

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross April 2, 2023



Eucharistic Revival

"Since Christ Himself has said, 'This is my body,' who shall dare to doubt that it is His body?"

- St. Cyril of Jerusalem

CCC 1381. "That in this sacrament are the true Body of Christ and his true Blood is something that 'cannot be apprehended by the senses,' says St. Thomas, 'but only by faith, which relies on divine authority.' For this reason, in a commentary on Luke 22:19 ('This is my body which is given for you'), St. Cyril says: 'Do not doubt whether this is true, but rather receive the works of the Savior in faith, for since he is truth, he cannot lie."

Godhead here in hiding, whom I do adore Masked by these bare shadows, shape and nothing more, See, Lord, at thy service low lies here a heart Lost, all lost in wonder at the God thou art. Seeing, touching, tasting are in thee deceived; How says trusty hearing? That shall be believed; What God's Son has told me, take for truth I do; Truth himself speaks truly or there's nothing true.

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





Did you know that an Italian teenager, Blessed Carlo Acutis, created a website compiling all of the Eucharistic Miracles to date? Carlo was 15 years old when he died.

His motto was:

"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan."

You can find Carlo's website at www.miracolieucaristici.org

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)



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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

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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.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

HOLY WEEK EVENTS AND INFORMATION 2023

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, April 6th, 7:30 p.m.

Lector: Sue Berndt EMHC: John Farney

Servers: Ben Summers, Nate Farney

Garrett, Nick, Zora Unger (Need 2 more)

GOOD FRIDAY, April 7th, 3:00 p.m.

Lector: John Farney EMHC: Need 1

Servers: Jack and Brooke McMahon, Nate Farney,

Sam Easton, Chris and Tim Friedman

HOLY SATURDAY, April 8th, 7:30 p.m.

Lectors: Rob Shanahan and Stephanie Farney

EMHC: Peg Swanson

Servers: Nate Farney Ben Summers

Garrett, Nick, and Zora Unger -need 1 more

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9th, 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Jay Geistlinger EMHC: John Deponai

Servers: Wil and Henry Karduck, Sam Easton

10:00 a.m.

Lector: Andrew Zasada

EMHC: Need 2

Servers: August and Philip Christhilf

FOR THOSE SENSITIVE TO INCENSE, please note that it will be used on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday at the beginning and end of Mass, and at the Easter Vigil.

PALMS FROM LAST YEAR ARE BLESSED, and must be disposed of properly. This means burning the palms and burying the ashes. If you'd rather have the parish handle it for you, please bring your palms from last year to the Parish Office and we will dispose of them properly.

ON GOOD FRIDAY our parish will take up the annual collection for the **Holy Land**. Please be generous. Your financial contribution will support the works of the Catholic Community in the Middle East and help protect the Holy places and Christian shrines.

Święconka—Blessing of Easter Baskets

Of special interest to those of Slovak, Polish, Ukrainian, Lithuanian, and Central European background will be the traditional Blessing of Easter Foods at 3:00 p.m. on Holy Saturday, April 8th, in the church.



+++ Masses For The Week

Monday, April 3

7:00 a.m. Paul Kelley

Tuesday, April 4

7:00 a.m. Sam & Lily Mikulich & Family

Wednesday, April 5

6:00 p.m. Stephen Montez

Holy Thursday, April 6

7:30 p.m. For the Priests

Good Friday, April 7

3:00 p.m. No Intentions

Holy Saturday, April 8

7:30 p.m. For the Candidates

Easter Sunday, April 9

8:00 a.m. Maurice and Rosemary Decker

10:00 a.m. Joe, Ruth and Pat Doyle













And Jesus said to Peter, "So could you not keep watch with me for one hour? (Mt 25:40)

HOLY THURSDAY - 7:30 p.m. After the 7:30 p.m. Mass there will be Eucharistic Adoration until midnight. A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule for that night. Please consider signing up to spend time

with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration anytime until midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - 3:00 p.m. Remember that Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. There is no adoration on that day. The Good Friday Service will be held at 3:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY- 7:30 p.m. There will be NO confessions heard on this day. Easter Vigil will be at 7:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. There will be the 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Masses but NO 4:00 p.m. Mass.

NOTE CHANGE IN THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRESENTATION

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL PRESENTS THE LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us in the **church** at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, **April 6th**, as the 7th grade students will be presenting the Living Stations of the Cross.



(There will be NO Livestream on Facebook)

The Parish Office will be closed Friday, April 7th, and Monday, April 10th in observance of Easter Weekend.



JESUS I TRUST YOU! We invite you to Join us on Divine Mercy Sunday Sunday, April 16 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm At St Patrick, Urbana

For prayer of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Exposition, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

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 & Maxine A. Palmer; Cindy & Jennifer Gibas; the Hettinger, Painter & Wagner families; Kevin Hodge; Michael A. & Marie Mularchik; Joyce & John Hipskind; Verna & Robert Kerber; Finn A. Oliveira; Jim & Kathryn Bristow; Gene, Elaine & Ross Mayor; and Donna Menacher. Donations have been made in honor of Eve Gordon Boyd; and in honor of Wendy Ziccarelli.



SAVE THE DATE



Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt counties invites you to the 20th Annual

Steak Dinner at Philo Tavern on Sunday, April 30th, located at 101 Washington Street in Philo, IL.

This annual fundraiser benefits several important charitable programs in Champaign and Piatt counties, including St. Patrick Food Pantry in Tolono, which is open to anyone and any family in need, regardless of income or residency; our Light of Hope and Good Samaritan programs, and our new Parish Ministry of Financial Help program that helps parishes serve parishioners in need. All our services are free.

Tickets for the dinner are \$40/person. Cash bar opens at 4 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m. To purchase tickets, contact Gloria Fellers at 217/649-8786. Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities. We look forward to seeing you at the dinner!

A BIG FISH FRY THANK YOU!



A big thanks to everyone who helped make the Lenten Fish Fry happen. It couldn't have run smoothly without the help of so many people.

"The Fry Guys": Greg Koerner, Steve Pankau, Rich Pankau, Tom Pankau, Mark Wavering, Jeff Hasenstab, David Atchley, Rich McMahon & August Christhilf. Fish Fry Coordinators in training: Brooke McMahon & Nicolette Burton; Weekly Macaroni & Cheese donations from the Shelden Family; Shopper: Lynette Barham; Jack-of-alltrades: Stephanie Rank; Donations table: Pat & John Dixon, Gloria Fellers; Room set-up: Bill Graham & Charlie Lowray; Cake table volunteers and all the weekly volunteers who poured sodas, ran the to-go door and cleaned up after everyone.

Thanks for making the Holy Cross Fish Fry such a wonderful place for food & fellowship!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE DECORATING CREW!

Throughout the liturgical year, from Christmas to Easter and all points in between, the decorating crew works behind the scenes to provide the parish community with a well decorated, spiritually inspiring church. Father Donton referred to us after last Christmas as "the small but mighty band." It's become apparent that, despite our best recruiting efforts, we have become the "too small and mighty band."

To alleviate that problem, we're reaching out to all Holy Cross parishioners who may be interested in joining the decorating crew. No particular decorating background is required. We are looking for dedicated people willing to work, follow directions, and commit themselves to our decorating ministry. Availability is a must. We would like to recruit 4 or 5 individuals who have those traits and want to help carry on the tradition that began with Harry Breen in the mid-1980s. If you are interested, please call Dave Devall at (217) 417-1376, or Sharon Kristovitch at (217) 355-2096.

You can also email Dave at devalld@sbcglobal.net or Sharon at kristomail@comcast.com.



High School of St. Thomas More 217-352-7210

www.hs-stm.org

STM Job Opportunities: STM is seeking applications for a Head Boys Soccer Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested, email Jon Marston, Athletic Director, at jmarston@hs-stm.org.

Spring Break: STM will be closed for the Easter Break. April 6 thru April 10. May all have a blessed Easter Season.

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 and click on "Explore" then "Apply Now" to get started today. Questions? Contact the Enrollment Office at 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. Click on "Enrollment" and then "Shadow Program." Questions? Go to admissions@hs-stm.org. We look forward to welcoming your child to campus soon!

COLLECTION APPEAL—CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF CHAMPAIGN AND PIATT COUNTIES

Catholic Charities of Champaign and Piatt Counties provides a variety of charitable services for needy individuals and families living in Champaign and Piatt Counties.

Our Food Pantry at St. Patrick's in Tolono is open to anyone and any family in need.

Our Light of Hope and Good Samaritan programs offer a variety of direct care support services, gift cards for multiple needs, transportation services and much more.

Our Parish Ministry of Financial Help program assists parishes by providing short-term rent, housing, or utility assistance for individuals and families in need, and much more.

All our services are free. To help raise funds for these services, we would appreciate any donation. Envelopes are available at back of church, on the table in the parish lobby, or in the parish office.

Every dollar collected from our parishes serves individuals and families in need in Champaign and Piatt Counties. Thank You for helping us meet the needs of the poor among us!

Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt Counties P.O. Box 8937, Champaign, IL 61826



Collection

Offering for March 25th/26th.....\$7,387.25 Catholic Relief Services (3/18-19)......\$715.00 Thank you very much!



HOLY CROSS SCHOOL 217-356-9521 www.holycrosselem.org

From the Desk of Principal Koerner:

By seeing the extraordinary in the ordinary, we deepen our understanding.

Who would think that you can grow radishes with no soil?

We are continuing to experiment with what food can be grown in our aquaponics lab.

As you can see, we are challenging our students to take the ordinary and turn it into an extraordinary learning opportunity.



WE ARE HOLY CROSS



Tuition Assistance Consideration:

*Submit the FACTS Grant & Aid Application with fee online at online.factsmgt.com/aid.

*Call Parish Office to be put on the Spalding Scholarship list. Deadline for the completed application is April 28th, 2023. Notification of grant awards will be made in 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 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.





HOLY WEEK IN ROME: A JOURNEY WITH THE POPE

See how Holy Week is commemorated in Rome. Hear from theologians, professors, art historians, and Vatican officials about Jesus' last days on earth and how those moments have been relived throughout the centuries in Church ceremony and art.

From the washing of the feet to the walk to Calvary, Pope Benedict XVI takes us step-by-step through these symbolic events as played out in the Eternal City.



MOTHER TERESA: NO GREATER LOVE

Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, sparking a renewed interest in this spiritual

giant of the 20th century. Filmed on 5 continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today. This is far more than a documentary film. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

PRAYER FOR LIFE AND DIGNITY God of all life.

Help us to appreciate the great gift that is human life formed in your image, a reflection of your holiness.

Help us to recognize you in all whom you have created: children not yet born, families affected by poverty and war, people of different abilities, people from other lands, and all who are victims of hatred and racism.

Help us to bear witness to the dignity of all whom you have created, regardless of stage of life, or wealth, or ability, or color, or creed, for every person is fully equal in your loving eyes.

Share with us your holy knowledge that we are all your children, each bestowed with inherent dignity.

May your justice reign forever! Amen.



HOLY CROSS EMAIL LIST

Are you on our email list? Every Sunday we send out a weekly

Stewardship email, which includes parish and school news and upcoming events in our community. A link for the Sunday 10 a.m. Mass is also included. In addition, we use this email list to notify parishioners of any unexpected changes in Mass times or protocol. If you are not receiving these emails but would like to, please email

Stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org to be added to the list.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

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