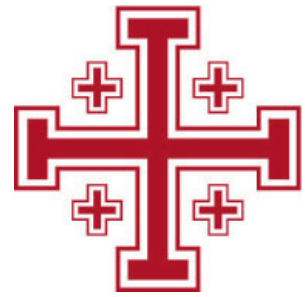


# Holy Cross Catholic Church

December 19, 2021 | Fourth Sunday of Advent



## THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

And the Word became flesh  
and made his dwelling  
among us,  
and we saw his glory,  
the glory as of the Father's  
only Son,  
full of grace and truth.  
- Jn 1:14

### 2021 Christmas & New Years Schedule

#### *The Nativity of the Lord*

**Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve Mass:** 4:15 pm, 6:00 pm, & Midnight  
(Lessons & Carols begin at 11:20 pm)

**Saturday, December 25, Christmas Day Mass:** 7:30 am, 9:30 am, & 11:30 am

#### *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph*

**\*Sunday, December 26:** 7:30 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am  
(\*Note: NO anticipatory Mass on Saturday)

#### *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

**Friday, December 31:** 4:15 pm

**Saturday, January 1:** \*9:00 am

(\*Note: this is a change to what was previously published as an 8:00 am Mass)

#### *The Epiphany of the Lord*

**Saturday, January 1:** 4:15 pm (Anticipatory)

**Sunday, January 2:** 7:30 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am

#### Adoration Chapel Schedule

We will repose the Blessed Sacrament  
after the 8:00 am Mass on Fridays, December 24 and 31.

We will expose the Blessed Sacrament  
on Sundays, December 26 and January 2 at 1:00 pm.

#### Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 4:15 pm  
Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am,  
& 11:30 am

#### Weekday Mass Times

Mon-Fri \*6:30 am, 8:00 am  
(\*No 6:30 am on Dec 24)  
Saturday 8:00 am

#### Confession Times

Sun 10:30 - 11:15 am  
Mon-Fri 7:00 - 7:30 am  
Wed 6:00 pm until all are heard  
Saturday 8:30 - 9:15 am &  
3:00 - 3:45 pm

#### Devotions

##### Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sun 1:00 pm - Sat 11:00 am

##### Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Mon-Fri 8:30 am, Sat 4:00 pm

##### Rosary

Mon-Fri: 6:00 am & 7:30 am  
Sat: 7:30 am  
Sat: Noon at Peg Bond Ctr

##### Healing Service

Wednesday 6:00 pm

##### First Friday Holy Hour/Benediction

First Fri. of Month 7:00 pm

##### Hour of Prayer/Adoration for Life

First Sat. of Month 8:30 am

##### Hour of Prayer/Adoration for Vocations

Third Sat. of Month 8:30 am

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**Parish Office Hours:** Mon– Fri, 9:00 am–12:00 pm and 12:30–4:00 pm

## From our Parochial Administrator

Dear Parishioners of Holy Cross,

Happy Fourth Sunday of Advent!

This year, Christmas falls on a Saturday, which certainly changes things up for our Mass times. Please take a look at the schedule so you don't miss out.

It's important to note that the day after Christmas, Sunday of the Holy Family, is of course a day of obligation, so if you attend Mass Christmas morning we still want you back the next day! On the other hand, this year the Solemnity of the Mother of God on New Year's Day is not a day of obligation (though of course I'd love you to come!).

As for the first Christmas Eve Mass, the overflow will go to Donovan Hall where the Mass in the Church will be projected and we will come down to bring communion.

Looking forward to seeing all of you and your families this Christmas! Be assured of my prayers for those of you who are traveling.

God bless,  
Fr. 20

To register for a weekly time, contact Cindy Conte [cconte@holycross-batavia.org](mailto:cconte@holycross-batavia.org) or 630.915.6022.

We are in most need of an adorer for the following hours:  
Mon 5:00 am  
Wed 12:00 pm  
Thurs: 11:00 am  
Sat: 6:00 am



*"The Church and the world have a great need of eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love."  
~St. John Paul II, Dominicae Cenae, 1980*

### Office Closures

- The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, December 23, Friday, December 24, and Monday, December 27 for Christmas.
- The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, December 30, Friday, December 31, and Monday, January 3 for New Years.

## Father Twenty presents

### The Councils of the Church

In the life of the Church, Ecumenical Councils are some of the most important and pivotal events relating to Her teaching and practice of the faith. However, often relatively little is known about their actual context and content. In this class, we will study each of the Councils for a deeper appreciation of the authentic magisterial teaching of the Church and how it directly relates to practicing this rich and beautiful faith in our own time.

The next class will be on Tuesday, December 21

7:00-8:00 pm in Donovan Hall

The topic will be "Trent".

(Classes will be live streamed.)





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## Family Rosary

**When:** Weekly on Saturday

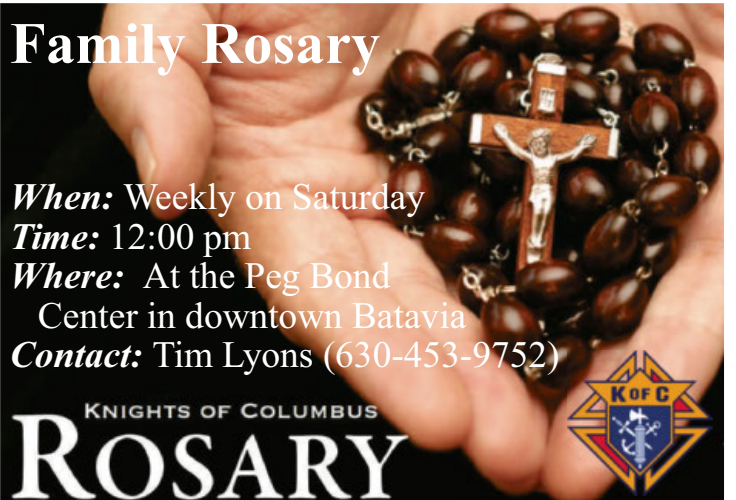
**Time:** 12:00 pm

**Where:** At the Peg Bond

Center in downtown Batavia

**Contact:** Tim Lyons (630-453-9752)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
**ROSARY**





## Mass Intentions

### Monday, December 20

6:30 am SI Carolyn Engle

8:00 am L/D The Holmen and Rodgers Families

### Tuesday, December 21 - Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

6:30 am SI Barbara Decker-Lenahan

8:00 am † Lourdes Santos

### Wednesday, December 22

6:30 am SI Louie Fabian

8:00 am † Donna Gallagher, Kevin Burns, and the Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Thursday, December 23 - Saint John of Kanty

6:30 am † Elroy Christensen

8:00 am SI Daniel Olache

### Friday, December 24

8:00 am L/D The Moore and Kaczmarek Families

4:15 pm L/D The Fabian and Conte Families

6:00 pm L/D The Wulbert and Cappeck Families

12:00 am SI Leslie Hammack

### Saturday, December 25 - The Nativity of the Lord

7:30 am SI Dominic William & Brittany Rose DelSignore

9:30 am † Natalie McCambridge

11:30 am SI Fr. James Parker

### Sunday, December 26 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

7:30 am † Elena D'Alessandro

9:30 am L/D Holy Cross Parish

11:30 am SI Ann Iwatsuki

**The Sanctuary Presence Lamp**, that burns to let us know of Jesus' Presence in the Tabernacle, will be lit for the intentions of any parishioner or in memory of any of our deceased. The offering is \$10.00 for one week, Monday through Sunday. **The Sanctuary Presence Lamp will burn for the Special Intentions of the St. John Paul II Adorers December 20-26.**

**The Adoration Chapel Candles** are lit for the intentions of any parishioner or in the memory of any of our deceased. The offering is \$40.00 for one week, Monday through Sunday. **The Adoration Chapel Candles will burn for the Special Intentions of Bill and Lisa Wade and Family December 20-26.**

### Did You Know? By Deacon Larry

Have you ever wondered what it costs to run Holy Cross Parish? How much is the monthly electric bill? What does it cost to heat all three buildings? When it snows, what does it cost to have the parking lot plowed? What does it cost the parish to have the grass cut? During the coming weeks I will share with you these costs and others, to better help you understand what is required to operate Holy Cross Parish.

#### Monthly gas cost for the Church July 2021-Nov 2021

Date	Amount
07/20/2021	660.31
10/20/2021	209.92
11/17/2021	204.90
	<u>1,075.13</u>

#### Monthly gas cost for the School July 2021-Nov 2021

Date	Amount
07/20/2021	689.20
10/20/2021	76.35
11/17/2021	178.19
	<u>943.74</u>

## Gifts of Treasure

Thank You for Your Continued Support of Holy Cross!

**Dec 1-7, 2021:** Collections \$23,892

- Our Parish needs at minimum \$30,000 in weekly Sunday collections to cover all our operating expenses.

## Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please contact the parish office. If you are a patient at Delnor Hospital and wish to have the Sacrament of Communion brought to you during your stay, inform the hospital upon registering that you are a Catholic and a member of Holy Cross Church in Batavia. In addition, each evening let your nurse know that you wish to receive Holy Communion the following day.

**Please pray for the sick:** Russell Abner, Rose-Anne Aceret, Tom Balt, Randall Barkei, Anezka Bouz, Mary Ruth Broz, Nathan Cantu, Ralph Carlson, Lou Chorich, Joe Essling, Frank and Carol Ferri, Sarah Foederer, Michael Fritz, Robert Fritz, Kathleen Gant, Al Garbarz, Amy Garbarz, George Gawron, Jim Geller, Mark Herwaldt, Phyllis Holmen, Harry Huss, Mike Kozawich, Michelle Kyser, Alexa Larsen, Tami Macko, Mary Mahler, James McManus, Elizabeth Meagher, Greg Meagher, Laura Morse, Arminda Munar, Keith Neuhalfen, Kirk Neuhalfen, Georgene O'Dwyer, John O'Dwyer Jr, Tom O'Dwyer, Jerry O'Reilly, Krista Peterson, Jane Petit, Dianne Pogwizd, Anthony Reyna, John Rodgers, Simone Romanos, Richard Rush, Rich Sanzo, Colleen Schwartz, Jane Siegler, Rosanne Sneddon, Mary Ann Striedl, Amber Aurit Thomas, Elizabeth Thompson, Juul Thompson, Roseanne Thrall, Kim Ticer, Mary Ann Treleven, Robert Treleven Jr, Kendra Watkins, Kenneth Watkins, Susan M. Weis, Gwen Westlund

**Please pray for our men and women in the military:**

Capt. Nathalia Anderson, Brandon Michael Agee, Sgt Mark Briden, 1st Lt Jack Doroff, Sgt James Anthony Konen, Lt. Col. Vinod Naga, SSgt Brock Peio, 1st Lt Thomas Schafer, PFC George Smith, Lt Col James Studlo, CW3 David Thompson

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## Parish Life

### Restaurant Night School Fundraiser

Tuesday, December 21, 3:00-7:00 pm (Dine-in only.)  
at Wahlburgers on Randall Road in St. Charles

Please join us for the restaurant fundraiser this Tuesday to support Holy Cross School Technology Program.

### Ministry of Care

We are in need of parishioners interested in ministering to our brothers and sisters at the various nursing homes that we serve in the community. The facilities we provide for are Batavia Rehab, Heritage Woods, Covenant Living (Holmstead) and The Landings. If interested in joining this special ministry or you have any questions, please email [poggy2933@gmail.com](mailto:poggy2933@gmail.com) or call 630-262-3395. Please prayerfully consider this important ministry and God Bless – Bob Pogwizd

### ELM Christmas Card Campaign

In past years, we have had much success reaching out and sharing warm thoughts through cards and letters with our lonely seniors in nearby nursing homes. I have heard the staff love sharing our cards and letters with their residents. And it brings a smile to so many residents who do not have family nearby to visit. They especially love to receive letters and drawings from children. So, with school out for the holiday maybe your child can spend some time coloring a picture or writing a nice letter to someone who could use a reminder on how much they are loved by God. If you would like to join in sharing cards, letters or drawings with our lonely neighbors, please contact Monica Gibson: [cards@holycross-batavia-elm.org](mailto:cards@holycross-batavia-elm.org) or 630-488-1657

### Waterleaf Baby Bottles for Life Thank You!

Waterleaf would like to extend a heartfelt "THANK YOU" to the parishioners of Holy Cross for participating in this year's "Virtual" Baby Bottle for Life fundraising campaign. As of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, you have raised \$6,644! Your support ensures that we can provide the material and emotional support necessary for men and women to choose life for their babies. Sometimes, just the simple fact that our doors are open, and a woman visits us, rather than an abortion provider, is the difference between life and death. We greatly appreciate your support and ask that you keep Waterleaf in your prayers. For information about Waterleaf and our programs and services, please contact us at 630-701-6270 or visit us on the web at [onechoiceonelife.org](http://onechoiceonelife.org).



### Holy Cross Offers Online Giving!

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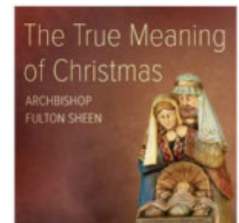


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## School, RE & Youth

### Religious Education

To register for religious education classes, please go to: [holycross-batavia.org/re-registration](http://holycross-batavia.org/re-registration). **We are still in need of an adult supervisor for our monthly childcare.** The next session is **Wednesday, January 5** at 6:30-8:00 pm. We invite high school teens to serve as Catechist Aides and childcare volunteers one Wednesday per month. We welcome Middle School Youth to also help with childcare one Wednesday per month. For more info, contact Karen McQuillan 630-879-4750 or [kmcquillan@holycross-batavia.org](mailto:kmcquillan@holycross-batavia.org)

## SUMMER CAMP 2022

Where: Lutherdale, WI  
When: June 7th-10th  
Who: Current 6th-8th graders  
What: A faith & Fun packed week  
Who With: St. Peter's, St. Pat's, St. Thomas

Questions?

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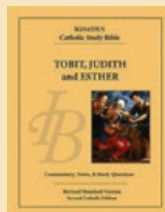
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## In and Around the Diocese

### Fox Valley Women's Catholic Bible Study

The **Fox Valley Women's Catholic Bible Study** will study the books of Tobit and Esther **via zoom on Thursday mornings this winter**. We are looking forward to learning about these very interesting and inspiring Old Testament ancestors of ours.

The study will begin on **Thursday January 13, 2022 at 10:00 am on zoom and go through April 21**. If you are interested in joining the study or have questions, please email Kathy at [fvwbiblestudy@att.net](mailto:fvwbiblestudy@att.net) before **January 9** providing your preferred email address and phone number.



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Husbands and Wives... you are cordially invited to attend a Romantic Candlelight Dinner on Saturday, January 29, 2022, 6:00-9:00 pm at Holy Cross Church in Batavia. Enjoy a quiet, romantic dinner for two, served by your local WWME community. The cost is *Free*. Please RSVP to Javier & Mandy Andujar at (630) 664-7516/630-303-2179 or [andujar1113@gmail.com](mailto:andujar1113@gmail.com) by January 26, 2022.



### Aurora Central Catholic Entrance Exam

Aurora Central Catholic High School is hosting an additional 8th grade Placement Exam on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022 from 8:00 am-12:00 pm for students who could not attend the Dec. 4th exam. Please note this is a required exam for all 8th grade students to take. Please register online: [auroracentral.com](http://auroracentral.com)

### Marmion Entrance Exam

Marmion Academy is hosting an Entrance Exam for 8th grade boys on Saturday, January 8, 2022 beginning at 9:00 am. This exam is for any 8th grade boy who was unable to take the Scholarship Qualifying Exam on Dec. 4, 2021. Students interested should register for the exam at [marmion.org/admissions](http://marmion.org/admissions). In addition to academic scholarships, Marmion Academy offers need-based assistance to families that qualify. Over \$876,000 in tuition assistance was awarded for the 2021-2022 school year. Contact the Office of Admissions at 630-897-6936 ext. 227 for additional information. While students are taking the exam, parents are invited to join members of Marmion Academy's administration, faculty and staff for a continental breakfast and an informal Q&A beginning at 9:00 AM. Parents in attendance will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 tuition deposit voucher (valid for the 2021-2022 school year). Marmion Academy, a Catholic-Benedictine college preparatory school for young men, is a community dedicated to spiritual formation, academic excellence and leadership development.

### Rosary High School

The **Rosary High School** Entrance Exam is on **January 8 at 9 am**. We are looking forward to learning about these very interesting and inspiring Old Testament ancestors of ours.

The study will begin on **Thursday January 13, 2022 at 10:00 am on zoom and go through April 21**. If you are interested in joining the study or have questions, please email Kathy at [fvwbiblestudy@att.net](mailto:fvwbiblestudy@att.net) before **January 9** providing your preferred email address and phone number.



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## Sacramental Information

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to schedule baptismal instruction and date. Information is also available on the parish website.

### Sacrament of First Holy Communion/First Reconciliation

Youth participate in the sacramental preparation program during their 1st and 2nd grade years. Contact the RE office for details.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

Youth participate in the sacramental preparation program during 7th and 8th grade and are confirmed in their 8th grade year. Contact the RE office for details.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Only registered parishioners are eligible. Call the parish office at least 6 months in advance to schedule pre-marriage preparation and wedding date.

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office if you or someone you know will be hospitalized or confined at home and would like to be anointed by a priest.

### Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you or someone you know is interested in the priesthood, please call Fr. Kyle Manno at the Diocesan Vocation Office at 815-399-4300, or contact Fr. Twenty, Fr. Apostol, or Fr. Deitz.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is an experience of learning and discernment for Catholics who want the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation or who want to learn more about their faith, as well as non-Catholics or those not baptized who are thinking of joining the Church. Please contact the parish office at 630-879-4750, ext. 312.

## Outreach

### Funeral Liturgy Pre-Planning Ministry

A member of the Holy Cross Funeral Ministry is willing to meet with any parishioners who would like to pre-plan their Funeral Liturgy. This is a great gift of love for yourself and for your family. If you would like to pre-plan a funeral, please contact the parish office.

### Holy Cross Enriching Lives Ministry

The mission of this ministry is to spiritually and emotionally enrich the lives of the elderly, homebound, disabled, sick, and others needing companionship, love and/or other assistance. For assistance or to join this ministry: 630-879-4750 ext 321 or [holycross.batavia.elm@gmail.com](mailto:holycross.batavia.elm@gmail.com).

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you are in need of financial assistance, we are happy to help. Call the SVDP hotline at 630-879-4750 ext 307.

### Visits to the Sick

Please notify the parish office whenever a homebound family member would like a visit from a Minister of Care.

### Respect Life

If you or someone you know need assistance with a pregnancy, contact any of the following: Waterleaf Women's Center 630-360-CALM, Catholic Charities Maternity Hotline 800-CARE-002, Corbella Clinic 847-697-0200. Project Rachel is a Post-Abortion Healing Ministry: 815-387-3379; [HopeAfterAbortion.com](http://HopeAfterAbortion.com); [ProjectRachelRockford@gmail.com](mailto:ProjectRachelRockford@gmail.com)

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