



19th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2020

“O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”

Matthew 14:31

Saint Peter Attempting to Walk on Water
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Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Our Mother of Sorrows, with strength from above you stood by the cross, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus, and with tender care you bore him in your arms, mourning and weeping.

We praise you for your faith, which accepted the life God planned for you. We praise you for your hope, which trusted that God would do great things in you.

We praise you for your love in bearing with Jesus the sorrows of his passion.

Holy Mary, may we follow your example, and stand by all your children who need comfort and love.

Mother of God, stand by us in our trials and care for us in our many needs. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. 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.

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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.

Nineteenth 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

14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 10

7:00 a.m.

For the Intention of the Donor

Tuesday, August 11

7:00 a.m.

Dan Crawmer

Wednesday, August 12

7:00 a.m.

Terry O'Neill

Thursday, August 13

7:00 a.m.

Beverly Lynch

Friday, August 14

7:00 a.m.

Thelma Sparks

Saturday, August 15

5:30 p.m.

Nick Henrici

Sunday, August 16

8:00 a.m.

Dorothy Rainson

10:00 a.m.

For the Parishioners

4:00 p.m.

Msgr. Albert Hallin

A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF KINGS

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the Lord said to him, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the Lord; the Lord will be passing by." A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing the rocks before the Lord—but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE ROMANS

Brothers and Sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

FAMILY FORMATION

A WHOLE FAMILY APPROACH TO LEARNING AND LIVING THE CATHOLIC FAITH



The Family Formation Program at Holy Cross serves families with children in Grades K-5. It is a faith formation opportunity for the entire family. Families are supported and encouraged in their efforts to pray, worship, and grow in faith together as a Catholic family.

For families whose children are not enrolled in a Catholic school, *Family Formation fulfills the need for religious education and sacramental preparation.* However, all families with children in Grades K-5 are invited to come and be part of the Family Formation community.

For more information or if you would like to register for this year, please contact Gloria Fellers at 352-8748. **Deadline for registration is Monday, August 17th.**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, August 15

5:30 p.m. Gloria Fellers

Sunday, August 16

8:00 a.m. No ministers

10:00 a.m. Ben Laws, Jessica McMahon

4:00 p.m. Elaine Hershberger, Judy Vasey, John Farney



Newest member of the Church, and of Holy Cross, through the Sacrament of Baptism, is Claire Rose Yacko, daughter of Bryan & Heather Yacko. Let us support her on her faith journey.

FEAST WEEK

Feast Week is coming in September and it will be a bit different this year. One thing we are doing is putting together a video montage celebrating the Spirit of Holy Cross: Always Home, Always Family! It will include making a brief video about why Holy Cross is home to you and sending it in. Please contact Mary Shelden by phone or text at 217-621-0841 if you are interested.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

WHAT IS RCIA?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. This process also involves a parish community experiencing a renewal of faith as it welcomes new members into the Church.

The Rite speaks of conversion as a “spiritual journey.” Centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church He founded. This journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time to bring about a thorough catechesis, significant experience of the parish community, and commitment to liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful.

RCIA is a restoration of the ancient catechumenate, arising within the first three centuries following the era of the apostles. It was the early Church’s way of Christianizing the pagan Roman Empire. The Second Vatican Council called for the restoration and use of this venerable and powerful method of initiation for the worldwide Church.

WHO IS RCIA FOR?

Non-Catholics who know they want to join or who may be interested but need more information.

Catholics who have never received the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

Married couples of mixed religious faiths who wish to unite their religious practice in Catholicism.

For more details, please contact Gloria Fellers at the Parish Office, 217 352-8748.

1ST, 2ND & 3RD YEAR CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation preparation classes for students attending public schools will begin in October. It is a 3-year cycle that begins with monthly classes for 6th & 7th graders. Registration forms can be sent to you, or pick one up at the Parish Office. Please return registration forms to the Parish Office by **Monday, August 17th.** For more info please call Gloria Fellers at the Parish Office, 217-352-8748.

HEAVENLY DUSTERS for August are Cheryl Carlson & Sharon Foreman





Holy Cross School
356-9521
www.holycrosselem.org

Job Openings: We are seeking a 4th Grade Teacher, an After-School Director; After-School Aides; a part-time Art Teacher; and a part-time Evening Janitor. If interested, please email Holy Cross School at hcs@holycrosselem.org

A NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL. Welcome to the 2020-21 School Year: I am honored to be part of the Holy Cross family. This school year will be challenging, frustrating at times, demanding, exciting, and different as we enter into a new norm due to COVID-19. I have been working with our school's re-opening committee developing procedure and guidelines following the ISBE and the Diocesan Plan. As the plan continues to come together and is approved by the Diocese, it will be shared with all of our stake holders. This school year will take all of our Holy Cross families to work together in order for our students to achieve. Please show patience, caring, and understanding but, we will have to follow some hard guidelines. I am very excited to have the opportunity to serve and guide Holy Cross through this challenging time.

Greg Koerner,
Principal, Holy Cross

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL UPDATE: Our behind-the-scenes staff has been working hard to get our school ready for the upcoming school year, set to begin August 20th. The health, safety, and well-being of our students, faculty, and staff will continue to be our utmost priority. The many protective measures being put in place are both necessary and costly. If you would like to help Holy Cross School with a donation, please donate online, or by check made out to Holy Cross and write HC School in the memo line. We are so grateful for the continued support of our parish family!

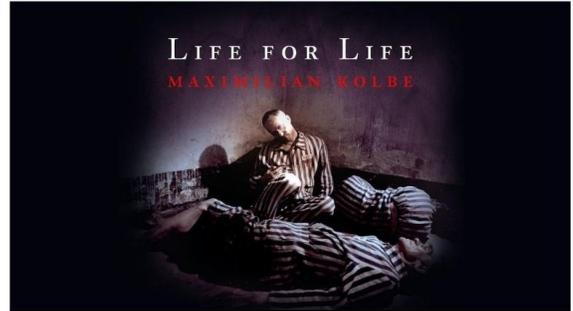


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352-7210
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. We're seeking applicants for a Social Studies Teacher, a Biology Teacher, a Baseball Coach, a Wrestling Coach, and a Girls Soccer Coach. If interested, email Sr. M. Bridget at srmbriidget@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>

FORMED
PICK OF THE WEEK



Life for Life

Auschwitz, 1941. One of the prisoners, Jan, escapes from the German concentration camp while working at a gravel pit. Thanks to the help of kind-hearted people, he finds shelter. There Jan hears tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazis to death by starvation as a punishment for his escape. One among the convicts is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, a Franciscan priest who volunteered to die in place of one of the inmates.

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EMPOWER IL SCHOLARSHIP

Put your dollars to good use and reduce your 2020 tax bill. Holy Cross School currently has 62 students on the waitlist for an Empower Illinois scholarship. If you donate now to Holy Cross School through Empower Illinois, your gift can still help kids this school year. All scholarship donations to Empower Illinois are eligible for a 75% tax credit and support education opportunities for low-income and working-class kids. Visit <https://empowerillinois.org/donors/about-tax-credit-scholarship-program/> to donate; For questions, email stephanie@holycrosscatholic.org.

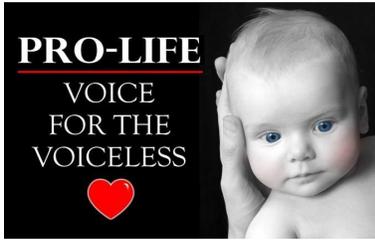
Last Week's Collection

Offering for August 1st/2nd.....\$5,655.59
School Tuition Assistance.....\$1,330.00

Thank you very much!

PRO-LIFE GROUP

Our Pro-Life Discussion Group meets via Zoom every 3rd Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Next meeting will be on August 17th. To join in on the call, please contact Joy at: joypace@msn.com or 217 359-8406 (home). This discussion is open to everyone. We discuss everything—from ethical vaccines to abortion to human trafficking to ethical medical practices and more. Pro-Life affects more than just abortion, and living a pro-life life helps inform and guide every decision. We truly believe that every human needs to be treated fairly and with dignity, simply because they are human!



CLOTHING DRIVE FOR DANVILLE CORRECTIONAL CENTER

We are collecting men's clothing that the center will give to inmates who are released throughout the year. They need coats, pants, shirts, socks, and shoes for MEN. There is a great need for pants. Please drop off any items at the box in the coat closet of the Parish Center. There is always a greater need for XL and above, but all sizes are helpful. Thank you for all the generous donations in the past! They will also accept gently used children's books. If you have questions, please call the Parish Office at 352-8748.

BACKPACK PROJECT

What happened to the annual school backpack project that Holy Cross has participated in for several years? Yes, another Covid-19 casualty. But hopefully for this year only. We have loads of beautiful backpacks that the Catholic Daughters have sewn, so we'll be ready for the summer of 2021 to resume this very worthwhile project.

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.

**State Farm
Brian Hanson, Agent**

A WORD FROM JOY

We paid the security deposit for a Mom & Dad with 4 children. They work hard and are doing things right, but having so little paid maternity leave last fall set them back. Thank You to our benefactors whose donations help this family! They are so grateful that when they get their security deposit back, they'll donate some of it back to help others!

Needs: We need diapers/pull-ups: size 2t-3t pull-ups (girls), size 4 (not luvs), and size 5 and 6.

Gift cards to Sam's Club, Walgreens, and Amazon so we can purchase diapers, pull-ups, and toiletries for our families. We do give out Aldi gift cards to help feed our families.

How to help: Online giving via Holy Cross Church, there is a separate category to direct any donation to Pro-Life. We also accept checks made out to Holy Cross Church; please put "Pro-Life" in the memo line. Any donations can be mailed to or dropped off at Holy Cross Church, 405 W. Clark St, Champaign, IL 61820.

For questions, contact me at: joypace@msn.com or 217 359-8406 (home). Thank you and God bless you for your prayers and support.

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 Turcan
Aloysius J. Winka
Evelyn Bell
Zeilenga Family
Rentfrow Family
Ron Murphy
Harold Kremer 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
Christie & Hoss Families
Menacher & Sizer Families
Leonard & Loretto Doyle
Alan & Patricia Berndt
Thomas McCarthy
Costello Family