

When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world."

Jn 6:14





# Eucharistic Revival



#### The Eucharist and the Bread of Life Discourse

What is the Eucharist, really?

The Catholic Church teaches that the Eucharist is the full and real presence of Jesus – His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity – contained under the appearance of bread and wine (CCC #1375). Just as Jesus turned water into wine – one substance into a completely different substance – He miraculously turns the bread and wine into His Body and Blood through the priests' hands at the altar each time a priest performs the rite of consecration.

This miracle is referred to as *transubstantiation*, or the turning of one substance into another. The Catechism quotes St. John Chrysostom to explain how this miracle takes place: "It is not man that causes the things offered to become the Body and Blood of Christ, but he who was crucified for us, Christ himself. The priest, in the role of Christ, pronounces these words, but their power and grace are God's. 'This is my body', he says. This word transforms the things offered." (CCC #1374). It is important to highlight here that Jesus Himself is performing the miracle through the priest and that the priest has no miraculous power of his own.

Sadly, not everyone believes in this very special miracle, including some Catholics. Rather, they see the wine and host as mere symbols of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. However, we have a few clues that inform official Church teaching on the matter to assure us that Jesus really did intend to communicate to us that he literally gives us His Body and Blood in this Sacrament.

Part 2 next week...

By <u>Jen Arnold</u> December 26, 2022 <u>catholicheartablaze.com</u>





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.

In July we are praying the Litany to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception

## **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.

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**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.

# Seventeenth 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.	August 3 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley John Bingaman, Patty Bingaman, John Kelley John Haggin, Joey Haggin
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	August 4 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	John Karduck Lynette Barham, Mary Shelden Henry Karduck, Wil Karduck
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Mefford John Dixon, Pat Dixon, Jay Ehlman, Dawn Friedman Brooke McMahon, Tim Friedman
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Mary Linneneburger Jim Linnenburger James Linnenburger, Ithuriel Randall

# **DIOCESAN 25TH & 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

On September 22, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. Bishop Tylka will celebrate a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary for couples who are celebrating either their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2024.

If you are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2024, please notify the Parish Office by August 5th by email at office@holycrosscatholic.org, or call (217) 352-8748.

PRAYING THE ROSARY AFTER MORNING MASS -Please join us as we pray the Rosary after the 7:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday.



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 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



# Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 29 7:00 a.m.

John & Patricia Forrester & Family

Tuesday, July 30 7:00 a.m.

All Souls

Wednesday, July 31

6:00 p.m.

Angela Seaman

Thursday, August 1

7:00 a.m.

**Special Intention** 

Friday, August 2

8:15 a.m.

First Friday Memorial

Saturday, August 3

5:30 p.m.

Rosemary Coffey

Sunday, August 4

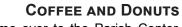
8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. Teresa Kim Thi Nguyen Fr. Joseph Mai-Chi-Thahn

For the Parishioners

# SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: The Parish Office hours will be Monday through Thursday,

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The office will be closed on Fridays through June to August 2nd.





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



# PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Matthew



The Vicariate Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is at St. Matthew Church: Available to everyone in our Vicariate and open 24 hrs/day. Keycard access required. For assistance, contact Joe Taylor at the St. Matthew parish office. To sign up for a Holy Hour, go to stmatt.weadorehim.com



**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.



Register now for 2024/2025 Family Formation! Contact Elizabeth Kelley, 217-352-8748, for more information

# **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.





# 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!



### BINGO IN AUGUST!

Join us for BINGO and fun at Holy Cross Parish Center on **Friday**, **August 2nd**. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Bingo cards and Daubers will

be available to purchase at that time. Bingo will begin at 6:30 p.m. Join us for 15 games of Bingo! \$20 for 9 cards per game. Or \$10 for 3 cards per game. Cash prizes will be \$25, \$50, & \$100. (Prizes based on a minimum number of 25 people.) Daubers are \$1 or bring your own!

Concessions open at 5:30 p.m. as well. Cans of Soda are available for \$1. Lemonade, Tea, Water is provided at no charge.

If you have questions, contact the Parish Office at 217-352-8748.

Proceeds go to Holy Cross School.



# **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).

Catholic Schools Scholarship Bowling Tournament is being held at Old Orchard Lanes, Savoy, IL on Sunday, August 25th. Squad Times: 10 a.m. 1:30 p.m. & 4 p.m.. Come out and support kids from St. Matthew Catholic School, The High School of St. Thomas More, Holy Cross School, St. Thomas Catholic School Philo PTO, and St. Malachy Catholic School.

The winning team from each school will win at least a \$500 scholarship for the kids on that team (no more than 2 adults per team of four individuals).

You can sign up for the tournament at https:// CSbowling2024.givesmart.com or text CSbowling2024 to 76278. We will have sponsorship levels available shortly. There will be 50/50 drawings, lottery boards, and silent auction items as well.

**STM Job Opportunities:** STM is currently seeking applications for a Boys Head Tennis Coach, an Assistant Volleyball Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested email Sr. M. Bridget at <a href="mailto:srmbridget@hs-stm.org">srmbridget@hs-stm.org</a>, 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 tshirts 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.

# **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF** THE AMERICAS, Court #1070

Monthly meeting, normally every second Thursday of the month. This is open to all women in the area, regardless where you attend church. The next meeting: Aug 8 at 5:30 p.m. Holy Cross Parish center Contact Cheri at crakers@comcast.net for more information.

# Collection

Offering for July 20th/21st.....\$6,438.66 Thank you very much!



# **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 Aide, 6th grade Language Arts, Middle School Religion Teacher, After Care Aides. Please contact the school if interested (217) 356-9521

> "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it"

~ Proverbs 22:6

# Summer Schedule Holy Cross Mom's Group

# Wednesday Morning Park Dates

9-11 am unless noted otherwise

July 31 - Homer Lake Playscape August 7 - Hessel Park / Splash Pad in Champaign



## Nights Out

7 pm unless noted otherwise

August 8 - Mom's Pool Party at Sarah's

hcmomsgroup@gmail.com



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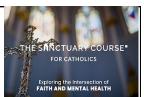
# Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life.

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

# THE SANCTUARY COURSE FOR CATHOLICS

One in four people will be affected by a mental health problem at some point in their lives, yet the stigma surrounding mental illness silences



many and prevents faith communities from responding compassionately and effectively. This 8-session course—designed for use in small groups—explores the realities of mental health and illness, as well as the vital need for faith-based community conversations about these topics. The sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists.

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

# **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.

Gold Nugget Coins

# **Pro-Life and Good Catholic Happenings!**

## **WORD FROM JOY**

## **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:

- We paid \$500 toward rent for our woman suffering Domestic Violence. THANK YOU to the special donor who made that possible.
- We are planning to pay \$750 toward dental bills and rent for one family
- We are figuring out a way to help a family whose oldest son is going to college. He needs \$1,500 or so per semester for his room/board.
- We also have a request to help a family with a young son seriously ill with breathing difficulties. He is only 3, has been resuscitated twice, has had several surgeries and requires on-going care, which his mother provides. We are considering making small monthly payments to the family's past-due medical bill so they can resume his care at Mayo Clinic.

#### Miscellaneous Items:

- We are continuing to get needed household goods to our families
- We are starting our July diaper ordering process and trying to arrange furniture deliveries.
- We are also standing by to assist a family who has a supporting member seriously ill. And we are also standing by to help a separated mother of several special-needs children help when they need it.

Please continue to pray for Kay, Sherrise, Elissa and Alexis, who are battling health issues. Kay will be having breast surgery sometime soon.

Want to help? Contact Joy 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 & Fotzler 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 & Mulcahev 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 Dovle 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. Dan Crawmer