

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
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@holycrosscatholicschool.com
Principal: Allison Carney
Secretaries: Anita Lemmon & Martha Beisser

Early Education Center: 381-7151

7917 W 95th St. 66212
E-Mail: preschool@holycrosscatholicschool.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, 6:00-7:00 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.

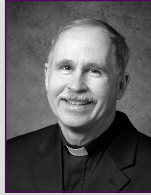
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

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,

Who was responsible for the death of Jesus? At times, the gospel readings that we hear during these days appear to pin the blame upon the Jews. In particular, the gospel of John takes that approach. It labels the opponents of Jesus as “the Jews,” while overlooking that fact that Jesus and his disciples were also Jews. In doing that, the gospel reflects the tensions that existed between the Jews and the Christians when the gospel was written. A real rivalry had developed between the two groups, and was projected back to the time of Jesus. Unfortunately, that antagonism which was written into the gospels, especially the gospel of John, led to later persecutions of the Jews. If we must ask, who was responsible for the death of Jesus, we should answer, we were, through our sins.



Fr. Mike

Stewardship Reflection April 13, 2014

“The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them.”

Isaiah 50:4

The prophet Isaiah acknowledges, with gratitude, the talents which God has given to him. He gives praise to God for his gifts, despite his suffering. We, too, should be mindful of the abilities which God has given to us and offer to God our prayers of thanksgiving for all that we are able to do.

Financial Update

	March 30	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,090	\$1,100,542
Weekly Offering Received	19,257	1,056,293
Over/(Under)	(6,833)	(44,249)

Special Donations	530	44,247
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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.	Rung Mai
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Joanne Meyers
	6:00 p.m.	Ann Thoma (Spanish)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Edward Bortko
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Stephen Maxwell
	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Friday	3:00 p.m.	Liturgy of Lord’s Passion
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Service-Veneration Cross
	8:00 p.m.	Liturgy of Lord’s Passion (Span)
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Service
	8:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Mike Peterson
	9:00 a.m.	Robert McCarthy
	11:00 a.m.	Loren & Joanie Watson
	1:00 p.m.	Luong Pham (Spanish)



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Easter Sunday: Acts: 10:34A, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20: 1-9



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:

Harold Cagle, Joey DeCelles, Joan Monley, Marilyn Paul, Joan Swanson, Mary Cerkey-Syrrist, Elsa Vazquez and Tami.



Last day to donate is this Monday, April 14!

Each year the altar is beautifully decorated with **flowers** donated by parishioners in memory of their deceased loved ones. We invite you to **donate \$15 for flowers** for the Easter environment. Please call the church office, 381-2755 or stop by during office hours to make a donation.



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday:
Regular Sunday Schedule

Holy Week Morning Prayer
Friday & Saturday 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 & Veneration of the Cross in English)

Stations of the Cross in Spanish at 7:30 pm followed by Good Friday service (Spanish) at 8:00pm

Easter Vigil
8:00 pm (Bilingual - Vigil readings in English and Spanish at separate locations)

Easter Sunday
Regular Sunday Schedule:
7:30, 9:00, 11:00am
1:00 pm (Spanish)

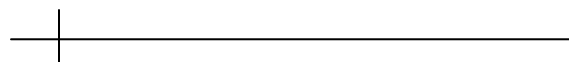


Lee is from Alexandria, KY. He has performed at Catholic Heart Workcamp, NCYC, with Matt Maher and opened for Jeremy Camp.

Come join us for an evening of Praise & Worship with Lee Roessler on Monday, April 28 at 7:00 pm at Holy Cross Church. Cost is **\$5 in advance** and \$6 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the Church office or contact Sandy at sschluter@holycrossopks.org for questions or ticket orders.

There will be a Meet & Greet to follow the concert in the church hall.

All are welcome!



Rice Bowls...as Lent is now coming to a close, please bring in your Rice Bowls. A basket with a sign attached will be in the narthex under where the bulletins are placed. The Rice Bowls are brought up at the offertory on Holy Thursday as a special sign of Jesus' command to serve others. Thank you for your generosity!



In union with the Canonization of Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII, there will be a **Divine Mercy Celebration at 3:00 pm** on Divine Mercy Sunday, **April 27**. This hour of prayer will consist of Scripture readings, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, other prayers and music.

Service will be outside near Meditation Garden. Bring lawn chairs. If bad weather, service will be in Church.

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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Boy Scout Troop 251 Flower Sale

LAST WEEK TO ORDER!

The annual flower sale is coming **April 26-27**. Please complete order form and return to the Boy Scout box in the narthex. Please make checks payable to: Troop 251. You can download the form from the parish website. Go to www.holycrossopks.org and look under the Community tab for Boy Scouts. Flowers will be available for pick up April 26/27.



It's Tamale Time! Ever wanted to learn to make tamales? Come join us on Fri, April 25 and Fri, May 2 at 5:00 pm in the church kitchen as we make

tamales for the Cinco de Mayo celebration on May 4 here at Holy Cross.

Tamales For Sale: You can pre-order tamales to be picked up on Sunday, May 4 at the Cinco de Mayo Celebration. Cost is **\$15 for a dozen and \$8 for a half dozen.**

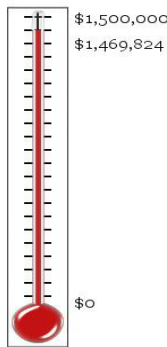
To order tamales or questions about the tamale making, please call Angelica Rios 913-687-7246



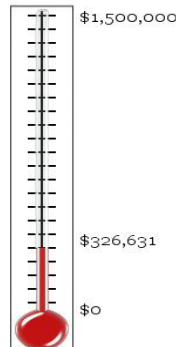
Save the Date: Thursday, **May 8, 2014** from 5:00-7:00 pm! Women of Holy Cross will sponsor a Project 39 Happy Hour. Your admission will be a box of diapers! More details to follow soon. Watch the bulletin!



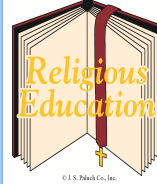
Track Our Progress!



Pledges



Contributions



NO CLASSES on Tuesday, April 15 due to Holy Week. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 22. If you have any questions, please call Karla Melgar at 381-2757 ext 140.



Save Money and Time!!!

Early Registration for Religious Education K - 12 grade March 25- May 6

Early registration will take place March 25- May 6. If you register before May 6, a **15% discount will be applied to registration fees paid in full at the time of registration.** Please register soon to hold your place! You may come to the Religious Education Office or call Karla Melgar at 913-381-2757 ext 140 or Maria Palazuelos ext 119 to register. **Forms are due by May 6 in order to receive the 15% discount.**



Summertime BLAST VBS Early Registration for VBS 2014 is Now Open!!!

Summer is just around the corner and that means it's time for Vacation Bible School! We will explore a special way to know Jesus in the Eucharist and our personal Mission.

**June 23-27
9:00 am - 12:00 noon**

Early Bird Cost (before May 24): \$ 30 - for 1 child
\$50 - for 2 children
\$70 - for 3 or more in same family
(Prices go up \$5 after May 24)

Deadline to register is June 2

For more information and forms, go to Faith Formation/Elementary at <http://holycrossopks.org/fait> or pick up forms outside Parish office.

Adult & Youth volunteers needed!
Call Karla Melgar 381-2757 ext 140

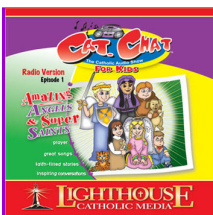


St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We will be serving pasta casserole, salad and dessert to those who are less fortunate on **Friday, April 18**. If you can make a casserole, please pick up a baking pan and the recipe which is provided in the narthex. Tomatoes, bags of green garden salad are needed too! Thanks to all those who help!

A Funeral Planning Workshop will be held on **Wed, April 30** in room 2. The same workshop will be offered at **9:45 am** and again at **7:00 pm**. Information and resources will be provided to help parishioners pre-plan a Wake Service and Funeral Mass for themselves or a loved one. To register for either the morning or evening session, call or email the church office with your name, address and daytime phone number at 913-381-2755 or churchoffice@holycrossopks.org.



Our parish is looking for a **wedding coordinator**. The position involves meeting with the couple to answer their questions about the ceremony, setting up and running the rehearsal, and coordinating the ceremony. It pays a stipend per wedding. For more information, contact the parish office at 381-2755.



Cat. Chat is a Catholic Audio Show for kids ages 3-11 to help them learn and love their Faith like never before! Using prayer, great conversations, faith-filled stories and catchy songs, each CD discusses the Catholic Faith while teaching kids powerful lessons for living out their Faith every day. Join Moses the Talking Cat, Papa, Josh, Hanna and friends for an unforgettable experience! Find this in the Lighthouse kiosk in the back of church.



Gift Bearers Needed: If your family would like to bring the gifts up during Mass, here's what you do - sign up on the form on the sacristy door and then let an usher know you have signed up. In this special ministry you represent the entire parish as we return to God a small part of the blessings that the Lord has given us.



ADORATION CHAPEL: OPEN HOURS: If you have committed to an hour in the chapel and are no longer able to keep that commitment, please let us know with a phone call to Anne at 913-649-2049. Many hours have not had a sign-in for several weeks. The Lord still waits!

Open Hours: Sun 2-3pm, 5-6pm;
Mon: 2-3am, 1-2pm, 2-3pm;
Thurs 2-3am, 3-4am;
Fri 1-2pm.



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!



Holy Cross parish is looking for a **music director**. This is a part-time position. This person will oversee the music for our liturgies. For a more complete job description, please contact the parish office.



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.**



Box Tops, Labels for Education and Best Choice UPCs: Please continue to save and drop off at the school or at church. Thanks for your continued support!

Can You Help? A missionary from Medical Missionaries of Mary will be visiting Holy Cross Church and speaking at all the Masses on **May 17 & 18**. This woman missionary is in need of housing for the night. Can you open your home for this missionary to spend the night with you? If so or for more info, please call the church office at 381-2755.



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:

Fr. Mike

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes 4/15, 6:00 p.m.: Ann Thoma
 Domingo 4/20, 1:00 p.m.: Luong Pham

LECTURAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: Domingo de Pascus
 Hechos 10:34a, 37-43; Colosenses 3:1-4; Juan 20:1-9

ATENCIÓN PADRES DE NIÑOS: *¡Ahorre tiempo y dinero inscribiendo anticipadamente a sus niños en las clases de Educación Religiosa, desde Kindergarten hasta el Grado 12, comenzando Marzo 25, 2014 hasta Mayo 6, 2014! ¡Inscriba a sus niños hoy y ahorre 15%! Este descuento se aplicará al costo total de las clases al momento de la inscripción, si es pagada en su totalidad.*

Favor de inscribir a sus niños lo antes posible, para asegurarles un lugar en las clase. Las formas de inscripción anticipadas para las clases de Otoño 2014, estarán disponibles en la oficina de Educación Religiosa, o pueden llamar a Karla Melgar, 381-2755, ext.140, ó a María Palazuelos, ext.119.

La fecha límite para entregar las formas de inscripción anticipadas y obtener el 15% de descuento, es Mayo 6, 2014.

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

NO habrán clases el Martes 12 de Abril debido a la preparacion de Semana Santa. **Regresamos a clases Martes 22 de Abril.**

FAMILIAS CRECIENDO JUNTAS EN LA FE:

Programa por la Noche. Y.II 6:45-8:15 pm **NO habrán clases** el Martes 15 de Abril debido a la preparacion de Semana Santa. **Regresamos a clases Martes 22 de Abril.** Llamar a Karla Melgar 381-2757 ext 140 o Maria Palazuelo st tienen preguntas.



ESCUELA DE BIBLIA DE VERANO (VBS): ¡Ya está abierta la inscripción temprana de VBS para el año 2014! El verano está al doblar la esquina y esto significa que es hora para la Escuela Bíblica de Verano. Acompáñenos desde Junio 23-27, de 9am-12pm., a través del programa de VBS, "Summer Blast". Vamos a explorar una forma especial de conocer a Jesús en la Eucaristía y nuestra misión personal.

¡Complete el formulario de inscripción hoy mismo! Estas formas se encuentran fuera de la oficina de la parroquia, en el vestíbulo, o pueden ser impresos desde el sitio Web. La inscripción temprana tiene el siguiente costo: \$30/un niño, \$50/dos niños y \$70/tres niños o más en la misma familia. Después de Mayo 24, el costo será de \$5 adicionales a todos los grupos. Fecha límite para inscribirse es Junio 2, 2014. Para más información y los formularios, vaya a <http://holycrossopks.org/faith> página de /elemental.formación. Todavía se necesitan voluntarios adultos y jóvenes, a partir del 5º grado. Para más información llamen a Karla Melgar, 381-2755 ext.140.

MINISTERIO DE JÓVENES:

Para preguntas, llamen o text a Sandy, 205-0825, sschluter@holycrossopks.org. No se olviden de visitar 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!**

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.

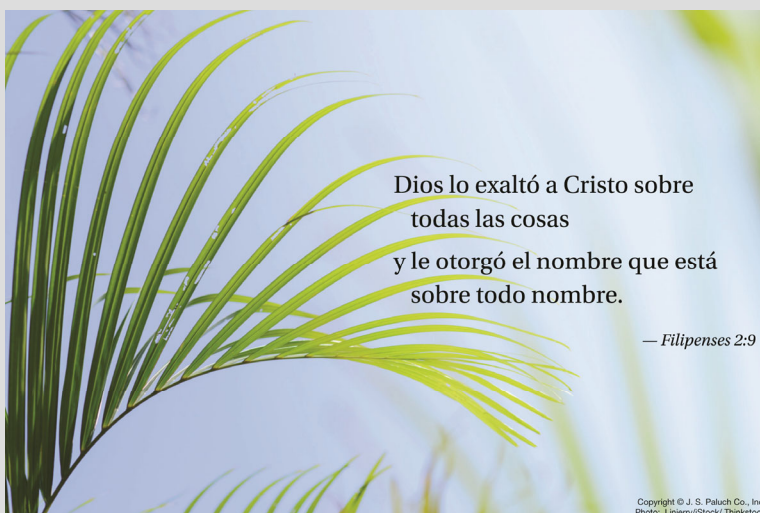
Fechas: Abril 5: Santa Catarina, Emporia, KS y **Junio 21:** San Pablo, Olathe, KS

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.



Dios lo exaltó a Cristo sobre todas las cosas y le otorgó el nombre que está sobre todo nombre.

— Filipenses 2:9

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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