

Church of The Holy Cross

8311 W. 93rd St.
Overland Park, Kansas 66212
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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
Rectory: 341-5618

PARISH STAFF

Development & Stewardship Director: Robert Bacic
Director Liturgy & Music: Rick Worms
Parish Manager: Mark Engen
Administrative Assistant: Carol Morris
Receptionists: Barb Williams & Lina Byrum

Religious Education Staff: 381-2757

Director - Pre.-Gr. 6: Karla Melgar
Assistant: Michelle Rieger
Session Coordinator- Maria Palazuelos
Confirmation Coordinator: Sandy Schluter

Youth Ministries: 205-0825

Director: Sandy Schluter

Catechist for Hispanic Adult Formation:

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

El boletín *Encuentro* en español
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Holy Cross Catholic School

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

Early Education Center: 381-7151

7917 W 95th St. 66212
E-Mail: preschool@holycrosscatholicsschool.com
Director: Penny Miller
Assistant Director: Stefanie Bridges

Advocate for Annulments:

Rebeca Richmond, 671-8722

Parish Center Manager

Michael Long, 219-3382

MASSES:

Weekend Sat. Vigil 5:00 p.m., Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Nursery - 11:00 a.m., and 1:00 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.

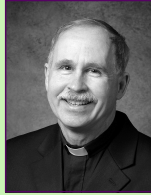
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

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,

The Parish Town Hall Meeting last Sunday was a great success. About 100 people attended. They took part in discussion and participated well. I am looking forward to hearing the feedback they gave to the finding of the study groups. You can expect to hear that soon as well. It will aid the Parish Pastoral Council and myself greatly in our planning for the parish.



Fr. Mike



Monday	9:00 a.m.	Eugene Pruitt
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Spec Int-Mildred & Eldon Parizek
	8:15 a.m.	Martin & Cecilia Burke (at school)
	6:00 p.m.	Bob Bray (Spanish)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Forest Gill
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Spec Int-Rosie Schmitt
	8:15 a.m.	Dung Pham (at school)
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Juan Vidovic
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Suoi Tran
	5:00 p.m.	Kevin Haeusser
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	9:00 a.m.	Spec Int - Gilner Family
	11:00 a.m.	Patricia Devine
	1:00 p.m.	Huy Nguyen (Spanish)

Stewardship Reflection February 23, 2014

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies. . .” *Matthew 5:43-44*

Throughout the Gospel, Jesus tells us to love one another. This should be true of everyone whom we encounter. We should not conserve our acts of stewardship only for family or close friends, we should show our love through our stewardship to everyone regardless of who they are.

Financial Update

	Feb 16	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$25,255	\$944,837
Weekly Offering Received	28,049	911,863
Over/(Under)	2,794	(32,974)
Special Donations	275	41,558
Restricted Assets as of Jan 31	Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$77,737	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$34,507	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$472,011	
Liabilities as of Jan 31	Calculated Monthly	
Current—Archdiocese of KCKS	\$490,897	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$469,146	

Please note that our weekly offering represents only about half of our parish income. Other sources include parish fees, school fees and school tuition. The amount of the weekly offering needed is based on budgeted expenses. For a complete financial picture, you can download our most recent annual and/or quarterly financial report on the parish website under “Stewardship Documents.”



Palms: Could you please bring in your palms from last year? We will use these for the ashes for Ash Wednesday. There will be a basket for these in the Narthex. Thank You!



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: The Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time: Isaiah 49:14-15; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Ernie Cerkey, Maria Elena Cervera, Joey DeCelles, Nicole Gruber, Samantha Marcellus, Clarence Stegeman, Joan Swanson, Elsa Vazquez and Tami.

*You make our parish life possible.
Thank You!*



Ash Wednesday - March 5, 2014

- 6:30 am - Mass
- 9:00 am - Mass (All School)
- 12:10 pm - Liturgy of the Word with Ashes
- 5:30 pm - Mass
- 7:30 pm - Mass (Spanish)

Parish



Retreat

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In preparation for Lent, Holy Cross is offering a pre-Lenten Retreat

“Beginning The Lenten Journey”

**March 1 - 8:00am-1:30pm
7:30am Mass Optional**

Discipleship - Speaker Kate Jiron

Wife & mother of 4 boys, Kate graduated from Kansas State University in 1998 and then worked for FOCUS as a missionary on college campuses. She worked from 2002-2009 as Director of Young Adult Ministry at Holy Trinity Church, Lenexa. She has been a guest speaker and leader at other retreats.

Time for reflection & discussion.

Lunch provided-free will offering collected

Reconciliation Service will be offered.

Register by calling the office at 381-2755 or on line at www.holycrossopks.org.



Community Music Festival: Come join us **TODAY Sunday, February 23 at 3:30pm at Holy Cross** for a multi ethnic, ecumenical event! Singers and musicians from Holy Cross, First Baptist Church of Overland Park,

Kansas New Vision Korean Church, and Valley View United Methodist Church will come together for a music festival. Admission is **FREE!** Reception to follow in the church hall. All are welcome!



St. Matthew
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Spaces still available! Sign up for *Six Weeks with the Bible: On the Road with Jesus*. In the book of Matthew, Jesus teaches his disciples and us, how to follow him.

This study brings to life these teachings of Jesus in the book of Matthew Various days and times available . See the flyers on the bulletin rack or go to the parish website to sign up.



St. Helen’s Circle Annual Shrimp Boil

will be Friday, **March 7 from 5-7:30 pm**. Shrimp dinner : Adults \$15, child (5-11yrs old) \$10. Fish dinner \$4. These prices are if you make reservations.

It will be a \$1 more at the door. **Call by Tues, March 4 for reservations** to Karen 381-4014 or Thais 341-1184.



Sunshine Club Social: We will meet at **Longbranch 91st & Metcalf on Wed, Feb 26 from 4-6 pm**. For questions, call Arlene at 888-7215.

Sunshine Club Meeting: Our next meeting will be Sunday, March 2, in Lickteig Hall after the 7:30 am Mass.

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: _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Drop in collection basket, bring or mail to:
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Religious Education



We will meet Tues, Feb 25 from 4:30-5:45pm. The children will continue to learn about God's Laws: The Ten Commandments.

YII students need to work on Home Lesson 4 "We Pray in Thanksgiving". This will be turned in the following week.

Remember our policy for the inclement weather: if Shawnee Mission School District cancels classes, we will cancel too. We will be sending text messages, email and put info on the church website.

Call Karla Melgar if your child will be absent at 381-2757 ext 140.

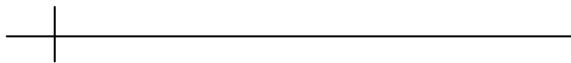


ADORATION CHAPEL: OPEN

HOURS: Sun 2-3pm, 5-6pm; Mon: 2-3am, 1-2pm, 2-3pm; Thurs 2-3am, 3-4am; Fri 1-2pm. If you cannot be present at your assigned hour, please obtain a sub or let us

know that you are no longer able to keep this commitment. Call Anne 649-2049

To all who use the Adoration Chapel: It has been brought to our attention that some are using the chapel as a place for group spoken prayer. While this is a very worthwhile practice, our Adoration Chapel is really a place of quiet and contemplative prayer. We have recently had several complaints from people whose prayer has been disrupted by others. These parishioners were hoping to have some "quiet time" with God. We just ask that you respect the purpose of the chapel and the spirituality of others who have come to use it as it was intended.



Middle School Youth Group: We meet most Monday nights from 7-8:30pm in the youth room. All middle schoolers welcome!



High School Youth Group: We meet most Wed. nights from 7-8:30pm. We meet downstairs in the youth room. All high schoolers are welcome! Come check us out! .



Last day to sign up is Thurs, Feb 27! We are going to Omaha, NE July 5-12! There are still a few spaces left! The trip is open to incoming 9th graders thru freshman in college. See Sandy for details or to sign up!

For questions or schedule of youth group meetings contact Sandy Schluter at 205-0825 (text or call) or by email at sschluter@holycrossopks.org



The **Knights of Columbus** would like to thank everyone who contributed to their Baby Shower. We received \$396.50 in cash and gift cards, and \$1,821.00 in new and used baby clothing and other baby articles. The proceeds will be given to the Wyandotte Pregnancy Center.



The **Archdiocesan Charismatic prayer groups** are sponsoring a **mass for healing** Thurs, **February 27, 7:30 pm** at Cure of Ars, 9401 Mission Rd, Leawood, KS. Fr. Peter Jaramillo presiding. More info call 913-649-2026.



Take a stand for life! From **March 5-April 13**, our community will take part in **40 Days for Life**. A groundbreaking, coordinated, international pro-life mobilization to end abortion in our city - and beyond. You're invited to peacefully pray during the 40-day vigil outside of Planned Parenthood at 4401 W 109th St or at the Women's Health Center at 4840 College Blvd in Overland Park, KS, and also to help spread the word about this important outreach. For more info, please go to the **40 Days for Life** website: www.40daysforlife.com/overlandpark



Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs ...

Love is in the air! ...and reminds us that the Greatest Commandment is “ Love God with your whole heart...” (Matt 22:36-40) But to love Him, you must KNOW him. Deepen your faith and spiritual life with one or more of the Lighthouse CDs or books found in the kiosk at the back of church. You will be glad you did! Questions? Call Brenda Scruggs 913-649-6442



The Pearl of Great Price: The Cost and Joy of Discipleship, a Preparation for Lent Retreat for Women will be presented by Renee Bhatia, at Keeler Women Center, 2220 Central Ave, KCK, on **Wed, Feb 26, 6:30-9:00 pm.** (light supper 5:45-6:30pm) Space is limited and registration required. Call 913-906-8990 or go on line at www.keelerwomenscenter.org **FREE**

Chris Stefanick, a nationally-known Catholic speaker, will give a presentation on **Moral Relativism Wed, Feb 26 from 7-8pm at Holy Trinity**, 13614 W 92nd St. This presentation is open to all ages. For questions contact the Youth Office at youthadmin@archkck.org or 913-647-0373

Parish Administrator Wanted: A Northeast Johnson County Parish is looking for a committed Catholic who will work 20-25 hours a week as a Parish Administrator/Business Manager. Must have computer skills, be a team player, and work well with volunteers and parish staff. Duties also include ability to administer financial affairs of the parish, oversee parish grounds and maintenance of facilities, and create and oversee budgets. Must be able to multi task, be organized with attention to detail, with strong communication skills. Qualified, interested candidates should send resumes to: St. Agnes Church, 5250 Mission Road, Roeland Park, Kansas 66205, Attention: Teresa Youngstrom.

The Cathedral of St. Peter Altar Society will host a **Women's Lenten Day of Reflection, Sat, March 8.** Sr. Mary Cecile Breen, a member of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, will present, **“Lenten Reflection-Sermon on the Mount”.** The day will begin at 8:15 am with Mass and will conclude at noon. The cost is \$10 and includes continental breakfast. To register contact Terri Schneweis at 913-558-8285



Good News Bookshop: The Sisters of St. Francis (Independence, MO) are bringing their books, bibles, cards and more to **Cure of Ars on March 1 & 2** after the Sat 5:00 pm Mass and from 7:30 am - 1:00 pm on Sunday. There will be many items available for all ages. This will be a great opportunity to buy your spiritual reading for Lent.

Mardi GRAS **Mardi Gras Benefit Dance,**
Saturday, March 1st 7.00 – 11:00pm
at Holy Cross School, 8101 West 95th St,
 Overland Park, KS. Appetizers, wine, beer, sangria, soft drinks/water will be served. Cost: \$20.00 in advance/\$25.00 at the door. Mail check to Julie % Sanctuary of Hope, 2601 Ridge Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102, Att: Mardi Gras Dance. All proceeds will benefit Sanctuary of Hope Retreat & Prayer Center.



The Gabriel Project provides spiritual, emotional, & material help for any woman facing difficulty in her pregnancy. Please call **913/602-0306.** If you would like more information on how to get involved with The Gabriel Project please contact Bev Eberhardy at beveber@kc.rr.com. **Hurting from abortion??** If you have had an abortion & are still grieving, Project Rachael can help, call 913/621-2199. **All calls are confidential.**

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Men Under Construction - "Proclaim It!" A men's conference to be held **Sat, March 8 from 7:00am-3:30pm at Church of the Ascension** in Overland Park. Keynote speaker is Governor Sam Brownback. Other speakers include Matt Fradd with Catholic Answers, author- Dr. Joseph Pearce, and Eric Sutulovich, Atlanta Falcon's Assistant Special Team Coach. To register go to www.ksmuc.org/registration



Flocknote

Have you signed up for flocknote yet?

This is a new communication tool Holy Cross is using to keep you update with events, activities and news within our community. Check it out at www.flocknote/holycrossopks or text "hcop" to 84576 and subscribe today!

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 reunión de ciudadanos de la parroquia que tuvimos la semana pasada fue un gran éxito. Hubieron como 100 personas. Tomaron parte en discusiones y participaron muy bien. Estoy queriendo recibir la retro-comunicación que ellos dieron al encontrar los grupos de estudios. Ustedes pueden esperar esto también. Será una gran ayuda para mí y para el Consejo Pastoral en nuestra planificación para la parroquia. **Fr. Mike**

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes 2/25, 6:00 p.m.: Bob Bray
Domingo 3/2, 1:00 p.m.: Huy Nguyen

LECTURAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: 8º Domingo Ordinario

Isaías 49:14-15; 1 Corintios 4:1-5; Mateo 6:24-34

No se olviden de visitar la sección de nuestro website para la Comunidad Hispana, donde podrán observar un video que explica los propuestos cambios y mejoras planeados para la Iglesia.

Ya pueden traer sus Palmas benditas del año pasado. Favor de dejarlas en la canasta del vestíbulo, para convertirlas en las cenizas del Miércoles de Cenizas de este año, el próximo 5 de Marzo.

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

1er Año - Clases de la Tarde, 4:30-5:45pm.: Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes, 25 de Feb., en el salón de la iglesia. Los niños continuarán aprendiendo sobre **los Mandamientos de Dios**. Para preguntas, o si sus niños estarán ausentes, favor de llamar a Karla Melgar, 381-2757, ext.140, kmelgar@holycrossopks.org, o María Palazuela, ext.119.

FAMILIAS CRECIENDO JUNTAS EN LA FE:

2º Año - Clases de la Noche, 6:45pm.-8:15pm.: Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes, 25 de Feb., en el salón de la iglesia. Los niños estarán aprendiendo sobre: **Las diferentes maneras de dar Gracias a Dios**. La tarea para la casa es **Lesson 4 - We Pray in Thanksgiving**. Para preguntas, o si sus niños estarán ausentes, favor de llamar a Karla Melgar, 381-2757, ext.140, kmelgar@holycrossopks.org, o María Palazuela, ext.119.

Recuerden nuestra póliza sobre las inclemencias del tiempo: Si el Distrito Escolar de Shawnee Mission cancela las clases, nosotros también lo haremos. Enviaremos mensajes de texto, correos electrónicos y pondremos la información en el sitio web de la parroquia.

MINISTERIO DE JÓVENES:

Para preguntas, llamen o text a Sandy, 205-0825, sschluter@holycrossopks.org. No se olviden de chequear el website de Holy Cross bajo Sandra K Schluter, para más actividades.

CONFIRMACIÓN:

Estudiantes de Escuela Intermedia: Nos reunimos los lunes, 7-8:30pm., en el salón de los jóvenes.

Estudiantes de Escuela Superior: Nos reunimos los miércoles, 7-8:30pm., en el salón de los jóvenes. ¡Todos los estudiantes serán bienvenidos!

¡Atención! De nuevo les recordamos a todos que **NO está permitido traer comidas o bebidas dentro de la iglesia o en el vestíbulo.** Si usted ve a alguien rompiendo esta regla, diríjase al sacerdote o sus ayudantes. Gracias por su cooperación.

Hogares Renovados por el Amor y la Fe: Esto es un encuentro de matrimonios (casados y no casados), un sábado (8:30am-3:30pm.), en el que las parejas desean renovar su amor, su entrega, su compromiso y su fe. Los testimonios de los facilitadores (que son parejas), les ayudarán a reflexionar, evaluar, y darle “chispa” de amor y vida a su relación de pareja. Costo \$20, incluyendo almuerzo. Cupo limitado. **NO** habrá cuidado de niños. Llamen a Julia, 281-6644, en el Ministerio Hispano.

Fechas: Marzo 22: San Patricio, KCK, **Abril 5:** Santa Catarina, Emporia, KS y **Junio 21:** San Pablo, Olathe, KS

Retiro de Convalidación para Parejas: Las parejas que llevan viviendo juntos más de 5 años, o que estén casados solamente por lo civil y desean solemnizar su matrimonio con el Sacramento de la Iglesia, son invitadas a participar de este Retiro. Se llevará a cabo en el Ministerio Hispano (2215 Parallel Ave, KCK), **Marzo 1-2, 2014.** Necesitan inscribirse llamando al Ministerio Hispano, 281-6644.

Talleres de Ministerios Litúrgicos: La Oficina del Ministerio Hispano presenta los Talleres de Capacitación para Ministros de la Eucaristía, Lectores, Ministros de Hospitalidad y Entrenadores de Acólitos. Se presentarán dos sesiones, Marzo 11 y 18, para todos en: Bases Bíblicas del Servicio del Altar, el Espíritu del Evangelio y de la Iglesia Primitiva y las Enseñanzas Litúrgicas de la Iglesia.

Luego seguirá una sesión, Marzo 25, para los Lectores. Otra, Abril 1, para los Ministros de la Eucaristía y una más, Abril 8, para los Ministros de la Hospitalidad. Todas las sesiones son los martes, 7-9pm. Costo: \$15. Para participar, usted necesita hablar con el párroco o sacerdote de su iglesia para que le apoye con una carta de presentación. Luego, pase por la Oficina del Ministerio Hispano para inscribirse. Costo: \$15.

Congreso Eucarístico, Mariano y Carismático: “Os daré un corazón nuevo” (Ez. 36:26), con la Siervas de los Corazones Traspasados de Jesús y María, sábado, 29 de Marzo, de 8am.-5pm., Kansas City Convention Center, Bartle Hall Primer piso, downtown KCMO. Costo: \$15/adultos, \$10/jóvenes de 12 a 18 años, niños gratis. Tickets ya están en venta en la Diócesis de KS-St.Joseph. Para más información. Llamen a Norma Molina, 816/714-2301.

¡Oportunidad para el Verano! Las inscripciones para los programas diocesanos juveniles de verano para Camp Tekakwitha **están abiertas.** Para más información o si tienen preguntas (inglés o español), llamen a Liz Halfmann, 645-1514, urbanyouth@archkck.org. Nota: Hay becas para el Camp Tekakwitha. Pueden encontrar la aplicación “on line”.

MISAS EN ESPAÑOL:
domingos, 1:00 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 de cualquiera de estas liturgias.

RECONCILIACIÓN:
martes: 5:15pm.-6pm.,
y domingos: 12:15-1pm.

MATRIMONIO: Llamen a la parroquia 6 meses antes de la fecha en que desean casarse para tener la primera entrevista con un sacerdote.

BAUTISMO: Segundo sábado 11 a.m., y tercer domingo de cada mes, después de la Misa de la 1:00 p.m. Padres y padrinos deben asistir a una clase de preparación, el primer sábado de cada mes. **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:** martes, 2-6pm., miércoles y jueves, 2-5pm