

# 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**  
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**Rectory: 341-5618**

## PARISH STAFF

Development & Stewardship Director: Robert Bacic  
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Parish Manager: Mark Engen  
Administrative Assistant: Carol Morris  
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Session Coordinator: Karla Melgar  
Assistant: Michelle Rieger  
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  
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7917 W 95th St. 66212  
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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:

**Weekend** Sat. Vigil 5:00 p.m., Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., and 2:00 p.m. (Spanish)

**Nursery** - 11:00 a.m., and 2:00 p.m. Masses

**Weekdays** Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:00 a.m. | Tues. & Thurs. 6:30 a.m. | First Sat. 7:30 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, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Semi-annually in the Fall & Spring, and by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** Usually the 4th weekend of the month during 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. (Parent classes are every other month.)

Contact the office to confirm times and 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,  
Lent will start only a month from now. It is early this year, because Easter Sunday falls on March 31, a very early date. Besides the stations of the cross on Friday evenings during Lent, we will also have a short series of reflections on the gospel of Luke as it pertains to the cross and resurrection of Jesus. That will take place on three Wednesday evenings during Lent. We will also have devotional materials available for you to use on an individual daily basis. Hopefully, these will help in your spiritual growth.



Fr. Mike

**Mass Intentions For The Week**



<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Spec Int-Angela Derks
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Teodoro Braceros
	8:15 a.m.	Bob Gutierrez (at school)
	6:00 p.m.	Mary E. Baker (Spanish)
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Bob Schmitt
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Mary Fields
	8:15 a.m.	Kevin Haeusser (at school)
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Pelot Family
<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 a.m.	No Mass
	5:00 p.m.	Spec Int- Leonard Troll
	9:00 a.m.	Robert Klewitz
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Spec Int-Jim Wendling
	9:00 a.m.	Robert Klewitz
	11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
	2:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving (Spanish)



**REST IN PEACE:** Prayers are requested for **Tim Moore** of Holy Cross and **Dallas Mauk**, stepfather of Tim Eccles.

**Welcome to Church of the Holy Cross!** We invite you to join the parish! Fill out the form below and we will deliver a welcome and registration packet to you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City/State/Zip Code  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Drop in collection basket, bring or mail to:  
 Church of the Holy Cross  
 8311 W 93rd St.  
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 913-381-2755



**READINGS & FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**  
**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Isaiah 62: 1-5 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, John 2:1-11

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE:**

	Dec. 30, 2012	Fiscal YTD
Needed for Dec.	\$27,295	717,450
Collected	30,670	763,392
Over/(Under)	3,375	45,942
Special Donations	224	



**ADORATION CHAPEL:** *The more power we receive in silent prayer, the more we can give in our active life!* (Mother Teresa) **Open Hours:** Sun. 2-3 am, 9-10 am; Tues 1-2pm; Fri 9-10 am, 1-2 pm; Sat noon-1pm. Still need **temporary help:** Sat 12 Midnight-1 a.m. for two months beginning Jan 1, 2013. Please call Anne, 649-2049 to sign up.



**Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:** Lois Beres, Tom Gates, Tami, Nenita Labayen, Jerry Meert, Judy Miers, Joseph Reickert, and Chris Shepard.



**Congratulations to our Newly Married Couples!**

Jorge Ardon Marcos and Dayssi Baltazar Pineda



**We Welcome Our Newly Baptized Children!**


Yvanka San Miguel Duin-Obregon,  
 Brayan Villa Lopez, John Bradley Kropf

**Make a Gift through an IRA Charitable Rollover:**

“Fiscal Cliff” tax legislation just enacted extends the opportunity throughout 2013 for individuals 70 1/2 or older to make a direct distribution from your IRA to a qualified charity, such as Holy Cross parish. Such qualified direct distributions to charity from your IRA are not subject to income tax. The new law also provides that you may consider such distributions made in Jan 2013 as made in 2012. For more information about how you and Holy Cross Church can benefit from an IRA charitable rollover, contact Mark Engen in the parish office 913-381-2755



## Religious Education

 **Afternoon Classes for children in Gr.1-6** are scheduled to meet every week from now until April 30<sup>th</sup> with the exception of Tues., Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> due to Spring Break. See the website Faith Formation Elementary page for our weather policy; for the calendar, click on Calendar on the Home Page.

## Confirmation



Confirmation classes meet this **Sunday, Jan 13<sup>th</sup>** at regular class time. We will **NOT** have regular classes on Sunday, Jan 20<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume on Sunday, Jan 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Confirmation Retreat: Eighth grade students who will be confirmed this April, 2013, are required to attend a Confirmation retreat.** This is an Archdiocesan requirement. Holy Cross will hold its retreat on **Sunday, Jan 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:45 am to 4pm** in the parish hall. See Sandy if you did not receive this information in your class, or go to our website for information. Cost is \$20 for the retreat and lunch. If a student is unable to attend the retreat in its entirety, they will need to attend a retreat at another parish. Contact the Confirmation office for a list of other parish retreats.

## Youth Ministry

*For questions regarding Middle and High School Religion or Youth Ministry, Sandy can be reached quickly & easily call or text 205-0825 or by email at [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org).*



**High School Youth Group...** We will meet **Jan 16, 23 and 30**. We had a busy and active first semester and are looking forward to the new year and all that God has in store.

Not feeling too close to God lately? Make a New Year's Resolution to check out youth group and see if there are any new friendships and relationships waiting for you.



**Middle School Youth Group** meets on Monday nights from 7-8:15 pm in the youth room and parish hall. Join us for an evening of fun, food, friends, and FAITH! We will meet **January 14<sup>th</sup> and the 28<sup>th</sup>**. We will **not** meet on the 21<sup>st</sup> due to MLK Jr holiday.

## Youth Service Opportunity



**Play the drums?** We are looking to enhance our music liturgy during youth mass with some **percussion**. If you are talented in percussion and willing to commit to a couple practices a month and are available for the **11am mass the second Sunday of the month**, please let us know. You can **contact Sandy** at [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org) and I will put you in touch with the appropriate people.

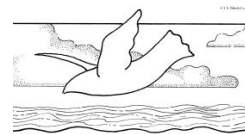


**Youth-led Masses:** If you are the ages of 13-18 yrs old and would like to help **usher, lector, be a gift bearer or a Eucharistic minister** contact Deb Williams at [ireleandocks@yahoo.com](mailto:ireleandocks@yahoo.com) to sign up. Some ministries require a training and Deb will help you with that.

**Music Ministry:** We are looking for high school age **musicians and singers** to join the **Youth Mass Music Group**. You need to be able to commit to several practices before each mass. If interested contact Sandy at 205-0825 or [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org)



**Mission Trip 2013 Info:** Remember to get in your deposit for Mission Trip 2013 ASAP! We will begin our planning meetings soon and you do not want to miss out on the important information. Also, we will begin fundraising for those who are signed up and have paid their deposit. The cost for the entire trip is \$435. \$85 deposit holds your spot and our next \$85 payment will be due in February. See [www.holycrossopks.org](http://www.holycrossopks.org), Faith Formation for details



**Church of the Ascension Parish Mission:** The Community of Franciscan Friars of Renewal will be presenting the parish mission. All are invited! The Friars will proclaim the Word of God at all weekend Masses, Jan 19 & 20. **The Mission starts on Mon, Jan 21 through Thurs, Jan 24 at 7:00pm each evening** in the Sanctuary. There is limited child care available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more info call Denise Greene 913-681-3348 or [dgreene@kascension.org](mailto:dgreene@kascension.org)

## Holy Cross School News

### Upcoming Dates

1/11/13—All School Mass 9 am @ church

1/15/13—Mass lower 4GI 8:15am

1/17/13—Mass upper 8PA 8:15am

1/20/13—Confirmation Retreat  
9:00am-4:00pm

1/21/13- NO SCHOOL

### Did you know....

that you can sting a friend with the spirit of Holy Cross Hornets yard ornament? Ask Mrs. O'Brien 3rd grade class and help support the Celebration fundraiser!

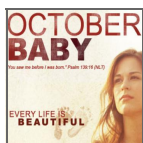


Please continue purchasing trash bags in the school office.

#### FOLLOW HOLY CROSS ONLINE!

HC website [holycrosscatholicschool.com](http://holycrosscatholicschool.com)  
 HC blog [holycrosscatholicschool.wordpress.com](http://holycrosscatholicschool.wordpress.com)  
 Facebook [facebook.com/holycrossop](http://facebook.com/holycrossop)  
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BUILDING FAITH INSPIRING MINDS



**Support Life.. Support Mothers.. Support our Youth...** In recognition of the Roe v Wade ruling from Jan 22, 1973, **Holy Cross Youth Ministry** is once again offering a viewing of the life-celebrating movie, **October Baby**. On **Saturday, Jan 19<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00pm in the church hall**, we will show this life-affirming, redemptive story with a positive message for everyone in the family. Though there is **no cost** to attend, we are taking donations (**suggested donation of \$5**) to cover the cost of the movie and for **proceeds to benefit the Gabriel Project and Holy Cross Youth Mission Trip**. See any student going on the mission trip to pick up your ticket or contact Sandy or the front office or get at the door the night of the movie. Help us show that Holy Cross Parish is committed to celebrating life, supporting mothers, and recognizing the preciousness of all God's creation.



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## CELEBRATION 2013 NEWS



**Celebration 2013 is just around the corner!** Have you purchased your tickets yet? Please join us on **Sat, Jan 26** for a night of dining, dancing and bidding in the Parish Activity Center starting at **5pm**. Cocktail hour, dinner, silent auction, live auction, then dancing until 1 am!

**Teaser Alert:** Notre Dame Football Tickets, Cayman Islands trip, religious painting done live by Mike Debus and much more!

Get your **tickets** at the school office for **only \$50** per person! Questions? Call Alicia Cordova at 913-402-8587



**CELEBRATION** is now accepting **donations** for the **silent auction**. Theme rooms include: Religious & Holiday, On the Town, Kid's Room, Men's Room, Home & Garden, A Beautiful You, and Precious & Priceless. **Visit the "Giving Tree" in the Narthex for ideas**. Donations may be dropped off in the church or school office. Please call Kathleen DeKraai (913)599-6395 with questions or to arrange pick up of larger items.



**Boy Scout Troop 251** thanks you for making our 2012 Cinnamon Roll sale a success! We raised half of the Naish summer camp payment for 16 scouts. Our troop is growing and **any boy age 11-17 is welcome to attend our Monday meetings at 7:00pm in Room 5C**. Join soon! Our February campout is at the Omaha Zoo! Contact Mike Swearingen at 913-381-1530 or go to the parish website under 'Community'.

**Come and "Support Our Seminarians"** Would you like to support vocations and celebrate the priesthood? Please join us for the **20th "Support our Seminarians"** evening at a new location - the Marriott Muehlebach in downtown Kansas City, MO on **Friday, January 25, 2013**. Relax and visit with seminarians, priests, and friends. Two short inspiring testimonies will be given by priests. Guests' favorites include delicious dinner, Marketplace shop, and Conception-made cookies and breads will be available. Join us for this enjoyable evening and support our seminarians. To reserve your place or donate a cash gift or Marketplace item, contact Martha Hodes at 913-207-9893 or email [mmmh66@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mmmh66@sbcglobal.net).



**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL:**  
domingos , 2:00 p.m. y  
martes, 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:**  
martes: 5pm.-6pm.,  
y domingos: 1pm.-2pm.

**MATRIMONIO:** Llamen  
a la parroquia 6 meses  
antes de la fecha en que  
desea casarse para tener  
una la primera 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.  
**Deben 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, miérco-  
les y jueves: 2-5 pm.;  
martes: 2-6 pm.  
También pueden llamar  
a los Sacerdotes deján-  
doles un mensaje:  
341-5618

*La Iglesia 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.*

## “Encuentro”

### Queridos feligreses:

La Cuaresma empezará temprano este año, dentro de un mes, ya que el domingo de Pascua cae el 31 de Marzo. Además de las Estaciones de la Cruz los viernes por la noche, tendremos también una serie de reflexiones sobre el Evangelio de Lucas, ya que está relacionado con la cruz y la resurrección de Jesús.

Esto tomará lugar tres miércoles en la noche durante la Cuaresma. También tendremos materiales devocionarios para que ustedes los usen individualmente todos los días. Esperamos que éstos los ayuden en su crecimiento espiritual. **Fr. Mike**

**INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS:** Martes 1/15, 6:00 p.m.: Mary E. Baker  
Domingo 1/20, 2:00 p.m.: Acción de Gracias

**LECTURAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: *El Bautismo del Señor***  
Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7; Hechos 10:34-38; Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22

**Centro Keeler para la Mujer:** Reunión/clase de Primeros Auxilios, martes, Enero 15, 2013, de 10-11am., 2220 Central Ave., KCKS. Llamen para inscribirse: 906-8990. GRATIS.

### EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

**Clases de la Tarde, 4:30-5:45pm.:** Las clases de la tarde están programadas para todos los martes, 4:30-5:45pm., hasta Abril 30, 2013, con excepción del martes 19 de Marzo, cuando tendremos el descanso de la Primavera. Visiten la página del website Faith Formation Elementary, para las reglas de mal tiempo. Para el calendario, click en Calendar en nuestra página Home Page.

**Clases de la Noche para Familias Creciendo Juntas en la Fe, 6:45-8:15pm.:** Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes, Enero 15, para una oportunidad de aprender más sobre los lugares y cosas que usamos en la Misa. Para preguntas o ausencias llamen a Karla Melgar, 381-2757, ext.140.

### CONFIRMACIÓN:

**Clases de Confirmación:** Nos reuniremos hoy domingo a nuestra hora de costumbre. **NO** tendremos clases el domingo, Enero 20. Las clases resumirán el domingo, Enero 27.

**Retiro de Confirmación: *Estudiantes del 8° Grado que serán Confirmados***  
**Abril 13, son requeridos a participar de este Retiro.** Esto es requerido por la Arquidiócesis. **Holy Cross celebrará su Retiro el domingo, Enero 20, de 8:45am. a 4pm., en el salón de la iglesia.** Costo: \$20, incluyendo almuerzo. Favor de hablar con Sandy si ustedes no recibieron esta información en sus clases, o visite nuestro website. Si algún estudiante NO pudiera asistir todo el día, ellos deberán asistir al Retiro en alguna otra parroquia. Llamen a la oficina de Confirmación para una lista de otras parroquias.

**Fecha para la Confirmación:** Celebraremos este Sacramento el **miércoles, 3 de Abril, 2013, a las 7pm.** El Arzobispo Naumann presidirá. **Ensayo para padres y padrinos será el martes, 2 de Abril, 2013.**

**Ministerio Juvenil:** Preguntas sobre Educación Religiosa para estudiantes de Escuela Intermedia o Superior, se pueden comunicar con Sandy Schluter por email: [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org), o pueden llamarla o text al: 205-0825

**Escuela de Evangelización San Andrés:** Los invitamos a experimentar un encuentro **PERSONAL** con **JESÚS** resucitado. Curso “Nueva Vida”, Enero 18,19 y 20, 2013. Salón Antiguo de la Catedral del Sagrado Corazón, 118 North 9th St., Salina, KS 67401. Más información llamando a María (Chapis) Martínez, 785/342-7027, y Griselda Jiménez, 785/342-2860. Tendremos hospedaje. ¡Llámanos! Donación \$25. *¡Ven y atrévete a abrir el regalo que Dios tiene reservado para ti!*

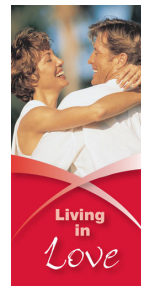
**CELEBRATION 2013:** Ya se acerca la fecha de nuestra fiesta anual para recaudar fondos con **subasta en silencio**, beneficiando a nuestra parroquia. Ya estamos aceptando donaciones en la oficina de la iglesia o en la Escuela Holy Cross. Si no saben que donar, tenemos un árbol en el vestíbulo con tarjetas escritas con artículos necesitados. También sugerimos donaciones de servicios, como pintar casas, limpiar casas, oficinas, etc. Para más información, llamen a **Patricia Mosqueda, 816/651-7515 ó Karla Melgar, 381-2757, ext.140.**

**Tickets para “Celebration 2013”:** Ya están a la venta los tickets a \$50 por persona. Marquen sus calendarios para asistir a esta gran fiesta, **el 26 de Enero, 2013, de 5 p.m.-1 a.m., en la Escuela Holy Cross.** Habrá deliciosos platos, subasta en silencio y subasta en vivo. Pueden comprar sus tickets en la oficina de la iglesia, o llamando a **Gladys Maldonado, 400-3961.** *¡Vengan todos a divertirse y disfrutar de una buena cena, rodeados de alegría y buenos amigos!*

**Retiro de Quinceañeras:** Se celebrará el sábado Enero 26 y el domingo Enero 27, 2013, de 8:30am. a 5pm., los dos días, en las Oficinas del Ministerio Hispano, 2215 Parallel Ave., KCKS. Para inscribir a su niña, llamen al 281-6644.



This New Year, resolve to drop the burden of contraception and embrace the freedom of **Natural Family Planning!** To help with your resolution, classes in the **Sympto-Thermal Method** of Natural Family Planning are offered for a **reasonable course fee at St. Paul Parish in Olathe** beginning **Fri., Jan. 18, 7pm.** Call Christine or David Downey at [1-913-837-3182](tel:1-913-837-3182) or the Couple to Couple League of Kansas City at [913-894-3558](tel:913-894-3558) for more info. **Online registration required at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org).**



*“It was life changing! It reminded us of the true beauty of our marriage.”* These words of Barry and Bobbie Padgett of Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish in Topeka echo the reaction of the couples who have experienced the “Living in Love” retreat. A **“Living in Love” retreat**, which includes a romantic dinner, will be held on **February 16-17**, at **St. Michael the Archangel Parish** in Leawood, KS. Special Faith Initiative cost is only \$30 per couple (regularly \$125 a couple). Register online now at [www.archkck.org/faith/livinginlove](http://www.archkck.org/faith/livinginlove) or contact Mary Anne Kierl at 913-647-0345.



The **Archdiocesan Charismatic prayer groups** are sponsoring a **mass for healing** Thurs, **January 17, 7:30 pm** at Cure of Ars, 9401 Mission Rd, Leawood, KS. Fr. Tom Kearns presiding. More info call 913-649-2026.

The **Cure’ of Ars Breavement Ministry** will have their monthly **support meeting** Sat., **Jan 19** in the Fr. Burak room, 9401 Mission Rd., Leawood. The meeting will begin at **8:30am** after the 8:00am Mass. The topic will be “Looking Ahead to the New Year”. Call 913-649-2026 for info.

A **Grief and Loss Support Program** for persons encountering the **loss of an infant due to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, or early infant death** is being offered on four upcoming **Wednesday evenings, January 16, 23, 30, and Feb 6, from 7-9:00 PM** at **Holy Spirit Church**, 11300 West 103rd St, Overland Park, KS. Couples/individuals are welcome. Your loss can be recent or long ago. Please contact Mary Anne Noonan at 913 269 8844 or [bnoonan13@msn.com](mailto:bnoonan13@msn.com), or Mary Helen Dennihan at 913 491 4268 or [dennihan6@kc.rr.com](mailto:dennihan6@kc.rr.com) for more details.



**Spaghetti Dinner at St. Patrick’s, KCK to Benefit Sisters, Servants of Mary...Sunday, Feb 3, 11am-4pm at St. Patrick Parish Center**, 94th and State Ave. Donation: adults \$8.00, children \$3.00. Meal includes Italian sausage, meatballs and spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Carryout available. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. For more info call 913-371-3423.