

15th

Sunday in rdinary Time

“But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it...”

- Mt 13:23

July 12, 2020



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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, you have been blessed and favored by God. You became not only the Mother of the Redeemer but the Mother of the redeemed as well.

We come to you today as your loving children.
Watch over us and take care of us.

As you held the child Jesus in your loving arms,
so take us in your arms.

Be a mother ready at every moment to help us.
For God who is mighty has done great things
for you, and His mercy is from age to age
to those who love Him.

Our greatest fear is that in time of temptation
we may fail to call out to you, and become lost
children. Intercede for us, dear Mother, in obtaining
pardon for our sins, love for Jesus, final
perseverance, and the grace always to call upon you,
Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Amen.

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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. Monday thru Friday
Holy Days: 8:15 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE

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

ADORATION

Adoration is available on the patio in the
courtyard anytime.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Monday thru Friday, 6:30-6:45 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.

Fifteenth 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.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

13:1-9

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow, and as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty-fold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Thus says the Lord: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows, and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, July 18

5:30 p.m. Patty Bingaman

Sunday, July 19

8:00 a.m. No ministers

10:00 a.m. John Dixon, Pat Dixon

4:00 p.m. Anthony Frasca, Beth Frasca, Jan Weber



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 13

7:00 a.m.

Terry O'Neill

Tuesday, July 14

7:00 a.m.

Clem Kamphaus

Wednesday, July 15

7:00 a.m.

Joe & Ruth Doyle

Thursday, July 16

7:00 a.m.

Tom Costello

Friday, July 17

7:00 a.m.

Dan Crawmer

Saturday, July 18

5:30 p.m.

For the Parishioners

Sunday, July 19

8:00 a.m.

Joseph Nemarich

10:00 a.m.

Bill Pankau

4:00 p.m.

Stephen Primmer

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE ROMANS

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.



PRO-LIFE BILLBOARD PROJECT

Our heartfelt thanks to all who helped get the Pro-Life Billboard Project off the ground! The first round of signs has been installed on properties along I-57 and along state and county roads in various locations. More installations on private properties are planned for the coming weeks. Additional landowners are still welcome to participate. All that is needed is a willingness to allow a sign on your property. Volunteers will do the rest. Additional volunteers are also welcome; construction skills are helpful but not required.

Please continue to pray that these signs will foster a stronger Culture of Life and will help more hearts and minds to be opened to the truth, so that more parents may choose LIFE for their child.

SUPPLIES & VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

We have enough supplies to safely reopen. However, as more places get back to business, those supplies might become scarce. If you'd like to donate any of the following supplies to the church, please drop them off in the vestibule of the Parish Center during office hours:

*Disposable Masks; *Hand Sanitizer; *Disinfectant Spray (such as Lysol or an EPA approved disinfectant)

More volunteers may be needed to help lighten the burden for our present volunteers who would appreciate a break now and then. If you are interested in serving in that capacity, please call the Parish Office at 217-352-8748, or email at office@holycrosscatholic.org. Please provide your name, phone number and email address, along with a committee preference and Mass time preference. Committees include Clean-Up & Greeters/Ushers.

“ORDINARY TIME” IS ANYTHING BUT ORDINARY

Marked with the liturgical color of green, this is a time in the Church year to reflect on and celebrate our call to follow Jesus in the “day to day” of life. Find ways to unite your daily routine to Jesus. Offer a busy moment for someone you love. Stop and thank Jesus for the life He has given you: its calm and its crazy moments. Refuel by going to a daily Mass and re-dedicate yourself to Christ through the Eucharist.

Live life and love God...in this “Ordinary Time.”

VOCATIONS

“A call from God to live in a particular way”

“*Serve one another through love.*” Does a life of prayer and service as a priest or in the consecrated life sound like something that someone you know should consider? Call Fr. Timothy Hepner, (309) 671-1550, or write: fr_hepner@cdop.org

www.comeandfollowme.org

PRAY FOR PRIESTS

“*The only purpose of our prayers and sacrifices is to be an apostle of the apostles, to pray for priests while they evangelize souls.*”

St Therese of Lisieux

SEEING IS BELIEVING

Although we have been asked to keep the doors of the church locked to observe social distancing and prevent the spread of the coronavirus, we have created an opportunity for you to spend time with Jesus “face to face.” A tabernacle has been set up in the Parish Center Library near the double doors leading out onto the patio.



The patio has 4 chairs placed 6 feet apart for those who would like to come and spend time in a quiet outdoor setting with the Lord. The patio is accessible by entering the gates at either end of the parish garden. Out of respect for one another, we ask that you wear a mask if others are present with you.



Holy Cross School
356-9521
www.holycrosselem.org

Summer Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please communicate as much as possible by email (hcs@holycrosselem.org;

ploftus@holycrosselem.org,
myersm@holycrosselem.org

Or call the school office at 356-9521.

If you must come to the school building you will be required to: Sign in and Sign out, and Wear a face mask. If you wish to wear gloves, the school office has some available.



Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Divine Power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. We're seeking applicants for a Spanish Teacher, an English Teacher, a Social Studies Teacher, a Biology Teacher, and a Soccer Coach. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbridget@hs-stm.org

JOIN THE SABER FAMILY! We want you here. Become a Saber! For questions, leave a message at 217-352-7210. To apply: <https://ecollect.accelaschool.com/stm>

STEWARDSHIP

“Everything is a gift from God”

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. As the Mother of Christ, she lived her ministry in a spirit of fidelity and service; she responded generously to the call. We must ask ourselves: Do we also wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ and Christian stewards of our world and our Church? Central to our human and Christian vocations, as well as to the unique vocation each one of us receives from God, is that we be good stewards of the gifts we possess. God gives us this divine-human workshop, this world and Church of ours. The spirit shows us the way. Stewardship is a part of that journey.

APOSTLES⁺HIP OF PRAYER

REFLECTIONS ON THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS, JULY 2020

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

www.apostleshipofprayer.org

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving allows you to make contributions to our church without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. This site lets you set up automatic contributions and change the timing or the amount of your gift at any time. You can set up a one-time gift or set up regular Sunday & Holy Day contributions.

Sign up at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/351>

Last Week's Collection

Offering for July 4th/5th.....\$6,356.00

Thank you very much!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2020

Much has changed since the last Pro-Life information was posted in the bulletin. Unfortunately, the spring 40 Days for Life ended early due to concerns about the coronavirus, but we are already planning for the fall 40 Days for Life. It will begin on Wednesday, September 23rd and end on Sunday, November 1st. Location: Planned Parenthood at 302 East Stoughton St., Champaign.

It is an international peaceful prayer collaboration to pray for help and healing for all affected by abortion. Prayers are welcome anytime during the 40 days, but especially when the abortion clinic is open during normal business hours. Individual churches are encouraged to choose a day and time to come and pray. Imagine how many more people can be helped if more individuals and churches will choose just one hour to come pray during this 40-day time period! Seasoned volunteers are also available to come pray with you. Questions? Contact Renee at 217-607-0811, or reneemullen1@comcast.net.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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OSMM UPCOMING RETREATS

July 17-18, Fr. Shannon Collins, MSJB, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Park Hills, KY: Our Lady of Sorrows, Co-Redemptrix. *"If this topic cannot bring healing to everyone who comes to this retreat, nothing will."* Fr. Collins. (Mass will be in the Extraordinary Form)

August 1, Christine Watkins and Kendra Von Esh Saturday, one day only: The Warning: Testimonies and Prophecies of the Illumination of Conscience

August 7-8, Fr. Joseph Esper: Preparing for the Coming Persecution

September 18-19, Msgr. Eugene Morris, Rector of the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine, St. Louis, MO: Depression, Anxiety, Trauma and Addiction as a Result of Woundedness within ourselves or in our families (Mass will be in the Extraordinary Form)

All retreats are held at the Sanctuary of Our Sorrowful Mother, 318 N. 8th St., Vandalia, IL 62471 (tel. 618-283-7297). Registration fees include admission to the retreat. Parking is available at the corner of 8th St and West St Clair St. No one under 18 is allowed at retreats. Children are welcome at our Annual Conference in October. Local hotels and meals are listed on our Meals & Lodging page.

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 & 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
 Evelyn Bell
 Zeilenga Family
 Rentfrow Family
 Ron Murphy
 Harold Kremer 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
 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
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