

June 30, 2024

HOLY
BIBLE

We the People

*Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!*

~ Psalm 33:12

ONE NATION

Under God

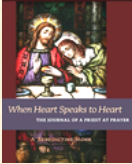
Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival



IN SINU JESU



ADORATION

When you are weak, come to Me. When you are burdened, come to Me. When you are fearful, come to Me. When you are assailed by doubts, come to Me. When you are lonely, come to Me. Let nothing separate you from My Heart, which is ever open to receive you. It is the Evil One who seeks to turn souls away from My Heart. It is the Evil One who sows the seeds of doubt, of fear, of sadness in souls, so as to turn them away from Me and drive them into the cold pit of darkness and despair that he himself inhabits.

My Mother, on the other hand, raises souls when they fall; she instills in them a confidence in My loving mercy, a readiness to believe in My merciful love, a desire to come into My presence and to expose to Me, the divine physician, the wounds suffered in spiritual combat. My Mother is the Mother of Holy Hope. She is the Mother of Holy Confidence. One who entrusts himself to My Mother will never fall into the pit of despair. Even when sorely tempted, there will remain in that soul enough confidence to turn to Me, and to make an act of abandonment to My merciful love that will touch My Heart and release from it a torrent of forgiveness, healing, and mercy.

You did not expect to receive these words from Me today, but I speak them to you to strengthen your confidence in My merciful love and to comfort souls caught in the throes of temptations against My mercy and against the unchanging love of My Most Sacred Heart.

Excerpt from In Sinu Jesu: *When Heart Speaks to Heart – The Journal of a Priest at Prayer*



FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION JESUS IS CALLING YOU!



All Are Invited. Each Friday, Jesus holds a special open house in our beautiful church. He invites us to spend quiet time with Him to give thanks for blessings received and to tell Him about our pressing concerns.

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!

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

We will not have Encounter Nights during summer.

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.

The first Devotion in July will be for the Consecration of the United States to Mary Immaculate (Prayer)



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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Tom Murray John Powers

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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
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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.

Thirteenth 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.	July 6 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley Joslyn Unger, John Kelley, Peg Swanson Unger Family (2 or 3)
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	July 7 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Barry Dickerson Mary Shelden, Lynette Barham Trevor Tucker, McKenna Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy John Dixon, Pat Dixon, Jay Ehlman, Dawn Friedman Tim Friedman, Ursula Tembo
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Katrina Covello Ithurriel Randall, Lydia Durdan



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 1 7:00 a.m.	Caleb Hall
Tuesday, July 2 7:00 a.m.	Conrad Czar
Wednesday, July 3 6:00 p.m.	Fr. Joseph Mai-Chi-Thanh
Thursday, July 4 7:00 a.m.	Joyce Murphy
Friday, July 5 8:15 a.m.	First Friday Memorial
Saturday, July 6 5:30 p.m.	Kathryn Dhom
Sunday, July 7 8:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Mary Lou Menke
4:00 p.m.	Cindy Whitsell



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's Peter's Pence collection as an act of mercy and charity. This fund supports the housing of migrants and refugees who live in refugee camps.

Some of these camps are outdoors year round in extreme temperatures and conditions. Join our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help Pope Francis reach out to the most marginalized in our world.

There are envelopes in the back of the church if you are able to make a contribution, or you can give online at: <https://osvhub.com/holycrosscatholic/giving/funds> under the "Peter's Pence" tab.

Thank you and may God bless you abundantly!



Summer Office Hours - From now until August 2nd the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays.



MEALS ON WHEELS

Please consider volunteering for Meals on Wheels. We need at least 4 people for the week of **July 29th—August 2nd**. It consists of 1 to 2 hours of delivering meals to senior citizens each day of that week, starting around 10:30 a.m.

If you are interested in volunteering for Meals on Wheels, please call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748 to sign up or for more information. Thank You!



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/o/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.

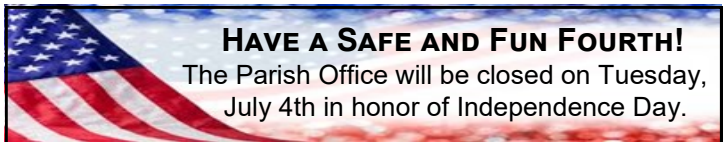


We are **still** in need of **LECTORS** and

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS



Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in learning more or would like to be a part of one of these ministries. Call the office at 217-352-8748 or Email office@holycrosscatholic.org. Thank you!



HAVE A SAFE AND FUN FOURTH!

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th in honor of Independence Day.



OCIA - The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. This process also involves a parish community experiencing a renewal of faith as it welcomes new members into the Church.


The Order speaks of conversion as a “spiritual journey” centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church He founded. This journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time to bring about community and commitment to liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful.

OCIA is a restoration of the ancient catechumenate, arising within the first three centuries following the era of the apostles. It was the early Church’s way of Christianizing the pagan Roman Empire. The Second Vatican Council called for the restoration and use of this venerable and powerful method of initiation for the worldwide Church.

OCIA is for:

- Individuals who are not Catholic who know they want to join the Church or who may be interested but need more information
- Catholics who have never received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation
- Married couples of mixed religious faiths who wish to unite their religious practice in Catholicism

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Kelley at the Parish Office, (217) 352-8748.




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!

Collection

Offering for June 22nd/23rd.....\$6,585.80
 Thank you very much!



Let the children come to me.
MATTHEW 19:14


FAMILY FORMATION

The Family Formation program at Holy Cross serves families with children in grades K-8. It is a faith formation opportunity for the entire family. Families are encouraged and supported in their efforts to pray, worship, and grow in faith together as a Catholic family.

All families with children K-8 are encouraged to join our Family Formation community! For those families whose children are not enrolled in a Catholic school, Family Formation fulfills the need for religious education and sacramental preparation.

For more information, or if you would like to register for this year, please contact Elizabeth Kelley at (217) 352-8748. You can also check out the website at **familyformation.net** for more information!

Deadline for registration is Friday, August 2, 2024.



MAGNIFICAT RENEWAL AND NEW ORDERS

Read • Pray • Grow in Faith

Payment and order form must be in by July 1st.

It is 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 was 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.

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

2 Corinthians 3:17

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

JULY 2024

FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

www.apostleshipofprayer.org



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 Job Opportunities

STM is currently seeking applications for a Boys Head Tennis Coach, an Assistant Volleyball Coach, an Assistant Boys Basketball Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org, Mr. Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org and Jon Marston, Athletic Director at jmarston@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 were available for Grades K-8 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 is 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.



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

Summer Office Hours

The school office summer hours began on Monday June 3.

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 31.

From the Desk of Principal Greg Koerner:

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 assistance 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 taken off and replaced. We have received two quotes and the cost is \$260,000. Please consider donating towards this much needed project.

Our Back to School open house is scheduled for August 13th from 4-7 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!

Job Opportunities: PreK 4 teacher and aide, 6th grade Language arts, After Care aides. Please contact the school if interested (217) 356-9521.



Check out the new bookcase in the back of church!

Books are free – read, return or pass along to someone else.

Donations accepted but not necessary. Place any money in an envelope marked 'bookcase' and drop it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER Are you or someone you know in need of prayer support? Call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748 with your special needs and they will be forwarded to the Circle of Prayer, a group of Holy Cross parishioners who pass prayer requests to each other through a phone chain or through email.



If you would like to sign up to be a prayer warrior, call Susan Burton at 217-398-6560 or email: sburton93@att.net

Summer Schedule Holy Cross Mom's Group

Wednesday Morning Park Dates

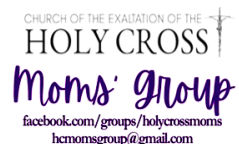
9-11 am unless noted otherwise

- 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

- July 16 - Bunny's Tavern
- August 8 - Mom's Pool Party at Sarah's





BABY MIRACULOUSLY HEALED THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF FATHER MCGIVNEY

A miracle attributed to Knights of Columbus founder, Father Michael McGivney, healed Mikey Schachle of a life-threatening condition.

The miracle paved the way for Father McGivney's beatification on October 31, 2020.

THE SEARCH

What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"? Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination – a destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in between? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.



THE BIBLE PROJECT

A collection of content from the *Bible Project*, which aims to help people see the Bible as a unified story that leads to Jesus.



There are 167 animated episodes/narratives which range from 3 minutes to 12 minutes each.

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.

Prospect Bank

Furniture, Etc.

We need: 1 twin box spring, trundle beds, and dressers. We also need a rug. We could use a set of dishes! We have two king-sized beds, a loveseat and couch, a recliner, and table with 4 chairs. We have homes for a king bed, sofa and loveseat and recliner and are working on the arrangements.

THANK YOU to the donor who wanted to make a special donation to the woman and family suffering under Domestic Violence. God bless you!

THANK YOU to the Moms' groups at Holy Cross, St. Patrick and St. Matthew. We had a request for household goods for a woman who is starting over after domestic abuse. Huge Thank You to all involved. This demonstrates the love of Jesus by helping others in need. This woman's faith in humanity is being restored! God bless you all! Pro-Life Support:

THANK YOU to a volunteer for help with our correspondence! Happy News: Lots of our children are graduating from Middle and High school! Please pray for these young people and their families! They are all doing a great job! Praise God! Financial Assistance (and more) to Families: In June we: are:

Dealing with our last of the diaper deliveries. Trying to arrange furniture deliveries.

- THANK YOU for the special donation for the family suffering from domestic violence.
- We are continuing to get needed household goods to our families, including the family affected by Domestic Violence.

We have two king sized beds. We have one family that can use them but are having trouble contacting the donating family. Stay tuned!

We have an offer of a sofa and loveseat, a table with 4 chairs and a rocking recliner. Thank you, Slumberland Furniture!

Want to Help? Contact Joy at 217 840-0322

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 & Foltzler 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
 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
 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.