

† Church of the Holy Cross

Holy Cross is a diverse community, welcoming and accepting, united in Catholic faith, and committed to forming people in the image of Christ to better serve the Lord and our neighbor.

SECOND
SUNDAY OF

Advent

DECEMBER 4, 2022

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John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

MATTHEW 3:1

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Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm,
Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30 am,
10:30 am, 12:30 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am
Wednesday: 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:50 pm and
Wednesday: 5:30 - 7:00 pm
First Saturday after 8:30am Mass

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Friday: 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon 12/5

8:30 am † Peter Nguyen Vien

Tues 12/6

8:30 am † Barbara Adams

Wed 12/7

8:30 am † Orlando & Hilda Pezoa

7:00 pm † Jose Angel Bustos

Thurs 12/8

8:30 am † Mary Pope

5:30 pm † Joey Pritchard

7:00 pm People of the Parish

Fri 12/9

8:30 am † Jorge Bulla

Sat 12/10

8:30 am † Dung Pham

4:00 pm † Woodrow Worthen

Sun 12/11

7:00 am † Thug Pham

8:30 am Spec Int-Mark & Maureen Engen

10:30 am † Paul Meiers

12:30 pm People of the Parish

9:00 pm In Thanksgiving

Readings for Next Sunday:

3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10, James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

Please pray for those in need of our prayers,

Victor Lamartina, Dan Rogge, Shelby Lynn Roff, Ray Ciesielski, Lindsey Walsh, John Manning, Elizabeth Flattery,

If you would like to have a name added to this list, please email us at churchoffice@holycrossopks.org or call the parish office.

Welcome to Holy Cross!

We invite you to join the parish. To register as a parishioner go to www.holycrossopks.org then click on *Home* and then select *Parish Registration Form*. Once we receive your registration, someone will reach out to you about how to become more active in the parish.

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Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office to schedule an anointing.

Baptisms

Baptisms in English will be offered after the 4pm mass once a month. Please contact the parish office to register.

Baptism Prep Class

Baptism prep classes are offered the first Wednesday of each month. Please contact the office to register.

Matrimony

If you are interested in getting married through the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish office for information. We ask for at least a 6 month notice.

RCIA

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church or you are an adult needing to receive a sacrament, please contact Dave West 816-560-7853.

Homebound Ministry

If you or a loved one are unable to make it to Mass on Sunday, we will bring Communion to you. Please call Margi Foley at 913-381-8145, or the Church Office at 913-381-2755 so that we can take care of your needs.

Legion of Mary

If you are interested in giving one hour a week to charitable work and prayer contact Phil Gough 913-952-2280 for the English speaking Legion or Teresa Aguilar 913-325-9677 for the Spanish speaking Legion.

Stewardship of Treasure as of October 31, 2022

Ordinary Collection:	\$ 88,689.93
ACH Collection:	\$ 8,851.01
ParishSoft Giving:	\$ 29,888.35
Total Contributions Received:	\$ 127,429.29

Whether you give online or by using contribution envelopes, you are a blessing to our parish and we are grateful to God for you!



Welcome to Our Newly Baptized

Angel Adriel Roman Hernandez

Everett Daniel Oakes

Beckett Robert Coomer

Vanessa Robles

Anthony Echeverry Abello

Sophia Kailani Guzman-Cobos

Emmett Christopher Waner

Amelia Shea Waner

Sebastian Alexander Parra

Holy Cross Morning Bridge Group

Come join us on the second Friday of the month, Dec 9 from 9:30-11:30am in the church hall for a morning of bridge. Everyone is welcome. If you are interested in joining us or for more info, call Vickie Bronson 913-484-9593 or Margi Foley 913-381-8145.

Holy Cross Dominoes Club



We will meet on Thursday, December 15 at 1:00 pm, in Lickteig Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us! If you have any questions, please call Bill Kelly at (913) 341-5437.

Dec 8—Mass Schedule for The Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary

Thurs, Dec 8 is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is as follows:

8:30 am

5:30 pm

7:00 pm—Spanish

The church office will be closed on Thur, Dec 8 in observance of the Holy Day.

The Shroud of Turin

Today is the day, Sunday Dec 4! Join us this Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock to learn about the fascinating Shroud of Turin. Our speaker will be Dr. Mark Zia of Benedictine College in Atchison. A freewill offering will be taken.

Sunshine Club Christmas Luncheon



The Sunshine Club will be meeting for a Christmas Luncheon on Friday, Dec 9 at 11:30 am at O'Neill's, 9417 Mission Rd. Come join us as we celebrate this wonderful time of the year, meet someone new and reconnect with friends. RSVP no later than Tues Dec 6 to Pat Sheldon 816-522-1801 or pat.sheldon@yahoo.com.

No December Bunco

It's a busy month so we will not have Bunco in December. Keep a lookout for an announcement about the January 2023 date.

Christmas Memorial Flowers

Each year the altar is beautifully decorated with flowers donated by parishioners in memory of their deceased loved ones. We invite you to donate \$15 for memorial flowers. Call the church office at 381-2755 or stop by during the office hours to make a donation.

Christmas Angel Tree: Due Mon Dec 5

Please turn in gift cards or checks to the parish office **by December 5th**. If you have any questions, please contact Yvonne Matousek at (816) 509-1573 or Sharon Baumgartner at (913) 652-6791.

Thank you for your generosity!

Holy Cross Early Education

Holy Cross Early Education serves children that are 3 - 5 years. We are blessed to have an excellent staff that loves our youngest hornets. Holy Cross Early Education strives to build that love of learning from a young age. Learning through hands-on, interactive play in the classroom, prepares them for real-world problem-solving as they move up through elementary and high school levels. For more info, contact Stefanie Bridges at 913-381-7408 or sbridges@holycrosscatholicsschool.com

Holy Cross Traveling Virgin Pilgrim Statue

The Legion of Mary here at Holy Cross has a Traveling Virgin Pilgrim statue which families can sign up to have in their home for one week. Families are encouraged to pray the rosary for peace in our families, nation and world.

The sign up sheet is in the Adoration Chapel on the counter. Pick up the statue on Sunday or Monday in the alcove area by the church office and return it when you come to Mass the next weekend.

Glory and Praise Prayer Group

All are welcome to come share in prayer, praise, quiet, scripture pondering and petitions on Mondays at 1:30 pm in room 2. For more information or questions, call Mary Ann 913-220-1797

St. Mary's Food Kitchen

On Friday, Nov 18, Holy Cross parishioners provided **270** sack lunches to those who are homeless and less fortunate. Thank you so much to everyone who makes this possible!

We also continued the tradition of providing 70 pumpkin pies for the St. Mary's Thanksgiving lunch. Once again, Shawnee Mission North Home Economic students made and donated the pies.

Thank you to everyone for your support of St. Mary's.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

You are invited to join the Hispanic community on Sun, Dec 11 for a celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The program is from 7:00 pm—11:00pm. There will be a rosary, mariachi band and Mass at 9:00 pm (Spanish). A celebration in the church hall with food will follow Mass.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Join Deacon Tim for an Adult Bible Study on Thursday mornings after 8:30 Mass in room 5. New faces are always welcome! Come when you can as we have designed this for maximum flexibility for people whose schedules vary. Bring your own Bible, but if you forget, we have some copies you can borrow. Come meet some new people, enjoy each other's company and dive deeper into God's Word.

Catechism Corner

With what authority is the priestly ministry exercised?

Ordained priests in the exercise of their sacred ministry speak and act not on their own authority, nor even by mandate or delegation of the community, but rather in the Person of Christ the Head and in the name of the Church. Therefore, the ministerial priesthood differs essentially and not just in degree from the priesthood common to all the faithful for whose service Christ instituted it.

Further reading: CCC 1547-1553, 1592

Celebration - Be the Light!
February 11, 2023

Raffle Tickets

1st place - \$1500

2nd place - \$700

3rd place - \$300

Tickets:

1 for \$15 or 3 for \$30

Drawing is at night of Celebration on Feb 11.

You need not be present to win.

To purchase tickets on line go to <https://one.bidpal.net/celebration2023/welcome>

"Buy Cash Raffle Tickets"

For questions, call Becky Dixon 913-961-5538



Advent Reflection

We often change our tone of voice and vocabulary when we really want to get somebody's attention. Parents will add a middle name to indicate a child is in trouble (a middle *and* last name when the child is *really* in trouble). Change of tone and words invites attention, demanding a response. Today John the Baptist does a bit of name-calling: "You brood of vipers!" Even for someone like John, who regularly used potent vocabulary, this way of addressing the holy men—the Pharisees and Saducees—this level of name-calling stands out. Snakes were commonly understood as a representation of evil, and a poisonous snake in the ancient world held the power of life and death, as the holy men thought they did. Instead of thinking about their own power, John tells them to produce good fruit. We still get ourselves in trouble today when we think that we truly hold any type of power over others, when it's a power that belongs only to God.

EMBRACING CHANGE

Words like John's might cause fear in us, or may hold us back, hesitant. Words like these can also invite us to change our lives. When we do so, we open ourselves to a core virtue of the Advent season: hope. Changing our lives can also open us up to a more vigorous presence of the gifts of the Holy Spirit—wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, and fear of the Lord—named in Isaiah today. Recall that it was in that very Spirit we were named for Christ at Baptism. Open your ears and heart to the voice of God, who knows the name given to you on that day. Respond not out of fear, but in love, to the ways that God is calling to you today; calling you to change what needs to be changed, and to welcome Christ today, as you will once again on Christmas day.

Today's Readings: Is 11:1–10; Ps 72:1–2, 7–8, 12–13, 17;
Rom 15:4–9; Mt 3:1–12

Encuentro

Matrimonios:

Llaman a la parroquia 6 meses antes de la fecha en que desean casarse para programar la primera entrevista con el sacerdote.

Bautismos:

El horario de las fechas en sábado será a las 10:30 am, y el horario de las fechas en domingo será después de la misa de 12:30 pm.

Favor de comunicarse a la oficina para mayores informes.

Plática Pre- Bautismal:

Padres y padrinos tomarán una clase de preparación el 1^{er} jueves a las 6:00 pm o el 1^{er} sábado del mes a las 9:30 am.

Favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial para registrarse con anticipación. Favor de no traer niños a la clase.

SERVICIOS EN ESPAÑOL:

Nuestra recepcionista habla español. Llaman directo a la oficina de la iglesia al **381-2755** de

Miércoles a jueves de 1:00 pm a 3:00 pm

Programa de Formación Familiar en la Fe

Grados K-12

Horario de Oficina:

Lunes a jueves de 9:00 am a 3:00 pm



Lecturas para el Próximo Domingo:

Isaías 35:1-6a, 10, Santiago 5:7-10

Mateo 11:2-11

Holy Cross Early Education

Holy Cross Early Education atiende a niños de 3 a 5 años. Tenemos la suerte de contar con un excelente personal que ama a nuestros avispones más jóvenes. Holy Cross Early Education se esfuerza por desarrollar ese amor por el aprendizaje desde una edad temprana. El aprendizaje a través del juego práctico e interactivo en el aula los prepara para la resolución de problemas del mundo real a medida que avanzan en los niveles de escuela primaria y secundaria. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Stefanie Bridges al 913-381-7408 osbridges@holycrosscatholicsschool.com

Estudio Bíblico en Español



Acompáñanos todos los viernes de 7:00 pm a 8:30 pm para un estudio bíblico en el Salón #1.

Todos son bienvenidos. Si tienes alguna pregunta o para más información, favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial.

¡Bienvenidos a Holy Cross!

Te invitamos a formar parte de la parroquia. Para registrarte como feligrés, visita nuestra página web www.holycrossopks.org, luego haz clic en "Home" y selecciona "Parish Registration Form". También puedes pasar por la oficina parroquial para llenar un formulario. Una vez que recibamos tu registro, alguien se comunicará contigo sobre cómo ser más activo en la parroquia.



ARMONÍA

¿Has conocido alguna vez un momento en el que, sólo por un breve instante, has sentido que todo estaba bien en el mundo? Es precisamente un momento así, que se extiende hasta la eternidad, el que describe el escritor de Isaías en la primera lectura de hoy: la perfección de todo, centrada en el espíritu de Dios, donde reinan el conocimiento, la justicia y el asombro ante la presencia de Dios. En ese paraíso, todos ven y piensan en armonía, como describe san Pablo en su carta a los Romanos. Incluso los animales con una animosidad natural entre ellos coexisten pacíficamente. Juan el Bautista comprendió que esas relaciones armoniosas no se producen sin más. Son el fruto de vivir en una relación correcta con Dios y con los demás.

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