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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION
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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

May 19, 2024



Eucharistic Revival



At the center of our Catholic Faith is the belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Unfortunately, we often lose sight of or don't appreciate the profound blessing that we have been granted. If we desire to become better Catholics and improve our relationship with the Lord, we **must** deepen our love for the Eucharist. How can we do so? One of the best and most underutilized ways is to turn to the Mother of Jesus, Mary. By getting to know her and studying her life, we can grow closer to Our Lord who is fully present in the Eucharist. In his encyclical, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, Blessed Pope John Paul II devotes an entire chapter to Mary, "Woman of the Eucharist".

Scripture tells us that faith is "the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). The Eucharist is certainly a mystery of faith and cannot be grasped by our limited human understanding. Accepting Jesus' command to "Do this in memory of me", requires us to deny our senses and humbly submit to His instruction. What better advice can we be given than the words of Mary at the wedding feast of Cana when she stated, "Do whatever He tells you" (John 2:5)? Just as He changed water into wine, He can turn ordinary bread and wine into His Body and Blood. By listening to Mary's advice, we can accept (without fully understanding) the miracle that occurs on the altar and embrace Our Lord's words, "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life" (John 6:54).

During this month devoted to Mary, why not take some time and meditate on her role as Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament? There is no better person to help us increase our appreciation for the Eucharist than the Mother of Our Lord. She knows Him better than any other human. Ask her to help you believe the "unbelievable"!

"Mary is present, with the Church and as the Mother of the Church, at each of our celebrations of the Eucharist. If the Church and the Eucharist are inseparably united, the same ought to be said of Mary and the Eucharist." (Blessed Pope John Paul II, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*)

Excerpt from: *Mary and the Eucharist* by Gary Zimak

<https://catholicexchange.com/mary-and-the-eucharist/>



Friday Adoration after 8:15 a.m. Mass
with Benediction at 2:30 p.m.

Join us for our Monthly Encounter Nights

2nd Wednesday - after 6:00 p.m. Mass in Parish Center

4th Wednesday - after 6:00 p.m. Mass in the church for Adoration



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 Our Lady of Fatima

PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Leopold Mushobozi, Parish Administrator

Fr. Deogratias Mpewo, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

Deacon Michael Smith

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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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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.

Pentecost Sunday

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.

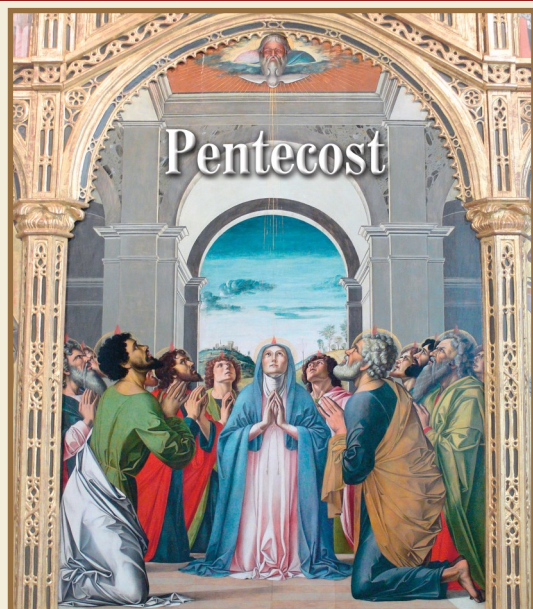
LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	May 25 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman, John Kelley Nora Kelley, Emma Lwao
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	May 26 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	John Karduck? Greg Koerner, Sue Berndt? Landen Douglas, Brody Oliveira
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy Margie Hoss, Dawn Friedman, Terry Sturdyvin, Ben Laws Ben Summers, Ursula Tembo, Avery Natschke
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Jan Weber Kristina Maloney, Lydia Durdan



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 20 7:00 a.m.	Living and Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters of Illinois
Tuesday, May 21 7:00 a.m.	Conrad Czar
Wednesday, May 22 6:00 p.m.	Evan Rodewald
Thursday, May 23 7:00 a.m.	Phyllis Ann Olson Orlandini
Friday, May 24 8:15 a.m.	Rosemary Coffey
Saturday, May 25 5:30 p.m.	For the Parishioners
Sunday, May 26 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Estella Gallegos Ricardo Galvan Sidartha Khanvilkar



Pentecost Prayer

O Holy Spirit, on that solemn day of Pentecost, You descended upon the Apostles gathered in the Upper Room in Parted tongues as it were of fire enlightening their minds, inflaming their hearts, and strengthening their wills, that thenceforth they went through the entire world and courageously and confidently proclaimed everywhere the teaching of Christ and sealed it with the shedding of their blood. Renew, we beseech thee, the wondrous outpouring of Thy grace in our hearts also.



NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Levi Nathaniel Staske, son of Jacob and Olivia Staske. Let us support little Levi on his faith journey!



"THANK YOU," COFFEE SHOP HOSTS!

It takes a lot of parishioners to host the 90+ coffee shops our parish has after Sunday morning Masses. To those who have said yes to the call, thank you for giving your time to keep this tradition going. We are now planning for the summer sign-ups. Check your calendar for your availability.

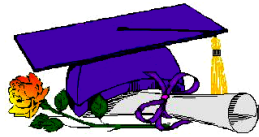
Then either go to www.signupgenius.com, call Harry or Cheri Rakers 217-417-6041, or email crakers@comcast.net with the date and either 8:00 or 10:00 Mass that you can host.

By the way, if YOU have not visited the Holy Cross coffee shop, please come over. Come once and you will come back.



Summer Office Hours

Starting on June 7th going thru August 2nd, the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays. Have a great summer!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HOLY CROSS CLASS OF 2024

Eireann Byard
Edward Campos-Del Valle
Bella Contreras
Faith Dean
Darell Jude Feliciano
Alexis Hege
Jordi Nsilu
Lara Rank
Lucy Rank
Kynnedi Schweighart
Tucker McKenna
Zora Unger
Elizabeth Withers-Sickles

BLESSINGS AND BEST WISHES FOR YOUR FUTURE!

NEW HOLY CROSS PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE - PLEASE READ!

The New Holy Cross Parish Directory is progressing into the final stages for completion. With that, we need to send the parish roster of families for print in the back of the directory. This will include your family name and contact information. If you do not want your information included in the directory, please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible.

You can email us directly at office@holycrosscatholic.org, or call the parish office at (217) 352-8748.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to work on this project!



Collections

Offering for May 11th/12th\$5,802.25
Development Fund.....\$870.00

Thank you very much!



MAGNIFICAT RENEWAL AND NEW ORDERS

Soon it will be time to either renew your subscription or start a new one. The Magnificat is an easy-to-read daily Mass companion and features the complete readings for each Sunday and all the weekday Masses; as well as daily reflections and prayers.

If you already receive one, please fill out the renewal form that will be included in your June issue. The Magnificat is ordered through the Parish Office, so please make your check payable to "Holy Cross," not Magnificat, and bring it or mail it to the Parish Office, or drop it in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Magnificat."

If you'd like to place a new order, please call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748. The cost is \$29 per year, which is half the regular subscription cost because we order as a group. Payment and order form must be in by **June 30th**.

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 27, 2024 - 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 217-778-0575, dennysantarelli2@gmail.com*

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Join us on Monday, May 27th at 9:00 a.m. for Memorial Day Mass at St. Mary Cemetery, Neil and St. Mary's Road, Champaign. The Mass will be offered for all those buried in our cemetery and for the men and women who served our country. Bring your lawn chairs, seating will be limited. For additional information contact Denny Santarelli at 217-778-0575. All are welcome, please join us for this special Mass, as we honor and remember.

TOURNAMENT EUCHRE TOURNAMENT



EUCHRE PLAYERS! We have a tournament coming up here at Holy Cross on **Saturday June 8th**. Invite your friends, invite your neighbors. We'll start at 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments, lemonade & water will be served. Beer, wine, & pop will be available for a donation. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive prize money. Cost is \$10 per person. You can enter as a single or as a couple, but partners will be assigned and will change throughout the evening. All net proceeds will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. To sign up, email Cathy Koerner: at Cathkern007@gmail.com OR text her at 217-377-7070. Sign-up deadline is Thursday June 6th. Questions? Call Cheri Rakers at 217-417-6041.

We hope to see you all there!



High School of St. Thomas More
 217-352-7210
www.hs-stm.org

Registration is NOW LIVE for the Golf Outing at
<https://www.hs-stm.org/page/golf>.

Lake of the Woods Golf Course, 405 N Lake of The Woods Rd., Mahomet. Rotary Hill Pavilion, 901 Geranium Dr., Mahomet. When? Friday, August 2nd, 2024 (Rain Date Friday, August 9th).

Summer Office Hours. The STM Office will be on summer hours, Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon **from May 28 through July 29**. The office will be closed during the weeks of June 10 and July 2. We can be reached at 217-352-7210 or info@hs-stm.org.

STM Flag Football Tournament. Registration is now live for Flag Football. We will have 8 teams of 10 players and all games will be played at Henneman Field at STM. Students entering Grades 5-8 in the Fall of 2024 are eligible to participate. This is a co-ed tournament and t-shirts are included. Sign up as an individual (\$20/player) or as a team (\$200/team). Visit <https://www.hs-stm.org/page/flag-football> for more info or to sign up. Questions? Contact Nathan Watson at nwatson@hs-stm.org

STM Youth Summer Sports Camps

Camps are available for Grades K-8 and will take place throughout May and June. A free non-padded event will be offered on August 1st that introduces the fundamentals of football (limited to 40 participants). Registrations and payments received by May 13, 2024, 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 www.hs-stm.org for more information and to register.



Holy Cross School
 217-356-9521
www.holycrosselem.org

Order your 23-24 Yearbook now!

The yearbooks for this school year will be published over the summer and delivered to your student(s) in early September. Order yours today at inter-state.com/order. Use code: 81627E \$28/yearbook

The school office will NOT have extra copies for sale. All orders must be placed before May 23rd!

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

Part time school office help, PreK 4 classroom teacher. Please contact the school at (217) 356-9521 if interested.

JOB OPENING: ST. THOMAS SCHOOL IN PHILO

is looking for a responsible School Office Administrative Assistant to perform a variety of administrative and clerical tasks. Duties would include providing support to our principal, teachers, staff, and students, assisting in daily school office needs, managing school registration, and working with our student management system. A few of the required skills are: customer service oriented, computer skills in Microsoft Word, excellent time management skills, strong organizational skills with the ability to multi-task, attentive to details and problem-solving, and excellent written and verbal communication skills. Please email Principal Jean Cothron at jcothron@stthomasphilo.org or call her at 217.684.2309 if you would be interested in applying for this position.



CAREER OPENING

St John's Catholic Newman Center (SJCNC) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is seeking a creative, collaborative Marketing Specialist to help develop, execute, and monitor marketing strategies for SJCNC ministries, events, and programs. SJCNC is comprised of St. John's Catholic Chapel, serving the spiritual needs of thousands of Catholic Illini on campus, and Newman Hall, a 586-bed coed private certified housing facility serving University of Illinois freshmen and above.

The Marketing Specialist will work under the direct supervision of the Director of Marketing & Communications to execute integrated marketing and promotional campaigns designed to recruit incoming residents, inform current residents and student ministry participants, conduct outreach for ministry programs, and connect alumni and donors.

TO APPLY: Send letter of application, resume, 2 examples of prior marketing work (can be print, social media, or digital), and 2 letters of recommendation to:

Tristan.pisarczyk@sjcnc.org

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DAY PROGRAM (1ST-6TH) MONDAY-FRIDAY (JUNE 17-21), 9 AM - 2:30 PM
 TEEN PROGRAM (7TH- 12TH) SUN-THURSDAY (JUNE 16-20) 6:30 - 8:15 PM
 QUESTIONS: EMAIL JON AT JON.MCCOY@STPATURBANA.ORG



FOOTPRINTS OF GOD WITH STEPHEN RAY

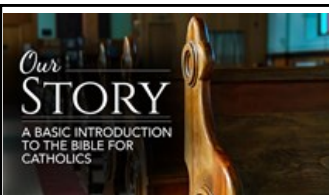
Footprints of God: The Story of Salvation from Abraham to Augustine is a documentary film series hosted by popular

Catholic author, speaker, and apologist Steve Ray. Meet the people and see the places that shaped the salvation story through Scripture and Church history. It's a fast-paced, entertaining biography, travel documentary, Bible study, apologetics course, and Church history study rolled into one remarkable adventure!

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE TRANSFORMED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT



Fire purifies and transforms. We can see this dynamic at work in both pottery making and the Holy Spirit's role in our lives. The Holy Spirit is often described and depicted as fire and, like fire, takes one thing and makes it another. In pottery making, clay is cast into fire, and transformed into ceramic. In our journey as Christians, we are given the Holy Spirit at Baptism and Confirmation, and slowly transformed into Christ. The Holy Spirit changes everything it touches. It matures and transforms us into our ultimate goal, to act and be more like Jesus.



OUR STORY: A BASIC INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE FOR CATHOLICS

In a series of 5-minute video segments, get the Bible's big picture, along with a uniquely

Catholic approach to the Scriptures. There is a Leader's Guide containing everything needed to use *Our Story* in a parish group setting, as well as a User's Guide for those individuals using *Our Story* at home.

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PRAY FOR AN UNBORN CHILD

A priest of this diocese, Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen encouraged people to spiritually adopt an unborn child, and thereby combat the abortion mentality and general anti-life sentiment in our world today. It is said that although the identity of the child you pray for will be unknown to you during your earthly life, there is every hope that you will be united with that child forever in Heaven.

Archbishop Sheen wrote the following daily prayer to spiritually adopt an unborn child: "*Jesus, Mary, Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen.*"



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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 Dec. Mem. of Corkery, Cox, Murray Families
 Nichols, Oetzel, Parod & Foltzer Families
 Dec. Mem. of Happ, Krueger Families
 Ed & Jean Bown
 Chuck, Chad, Meghan Schweighart
 Larry Hausmann, Bob Soucie
 Living & Dec. Mem. of Cler & Flavin 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
 Barham & Bosch Families

Tangora & Kovera Families
 William 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
 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
 Theresa Brya

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
 Menacher & Sizer Families
 Leonard & Loretto Doyle
 Alan & Patricia Berndt
 Thomas McCarthy
 Costello Family
 Leta & Kenny Porter
 Ron Murphy
 Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families
 Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.