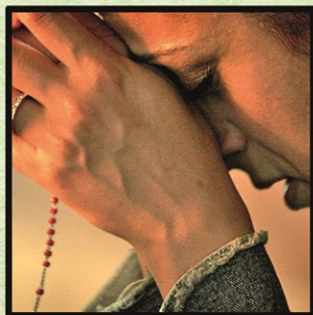


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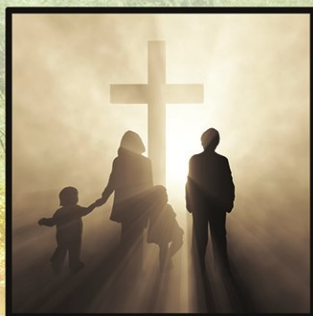
## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Whoever wishes  
to come after  
me must deny  
himself, take  
up his cross,  
and follow me.



September 13, 2015





## THE RUBBER MUST HIT THE ROAD

A man was coming out of church one day, and the pastor was standing at the door as he always did to shake hands. He grabbed the guy by the hand and pulled him aside, and said to him: "Hey, brother, you need to join the Army of the Lord!" The man replied, "I'm already in the Army of the Lord, preacher." The pastor said, "How come I don't see you except at Christmas and Easter?" The man whispered back, "I'm in the secret service."

Here's news for you: There's no secret service in the service of the Lord. Faith is shown in our actions—not secretively, but openly (check Matthew 5:16). When it comes to being a true believer, "the rubber must hit the road."

Our beliefs need to influence our actions to be taken seriously. If you don't act upon your beliefs, then you probably don't really believe. When Elijah stood on the mountaintop and called for God to send down fire to prove himself to the people, we know that Elijah believed that God could do this. When Peter told the man on the side of the road to get up and walk instead of giving him money, we know that Peter believed God could heal this man. For both of these as well as people throughout the Bible, belief is shown by action.

St. James makes it clear that we can "claim" to believe in all kinds of wonderful "ideals," but if we don't put what we "supposedly believe" into action...if we don't apply it to our daily lives...if we don't allow it to transform us from the inside out...that faith is as good as dead.

God has a plan for the building of His Kingdom here on earth. Jesus inaugurated it and set it in motion, and now Christians are to address the issues of peace and justice, the issues of helping the poor, the sick, the hungry, defending human life, promoting morality. We are to allow God to work through us to accomplish God's good plan for this world and for how we are to live our lives. And there is no plan B.

Alexander Graham Bell was an amazingly talented person. His inventions are connected to things we use every day—like the telegraph, the audiometer, the tricycle landing gear you find on planes, and a host of other lesser-known machines. The most famous of all his inventions was the telephone. It also made his family and his descendants very wealthy. But he almost lost it all. You see, Bell never got around to submitting a patent application.

Finally, his father-in-law, who had financed a lot of the research, got so impatient that he filed the patent on Bell's behalf on the 14th of February 1876, Bell's 29th birthday. And it was a good thing he did, because just a few hours later, another scientist by the name of Elisha Gray went to the patent office to get a patent on a machine he'd been working on for many years—you guessed it, the telephone.

This story reminds us that sometimes it's not enough simply to have great ideas. We need to act on them. Bell and his father-in-law are a good example of the relationship between faith and works. Bell had faith in his telephone but did nothing about it. His father-in-law had faith and works to go with it. A Christian's faith is to spur him or her into Christian action.

Fr. Dave

### PASTORAL STAFF SERVING HOLY CROSS

*Fr. David Sajdak, S.D.B., Pastor*  
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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.  
Daily: 7:00 a.m. Mon–Fri, 6:30 p.m. Wed,  
and 8:15 a.m. Sat.

### HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

*Christina Ellis, Principal*  
410 W. White, Champaign, Illinois, 61820  
Phone: 217-356-9521 Fax: 217-356-1745

### ADORATION

Fridays all day, with Benediction at 4:45 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Monday through Friday: 6:45 to 6:55 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 three months in advance to schedule.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples contemplating marriage should call the Pastor at least eight 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.

# 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.



### Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Monday, Sept. 14</b> 7:00 a.m.	For Holy Cross Parish Family
<b>Tuesday, Sept. 15</b> 7:00 a.m.	Charlotte Seible
<b>Wednesday, Sept. 16</b> 7:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Catherine Lachenmyer Memorial Mass
<b>Thursday, Sept. 17</b> 7:00 a.m.	Philip Brown
<b>Friday, Sept. 18</b> 7:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m.	Peggy Billhymer Tom Lakatos (All School Mass)
<b>Saturday, Sept. 19</b> 8:15 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Poor Souls Stafford Perrodin
<b>Sunday, Sept. 20</b> 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	In honor of Edward Strickland Stephen Warner For the Parishioners

### SYMBOLON—THE CATHOLIC FAITH REBOOT

5-Week Program begins Tuesday, October 13th  
(note the date change),

6:30-8:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Parish Center.

Call 352-8748 to reserve a spot.

Catholicism is an entire way of life. But today it's not known. Through teaching and state-of-the-art video, author, speaker and theologian Dr. Edward Sri leads a team of dynamic teachers who provide a comprehensive explanation of the Catholic faith.

Filmed on location in Rome, the Holy Land, Calcutta, and in the Augustine Institute studios in Denver, Symbolon, "Part 1: Knowing the Faith" journeys through the core teachings of the Catholic Church.

It features nationally known teachers such as Tim Gray, Curtis Martin, Johnnette Benkovic, Edward Sri, Jason and Crystalina Evert, Chris Stefanick, Teresa Tomeo, Patrick Coffin, and others who unpack the Catholic faith and call people to live it more deeply.



**FAITHFUL DEPARTED.** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Thomas Jackson. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



**COFFEE & DONUTS VOLUNTEERS** for September 20th is Sheila Mulcahey for the 8:00 a.m. Mass crowd, and Harry and Cheri Rakers for the 10:00 a.m. Mass crowd. Thank you for your time!

**MOMS' GROUP.** We will be meeting in the Parish Center Library on Wednesday, September 16th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Come join us for some reflection, prayer, and fellowship. Free childcare provided.

**CIRCLE OF PRAYER.** If you or someone you know needs prayers, please call the Parish Office at 352-8748 to add the name and need to our prayer chain.



**A SECOND COLLECTION** will be taken up the weekend of September 19th and 20th for the Holy Cross Pro-Life Committee. The committee is composed of a group of parishioners rooted in prayer who attempt to educate themselves, the parish community, and the civic community on the sacredness of every life from conception to natural death. Please give generously to this important ministry.



**A Heartfelt Thank You** to all the Eucharistic Outreach Ministers who bring Holy Communion to our home-bound parishioners every Friday! It's an honor to bring Jesus to them and they are so grateful.

## LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday, 5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Sept. 19</b> Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Victoria Fitzgerald Charlie Parr, Dennis Menke, Ron Davis, Kathleen Murray Annika Scott, Max Walters, Tom Murray
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sept. 20</b> Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Tim Spila Candy Rollins, Judy Deverell, Joseph Hacker, Frances Hacker, Barry Dickerson Marlin Smock, Patrick Zielinski, Christopher Zielinski
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Joe Mefford Carol Bergeson, Margie Hoss, Peg Swanson, Steve Carter, Jessica McMahon, Bonita Higgerson Wade Baillon, Kayley Schacht, Noelle Schacht
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Lector: Euch Min:  Servers:	Robert Weber Elaine Hershberger, Ed Seebauer, Julianne Seebauer, Jan Weber, Lee Cabutti, Joanne Cabutti Alondra Feliciano, Rohan Thope, Ava Borbely

## 7:00 a.m. WEEKDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
14 Nora Kelley, David Caughlin	15 Nick Hasenstab, Brooke Hasenstab	16 Erin Patton, Anthony Frasca, Jr.	17 Katie McFarland, Rohan Thope	18 Amanda Hummel, Owen Robinson

## NAPRO TECHNOLOGY WITH JEN MOKOS

Wednesday, October 21st, 7:30 p.m.  
Holy Cross 'Coffee House' in Parish Center

NaProTECHNOLOGY (Natural Procreative Technology) is a new women's health science that monitors and maintains a woman's reproductive and gynecological health. It is the first woman's health science to network family planning with reproductive health monitoring and maintenance.

It is a fertility-care based medical approach rather than a fertility-control approach to family planning and gynecological health. Please join us for this informational session.

## HOLY CROSS FEAST WEEK CELEBRATION

**IT ALL STARTS TODAY!**  
**Come join the celebration!**

Pancake Breakfast after the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses.  
Hamburgers & Hotdogs after the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

**Monday:** Mouse Races from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Vespers (Evening Prayer) at 6:30 p.m., followed by an Organ Concert by Scott Montgomery & Choir.

**Wednesday:** Marian Mass at 6:30 p.m., followed by Ice Cream Social.

**Thursday:** The Live Jukebox featuring David Howie, 7:00 p.m. (dinner & drinks at 6:30 p.m.).

**Friday: Hot Dog Day,** 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Bingo\* from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

**Saturday: Fun Day,** Noon to 3:00 p.m.  
Dunk tank, bounce house, potato sack races, and other backyard games for kids.

**Potluck Lunch.** Hamburgers & hotdogs will be provided. Bring a 6-pack of bottled water, lemonade or soda to share. If your last name begins with A to K, bring a dessert to share. If it begins with L to Z, please bring a side dish to share.

**DJ & Karaoke,** 7:00-10:00 p.m. Cash bar & food.

**\*Four Corners Anyone? Bingo is here!**  
Bring your friends to the parish center Friday evening. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and Bingo rounds being at 6:30. Join us for 15 rounds! \$25 for 9 cards per round. Or \$10 for 3 cards per round. Cash prizes will be \$25, \$50, & \$100, based on a minimum of 25 people. Bring your own snacks and soda. Hope to see you there!  
Proceeds benefit Holy Cross School.

**Wanted**



**Are Your Leaves Changing Colors?**

**Senior individuals who need help with yard work; fall leaf raking:**

Teams of Holy Cross 5th- to 8th-grade students will come to your assistance on the morning of November 5th, 2015, from 9:00 to 10:30

Contact the Holy Cross School Office for more information: 217-356-9521



## OUR SCHOOLS



**Holy Cross School**  
356-9521  
[www.holycrosselem.org](http://www.holycrosselem.org)

**HOLY CROSS SCHOOL ANNUAL MAGAZINE DRIVE FUNDRAISER IS UNDERWAY.** Contact your favorite Holy Cross student to place your order and support Holy Cross PTC-sponsored events and improvements. Any questions? Email Karen Ritter at [ckritter1999@gmail.com](mailto:ckritter1999@gmail.com). Thanks for your support!

**POSITION AVAILABLE: AFTERCARE ASSISTANT.** The hours are every weekday after school, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. High school and college age students are welcome. **This is a paid position or can be considered a service hours opportunity.** If interested, please contact Aftercare Director, Anthony Thomas at 355-4723, or after 2:30 p.m. at 359-2631.



**High School of St. Thomas More**  
352-7210  
[www.hs-stm.org](http://www.hs-stm.org)

**STM FALL FOLLIES.** Come see STM's abundance of student talent on display at our annual Fall Follies on Wednesday, October 7th, at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$5.00. Performances include Note Nerdy (STM's aCapella group), student musicians, actors, dancers and more!

**STM FALL PLAY.** STM Theatre presents its Fall play, "Gainfully Employed: An Evening of One-Acts and Comedic Monologues About Work," October 15th-17th in the STM 'cafetorium.' Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the show beginning promptly at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$7.00.

**FRUITS & VEGETABLES.** The STM kitchen is asking gardeners to donate their surplus fruits and vegetables. Please email Mrs. Tucker at [mtucker@hs-stm.org](mailto:mtucker@hs-stm.org) to donate. The extra food will be put to good use.

**ALUMNI NEWS.** Homecoming Football game and celebration, Friday, October 9th.

## VOCATIONS

**"A call from God to live in a particular way"**

*"Who do you say that I am?"* The One who calls is the Messiah, the Son of the living God. Will you follow Him as a priest or consecrated religious? Call Fr. Patrick Henehan, 309-671-1550.

Please pray for all vocations: Marriage, Priestly, Religious Life, Consecrated Single Life. Pray also for all Salesian seminarians and Diocese of Peoria seminarians.

## OUR DIOCESE



[www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org)

September 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*"Set out into the deep."* These were Christ's words to St. Peter before the fisherman-turned-apostle hauled in a great catch of fish. In awe at the abundant gift of the Lord, and consoled by his mercy, Peter and the other apostles accepted Christ's invitation and became "fishers of men." After three years of intimate friendship with Jesus and personally witnessing his death and resurrection, they were sent out to preach the Gospel, baptize, forgive sins, and celebrate the Eucharist. Their lives were wholly dedicated to saving souls.

In every age the Church is in need of men who give themselves totally to the service of Christ's salvific mission in the priesthood. The Church needs men who hear the call of Jesus to "come and follow me," and who enter into a period of formation, close to the heart of Jesus, preparing for this sacred duty. Our time, perhaps more than any other, is in desperate need of young men who will courageously preach the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and lay down their lives for the glory of Christ and the salvation of souls.

There are young men who are called to the priesthood in our midst, and every single Catholic has a responsibility to help them hear their call. Through prayer and personal invitation, we must go into the familiar depths of our families, parishes, schools, and communities, in search of vocations to the priesthood.

**As we approach the Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, patroness of diocesan vocations, I ask the Faithful in the diocese to pray the novena to her, beginning September 23rd, asking for vocations to the priesthood to come from our families, parishes, schools, and communities.** Copies of this novena can be found in your parishes, or printed off from our vocations website at [comeandfollowme.org](http://comeandfollowme.org). St. Therese has always been a faithful intercessor for our vocations program, and through her prayers to God we have been blessed with many faithful, holy priests to the diocese. Please join me in asking her to send us an abundance of priestly vocations after the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+ Daniel R. Jenky C.S.C.*

Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C.  
Bishop of Peoria

### Last Week's Collection

Offering for September 5th-6th.....\$11,591.95

School Tuition.....\$2,163.02

Thank you for your generous contributions.

## OUR COMMUNITY



### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is inspired by Gospel values and leads men and women to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to the needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederick Ozanam and its patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

The Holy Cross/St. Matthew Conference is blessed by the generosity of our parishioners who make this outreach possible, and special thanks for your generosity with the second collection. Your collective food and financial contributions enabled us to assist 134 adults and 139 children in Champaign during August.

Please continue your support and keep the members of St. Vincent de Paul Society and those they help in your prayers. Our donation poor box is in the vestibule of the Church.

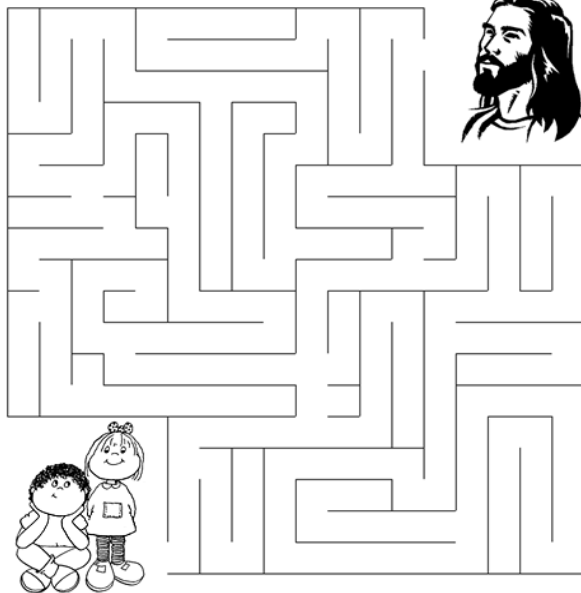
## PRO-LIFE ISSUES

### LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY 2015 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH



Life Chain Sunday is held across America and Canada. **In our area** it is being held along Kirby Avenue southwest corner of Hessel Park from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Join us as we gather to pray silently as a witness to the tragedy of abortion, the unspeakable terror of the partial birth abortion procedure, fetal body-part trafficking, stem cell research, and all forms of euthanasia. Contact Myrna Buyno at 352-1007 with questions or for Pro-life literature. Please join us in prayer wherever you may be.

### Help the children find Jesus.



When was the last time you  
hugged your child?  
Hug your kid today and  
let them know they matter!

## 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 Family  
Jerry & Loretta M. Dano  
Paul, Joe, & Edward Knoke  
Dec. Mem. of Henry, Butler, Reynolds Families  
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, Parod, Fotzler Families  
Bruns Family  
Dec. Mem. of Happ, Krueger Families  
William Pellum & Kevin Pellum  
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  
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ALL SOULS, Living and Deceased  
Pastore, Buzinsky, & Piccolo Families

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Hammel & Mitsdarfer Families  
Margaret & Eldon Tufte and Dec. Mem. of their family  
Living & Dec. members of Baum & Decker Families  
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Eleanor Zeilenga  
Ellen Zeilenga  
Arlin Rentfrow  
Rita Rentfrow  
Ron Murphy  
Fred Porter  
Harold Kremer

Rakers-Wade Families  
Dec. Mem. of Slykas Family  
Hershbarger & Kick Families  
Dec. Mem. of Cochrane-O'Brien families  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of David & Bernice Williams Family  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Gilbert & Betty Graham Family  
John E. Sullivan Family  
Birdie & Edward Cronau  
Margaret Hettinger  
Raymond Timpone  
Maxine Timpone  
Living & Dec. Mem. of Schwenk Family  
Bill Gilles  
Loretto B. Doyle  
Perrodin Family  
Living & Dec. Mem. of McNabney Family  
Christie & Hoss Families  
Liv. & Dec. Mem. of Eli & Hazel Kinser Family  
John Michael Cabutti