

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: Fr. Oscar Garavito
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.

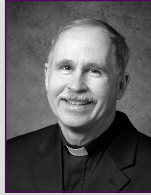
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

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,

Upon the advice of the parish finance council, the position of liturgy director is being eliminated. Instead, there will be the part-time position of music director. Rick Worms has declined to take that position. Originally, this change was to have been made last year, but upon his urging, it was delayed a year. We might note that the Vatican has also recently adopted some measures to contain personnel costs. The issue is not confined to us.



Fr. Mike Stubbs

Stewardship Reflection March 9, 2014

*“He fasted for forty days and forty nights. . .”
Matthew 4:2*

As we enter the season of Lent, we are reminded of the many ways Jesus suffered for us. During Lent, we are called to pray, fast and give alms. We should think about ways to focus ourselves on these disciplines this Lent by abstaining from a bad habit, giving more of our excess to charity or reading a Lenten devotional each day and reflecting on its meaning. Doing so may cause us to think more deeply about all that Jesus gave up for us.

Financial Update

	March 2	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,090	\$996,182
Weekly Offering Received	24,715	961,911
Over/(Under)	(1,375)	(34,271)
Special Donations	508	42,272
Restricted Assets as of Feb 28	Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$77,737	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$34,507	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$488,656	
Liabilities as of Feb 28	Calculated Monthly	
Current—Archdiocese of KCKS	\$490,897	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$466,943	

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.”

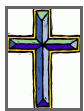
*You make our parish life possible.
Thank You!*



Monday	9:00 a.m.	Karen Ann Boos
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Maria Tran Thi Chat
	6:00 p.m.	Neil Ferrington (Spanish)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	James Berghoff
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Evelyn M. Rothenberger
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Joanne Meyers
	5:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
	6:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	No Mass
	5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Thomas Halfmann
	9:00 a.m.	Mary Carter
	11:00 a.m.	Rita Yoksh
	1:00 p.m.	Rosa Nguyen (Spanish)



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: The Second Sunday of Lent: Genesis 12:1-4a,; 2Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9



REST IN PEACE: Prayers are requested for **Cleim Folsom, Clarence Stegeman and Kristina White**, all of Holy Cross.



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Harold Cagle, Kevin Coyne, Maria Elena Cervera, Joey DeCelles, Ron Fredgren, Nicole Gruber, Samantha Marcellus, Wayne Saterbak, Joan Swanson, Elsa Vazquez and Tami.



A sincere **thank you** to all the ladies who organize, cook and serve the funeral luncheons. Fr. Mike, the Parish and most of all the families, applaud your commitment to this service.

Lent at Holy Cross

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

Lenten Dinners: in Lickteig Hall except March 28

- 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 5:00 pm
- April 11 Hispanic Community 5:00 pm

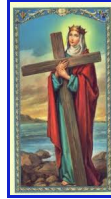
Special Event: April 4-Gospel Choir & Dancers from Our Lady & St. Rose 7:30 pm

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



Celebration 2014 Results:

The results are in and we have made approximately \$115,000 from Celebration 2014. Thank you again for everyone's help and support of Holy Cross Parish's biggest fundraiser!



St. Helen's Circle meeting is Tues, March 11 at 7:00 pm at the home of Linda at 11729 Hemlock St. Call 913-549-3554 for directions or questions. New members welcome!



Women of Holy Cross will be serving coffee and donuts next **Sunday, March 16**, after the 9:00 and 11:00 Mass. Please join us downstairs in Lickteig Hall!



PTO Fish Dinner – Please join us on **March 28th from 5:30 – 7:30 PM** in the **Parish Activity Center** for a delicious meal including our special recipe hand breaded Alaskan Pollock or Smoked Salmon. Dinner also includes salad, coleslaw, roll, French fries, green beans, and drink. Macaroni and Cheese or Cheese Pizza will be available for children. **Volunteers are needed to make desserts.** Please email Jeanine Schneider at jschneider@holycrosscatholicschool.com if you can make a dessert or volunteer.



Catholic Charities: We donated **95 bags** of groceries in **Jan** and **72 bags** of groceries in **Feb** to Catholic Charities! The **Monthly Food Collection** for Catholic Charities is held the **last Sunday** of each month. The next collection will be **Sun, March 30**. Your donations are greatly appreciated!



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.

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.



Couples celebrating their **50th Wedding Anniversary in 2014** are invited to the Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration on **June 1, 2014 at 2:30pm at 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!

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: _____

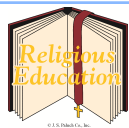
Drop in collection basket, bring or mail to:
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 8311 W 93rd St.
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VBS is coming to Holy Cross!
K4J Summertime Blast will be
June 23-27
More info coming soon!

Volunteers needed!
Call Karla Melgar 381-2757 ext 140

Religious Education



We will meet Tues, March 11 from 4:30-5:45pm. The children will be learning about Jesus' sacrifice and different ways to get involved in Lent.

NO Classes March 18 due to Spring Break! Classes resume March 25.

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

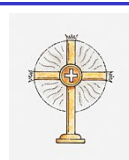


Middle School Youth Group: We meet most Monday nights from 7-8:30pm in the youth room. All middle schoolers welcome!



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



THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS

Check It Out! The Digital Media Center of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas has some resources for Lent on their website. Check out <http://resources.archkck.org> for such programs as *The Way of Faith: Keeping Lent, Tridumm and Easter Time; Between Sundays; In Season* and many more!



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



Would you like to help pregnant women in crisis?

Birthright, an international emergency service offering positive alternatives to abortion, is staffed by volunteers. If you are willing to commit some of your time, there are a number of ways to help. We especially need compassionate women and men to answer the hotline calls, run pregnancy tests, and befriend mothers in crisis. **Training will be held on Sat, April 5** at the Birthright Center, 6309 Walnut, Kansas City, MO. Reservations are required by April 3. Call Birthright at 816-444-7090 or Janet Cozard at 816-741-2696.



Volunteers Needed

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas is seeking individuals interested in being part of our call center. Volunteers will be responsible for answering phone calls from clients and then scheduling appointments at area Emergency Assistance Centers. Fluency in Spanish is a plus. Availability for one 4-hour shift Mon-Fri during daytime hours preferred. The call center is located at 9806 W 87th St in Overland Park, KS. If interested in helping, please contact Michelle Carlstedt at 913-433-2080 or mcarlstedt@catholiccharitiesks.org



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.



Books Are Fun! The Auxiliary of St. Joseph Medical Center is sponsoring a fund raising event, Books Are Fun on **Thur, March 13 from 7am to 4 pm and Fri, March 14 from 7am to 3pm** in the lower level atrium of St. Joseph Medical Center (SJMC). Shop for a wide variety of books, greeting cards and gift items. Auxiliary proceeds help support SJMC project



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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.**



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.



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:

Según el consejo de la Junta Financiera de la parroquia, la posición de Director de Liturgia ha sido eliminada. En vez, habrá una posición part-time de Director de Música. Rick Worms ha declinado tomar esta posición.

Originalmente, este cambio debía de haber sucedido el año pasado, pero por su urgencia, fue retrasado un año. Debemos notar que el Vaticano adoptó recientemente ciertas medidas para contener el costo del personal. Esta situación no es solamente en Holy Cross.

Fr. Mike

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes 3/11, 6:00 p.m.: Neil Ferrington
Domingo 3/16, 1:00 p.m.: Rosa Nguyen

LECTURAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: 2º Domingo de Cuaresma
Génesis 12:1-4a; 2 Timoteo 1:8b-10; Mateo 17:1-9

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

1er Año - Clases de la Tarde, 4:30-5:45pm.: Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes, Marzo 11, en el salón de la iglesia. Los niños estarán aprendiendo acerca del: **Sacrificio que hizo Jesús por todos nosotros y las diferentes maneras de 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.

NO habrá clases el martes Marzo 18, por ser las vacaciones del Spring Break. Regresamos Marzo 25.

FAMILIAS CRECIENDO JUNTAS EN LA FE:

2º Año - Clases de la Noche, 6:45pm.-8:15pm.: Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes, Marzo 11, en el salón de la iglesia. Los niños y los padres de familias estarán aprendiendo acerca del: **Sacrificio que hizo Jesús por nosotros y 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

CURSILLOS de Cristiandad anuncian:

Retiro de Cuaresma: sábado, 29 de Marzo, en el Centro del Salvador del Mundo.

Retiro para Varones: del 10 al 13 de Abril, en el Centro del Salvador del Mundo.

Necesitan inscribirse con tiempo para los dos eventos.

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 manera particular, están invitados a participar los jóvenes, pero también las familias y toda persona que desea agregarse. 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. 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 las 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.

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