

March 12, 2023



THIRD  
SUNDAY  
OF LENT

*The Samaritan Woman*

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross





## Eucharistic Revival

*"Let everyone be struck with fear, the whole world tremble,  
and the heavens exult when Christ, the Son of the Living God,  
is present on the altar in the hands of a priest."*

St. Francis of Assisi

### CCC 1378. *Worship of the Eucharist.*

In the liturgy of the Mass, we express our faith in the real presence of Christ under the species of bread and wine by, among other ways, genuflecting or bowing deeply as a sign of adoration of the Lord. "The Catholic Church has always offered and still offers to the sacrament of the Eucharist the cult of adoration, not only during Mass, but also outside of it, reserving the consecrated hosts with the utmost care, exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and carrying them in procession."

Continue to look for the Weekly Eucharistic Revival column in the bulletin each week during Lent.



O Jesus we adore you, Who, in your love divine,  
Conceal you mighty Godhead in forms of bread and wine.

**O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine!  
All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.**

O Jesus we adore you, Our victim and our priest,  
Whose precious blood and body become our sacred feast.

**O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine!  
All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.**

O Jesus, we adore you, Our Savior and our King,  
And with the saints and angels Our humble homage bring.

**O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine!  
All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.**

O Jesus we adore you; Come, live in us we pray,  
That all our thoughts and actions Be yours alone today.

**O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine!  
All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.**

O come, all you who labor In sorrow and in pain;  
Come eat this bread from heaven; Your peace and strength regain.

**O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine!  
All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.**

### MASS AND HOLY HOUR DURING LENT

Please join our parish family during  
Lent on Wednesday evenings for  
Mass and Holy Hour.

Following the 6 p.m. Mass,  
we will have a Holy Hour with Exposition,  
Meditation, Adoration, and Benediction

(There will not be the usual  
5:30 p.m. Devotion during Lent)



### PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Joseph P. Donton, Pastor  
Fr. Leopold Mushobozi, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

#### TRUSTEES

Tom Murray John Powers

**DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
Elizabeth Kelley

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**  
Jonathan Young

**TRIBUNAL AUDITOR**  
Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

#### 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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#### ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction  
at 2:30 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 baptismal preparation sessions,  
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.

# Third 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

<b>Saturday</b> <b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>March 18</b> Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Tim Spila No Ministers John Haggin, Ethan Weldy
<b>Sunday</b> <b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>March 19</b> Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Sue Berndt No Ministers Isabella Contreras, Grace Riley
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy John Dixon, Pat Dixon Jack McMahon, Brooke McMahon
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Beth Frasca John Farney, Juliann Seebauer Nate Farney, Mark Elliott Woolwine

During Lent, **no** 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Devotion.

### ††† Masses For The Week

#### Monday, March 13

7:00 a.m. Taylor Pleasure

#### Tuesday, March 14

7:00 a.m. *No Mass (Assembly Days)*

#### Wednesday, March 15

6:00 p.m. Joe, Ruth, and Pat Doyle  
6:30 p.m. *Holy Hour*

#### Thursday, March 16

7:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

#### Friday, March 17

8:15 a.m. Bob and Kathleen Roberts

#### Saturday, March 18

5:30 p.m. For the Parishioners

#### Sunday, March 19

8:00 a.m. Joseph Jerkovitz  
10:00 a.m. Mary Elizabeth Warner  
4:00 p.m. Stephen Primmer

### 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 envelope 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 deceased Walter J. Palmer and Maxine A. Palmer.



### Bereaved Parents of the USA

The Champaign-Urbana chapter will meet **Tuesday, March 12th** at 3:30 p.m. at Stephen Family YMCA, 2501 Fields Dr. South. We'll meet in the community room and continue to meet on the 2nd Sunday each month. For more info call Jerry or Jane Pica at 217-373-1321.



### LENTEN MOVIE AND MEAL



Movie and a Meal: Lenten dinner of soup, bread, & water. The meal will be followed by the movie "Breakthrough," a story of a St. Louis teen who slipped through an icy lake, was under water for 15 minutes before being rescued, and was then in a coma. His family must rely on their faith to get through the ordeal.

When? Palm Sunday, April 2nd from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. At Holy Cross Parish Center, sponsored by Holy Cross Parish Council. Event is free; bring a friend, bring your family **RSVP by March 30th** as to how many are coming. Call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748.



### Dispensation on St. Patrick's Day

For Catholics, the obligation to abstain from meat on Fridays of Lent is a significant element of the Church's observance of the penitential nature of this holy season. This year, Saint Patrick's Day falls on a Friday of Lent. Bishop Tylka has granted a dispensation from the obligation of abstinence. Those taking advantage of the dispensation, however, are exhorted to undertake a work of charity, an exercise of piety, or an act of comparable penance on some other occasion during the 3rd week of Lent.



**There will be NO 7:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, March 14th due to Assembly Days for the Priests**



## WOMEN'S LENTEN RECOLLECTION MARCH 18, 2023

"Mary and the Role of Women in God's Plan"

Please join us for a morning of reflection 9:00-11:30 a.m. Fr. Leo Mushobozi will present a reflection on the Blessed Mother, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, accompanied by Adoration, recitation of the Rosary, and the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr. Leo will close with Benediction.

Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas,  
Court Champaign County #1070

## Communal Penance Services

Monday, March 27th, 7:00 p.m. at St Matthew

Tuesday, March 28th, 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross

Wednesday, March 29th, 7:00 p.m. at St Patrick

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

The wound of abortion in real. So is healing. Rachel's Vineyard Retreat offers healing for those who struggle with the emotional or spiritual pain of a past abortion. This retreat is for single or married couples; mothers, fathers, grandparents, siblings, or anyone impacted by an abortion experience.

If you are searching for peace and inner healing from a past abortion, this retreat is for you. Register for the March 24-26, 2023 retreat by calling 309-264-1489 or emailing [rvrpeoria@gmail.com](mailto:rvrpeoria@gmail.com). All communications are strictly confidential. For more information, please visit [www.cdop.org/rachelsvineyard](http://www.cdop.org/rachelsvineyard) or [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

## FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION JESUS IS CALLING YOU!

**All Are Invited.** Each Friday when school is in session, Jesus holds a special open house in our beautiful church. He invites us to spend quiet time with Him to give thanks for blessings received and to tell Him about our pressing concerns.

Please consider signing up for a half-hour or more to visit Our Lord on Fridays beginning after the All-School Mass and ending with Benediction at 2:30 p.m. Jesus would so love your company!



## Collections

Offering for March 4th/5th.....\$9,397.71

School Tuition Assistance.....\$597.00

Thank you very much!



## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Dear Lord God,  
We pray that you will call many fine young men  
to the Priesthood.

May they have the grace to hear your call  
and to respond wholeheartedly,  
giving of themselves generously  
in the service of your Church,  
that we may be greatly strengthened and may grow.

May these fine priests have the grace  
of perseverance and not burn out.

And may they be supported  
and encouraged and appreciated.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



## FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

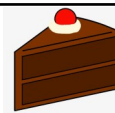
Three more Fish Frys: **March 17, 24, and 31.**  
We need volunteers to work from 1 to 3 hours during the Holy Cross Parish Fish Fry. Choose from the following times: 5-6 p.m. or 6-7 p.m., or clean-up crew. Jobs include pouring soda, cleaning tables, helping people to their seats, taking out trash, refilling supplies, etc. Please call or text Jessica McMahon at 217-898-8846 to sign up. It's the most fun you'll ever have working! You can also go to: [www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45ABA723A0FCC25-fish](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45ABA723A0FCC25-fish)



## FISH FRY CAKE SALE!

The Children of Hope and Faith are again hosting their cake sale at the Fish Frys this year! We are looking for donations of cake mixes, frostings, eggs, and oil. For each sheet cake we use 3 boxes of the same cake mix, 3 cans of frosting, 9 eggs and about 1½ cups of vegetable oil. A gluten-free dessert and angel food cake are also served each time, but we do not need any donations. Questions? Please contact Sharon Kristovich at (217) 355-2096 or [kristomail@comcast.net](mailto:kristomail@comcast.net) 100% of the sales are donated to The Children of Hope and Faith to raise tuition for Holy Cross' sponsored child, Lydia Patrick.

Thank you for your support!



**Note: See Bishop's letter on page 6.**





## High School of St. Thomas More

217-352-7210

[www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org)

### STM Job Opportunities

STM is seeking applications for a Full-Time Maintenance Technician, Part-Time Assistant Athletic Director, Head Girls Tennis Coach, Boys Head Soccer Coach, Head JV Baseball Coach, and a Bus Driver. If interested, email Sr. Bridget Martin at [srmbridget@hs-stm.org](mailto:srmbridget@hs-stm.org), Anthony Corapi at [acorapi@hs-stm.org](mailto:acorapi@hs-stm.org) and Jon Marston, Athletic Director, at [jmarston@hs-stm.org](mailto:jmarston@hs-stm.org).

**Spring Break:** STM will be closed Monday, March 13th through Friday, March 17th for Spring Break.

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt:** The STM Interact Club Easter egg hunt will be on Sunday, March 26th from 1:30-3:30 p.m. It will be held on the STM football field, unless it rains and is moved to the gym. There will be games and an Easter egg hunt. No registration needed. Participation fee is a book to be donated to Orphans' Treasure Box.

**Spring Musical:** STM's Spring Musical is "*The Big Bad Musical*." It will be performed March 30th at 7 p.m., March 31st at 7 p.m., April 1st at 2 p.m., and at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria. Come support our students and enjoy a howling good time. Ticket \$5 for adults / \$3 for students & seniors.

**Admissions Application Open for 2023-24:** Current 8th grade and high school families: Just a reminder that STM is still accepting admissions applications for next school year. Go to [www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org) and click on "Explore" then "Apply Now" to get started today. Questions? Contact the Enrollment Office at [admissions@hs-stm.org](mailto:admissions@hs-stm.org). We hope to welcome you and your child to the Saber family!

**Student Shadow Program:** The Shadow a Saber Program is back for Spring 2023! For details and registration info, go to [www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org). Click on "Enrollment" and then "Shadow Program." Questions? Go to [admissions@hs-stm.org](mailto:admissions@hs-stm.org). We look forward to welcoming your child to campus soon!



## EMPOWER ILLINOIS TAX CREDIT MATCH OPPORTUNITY!

**BREAKING NEWS!** We have a matching gift that will go toward student scholarships! The donor will match any gift 1:1 up to \$10,000 designated to Holy Cross School through Empower Illinois between now and April 15th! There has never been a better time to give. You can double your impact!

Monsignor Hallin once said, "No student will be denied a Catholic Education due to financial issues." If you believe in the benefits of Catholic education like Monsignor did, then please consider giving to Empower Illinois. We currently have 74 students on the waitlist for a 2023-24 scholarship. If this is something you believe in, then please make your gift today and you will receive 75% of your donation back as a credit on your Illinois state taxes. Let's help make Monsignor's dream come true! Email [stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org](mailto:stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org) with questions, or visit: <https://donations.empowerillinois.org/donations>



## HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

217-356-9521

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



### 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 2023-24 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.

### Checklist for a Spalding Scholarship Application for 2023-24

\*Thoroughly read the Protocols and Procedures for details on how to complete the application process.

\*Submit the FACTS Grant & Aid Application online at [online.factsmgmt.com/aid](http://online.factsmgmt.com/aid).

\*Pay the application fee online to FACTS Management.

\*Upload your 2022 federal income tax return and ALL supporting tax schedules and documents to FACTS Management by **April 28, 2023**.

\*Upload your 2022 W-2 Wage & Tax Statements to Facts Management by **April 28, 2023**

\*Ask your parish pastor to submit a recommendation to the Diocesan Office of Catholic Schools that your family is in good standing in the parish.

\*If your student received an Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship (TCS) for 2023-24, do not apply for a Spalding scholarship. Students are ineligible to receive a Spalding scholarship if they receive a full or partial TCS.

\*Apply as early as you can, but **All Documents** must be uploaded to FACTS by **April 28, 2023** for the application to be considered for the Spalding Scholarship. FACTS will no longer accept any paper documents.

### FACTS Contact Information:

You can chat with a FACTS representative online if you have a question when completing the application.

Online application: [online.factsmgmt.com/aid](http://online.factsmgmt.com/aid)

Customer Service number: (866) 315-9262

Deadline for the completed application is **April 28, 2023**. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2023.

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 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](http://www.empowerillinois.org). Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award.



## Most Reverend Louis Tylka

Diocese of Peoria  
Office of the Bishop

March 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support of this collection helps victims of war and natural disasters receive emergency assistance; assists migrants and refugees who need housing, education and specialized immigration legal assistance; and supports travelers and people whose livelihoods require special pastoral support and access to the sacraments.

As an example of support, one could look at what is usually an often forgotten need for today's world. Seafarers from around the world sail into the busy ports along the Gulf of Mexico. Because of language barriers, unfamiliarity with the location, and quarantine restrictions due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, they have special material and pastoral needs. Fortunately, volunteers from the Stella Maris ministry welcome sailors entering the ports at Point Comfort, Texas, and Mobile Alabama. Port chaplains celebrate Mass aboard ships, and lay volunteers distribute care packages and Christmas gifts to the sailors, including Bibles, rosaries and other devotional items. In addition to serving seafarers with visits, gifts, and spiritual support, the centers in Mobile and Point Comfort organized free COVID-19 vaccination clinics for the crews.

Stella Maris was founded in 1920 to bring the Church's saving message aboard ships. Over the past century, it has grown into a worldwide ministry to seafarers, port workers, cruise ship passengers, and others associated with the maritime industry. The U.S. national office is a ministry of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Subcommittee on Pastoral Care for Migrants, Refugees and Travelers, which The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports. When you contribute to the collection, you support this special ministry that welcomes and provides for seafarers who are far from home.

Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the globe. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection this year.

Peace and Prayers,

✦ Most Reverend Louis Tylka  
Bishop of Peoria

**Note:** The collection for Catholic Relief Services will be taken on the weekend of March 18th/19th.

### HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

Devall, Desmier, Jensen Families  
Menke & Leahy Families  
James, Marie, Paul, Joe, & Edward, 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  
Towner Family  
Haggin Family  
Rakers-Wade Families  
Hershbarger & 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  
Margaret B. Schwenk  
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  
Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.