

**Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** 



### Eucharistic Revival

"If we only knew how God regards this Sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at a single Mass."

-St. Padre Pio, Stigmatic Priest

Excerpts from *Imitation of Christ* by Thomas A. Kempis

If the people in ancient times showed such reverence and devotion to God in the presence of the Ark of the Covenant, how much greater should be the reverence and devotion to Your presence in the Blessed Sacrament paid by me and all Christian people, as also in the receiving of the precious Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Many people travel great distances to visit the relics of Saints and marvel on hearing of their remarkable deeds. They gaze upon magnificent churches dedicated to them, paying homage to their blessed remains, wrapped with silk and covered with gold.

But You, my God, the Saint of Saints, Creator of all things, and Lord of Angels, are here present on the altar before me! People are often excited by curiosity and novel sights, and so they return with little inclination toward amendment of life, especially when their pilgrimages are made hurriedly, going from one place to another, and no thought is given to true contrition for their sins.

In the Sacrament of the altar, You are wholly present, God and Man; and here also, in all its abundance, is the fruit of eternal salvation, as often as You are received worthily and devoutly. To this Sacrament we are drawn not by curiosity, levity, or sensuality, but only by firm faith, devout hope, and pure charity.

What a pity, and how much we ought to regret that we are so lukewarm and careless, as not to be drawn with greater love to receive Christ, our Lord: for in Him is all the hope and merit of those who are to be saved. He is our sanctification and redemption; the comforter of pilgrims, and the eternal joy of the Saints.

Therefore, it is most regrettable that many have so little regard for this saving mystery, which fills heaven with joy and keeps all the world in being. How blind and hard are human hearts, when they pay such scant attention to so wonderful a gift, that even their daily reception of Holy Communion falls into mere routine!

#### Come and encounter Jesus!

Adoration is on Fridays after 8:15 a.m. Mass. Chaplet is sung or said at 2:00 p.m. Adoration ends with Benediction at 2:30 p.m. Adoration is also on the 4th Wednesday of the month after the 6:00 p.m.

Mass, ending with Benediction at 7:30 p.m.





#### **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 August, we will be praying the rosary for our priests: Fr. Leo and Fr. Donton

#### **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

#### **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 5 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Tim Spila Kathy Murray Zora Unger, Samantha Unger
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	August 6 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Barry Dickerson No Ministers Nicolette Burton, Avery Natschke
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Murphy John Dixon, Pat Dixon Jack McMahon, Brooke McMahon
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Anthony Frasca Lucy Rank, Sophie Rank



### **Encounters** With Jesus



On the second Wednesday of the month, now through December, we are gathering to view and discuss "*The Mass*" a series by Bishop Robert Barron that walks us through the Mass. The videos are around 25 minutes with a discussion following. We plan to meet for about one hour. Here are the sessions:

Wednesday, July 12 - "A Privileged Encounter"
Wednesday, August 9 - "Called Out of The World"
Wednesday, September 13 - "God Speaks Our Story"
Wednesday, October 11 - "Responding to God"
Wednesday, November 8 - "Preparing for Sacrifice"
Wednesday, December 13 - "The Real Presence
Creates Communion"

You are invited to our "Holy Hour with Jesus" on the 4th Wednesday of each month! Come and spend time with Him from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. All you have to do is sit with Him and bask in his presence! Your life will change - We promise you!



Newest Member of the Church, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Ehizele Philip Omiyi, son of Didi Omiyi and Ezinne Edomobi. Let us support little Ehizele on his faith journey! Baptized on July 16th.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 31

7:00 a.m. Santiago Gonzalez

Tuesday, August 1

7:00 a.m. Noble and Harriett Morton

Wednesday, August 2

6:00 p.m. Ken Murphy

Thursday, August 3

7:00 a.m. Randall Paul Banghman

Friday, August 4

8:15 a.m. First Friday Memorial

Saturday, August 5

5:30 p.m. Clem Kamphaus

Sunday, August 6

8:00 a.m. Barb Good 10:00 a.m. Ricardo Galvan 4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners

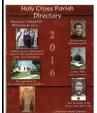
A note of thanks from Fr. Leo......

#### Dear Parishioners,

As I write this note of gratitude, I find no other beautiful words to use than these: "May the LORD show you the same kindness as you have shown" (Ruth 1:8) on how you responded to the 2022-23 Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your support means a great deal not only to Holy Cross Church but even to our Diocese of Peoria. Important ministries and services of our Diocesan Church will be funded by your gift. I want you to know that your example of stewardship gives me confidence that we will continue to journey in faith and grow in our understanding of what it means to truly be a witness of God's Love especially when we share that what God has blessed us with.

Please keep Holy Cross Parish and the entire Diocese of Peoria in your prayers, as I keep you in mine. It will be my prayer that the Lord will bestow abundant blessings on you and your family, just as your gift provides blessings to many others. God's goodness endures forever.

Fr. Leopold Mushobozi



#### **NEW PARISH DIRECTORY!**

It's been 7 years since our last Parish Directory and we have seen some changes and many new faces since then.

To celebrate our church family and to strengthen the bond within our parish, we welcome you to be a part of our upcoming

new directory. We need you to make our directory complete! The days for taking pictures are August 16th—19th and August 28th—31st. You can sign up online, after Mass, or contact the Parish office.

You will receive a free 8x10 photo as well as a directory.

#### Volunteers Needed!

We need your help to make our parish photo directory a success! Here are some descriptions of what we need:

**Sign Up After Mass:** Help our parish members and their families schedule photo sessions after weekend Mass.

**Call to Schedule:** Reach out to members to invite and help them schedule a photo session! You can set your own hours or come to the Parish Office during business hours.

**Reminder Calls:** Call to remind folks 24 to 48 hours in advance of photo sessions scheduled. You can do this from home, or come to the Parish Office during business hours.

**Host a Photo Session:** Welcome our members and their families during the photography sessions.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in helping in one of these areas.

#### ST. PATRICK'S CELLAR TO GARRET GARAGE SALE!

#### **708 W. MAIN ST. URBANA**



#### WHEN

- . Thurs. August 10, 5:30pm 9pm \$2 entrance fee.
- Friday August 11, 8 am-6 pm, FREE entrance.
- . Sat. August 12, 8 am—11 am Bag sale, all you can fit for \$3, FREE entrance.
- . Cash or Checks Only!

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#### **Senior Luncheon**

If you are 55 or older, Join us for good food, good friends, and fun at the Senior Luncheon Thursday, **August 11th at noon**, and every second Thursday of the month. We look forward to seeing you there. Don't forget to bring a side dish to share!

#### Diocesan 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration



If you are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2023, please notify the Parish Office **by July 31st**. Each couple will receive a personal invitation from the Bishop to attend a Mass on Sept.10th at 3:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Mary the Immaculate Conception in Peoria.

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED!

We are in great need of EMHC at all Masses. The Bishop declared that we are able to take of the Precious Blood, but we do not have enough Ministers to resume the offering of the cup at all Masses. Please consider doing God's work as you partake in the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ to others.

If you are interested, please email the Parish Office at <a href="mailto:office@holycrosscatholic.org">office@holycrosscatholic.org</a> or call 217-352-8748. Thank you so much and have a Blessed Day!

LECTORS NEEDED! If you are interested in becoming a lector, please contact the office. There is no real training involved, you read the 1st and 2nd readings for the Mass. We are currently in need for lectors, especially at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. You can email the parish office at: office@holycrosscatholic.org, or call the office at 217-352-8748 if interested. Thank You!



#### FATHER LEO'S TANZANIA WELL PROJECT

Father Leo is raising funds to support the drilling of a well to

provide a dedicated local source of clean drinking water to the Kiziramuyaga Primary School in his village in Tanzania. The school serves 900 students and staff, as well as the surrounding community.

The lack of nearby clean water means women and girls spend many hours each day walking long distances to carry buckets of water back to the school and village. The cost of the project including drilling, installation of pipes & pump, construction of a reservoir water tank, and solar panel installation to power the pump is approx. \$25,000.

To date, our SVdP conference has raised half of this amount from a small group of parishioners at Holy Cross and St. Matthew. If you would like to help, please make your check payable to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and include "Tanzania Well Project" in the memo portion of the check. Checks can be mailed to the Holy Cross Church office or dropped in the collection basket.



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

Madrigal's Summer Retreat will be held August 2nd through 4th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Music Room. Any age from 8th graders to high school seniors can join. Questions? Contact Dr. Lee at <a href="mailto:clee@hs-stm.org">clee@hs-stm.org</a> or Mr. Kreps <a href="mailto:atckreps@hs-stm.org">atckreps@hs-stm.org</a>. If you're interested, sign up at: <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/">https://docs.google.com/document/</a>

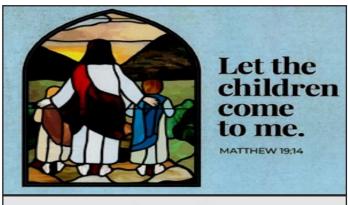
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Attention 3rd to 5th graders! Mini-Madrigals: The annual Madrigals' dinner will be held Dec. 8th & 9th at STM and we're adding Mini-Madrigals, 3rd to 5th graders for the performances. Summer auditions and rehearsals will be on August 3rd and 4th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Music Room. If you are interested, contact Dr. Lee at clee@hs-stm.org or Mr. Kreps at ckreps@hs-stm.org.

<u>STM Job Opportunities:</u> STM is seeking applications for a Head Boys Swimming Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested email Mr. Corapi at <a href="mailto:acorapi@hs-stm.org">acorapi@hs-stm.org</a> and Jon Marston, Athletic Director, at <a href="mailto:jmarston@hs-stm.org">jmarston@hs-stm.org</a>.

<u>Summer School Office Hours:</u> The STM School Office was closed on Fridays during the summer but the regular office hours will begin on Monday, July 31st.

Admissions Application Open for 2023-2024: STM is still accepting admissions applications for next school year. Go to <a href="www.hs-stm.org">www.hs-stm.org</a> and click on "Explore" then "Apply Now" to get started today. Have questions or need help with the app? Contact the Enrollment Office at <a href="mailto:admissions@hs-stm.org">admissions@hs-stm.org</a>. We hope and pray to welcome you and your child to the Saber family!



Register now for 2023/2024 Family Formation!

Contact Elizabeth Kelley, 217-352-8748, for more information

#### Collection

Offering for July 22nd/23rd .....\$9,795.75 Thank you very much!



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#### **Hello Holy Cross Parents!**

We are very much in need of parents to volunteer to be Parent Ambassadors at Holy Cross! This is a great VERY low time commitment way to be involved and help create a welcoming environment at Holy Cross.

What does being a Parent Ambassador involve? When we have new or prospective families, reaching out by phone or email to be a point of contact for new families, serve as a mentor family to a new family, give tours of the school, represent Holy Cross at publicity events such as farmers markets, etc. You can be involved as much or as little as your availability allows.

If you're interested in becoming a Parent Ambassador or have questions, please contact Jen Byard at <a href="mailto:jennifer.byard83@gmail.com">jennifer.byard83@gmail.com</a>

#### **WE ARE HOLY CROSS!**

#### **Employment Opportunities:**

Part time kitchen staff, 6th grade Language Arts teacher. Please contact the school at (217) 356-9521 if interested.

#### **Director of Sacred Music Needed**



Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Mahomet, IL, is seeking a part-time Director of Sacred Music. The Director will be responsible for the administration, planning, and coordination of sacred music in the liturgy, providing music and musicians for weekend Masses, weddings and funerals. This position requires approx. 10 to 20 hours per week. For more details and an application, please send inquiries to office@ololcatholic.org

# **Curious about the Catholic Faith?**

Or, do you know someone who is?
I would love to talk to you!

Please give me a call, 217-352-8748, so we can visit. I look forward to it!

Elizabeth Kelley
Director of Religious Education
Holy Cross Church

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# ALIVE: THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST (ENGLISH SUBTITLES)

The surprise box office hit in movie theaters, this

powerful film from Spain presents the compelling testimonies of five men and women with unique stories of how their lives were completely transformed by experiencing the True Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The DVD includes the same bonus extra shown in theaters, "A Conversation About the Power of the Eucharist", featuring Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Sister Nancy Usselmann, FSP, Fr. Julian Harris, and Fr. Alex Vargas.



#### IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

This modern and very human take on the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, often called "The Saint of Second"

Chances," is an incisive and thrilling look at the life of the real man behind the legend. In his lifelong quest to become the heroic knight of his fantasies, Ignatius stares death in the face again and again, having his leg shattered by a cannonball in battle, driven to near suicide by his inner demons, finding himself imprisoned, accused of being an illuminati, and finally finding his life in the hands of the Inquisition. Through it all, he would come to see the hand of God working in his life, shaping the self-obsessed sinner into the loyal and passionate soldier-saint.

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#### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Dear Lord God, We pray that you will call many fine young men to the Priesthood.

May they have the grace to hear your call and to respond wholeheartedly, giving of themselves generously in the service of your Church, that we may be greatly strengthened and may grow.

May these fine priests have the grace of perseverance and not burn out.

And may they be supported and encouraged and appreciated.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



Mary, Help of Christians, Pray For Us.

#### **SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

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