

Church of The Holy Cross

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se encuentra en la página 4.

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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,

Ash Wednesday, March 9, came relatively late this year. The start of Lent 2011 falls exactly two months after our celebration of the Baptism of the Lord and the conclusion of Christmas. The different liturgical seasons somehow seem to even out in the end when we consider the fact that this year our Christmas season went very fast, but the Church has given us a very lengthy preparation for Lent. The word “Lent” comes from the Old English word “*lencten*”, which means “spring” - due to the “lengthening” of days (here in Kansas it does seem that spring is finally on its way). However, in the Romance languages the word for Lent refers to the 40 days of preparation before Easter, eg, Spanish – Cuaresma, Italian– Cuaresima. Therefore, however we may express it, all of us are embarking on a beautiful spiritual pilgrimage for the next month and a half.

The Gospel on Ash Wednesday taken from Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18, where Jesus presents an outline of the itinerary for our journey. He challenges us to consider how we might implement three essential “invitations” in our lives. Unfortunately, I think it is easy for us to approach the Lenten season each year with the attitude of “what are we going to give up?” I can easily recall the pre-Lenten “discussions” around the family dinner table with my parents. As the eldest son I was expected to be the “negotiator” or “mediator” between my brothers (aka- labor) and my parents (aka- management), and in the pre-Lenten sessions my role was to basically hammer out an agreement with my mother, who was always extremely zealous in the area of fasting. There were usually a few tense moments in these family meetings, but we were normally able to reach an agreement that was acceptable to both labor and management!

The first area of consideration, from the Gospel perspective, is almsgiving. St. Thomas Aquinas teaches in the Summa Theologica that the virtue of charity has interior effects like joy, peace, and mercy, as well as exterior effects like almsgiving. Our Lenten journey, therefore, must begin with charity. This is a good point to reflect upon as a family - this special time of the year commences with giving and not taking. What can I give to the Lord this year in love? As we look at our lives do we notice any ways that we might seek to be more loving, or kind, or generous with our family, friends, classmates, or coworkers?

In the Gospel Jesus draws out the importance of private prayer, “whenever you pray, go to your room, close your door, and pray to your Father in private.”(Mt 6:6) Lent is a time in which we are invited to create a space in our hearts and in our lives for the Lord. Prayer calls for

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periods of silence so that we might hear the voice of the Lord. How might I/we arrange our schedules so as to have time alone with the Lord?

Penance is the final element to consider on our journey this Lent. We live in a culture that shuns this type of inner purification because it is not understood. When one reads or hears of penance or spiritual discipline in the news it is usually found within a context of negative reporting. Fasting and self denial, contrary to modern beliefs, are tried and true methods of cleansing one’s mind and heart. When we unite our corporal practices with a holy intention great things happen. Suggested activities might be the following: fasting on behalf of those still suffering from the earthquake in Haiti; refraining from legitimate enjoyable activities (watching TV, listening to music) for the sanctity of my family; making a weekly Holy Hour at church in order to overcome a personal struggle. Jesus fasted for 40 days in the desert in order to prepare Himself for the start of His public ministry; we want to unite our own corporal discipline to Him.

As we walk together on this Lenten journey let us ask the Holy Spirit to grant us the graces and blessings we need to cleanse our hearts of all that is not holy, and that we might experience a renewed sense of community here at Holy Cross.

A sincere thank you goes to everyone who has contributed to the **Archbishop’s Call to Share**. Holy Cross has currently pledged over \$91,000 toward our goal of \$115,520. If you have not yet made a contribution, please consider a gift of any amount. Commitment envelopes are available in the Church Office, or simply mark your contribution “Call to Share,” and place it in the Sunday collection.

Mass and Stations of the Cross will be held at 5:30pm each Friday during Lent. Then stay for a Lenten meal.

- Mar.18 Knights of Columbus Lenten Dinner
- Mar.25 PTO Lenten Dinner
- Apr.1 Knights of Columbus Lenten Dinner
- Apr.8 Youth Potato Bar Lenten Dinner
- Apr.15 Gospel of Life Lenten Dinner

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.

Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Jim Hadel, Kevin Haeusser, Karen Hoffman, Jerry Katz, Bob Long, Dolores McClain, Mary Jane Reardon, & Ginny Shepard.

REST IN PEACE: Prayers are requested for **John Daley**, father of Patrick Daley, and **Patricia Vaughn**.

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

Genesis 12:1-4a; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9.
Questions for Adults: When have you felt the divine presence of God powerfully in your life? How did this experience change you? **For Children:** How can you tell if someone is living a holy life?

ADORATION CHAPEL: “Be still and know that I am God.” Open hours: Mon., 2am & 3am; Wed., 8am & 3pm; Thurs., 2am; Fri., 1pm. Call Anne, 649-2049.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE:

	March 6, 2011	Fiscal YTD
Needed	\$33,800	\$1,101,800
Collected	32,052	970,855
Over/(Under)	(1748)	(130,945)
Special Donations	502	

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.

SUNSHINE CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH: 3/17 argosy Casino Meet at church 10:15 a.m. No dominoes in March.

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.

Afternoon Classes will not meet this Tuesday, due to Spring Break in our schools. Classes resume on Tues., Mar.22, 4:30 p.m.

Families Growing in Faith Together: Our next gathering is on Tues., Mar.22, at 6:45 p.m.

Confirmation classes will not meet Mar.13 due to Spring Break. However we WILL meet on Mar.20. Remember, high school students meet 6:00 to 7:30pm. 7th & 8th grade students meet 6:30 to 8pm.

Confirmation Ceremony will take place Tues., Apr.12, 7pm. Archbishop Naumann will preside. Candidates and sponsors will report for rehearsal on Mon., Apr.11, at 6:30 in the church. Please pray for our candidates as they take this important step in their faith journey.

For Confirmation info, you can also go to our website, 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. Your call will be returned asap if you leave message

04MG!! Oh, For My God! Middle School Youth Group! Our next meeting date is Mar.20. Hope to see you there! Parents, we can always use adult leaders for our meetings.

Holy Cross Highschoolers...“Regular” youth groups meets Mar.23rd and 30th in the youth room. 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 Coffeeshouse 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.

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.

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.

Mass Intentions For The Week 

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Antony Mai
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Paul Rieger
	6:00 p.m.	Marta Saenz (Spanish)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Elena Bulla
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Mildred Merlotti
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Genevieve & James Blake
	5:30 p.m.	Golub Family (Stations & Mass)
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Susan Davis
	5:00 p.m.	Betty Wessling
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Lu Sheehan
	9:00 a.m.	Dorothy Jaskot
	11:00 a.m.	Ruby Adams
	2:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)

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.**

Please join us in praying the **ROSARY before daily Mass** every Mon.-Sat. We will **begin 20 minutes before each Mass.** On Mondays only, we will begin at 8:30am with Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions followed by the rosary. On Fridays we will pray the Rosary for Life.

Fr. Bob & Holy Cross parishioners pray the Rosary at 9:30am on the first Saturday of every month at planned Parenthood, 4401 W. 109th St., just southeast of 435 & Roe in Fox Hill Office Park. Come join us.

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 voluanteer@adviceandaid.com.

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

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 381-7414 or Deb Zila at 642-5774. You can also visit <http://holycrossopks.org/christ-renews-his-parish/> for more info. Peace, Joe

Parishioners are invited to attend the following events at Santa Marta:

1. Life Care Seminar and Lunch Wed., Mar.16, 10:30am.
 2. Villa Reception on Tues., Mar.22, 4:00-7:00pm. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served.
- Please RSVP by calling (913) 323-7110.

Holy Cross School News

- 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 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 during our office hours.

Gospel of Life Update

Just as you do not know the way of the wind or the mystery of a woman with child, no more can you know the work of God Who is behind it all. Ecclesiastes 11:5 Pray to end abortion

The Gabriel Project provides spiritual, emotional, and material help for any woman facing a crisis pregnancy. Call 602-0306.

Thanks to all of your support & prayers, the Parish Gabriel Project has been able to help several women. Please continue to keep this important Parish Ministry in your prayers.



“Encuentro”

ANUNCIOS

DEL PADRE ROBERTO:

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Hermanos y Hermanas,

El Miércoles de Cenizas, Marzo 9, llega relativamente tarde este año. El principio de la Cuaresma 2011, cae exactamente 2 meses después de nuestra celebración del Bautismo del Señor y la conclusión de la Navidad. Este año, nuestra estación de la Navidad fue muy rápida, pero la iglesia nos ha dejado tener una larga preparación para la Cuaresma. La palabra “Cuaresma” se refiere a los 40 días de preparación antes del Domingo de Resurrección. De este modo, todos embarcaremos en un bello peregrinaje espiritual por los próximos 40 días.

El Evangelio del Miércoles de Cenizas fue tomado de Mateo 6:1-6, 16-18; donde Jesús nos presenta un bosquejo del itinerario para nuestro trayecto. Él nos reta a considerar cómo podemos implementar estas tres “invitaciones” esenciales en nuestras vidas. Desafortunadamente, no creo que es fácil empezar la estación de la Cuaresma pensando que tendremos que “privarnos de algo”, como un pequeño sacrificio.

La primera área de consideración, desde la perspectiva del Evangelio, es la caridad. Sto. Tomás de Aquinas, enseña en Summa Theologica, que la virtud de la caridad tiene efectos interiores, como el gozo, la paz y la misericordia, y también tiene efectos exteriores como la caridad. Entonces, nuestro trayecto de Cuaresma debe empezar con la caridad. Este punto es bueno para reflexionar con la familia - este tiempo especial del año comienza “dando”, no “quitando”. ¿Qué puedo darle al Señor con amor este año? Al mirar a nuestras vidas, ¿notamos algunas maneras donde podemos ser más cariñosos, amables o generosos con nuestras familias, amigos, compañeros de escuela o de trabajo?

En este Evangelio, Jesús nos recuerda la importancia de la oración privada, “cuándo ustedes oren, vayan a sus habitaciones, cierren la puerta y oren a su Padre en privado”. (Mt. 6:6) La Cuaresma en un tiempo donde somos invitados a crear un espacio en nuestros corazones para el Señor. La oración llama por períodos de silencio, para que podamos escuchar la voz del Señor. ¿Cómo puedo / podemos arreglar nuestro horario para tener tiempo privado con el Señor?

La Penitencia es el final elemento a considerar en nuestro itinerario esta Cuaresma. Vivimos en una cultura que evita este tipo de purificación interior porque no es entendida. Cuando uno oye o lee sobre penitencia o disciplina espiritual en las noticias, casi siempre los encontramos en un contexto negativo. Contrario a nuestra creencia, el ayuno y rechazo propio son métodos de limpieza mental y de corazón. Cuando unimos nuestras prácticas corporales con intenciones santas, cosas maravillosas suceden.

Actividades de sugerencia: ayunar por aquéllos sufriendo por terremotos en Haití; cortar el tiempo en que disfrutamos de la televisión, o el radio, por la santidad de sus familias; separar una hora santa en la iglesia para sobreponernos de algún esfuerzo personal. Jesús ayunó 40 días en el desierto para prepararse a empezar Su ministerio público. Queremos unir nuestra propia disciplina corporal a Él.

Al caminar juntos en este trayecto de Cuaresma, pidámosle al Espíritu Santo que nos dé las gracias y bendiciones necesarias para limpiar nuestros corazones de todo lo que no es santo, y que también podamos experimentar un sentido renovado de comunidad aquí en Holy Cross.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes, 3/15, 6:00 p.m.: Marta Saenz
Domingo, 3/20, 2:00 p.m.: Personas de la Parroquia

LECTURAS Y PREGUNTAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: 2º Domingo de Cuaresma
Génesis 12:1-4; 2 Timoteo 1:8b-10; Mateo 17:1-9.

Preguntas para Adultos para Compartir la Fe: ¿Cuándo han sentido la divina presencia de Dios fuertemente en sus vidas? ¿Cómo los cambió esta experiencia?

Preguntas para los Niños: ¿Cómo pueden saber si una persona está viviendo una vida santa?

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

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

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 sacerdote.

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 anticipación,
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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Clases de por la Tarde: NO tendremos clases próximo martes ya que tendremos Vacaciones de Primavera. Nuestra próxima reunión será el martes, 22 de Marzo, 6:45pm.

Familias Creciendo Juntas en la Fe: Nuestra próxima reunión será el martes 22 de Marzo, 6:45pm.

CONFIRMACIÓN:

Clases de Confirmación: Reasumiremos las clases, Marzo 20. Recuerden que los estudiantes de High School se reúnen de 6:00 pm a 7:30 pm. Los estudiantes de grados 7 y 8, de 6:30 a 8:00 pm.

Para información sobre Confirmación: visiten el website, 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.

O4MG, For My God! El Grupo de Jóvenes de Escuela Intermedia regresa! Nuestra fecha próxima para reunirnos es el 20 de Marzo. ¡Espero verlos a todos!

HOMERS Cafetería: Nuestra próxima fecha es el 16 de Marzo, durante las Vacaciones de Primavera. 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!

“Encuentro 2011” - Marzo 26-27: Invitamos a cada parroquia que tiene Ministerio Hispano a manda 15 representantes (incluyendo dos jóvenes menores de 21 años) al Salvador del Mundo, para participar en el “Encuentro de la Arquidiócesis”. Para más información, llamen al Ministerio Hispano, (913/281-6644). **¡Vengan todos a planear nuestro futuro!**

RETIRO DE QUINCEAÑERA: Se celebrará en Holy Cross, el próximo Abril 16-17. Llamen al Ministerio Hispano para inscribirse y más información: 281-6644.

First Week of Lent—Journeying Through the Desert:

As we enter the desert of Lent together, Jesus shows us that to live fully the life God has given us, we must obey His Commandments and follow the Holy Spirit. Just as we are called to care for the gift of our eternal life, we are also called to care for the gift of God’s creation. Catholic Relief Services’ Operation Rice Bowl supports agriculture programs in Haiti and around the world that teach farmers effective and ecologically sensitive growing methods which allow them to get the most out of their land while preserving it for future generations.

Let my children come. Matthew 19:14 On Sunday mornings Holy Cross offers parents nursery services for children walking through age 5 as a free service. **We are in need of youth and adult volunteers** that would be able to help out once a month for either the 9:00 or 11:00 mass. If you would find this a stewardship opportunity that you would like to become involved in please contact Pat Sheldon at 913-642-2997 or pat.sheldon@yahoo.com

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!

Over the next few weeks, Kansas Catholics should be aware of budget discussions, in both Topeka and Washington, D.C., that will impact our local communities and our ability to serve the poor and vulnerable among us. For more info on how to make your voice heard, go to www.catholiccharities.org, www.kscathconf.org, or www.archkck.org.

2010 CYO Track: If you are in 3rd-8th grade, and are interested in coming out for CYO Track, please visit <http://www.holycrosscatholicschool.com/sports.html> to find out more info. Please contact Mike Miranda at mamirandam2004@yahoo.com, or at 913-341-6511 if you have any questions. Thanks, Mike Miranda

Come celebrate St.Patrick’s and St.Joseph’s feast days on Fri., Mar.18, in Lickteig Hall after Mass and Stations of the Cross for a great Irish featured Lenten dinner hosted by Knights of Columbus. Live Entertainment, great food and a great place for all the college students to gather together while you’re home on spring break. Also, mark your calendars for the same thing on Apr.1. It’s April Fool’s day, so plan to fool around after a hard week of work and prayer. Let the Knights serve you. Dinner includes Baked and Batter dipped fish, potatoes, carrots, Irish coleslaw, and more.

“Food Rules: Keep Simple,” A nutrition presentation offered in partnership with K-State Extension Services, will be offered at Keeler Women’s Ctr., 2220 Central Ave., KCK, Thurs., Mar.24, 9:30-11am. Call 913-906-8990 for info or to register. Free.

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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)