

# Church of The Holy Cross

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La información en español  
se encuentra en la página 4.

**Holy Cross Catholic School**  
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Allison Carney, 244-5970

## MASSES:

**Saturday** 7:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Mass)  
**Sunday** 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., and 2:00 p.m. (Spanish)  
**Nursery** - 9:00, 11:00 a.m., and 2:00 p.m. Masses  
**Weekdays** Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:00 a.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 6:30 a.m.  
Tues. 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)  
Tues. & Thurs. (School days only): 8:15 a.m. in the school

## RECONCILIATIONS:

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**

**BAPTISMS:**

**MARRIAGES:**

**Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

**Semi-annually, Fall & Spring, and by appointment**

**4th Sunday each month**

(Parent classes 3rd Tuesday each month. Call the office to register.)

Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

*PREGNANT? NEED HELP? All calls confidential. Gabriel Project, 913-602-0306*

**FROM FR. ROBERT:**

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Brothers and Sisters,

Confession is the forgotten sacrament.

I have left that sentence dangling there alone in order to emphasize its importance for us as a Catholic community. What has happened to Confession? Why is it used so infrequently? How often do I avail myself of its graces? These are the question that I would like us to ponder this week.

During my time working in Italy as a priest, I was an assistant chaplain in a large women's prison in Rome called Rebibbia. This prison is located a short distance from the last subway stop on the northeast side of the city. The regular chaplain, a classically rotund and jovial Franciscan, and I used to share the Sunday pastoral work of personal visits, confessions, and Masses. Normally there were two Masses celebrated each weekend for the prisoners – an early Mass at 9:00 was offered for the general population in the small prison chapel (usually in three languages – Italian, Spanish, and English – in order to accommodate the international prison population), plus there was a later Mass at 11:00 celebrated for those women sentenced to lengthy terms or for life (*ergastolo*, in Italian). We used to rotate the liturgies – one week he would say the early Mass and I would say the later one, and the next week we would switch.

I was always profoundly moved when I celebrated the second Mass for the women condemned for long sentences or for life. Their suffering was palpable in that tiny chapel – these women had been separated from their families and little ones, kept mostly indoors, dressed in the same dull uniforms, and lived under constant surveillance by guards and video cameras. Life was terrible inside that prison. Each time I celebrated Mass I preached practically the same homily on God's mercy...it was never enough. Those women were like sponges soaking in any words of kindness or tenderness; they were starved for affirmation of their dignity as persons / as children of God. The most powerful moment in those Masses came at the sign of peace – those women would just fall into each other's arms and weep.

Isn't this the essence of Confession? Resting in my Father's arms and weeping for my sins and failures? Who could better understand those women than another prisoner? Who can better understand the suffering in my heart due to my bad choices, my addictions, my struggles, my difficulties than the Lord? Didn't Jesus sit on Jacob's well waiting for the arrival of the Samaritan woman? Wasn't He dressed simply, covered in dust from the journey, and alone...so as not to humiliate the sinful woman? Jesus

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arrived early for that meeting because He longed to bring the Samaritan woman the Living Waters of new life!! He waits for me, too. He longs for me. He thirsts for me...He wants to take on the burden of my sins. He knows the emptiness of my heart and the loneliness of my life. He waits for me...

This Lent the parishes of the Archdiocese of Kansas City will offer the Sacrament of Confession on Wednesday evenings from 6-7. You will soon see notices in churches, bulletins and the Leaven announcing this new initiative. As you well know, Holy Cross already offers the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday evenings, and during Lent we will extend the time from 5:30 until 7:00.

I would wholeheartedly like to invite all our parishioners to drink of these Living Waters this Lent and every month of the year. Frequent confession is a grace that the saints practiced in order to remain close to the Good Shepherd. May Jesus grant us the grace of sorrow for our sins and the humility to ask for forgiveness...

Over the past several weeks, we have heard a great deal about the Archbishop's Call to Share and the agencies and ministries that it supports. Thank you to those who have made a contribution. We are currently at 70% of our goal of \$115,520. If you have not yet made a commitment, please give prayerful consideration to doing so. Pledge envelopes are available in the Church Office, which can be placed in the Sunday collection.

**Please see the schedule for our Ash Wednesday services in the Mass Intentions for the Week on the lower right corner of this bulletin.** Mass & Stations of the Cross will be 5:30 p.m. each Friday evening during Lent.

**Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:** John Daley, Jim Hadel, Kevin Haeusser, Karen Hoffman, Paul Helbing, Mary Faith Holzer, Bob Long, Dolores McClain, Phillip McClain, Mary Jane Reardon, and Ginny Shepard.

**REST IN PEACE:** Prayers are requested for **Patricia Vaughn**.

**PALMS:** Please bring in your palms from last year and deposit them in the marked basket in the narthex. Thank You!

**LENTEN REGULATIONS:** All Catholics having reached the age of 14 are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent. Catholics between 18 and 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by eating only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if needed to maintain strength.

## READINGS & FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11.  
**Questions for Adults:** As Lent begins, what temptations are you working to overcome? What practical strategies can you draw from Jesus' example?? **For Children:** How would Adam and Eve's life been better if they had obeyed God??

**ADORATION CHAPEL:** "It was not you who chose me; if was I who chose you to go forth and bear fruit." (John 15:16) Open hours: Mon., 2am; Wed., 8 am and 3pm; Thurs., 2am; Fri., 1pm. Call Anne, 649-2049.

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE:

	February 27, 2011	Fiscal YTD
Needed	\$33,800	\$1,068,000
Collected	24,863	938,803
Over/(Under)	(8937)	(129,197)
Special Donations	60	

Consider visiting the residents at Bickford Place (106th & Barkley) on Monday mornings 10 a.m. and join in praying the Rosary. Are you available? Will you come? Call Pat at 341-3474 for more details of this outreach and ministry.

**PandaMania is coming to Holy Cross!!** June 20-24. We are currently looking for ADULT volunteers to head up various areas of VBS. If you are interested, please call or email Carol Morris, 381-2757 ext.120. Info on youth volunteer opportunities coming soon!

**St. Helen Circle's Annual First Friday of Lent SHRIMP BOIL is Fri., Mar.11.** Adult shrimp \$13, child \$8, Adult fish \$7, child \$4 if you make reservations. (\$2 more for shrimp and \$1 more for fish at the door.) Call by Tues., Mar.8 for reservations. Karen, 381-4014 or Thais, 341-1184.

**The Knights of Columbus thank everyone who donated to the recent Baby Shower.** We received over \$1000 in cash & credit cards and over \$1000 in new and used bay clothing and supplies. This was given to the Advice and Aid Pregnancy Center.

## Religious Education

**Check the website for our calendar!** Click on Parish Calendar on the right column.

**Families Growing in Faith Together:** We meet this Tues., Mar.8, at 6:45 p.m. and will explore vocations to the priesthood & vowed religious life with special guests!

**Confirmation classes** do not meet Mar.13 due to Spring Break. Classes resume on Mar.20. Remember, high school students meet 6:00 to 7:30pm. 7th & 8th grade students meet 6:30 to 8pm.

**For Confirmation info,** you can also go to our website, [www.HolyCrossOPKS.org](http://www.HolyCrossOPKS.org), click on Faith Formation to find link to Middle & High School Sacramental Prep.

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CORNER

"Our Family, Our Future"

### UPDATE:

Total Pledged: \$2,093,202

Total Received: \$1,781,979

## Youth Ministry

*For questions regarding Middle and High School Rel. Ed or Youth Ministry, contact Sandy at 205-0825 or [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org). Your call will be returned asap if you leave message*

**04MG!! Oh, For My God! Middle School Youth Group!** Our meeting dates for March are the 7th and 20th. Hope to see you there! Parents, we can always use adult leaders for our meetings.

**Holy Cross Highschoolers..."Regular"** youth groups meets Mar.9, 23, and 30 in the youth room. We will meet on the 9th after the 5:30pm Ash Wednesday service. Go to Sandra K Schluter and add yourself as a friend to get information by Facebook.

**Homers...CHANGE OF SCHEDULE!** Our next Homers date is Mar.16, over Spring Break. Homers Coffeehouse is located in downtown OP. We meet 7-8:15pm. Bring a few dollars for a smoothie, latte, hot chocolate, etc. We gather together for fellowship and fun, in a relaxed and inviting atmosphere. Hope to see you there!

**With the start of youth group,** our need for snacks and drinks returns. Thanks to all of our special donors who have provided us with snacks and drinks for our meetings. ALSO, we are looking for clean couches in good condition for our meeting space. Please contact Sandy if you can fill one of these requests.

## Mass Intentions For The Week

<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Lu Sheehan
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Jim Brennan
	6:00 p.m.	Ignacio Baldor (Spanish)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	
	6:30 a.m.	Teresa Vu
	9:00 a.m.	Thuy Pham (All School)
	12:10 noon	Liturgy of Word with Ashes
	5:30 p.m.	Martin & Cecilia Burke
	7:00 p.m.	Dorothy Cravens (Spanish)
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Cecilia Bertrand
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Marcia Werp
	5:30 p.m.	Kevin Haeusser (Stations & Mass)
<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Theresa Mai
	5:00 p.m.	Patricia Kreutzer
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Tom Halfman
	9:00 a.m.	Spec.Int.- Jean Nolan
	11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
	2:00 p.m.	Marta Saenz (Spanish)

Our Mission Trip Meeting is scheduled for Sun., Mar.6, after the 11am Mass. We meet in Rooms 5a and 5b. We will had our forms for the trip, and continue fundraising plans. Contact Sandy if you are not able to attend.

**Adopt a Tank...** It's that time of year again. We are trying to get 7 vehicles and 47 people to Minnesota and back to grow in our faith and serve God's people. If you are able to contribute a tank of gas to our trip, it would be greatly appreciated. Checks can be made out to Holy Cross Youth Ministry. We appreciate your support.

**Quilters and Crafters will accept various crafts, quilts, tablecloths, etc. to finish for you.** Price adjusted according to work needed for completion. Call 913-381-9406 - Virginia Dunn

Holy Cross parishioners send a big **THANK YOU** to all ladies who volunteer their time preparing food for and serving at funeral lunches here at Holy Cross. A **special THANK YOU goes out to NORMA McCALL**, our Funeral Lunch Coordinator. Norma volunteers her time organizing and overseeing this valuable service which we offer to our grieving families. (**MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to maintain this wonderful program. Norma tells us that she would love to add you to the list of volunteers if you feel you can prepare food occasionally or help serve at a funeral lunch from time to time. Please call Norma McCall at 913-648-4058.)

Widen your **CIRCLE OF FRIENDS!** All Women of Holy Cross are welcome to join one of our many "Circles." **St.Helen's Circle** meets on the 2nd Tues. of the month, Sept.-May, at home of a member. In addition to assisting at Festival & all WHC events & fundraisers, **St.Helen's Circle** special events include: Lenten Shrimp Dinner (our yearly fundraiser), Baptismal Stole Making, Coffee & Donut Sundays, Funeral Dinners, Christmas Charity Project, Fr.Marc Tillia Missions Project, Provide Ronald McDonald with dinner for 30, once a month. Ronald McDonald House Pop-Tab Collection, Dinner with Husbands & Special Friends, Annual Summer Picnic. **Visitors are welcome at any time to join us in our service to God, Holy Cross & community!** Contact **Jo Roff 649-4497 or Thais Fahy 341-1184.**

**Runnin' Revs Fun Night** will be held at Bishop Miede High School, 5041 Reinhardt Rd., Roeland Park, Mon., Mar.7. Priests will challenge 8th grade and high school boys from area Catholic schools in a heated game of basketball. Tipoff is at 7:00 p.m. Expect biased calls and lots of fun. Donations will be accepted to benefit seminarians and there will be a small auction. Call 913-647-0303 for information.

**CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH:** Now is the time to sign up for the Spring *Christ Renews His Parish* renewal weekends: Mar.19 & 20 for the men and April 2 & 3 for the women. Spend a weekend with Jesus and refresh and renew your spirituality with other Holy Cross parishioners. Questions? Call Kevin Beauford at 318-7414 or Deb Zila at 642-5774. You can also visit <http://holycrossopks.org/christ-renews-his-parish/> for more info. Peace, Joe

## Holy Cross School News

- Mar.9 Ash Wednesday All School Mass 9am  
End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar.10 Teacher In-Service No School
- Mar.11-18 Spring Break No School
- Mar.21 Classes Resume
- Mar.25 Feast of the Annunciation All School Mass 9am  
PTO Fish Fry 5:30-7:30pm

Holy Cross Catholic School and Early Education Center are currently enrolling for the 2011-2012 school year. We offer a quality academic experience strongly rooted in the Catholic faith. To find out more about our elementary school (K-8th grade) or to schedule a tour call the school office at 913-381-7408. For info about the Early Education Center please call 913-381-7151. Holy Cross Catholic school - Building Faith - Inspiring Minds

Stay up-to-date with information about the school. Go to [www.holycrosscatholicschool.com](http://www.holycrosscatholicschool.com) where you can link to the Principal's Weblog, our Facebook page and Twitter. Click the "Family Login" button to see our newsletter and calendar

Our office hours are 8:00am to 4:00pm on school days. You may purchase SCRIP certificates and Trash Bags

## Pro-Life Corner

"The word of Yahweh was addressed to me, saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you came to birth I consecrated you..." (Jeremiah 1:4-5) Please pray to end abortion.

Project Rachel - Healing for Women after abortion [www.projectrachelkc.com](http://www.projectrachelkc.com)

Project Joseph - A men's recovery program

Contact Patricia Klausner - [projectrachelkc@archkck.org](mailto:projectrachelkc@archkck.org)

Toll free number is 1-888-246-1504



## “Encuentro”

### ANUNCIOS

#### DEL PADRE ROBERTO:

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Hermanos y Hermanas,

La confesión es un sacramento olvidado.

He dejado esa oración allí a solas para enfatizar su importancia para nosotros como una comunidad católica. ¿Qué ha pasado con la confesión? ¿Por qué es usado tan de vez en cuando? ¿Cuán a menudo aprovecho sus gracias? Éstas son la pregunta que me gustaría que profundizáramos esta semana.

Durante mi tiempo trabajando en Italia como sacerdote, era ayudante del capellán en una prisión grande para mujeres en Roma llamada Rebibbia. Esta prisión está ubicada a una distancia corta de la última parada del subterráneo en la parte noreste de la ciudad. El capellán regular de ese lugar, un Franciscano tradicionalmente grande y jovial, y yo solíamos compartir el trabajo pastoral el domingo con las visitas personales, las confesiones, y las misas. Normalmente habían dos misas célebres todos los fines de semana para los presos - una misa temprana en 9:00 era ofrecida para la población general en la capilla de la prisión pequeña (generalmente en tres idiomas - italiano, español, e inglés - para complacer a la población Internacional de la prisión), además había una misa posterior a las 11:00 celebrada para aquellas mujeres que fueron sentenciadas por períodos largos o para toda la vida (ergastolo, en italiano). Solíamos rotar las liturgias - una semana el decía la misa temprana y yo decía la posterior, y la siguiente semana cambiábamos.

Estaba siempre extremadamente afectado cuando celebré la segunda misa para las mujeres condenadas por sentencias largas o por vida. Su sufrimiento era palpable en esa capilla diminuta - estas mujeres habían sido separadas de sus familias y de sus hijos, permaneciendo principalmente adentro, vistiendo los mismos uniformes aburridos, y vivido bajo la vigilancia continua de guardianes y videocámaras. La vida era terrible dentro de esa prisión. Cada vez que celebré la misa prediqué la misma homilía prácticamente sobre la piedad de Dios....Nunca era suficiente. Esas mujeres eran como esponjas empapadas por cualquier palabras de la generosidad o la ternura; estaban privadas de la afirmación de su dignidad como personas / como hijas de Dios. El momento más fuerte en esas misas era cuando venía la señal de la paz - esas mujeres sólo se caían unas con otras en brazos a llorar.

¿Esto no es la esencia de la confesión? ¿Descansar en los brazos de mi padre y llorar por mis pecados y fracasos? ¿Quién podía comprender a esas mujeres mejor que otro preso? ¿Quién mejor que el Señor que puede comprender el sufrimiento en mi corazón debido a mis elecciones malas, mis adicciones, mis luchas, mis apuros? ¿Jesús no se sentaba también en el pozo de Jacob a esperar la llegada de la mujer Samaritana? ¿No se vistió de manera sencilla, cubierto de polvo por viaje, y a solas....¿Para no humillar a la mujer pecadora? ¡Jesús llegó temprano para esa reunión porque anhelaba traer a la mujer Samaritana al agua viva para tener una nueva vida!! El espera por mí, también. Me extraña. Tiene sed de mí....Quiere asumir la carga de mis pecados. Conoce el vacío de mi corazón y la soledad de mi vida. El me espera....

Esta Cuaresma las parroquias de la arquidiócesis de Kansas City ofrecerá el sacramento de la confesión los miércoles por la tarde de 6-7. Usted verá avisos en las iglesias, boletines y el Leaven anunciara esta nueva iniciativa pronto. Cuando ustedes saben bien, Holy Cross ya ofrece el sacramento de la reconciliación los miércoles por la tarde, y durante Cuaresma la prolongaremos será de 5:30 hasta 7:00.

Me gustaría invitar a todos nuestros feligreses a que beban del Agua Viva en esta Cuaresma y cada mes del año. La confesión frecuente es una gracia que los santos practicaron para poder estar cerca del buen pastor. Que Jesús pueda darnos la gracia del perdón para nuestros pecados y la humildad para pedir perdón....

(Para más información vea la próxima página.)

**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL:**  
todos los domingos a las  
2:00 p.m. y los martes  
a las 6:00 p.m.

**MISAS EN INGLÉS:**  
sábados 5:00 p.m.  
y domingos 7:30 a.m.,  
9:00 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.  
Los invitamos a participar  
en cualquiera de estas  
liturgias.

**RECONCILIACIÓN:**  
sábados, 3:30 a 4:30pm;  
martes, 5:30 p.m., antes  
de la Misa en español; y  
miércoles, 5:30-6:30pm.

**MATRIMONIO:** Llame a  
la parroquia 6 meses antes  
de la fecha en que desea  
casarse para tener una  
entrevista con un sacerdo-  
te.

**BAUTISMO:** Segundo  
sábado 11 a.m., y tercer  
domingo de cada mes  
después de la Misa de las  
2:00 p.m. Padres y  
padrinos deben asistir a  
una clase de preparación.  
Favor de anotarse con anti-  
cipación, llamando a la  
oficina de la iglesia, 381-  
2755.

**SERVICIOS EN  
ESPAÑOL:** Para hablar  
en español, llamen a la  
oficina de la iglesia,  
**381-2755:** lunes,  
miércoles y jueves 2-5  
pm.; martes 2-7pm.  
Pueden llamar también  
a los Sacerdotes, al  
341-5618 y dejarles un  
mensaje.

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**INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS:** Martes, 3/8, 6:00 p.m.: Ignacio Baldor  
Domingo, 3/13, 2:00 p.m.: Marta Saenz

**LECTURAS Y PREGUNTAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: 9º Domingo Ordinario**

Deuteronomio 11:18, 26-28, 32; Romanos 3:21-25, 28; Mateo 7:21-27.

**Preguntas para Adultos para Compartir la Fe:** ¿Durante la cuaresma que tentaciones trataras de vencer? ¿Que estrategias prácticas les inspira Jesús?

**Preguntas para los Niños:** ¿De que manera hubiera sido mejor la vida de Adam y Eva si hubieran obedecido a Dios?

**EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:**

¡Ya tenemos Website con nuestro calendario! Marquen "Parish Calendar", en la columna de la derecha.

**Familias Creciendo Juntos en la Fe** nos reuniremos el Martes, 8 de Marzo a las 6:45pm y exploraremos con unas visitas especiales las vocaciones Sacerdotales y la vida religiosa.

**Familias Creciendo Juntos en la Fe:** Nuestra próxima reunión será el martes, 8 de Marzo, 6:45pm.

**CONFIRMACIÓN:**

**Clases de Confirmación:** No nos reuniremos Marzo 13 debido a las Vacaciones de Primavera. Reasumiremos las clases, Marzo 20. Recuerden que los estudiantes de High School se reúnen de 6:00 pm a 7:30 pm. Los de grado 7 y 8 de 6:30 a 8:00 pm.

**Para información sobre Confirmación:** visiten el website, [www.HolyCrossOPKS.org](http://www.HolyCrossOPKS.org), marquen Faith Formation y encontrarán Middle School y High School Sacramental Prep. También pueden llamar a Sandy Schluter: 205-0825, o el email, [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org).

**O4MG, For My God! El Grupo de Jóvenes de Escuela Intermedia regresa!** Nuestra fechas próximas para reunirnos son el 7 y 20 de Marzo. ¡Espero verlos a todos!

**HOMERS Cafetería:** Nuestra próxima fecha es el 9 de Marzo. Homers está localizado en el downtown de Overland Park. Nos reunimos de 7pm.-8:15pm. Traigan dinero para sus refrescos, etc. Nos reunimos para compartir y divertirnos. ¡Espero verlos a todos!

**New TurnStyles in Olathe:** A second TurnStyles Thrift Store has been opened by Catholic Charities of NE Kansas for shopping, volunteering, and donating items, in addition to helping support the mission of Catholic Charities. The new store is in Olathe at 1703 Mur-Len, just north of the CVS at 151st St. Hours are Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm. Volunteer orientations are held each Monday, Friday, and Saturday at 11:30am. This is a great opportunity for kids to earn service hours! For more information, call 913-909-2485.

Spring Clean & Donate, Shop & Save, Volunteer!

**Archbishop James Keleher** will celebrate the **archdiocesan monthly pro-life Mass** Sat., Mar.20. Mass is at 8:00am at Sts. Cyril & Methodius, 44 N.Mill, KC, KS. Immediately after Mass is a rosary procession to the abortion clinic approximately 4 blocks away. Eucharistic adoration is available for those not processing. Benediction concludes services by 9:45 am. *Please join Archbishop Keleher in this prayerful, peaceful witness to life.*

**Advice and Aid Pregnancy Centers, Inc.** needs volunteers and will be offering a Volunteer Informational Meeting on Tues., Mar.29, 7:00-9:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at 11031 W.75th Terr., Shawnee, KS. For more info on volunteering in this ministry or to RSVP, please contact Mary Newcomer at 913-962-0200 or email [volunteer@adviceandaid.com](mailto:volunteer@adviceandaid.com).

Holy Cross provided 352 dinners to the hungry on Feb.18 at **St.Mary's Food Kitchen**. Thanks to all who provided food, helped serve, and gave monetary donations.

**ATTENTION ALL YOUNG MEN** who will be attending Kansas State University during the Fall of 2011. The **Catholic Household of Chi Rho** wants you to learn what it means to live in an exciting Catholic environment while at KSU. Please join us for our **Annual New Membership Event** on Mar. 12. Here are the details: Meet at St.Isidore's (711 Denison) in Manhattan at 10:30am on Mar.12. FREE food, campus tours and bowling - the event will end around 3:30pm. Come learn more about what it means to be a part of Chi Rho. Parents are welcome to attend. All who attend will be eligible to receive a **\$500 New Member Scholarship**. Those who are in attendance will be eligible to win the following: 16 GB iPad, Season student football tickets. Register for the event online at [222.KSUCatholic.com](http://222.KSUCatholic.com). Questions? Contact Travis Gear by emailing [president@chirhoalumni.com](mailto:president@chirhoalumni.com).

Parishioners are invited to attend the following **upcoming events at SantaMarta:** 1)Lunch and Life Care Seminar on Thurs., Mar.10, beginning at 10:30am 2)Lunch and Life Care Seminar on Wed., Mar.16, beginning at 10:30am. 3)Villa Reception on Tues., Mar.22, 4:00-7:00pm. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Please RSVP by calling 323-7110.

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# LENTEN CONFERENCES

Verbum Domini: The Word of God in the Life  
and Mission of the Church

Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Benedict XVI  
September 2010

## Themes to be examined:

- \* Theological / Exegetical Perspective of Pope Benedict XVI.
- \* Patristic and Medieval Exegesis: Different Levels of Interpreting Sacred Scripture.
- \* Lectio Divina: Biblical Prayer.
- \* Living Tradition.
- \* Marian Dimension of Biblical Interpretation.

Presenter: Fr. Robert Conroy  
Pastor – Holy Cross Church

Dates: Monday evenings during Lent.  
March 14, 21, 28 / April 4, 11

Place: Holy Cross Church

Time: 7:00pm

Cost: FREE !!

Materials: *Please bring* – Your Bible and Verbum Domini Text  
(can be purchased at Catholic book stores or amazon.com)