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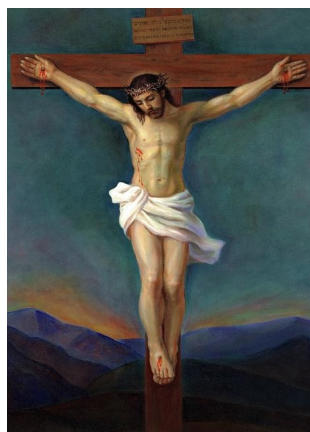
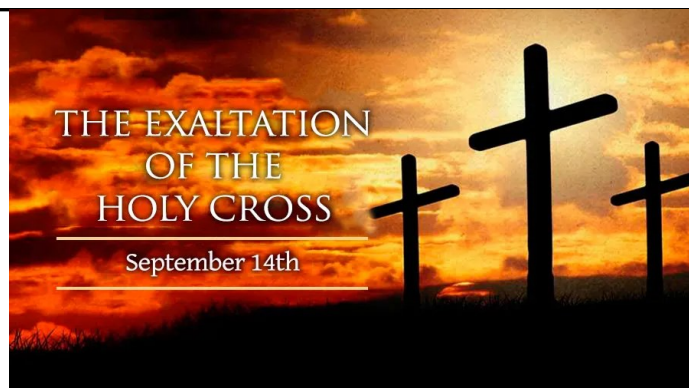
He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them,
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself,
take up his cross, and follow me."

Mk 8:34

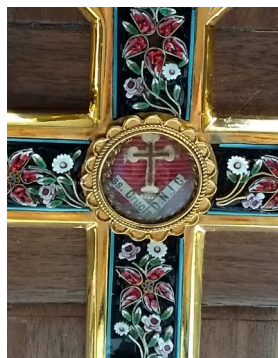


September 12, 2021

Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



LET US THEN LEARN
FROM THE CROSS
OF JESUS
OUR PROPER WAY OF LIVING.
SHOULD I SAY 'LIVING'
OR, INSTEAD, 'DYING'?
RATHER, BOTH LIVING
AND DYING.
DYING TO THE WORLD,
LIVING FOR GOD.
DYING TO VICES
AND LIVING BY THE VIRTUES.
DYING TO THE FLESH
BUT LIVING IN THE SPIRIT.
THUS IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST,
THERE IS DEATH
AND IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST
THERE IS LIFE.
THE DEATH OF DEATH IS THERE
AND THE LIFE OF LIFE.
THE DEATH OF SINS IS THERE
AND THE LIFE OF THE VIRTUES.
THE DEATH OF THE FLESH IS THERE
AND THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT.



Relic from the True Cross
from our own
Holy Cross Parish

St. Aelred of Rievaulx
(1110-1167)

Tuesday Devotion for September 14th at 5:30 p.m.
will be a Devotion to St. Joseph



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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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.

The Twenty-Fourth 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.	Sept. 18 Lector: David Kristovich EMHC: No Ministers Servers: Garrett Unger, Nick Unger
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sept. 19 Lector: Tim Spila EMHC: No Ministers Servers: Nicolette Burton, Trevor Tucker
10:00 a.m.	Lector: Michael Roedelbronn EMHC: Ben Laws, Margie Hoss Servers: Jack McMahon, Ben Summers
4:00 p.m.	Lector: John Farney EMHC: Anthony Frasca, Beth Frasca Servers: Kristina Maloney, Nate Farney



Eucharistic Outreach

Outdoor Reception of Holy Communion on Sundays is no longer available. However, **Eucharistic Outreach** will begin again soon! If you would like to have an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion make home visits to you, call the Parish Office at (217) 352-8748, or email at office@holycrosscatholic.org to be added to the list.

HOLY CROSS FEAST WEEK

Celebrate the start of Feast Week with a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday Sept. 12th! The Scouts of Holy Cross Troop 9 and Troop 2019 will be serving breakfast after the 8 and 10 a.m. Masses in the Parish Center and collecting a free-will donation to support Holy Cross School. Seating will be available in the Parish Center or you may have your breakfast packed "To Go."



There will be Jimmy Johns sandwiches after the 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday Masses. The "Continuing our Legacy" Fair will have tables set up in the Great Hall. Come join us!



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 13

7:00 a.m. In Honor of Fr. Donton's Birthday

Tuesday, September 14

6:00 p.m. Kathryn & Walter Bingaman

Wednesday, September 15

7:00 a.m. John Garvey

Thursday, September 16

7:00 a.m. Bob Weber

Friday, September 17

8:15 a.m. Paul Kelley

Saturday, September 18

5:30 p.m. Joseph Triplett

Sunday, September 19

8:00 a.m. Stafford Perrodin

10:00 a.m. Stephen Warner

4:00 p.m. For the Parishioners

Note: This being Feast Week, the usual Tuesday and Wednesday Mass times have switched places.



NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH, and of

Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Max Benjamin Roberts, son of Paul and Kateryna Roberts. Let us support Max on his faith journey!

CAMPAIGN FOR 22 MILLION ROSARIES

Join our Campaign for 22 million rosaries for peace in the Family, the Nation, and the World. Visit the website to register how many rosaries you have prayed.

www.praytogetherstaytogether.net



PARKING: During school hours, please park in the row next to the parish center only. The other rows are coned off for school use during the day. Thank you!

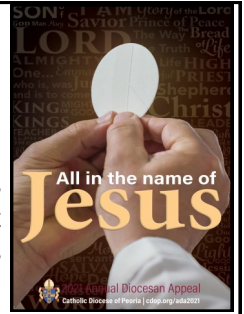
Mass COVID Protocol Update

We received a letter from the Vicar General of our Diocese indicating that in order to slow the spread of the highly transmissible COVID-19 Delta variant, we are to follow the governor's mask mandate.

Effective Monday, August 30th, everyone over the age of 2 is required to wear a mask at all indoor settings. Thank you for masking up when we gather together, whether that be in the church or the parish center. In addition, the suspension of the obligation to attend Mass in person continues to be in effect.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL SEPTEMBER 11/12, 2021

Today, the 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal begins in our parish and throughout the Diocese of Peoria. It is time for us to do what we can to support not only our Diocese but the programs and ministries that benefit our parish and our Catholic community. The ADA supports the education of our future priests and deacons as well as the Office of Catholic Schools. It supports ministries that change lives for the better. We are blessed with much; let us be a blessing to others. Any funds raised above our ADA goal will be given back to Holy Cross Parish to use toward a need of our choice.



SILENT PURSE AUCTION



Ladies of Holy Cross Parish, this year's Feast Week Celebration (September 12-17) will feature a silent purse auction, featuring new designer bags, as well as gently used purses donated by you, the parishioners. So, get in your closet, dig out that purse you haven't used, and donate it to the cause. It will be great fun, and proceeds benefit the school science lab. You can drop off a purse at the parish office. For details, call Mary Shelden (217) 621-0841.

If you wish to make a donation on your pledge or to pay your contribution in full, please make your check payable to "Catholic Diocese of Peoria." Reminder statements are sent monthly from December to July. Donations may also be made by signing up for automatic deduction by credit or debit card, by direct debit, or online. May God continue to bless our Diocese and the services and programs provided by the ADA!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL STEAK DINNER BENEFIT



The Catholic Charities Advisory Board of Champaign and Piatt Counties invites you to attend our 18th Annual Steak Dinner at Philo Tavern in Philo on **Sunday, Sept. 19th**. Cash bar opens at 4 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m.

This annual fundraiser benefits several important programs in Champaign and Piatt counties, including the Good Samaritan Program, St. Patrick's Food Pantry in Tolono, St. Nicholas Mobile Pantry, the Light of Hope Case Management Program, and Immigrant and Community Integration. All services are free.

Tickets are \$35/person. To purchase tickets, please contact Deacon Ed or Laura Mohrbacher at: 217/649-5083, or laurajean8@juno.com.

Please make checks payable to Champaign/Piatt Catholic Charities. All guests must be fully vaccinated. We look forward to seeing you there!



Bereaved Parents of the USA Champaign-Urbana chapter will be meeting at 4:00 p.m. on **Sunday, September 12th** at Stephen Family YMCA, 2501 Fields Dr. South. We'll meet outside at the Pavilion north of the YMCA building, so bring a lawn chair if you'd like. We will continue to meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month. For more information, contact Jerry or Jane Pica at 217-373-1321.



NEEDED: "COFFEE SHOP" HOSTS

Hello everyone! Our parish extends Sunday morning worship by having "coffee shop" after the 8 and 10 Masses. It's a chance to meet parishioners you may not know, and to visit with old friends. We need parishioners to volunteer to host coffee shop, and sign-up sheets will be in the back of church. Choose either the 8 or 10 a.m. Mass shift, or both. The sign-up sheet is for Sept.—Dec. We will email or phone you a reminder as your slot gets closer. Thanks for your consideration. Questions? Call Harry or Cheri Rakers at 217 352-4918.

HEAVENLY DUSTERS for September are Jo Menacher and Mick Head.



FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Continues on Fridays, with Exposition right after the school Mass, and Benediction at 2:15 p.m. Come visit Jesus. He would so love your company!



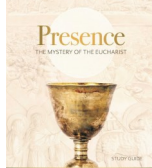


CUB SCOUT CORNER

Interested in Scouting? The BSA's mission is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Holy Cross Pack 9 achieves this through numerous fun activities and service projects. The Cub Scouting program is open to boys and girls, Grades K-4, and we hope to see more girls joining this year! We invite all current and potential Scouts to join us at our annual Rocket Launch at Morrissey Park, Saturday Sept. 18th from 1 to 3 p.m. Contact our Cubmaster, Jim Linnenburger, at pack9cubmaster@gmail.com to get a rocket to build ahead of time and to find out more about Cub Scouts.

ADULT FORMATION (formerly Bible Study)

is back! With all the recent controversy regarding the denial of Holy Communion to various politicians, it seems that a study on the Eucharist would be timely. 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.



Join us at the Holy Cross Parish Center on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning **Oct. 4th**, or Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. beginning **Oct. 5th**. Register with the Parish Office by **Sept. 20th** to ensure a copy of the workbook. Holy Cross is covering the cost of books for this study!



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 be a part of this circle, please call the Parish Office for more information.

SEEKING A FULL TIME CASE MANAGER FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN THE CHAMPAIGN AREA

Forward your Letter of Introduction with Resume to: Catholic Diocese of Peoria, Attn: HR – Social Work Case Manager, 419 NE Madison Ave., Peoria, IL 61603. or email: humanresources@cdop.org - Subject: Social Work Case Manager



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

As I was reading "The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen" and pondering Deacon Mike's homily, I started thinking about what it means to follow your heart. Bishop Sheen states "*The nearer Christ comes to a heart, the more it becomes conscious of its guilt; it will then either ask for His mercy and find peace, or else it will turn against Him.*"

"Follow your heart" is a simple phrase with a lot of significance. It is something a lot of people identify with but very few ever take action to make it a reality. Those of us who do are met with great challenges that seek to knock us off our horse and back into the boring trudge of a 'normal' life.

But the reality is life is tough for all of us--no matter who you are or what you're doing with your life. So, why not follow your dreams? Why not meet the challenges head-on instead of hiding in wait for them to spring up on you? Ultimately, either way, you will be challenged. The only difference is whether you've decided to live out your dreams and be true to yourself or not.

As I sit here on a Monday morning at school reflecting on this phrase, I truly believe that our teachers and staff are following their hearts. They are not here for the money, they are not here for the glory. They are here for the belief and value of a Catholic education. Their hearts have guided them to Holy Cross and we need to support them as much as possible.

As this school year commences, please look into your heart and see how you can support our teachers and staff here at Holy Cross.

Greg Koerner

"Always Home - Always Family"
WE ARE HOLY CROSS



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

Attention Future Sabers: STM Shadow Days are open to 7th and 8th graders. To register, please go to: <https://forms.gle/8NyCPGiRf3CZj5az9>. We look forward to welcoming you to campus! You belong here; sign up today!

Save the Date: Saturday, Sept. 18th, STM Homecoming against Galva at 1:00 p.m. All are invited, especially Alumni! Go Sabers!

Employment Opportunities. We are seeking a Girls Soccer Head Coach and a Bus Driver. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbriidget@hs-stm.org and Mr. Anthony Corapi at acorapi@hs-stm.org



HOLY CROSS
SCHOOL

FAMILY NIGHT OUT

What's Family Night Out? It's the easiest fundraiser! Go out to eat with your family. Mention that you're fundraising for Holy Cross and show them the flyer on your phone. Our school gets back 20% of your bill. To participate, get digital flyers sent directly to your phone at 6 p.m. the night before an event. Text: @fno2021 to the number: 81010

Would you rather get an email? Go to the website <https://www.remind.com/join/fno2021> and follow their instructions.

A Word from Joy

The Pro-Life discussion meetings are ongoing. We encourage people from all churches – Protestant, Catholic, Greek Orthodox and those interested in Pro-Life matters to participate. We had a great meeting last time – discussing many things including the Uyghur people of China and other current needs for defending the dignity of every human. Next meeting will be September 20th.

40 Days will be coming up in September, and the Living Alternatives banquet dinner will be coming up in October.

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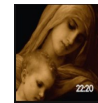
Sorrowful Mysteries



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Divine Mercy Chaplet
In Song



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SEPTEMBER MAGNIFICATS - Due to an error in shipping, we have extra September Magnificats available in the back of church and also on the table in front of the office. The extra ones will only be available for September. The copies in the basket on the table in the Parish Center with labels on them are for our parishioners who have purchased a yearly subscription. Please feel free to take a copy of one of the extra September Magnificats.

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 & Foltzler 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 & Hugué 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 Giuffrè & Cacioppo Families
Boudreau & Arseneau Family
Margaret Turkan
Aloysius J. Winka
Charlie & Evelyn Bell
Zeilenga Family
Rentfrow Family
Ron Murphy
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
Margaret Hettinger
Raymond Timpone
Maxine Timpone
Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family
Perrodin Family
Living & Dec. Mem. of McNabney Family
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Eli & Hazel Kinser Family
John Michael Cabutti
Glen & Helen Jones
Betty Madrey
Menacher & Sizer Families
Leonard & Loretto Doyle
Alan & Patricia Berndt
Thomas McCarthy
Costello Family
Leta & Kenny Porter
Bill Mooney