

May 2, 2021

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
of Easter*

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



### OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

O God, who by the Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
did prepare a worthy dwelling  
place for Your Son,  
we beseech You that, as by  
the foreseen death of this, Your Son,  
You did preserve Her from all stain,  
so You too would permit us, purified through  
Her intercession, to come unto You. Through the  
same Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end,  
Amen.

During May, our 5:30 p.m. Devotions will be for Mary:

May 5th - Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception

May 12th - Our Lady of Fatima

May 19th - Our Lady of Sorrows

May 26th - Our Lady of Lourdes

### PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

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#### 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, Thur, Fri

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

#### 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

On Fridays when school is in session, you are  
invited to come from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri: 6:30-6:45 a.m.

Or by appointment.

**BAPTISM:** 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.

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

## 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.

### A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (15:1-8)

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Saturday, May 8**

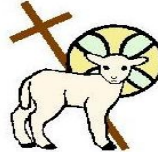
5:30 p.m. Patty Bingaman

**Sunday, May 9**

8:00 a.m. No ministers

10:00 a.m. Dawn Friedman, Margie Hoss

4:00 p.m. Ed & Julieann Seebauer, Elaine Hershberger



### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday, May 3**

7:00 a.m.

Patrick & Violet Cosgrove Family

**Tuesday, May 4**

7:00 a.m.

For Jim and Becky Kondrad

**Wednesday, May 5**

6:00 p.m.

Billie Limacher

**Thursday, May 6**

7:00 a.m.

All Souls in Purgatory

**Friday, May 7**

7:00 a.m.

First Friday Memorial

**Saturday, May 8**

5:30 p.m.

George and Donna Skube

**Sunday, May 9**

8:00 a.m.

For the Parishioners

10:00 a.m.

Johnny Calcagno

4:00 p.m.

Martha Bohacz

### A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (9:26-31)

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.



**NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH**, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Liam Vergara Becerril, son of Ryan Kern and Ana Becerril Hernandez. Let us support little Liam on his faith journey!

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED.** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of John Garvey. May his soul, and those of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.







## Emmaus Days 2021 will be back in Person!

**Sessions 1 and 2** are for college-age men as well as single men in their 20's and 30's who are discerning their vocation. We will give tools to take a step deeper into discerning God's will through prayer and the sacraments. By listening to insights and meditations as well as spending time with priests and seminarians, participants get a privileged glimpse into the priestly vocation.

In **Sessions 3 and 4** we focus on fun in an attempt to show the joy of becoming authentic Christian men. The experience includes prayer, talks by seminarians and priests, and activities like basketball, soccer, ultimate frisbee, and card games.

**Sessions 1 and 2** will be held at St. John's Catholic Newman Center in Champaign.

Session 1: June 11-14, for College Age & Young Adults.

Session 2: June 25-28, for High School Juniors & Seniors.

**Sessions 3 and 4** will be held at Peoria Notre Dame High School.

Session 3: July 18-21, High School Freshmen & Sophomores.

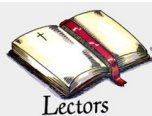
Session 4: July 21-23, Seventh & Eighth Graders

## ST. MARY CEMETERY ENTRANCE CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION

St Mary's Road in Champaign will be temporarily closed from Neil Street to Oak Street until August 15, 2021, for road construction. To access the temporary entrance, you will need to travel west on Hazelwood Dr., from South First Street, then travel North on Griffiths Dr. to the temporary entrance.

## ST. MARY CEMETERY DONATIONS NEEDED

St. Mary Catholic Cemetery in Champaign is asking for donations to help cover lawn mowing and maintenance of the cemetery. All donations are appreciated and no donation is too small. Please send your donation to St. Mary Cemetery, care of St. Mary Catholic Church, 612 E. Park St, Champaign, IL 61820.



## WE NEED LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS



As we are starting to get somewhat back to normal in church, we will have Lectors and Altar Servers for the weekend Masses again. Thus we will be in great need of both Lectors and Altar Servers (4th grade or older). If you are interested in serving in either capacity, please contact the Parish Office at 217-352-8748, or you can email us at [office@holycrosscatholic.org](mailto:office@holycrosscatholic.org).

## C-U VENERABLE FULTON SHEEN GUILD OF THE CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Presents: *End of Year Mass of Thanksgiving and Social* at St Matthew Church on May 8th (Sheen's birthday) at 9 a.m.

Please join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Church at 9 a.m., and a Social in Feeney Hall to follow. Refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to: [cufultonsheen@gmail.com](mailto:cufultonsheen@gmail.com)



CHAMPAIGN-URBANA  
VENERABLE FULTON SHEEN GUILD  
A CHARTERED GUILD of the Catholic Medical Association

## APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

### UNIVERSAL INTENTION, MAY 2021

### The World of Finance

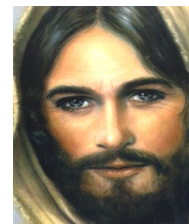
*Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.*

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

## FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be available from 9 a.m. until 12 noon on the following Fridays:

May 7, 14, 21, & 28. Come visit Jesus. He would so love your company!



## Last Week's Collection

Offering for April 24th/25th .....\$4,936.38

Thank you very much!



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356-9521  
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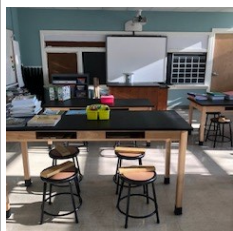
#### FROM PRINCIPAL GREG KOERNER:

April showers bring May flowers. April blessings bring May crownings. On May 20th we will be crowning our 8th grade students with graduation. These 8th graders and the entire school could not have made it through the school year without all of your prayers of support. Thank You one and all!

The new science lab is coming together. David Atchley has been volunteering his time to assemble the lab tables and stools. The plumbers were in and they have plumbed the fixers where the new sink will be installed. Mrs. Crull, Mrs. Burgess, and Mrs. LeFairve have purchased all the curriculum and have held in-service training for the other teachers. Mr. Dwain Shuler has moved the new dry erase



boards into the lab and will install them when everything else is completed. And, to all of the parishioners and parents who have donated to make this happen: Thank You. Donations are still welcome and this money will go directly to the science lab.



The next few weeks will be extremely challenging for our students. They will be taking the MAP test (Measure of Academic Progress), the ARK test (Assessment of Religious Knowledge), and the IAR test (Illinois Assessment of Readiness). Please continue to pray for our students as they push forward to the end of the school year.



As always, please stay safe during this ongoing pandemic. We will continue practicing our current protocols for the rest of the HC school year. Thank you for doing the same at home.

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!



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

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.** We are currently seeking applicants for a Math, a Science, a Spanish, and a Theology Teacher; also a Bus Driver, a Head Boys Basketball Coach, and a Head Girls Basketball Coach. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at [srmbridget@hs-stm.org](mailto:srmbridget@hs-stm.org).

**STM ADMISSIONS NEWS.** Calling all 8th Graders. You belong here. Become a St. Thomas More Saber. Our campus is more than just a place where our staff and students spend their days; it is a safe, welcoming, Christocentric environment where our students receive first-class formation of their whole person. We are a school family.

Our staff, students, and families have united to overcome so much over the past academic year, and we are excited as we approach the end of the school year to welcome the class of 2025 to campus in the fall!

Our enrollment application is FREE and consists of three parts that can be completed all at once or saved and done in steps. To begin, go to

<https://ecollect.accelaschool.com/stm>. Questions, contact Miss Erica Lyons at [elyons@hs-stm.org](mailto:elyons@hs-stm.org).

**SAVE THE DATE.** The Athletic Boosters Organization (ABO) Golf Outing and Shindig will be held on Friday, August 6th. Golf Outing starts at 1:00 p.m. at Lake of the Woods Golf Course. More details to follow.

#### SAINT THOMAS MORE APP

Don't forget. The High School of St. Thomas More has an app for your smartphone! It's everything St. Thomas More, in your pocket. Download the app on Android:

<http://bit.ly/39Tytt6> or iPhone: <https://apple.co/303rQQx>.

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#### Need Financial Assistance for the 2021-2022 School Year? You Must:



1. Apply for an Empower Illinois Scholarship.
2. Submit and pay \$30 for the FACTS Grant & Aid Application.
3. Apply for the Diocesan Spalding Scholarship. In order to be considered for this, **You must** upload 2020 Tax Information to FACTS by **May 17th** (deadline has been extended) and call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748 to put your name on the list.

#### HOLY CROSS SPRING RAFFLE



Tickets are \$20 each, or 6 for \$100.

1st Prize is \$1,000

2nd Prize is \$500

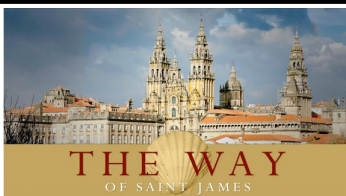
3rd Prize is \$250

Raffle runs April 23rd thru May 21st. The drawing will be on May 21st at the end of the school day. Tickets can be purchased online at [hcspringraffle.givesmart.com](http://hcspringraffle.givesmart.com), or in the Parish Office beginning Friday, April 23rd.

All proceeds go toward the Holy Cross School Science Lab.

## THE WAY OF ST. JAMES

This documentary follows the journey of several pilgrims who differ in culture and religious faith but are united in their journey across the Camino de Santiago. Each of them is traveling toward the shrine of St. James the Apostle, whose feast day we celebrate this week.



## THE WOMAN

In the Gospels we hear Jesus refer to his mother Mary as "Woman." This reference should draw our attention to

the woman mentioned in Genesis, as well as in the book of Revelation. But who is this "Woman" and why is she so central in the history of Salvation?

This powerful film presents the beautiful Catholic teaching about Mary, the mother of Jesus, and her important role in the Church and in the lives of Christians today. Combining many gorgeous images from classic sacred art with a lovely soundtrack, the dogmas of the Mother of God: Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity, and Assumption are explained, along with other traditional beliefs and devotions to Mary.

Insight commentary is provided by Fr. Marcus Holden, Fr. Andrew Pinsent, Sister Mary of the Trinity, Fr. Jeff Steel, and Joanna Bogle, along with a number of young people speaking about their faith and love of "Our Blessed Lady."

**Our Parish has a FORMED subscription.**  
To set up your free account visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.

## A WORD FROM JOY

**WE NEED HELP WITH FURNITURE DELIVERIES.** We need depth in our furniture ministry. Are you able-bodied? Or drive a truck? We are trying to put together a group of people so that when we have household goods, like mattresses, we can get them to people in need. This does not come up too often, but when the situation is right, we want to accommodate our families! Please contact me at: [joypace@msn.com](mailto:joypace@msn.com) or 217 359-8406.

## OUR PRO-LIFE DISCUSSION GROUP

meets via Zoom at 1:00 p.m. every 3rd Monday of the month. Next meeting, May 17th. To join in on the Zoom meeting, please contact Joy at [joypace@msn.com](mailto:joypace@msn.com) or 217 359-8406 for more information and a link to our meeting.

## Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court #1070



We meet every second Thursday of the month. Next meeting: will be on **Thursday, May 13th**, at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be held in person at Holy Cross Church Parish Center. For more information call Angie Poulsen at 217 359-1317.



Bereaved Parents of the USA Champaign-Urbana chapter will have its first meeting since COVID. We will meet at 4:00 p.m. on **Sunday, May 9th** at Stephen Family YMCA, 2501 Fields Dr. South. We'll meet outside the Pavilion north of the YMCA bldg., so bring a lawn chair if you'd like. We will wear masks and be socially distanced. We will continue to meet on the 2nd Sunday each month. For more info contact Jerry or Jane Pica at 217-373-1321.

## 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 & Fotzler 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  
Ron Murphy  
Haggin 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  
Costello Family  
Leta & Kenny Porter