

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Oh ever Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, Health of the Sick, Refuge of Sinners, Comforter of the Afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings.

Look upon me with mercy. When you appeared in the grotto of Lourdes, you made it a privileged sanctuary where you dispense your favors, and where many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.

I come, therefore, with unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession. My loving Mother, obtain my request. I will try to imitate your virtues so that I may one day share your company and bless you in eternity. 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

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MASSES

Saturday: Sunday: Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. Weekdays: 7:00 a.m. Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri

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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

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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.

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 29 Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley Kathy Murray Tom Murray
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	May 30 Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Sue Berndt No Ministers Nicolette Burton, Trevor Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Joe Mefford John Dixon, Pat Dixon August Christhilf, Philip Christhilf
4:00 p.m.	Lector: Euch Min: Servers:	Stephanie Farney Ed Seebauer, Juliann Seebauer, John Farney, Kristina Maloney, Brooke McMahon



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy his consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



8:00 a.m.Joe and Velma Jerkovitz10:00 a.m.Stephen Warner4:00 p.m.For the Parishioners



FAITHFUL DEPARTED. Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Regina Mary Robinson. May her soul and those of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Wow, 30 YEARS ALREADY?

Congratulations to our own Fr. Joseph P. Donton on his upcoming 30th Anniversary to the Priesthood! He was ordained on May 25th, 1991. God bless you, Fr. Donton, for many years to come!





FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION will continue through summer on Fridays, with Exposition right after the morning Mass, and Benediction at 12 noon. Come visit Jesus. He would so love your company!

First Holy Communion



The Sacrament of First Holy Communion

was celebrated on May 15th by the First Communicants of Holy Cross Parish. Let us remember these young ones in our prayers:

Camille Christhilf Lydia Durdan Kingston Feller Violet Grace Michael Hartnett Jack Kane Ava Kavelman Lily Kelly Nolan Kiser Kevin Markiewicz Simon McCullough William McMillan Kaitlyn Overstreet Ithuriel Randall Sophie Rank Addilay Scaff Margaret Slagor David Surratt Samantha Unger Lincoln Wood Natalie Yacko

MARY STATUES AVAILABLE

Celebrate May! May is the month of our Blessed Mother Mary. The Knights of Colum-



r Mary. The Knights of Columbus have been fortunate to secure a limited amount of inspirational statues of our Blessed Mother. These beautiful cast stone & resin statues of Mary make wonderful gifts. In your home or in your garden. They can

serve as a reminder of our faith and devotion to Mary. The larger statue is about 2 feet tall (left) and costs \$125. The smaller 6inch bust of Mary costs \$45. There will be order forms available in the Parish Center by the statues on the weekends of May 22nd/23rd, and May 29th/30th. If you have any questions or need assistance with your order, or would like to place an order, you may call or text 24/7 at 217-649-8785. We

will confirm your order or answer your questions the next business day. All proceeds will benefit charities served by the Knights of Columbus. Thank you!



Cast Week's Collection Offering for May 15th/16th\$6,419.00 Thank you very much!

MAGNIFICAT Renewal and New Orders

Soon it will be time to either renew your subscription to the Magnificat or start a new one. 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. Bring your check 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 \$26 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**. Take this opportunity to improve your daily prayer life.



TEXT-TO-GIVE

Our parish has decided to add the option to give text to our Online Giving service.

The process is easy. In order to contribute to the Sunday and Holy Days Collections Fund, you will need to send a text with **the amount and the word Sunday** (e.g., **\$25 Sunday**) to Holy Cross' specific phone number **217-292-7871**. Your transaction will be processed through the Online Giving account associated with your phone number. The system will reply with a confirmation message and your gift

giving, your phone number must be linked to your Online Giving account.

All other donors who don't have an Online Giving account yet will follow the same steps. The system will send a link to create a new account. After registration, the system will send another text indicating that the opened account is ready for resubmission of the gift via Text to Give. For more details or any questions, please call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748.

Total Collections for April

Sunday & Holy Days	\$26,905.45
Automatic Contributions	\$9,835.00
Online Giving	<u>\$9,040.55</u>
	\$45,781.00
HC Tuition Assistance.	\$1,771.50
STM Tuition Assistance	\$457.00
Development Fund	\$2,185.00



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

FROM PRINCIPAL GREG KOERNER:



Thank You for Choosing Holy Cross!

As the end of the 2020-2021 school year draws near, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for an amazing year. The success of Holy Cross is based on the relationships we have built with parents, parishioners, stake holders, and our community. Over this past year we have added more technology, curriculum, and new students. We really would not be where we are without you. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with, and for you.

This year has been filled with a multitude of both challenges and victories. Every year is different but this one has been filled with more change than normal. The educational/virtual world is evolving quickly due to the pandemic. It has been reassuring to see how our teachers have risen to meet every roadblock, while always looking out for all our students and parents.

No matter what the pandemic has thrown at us, we have worked together as a team and we came out stronger. Often, we find our greatest successes in the most surprising places. We are sure it has been the same for all of you.

Looking ahead to 2021-2022, we know there will be many challenges. But we are so excited for what this new school year will bring. The teachers and I are full of enthusiasm and anticipation for the new school year and look forward for the opportunities to serve the students, parents, parishioners, and stake holders here at Holy Cross School.

Working together this past year has been a pleasure and I am incredibly thankful for your efforts this year. But most of all, I am so grateful and blessed that you chose to be part of our Holy Cross family.

Best wishes and happiness to you and your families over the summer!

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!



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REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS, Preschool and Grades K-8, is open for the 2020-2021 school year. Please call the School Office for more information.



TIME CHANGE IN OUTDOOR COMMUNION

As of May 16th, Outdoor Communion distributionstarts at 11:15 a.m. and goes until 11:30 a.m.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HOLY CROSS CLASS OF 2021

Kaitlyn Morgan Brown Wyatt S. Brownfield Philip G. Christhilf Alyson T. Clements E. Kathryn Frasca Chris M. Friedman David Joseph Hasenstab Shamma M. Issantu Dereje Jahiel Isabelle Jordan Kaitlyn Karagiannakis Jackson Phillip LeFaivre Anna R. Loftus Kristina Donata Maloney Pilar Jane Martinez Michael Quinn McCov

Josie McFarland Cal Matthew Meyers E. Cristina Mills Miles M. Moomaw Susannah Lourdes Paoli Ashley Michelle Parada Kyan Michael Pearson Pope Jakob Riley Kaleb Matthew Ritter James J. Schmidt, Jr. Finn Gregory Scott Ava Marie Teague Tsheri Tembo A Makenna Mae West Frances Jane Williamson Philip A. Withers-Sickles

BLESSINGS AND BEST WISHES FOR YOUR FUTURE!



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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. We are seeking applicants for a Math, a Science, a Spanish, and a Theology Teacher; a School Counselor, and a Bus Driver. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at 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 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

<u>https://ecollect.accelaschool.com/stm</u>. Questions, contact Miss Erica Lyons at <u>elyons@hs-stm.org</u>.

SAVE THE DATE. The Athletic Boosters Organization (ABO) Golf Outing and Shindig will be held on Friday, August 6th. Register now at <u>www.org/page/golf</u>. Lunch at 12 noon, Golf Outing starts at 1:00 p.m. at Lake of the Woods Golf Course.

FORMED°

THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.



"The breath of the Almighty gives me life." - Job 33:4

The only way we are able to live a life of faith, a life full of love, peace, joy, and power is by the Holy Spirit. We see this most clearly in the lives of the Apos-

tles. They had every advantage in being with Jesus and hearing him preach and seeing the many miracles that he had done, and yet, even with that advantage, they were frightened men living their faith life in a locked room before they received the Holy Spirit. What took place in the upper room changed the lives of these men and women and would change the course of human history. This experience of the Holy Spirit is an encounter available to everyone; it is not reserved for a select few. Pentecost and the transforming power of the Holy Spirit is the theme of this segment.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Fire. It's intense, beautiful, dangerous, overwhelming, warm, and all consuming. Fire can be used to warm us on a cold night, or as a way to gather friends on a summer evening. It can also yield immense destruction. Fire is powerful. This is the image that we hear about today as we learn more about the Holy Spirit. The Apostles have tongues of fire descend upon them. At our Confirmation, our hearts are set ablaze with the Holy Spirit. Think of a blazing fire, it consumes everything nearby, without hesitation or prejudice. Are we really ablaze with the love of Christ? Do we boldly share him with those around us, setting their hearts ablaze, too?

Our Parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

A Word from Joy

Outreach to the poor is so important – and we are lucky that many people from the community want to help others. We also help families one would not expect, like getting cars into the hands of families that need them – at no cost. We helped a St. Matthew family with one such car. We also know that small gestures of kindness help others and outreach helps out poor families – not only with material goods but it allows them to know that good people still exist and that helps them be generous with others and helps them to have hope.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Catholic Daughters is an area-wide women's organization. Even though the meetings are held at Holy Cross, this is open to any woman 18 years or older in the vicariate for sure! This



is for working, retired, and at-home women. They do charitable works. It is a good way for women to get together.

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.

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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 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 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