

Church of The Holy Cross

8311 W. 93rd St.
Overland Park, Kansas 66212
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E-Mail: churchoffice@holycrossopks.org
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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.

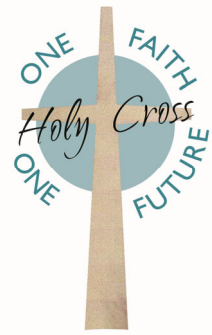
BAPTISMS: Usually the 4th weekend of the month during 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. (Parent classes are every other month.)

Contact the office to confirm times and to register.

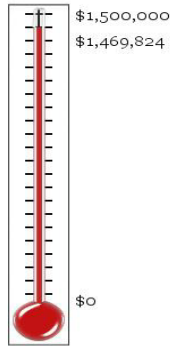
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Mon.—Thurs. 8:30 to 5:00 p.m. & Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

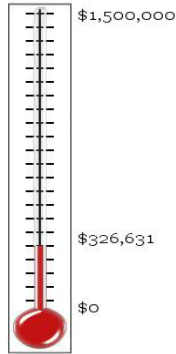
PREGNANT? NEED HELP? All calls confidential. Gabriel Project, 913-602-0306



Track Our Progress!



Pledges



Contributions

Stewardship Reflection May 4, 2014

But the travelers urged Jesus strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. Luke 24:29-31

The two travelers on the road to Emmaus failed to recognize the risen Jesus until he ate with them and blessed the bread. Our sharing in the Eucharist can open our eyes too, to see the many ways that Jesus is present in our world. May the Communion that we receive at Mass remind us to keep our eyes open and our generous spirits alert.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Financial Update

Monday	
9:00 a.m.	Keith Kwapiszeski
Tuesday	
6:30 a.m.	Spec Int - Rosie Schmitt
8:15 a.m.	Felipe Rangel (at school)
6:00 p.m.	Jesus Zamarron (Spanish)
Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	Spec Int - Richard LaRoca
Thursday	
6:30 a.m.	Pedro Antonio
8:15 a.m.	Kevin Haeusser (at school)
Friday	
9:00 a.m.	3rd degree Team - Knights of Columbus
Saturday	
7:30 a.m.	No Mass
5:00 p.m.	Anna Nguyen Thi Dao
Sunday	
7:30 a.m.	Bunny Goetz Ingalls
9:00 a.m.	Spec Int - Bill & Brigid Burgett
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
1:00 p.m.	Buoi Mai (Spanish)

	April 27	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$27,108	\$1,208,974
Weekly Offering Received	27,116	1,178,363
Over/(Under)	8	(30,611)
Special Donations	259	46,825
Restricted Assets as of March 31	Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$77,852	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$34,548	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$278,621	
Liabilities as of March 31	Calculated Monthly	
Current—Archdiocese of KCKS	\$200,897	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$463,702	

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!

Wednesday Confessions: Due to activities at Church, we will not have confessions on the following Wednesdays in May:
 May 7
 May 14
 May 21
 Confessions will resume on Wed, May 28 at 5:30.



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 4th Sunday of Easter: Acts: 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10: 1-10.



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Mary Cerkey, Debbie Davis, Joey DeCelles, John Kennedy, Joe Scaletty and Tami.



Women of Holy Cross is sponsoring a "Project 39" Happy Hour on **Thurs, May 8 from 5-7 pm** in Lickteig Hall. Project 39 was created by a group of women three years ago with the goal of making a difference in the community and a focus of helping mothers in need of the basic essentials. We are joining with over 70 Happy Hours across the area to give items to the Family Conservancy in Kansas City KS. Your admission is either diapers, diaper wipes, laundry detergent, books or clothing. Please join us for wine and appetizers! To make reservations, call Lynn 649-4178 or Margi 381-8145.



Bunko Party: All women of Holy Cross are invited to join us in a fun evening, **Mon, May 12 at 7:00pm** in the church hall for Bunko, refreshments and prizes. Please RSVP to Kathleen Dickinson 642-1171 or Joann 642-5966 so that we know how many tables to set up. There will be a \$3.00 charge at the door.



The Book Discussion Group will meet on **Tues., May 6, 9:30 am**, in Room 1. The book will be *Once An Arafat Man* by Tass Saada.

Change in Mass Stipend

For a great many years the customary Mass stipend in the Province of Kansas City in Kansas (the four dioceses within the state of Kansas) has been \$5. The bishops of each province determine the amount of the Mass stipend. On Jan 17, 2014 during our provincial meeting, we, the bishops of Kansas, decided to designate the customary Mass stipend within Kansas to be \$10 as of May 1, 2014. This brings the ordinary stipend amount into conformity with many dioceses around us.



Now Enrolling- Holy Cross Catholic School is now enrolling! We provide our students with a high quality education and a Christ-centered approach to the world community. Average class size is 18. Contact Allison Carney at 913-381-7408 or acarney@holycrosscatholicschool.com with questions or to schedule a tour.

It's Time to Update Your Membership Information

Does our church database have your family membership record correct? Have there been any changes, additions or deletions that may have occurred this past year? Have you changed your phone number or dropped your land line? Do we have your mobile number and email address? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record?

Here is your chance to update your record for our annual Directory, which is being published by Guide Book Publishing. Please let us know now, so that the information in the upcoming Directory is correct. We need all our information updated by mid-June. You can contact the parish office at (913) 381-2755 or churchoffice@holycrossopks.org. Thanks for your help!



Abrahamic Dinner is coming to Holy Cross on **Wed, May 21 at 6:00 pm** in the church hall. This is a gathering to promote open dialogue and understanding among Christians, Jews and Muslim. The night will include dinner and a panel presentation by representative of Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths about *The Role of Scripture in Our Lives*. This is a **FREE** event but registration is required. Call the office at 381-2755 to register.

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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**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.

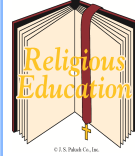
**June 23-27
9:00 am - 12:00 noon**

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/faith> or pick up forms outside Parish office.

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



We will meet **Tues May 6** from 4:30-5:45 pm. This is our last class for the year!
Parents - if you would like to send a treat for your child's class, you are welcome to do it. Remember, this is the last day to enroll for next year in order to get the 15% discount. If your child will be absent 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.**



Rummage Sale: Mark your calendars for the first annual **Holy Cross Catholic School** rummage sale on **May 30 & 31** at the school. Please keep us in mind while you are spring cleaning. Info - Marie Jareczek 515-8990.

**Deepen Your Prayer Experience
with Ignatian Spirituality**

Would you like to learn more about the spirituality that Pope Francis was trained in? Then you will want to know more about St. Ignatius Loyola and his Spiritual Exercises. Have you ever contemplated making The Spiritual Exercises yourself? Then plan to join Fr. Jim Blumeyer, S.J., on Monday, May 19, 7:00 p.m., in Room 1 here at Holy Cross for an evening of prayer and reflection. You'll learn a bit about St. Ignatius of Loyola, experience an Ignatian prayer exercise and learn more about making the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life. The event is free and no RSVPs are required. Questions? Email info@ignatiancenterkc.org.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION!

Over the next several Sunday Masses, over eighty-three children of our parish will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time! We pray that they will always recognize the presence of the Risen Christ in the Eucharist and that this sharing of His Body and Blood will strengthen them to be Jesus' hands and feet on earth and to live in unity with one another. Congratulations! Our thanks to the parents and teachers of our First Communicants, as well as to our parish community, who have nurtured them to this special day in their faith journey. You are a living example of Eucharist!



Congratulations to the following children who received their First Communion last Sunday: Jane Conner, Kaelyn Schroeder and Jake Sheeley



Holy Hour for Vocations will be held **Monday , May 12 at 7:00 pm** in the church. Come join us for a prayer service for vocations led by Fr. Mike.

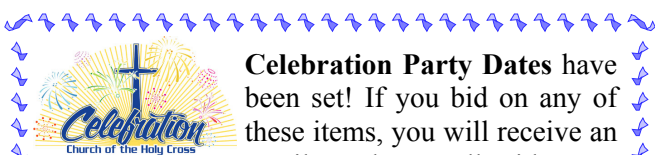


Confirmation

Confirmation will be celebrated at Holy Cross on **Wed, May 7** at 7:00 pm. Abbot James Albers will be the celebrant. We have 85 students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers during this time of preparation.



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.



Celebration Party Dates have been set! If you bid on any of these items, you will receive an email or phone call with more details from the hosts.

Martini Party : Sat, May 31 at 6:30 pm
Heap's Residence
11206 Rosewood St.
Leawood, KS 66211

If you did not bid on the Martini Party but would like to attend, contact Laurie Heap 913-515-5093 or ljheap@yahoo.com

Pig Roast: Sat, June 14

Progressive Party: Sat, July 12



The Medical Missionaries of Mary is an international congregation of Women Religious who are coming to Holy Cross on **May 17-18** to invite us to support their missionary work. Their Associate Connie Saldivar will be talking to us at all the Masses about their work in Africa and Latin America. They provide health care as doctors, nurses, surgeons, midwives, social workers and more. Care is provided to all who seek it. Visit their website at www.mmmusa.org for more info.



ADORATION CHAPEL: OPEN HOURS:

Open Hours: Sun 2-3pm, 5-6pm;
Mon: 2-3am, 1-2pm, 2-3pm; 5-6pm
Thurs: 2-3am, 3-4am;
Fri: 12-1am, 1-2pm.

We have several new open hours due to parishioners moving. Can you help? The Lord should never be left alone! Call Anne to sign up at 649-2049



Catholic Charities: We donated **93 bags** of groceries to Catholic Charities in April! The **Monthly Food Collection** for Catholic Charities is held the **last Sunday** of each month. The next collection will be **Sun, May 25**. Your donations are greatly appreciated!



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We served **400** dinners to those less fortunate on **April 18**. Thank you to everyone who provided food, helped serve and gave monetary donations.



Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers for the **Friendly Visitors Program**. Friendly Visitor's volunteers enjoy one-on-one relationships and helping participants renew their sense of personal worth and ease loneliness. Volunteers help with social calls, home visits, local transportation and "Ring-A-Day" calls (Daily calls function as a safety check, and also reminders to take medications.) For more info or to volunteer contact Betsy at 913-433-2015 or bholzworth@catholiccharitiesks.org



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FATHER ANTHONY J. LICKTEIG will be feted for **60** years of priestly service on **Sunday, June 1, 2014**. Father Tony will celebrate a special **Mass of Thanksgiving at 1 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church** in

Overland Park to be followed by a banquet in his honor at 3:30pm. The festivities are open to all his friends and clergy whom he has served these many years. Reservations for dinner are required by May 15th, and will be limited to adults only because of space limitations. Please call the church office at 913-492-7318 or email rsvp@hscatholic.org.



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.**



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”

EN LA ESCUELA CON JESÚS, por el Padre Oscar Garavito:

Viendo la sed de tantos hermanos nuestros por seguir a Jesús camino, verdad y vida, me he lanzado a escribir cada ocho días, en nuestro boletín de la Parroquia de la Santa Cris (Holy Cross), tan leído por todos nuestros fieles Católicos de Kansas.

A mis hermanos lectores, los felicito desde ya por querer seguir en la escuela de Jesús. He titulado así este artículo, porque todos los días tenemos que aprender y enseñar. La educación es un deber y un derecho, por eso nos adentramos en la formación de nuestra fe, dar razón: ¿en quién creemos?, ¿por qué creemos? y ¿para qué creemos? Mi *objetivo principal* es que nuestro *Señor Jesucristo sea conocido, amado y seguido*, en los diferentes ambientes y culturas de nuestra sociedad. Todo discípulo hace bien la tarea y nuestra tarea es **EVANGELIZAR**.

“UNIDOS EN CRISTO”

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS: Martes 5/6, 6:00 p.m.: Jesús Zamarrón
Domingo 5/11, 1:00 p.m.: Buoi Mai

LECTURAS PARA COMPARTIR LA FE: IV Domingo de Pascua

Hechos 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Pedro 2:20b-25; Juan 10:1-10

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA:

1er Año - Clases de la Tarde, 4:30-5:45pm.: Nos reuniremos de nuevo el martes 6 de Mayo, en el sótano de la iglesia. **Es nuestra ÚLTIMA clase del año.** Padres de familias, si desean enviar alguna pequeña merienda para la clase de sus hijos, pueden hacerlo.

Recuerden: El último día para inscribir a sus hijos en las clases de Educación Religiosa 2014-2015 y obtener el descuento del 15%, es **Mayo 6, 2014**. Si tienen preguntas, llamen a Karla Melgar, 381-2755, xt.140, o María Palazuelos, xt.119.

Hemos empezado nuestras Misas de Primera Comunión: ¡Más de 83 niños y jóvenes de nuestra parroquia recibirán a Jesús en la sagrada Comunión por primera vez! Oremos para que siempre reconozcan la presencia de Cristo Resucitado en la Eucaristía y que este intercambio de su Cuerpo y su Sangre los fortalezca para ser las manos y pies de Jesús en la Tierra y a vivir en unidad los unos con los otros. ¡Felicidades a todos! Nuestro agradecimiento a los padres y maestros de nuestra Primera Comunión, así como a nuestra comunidad parroquial, que los acompañan en su caminar en la fe en este día tan especial. ¡Todos son un ejemplo vivo de la Eucaristía!

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 ayudar en VBS. Para más información llamen a Karla Melgar, 381-2755 ext.140.

RICA: Si estás interesado(a) en aprender más sobre RICA, las clases empiezan el 1° de Octubre, 2014. Los días miércoles de 7-8:45pm., en el salón #1, del hall de la parroquia.

¡Te esperamos! ¡Ven y conoce más acerca de tu fe Católica!

Atención: A partir de Mayo 1°, 2014, el costo para apartar una Misa será de \$10. Los obispos de las cuatro Provincias de Kansas, han designado este aumento. Ésto trae este costo ordinario a una conformidad con muchas diócesis alrededor nuestro.

Misa Pro-Vida en español: Será el sábado, Mayo 10, 9:30am., en la iglesia de San Cirilo y Metodio, 44 N.Mill, KCK. Terminando la Misa habrá una breve procesión con el rezo del Rosario por las calles aledañas.

Retiro para Quinceañeras: El Ministerio Hispano anuncia el próximo Retiro para jovencitas, Mayo 31 y Junio 1, 2014. Se celebrará en Holy Cross. Para inscribirse, llamen a Holy Cross, 381-2755, durante las horas de Español, o al Ministerio Hispano, 281-6644.

Retiro Pre-Matrimonial y de Convalidación: Este próximo Retiro para parejas se llevará a cabo, Junio 7-8, 2014, en Holy Cross. Para inscribirse, llamen a Holy Cross, 281-2755, durante las horas de Español, o al Ministerio Hispano, 281-6644.

Cursillos de Cristiandad anuncian: Retiro para mujeres mayores de 18 años. Junio 26-29, 2014, en el Centro del Salvador del Mundo. Se precisa que se inscriban con tiempo. Llamen al Ministerio Hispano, 281-6644.

Retiro de IMPACTOS: IMPACTO anuncia el Retiro Familiar para el fin de semana Junio 14-15, en el Centro Salvador del Mundo. Para más información, llame a Mario y Rosalía, 913/831-6499.

Misa Pro-Vida: La Misa anual en Español será el sábado, Mayo 10, 9:30am., en San Cirilo y Metodio (44 N: Mill, KCK). Terminando la misa habrá una breve procesión con el rezo del Rosario por las calles cercanas.

Proyecto Raquel y José en Holy Cross, O.P.: Esto es un grupo de apoyo para personas que hayan perdido un ser querido: bebé, papá, mamá, por accidente o enfermedad, parto prematuro o aborto. Será en el sótano de la Casa Parroquial de la Iglesia Holy Cross, 8311 W. 93rd St., OP,KS 66212, todos los lunes, 7-9pm., empezando Mayo 10 y terminando el 21 de Julio. Coordinadora Ludys Velázquez, 913/748-1836.

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