m. Frank and Therese Reilly



As we prepare to enter Lent, please pray for our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates:

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Candidates William Baughman Catechumens Mike Downes Jessee Evans Ezinne Edomobi Maddie Johnson Katie Hicks Larissa Metz Bill Kubaitis Hannah Mueller

We have an amazing group of faith-filled individuals who are excited about the Catholic faith!

Also, please offer a prayer of thanksgiving for Margaret Kubaitis. Margaret has come back to the Church after many years of being away! She is a part of our RCIA class although she will not need to receive any sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

RCIA A JOURNEY IN FAITH



# DRIVE THRU • DINE IN Cluckin' for Catholic Education

# Chicken Dinner

\$15 per meal. Grilled 1/2 chicken, Nelson's cheddar cheese potatoes and southern style green beans, & a roll.

Free PB & J offered for dine in.



Catholic
Education at Holy
Cross School &
St. Patrick's





**DATE: Saturday April 23, 2022** 

TIME: Serving 4:30pm to 7pm

LOCATION: St. Patrick's (708 W. Main St, Urbana)

Tickets available at https://nelsonscatering.com/cluckin-for-catholic-education

# Save the rescheduled date for the annual Cluckin' For Catholic Education Chicken Dinner on

Saturday April 23rd at St. Patrick's!

Drive through or Dine in. \$15 per meal includes Grilled 1/2 chicken, cheddar cheese potatoes, southern style green beans, & a roll. Free PB & J offered for dine-in ticket holders.

Tickets available now in both parish offices, or purchase online at <a href="https://nelsonscatering.com/cluckin-for-catholic-education">https://nelsonscatering.com/cluckin-for-catholic-education</a>.

# Last Week's Collection

Offering for February 19th/20th.....\$5,457.34

Thank you very much!



# Holy Cross School 217-356-9521

www.holycrosselem.org

From Principal Greg Koerner:

# Need Financial Assistance for the 2022-2023 School Year? You Must:

Please remember that there are 4 steps to requesting financial assistance from your parish that you **must** do:

- 1. Be a registered member of Holy Cross, St. Patrick's, or St. Mary's in town.
- 2. Apply for the Empower Illinois Scholarship at <u>empower-illinois.org</u>. Upload any needed documentation (W2s, 1040s, etc)
- 3. Apply for the FACTS Grant & Aid Scholarship, which can be accessed through your Family Portal account in the menu Financial, then Grant & Aid.
- This includes submitting the application in full and paying the submission fee (\$35) and uploading any needed documentation (W2s, 1040s, etc.)
- 4. Apply for the Diocese of Peoria Spalding Scholarship by contacting your parish and asking them to put you on the "Spalding List".
- It is **ONLY AFTER YOU COMPLETE THESE 4 STEPS** that your local parish will then consider extending monies to your family to help with tuition assistance.

Always Home - Always Family" WE ARE HOLY CROSS

# 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

# Lenten Film Fest: The Chosen, Season 1

Mark your calendars now to join us at St Patrick, Urbana, in St Brigid Hall on Tuesdays (March 1-April 19) after the noon Mass (around 1 p.m.) to view *The Chosen*. It is an acclaimed TV series about the life of Jesus of Nazareth. Attend Mass, bring a sack lunch to eat while watching the film. Coffee, tea and water will be provided. We will watch one episode together each week followed by a short discussion and related scripture readings. Each session will last approximately 1 1/2 hours. Hope you will join us! St Patrick, 708 W. Main St, Urbana.









Did you Know? Your Child Can Attend a Catholic School -

#### Financial Assistance is Available

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 2022-23 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active 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 under Catholic Education and then under Financial Assistance. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: 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 the 2022-23 school year must reapply.

Deadline date for the completed application is April 29. Notification of grant awards will be made by the end of June.

Another funding opportunity is also available due to the Invest in Kids Act legislation in Illinois. Students may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees under a new program for tax credit scholarships (TCS). Details on how to apply and who qualifies are available on the Empower Illinois website at www.empowerillinois.org. (Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award).

#### Lenten Movie and a Meal

The Holy Cross Parish Council is sponsoring a "Movie and a Meal" this



Lent. Karen Easton is chairing this project which will be on Sunday, April 3rd at 5:30 p.m. She's looking for some volunteers to make a crock pot of soup. If you can help out, let Karen know at kareneaston1@yahoo.com.



# **High School of St. Thomas More** 217-352-7210 www.hs-stm.org

Spring Preview Night: Come one, come all! STM Spring Preview Night, Tuesday, March 1st from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Come hear from the administration, get an overview of the admissions process, take a campus tour, and meet your future teachers, coaches, and mentors! See you then!

STM Admissions News: Calling all 8th graders. If you aren't a part of the more than 40 students already in the STM Class of 2026, apply for free today! For a step-bystep guide of the admissions application process, go to https://www.hs-stm.org/page/step-by-step-stm-admissions -application-process

Spring Break: STM will be on Spring Break March 14th through March 18th. The school office will be closed during this week and will reopen at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, March 21st. Pray for a safe and restful week.

#### THE CATHOLIC POST

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# MAKING A SPIRITUAL PLAN FOR LENT

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent and a great day to make a plan for this holy and grace-filled season. Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Elizabeth Klein, Professor at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.

Go to formed.org/lent to sign up for Daily Lenten Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray as he opens up the Scriptures throughout this holy season.

# A Word from Joy

We are seeking 10 individuals or families who are willing to give \$100/month to Holy Cross Pro-Life Committee. We are hoping to continue our work to serve the poor - especially those families with small children. Will you consider being a family (or a group of families) that will consider this level of giving? We would like to continue to pay for diapers, rent, food and other items so that families can avoid homelessness and be stable financially. Help us to be the face of Christ to those in need.

# 40 Days for Life, Spring 2022

WHEN: Wednesday, March 2nd to Sunday, April 10th at Planned Parenthood, 302 East Stoughton St., Champaign

WHAT: 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 when the abortion clinic is open during normal business hours. Individual churches are encouraged to choose a day and time to come and pray. Contact: Renée at 217-607-0811, or reneemullen1@comcast.net

FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/40DaysCU/

#### LET'S LEARN ABOUT LENT



Join Brother Francis in this compact presentation of what Lent is all about and how we observe it as Catholics. Great for the whole family!

#### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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