

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



OUR LADY THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION— PATRONESS OF AMERICA

Each country adopts a set of patron saints, members of the heavenly court who are special intercessors for all those within a particular country's borders.

It took the bishops of the newly created United States of America 70 years to appoint the Blessed Virgin Mary as patroness of their country. In doing so, they invoked Mary under her title of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception.

It was a choice met with unanimous support, one that was based on many different factors.

The decision was reached on May 13, 1846, during the Sixth Provincial Council of Baltimore.

Since Our Lady is Patroness of the United States under her title of The Immaculate Conception, we will be praying for the United States during the Wednesday Evening Devotions in the month of July.

We will start with an Act of Consecration to the Blessed Mother for the U.S., followed by the Litany to Our Lady of The Immaculate Conception.

Please come and join us as we place our country under her Motherly Protection.

Wednesday Evening Devotion followed by Mass is a beautiful mid-week pick me up!

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 Devotion for July is Our Lady the Immaculate Conception—Patroness of America

This is a change from the Devotion for July announced earlier.

PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

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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

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Greg Koerner, Principal

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ADORATION

Fridays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction at 2:15 p.m. (when school is in session).

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 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.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary 7ime

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 23 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley John Kelley Garrett, Nick & Zora Unger	
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	July 24 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Sue Berndt No ministers Trevor Tucker, McKenna Tucker	
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Michael Roedelbronn Ben Laws, Margie Hoss Chris Friedman, Tim Friedman	
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Jan Weber, Juliann Seebauer Lara Rank, Lucy Rank	

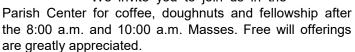
OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES go with Dylan Grady and Hannah Murray, who were married here on Saturday, July 9th. May God's grace support them throughout their married life!





SUMMER COFFEE SHOP

Coffee shop is now available throughout the summer months. We invite you to join us in the



We want to thank Harry and Cheri Rakers for coordinating coffee shop throughout the year. Cathy Koerner is the summer coordinator. If you or your family would like to host, please contact Cathy at cathkern007@gmail.com.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 18 7:00 a.m.

Ed Wachala, Sr.

Tuesday, July 19

7:00 a.m.

For Halle & John Daley

Wednesday, July 20

6:00 p.m.

Jean Marie Cullen

Thursday, July 21

7:00 a.m.

For Charles & Veronica Morton

Friday, July 22

8:15 a.m.

Santiago Gonzalez

Saturday, July 23

5:30 p.m.

Fr. Remigius Bukuru

Sunday, July 24

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m..

For the Parishioners Betty Mikulich

Lizzy Warner

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE

For those who can tolerate a low-gluten host, you can still receive the Eucharist!

To do so, let the priest know by going to the sacristy at least 10 minutes before Mass starts, so he will know that a lowgluten host will be needed.

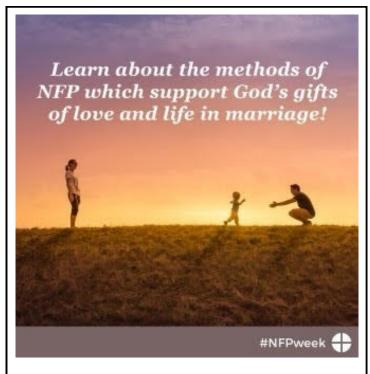




PRAYING THE ROSARY AFTER MORNING MASS

We will return to praying the Rosary after the 7:00 a.m. Mass on Mon, Tue, & Thur.

Please join us.



JULY IS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING MONTH!

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is the general title for the scientific, natural, and moral methods of family planning that can help married couples either achieve or postpone pregnancy.

NFP methods are based on the observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's menstrual cycle. No drugs, devices, or surgical procedures are used to avoid pregnancy.

Since the methods of NFP respect the love-giving (unitive) and life-giving (procreative) nature of the conjugal act, they support God's design for married love!

For more information and resources visit:

https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/nfp-basic-information

EMPOWER ILLINOIS UPDATE

We still have 43 students on the waitlist for an Empower Illinois Scholarship. If you haven't given yet but would like to, you can still make a huge difference in these students' lives! When you give to Holy Cross School through Empower Illinois, you receive 75% of your donation back as a credit on your Illinois state taxes. If you have any questions, please email stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org

https://donations.empowerillinois.org/donations

Do you see someone at Mass you don't recognize? Go up and say hello. You may just be the one who welcomes this new member into our Parish Family.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR LIFE

CAREER OPPORTUNITY IN FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR A CATHOLIC COMPANY:

"Working for your Faith and in your Faith"

The Knights of Columbus is seeking an intelligent, financially motivated, entrepreneurial, and professional Catholic man for a career opportunity representing their financial program in the area.

We offer a complete benefits package (health, dental and life insurance, retirement pension program), expense allowance and professional training with this full-time position.

In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, and/or an initial interview please contact, Jeff Niemeyer FICF, LUTCF, General Agent, at (618) 526-7991 ext. 301, or via email at Jeff.Niemeyer@kofc.org.

Website: www.NiemeyerAgency.org

FAMILY FORMATION LEARNING AND LIVING THE CATHOLIC FAITH



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 Catholic school, Family Formation fulfills the need for religious education and sacramental preparation.

For more info 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 Monday, August 8th.

Collections

Offering for July 2nd/3rd	\$7,326.45
School Tuition Assistance	\$655.00
Fr. Leo for Tanzania	\$3,025.00
Offering for July 9th/10th	\$8,803.07
Development Fund	\$531.00

Thank you very much!

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and Rite of Christian Initiation the Eucharist. This process also



involves a parish community experiencing a renewal of faith as it welcomes new members into the Church.

The Rite 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.

RCIA 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.

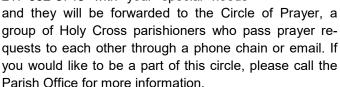
RCIA is for:

- •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.

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



"It is He whom we proclaim." Do you know someone who may be called to proclaim Christ and the word of God? Call Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck (309) 671-1550.



HOLY CROSS SCHOOL 217-356-9521 www.holycrosselem.org

JOB OPENINGS: We still have openings for a Religion Teacher and an After-Care Aide. Please call the school office at 217-356-9521 if you are interested, or email us at www.holycrosselem.org.



High School of St. Thomas More 217-352-7210

www.hs-stm.org

Seventh and Eighth Graders: You're invited to Madrigal's Summer Retreat which will be held from July 25th-29th (Mon.-Fri.) at 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Music Room. If you're interested in joining, contact Dr. Lee (clee@hs-stm.org) and Mr. Kreps (ckreps@hs-stm.org).

STM Job Opportunities:: STM is seeking applications for a Theology Teacher, a Head Girls Tennis Coach, a Head Softball Coach, an Assistant Softball Coach, and a Bus Driver. If you are interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org and Mr. Anthony Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org.

Summer Office Hours: Until July 29th the STM summer office hours are Monday thru Thursday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. During that time the Office can be reached at 217-352-7210, or email info@hs-stm.org.

Summer Sports Camps: Visit www.hs-stm.org and scroll down to view all the STM Summer Sports Camp details.

St. Thomas Catholic School in Philo (PK-8th) has immediate openings for the following positions:

Principal Position Opening. Our Principal forms engaging relationships with students, parents, faculty, staff, and other benefactors with the ultimate goal of helping each child build the foundation for life to Live, Love, and Serve as Christ. Our Principal must be a practicing Roman Catholic in good standing and have an Administration Degree in Education in the State of Illinois.

Teaching Position Opening. Seeking a 1st grade classroom teacher starting the 2022-23 school year. Qualified candidates must have a Bachelor's Degree in Education. The candidate must have a passion for working with young children in a nurturing and educational environment.

We offer full health insurance benefits and retirement as well. If interested in applying for either position, please contact the school office at 217.684.2309 or Fr. Keith Walder at fatherwalder@stthomasphilo.org for more information.



ME AND MY HOUSE

Me & My House is a practical game plan for Catholic parents who are struggling with all the things that parents struggle with. We challenge you to do little things. To make little changes that will make a huge impact on your family.

In this Catholic Parenting Program, you will discover the foundations that can strengthen your motherhood and fatherhood. You will learn the habits that can make parenting easier, and the habits that you absolutely want to avoid. In fact, we will get so practical that we'll discuss discipline and how to set boundaries, so that by the end of the program you will have a very clear sense of how you want to build your unique family culture with the children God has given you.

We have also included an entire section on the Faith, so that you can begin guiding your son or daughter toward God's plan for their lives in a way that is natural and effective. Our host, Patrick Sullivan, holds degrees in Literature, Education, and Theology. His talks have been aired on Shalom World Television and EWTN, and he travels internationally to lead seminars and conferences on Catholic parenting. Patrick is married to the love of his life, Kyla, and is the proud father of 9 children, one of whom is praying for him from heaven.

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

A WORD FROM JOY

BIG THANKS to all of our benefactors who are faithfully giving to our ministry, and WELCOME to our new donors who are making this work possible! Now that Roe vs Wade is history, help to families in need will be needed more than ever! I truly hope that all churches, schools, organizations, small groups and families will help in this effort. It will take an outpouring of love and concrete help to create a Culture of Life. Let's help our culture see the value in every single human life and work to defend and nurture families.

I would like to ask for gas cards and other gift cards so we can help our families through this inflationary time. Most of our moms are working and the rising gas and food costs are hitting them hard. We are anticipating that the heating/cooling costs are going up also. While all of these economic pressures hit all families, our moms are struggling with poverty already and they have the least ability to meet rising costs.....

I want to say a BIG THANK YOU to all of you who have supported us and our ministry, and for those who support Pro-Life work with their Prayers, their Talent and their Treasure!

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

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