

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



STATIONS OF THE CROSS, 4, 5 AND 6

Jesus, you feel so alone with all those people yelling and screaming at you. You don't like the words they are saying about you, and you look for a friendly face in the crowd. You see your mother. She can't make the hurting stop, but it helps to see that she is on your side, that she is suffering with you. She does understand and care.

Leader: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you. **All:** Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Jesus, the soldiers are becoming impatient. This is taking longer than they wanted it to. They are afraid you won't make it to the hill where you will be crucified. As you grow weaker, they grab a man out of the crowd and make him help carry your cross. He was just watching what was happening, but all of a sudden he is helping you carry your cross.

Leader: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you. **All:** Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Jesus, suddenly a woman comes out of the crowd. Her name is Veronica. You can see how she cares for you as she takes a cloth and begins to wipe the blood and sweat from your face. She can't do much but she offers what little help she can.

Leader: We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you. **All:** Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

LENTEN DEVOTION AND MASS

Please join our parish family on Wednesday evenings during Lent for the Stations of the Cross at 5:30, followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

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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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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.

Second Sunday of Lent

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 14 Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley Dennis Menke, John Kelley, Jason Heidbreder, Kathy Murray Rachel Burdette, Nora Kelley, Mary Beth Franey
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	March 15 Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Brian Rosten Barry Dickerson, John Deponai, John Sullivan, Judy Deverell Veronica Burton, Jack Walters, Nicolette Burton
10:00 a.m.	Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Joe Murphy Steve Carter, Dawn Friedman, Margie Hoss, Jessica McMahon, Benjamin Laws, Bonita Higgerson Garrett Unger, Nick Unger, Ben Summers
4:00 p.m.	Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Robert Porter Tylor Hull, Elaine Hershbarger, Anthony Frasca, Beth Frasca Rohan Thope, Kristina Maloney, Anthony Hoffman



WEEKDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
9	10	11	12	13
Nicolette Burton, Vivian Pyle	Josie McFarland, Maddie McFarland	6:00 p.m. John. Bingaman	August Christhilf, Philip Christhilf	8:15 a.m. School Servers



Monday, March 9

7:00 a.m. Chris Cosgrove

Tuesday, March 10

7:00 a.m. Johnny Deponai, IV

Wednesday, March 11

6:00 p.m. Alan & Patricia Berndt

Thursday, March 12

7:00 a.m. Geoff Halverson

Friday, March 13

8:15 a.m. Clem Kamphaus

Saturday, March 14

5:30 p.m. Renata Bishop

Sunday, March 15

8:00 a.m. Mark & Beulah Slattery 10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

4:00 p.m. Pat Doyle



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!

SENIOR LUNCHEON. Join us for our monthly potluck on **Wednesday**, **March 11th**, beginning around noon. Those who can do so should bring a covered dish and their own table service. A Parish Nurse will be available for BP checks and health related questions.



RECYCLE YOUR MAGNIFICATS

Please place your old Magnificats in the basket provided at the back of the church and we will use them for various projects and ministries. Thank you.

LENTEN SEASON

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES
ALL SERVICES BEGIN AT 7:00 P.M.

Monday, March 30th at Holy Cross Tuesday, March 31st at St. Patrick Wednesday, April 1st at St. Matthew

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION continues on Fridays when school is in session, beginning about 9:00 a.m. and ending with Benediction at 2:15 p.m. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is sung at 3:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL are held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays (**not** Fridays), from March 4th to April 8th.

CONFESSIONS are heard from noon to 1:00 p.m. all the Thursdays of Lent.

FISH FRYS are held on all the Fridays of Lent, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Great Hall.

FREE LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available in the vestibule of the church.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR CAKE MIX DONATIONS!

The pantry is full. At this point we just need **frostings**. It takes 3 cans of frosting per cake. Please drop them off at the back of the church or at the Parish Office.

DONATIONS OF SODA NEEDEDPlease consider donating soda, in **2-liter bottles:** Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Coke products, Mountain Dew, Orange Crush, Sierra Mist, etc.



VOLUNTEERS also needed to bake cakes at the Parish Center and serve at the dinners. Proceeds from cake sale will benefit Children of Hope & Faith.

FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



The Friday Night Fish Fry has begun. 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!

MOVIE AND A LENTEN MEAL



The annual Lenten event, a Movie and a Meal, will be **Today, March 8th** at 5:00 p.m. A supper of soup and bread will be served in the parish center. The movie, "*Breakthrough*," rated PG, will begin about 5:45. It's about faith and hope and is especially appropriate

for older children and adults. We ask that those attending bring either a cash donation or some non-perishable items for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.

FORMED

Have you signed up for FORMED? Remember, it's FREE. Discover our faith with the best Catholic media at home and on the go. A suggestion for you to explore on FORMED, especially during this Lenten season, are the FORGIVEN videos. They focus on "The Transforming Power of Confession."

Another suggestion to start your day off right is FORMED daily. Get ready to be inspired and renewed with these clips from Catholic authors, speakers, movies, and talks. To sign up to a FORMED account, visit FORMED.org. Click "Sign up" and select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization." Find our parish by name or zip code. Then enter your email and you are all set. If you haven't signed up yet, please give it a try!

EASTER FLOWER FUND

Our beautiful Easter altar decorations are made possible through gifts to the Flower Fund. If you'd like to make a donation in the name of a loved one, please place your gift in the collection basket in a plain enve-



lope marked "Easter Flower Fund." Include a note with the names of those to be remembered. The names will be listed in the bulletin. Donations have been made in memory of the Calcagno & Christians families.

Last Week's Collection

Offering for February 29th/March 1st......\$7,150.84 School Tuition Assistance.....\$947.86

Thank you very much!



Holy Cross School 356-9521 www.holycrosselem.org

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for the 2020-21 school year for Preschool through 8th grade. For more info visit www.holycrosselem.org or call 356/9521.

CRUSADER CASH RAFFLE TIME: Buy a \$25 ticket at either the school or parish office, or at the Fish Frys for a chance to win! One ticket gets you entered for all drawings. The drawings are weekly at the Friday night Fish Fry. You need not be present to win. All proceeds benefit Holy Cross School. Prize schedule is as follows: Winners on Feb. 28th and March 6th each receive \$100. The March 13th and 20th winners will receive \$150. The March 27th winner will receive \$200. And the April 3rd winner will receive \$300.

SPRING BREAK IS ALMOST HERE. School will be open a half day on Friday, March 13th, then no school until Monday, March 23rd. Students & teachers, enjoy your break!

SPRING MUSICAL. Save the date for our annual Spring Musical. This year's musical is "Into the Woods." Shows will run from Thursday, April 30th through Saturday, May 2nd.





February 25th to April 5th at Planned Parenthood, 302 E. Stoughton, Ch.

40 Days for Life is an international peaceful prayer collaboration to pray for help and healing for all who are affected by abortion. Prayers are welcome anytime during the 40 days, but especially when the abortion clinic is open during normal business hours. We can always use more people praying. It has been proven that more lives are saved and more people find help when others are outside praying. Pro-life movies including Abby Johnson's presentation from 2017 and *Unplanned* will be shown at local area churches throughout the 40 day period.

Questions? Contact Renee at reneemullen1@comcast.net or FACEBOOK: https://www,facebook.com/40DaysCU/



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**, or until in-matching funds are depleted. For more info contact Stephanie Rank at stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org or call the parish office at 352-8748.



High School of St. Thomas More 352-7210 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 Shadow Visit: https://forms.gle/epBHFWbBfBaBSrdHA.

SPRING MUSICAL. STM Music and Drama's annual spring musical returns **March 26-28** with Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka, featuring Calum Beckett as Willy Wonka. The STM spring musical showcases the timeless story of the world-famous candy man and his quest to find an heir for his chocolate factory. Reserved tickets are on sale online at https://STMMusicandDrama.ludus.com/6339.

Or tickets for general seating are available at the door before each show. Children 5 & under, Seniors 60 & over, \$5; Grades K-12, \$7; All others \$10. Contact Angie Deptula at: stm.music,drama.boosters@gmail.com

WATCH WEEKEND, MARCH 27-29

"Grow in Faith." WATCH offers a weekend of activities focused on sacraments, yourself, your relationship with God, and a Christian family. Meals are provided and participants go home at the end of the day. Schedule is as follows: Friday 6:30-9:30 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., including the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Join us! Register via pink registration forms or call the Parish Office at 352-8748 by March 20th.



OUR SORROWFUL MOTHER'S MINISTRY



Healing, Deliverance and Mercy Ministry

Bringing Hope, Reconciliation and Mercy to Wounded Souls

Next retreat: **March 27th-29th:** Fr. Elias Mary, from the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, LaCrosse, WI. "St. Gemma and Reparation, Suffering Souls and the Gift of Grace" (1st class relic of St Gemma)

All retreats are held at The Sanctuary of Our Sorrowful Mother, 318 N. 8th St., Vandalia, IL. \$30 pp for normal retreats.18 years or older only.

Holiday Inn Express has OSMM discount rate. Call 618 283-0010. Register online at www.osmm.org, or contact osmm@sbcglobal.net, or call Mariann, 618 292-8039 or Ann, 618 267-3876.

MARIAN CONSECRATION STUDY: 33 Days of Morning Glory

Draw closer to the heart of Jesus through the heart of Mary. Gain new insights into Marian Consecration. Learn how key saints lived it out, and how you can live it out as well.

Join us in preparation for Marian Consecration. We will meet Thursday evenings starting **March 26th through May 7th** (no meeting during Holy week) from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Grade School in Philo, room #10. Please bring a copy of 33 Days of Morning Glory by Fr. Michael Gaitley. Extra copies will be available if needed. Everyone is welcome!

FertilityCare™Services of Champaign-Urbana, Featuring NaProTECHNOLOGY®

Free group Introductory Session for the Creighton Model System on **Wednesday**, **April 1st** at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Cross. 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 for more information or to register for the session.

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

POTLUCK LUNCHEON IN TOLONO

On Wednesday, March 11th at 11:30 a.m. the Catholic Charities Good Samaritan Program is sponsoring a potluck lunch at St Patrick's Parish Center in Tolono. We'll play Bingo, so bring your white elephant items for prizes. Everyone age 55 and over is welcome. Please bring a dish to share. Questions? Call Kim McAvoy at 637-2395.

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