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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL  
CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATION  
MAY 15, 2025

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

**May 18, 2025**



150<sup>th</sup>

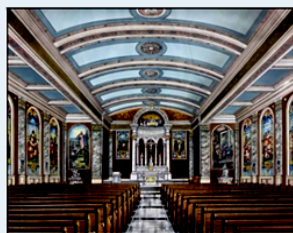
Diocese of Peoria

Holy Cross's own Father Joe Baker  
is leading Troop 9 Scouts  
on a pilgrimage  
to St. John's Catholic Chapel  
and YOU are invited too!



The purpose is to learn more about our Catholic faith, and to participate in a 150th Anniversary Peoria Diocese pilgrimage!

- \*Tour the Chapel with Fr. Joe
- \*Learn about Indulgences
- \*Have personal prayer time
- \*Celebrate the Mass



### Tuesday, June 3

5:00pm Meet at Holy Cross playground  
5:15pm Begin our 1.6 mile pilgrimage hike  
5:55pm Arrive at St. John  
6:00pm Tour & Prayer time  
7:00pm Mass  
\*Times are approximate  
\*If you or your children can not hike 1.6 miles  
in 40 minutes, you are welcome to meet us at  
St. John's at 6pm.

\*If you have questions, please text or call Karen Easton (217) 722-6151.

### Litany to Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for our dear country.  
Our Lady of Fatima, sanctify our clergy.  
Our Lady of Fatima, make our Catholics more fervent.  
Our Lady of Fatima, guide and inspire those who govern us.  
Our Lady of Fatima, cure the sick who confide in thee.  
Our Lady of Fatima, console the sorrowful who trust in thee.  
Our Lady of Fatima, help those who invoke your aid.  
Our Lady of Fatima, deliver us from all dangers.  
Our Lady of Fatima, help us to resist temptation.  
Our Lady of Fatima, obtain for us all that we lovingly ask thee.  
Our Lady of Fatima, help those who are dear to us.  
Our Lady of Fatima, bring back to the right road our erring brothers.  
Our Lady of Fatima, give us back our ancient fervor.  
Our Lady of Fatima, obtain for us pardon of our manifold sins and offences.  
Our Lady of Fatima, bring all men to the feet of thy Divine Child.  
Our Lady of Fatima, obtain peace for the world.

O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.  
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Let us Pray O God of infinite goodness and mercy, fill our hearts with a great confidence in Thy Dear Mother, whom we invoke under the title of Our Lady of the Rosary and our Lady of Fatima, and grant us by her powerful intercession all the graces, spiritual and temporal, which we need. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



### DEVOTION AND MASS

Please join our parish family on Wednesday evenings for Devotion and Mass.

The Devotion begins at 5:30 p.m. in the church, followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

In May we are praying the  
Litany to Mary, Our Lady of Fatima



### PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Msgr. Brian Brownsey  
Father Joseph Baker  
Deacon Ed Mohrbacher  
Deacon Michael Smith

### TRUSTEES

John Powers John Kelley

### 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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Phone: 217-352-8748 Fax: 217-366-2929  
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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 2:30 p.m.

### 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.

# 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.

### LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>May 24</b> Lector: EMHC: Servers	Duncan Oliveira John Kelley, Terry Sturdyvin, Joslyn Unger Emma Lwao, Brody Oliviera
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>May 25</b> Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Jay Geistlinger Barry Dickerson, Sue Berndt Nicolette Burton, Landen Douglas
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Mefford John Dixon, Pat Dixon, Jessica McMahon, Dawn Friedman Brooke McMahon, Ursula Tembo
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Jan Weber Lucy Rank, Sophie Rank

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT HOLY CROSS



Holy Cross Catholic Church has an opening for a full-time Office Manager. This position includes Finance / Bookkeeping and Human Resources responsibilities.

Qualified applicants should send their resume to [ellen@holycrosscatholic.org](mailto:ellen@holycrosscatholic.org).

### ADORATION ON FRIDAYS

Please consider signing up for a half-hour or more to visit Our Lord on Fridays beginning after the 8:15 a.m. Mass and ending with Benediction at 2:30 p.m.

Jesus would so love your company!



### COFFEE AND DONUTS



Come over to the Parish Center after the Sunday morning Masses and enjoy a cup of coffee and a delicious donut. It's been a Holy Cross tradition for over 50 years. Join us for stimulating conversation.



### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Monday, May 19

7:00 a.m.

For the Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters of Illinois

#### Tuesday, May 20

7:00 a.m.

All Souls in Purgatory

#### Wednesday, May 21

6:00 p.m.

Tyler Faulkner

#### Thursday, May 22

7:00 a.m.

Ron Davis

#### Friday, May 23

8:15 a.m.

Marilyn Javorski

#### Saturday, May 24

5:30 p.m.

Don and Alice McDuffee

#### Sunday, May 25

8:00 a.m.

For the Parishioners

10:00 a.m.

Mary Lou Tempel

4:00 p.m.

Robert Krakowiak

## TOTUS TUUS KIDS CATECHESIS CAMP

The Totus Tuus summer catechetical program is a week long parish mission for Catholic youth in grades 1st-12th. It is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship.



### SAVE THE DATE



JUNE 8 - 13, 2025  
HOLY CROSS CHURCH  
CHAMPAIGN, IL

Call Elizabeth Kelley at (217) 352-8748 with any questions or for more information.



Holy Cross Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day.





**A SECOND COLLECTION  
FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES  
OF CHAMPAIGN AND  
PIATT COUNTIES  
will be taken on  
May 31st / June 1st.**

Catholic Charities of Champaign and Piatt counties provides support for those in need in Champaign and Piatt counties through our Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Parish Hall in Tolono, and our Light of Hope and Parish Ministry of Financial Help programs. **In the last six months of our fiscal year, we have been able to donate over \$16,000 to help families and individuals with rent and utility assistance.** During this same period, over 400 families (including 55 new families) have made 883 visits to our Food Pantry, where they receive food, emotional support and referrals to other resources. **All our services are free.**

Our Food Pantry is open Mondays, 4-6:30 p.m. and Fridays, 9-10:30 a.m. to serve those who are struggling to make ends meet and feed their families, regardless of where they live – grandparents raising grandchildren, young mothers raising small children, while working full-time and caring for a disabled husband, and seniors living on fixed incomes.

*Please help us meet the needs of those in need living among us!*

*Donation envelopes will be provided.*

*Thank You and God Bless You!*

**A WEEKEND OF RENEWAL FOR MEN**  
**CURSILLO**  
**A SHORT COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY**

**Is Jesus Calling You?**  
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,  
"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"  
And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" (Isaiah 6:8)

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**JULY 25 – 27**  
**ST PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
708 W Main St, Urbana IL

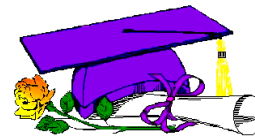
For more info, go to [champaigncursillo.com](http://champaigncursillo.com) or call or text  
Bruce Killian at 309-261-0168 or Paul Telthorst at 217-649-8421.

**Collections**

Offering for May 17th/18th.....\$8,431.27

Development Fund.....\$1,690.00

Thank You Very Much!



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE  
HOLY CROSS CLASS OF 2025!**

Kendall Whitney Baumann  
Melany Juliana De Jesus  
Sophia Lee Decker  
Samuel J. Easton  
Theodore Ghiotto  
Seamus R. Hayes  
William Herges  
Michael Elliott Hermer  
Hunter Knell  
Jack Lamkin  
Olivia Dyanne LeFaivre  
James Taylor Linnenburger  
Emma Marie Chileshe Lwao

Grayson Marinunga  
Cemy Mnyampara Masweka  
Daniella Tiabu Nzinga  
Kadair Nindia John Ouedraogo  
Jordyn Elizabeth Reed  
Rihana Ngoma Samu  
Lillyana R. Schmidt  
Sarah Ann Surratt  
Orsela Tembo Mboyo  
Ursula Tembo Esuke  
Jonah M. Walker  
Ethan Edward Weldy  
Mark Elliot Woolwine

**BLESSINGS AND BEST WISHES  
FOR YOUR FUTURE!**



St. Matthew / 1303 Lincolnshire Drive / Champaign

ELIZABETH MINISTRY'S

*Mass of Remembrance*

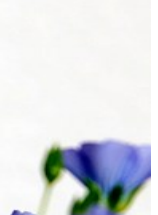
Monday, June 2, 2025

6:00 pm

St. Matthew Church

A Special Mass for all who have experienced  
infant loss or a miscarriage

LEARN MORE ABOUT  
ELIZABETH MINISTRY  
HERE



Join St. Mary's Cemetery and the Knights of Columbus for

**Memorial Day Mass**  
at St. Mary's Cemetery  
(Located on St. Mary's Road just East of Neil St., Champaign, IL)  
**Monday, May 26, 2025 - 9:00 am**

All are welcome. Please join us for this special  
Ceremony and Mass, as we remember and honor.

Please bring your lawn chairs, seating will be limited.  
For further information, please contact Denny Santarelli  
at (217) 778-0575 or [dennysantarelli2@gmail.com](mailto:dennysantarelli2@gmail.com)



**High School of St. Thomas More**  
**217-352-7210**  
[www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org)

### May 27 through August 1

STM Office will be on summer hours, Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, May 27 through August 1. The office will be closed during the week of June 9 and June 30. The office can be reached at 217-352-7210 or by emailing [info@hs-stm.org](mailto:info@hs-stm.org).

**Admissions Application Open for 2025-2026.** STM is accepting admissions applications for the next school year. Go to [www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org) and click on the menu in the upper right corner, then "Apply Now" to get started today. Have questions or need help with the application? Contact the Enrollment Office at [admissions@hs-stm.org](mailto:admissions@hs-stm.org). We hope and pray to welcome you and your child to the Saber family!

**STM Job Opportunities:** STM is currently seeking applications for a **School President**, a Part-Time Maintenance/Custodian, a Head Boys Golf Coach, a Head Girls Tennis Coach, a Head Football Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested email Sr. M. Bridget at [srmbriidget@hs-stm.org](mailto:srmbriidget@hs-stm.org) and John Delaney, Athletic Director at [jdelaney@hs-stm.org](mailto:jdelaney@hs-stm.org).

**Rome Odunze Youth Football Camp at STM!** Star Chicago Bears Wide Receiver Rome Odunze will be having a youth football camp for ages 6-16 here at STM on July 12th, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. For more information, go to: <https://www.flexworksports.com/camps-1/rome-odunze-champaign%2C-il>.

**STM Youth Summer Camps: Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, Softball, Scholastic Bowl (Co-Ed) and Rome Odunze Youth Football Camp at STM!** Camps are available for grades K-8 and will take place throughout May, June, and July. Registrations and payments received by May 14, 2025 guarantee camper t-shirts. All camps are located at the High School of Saint Thomas More, 3901 N Mattis Ave. in Champaign.

**Cost:** Varies by Camp

Visit <https://www.hs-stm.org/page/summer-camps> for more information and to register.



Have you ever wondered what The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament and EWTN Studios look like in person?

**Join us!**

**PILGRIMAGE to**  
**Mother Angelica's Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament**  
**in Hanceville, Alabama**  
**and EWTN Studios in Irondale, Alabama!**  
**Monday, August 18, 2025 - Thursday, August 21, 2025**  
**Register before May 31, 2025.**

**ONLY A FEW SEATS LEFT!**

For more details go to our website: [catholicspiritradio.com](http://catholicspiritradio.com)  
 Click on the EWTN Pilgrimage tab.  
 Questions- Call Kathy at (309) 828-6554



**Holy Cross School**  
**217-356-9521**  
[www.holycrosselem.org](http://www.holycrosselem.org)

### Summer Office Hours:

The school office summer hours began on Monday June 2nd.

### Summer Office Hours are:

Monday & Friday - closed  
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
 Regular office hours (7:30a-3:30p) resume on Wed. July 30.

### WE ARE HOLY CROSS!

**Employment Opportunities:** Holy Cross School is seeking a middle school social studies teacher, a 4th grade teacher, a 2nd grade teacher, and a full time middle school math sub for 1st semester. Please contact Greg Koerner at [gkoerner@holycrosselem.org](mailto:gkoerner@holycrosselem.org).

*May our schools continue to be beacons of light which enable all to live the Gospel message – 'Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.'*  
 (John 13:34)

## THE THIRD ANNUAL TIM MURPHY MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

When: Friday May 30th

(11:30am check in/ noon lunch/ 1:00pm shotgun start)

Where: Lake of the Woods GC, Mahomet

FOR more information, sponsorship opportunities, or to register, visit us @ [www.hs-stm.org/page/golf](http://www.hs-stm.org/page/golf)



**Friday, May 30, 2025**  
**Lake of the Woods Golf Course, Mahomet**

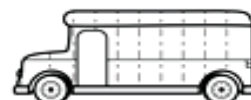
**FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE**  
 INCLUDES 18 HOLES W/CART, LUNCH, 5 DRINK TICKETS & HAPPY HOUR  
**\$125/PERSON**  
**\$500/FOURSOME**

"FOR" MORE INFORMATION,  
 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, OR TO REGISTER,  
 VISIT US @ [WWW.HS-STM.ORG/PAGE/GOLF](http://WWW.HS-STM.ORG/PAGE/GOLF)

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**11:30 AM:** Check In  
**NOON:** Lunch  
**1:00 PM:** Shotgun Start  
**5 PM:** Happy Hour & Awards

### FILL THE BUS!



All proceeds will benefit the Athletic Booster Organization's "Fill the Bus" campaign to purchase an activity minibus.

Questions? Contact us @ [ABOGOLF@HS-STM.ORG](mailto:ABOGOLF@HS-STM.ORG)



## FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND.



### BASED ON A TRUE SAINT

What if holiness isn't just for the few but meant for you? Based on a True Saint, our new documentary series, brings you face-to-face with the real stories of modern saints and soon-to-be saints, told by the people who knew them best. These aren't fairy tales or highlight reels; they're true accounts of love, struggle, sacrifice, and grace. Watch how ordinary men and women became extraordinary witnesses to God's presence—and realize that the same call is waiting for you. Sainthood isn't for the perfect. It's for the willing. It's for you.



### CHOOSING A POPE: WHAT REALLY HAPPENS DURING A PAPAL CONCLAVE / What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Scott Hefelfinger in What Catholics Believe as he answers the most asked questions about how Catholics choose a new pope. What is a papal conclave? How does the voting process work? Can someone who isn't a cardinal become pope? Why are cardinals locked in the Sistine Chapel?

Learn the fascinating traditions, rules, and the role of the Holy Spirit in the election of a pope.

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

## SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

**Thrivent Financial**

## Pro-Life and Good Catholic Happenings!

### Pro-Life Discussion Group for May

Special drop-in time at **Panera's on Kirby 11am-12:30 pm May 19th**  
Come and grab a cup of coffee, snack or lunch, and join in a drop-in discussion!  
Join us for any amount of time for friendship and fellowship!

For more information, contact Joy Pace 217 840-0322

### GOOD NEWS STORY:

We have a family of a now-deceased parishioner, who is continuing the family legacy. Every year, this family would choose to donate to the Holy Cross Pro-Life Committee instead of exchanging Christmas gifts.

We just received 5 lovely donations, in the memory of this beautiful man. God bless you all for wanting to continue the family tradition of helping others, especially honoring him. God bless you all for your kind hearts!

**Thanks to St. Matthew Church** who invited us to participate in their Stewardship Fair. We have a long history of collaboration between our parishes in doing Pro-Life work...

Our past and current collaborations include:

**Supporting Birthright and Living Alternatives, Sharing speakers and education, Providing help to the poor via the Change for Change program, 40 Days and special projects, Supporting families at Christmas time, Providing donated car to a St. Matthew family, Helping St. Matthew family with housing, and more...**

**Thank you to all of our special donors and prayer warriors who make our work possible!**

### BIRTHDAY PARTY PRO-LIFE DONATION



We received donations of: diapers, wipes, a new pack-n-play and \$ donations from a birthday party, where the young birthday person wanted items donated to the Pro-Life Committee! This was so lovely!

Thank you so much!

## HOLY CROSS FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIAL

Devall, Desmier, Jensen Families  
Menke & Leahy Families  
James, Marie, Paul, Joe, & Edward, Knoke  
Living & 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 & LoGrasso Families  
Ed & Jean Bown  
Chuck, Chad, Meghan Schweighart  
Larry Hausmann, Bob Soucie  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Pastore, Buzinsky, & Piccolo Families  
Lamendola/Smith/Hammers Families  
Hammel & Mitsdarfer Families  
Margaret & Eldon Tufte and Dec. Mem. of their family  
Barham & Bosch Families

Tangora & Kovera Families  
William & Mary McMahon, Linda & Mike Wesolowski  
McNamara & Mulcahey Family  
Living & Dec. Mem. of Giuffre & Cacioppo Families  
Boudreau & Arseneau Family  
Aloysius J. Winka  
Charlie & Evelyn Bell  
Zeilenga Family  
Rentfrow Family  
Towner Family  
Hagglin Family  
Rakers-Wade Families  
Hershberger & Kick Families  
Dec. Mem. of Cochrane-O'Brien families  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Graham, Fellers & Gordon Family  
John E. Sullivan Family

Theresa Brya  
Birdie & Edward Cronau  
Raymond Timpone  
Maxine Timpone  
Margaret B. Schwenk  
Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family  
Perodin Family  
Menacher & Sizer Families  
Leonard & Loretto Doyle  
Alan & Patricia Berndt  
Thomas McCarthy  
Costello Family  
Ron Murphy  
Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families  
Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.  
Dan Crawmer