

Church of The Holy Cross

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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
se encuentra en la página 6.

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.

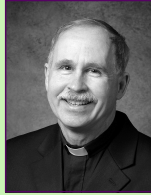
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

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 staff has made great efforts to follow the budget for the parish. At the same time, an unexpected expense may occur from time to time. For example, this winter, we had to replace the furnace and air conditioning unit at the rectory at a cost of \$7,700. That has made it more difficult for us to remain within the budget. Also, many of our families are behind in their pledges. We are approximately \$30,000 behind in our weekend collection. I encourage you to do what you can, to help us to have a balanced budget.



Fr. Mike

Stewardship Reflection March 2, 2014

“Jesus said to his disciples: ‘No one can serve two masters. You cannot serve both God and mammon.’”
Matthew 6:24

In this Gospel, we are reminded that God is more important than our money or our possessions. It can be difficult in our consumer-driven society to remember this sometimes. But, if we consciously share our excess and those things which we no longer need with those who can use them, we are closer to living as a servant of God rather than goods.



Monday	9:00 a.m.	Elena Bulla
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Jackie Tigges
	6:00 p.m.	Ruon Nguyen (Spanish)
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Marcia L. Werp
	9:00 a.m.	Marlene Golub - (All School)
	5:30 p.m.	James Berghoff
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Shannon Adams (Spanish)
	6:30 a.m.	Ignacio Baldor
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Mary Ellen Alfino
	5:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
	7:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	No Mass
	5:00 p.m.	Jim Brennan
	Sunday	7:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.		Robert Klewitz
11:00 a.m.		Cecilia Bertrand
	1:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)

Financial Update

	Feb 23	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$25,255	\$970,092
Weekly Offering Received	25,333	937,196
Over/(Under)	78	(32,896)
Special Donations	206	41,764
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.”

You make our parish life possible.
Thank You!



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: The First Sunday of Lent: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11



REST IN PEACE: Prayers are requested for **Dolores McClain**, mother of David McClain.



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Maria Elena Cervera, Ron Fredgren, Nicole Gruber, Samantha Marcellus, Wayne Saterbak, Clarence Stegeman, Joan Swanson, Elsa Vazquez and Tami.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed: We are in need of 2 Eucharistic ministers to go to Indian Meadows on Sunday once a month to give out communion. If you can help please call Bob Gilner 913-649-0377.



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)

NO Confessions at 5:30 pm

Do you have an interest in local government? Are you curious about how the County is doing? Then come join **Vice Chairman of the Johnson County Commission, Jason Osterhaus** for an informative town hall meeting on **March 3 at 7:00 pm** in the church hall. Coffee and light snacks will be provided, as will an opportunity for Questions and Answers after the presentation.



Save the Date - Fri. April 4- The Women of Holy Cross will sponsor a **Soup and Salad Buffet** after the Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm. Following dinner, the gospel choir and dancers from Our Lady & St. Rose. There will be a special guest appearance by Fr. Mark Mertes.



The Book Discussion Group will meet on **Tues., March 4, at 9:30 am**, in Room 1. The book will be *My Own Country* by Abraham Verghese.



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We served 414 dinners to those less fortunate on Feb 21. Thank you to everyone who provided food, helped serve and gave monetary donations.

Lent at Holy Cross

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday in Lent at 5:30pm

Lenten Dinners: in Lickteig Hall except March 28

March 7	St. Helen's Shrimp Boil	5:00pm
March 14	Knights of Columbus	after stations
March 21	Knights of Columbus	after stations
March 28	PTO Fish Dinner	at school
April 4	WHC-Soup and Salad	after stations

Reconciliation: every Wed in Lent from 6-7 pm
Communal Parish Service, Mon April 7 at 7:00pm



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: adults - \$8; child - \$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.



CYO Track Sign Up: The 2014 season will begin in April. Sign ups will be at Holy Cross School on **Thursday, March 6 from 6:00-8:00 pm**. (Enter through the gym) CYO fees are \$25 for 3rd & 4th grade, \$50 for 5th-8th. There is also the required archdiocesan registration fee of \$25 to be paid online at cyojwa.org. (This fee not required if your child already participated in a CYO sport this year.) Practices are Tues, Wed and Thurs from 6:00- approx 7:30 pm beginning March 25 at Oxford Middle School -12500 Switzer Rd. (Only one practice per week is required to participate in that weeks meet.) Meet dates are: April 5, 12 & 26. City meet will be Sat, May 10. **Track coaches are needed!!!** To volunteer to coach or for questions contact Tom Sheeley at sheeley932@gmail.com or 913-238-1418.



CYO Youth Golf Tournament will be June 4 at Sunflower Golf Club. More info in April.

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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VBS is coming to Holy Cross!
K4J Summertime Blast will be
June 23-27
More info coming soon!

Volunteers needed!
Call Karla Melgar 381-2757 ext 140

Religious Education



We will meet Tues, March 4 from 4:30-5:45pm. The children will be preparing for Lent.

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.

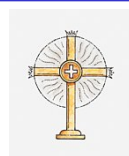


Middle School Youth Group: We meet most Monday nights from 7-8:30pm in the youth room. All middle schoolers welcome!



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!

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



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



Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs ...

How Deep is Your Faith? If you are ready to deepen your faith, a good way to start is to listen to the nationally known Catholic speakers. You can take the speaker home with you on one of the CDs you will find on the kiosk in the back of church. You can download it to your MP3 player or listen to it in the car CD player while you drive, or find time to listen to it together with the family. Listen and learn, then share it with someone you thought of as you were listening to it. Grow in Faith - Share your Faith! Questions? Call Brenda Scruggs 913-649-6442



Holy Cross is on facebook! The church and school both have facebook pages. "Like" our pages at "Church of

the Holy Cross" for the church and "Holy Cross OP" for the school. Just another way to stay in touch to what is happening at church and school.

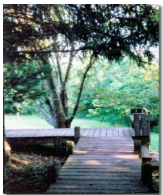


Take a stand for life! From **March 5-April 13**, our community will take part in **40 Days for Life**. A groundbreaking, coordinated, international pro-life mobilization to end abortion in our city - and beyond. You're invited to peacefully pray during the 40-day vigil outside of Planned Parenthood 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



Why are you a disciple of Jesus Christ? Learn how to answer that question without fear and give an effective personal testimony. Olivia Stear will share at **Holy Spirit Parish in Overland Park on March 11th**. Renee Winkel will share at Christ the King Parish in Topeka on March 18th. Michael Shirley will share at Savior of the World Pastoral Center on March 25th. All sessions will begin at 7:00 pm. Attend in person or via live stream online at resources.archkck.org/live For the latest information check: www.archkck.org/evangelization

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



Christ's Peace House of Prayer, near Easton, KS, will have a **Lenten retreat from Friday, March 7 until Sunday, March 9, 2014**. The cost for the Lenten Retreat is \$160.00 individual \$240.00 per couple. There will be six conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass Saturday evening, time for discussion, prayer, and solitude. Check-in is by 6 pm Friday with the first conference at 7:30 pm. The retreat closes at 4 pm Sunday. If you would like to attend, please email us at info@christspeace.com or call 913-773-8255.

Catholic Relief Services Thanks the people of our diocese for Typhoon Haiyan Support. The Chairman of the Catholic Relief Services Board, Archbishop Paul S. Coakley of Oklahoma City, recently returned from the Philippines. He sent me a letter thanking the people of our archdiocese for supporting our brothers and sisters who were impacted by Typhoon Haiyan. Archbishop Coakley asked me to share the link to a 2-minute video from CRS: <http://emergencies.org/philippines-typhoon-recovery-thank-you/>. **To date, parishes have contributed \$248,404.** I thank you for your loving and caring hearts. And may God bless you.

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann



Runnin' Revs Fun Night

A Runnin' Revs Fun Night will be held at **Bishop Miega High School**, 5041 Reinhardt Rd., Roeland Park, on **Monday, March 10 at 7:00 pm**. Priests will challenge 8th grade and high school youth from our Catholic schools in an exciting game of basketball. Bring family or friends to enjoy the fun. Donations will be accepted to benefit seminarians, and a spot in this summer's Camp Tekakwitha and a Mike Sweeney baseball camp session will be auctioned off.

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 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:**

El personal de la parroquia ha hecho un gran esfuerzo para mantenerse dentro del presupuesto. Al mismo tiempo, podemos tener emergencias de cuando en cuando. Por ejemplo, este invierno tuvimos que reponer la calefacción central y el aire acondicionado de la Rectoría, a un costo de \$7,700. Esto ha hecho mucho más difícil el poder mantenernos dentro del presupuesto.

Además de esto, muchas de nuestras familias están atrasados en sus Promesas. Nos encontramos aproximadamente atrasados por \$30,000 en nuestras colectas del fin de semana. Los animo a que hagan lo que puedan para ayudarnos a mantenernos dentro del presupuesto balanceado.

Fr. Mike

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes 3/4, 6:00 p.m.: Ruon Nguyen;
Miércoles de Cenizas 3/5, 7:30pm: Shannon Adams; Domingo 3/9, 1:00 p.m.: Personas de la Parroquia

Horario de Misas para el Miércoles de Cenizas: 6:30am, 9am, 5:30pm y 7:30pm, en español.
12:10pm, Liturgia de la Palabra con Cenizas.

LECTURAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: 1er Domingo de Cuaresma

Génesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Romanos 5:12-19; Mateo 4:1-11

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

1er Año - Clases de la Tarde, 4:30-5:45pm.: Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes, Marzo 4, en el salón de la iglesia. Los niños continuarán aprendiendo sobre: **Los diferentes maneras de cómo prepararnos para la Cuaresma.** 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, Marzo 4, en el salón de la iglesia. Los niños estarán aprendiendo sobre: **Las diferentes maneras de cómo prepararnos para la Cuaresma.** 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

Una hora con Jesús: Los sacerdotes del Ministerio Hispano de la Arquidiócesis y la Oficina de Pastoral Vocacional, invitan a pasar un momento de adoración en comunidad con Jesús Sacramentado - una **HORA SANTA** - para orar por las vocaciones sacerdotales y religiosas. De menra particular, están invitados a participar los jóvenes, pero también las familias y toda persona que desea agregarse. Viernes, Marzo 7, 7pm., en San Pablo, Olathe; Viernes, Mayo 9, 7pm., en Santa Catalina, Emporia; Viernes, Agosto 8, 7pm., en Santa María/San Antonio, KCKS; Viernes, Octubre 17, 7pm., en Nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe, Topeka.

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.

¡**Oportunidades 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,

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