

Church of The Holy Cross

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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.

Pastor: Rev. Mike Stubbs
Hispanic Ministry: Rev. David Garavito
Rectory: 341-5618

PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Associate: Robert Bacic
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Parish Manager: Mark Engen
Administrative Assistant: Nancy Borisov
Receptionists: Barb Williams & Lina Byrum

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Session Coordinator: Carol Morris
Assistants: Michelle Rieger & Karla Melgar
Confirmation Coordinator: Sandy Schluter

Youth Ministries: 205-0825

Director: Sandy Schluter

Catechist for Hispanic Adult Formation:

Sr. Maria Orozco, S.C.L., 381-2755

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Holy Cross Catholic School

8101 W. 95th St. 66212
School Office: 381-7408
E-Mail: gradeschool@holycrosscatholicsschool.com
Principal: Bobbie Beverlin
Secretaries: Anita Lemmon & Martha Beisser

Early Education Center: 381-7151

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Director: Penny Miller
Assistant Director: Stefanie Bridges

Advocate for Annulments:

Rebeca Richmond, 671-8722

Parish Center Manager

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

RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Semi-annually, Fall & Spring, and by appointment

BAPTISMS: 4th weekend each month during Sunday Mass
(Parent classes 3rd Tuesday each month. Call the office to register.)

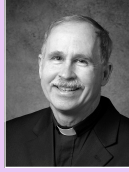
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Mon.—Thurs. 8:30 to 5:00 p.m. & Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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

Dear parishioners,

A few times a year, our parish celebrates a bilingual Mass, in both English and Spanish. To be exact, it is actually multi-lingual, since it includes a smattering of some other languages: Greek, Latin and Filipino. Such liturgies demonstrate the fundamental unity of our parish. Similarly, the Archdiocese will occasionally hold liturgies with parts in languages other than English. Our church extends beyond the boundaries of language and race. After all, "catholic" means "universal". That is why official church documents encourage the laity to learn some parts of the Mass in Latin. "Since the faithful from different countries come together ever more frequently, it is desirable that they know how to sing together at least some parts of the Ordinary of the Mass in Latin." (General Instruction of the Roman Missal)



Fr. Mike



READINGS & FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Palm Sunday : Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Passion; Mark 14: 1-15:47 **Faith Sharing Question for Adults:** How can recalling Jesus' attitude and behavior in suffering help you face the daily "deaths" in your life? **For children:** What does it mean that Jesus is Lord? Does it change how you behave, or how you think, or what you say?

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE:

	March 18, 2012	Fiscal YTD
Needed	\$28,805	1,002,520
Collected	25,154	988,818
Over/(Under)	(3,651)	(13,702)
Special Donations	338	

Mass Intentions For The Week

- Monday** 9:00 a.m. Spec. Int.– Ahna Valdez
- Tuesday** 6:30 a.m. Ida VanBooven
8:15 a.m. Spec. Int.—Thompson Family
6:00 p.m. Roman Madrigal (Spanish)
- Wednesday** 9:00 a.m. Juan Martin, Jr
- Thursday** 6:30 a.m. Ferd Kerkliet
8:15 a.m. Spec. Int– The Lindsey Family
- Friday** 9:00 a.m. Jacqueline Davis
5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
- Saturday** 7:30 a.m. Rita M. Heider
5:00 p.m. Larry Johnston
- Sunday** 7:30 a.m. Joseph Edmonds
9:00 a.m. Ralph Allen
11:00 a.m. Trenton Paul Schroeder
2:00 p.m. People of the Parish (Spanish)

Rest in Peace

Prayers are requested for *Gregory Ruiz*

Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Tim Eccles, Lynn Ferguson, Ray Gabel, Bob Hoffman, Ellen Jiskra, Rickey Payne, Carol Reardon, and John Rhoades.

Holy Week Schedule



Communal Reconciliation Service:

Monday, March 26th at 7 PM

Palm Sunday:

Regular Sunday schedule.
Palm Processions at 11 AM

& 2 PM Masses

Holy Week Morning Prayer:

Thurs., Fri., & Sat. of Holy Week at 9 AM

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's

Supper:

7:00 PM (Bilingual)

Good Friday:

3:00 PM (Traditional service in English) & 6:00 PM (A prayer service with the Passion presented by the youth group & Veneration of the Cross in English). Stations of the Cross in Spanish will begin at 7:30 PM followed by the Good Friday service, also in Spanish.

Easter Vigil:

8:00 PM. (Bilingual, but with a separate Liturgies of the Word in English & Spanish).

Easter Sunday:

Regular Sunday schedule: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM (English), 2:00 PM (Spanish).

Religious Education

Afternoon Classes... will meet this week. A communal reconciliation service for children in grades 3-6 will be held in church promptly at 4:35 pm. Parents are invited to join us in the church.

Families Growing in Faith Together.... Meets this Tuesday, March 27th, to learn about the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Confirmation

Confirmation Classes meet March 25.

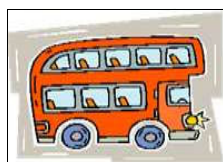
Confirmation Ceremony date set. Mark your calendars for **Wed, April 18th, 7pm** at Holy Cross. Abbott Barnabas Senecal will preside.

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 at the church on March 28. **Middle Schoolers, W'SUP?** Worship, Socializing, and Prayer around U! We will meet again on March 26.

Adopt a Tank . . . It's that time of year. We are planning our 10th summer mission trip, and while our fundraisers help students cover the registration fee for our trip, our parish has been the driving force behind our transportation. We need to get 7 vehicles, 36 students, 10 chaperones, 46 sleeping bags and duffel bags to Nashville and back, and we need your help. Consider donating a tank of gas to Mission Trip 2012. The future of Holy Cross appreciates it!

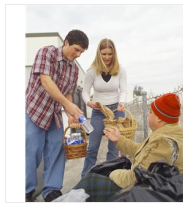


Mission Trip 2012! We have filled all 37 of our student spaces! This will be our largest group to date. Please offer prayers for our safe travels and our renewed faith.

Though we are full, student names can be added to a waiting list if there are any changes.



Rice Bowls should be brought back to church by Holy Thursday (April 5) if possible. They will be brought up with the offerings at that Mass.



Uplift... Adults or teens interested in serving others should reserve their space for PROJECT UPLIFT...an outreach to the homeless of KC. Holy Cross volunteers are needed the 1st Monday of every month. We are taking volunteers for April 2. Call or email Sandy Schluter to sign up. We will depart from HC at 4:30 pm and return around 9:00 pm. Eat dinner before you meet at HC, bring bottle water 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

Holy Cross School News

BUILDING FAITH + INSPIRING MINDS

Entertainment Books for 2011/12 are here. Anyone interested in buying Entertainment Book for \$25 please call school office at 381-7408. Limited quantity on hand.

Did you know.....

Open Enrollment started March 1st for the 2012-2013 school year?

Stay up-to-date with info about the school. Go to www.holycrosscatholicschool.com where you can link to Principal's Weblog, our Facebook page & Twitter. Click "Family Login" button to see our newsletter and calendar.

Please continue purchasing trash bags in school office.

Boy Scout Troop 251...



At the Easter Vigil, on April 7, we will provide a fire on the lawn across the parking lot from HCCC entrance, just south of the meditation garden for **retiring flags**. Please leave the flags in the Narthex mailbox marked "Boy Scouts".

Meetings are held every Monday at 7:00 pm in Room 5 of Lickteig Hall. All boys ages 11 and older are invited to attend!



Good Friday Evening Service

Our Good Friday evening service at 6:00 p.m. will be a bit different from the 3:00 p.m. service. It will include the Passion Gospel of St. John proclaimed by our youth. This has been a very popular presentation of the Gospel arranged by Fr. Ron Brassard and proclaimed so well by our dedicated young people. The service will also include the Veneration of the Cross, but not Holy Communion. It should last about 45 minutes.



We are looking for a volunteer who is willing to provide someone with a ride to the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays. If you are able to help, please contact the Church Office. Thank you.



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.

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.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is coming this summer! Mark your calendar: June 11-15 from 9am-12noon. Right now we are looking for adult volunteers to help in various areas. Details on

registration and youth volunteer opportunities will be coming soon. Call Carol Morris, 381-2757, ext. 120, for more information or to volunteer!

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 15th

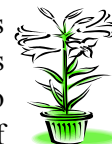
Archbishop Joseph Naumann will lead an hour of prayer at Queen of the Holy Rosary, 71st and Metcalf, on April 15th at 3pm. All children are invited to join a procession to take flowers to Jesus, the Divine Mercy. To participate, please be at the back of the church at 2:50pm. Children will sit with their parents after the procession. Flowers will be provided. Join us on this extraordinary day to receive many graces as promised by Jesus to St. Faustina.



Gardeners Needed!

Two Opportunities to help beautify the meditation garden. Saturday, March 31 from 9-noon and Saturday, April 7 from 10am-1pm. Need help raking, trimming and removing weeds. Call Patti at 913-575-0901.

Easter Flowers. Each year our church is beautifully decorated through the generous memorials, given by our parishioners. To remember loved ones by giving a donation of \$15 per plant for the Easter environment, call 381-2755 or stop by the church office.



Gospel of Life Update

“Holiness is not the luxury of a few people, but a simple duty for you and me” - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Please pray to end abortion. Pray for a culture of life.

Thank you for all the generous gifts of time and material / financial donations to our Parish Gabriel Project. Please continue to keep in your prayers our Gabriel Project moms, their families and the prudent growth of this ministry.

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

Hurting from abortion?? If you have had an abortion & are still grieving, Project Rachael can help; call 913/621-2199. All calls are confidential. (913) 621-2199.



“Encuentro”

La Iglesia de Holy Cross es una comunidad diversa y acogedora, unida en la Fe Católica, comprometida en formar a la gente en la imagen de Cristo para servir mejor al Señor y al prójimo.

MISAS EN ESPAÑOL:
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, 6-7 pm.

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. También pueden llamar a los Sacerdotes, al 341-5618 y dejarles un mensaje.

ANUNCIOS

Queridos feligreses:

..un par de veces al año, nuestra parroquia celebra una misa bilingüe, en inglés y español. Para ser exactos, es en realidad multilingüe, ya que incluye una de algunas otras lenguas: griego, latín, Filipino. Tales liturgias demuestran la unidad fundamental de nuestra parroquia. Así mismo, la Arquidiócesis ocasionalmente celebra liturgias con partes en idiomas distintos del inglés. Nuestra iglesia se extiende más allá de las fronteras del idioma y la raza. Después de todo, "católico" significa "universal". Por eso los documentos oficiales de iglesias alientan a los laicos a aprender algunas partes de la misa en latín. "Ya que los fieles de diferentes países se están reuniendo más frecuentemente, es deseable que sepan acompañar juntos al menos algunas partes del ordinario de la misa en latín". (Instrucción general del Misal Romano)

Fr. Mike

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes 3/27, 6:00 p.m.: Roman Madrigal
Domingo 4/01, 2:00 p.m.: Personas de la Parroquia

Cuaresma en Holy Cross: Tendremos Vía Crucis en Español, todos los viernes, 7:00 p.m.

No tendremos clases para Bautizos, ni Bautizos. El próximo Bautizo será el domingo, 15 de Abril.

LECTURAS Y PREGUNTAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE:

Domingo de las Palmas: Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Passion; Mark 14: 1-15:47

Preguntas para Adultos para Compartir la Fe: ¿ Donde compramos y vendemos lo hacemos apreciando la presencia de Dios en nuestras vidas?

Preguntas para los Niños: ¿ Cuantos de los diez mandamientos puedes mencionar? Porque crees tu que Dios desea que cumplamos sus mandamientos?

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

Clases por la tarde... nos reuniremos esta semana. Un servicio comunal para la Reconciliación de los niños se dará para los grados 3-6. Sera en la iglesia a las 4:35 p.m. Los padres están invitados a asistir a la iglesia durante el servicio.

Clases por la tarde Las Familias creciendo juntas en la fe Nos reuniremos este martes, 27 de marzo estaremos aprendiendo sobre la presencia Real de Jesús en la Eucaristía.

CONFIRMACIÓN:

Clases de Confirmación: Nos reuniremos hoy, 25 de Marzo.

Ministerio de Jóvenes: Sandy Schluter, 205-0825, ssschluter@holycrossopks.org. Para preguntas sobre Escuelas Intermedia y Superior, comuníquense con Sandy Schluter. Verifiquen los eventos en nuestro Facebook, añadiendo a Sandra K Schluter.

Estudiantes de Escuela Superior: Nos reuniremos en la Iglesia, Marzo 21 y 28. Dejen la luz de Cristo iluminar a través de ustedes compartiendo su fe con otros, identificando la presencia de Dios en sus vidas. Verifiquen los eventos en nuestro Facebook, añadiendo a Sandra K. Schluter.

Para más información, vea el revés de esta página

Ceremonia de Confirmación: Se llevará a cabo el miércoles, Abril 18, 7:00pm., en Holy Cross. El Abad Barnabás Senecal, presidirá. Marquen sus calendario ahora.

Escuela de Biblia de Verano (VBS): Marquen sus calendarios - Junio 11 al 15, de 9am.-12 mediodía. Estamos buscando *voluntarios adultos* para ayudar en varias áreas. Detalles en la matrícula. Oportunidades para jóvenes

St. Mary's Food Kitchen: 373 dinners were served to the hungry on March 16. Thank you to everyone who provided food, helped serve and gave monetary donations.



Thank you to everyone who donated to my Eagle Scout project. We painted the US map on the school playground. The project is complete so come by and check it out! -Kevin Morris



NO APRIL FOOL'S JOKE!

The Sunshine Club is an active organization filled with fun-loving members. If you are lucky enough to be over 55 and interested in our group, join us for our **Breakfast Meeting** in Lickteig Hall on Sunday, April 1st, following the 7:30 Mass.



**Attention!
Couples Celebrating their 50th
Wedding Anniversary in 2012**

Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be June 3, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter. To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding.

Please do this as soon as possible!

Easter Egg Hunt...

and bookmobile to be held at Sanctuary of Hope, 2601 Ridge Avenue, Kansas City, KS on Sunday, April 1 at 1:00pm. Free! All children are welcome.



Project Rachel Support Group....will begin meeting at the end of March. **Free** and **CONFIDENTIAL**. Registration is required. Call Patricia, 913-621-2199 or email projectrachelkc@archkck.org

Bereavement Support Group....

The monthly meeting will be held on Friday, April 6 after the 9:00am service in Lickteig hall. There will be a special presentation by Burton Huerter. For more info., call Kay Spaniol at 226-8745 or Peter Obert 451-3374.

FertilityCare Center of Kansas City: Improve your marriage! The Fertility Care™ System (Creighton Model) Introductory Session is offered monthly at a variety of area locations. Helpful for achieving and avoiding pregnancy plus medical applications. Register online at www.fertilitycareck.com, or call (816)858-0198. Para español, llama Veronica Woodford, RN, CFCP 816-916-2607

SOMEONE PULLING YOU OUT OF THE CHURCH? If you're experiencing doubt or confusion and you don't have time to talk to Father, please take one of the Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs. They feature some of the most inspiring, popular Catholic speakers on relevant, important topics. Can you answer this question, "Are you saved?", "Are you born again?" "Why do you 'worship' Mary?" "Why do you call priests, Father?" Don't miss these CDs for the answers! We ask for a donation of \$3 per CD to continue this program. Call Brenda Scruggs at 913-649-6442 for more information.



CATHOLIC CAREER ROUNDTABLE (CCR) The mission of CCR is to introduce business owners to qualified job seekers. CCR meets each Saturday at Good Shepherd Parish (12800 W. 75th, Shawnee)

and welcomes business owners and hiring managers to attend and share career opportunities. To post or search job openings go to www.catholiccareerroundtable.com.

Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth

Join us during Holy Week, April 1-8, with special time of quiet and reflection on the scriptures. The week will include liturgies, morning and evening prayer with music. Reservations are required and overnight accommodations are available as are meals, for a fee. For the schedule and more information, visit www.marillaccenter.org; email retreats@scls.org; or call **913-758-6522**



Legacy Evening!

On Saturday, April 21, 2012, be part of an inaugural event tour of historic KCK Catholic churches to benefit Resurrection School at the Cathedral. Mass is at 4:00pm and bus tours start after mass. Dinner and socializing at 7:00pm. For information call (913)371-8101 or

kosbern@resurrectionkck.org

**31st Annual Golf Classic**

You're invited! Golfers are "chipping" in to support homeless men and others in need at the 31st annual Ben and Betty Zarda Family Golf Classic benefiting

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas. Please join us on **Monday, May 14, 2012** and enjoy a lunch, golf tournament, dinner reception and awards ceremony at Lake Quivira Country Club. Proceeds will support Catholic Charities programs and services that benefit more than 85,000 people in need annually. Golfers will also raise funds to support renovations at Shalom House, Catholic Charities' homeless shelter in Wyandotte County, which welcomes 25 men daily. Register or learn more at www.catholiccharitiesgolfclassic.org or call 913-433-2046.

Family Day at Prairie Star Ranch.....

Join us on April 22 for a day of renewal and joy. This is an opportunity for your family, your parish, or your prayer group to come down to Prairie Star Ranch and enjoy the tremendous natural beauty. Let's build family together! Call 785-746-5693 or go online to register today at www.archkck.org/psr



Camp Kateri Tekakwitha ... There are still spaces available for all ages! Check the website www.archkck.org/camp or email Jennifer Newsom at CampTekReg@gmail.com

Cancer Support Group at Church of the Ascension

Please come to our next meeting on March 28th @ 6:30 pm in the Adult Faith Room located on the lower level of the church. We will be having a terrific speaker by the name of Nan Borchardt. She is the president and founder of NutritionWerks, INC., which has delivered a variety of wellness education services to the Kansas City area since 1985. Please RSVP to either Terri Miller or Jean Hinman at 829-1545 or 681-3348.



Volunteers Needed ... The week of April 15 for IHN (**Interfaith Hospitality Network**) Holy Cross supports OPCC Church in housing the homeless for one week every eleven weeks. Training: Thurs. March 29 6:30-9p.m. at Old Mission United Methodist Church at 5519 State Park Rd in Fairway. Call Shirley Maxwell for more info at **913-897-2127** or samaxwell@sbcglobal.net

NOTICE: Location Change.....

Runnin' Revs Fun Night will be held at **Christ the King** School Gym, 5973 SW 25th St in Topeka on Monday, April 9th. Area priests and seminarians will challenge 8th grade and high school youth from local Catholic schools in a fun game of basketball. Tipoff is at 7:00 pm. Donations will be accepted to benefit seminarians. Call **913-647-0303** for more information.

**Your Easter Donations:
A Blessing for Priests!**

The Archdiocese is blessed with 28 seminarians now in formation for the priesthood, along with four more already accepted for next Fall. All rely on your generous donations to the Easter collection to cover their tuition and expenses. The Easter collection also funds the continuing education of priests and our beloved retired priests, who after many years of faithful service still remain pastorally active throughout their golden years. Please, give generously to this collection and continue to pray for our priests! Thank you!

Administrative Assistant ... The Tribunal Office of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas is seeking a part-time assistant. 30 hours per week. Duties include data entry, filing and mailing correspondence. Ideal candidate will be a practicing Catholic, have good communications skills; both written and verbal, demonstrates attention to detail and 3-5 years administrative experience. Job description, application and benefits information are available on the Archdiocese's website at www.archkck.org/employment.

April Retreat Offerings at Sophia Center...

Holy Week/Triduum Retreat will be Holy Thursday, April 5 from 4:30 pm—Easter Sunday at 1:00pm. Experience beautiful liturgies and the profound silence of the monastery. The fee is \$225. For more info., or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit the website at www.mountosb.org/sophia.html