

BACK TO SCHOOL



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TWENTIETH SUNDAY *in Ordinary Time*

August 20, 2023



And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon."

Matthew 15:22

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Eucharistic Revival

"It is my hope, then, that the Eucharistic Congress will inspire Catholics throughout the country to discover anew the sense of wonder and awe at the Lord's great gift of himself and to spend time with him in the celebration of the Holy Mass and in personal prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. I believe that we have lost the sense of adoration in our day. We must rediscover the sense of adoration in silence. It is a form of prayer that we have lost. Too few people know what it is. It is up to the Bishops to catechize the faithful about praying through adoration. The Eucharist requires it of us."

- Pope Francis (June 19, 2023)

"Whenever I go to the chapel, I put myself in the presence of our good Lord, and I say to him, 'Lord, I am here. Tell me what you would have me to do' . . . And then, I tell God everything that is in my heart. I tell him about my pains and my joys, and then I listen. If you listen, God will also speak to you, for with the good Lord, you have to both speak and listen. God always speaks to you when you approach him plainly and simply."

- St. Catherine Labouré

"Know also that you will probably gain more by praying fifteen minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day. True, Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, for He has made the promise, 'Ask, and you shall receive,' but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament will obtain a more abundant measure of grace."

- St. Alphonsus Liguori

The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth."

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

Join us for our Monthly Encounter Night

When: Wednesday, August 23 after
6:00 p.m. Mass (approx. 6:30)
Where: Holy Cross Church
What: Holy Hour with Jesus
(Exposition, Adoration, Benediction)



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 are praying the rosary for our priests:
Fr. Leo and Fr. Donton

PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

Fr. Joseph P. Donton, Pastor
Fr. Leopold Mushobozi, Parish Administrator
Deacon Ed Mohrbacher

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MASSSES

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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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.

Twentieth 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.	Aug. 26 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Elizabeth Kelley Joslyn Unger Garrett Unger, Nick Unger
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Aug. 27 Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Sue Berndt No Ministers Nicolette Burton, Trevor Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Joe Mefford Ben Laws, Jay Ehlman Ben Summers, Ursula Tembo
4:00 p.m.	Lector: EMHC: Servers:	Rob Shanahan Penny Devall Isabella Contreras, Sam Easton



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 21

7:00 a.m. Blanche Sembera

Tuesday, August 22

7:00 a.m. Dr. Donald Rodawig

Wednesday, August 23

6:00 p.m. Salvador Federizon

Thursday, August 24

7:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of
Catholic Daughters Court #1070

Friday, August 25

8:15 a.m. James Langemak

Saturday, August 26

5:30 p.m. Freda DeCerro

Sunday, August 27

8:00 a.m. Joe Hacker
10:00 a.m. Hans Ostertag
4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners



AUGUST 26TH & 27TH MISSION APPEAL TO SUPPORT THE DIOCESE OF RULENGE-NGARA IN TANZANIA, EAST AFRICA



Holy Cross will be conducting its annual Mission Appeal to support the Diocese of Rulenge-Ngara in Tanzania, East Africa. This diocese is located in the northwestern part of Tanzania; it serves a population of over a million people. This includes 334,000 Catholics and 30 parishes. Many of these people live on an income of under \$1 a day and survive on only one meal a day. The hardships they face include a lack of clean and safe water, lack of funds to train seminarians, and a lack of funds to support children in the Orphanage Centre. Any funds we can provide will help them drill and construct two wells and three water reservoirs (\$15,000 per well), contribute to the tuition of seminarians (\$2,000 per seminarian), and support the construction of the maternity ward for women and their babies. Bishop Severine NIWEMUGIZI of the Rulenge-Ngara Diocese extends his deepest gratitude for any spiritual or financial support you can provide.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

There is Adoration after the 8:15 a.m. Mass with Benediction at 2:30 p.m. Please consider signing up for a half-hour or more to visit Our Lord. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule of the church.

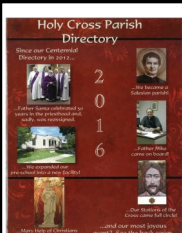


Check out the new bookcase in the back of church! Books are free – read, return or pass along to someone else.



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.



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—1st.** You can sign up online at www.ucdir.com, (Church code: il309 / Password: photos), after Mass, or contact the Parish Office.

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

Volunteers Needed!

We **still need** volunteers to help make our parish photo directory a success! Here are some descriptions of what we need: Sign Up After Mass, Call to Schedule, Reminder Calls, Welcome Table at Photo Session.

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

Email: office@holycrosscatholic.org

Parish Office Phone Number: 217-352-8748

Thank you!

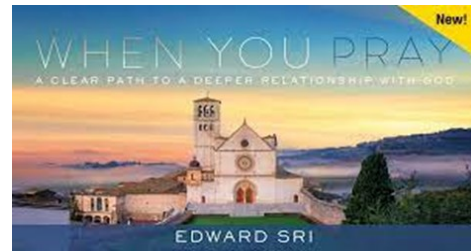
Curious about the Catholic Faith?

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

Adult Formation



ADULT FORMATION / BIBLE STUDY 2023

Join us for the latest study by Dr. Edward Sri
and Ascension Press

WHEN YOU PRAY -

A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God

Mondays, 6:30—8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center
September 18, 25 and October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
or

Tuesdays, 9:00—11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center
September 19, 26 and October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Cost is \$27 and includes the book,
workbook, and digital video access.

Contact Elizabeth Kelley at 217-352-8748
or elizabethkelley@holycrosscatholic.org
to register or for more information!



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 office@holycrosscatholic.org 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!



Feast Week
DETAILS HERE!



SAVE THE DATE!

Sept 9 & 10 - Legacy Fair after each Mass
Sept 13 - Eucharistic Encounter 6:30 p.m.
Sept 14 - Rosary, Mass, Dinner - starts at 5 p.m.
Sept 15 - Parish Homecoming 5 - 8 p.m.

FOR MORE INFO GO TO:
WWW.FEASTWEEK.WEBLY.COM

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE



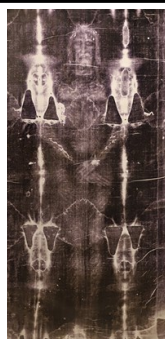
Do you have a gluten sensitivity or allergy?
Low Gluten Hosts are available in the center aisle during the distribution of communion. We now have a separate pyx for each of the ciborium to hold the low gluten hosts. Be sure to tell the priest or minister that you need one.



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

Homecoming in October. Join us at the high school for Homecoming on Saturday, October 7th at 1:00 p.m. as STM takes on Metro East Lutheran. Bring your families with you and enjoy the game. We will have an alumni tent set up through halftime for check-in and for a meeting place. We will especially recognize the class of 2003 on their 20th anniversary. Questions? Email alumni@hs-stm.org.

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



THE MAN OF THE SHROUD EXHIBIT

There is a replica of the shroud of Turin that is coming in September to Vandalia, IL. You are invited to see a replica of the Shroud of Turin, which is believed by many to be the burial cloth of Jesus, and to learn about the history and science behind it by experiencing *The Man of the Shroud* Exhibit, coming to Mother of Dolours Parish in Vandalia for display Sept. 8-14.

The Center for the Study of the Passion of the Christ and the Holy Shroud has developed a moving and informative mobile exhibit on the Shroud of Turin. The centerpiece is a full-length canvas replica of the Shroud made by the Shroud of Turin Education and Research Association, Inc. In addition, the mobile exhibit contains a large, crucified corpus showing the wounds of Christ corresponding to the passion narrative in the Gospel accounts and the wounds shown on the Shroud. The exhibit contains over 31 pop-up display banners detailing the history and science of the Shroud.

To check it out, visit Mother of Dolours Parish Center at 705 N. St. Clair St., Vandalia, IL 62471. There is no charge, and it's open to the public. (This is only about 2 hours, or less, south of Champaign-Urbana.)



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Garden Mum

Fundraiser











Holy Cross School

Order 8/15 - 9/10
countryarbors.com/events/hcs-fall23
Pick Up 9/14
 Holy Cross School (2:30 pm - 5:30 pm)
 410 W. White Street
 Champaign, IL 61820

Contact stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org with questions

WE ARE HOLY CROSS!

Employment Opportunities: Language Arts teacher. Please contact the school at (217) 356-9521 if interested.

Collection

Offering for August 12th/13th\$8,235.50
 Development Fund.....\$1,015.00

Thank you very much!

Fiscal Year 2023/24

	July Contributions	Year to Date Contributions	July ProRated Budget	Budget Deficit/Surplus
Sundays & Holy Days	33,689.55	33,689.55	33,333.33	356.22
Automatic Contributions	9,550.00	9,550.00	9,583.33	(33.33)
Online Giving	9,643.00	9,643.00	9,166.67	476.33
Subtotal	52,882.55	52,882.55	52,083.33	799.22
HC Tuition Assistance	2,306.50	2,306.50	2,083.33	(223.17)
STM Tuition Assistance	549.00	549.00	500.00	49.00
Development Fund	2,384.00	2,384.00	4,166.67	(1,782.67)

THE BIBLE PROJECT /THEMES

The Bible Project is a nonprofit group dedicated to spreading the Word of God. Through dynamic and engaging videos, they aim to present the story of the Bible as a unified whole leading to and culminating in Jesus Christ.

FORMED on Demand has many of these short and lively videos available for viewing. Below are some examples:



Tree of Life | Themes | The Bible Project:

In the opening pages of the Bible, God gives humanity a gift that they quickly forfeit—

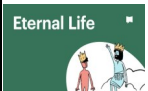
eternal life that comes by eating from the tree of life. In this video, we explore the meaning of this powerful image and how sacred trees play a key role throughout the story of the Bible. It all leads up to Jesus himself, who died upon a tree so that he could become a new tree of life for all humanity.



Water of Life | Themes | The Bible Project:

In the beginning of the Bible, God transforms a desolate wilderness into a garden through a

stream that waters the ground and brings life wherever it goes. This image gets developed throughout the biblical story as wells, cisterns, rain, and rivers all become images of God's creative power. In this video, we'll explore the "water of life" theme through the biblical story and see how it leads to Jesus, who presents himself as the one bringing living water to a world that is desperately thirsty.



Eternal Life | Themes | The Bible Project:

Jesus offered people eternal life. But what does that mean? Explore the meaning of a phrase that invites us into God's life now and in the age to come.



Holy Spirit | Themes | The Bible Project:

In this video, we explore the original meaning of the biblical concept of "spirit" and what it means that God's Spirit is personally present in all of creation. Ultimately, the Spirit was revealed through Jesus and sent out into the lives of his followers to bring about the new creation.

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

Pro-Life and Good Catholic Happenings!



Sr. Raffaella



Sr. Debbie

Do you remember the Apostles of the Interior Life -- holy, consecrated women who served at the U of I St. John Newman Center in the early 2000's? We are very happy to announce that Sr. Raffaella and Sr. Debbie are coming to Holy Cross Church on Tuesday August 22nd. We will have a finger-food potluck at 5:30 p.m. followed by a short meditation and adoration time at Holy Cross Church at 7 p.m.

Please join us for an evening of friendship and prayer!

Financial Assistance (and more) to Families

This past week we: Arranged pick-up of a good used crib (thank you Living Alternatives) and we bought a new car seat for a family we helped out years ago. Erica is about to deliver her 6th child! Please pray for this family. They are doing much better since moving to Springfield.

Diaper Deliveries: In July we gave over 1,500 diapers/pull-ups and many household goods, gift cards, and food assistance. In the last month and a half we gave \$2,500 in rent assistance to families in need. We started our August deliveries!

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
James, Marie, Paul, Joe, & Edward, 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
Margaret & Eldon Tufte and Dec. Mem. of their family

Living & Dec. members of Baum & Decker Families
Barham & Bosch Families
Tangora & Kovera Families
William McMahon, Linda & Mike Wesolowski
McNamara & Mulcahey Family
Living & Dec. Mem. of Giuffre & Cacioppo Families
Boudreau & Arseneau Family
Margaret Turkcan
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

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
Glen & Helen Jones
Betty Madrey
Menacher & Sizer Families
Leonard & Loretto Doyle
Alan & Patricia Berndt
Thomas McCarthy
Costello Family
Leta & Kenny Porter
Bill Mooney
Ron Murphy
Dec. Mem. of Murphy & Sullivan Families
Living & Dec. Mem. of Williams, Lykins, Barham Fam.