

Church of The Holy Cross

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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 in Christ,

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, the last day of the Octave of Easter, and a tremendous source of blessings for the Church and the world. Pope Benedict XVI will beatify his predecessor today, Bl. John Paul II (Karol Wojtyla), at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. It seems providential that the one responsible for promoting devotion to Divine Mercy, beatifying and canonizing Sr. Faustina Kowalska, and passing from this world to the next on the eve of Divine Mercy Sunday – April 2, 2005 - would receive the grace of beatification on this same day.

This year the Divine Mercy Novena was prayed after daily Mass in anticipation of this great feast. I remember wondering a number of years ago about how it was that a novena could begin on Good Friday...we don't even celebrate Mass on that day. My "conversion" to Divine Mercy happened slowly over time as I listened to story after story of how the Chaplet and related prayers touched the hearts of so many people. My mother died of cancer a number of years ago, and I was able to ensure that she received the Sacrament of the Sick and Viaticum before death. After saying the prayers for the dying, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy was a great consolation to me as I sat alone by her bed. In that dark moment I felt the presence of the One who had come to call her from this world to the next.

In 2002 the Apostolic Penitentiary granted special indulgences for those who participate **in this devotion on Divine Mercy Sunday – the conditions are listed below:**

A plenary indulgence, granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!);

A partial indulgence, granted to the faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord a legitimately approved invocation.

I encourage you to take advantage of this beautiful day and try to drink of the Living Waters of God's mercy.

READINGS & FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 3rd Sunday of Easter: Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24: 13-35. **Questions for Adults:** How would you explain to others your faith in the Resurrection? **For Children:** Who has helped you come to know Jesus? What did this person say or do to help you?

ADORATION CHAPEL: He is Risen! Open hours: Mon., 2am, 3am, 2pm; Wed., 3pm; Thurs., 7am, 1pm; Fri., 1pm. Call Anne, 649-2049

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE:

	April 24, 2011	Fiscal YTD
Needed	\$33,800	\$1,338,400
Collected	32,230	1,176,778
Over/(Under)	(1570)	(161,622)
Special Donations	1533	

Don't let Easter slip away without reflecting on its power in our lives. **We are an Easter People** is a *Catholic Update* presentation by Fr. Vern Heinsz, S.J., Wed., May 11, 7:00 p.m., in Room 5AB. St. Paul wrote to the Philippians: "All I want to know is Christ and the power of his resurrection." Make time to consider this bold statement and allow the Risen Christ to impact your daily life here and now. Fr. Heinsz is a member of the Society of Jesus, and serves on the staff of the Ignatian Spirituality Center of KC. There is no cost to register, but you are asked to register in advance by contacting the Church Office.

FIRST COMMUNION! On the next two Saturday mornings, May 7th and 14th, over 85 children and youth of our parish will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time! We pray that they will always recognize the presence of the Risen Christ in the Eucharist and that this sharing of His Body and Blood will strengthen them to be Jesus' hands and feet on earth and to live in unity with one another. Congratulations! Our thanks to the parents and teachers of our First Communicants, as well as to our parish community, who have nurtured them to this special day in their faith journey. You are a living example of Eucharist!

The **Book Discussion Group** will meet Tues., May 3, 9:30am in Room 1 in Lickteig Hall. For more info call Joan at 432-7139.

The monthly meeting of **Holy Cross Bereavement Support Group** will meet in Lickteig Hall on Fri., May 6, following 9:00am Mass. For more info call Kay Spaniol, 913-226-8745.

There will be **1st Saturday Mass and devotions on Sat., May 7.** The Rosary will be prayed at 7:10 a.m. and Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m.

Call the Church Office today to reserve your week to welcome our Parish Traveling Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe into your home & your heart.

VBS PandaMania is coming to Holy Cross! June 20-24, 9-12pm. We are still in need of adult volunteers to make this happen! Please consider helping out. Please contact Carol Morris, 381-2757 ext.120 for more info. Stay tuned for details on how to sign up and for info on youth volunteer sign ups.

Childcare providers needed for the First Communion Masses on Sat., May 7 & 14 from 10:45-12:15 p.m. Please contact Carol Morris at 913-381-2757, ext.120 or Karla Melgar, ext.140.

Religious Education

Afternoon Classes: We celebrate our last classes this Tues., May 3rd, with a Mass in church followed by refreshments in our classrooms. Parents invited to join us.

Families Growing in Faith Together: Children and parents in this RE program, who are celebrating First Communion this month need to attend this Tues., May 3rd, 6:45-8:15 p.m. for final preparations. Everyone meets next Tues., May 10th, for our last gathering of this school year.

Confirmation

Congratulations to our newly Confirmed! Classes have concluded for this school year. Keep an eye on the bulletin or check the website for enrollment info for 2011-2012. Info should be available by July. You can also go to our website, www.HolyCrossOPKS.org, for Confirmation info, and click on Faith Formation to find the link to Middle School and High School Sacramental Prep.

Youth Ministry

For questions regarding Middle and High School Rel. Ed or Youth Ministry, Sandy can be reached quickly & easily by email at sschluter@holycrossopks.org or call/text 205-0825.

Holy Cross Highschoolers... We meet May 4th in the youth room. Go to Sandra K Schluter and add yourself as a friend to get information by Facebook.

HOMERS... Our next Homers date is May 11th. Homers Coffeehouse is located in downtown OP. We meet from 7pm to 8:15 pm. Bring a few dollars for a smoothie, latte, hot chocolate, etc. We gather together for fellowship and fun, in a relaxed and inviting atmosphere.

Religious Articles for Sale! First Communion, Mothers' Day, Graduation, Fathers Day. So many opportunities to congratulate and appreciate those closest to us. Hispanic Ministries and Youth Ministries are combining forces to offer a unique opportunity to purchase beautiful imported hand-made Italian, Czech, American and Mexican rosaries, and also Catholic medals, crucifixes and other Christian jewelry including necklaces, bracelets, & rings. We will be in the narthex or downstairs after ALL masses this weekend (Arp.30/May 1) and nest (May 7/8).

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CORNER

"Our Family, Our Future"

UPDATE:

Total Pledged: \$2,093,202

Total Received: \$1,781,979

Mothers Day Bake Sale!! Mission 2010 is offering another bake sale after masses Mothers Day weekend. Let Mom know how much you care with a homemade special treat. Holy Cross Youth and their families will put lots of love and flavor in their baked goods. Share some of that with the special moms in your life. We will sell until we run out.

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. Thanks to all who have already donated, but we still have quite a ways to go. Please help if you can. 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.

UPLIFT... Adults or Teens interested in serving others should reserve their space for PROJECT UPLIFT...an outreach to the homeless of Kansas City. Holy Cross Volunteers are needed the **1st MONDAY of every month.** Call Sandy at 381-2757x118 or email at sschluter@holycrossopks.org to volunteer. We depart from Holy Cross at 5:00 p.m. and return around 9:00 p.m. Eat dinner before you meet at HC, bring bottled water to drink, and dress appropriately for the weather! **Remember, people in need are counting on us, so if you sign up, be sure to keep your commitment! Thanks!**

Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Ray Carter, David Ferguson, Kevin Haeusser, Roseann Hoedel. Harry Johnson, William Park, Ginny Shepard, & Obert Stevens.

REST IN PEACE: Prayers are requested for **Lorraine Hetherington** of Holy Cross.

Mass Intentions For The Week



Monday	9:00 a.m. Edward Pelot
Tuesday	6:30 a.m. Spec.Int.-Bob Rosie Schmitt 6:00 p.m. San Juan de los Lagos Virgen (Spanish)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Rosa Nguyen (All School)
Thursday	6:30 a.m. Frank Hildenbrand
Friday	9:00 a.m. Margaret Spaniol
Saturday	9:00 a.m. Anna Koscielny 5:00 p.m. Leo Harris
Sunday	7:30 a.m. Bunny Goetz Ingalls 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish 11:00 a.m. Pedro Antonio 2:00 p.m. Rosa Pham (Spanish)

SUNSHINE CLUB Social Hour/Dinner will be at Jack's Stack on Wed., May 25, at 4:00 p.m. Please sign up or call Mary at 648-1482.

St.Mary's Food Kitchen: We will serve pasta casserole, salad, & dessert to the hungry on Fri., May 20. Pick up a pan and recipe provided in narthes if you can make a casserole. Thank you.

Parishioners are invited to attend the following events at Santa Marta: **1. Gelato Social** on Wed., May 4, at 2:00pm. **2. Lunch & presentation** by Dr.Charles Butrick Mon., May 9, at 10:30am. **3. Life Care Seminar & Lunch** on Thurs., May 12, and on Wed., May 18, both at 10:30am . Please RSVP by calling (913) 323-7110.

Advice and Aid Pregnancy Centers are holding the 7th Annual Walk for Life on Sat., May 7, at the Mid America Nazarene University-Cook Center. A great family activity starting at 8:30am with check-in and prayer, followed by a casual stroll on the 2-mile walking path. To register visit aapcwalk4life2011.org. Registration is free, we just ask that you get sponsors or sponsor yourself with a donation. Free t-shirt with \$100 pledges. Your church/group can form a team and Support Life!

Join Archbishop Naumann in praying the rosary at Planned Parenthood: Please join LifeFront on **Sat., May7th**, as **Archbishop Naumann** leads us in a Rosary to our Blessed Mother on behalf of the unborn babies and their mothers whose lives and souls are in danger of death from abortion. **When:** Sat., May 7th, 2011, at 9:00 am. **Where:** Planned Parenthood at 4401 W. 109th St., Overland Park, KS 66211. **Parking:** Park in the large lot on the northeast corner of 109th St., past the upper entrance of the Planned Parenthood, just before you go around the curve. Last year we had more cars than parking. To minimize that, we ask that you *please CARPOOL!*

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.

BLISTERS FOR SISTERS: Come join the fun and show your appreciation to the wonderful Sisters who have and are doing so much good for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City-St.Joseph. Registration begins, May 7, 7:30-8:30 a.m., in the Parish hall of the "Church of the Nativity" located at 119th and Mission Rd., Leawood, KS. The walk begins at 8:30am, Mass at 10:00am, followed by lunch at 11:00am. If walking is not your thing then come for Mass and lunch. Last year we had six Orders of Sisters from our Archdiocese participate in the day of appreciation. The cost is \$35 per family, \$25 individually, and \$10 for individuals under 22 years old. There will be many prizes for the Sisters and each Order will receive approximately \$1000 to be used for their ministry. For additional information go to www.blistersforsisters.org.

Holy Cross School News

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

After School Care Coordinator needed for Holy Cross Catholic School for 2011-2012 school year. ASC Coordinator is in charge of planning activities & snacks for children, working with school secretary on recordkeeping & collecting fees, & scheduling staff. ASC is open 3:15-5:30 on regular school days. You will be required to work some half & full days. For more info, please call school office at 913-381-7408

Stay up-to-date with information about the school. Go to www.holycrosscatholicsschool.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

Galatians 1:15 Then God, Who had specially chosen me while I was still in my mother's womb... Pray to end abortion.

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

Hurting from abortion?? Call Project Rachel, (913) 621-2199.



“Encuentro”

ANUNCIOS

DEL PADRE ROBERTO:

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Hermanos y Hermanas,

Hoy es el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, el último día de la Octava de Pascua y una tremenda fuente de bendiciones para la Iglesia y el mundo. El Papa Benedicto XVI, beatificará al Santo Juan Pablo II (Karol Wojtyla), en la Basílica de San Pedro, Roma. Parece providencial que el responsable de promover devoción a la Divina Misericordia, beatificando y canonizando a la Hermana Faustina Kowalska, y pasando de este mundo al próximo en la víspera del Domingo de la Divina Misericordia - Abril 2, 2005 - recibirá la gracia de beatificación el mismo día. Este año, rezamos la Novena de la Divina Misericordia después de cada Misa diaria, anticipando esta gran fiesta. Me recuerdo de preguntarme cómo es que pudiéramos empezar una Novena el Viernes Santo...cuándo no celebramos ni Misas ése día. Mi conversión a la Divina Misericordia fue un proceso lento, mientras que escuchaba historias de cómo el Rosario y las distintas oraciones tocaban el corazón de tantas personas. Mi madre murió de cáncer hace algunos años y pude asegurarle que ella recibiera el Sacramento de los Enfermos y Viaticum antes que ella muriera. Después de decir las oraciones para los moribundos, el Rosario de la Divina Misericordia fue una gran consolación para mí, sentado junto a su cama. En ese momento obscuro, sentí la presencia del que vino a llamarla de este mundo al otro mundo.

En el 2002, la Penitenciaría Apostólica concedió indulgencias especiales para aquéllos que participaran **en esta devoción el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia - las condiciones son las siguientes: *Una indulgencia plenaria, concedida bajo las condiciones usuales (confesión sacramental, comunión Eucarística y oración por las intenciones del Pontífice Supremo) a los creyentes quiénes, en el 2º Domingo de Pascua o Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, en cualquier iglesia o capilla, en un espíritu completamente separado de afección por un pecado, ni siquiera un pecado venial, toman parte en las oraciones y devociones en honor a la Divina Misericordia, o quiénes, en la presencia del Sagrado Sacramento expuesto o reservado en el templo, recite en Padre Nuestro y el Credo, añadiendo una devota oración al misericordioso Señor Jesús (ex. “¡Jesús Misericordioso, en Tí confío!”).***

Una indulgencia parcial, para el creyente quién, por lo menos con un corazón arrepentido, rece al misericordioso Señor una aprobada invocación legítima.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes, 5/3, 6:00 p.m.: San Juan de los Lagos Virgen
Domingo, 5/8, 2:00 p.m.: Rosa Pham

LECTURAS Y PREGUNTAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: 3er Domingo de Pascua
Hechos 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pedro 1:17-21; Lucas 24:13-35.

Preguntas para Adultos para Compartir la Fe: ¿Cómo le explicarían ustedes a otros sobre su fe en la Resurrección?

Preguntas para los Niños: ¿Quién los ha ayudado a conocer a Jesús? ¿Qué hizo o dijo esta persona?

PRIMERA COMUNIÓN: Los próximos sábados, Mayo 7 y 14, celebraremos el Sacramento de Primera Comunión, ¡dónde más de 85 niños y jóvenes de nuestra parroquia recibirán a Jesús en la Santa Comunión por primera vez! Rezaremos para que siempre reconozcan la presencia de Cristo Resucitado en la Eucaristía y que el compartir de Su Cuerpo y de Su Sangre, les dé fuerza para ser las manos y los pies de Jesús en la Tierra, viviendo en unidad el uno con el otro, ¡Felicidades! Nuestro agradecimiento a los padres y catequistas. También a nuestra comunidad parroquial, que ha participado en su desarrollo preparándose para este día especial en su jornada de fe. ¡Ustedes son un ejemplo viviente de la Eucaristía!

Necesitamos personas para cuidar niños durante las Misas de Comuniones, Mayo 7 y 14, de 10:45am.-12:15pm. Llamen a Karla Melgar, 381-2757, ext, 140.

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 anticipa-
ción, 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.

Para más información vea la próxima página.

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EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

Clases de por la Tarde: El martes 3 de Mayo, celebraremos el final de este curso con una Misa en la iglesia a las 4:40pm., seguida de refrescos en los salones. Padres y familiares están invitados.

Familias Creciendo Juntas en la Fe: Solamente los niños que harán la Primera Comunión este año y sus padres deberán asistir este martes, 3 de Mayo, de 6:45 - 8:15pm., para la preparación final. El resto del grupo se reunirá por última vez este año, el martes, Mayo 10.

CONFIRMACIÓN: 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.

RETIRO DE CONVALIDACIÓN: Se invita a todas las parejas que desean recibir el **Sacramento del Matrimonio** a asistir a esta preparación **el sábado, 21 de Mayo de 8:00am - 4:00pm y el domingo, 22 de Mayo de 9:00am - 3:00pm.**, en los salones de nuestra parroquia. El costo de la inscripción es de **\$60.00 dólares por pareja**. Para más información comunicarse con **Carolina Salas al 913-909-2167**, ó pueden llamar a la oficina de la iglesia: 381-2755. **No habrá cuidado de niños. ¡LOS ESPERAMOS!**

SCHOOL OF FAITH presents **Free First Thursdays** with Mike Scherschligt, May 5th, 7-8p.m.:

The New Translation of the Mass Guiding you through the changes. Why do we need a new translation? When will we start using the new Mass texts? What changes are being made? Receive a laminated reference card highlighting changes to the Mass Prayers and Responses. No Admission fee - no Registration Required - Free Will Offering. Holy Spirit Church, 11300 W. 103rd, Overland Park, KS 66214. Questions? Call School of Faith, 913-310-0014.

SCHOOL OF FAITH, A Debate On the Existence of God, Featuring Dr. John-Mark Miravalle and Noted atheist Dan Barker, Fri., May 6th, 5:30-7:00p.m. This debate is part of the ReasonFest Sponsored by University Society of Open-Minded Atheists & Agnostics (SCMA). No Admission fee, All Are Welcome! University of Kansas Woodruff Auditorium, 1301 Jayhawk Blvd. - Level 5, Lawrence, KS 66045. Those in attendance will be given the opportunity to submit questions to each speaker.

Sanctuary of Hope Presents...**"HONOR THY MOTHER"** Sat., May 7, 9-11am, Reardon Center, 5th & Minnesota, Kansas City, KS 66101, Full Breakfast \$20/person, Mariachi Aguila Serenade. Prepaid reservations by May 1 to Sanctuary of Hope, 2601 Ridge Ave., KC, KS 66102, 913-321-4673.

Time Out For Children Of Aging Parents: Sat., May 7, 10:00am-3:00pm: Here's an opportunity to take a breather from responsibilities that re-arrange our hearts and our lives. This retreat time lends itself to sharing, praying, and sitting still in the presence of a holy environment. This retreat will be led by Sister Constance Krstolic, OSB. The fee is \$50. For more info or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit Sophia Center's website at www.mountoxb.org/sophia.html.

Celebrate Earth Day and Spring! As your spring cleaning begins, please consider donating your gently used items to Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas' Turn-Styles Thrift Stores. TurnStyles has recently opened a new store in Olathe at the NW corner of 151st & Mur-len. Catholic Charities welcomes shoppers, donors and volunteers to the Olathe and Overland Park (9750 W.87th St.) locations. To learn more, please visit www.catholiccharitiesks.org or call 913-433-2100.

ICON WORKSHOP June 2-5, 9am-4pm. For more information, contact Lisa Cummings, 913-221-5928, lrck@sbcglobal.net or visit the Good Shepherd website, www.goodshepherdshawnee.org.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, June 5, 2:00 p.m., The Cathedral of St. Peter
If you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary in the year 2011 and would like to take part in the Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration, please call the parish office. Please give us your name, address, phone number and wedding date as soon as possible. The Archdiocesan Family Life Office will send each couple a formal invitation from Archbishop Naumann.

Annual Corpus Christi Procession: The annual Eucharistic procession for the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, co-hosted by the Archdiocese and the Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph, will take place on June 26 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 9150 Pflumm Rd., Lenexa. Exposition will begin at 12:30 p.m. (at the conclusion of the parish 11:30a.m. Mass) with the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation available during the hour of exposition. The process will form at 1:30pm and will travel around the near vicinity of Holy Trinity, and will then return to the church for Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament offered by Archbishop Naumann. Contact the Archdiocesan Liturgy Office, 913-647-0330, for more information.

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas Serving People of All Faiths, 9720 W.87th St., Overland Park, KS 66212, www.catholiccharitiesks.org **Special Thanks to Catholic Charities Volunteers:** In 2010, more than 960 volunteers gave of their time and talents each month to Catholic Charities, for a total of more than 102,500 hours of service. Making a difference to over 85,000 lives each year would not be possible without your help. Thanks to everyone. You are incredible!

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!

Holy Cross Joins Catholic Career Roundtable Job Club: Holy Cross parish has become the newest member of Catholic Career Roundtable (CCR). This is a non-profit organization that provides business owners and human resource managers qualified candidates at no cost. The network currently consists of seven Kansas City parishes, Queen of the Holy Rosary, Good Shepherd, St. Agnes, St. Pius X, St. Ann's, St. Michael's, and now Holy Cross.

The focus of the CCR is to assist employers in finding qualified employees by creating a casual environment where job seekers and employers can meet face to face.

CCR meetings are held on Saturdays 8:30-10:00am at St. Ann's parish in Prairie Village. At these meetings we review a list of daily activities and discuss actions job seekers have taken the past week or those they plan on completing in the week ahead. CCR offers a Roundtable the last Saturday of the month where business owners or representatives from local businesses are invited to discuss their company and share any open positions.

Please contact Dave McClain (davemcclainjobs@everestkc.net) or visit the CCR website catholiccareerroundtable.com or 816-582-1809 with any questions.

St. James Girl's Summer Basketball League: This summer St. James Academy will be hosting a summer basketball league for all girls entering 5th-8th grades next Fall. The leagues will be run by Rich Weitz and Allison Carney, basketball coaches at St. James. The league will take place on Mon. & Wed. nights and will start on May 23 and run through the end of June. The cost of the league is \$50/player. For more info please contact Rich Weitz at 913-254-4275 or weitz@sjakeepingfaith.org.

SAVE THE DATE: Holy Cross Parish/Jack Weitkamp Memorial Golf Tournament, Sept. 9, Deer Creek, Hereford House Dinner.

SUNSHINE CLUB Social Hour/Dinner will be at Jack's Stack on Wed., May 25, at 7:00 p.m. Please sign up or call Mary at 648-1482.

St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We will serve pasta casserole, salad, & dessert to the hungry on Fri., May 20. Pick up a pan and recipe provided in the Narthex if you can make a casserole. Thank you.

Spring is here with warmer weather, flowers blooming, trees budding and 2011 **Symphony Designer's Showhouse.** The **Ladies of Charity** will sponsor their annual private tour Wed., May 11, 6-8pm. This year's show house is a three story, stone structure, built in 1912, located at 1000 Westover Rd., KC, MO. This must-see beautiful home has 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 bathrooms, updated kitchen and a rose garden. The Ladies will sell raffle tickets for a colorful Jim Shore statue of an angel. Plus you will have opportunity to shop at KCSA Boutique. Beverages, appetizers and desserts will be served and cash bar will be available. Cost for event is \$30/person. Call Bette, 913-491-1390, for reservations. Your reservation and support will help benefit non-profit groups for underprivileged and uninsured that include Duchesne Clinic, Seton Center, & Villa St. Francis.

Time Out For Children Of Aging Parents, Sat., May 7, 10am-3pm: Here's an opportunity to take a breather from responsibilities that re-arrange our hearts and our lives. This retreat time lends itself to sharing praying and sitting still in the presents of a holy environment. This retreat will be led by Sr. Constance Krstolic, OSB. The fee is \$50. For more info or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit Sophia Center's website at www.mountosb.org/sophia.html.

Come and Let Us Celebrate: The Catholic Community of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Lenexa, KS, in conjunction with The African Community in the Greater Kansas City Area invites you to a Concelebrated Mass with African songs. A special Thanksgiving offering the African way/style will be featured at the Service. VENUE: Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 13615 W.92nd St., Lenexa, KS 66215, May 15, 11:30a.m. Mass. Officiating Minister: Most Reverend Gregory E. Kpiebaya (Archbishop Emeritus, Tamale Archdiocese, Ghana) Assisted by: Rev. Francis D. Bakyor, Associate Pastor, Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Lenexa, KS, Rev. Anthony Kipligat, Prince of Peace Catholic Church, Olathe, KS. Reception follows at the Social Room. R.S.V.P. to Rev. Francis D. Bakyor, Associate Pastor, Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Lenexa, 913-0895-0601, Or Walter and Esther Anosike, 913-782-7540, Or Regina Gakinya, 913-825-9216.