



Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

Auburn • Divernon • Glenarm • Pawnee

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2026
August 2, 2026

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic adoration is held in Sacred Heart church in Virden after Mass each Wednesday morning and concludes with Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 a.m. each Thursday.

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Fr. James will hear confessions in the reconciliation room in St. Benedict Church. Sunday 7:40-8:05 a.m. and Tuesday evening before Mass by appointment.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one is in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for the healing of body and soul, please contact the Pastor.

BAPTISM

If you wish to have a child baptized, please contact the Pastor.

CONFIRMATION

If you have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and wish to do so, please contact the Pastor. Confirmation is ordinarily received by students in the C.C.D. and P.S.R. programs.

MARRIAGE

If you wish to be married in one of the three Parishes, please contact the Pastor not less than six months prior to the desired wedding date and prior to reserving a reception hall.

HOLY ORDERS

If you think you or someone you know might be called to the Diaconate or to the Priesthood, please contact the Pastor.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline: Information to be published in the bulletin is due to the parish office by **Noon on Wednesday**. Any exception will be published the week before.



Matthew 14, 13-21

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9:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. Wednesday
8:00 a.m.— Noon Thursday
8:00 a.m.— Noon Friday

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Healing and Feeding



Scripture offers the symbolism of food as the sign of grace. God invites us to share in this food. Living by this food, we are safe from separation from the love of Christ. Paul understood this message fully.

Christ's miracles are of healing and feeding: healing from evil, feeding for life. We are right to pray for these miracles, but must not hinder his work in us.

The eucharist is the sacrament of feeding. The miracle of the loaves tells us that once again. We must not let this intimacy with Christ be broken.

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To sign up for the online giving platform (Push Pay), you may do so by scanning the QR Code at the left or by going to our parish website: holycrossauburn.com and clicking on the "Giving" button.

THANK YOU for your generosity in supporting our parish.

WELCOME ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH!!

Please join us for an evening of fun on Thursday, August 27th at 6:30 p. at the Parish Center.

We will be playing bunco and enjoying some delicious appetizers and drinks, provided by the Holy Cross Altar & Rosary Society. Feel free to BYOB also.

Come and meet some of those ladies you see in church, but don't have a clue who they are.

Please **RSVP** to ShIELA Hemberger at 217-652-2851 **by Friday, August 21st**. Also, if you need a ride, let ShIELA know when you RSVP, and transportation will be arranged.

We hope to see you there!

COLLECTION DATA FOR JULY 25/26, 2026

WEEKLY PARISH DONATIONS	\$ 2,655.00
MAINTENANCE	\$ 50.00
DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS	\$ 50.00
SCHOOL BACK PACKS	\$ 25.00



**TRUST GOD.
EVEN WHEN
YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND.**

PROVERBS 3:5-6

"Jesus said to them, 'There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.'" Matthew 14:16

This is what Jesus said right before he fed the five thousand men. How often do we really place our trust in Jesus when the situation looks grim?

With Jesus, no gift is too small or insignificant when offered with love. But, we have to do our part.

We should trust that Jesus will provide all that we need. We need to believe that Jesus has a better plan in store for us.

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

Aug. 3 K of C #10556 Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Parish Center

Aug. 4 Lunch in the Park 11:00-12:00 noon

Aug. 6 Final Lunch in the Park 11:00-12:00 noon

Aug. 7 New Friday Office Hours Begin—8-Noon

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Aug. 27 Fun Evening for all Ladies of the Parish 6:30 p.m. at Parish Center, by Holy Cross Altar & Rosary Society. See details at left

Sept. 14 K of C #10556 Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Parish Center

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Julie Atwell, Tom Baker, Josephine Catteau, Dennis Clem, Barbara Conkrite, Gail Courtney, Bill & Pat Crowe, Lisa Davis, Nancy Davis, David Dixon, Chuck DuBois, Dale Fitzpatrick, Paula Gonzalez, JoAnn Hefer, Stephen Hubbard, Anna Jett, Hayes Johnson, Vince & Barb Kelly, Ron Knapp, Linda Louck, Mary Maley, Milla Manser, Elizabeth Miczulski, Mark Millburg, Linda & Phillip Millburg, Dolores Lopez, Linda Nagel, Rita Nardi, Rachel Baker Noble, Daniel O'Connor, Erin Stiver, Steve Stuckey, Steve Underwood, Michael Verschelden, Pat Verschelden, Bonnie Wagner, Barb Zaccari.

Please call parish office w/additions to / removals from list. Please notify us of anyone who would welcome a hospital visit. Thanks.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visit parish website at: holycrossauburn.com to see parish news, liturgical lists, any change in office hours and scheduled events! If you choose to do online giving & don't want envelopes anymore, please contact parish office so that they may be suspended, saving our parish the cost of unused envelopes.

Current Lit Lists are also always available at entry of church.

Celebrating a birthday? Celebrating a wedding anniversary? Let us know! We want to celebrate each milestone with you! Fr. James will be happy to give a special blessing at Mass!



Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? We will be having OCIA classes beginning in the fall. Please contact the parish office, 217-438-6222 or Ron Waterkotte, 217-722-3583 for more information. **We are also in need of volunteers to teach one or two classes of OCIA beginning in the fall.** Ron

Waterkotte will be leading the classes and has the syllabus for the coming year of classes. Please contact Ron to volunteer to help!

Change in Friday Office Hours: Beginning this week the Friday office hours will change to **8:00 a.m.—Noon**. The other hours remain the same and can always be seen on the front of the bulletin or on our web site.

*When you reach your wit's end,
You will find God waiting there for you.*

WEEKEND LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Sat., Aug. 1, 5:30 p.m. **Sun., Aug. 2, 8:15 a.m.**

Servers:	Jacob Barth Cayden Bailey	Xavier Seiz Lucas Seiz
Lector:	Todd Atwell	Tim Hemberger
C. Mins:	Shiela Hemberger	Jeanne Harvill
Ushers:	Jeannette Forgas Volunteer	David Dixon Ron Appelt

Sat., Aug. 8, 5:30 p.m. **Sun., Aug. 9, 8:15 a.m.**

Grifyn Bailey Cayden Bailey	Claire Millburg Benjamin Millburg
Cindy Smith	Lance Millburg
Ron Waterkotte	Dave Farris
Jeannette Forgas Ron Waterkotte	David Dixon Ron Appelt

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Aug. 1	Girard	Mass
	5:30 p.m.	Aug. 1	Auburn	Mass
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Aug. 2	Auburn	Mass
	10:15 a.m.	Aug. 2	Viriden	Mass
Mon.		Aug. 3		
Tues.	6:00 p.m.	Aug. 4	Auburn	Mass
Wed.	7:30 a.m.	Aug. 5	Viriden	Mass
Wed.	10:00 a.m.	Aug. 5	Arcadia	Mass
Thurs.	7:30 a.m.	Aug. 6	Viriden	Mass
Fri.	7:30 a.m.	Aug. 7	Auburn	Mass
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Aug. 8	Girard	Mass
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	10:15 a.m.	Aug. 9	Viriden	Mass

Bob Reiher (Farley & Annette Farley)
† Frank & Dorothy Stead (Ron & Barb Maley)
† Abby Neisler (Jerry, Dayna, Noah, Mia)
Tudsie & JoAnn Marsaglia (Their Family)
NO MASS
† DiCarlo Family (Matt & Amanda Maynerich)
For an increase in vocations to the priesthood & religious life
(Pat Allen) (Adoration)
† Scott Crye (Charles & Theresa Sharp)
† Tom Baines (Tony & LuAnn Baines)
Pro Populo
Bill & Agnes Frank (Mike & Marcia Walter)
† Larry Sallenger (Barb & Family)
† David King (Jim & Sheryl Spears)
† John Schultz (Family)

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Aug. 7/8 Rummage Sale to benefit Monastery of Mary the Queen in Girard Fri. 4-7p.m. & Sat. 8a.m.-1p.m. at St. Patrick Parish Hall in Girard.

Sept. 3 Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention in Quincy. Featured speaker will be Teresa Tomeo. The day includes a Rosary at 8:00 a.m., Mass at 8:30 and 2 presentations at 11a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The day also includes opportunities for fellowship, Q&A, book signing, vendors and a silent auction. **Registration \$70** by August 15. The event concludes around 3:30 p.m. All women of the diocese are invited to attend this inspiring day of faith and fellowship. To register, visit dio.org/events. For more info., contact Susan Asher at 217-653-5074 or Gina Wolf at 217-257-9966.

Sept. 12 Notre Dame vs Rice Football game - Carlinville Catholic Charities Fundraiser offers participants the chance to win 4 game tickets, a parking pass and a special Notre Dame gift basket filled with Notre Dame themed merchandise. It also includes a \$100 American Express gift card. Online raffle tickets are available for \$25 each and may be purchased at cc.dio.org/events/notre-dame-2026. Physical tickets are also available at the Carlinville Catholic Charities office (525 W. Second South Street) in Carlinville or at the Catholic Charities Thrift Shop (20 Carlinville Plaza). Proceeds from the Notre Dame Raffle fundraiser will directly support the programs and services of Carlinville Catholic Charities. **The drawing will take place on August 14** at 3:00 p.m. at the Catholic Charities office.

Sept. 28-Oct. 9 Sacred Marian Shrines Pilgrimage join Msgr. David Hoefler on a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines in France, Portugal, & Spain. This spiritually rich journey will include visits to some of the most beloved Marian sites of the world. Space is limited. To learn more or to register online, go to go.dio.org/786.

Oct. 4 Have you been married 50+ Years? Time to celebrate! All couples married 50 years or more are invited to attend a special Mass at 2p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, honoring their vocation. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. A reception will follow after Mass. Please register for the Mass by going to dio.org/events and clicking on the Oct. 4 Mass. The reception will showcase all photos submitted in the last two years. Due to the number of couples attending, please only submit photos if you have not done so in the past years. Any questions? Call Ruth Staab at 217-698-8500.

Oct. 10 Called & Courageous Women's Conference for women 18+ at Christ the King Parish Center. Discover how to trust God in the messy, real moments of everyday life. Even if you are on the fence about God, remember that God is not on the fence about you. For full schedule, speaker information, and registration, visit go.dio.org/cac. Cost is \$30.00

Victim Assistance Contact To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy, even if it is in the past, individuals are encouraged to call the Diocese Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation number (217)321-1155. Individuals may also contact the Ill. Dept. of Children & Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-ABUSE, or contact your local police.

*"May we go forth in peace, filled with the joy of the Resurrection and may our lives be a testament to Your glory.
As we leave this place, let us carry the message of Your love and grace into the world,
reflecting the light of Christ in all that we do."*



Live Your Faith—Join the Knights of Columbus!

Project Rachel Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance, call 1-877-RACHESIS. **Eligibility:** Catholics men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church.

Auburn Council # 10556

For information, Call 217-741-7333

HOLY FATHER'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION



UNIVERSAL INTENTION: FOR EVANGELIZATION IN THE CITY Let us pray that in large cities marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Welcome to any visitors we may have with us today! If you would like to register as a member of Holy Cross Parish, please contact the parish office at 217-438-6222 or you may fill out the information below, detach and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____