

11TH

SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY
TIME

June 16, 2024



Seed
Grows
of Itself

HAPPY
Father's
DAY

The Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth to all generations.

Psalm 100:5

*“This is how it is
with the kingdom
of God; it is as
if a man were
to scatter seed
on the land
and would sleep
and rise night
and day and
the seed would
sprout and grow,
he knows
not how.”*

Mark 4:26-27

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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival



Devotion to the Sacred Heart



The Heart of Jesus glowed with that divine and uninterrupted fire to the last instant of its mortal life, and will ever thus burn for all eternity. By one single act of the love of

God produced by it, the divine majesty is infinitely more honored than it could possibly be by the united love of all creatures even possible during a whole eternity. How noble then must that Heart be, the function whereof is to receive continually the impressions of this sacred love, and produce the highest acts thereof uninterruptedly for all eternity...

It is plain from all this, that we do not mean to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus barely as an inanimate and lifeless Heart, but we consider it as united to the divine person and as the chief instrument of the most holy soul that ever was.

We are to consider the Sacred Heart of Jesus under two different aspects; on one side, as a Heart full of love, and breathing nothing but the salvation of mankind; on the other side, as a Heart that is offended, insulted, and despised by unthinking man, by sinners void of all sense of gratitude and unaffected by his love. The inclination of this adorable Heart to reconcile man to God, and earth to heaven, must raise in us sentiments of the most ardent love and feelings of the greatest sorrow, to dispose us for a reparation of the wrongs and outrages it daily suffers.

The end therefore proposed by this devotion, to which the faithful are earnestly invited, is in the first place to honor by frequent acts of love and adoration, and by all manner of submission and homage the unbounded love for Jesus for us throughout the whole course of his mortal life, but chiefly in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, the sum and abridgement of all his wonders, where he still burns with the love of us. In the next place it is to share in his grief and to make amends on our part for those many insults his love for us exposed him to during his mortal life, and still now exposes him to every day in the Blessed Sacrament.

- The Pious Guide to Prayer and Devotion (1792)



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 June we are praying the Litany to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

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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Elizabeth Kelley

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Jonathan Young

TRIBUNAL AUDITOR

Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

MASSES

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.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.	June 22 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman, John Kelley Nora Kelley, Emma Lwao
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	June 23 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Barry Dickerson Mary Shelden, Ray Tucker Trevor Tucker, McKenna Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy Dawn Friedman, Jay Ehlman, Terry Sturdyvin, Ben Laws Ben Summers, Lincoln Wood
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Mary Linneneburger Stephanie Rank Lucy Rank, Sophie Rank



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, June 17

7:00 a.m.

Living and Deceased Members
of Catholic Daughters of Illinois

Tuesday, June 18

7:00 a.m.

Conrad Czar

Wednesday, June 19

6:00 p.m.

Angela Seaman

Thursday, June 20

7:00 a.m.

Caleb Hall

Friday, June 21

8:15 a.m.

Ray Drebes

Saturday, June 22

5:30 p.m.

For the Parishioners

Sunday, June 23

8:00 a.m.

Ralph McGinnis

10:00 a.m.

Mary Elizabeth Warner

4:00 p.m.

Theresa Brya

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thank you to those of you who have committed to spending time with Jesus during Eucharistic Adoration every Friday. Because of you, we are able continue to have Adoration during the Summer. Please remember to write your name on the sign-up sheet in the vestibule of the church before each Friday, so we can see the hours that are covered. **All** parishioners are invited to sign up for half an hour, or an hour, or just drop in for a little quiet time with Jesus. Come and sit in His presence, and feel His peace. He is always waiting for you!

If you have questions, please call Penny at 217-398-2878.

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

We will not have Encounter Nights during summer.



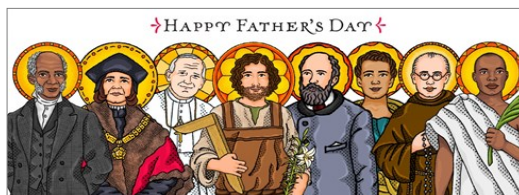
Holy Cross Men's Prayer Group

The Holy Cross Men's Prayer Group, AKA the Holy Cross Brotherhood of Prayer, meets every Monday to attend the 7 a.m. Mass and pray publicly together afterwards.

Men, if you are interested in trying to become more holy, please join us. For more information, contact:

John Deponai, jmd3@hotmail.com.

Blessings to all. Give God a heart!



COFFEE SHOP CONTINUES IN THE SUMMER!



Come over to the Parish Center after the Sunday morning Masses for a cup of coffee and a delicious donut. Join old friends, make new friends.

We are now planning for the summer sign-ups. Check your calendar for your availability. Then either sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FACAE2FA0FDC52-holy2#/> 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.



OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES

go with Eric Toups and Ananya Sen, who were married here on June 8th. May God's grace support them throughout their married life!

Summer Office Hours

From now until August 2nd the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays. Have a great and relaxing summer!



CHILDREN OF HOPE AND FAITH UPDATE

Holy Cross Parish sponsored Lydia Patrick through Children of Hope and Faith for many years. She recently graduated from Muyenzi Secondary School. We are very proud of her accomplishment. Lydia and the Franciscan Sisters are most grateful for our parish's kind assistance with her education. Lydia has now chosen to join the military and is no longer in need of our sponsorship. We will now be sponsoring Amelia Gotifrid. She is the sister of Fr. Arsenius who was sponsored by Dennis Menke.

Fr. Arsenius was Children of Hope and Faith's first vocation to the priesthood. Amelia attends St. Augustine Secondary School. With the support of our parish, Amelia will receive the education and skills for a promising and bright future. Please pray for both Lydia and Amelia!

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 **July 1st**.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to Holy Family Catholic Radio. God Bless you for your support over the years. ❤️ 🙏



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The new address is:
Trinity Educational Association
P.O. Box 6241
Champaign, IL 61826



Father's Day Blessing

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, and earthly father.

Bless all fathers as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to You for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender, in union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.
St. Joseph, Pray for all Fathers.
Amen.



God is Good, All the time! All the time, God is Good!

OSF HEALTHCARE OSF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Come volunteer with OSF Hospice!
We have a variety of opportunities that help serve our patients and their families. Available opportunities: visiting with patients, crocheting prayer shawls, sewing fidget blankets, office help, etc. Training is provided.

For more information on requirements or to obtain an Application, please call 217-355-4120 Ext 7 or email Mary.Cox@osfhealthcare.org.

Collection

Offering for June 8th/9th.....	\$8,953.30
Development Fund.....	\$984.00

Thank you very much!



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).

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). 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 info and to register.

Summer Office Hours. The STM office will be on summer hours, Monday through Thursday, 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.

Job Opportunities: STM is seeking applications for a Boys Head Golf Coach, Boys Head Tennis Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at stmbridget@hs-stm.org, Mr. Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org, and Jon Marston, Athletic Director, at jmarston@hs-stm.org.



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

As we close out another school year, I'd like to thank everyone for all the support you've given Holy Cross school. It takes a community to support a school. You have showed us understanding, kindness, and love. Thank you!

We have said goodbye to our 8th graders and Mrs. Bolen, our librarian. Our former 8th graders and Mrs. Bolen will be missed but we wish them all the best as they start their high school years and retirement.

As you may know, Empower Illinois has gone away. What this means is that some of our students might not have the opportunity to attend Holy Cross. These students have relied on the scholarships they received from the state to attend Holy Cross. Last year out of the generosity of your hearts we were able to fund 40 students. Please continue to support our tuition assistances program so we can continue to grow our school.

We have one big ticket item that needs to be addressed. The school roof needs to be replaced. The current roof is 24 years old and leaks. We have been patching it over the years and we will patch it again this summer. The current roof is out of warranty and needs to be replaced. We have received two quotes and the cost is \$260,000. Please consider donating toward this much needed project.

Our Back-to-School open house is scheduled for August 13th from 4 to 8 p.m. This is a great opportunity for students to meet their teachers and to drop off supplies. There will be food trucks available for parents to purchase food for their families. Our official first day of school will be a half day on August 14th.

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Part time school office help/ PreK 4 classroom teacher. Please call the school at (217) 356-9521 if interested.



Collection envelopes are available at the back of the church or in the Parish Office for donations to support the work and services provided by the Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt Counties.

The Catholic Charities Community Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt Counties offers services for those in need through its Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Parish Hall in Tolono, which is open to anyone and any family in need, regardless of income, residency, or age. Our Light of Hope and Parish Ministry of Financial Help programs offer short-term rent, utility or other assistance to individuals and families in need, and our Good Samaritan program provides transportation assistance for senior citizens. All our services are free, and all donations collected are used to serve individuals and families in need and residing in Champaign and Piatt Counties. We will be taking the collection through June. Please make your checks to 'Catholic Charities' and include 'Second Collection' on check memo line.

Thank You Very Much for helping us meet the needs of the poor among us!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
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 Champaign, IL 61826

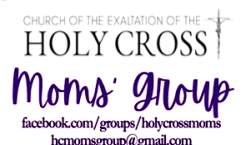
Summer Schedule Holy Cross Mom's Group

Wednesday Morning Park Dates

- 9-11 am unless noted otherwise
- June 5 - Blair Park in Urbana
- June 12 - Morrissey Park in Champaign
- June 19 - Robeson Park in Champaign
- June 26 - Ambucs Park in Urbana
- July 3 - Anita Purves Nature Playscape in Urbana
- July 10 - Colbert Park in Savoy
- July 17 - Noel Park in Champaign
- July 24 - Pool Party at Sarah's *10 a.m. -12 p.m.
- July 31 - Homer Lake Playscape
- August 7 - Hessel Park / Splash Pad in Champaign

Nights Out

- 7 pm unless noted otherwise
- June 5 - Huaraches Moroleon
- July 16 - Bunny's Tavern
- August 8 - Mom's Pool Party at Sarah's





THE FATHER'S TALE
BY MICHAEL D. O'BRIEN

Canadian bookseller Alex Graham is a middle-age widower whose quiet life is turned upside down when his college-age son disappears without any explanation or trace of where he has gone. With minimal resources, the father begins a long journey that takes him for the first time away from his safe and orderly world. As he stumbles across the merest thread of a trail, he follows it in blind desperation, and is led step by step on an odyssey that takes him to fascinating places and sometimes to frightening people and perils.

Through the uncertainty and the anguish, the loss and the longing, Graham is pulled into conflicts between nations, as well as the eternal conflict between good and evil. Stretched nearly to the breaking point by the inexplicable suffering he witnesses and experiences, he discovers unexpected sources of strength as he presses onward in the hope of recovering his son—and himself.



**SAINT RITA OF CASCIA:
THE TRUE STORY**

The story of the amazing life of St. Rita of Cascia, the very popular saint who lived in Italy in the 14th century. Famous as the patroness of hopeless situations, St. Rita dealt with many very difficult and tragic events in her life. Through it all she developed a profound faith in God that was the source of her great strength, and why she is such a popular saint for all those dealing with difficult events in their own lives.

Her story combines high drama, great love, deep betrayal, profound forgiveness, and strong faith. This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life.

She finds peace and new hope through the generosity of a nearby convent of sisters, and with their help she develops a deep union with Christ that greatly inspires all who are near her.

Our Parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup to sign up.

PRO-LIFE

A Word from Joy

New: we have a new family we are considering helping... we have Brandi, a married mom, who has a 3-year-old whose airways collapse. He has been resuscitated twice already. This is a disease that people normally have much older. This little boy has had several surgeries and has ongoing treatment with special equipment. His mom is not working outside the home anymore so she can provide him care. The best treatment he had was at the Mayo Clinic – and his parents want him to return there for medical care. Since they still have a medical bill balance, the Mayo Clinic will treat their son if they make monthly payments toward their bill.

We are considering paying a modest amount monthly for the next 5 months so they can continue his treatment. Please pray for this brave family as they try to help their youngster have the best care possible. If people want to help, **please contact Joy 217 840-0322.** Thank you

www.comeandfollowme.org

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.

Freedom

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 & 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.