

# 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**  
**Parochial Vicar and Coordinator of**  
**Hispanic Ministry for Johnson County:**  
**Rev. Oswaldo Sandoval**  
**Rectory: 341-5618**

## PARISH STAFF

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

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

## Youth Ministries: 205-0825

Director: Sandy Schluter

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## Holy Cross Catholic School

8101 W. 95th St. 66212  
School Office: 381-7408  
E-Mail: [gradeschool@holycrosscatholicschool.com](mailto:gradeschool@holycrosscatholicschool.com)  
Principal: Allison Carney  
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## Early Education Center: 381-7151

7917 W 95th St. 66212  
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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. | 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



**It's not too late!** You can still turn in your *Time & Talent Survey* as well as the *Annual Appeal Commitment Card*. Just drop it off in the basket in the narthex or mail it to the church office. Thank you to all those who have already turned them in!

### Mass Intentions



<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Douglas Roth
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Dick Obert
	8:15 a.m.	Bill Stuhlsatz (at school)
	6:00 p.m.	Rosa & Joseph Pham (Spanish)
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Cheri Burchett
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Joe Highland
	8:15 a.m.	Walter Fabry (at school)
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Clarence Stegeman
<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Anne & Michael Polacek
	5:00 p.m.	Jose & Balbina Porras Family
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 a.m.	Barbara Madden
	9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
	11:00 a.m.	Michael Drinane
	1:00 p.m.	Jean Davis (Spanish)



**Mass on Thanksgiving Day** will be at **9:00 am**. There will be **no 6:30 am Mass**.



**Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:** Chip Ahern, Mary Lou Albaugh, Pat Fracol, Nicole Gruber, Carmen Jasahui, Pam Koscielny, Samantha Marcellus, Frank Pikus, Floreine Sanderson, Doug Tillet, Hazel Vogel, and Tami.

### Stewardship Reflection November 16, 2014

Jesus said, "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability." Matthew 25:14-15

Although the talent's original meaning in this parable was of a certain weight of money, in our time talent means a gift or skill. Both meanings work for us stewards. By God's generosity we have received our intelligence, our upbringing, our schooling, our job opportunities ... and we have received the results of all that, the income we need to sustain our lives. As we have received, so let us give to others.

### Financial Update

	Nov 9	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$25,933	\$498,376
Weekly Offering Received	27,117	509,308
Over/(Under)	1,184	10,932
Special Donations	378	14,770
Restricted Assets as of Oct 31	Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,339	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,153	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$464,604	
Liabilities as of Oct 31	Calculated Monthly	
Current—Archdiocese of KCKS	\$234,616	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$446,422	

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:

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe:**  
Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17;

1 Corinthians 15:20-26-,28; Matthew 25:31-46



Due to the holidays, the **deadline** for **announcements** for the **11/23 and 11/30** bulletin will be this Tuesday, **Nov 18 at 9:00 am**. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Morris 381-2755.



**St. Mary's Food Kitchen:** We will be serving pasta casserole, salad and dessert to those who are less fortunate on **Friday, Nov 21**. 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!



**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.



**Thanksgiving Pies Needed:** Holy Cross brings the pies for the Thanksgiving meal served at St. Mary's Kitchen. If you can provide a pie, please bring it to Holy Cross Church either **Wed, Nov 26** (put them in the fridge in kitchen) or **before 9:00 am on Thus, Nov 27**. Questions call Nadine Swanson, 888-6025 or Wayne Guelbert, 492-1857



### Thanksgiving Turkey Drive Can You Help?

In place of our regular food collection for the Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Center, Holy Cross will be collecting **FROZEN TURKEYS** for the Food Pantry on the weekend of Nov. 22/23. Rather than shop for groceries, please purchase one frozen turkey. Simply place it in the designated container, located in the narthex, when you come to Mass. We can only accept frozen turkeys after the Masses that weekend. In gratitude, let us share our abundance with others.

**Community Thanksgiving Service**



Join us for a multicultural, ecumenical service to give thanks to God for our many blessings!

Date: **Sun. November 23**  
Time: **7:00 pm**  
Location: **Holy Cross Church**

Service includes:  
Holy Cross Catholic Church  
Valley View United Methodist Church

**HELP US GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS!**

Once again this year, we want to make sure that every Holy Cross family member has a gift to open and a meal to enjoy this Christmas. **Do you know someone in our parish, who will need assistance this Christmas?** Please call the Church Office right away and let us know even if that someone is you. All information will be held in confidence. Families or individuals who are not Holy Cross parishioners will be referred to Catholic Charities. We will provide assistance based on the information relayed back to us and available resources. Watch for more information about St. Benedict Circle's *Angel Tree*.

**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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## SCHOOL NEWS



**See it. Clip it. Earn!** Thank you to all who sent in Box Tops for Education in October. Our goal was 4,300 Box Tops and we collected 4,360! **Do you shop at Price**

**Chopper?** One more way to support our wonderful school is through **Best Choice UPC Labels** found at Price Chopper. These earn \$.03 for Holy Cross School. Any Best Choice UPC Labels turned in by **Dec. 9th** count towards the check the school receives in January. Please help by remembering to turn in your Box Tops to a Holy Cross student or drop them by the church office or school office. As always, we gratefully collect Labels for Education, Best Choice UPC Labels and Box Tops for Education. **Thank you for your generosity!**

The **Holy Cross Vocation Club** meets once per month under the direction of Mrs. Carney and Miss Dellasega. Students traveled to Atchison last month to visit Benedictine Abbey and learn about the life of a monk. Students in grades fifth through eighth grade are encouraged to join the club.



Join us for our monthly **all school rosary on November 24<sup>th</sup>**. Mrs. Kroge's fifth grade students will lead. The rosary begins promptly at 8:15 AM in the school gym.

**Grandparents Day** is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**. We will begin with mass at 9:00 AM. Grandparents are encouraged to come to the school after mass to visit classrooms and learn about the day in the life of a Holy Cross Catholic School student.



## Religious Education Information

Children in Year 1 program and Initiated will learn about "Jesus Our Lord and Savior." Children in 2nd year sacramental preparation will continue the First Reconciliation classes and learn how to "Know Jesus as a Friend". If you have any questions, contact Karla Melgar at 913-381-2757 ext 140. Remember if your child will be absent, please contact us.



## Confirmation Information

**Confirmation Candidate/ Sponsor** session for all 8<sup>th</sup> grade and high school students who will be confirmed this Spring takes place **Sunday, Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 3:30 to 5pm in the church hall. Students and sponsors who cannot attend this date can attend a second date scheduled for Sat, Jan 11<sup>th</sup>. We will be covering what sponsors can do to share their faith experiences to help our candidates prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

## Youth Ministry Here's What's Happening

### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders...

Monday evenings at 7pm is YOUR time at Holy Cross. We play games, have a snack, share prayer, and gather in God's name for some fun. Bring a friend. We meet from 7 pm to 8:30 pm downstairs in the youth room. Our November meeting dates are Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>.

**High School Youth Group...** High Schoolers meet Wed evenings from 7:00 to 8:45pm to share an evening of faith, fun, food, and friends. Our November dates are Nov 19<sup>th</sup>. We will not meet on the 26<sup>th</sup>, which is the day before Thanksgiving. All high school students are invited to attend and can come at any time. We meet in the youth room.

Any questions about either group, contact Sandy at 205-0825.



**Mission Trip 2015...** Our destination for the summer of 2015 is Colorado Springs, CO. We will still be working with Catholic Heart Workcamp, but this will be an experience like none other. While some will be helping individuals with home repairs, the majority of our group will be working in the mountains and forests with land restoration projects necessary due to deadly forest fires and a flood in the last 2 years. The dates of this trip are June 27 to July 6. For our free day, we will be taking the COG railway up Pikes Peak. The total cost for the trip (including free day activity) is \$480. The nonrefundable deposit to hold your spot is \$100. Registration sheet and info can be found on the bulletin board downstairs or under Faith Formation. Feel free to contact Sandy with any questions, 205-0825



### ADORATION CHAPEL

#### Open Hours:

Sun: 4-5 am, 2-3pm;

Mon: 2-3am, 8-9am 1-2pm

Wed: 3-4 am

If you are unable to keep your commitment, please obtain a sub from the list in the chapel.



### Celebration: Our Parish's Largest Fundraiser

#### Celebration 2015 Early Bird Special!



Celebration tickets are now on sale!  
**Early Bird ticket price is \$40 per person if purchased before Dec 13.**

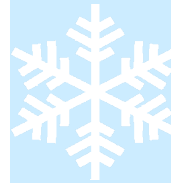
This is a savings of \$10 a ticket or \$20 a couple! Tickets can be purchased at Holy Cross School or call Brandy Carroll-Garcia at 816-835-8898 for more information.

#### Silent Auction

Silent Auction is part of the event with various rooms setup with different themes (Ladies, Men, Kids, Sporting Goods, Home & Garden, etc.) To support the Silent Auction we have the **Giving Tree** that will be at the church narthex and school office. Please take a leaf from the Giving Tree and bring your unwrapped donation to the church or school. The Giving Tree is meant to give ideas, but feel free to solicit a service from a business that isn't on the tree. Tax deductible donation forms are available at the church and school. Questions? Patricia Mosquera 816-651-7515 or esthelita2000@yahoo.com



**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion training** will be **Wed. Nov. 19** from 7-8pm in the Church. This will be a general training session for novices and a refresher for those who would like to be retrained. Call Terry Dressman 913-599-4725 with questions. All are welcome!



### 30th Annual Viviano Variety Benefit Show

This year's show benefits the Don Bosco Center. It will be on **Sat, Nov 22** at the Rockhurt Rose Theatre, 9301 State Line Rd. Dinner begins at 4:30 pm with the show starting at 7:00 pm. Dinner is a delicious Italian buffet of pasta, meat sauce, chicken, salad, garlic bread and dessert. Tickets are \$25 for open seating and \$35 for reserve. Tickets are available at Holy Cross Church office or by calling the Don Bosco Center at 816-691-2807.

The Serra Club of Kansas City in Kansas, a part of Serra International, is seeking members in our parish to join us in our ministry of promoting vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life. There are now almost twenty parish members who are members of our club. In addition to our primary ministry, Serra also supports the growth of our Catholic faith in all Serrans. If you would like more information about who we are and what we do, please contact Paul Scaletty at 488-5558 or Jim Wilson at 381-2781



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### Holy Cross, Whole Foods and Christmas Trees!

This holiday season when you purchase your Christmas tree at Whole Foods on 91st & Metcalf, they will make a donation to Holy Cross. Just show the cashier a copy of the bulletin when checking out and you are done! It's that easy. Whole Foods has fresh cut Fraser Fir trees for \$49.99 each before tax. You can purchase Whole Food script from the school office or after Sunday Masses to buy your tree and Holy Cross benefits from that too!



**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.**

# Encuentro

La Iglesia Holy Cross es una comunidad diversa y acogedora, unida en la fe Católica y comprometida en formar a la gente en la imagen de Cristo, para servir mejor al Señor y al prójimo.

## 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 a.m. y 11a.m.  
Los invitamos a todos a participar de cualquiera de estas liturgias.

## RECONCILIACIÓN EN ESPAÑOL:

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, durante el horario en español.

**SERVICIOS EN ESPAÑOL:** Para hablar en español, llamen a la oficina de la iglesia, **381-2755**: martes, 2-6pm., miércoles y jueves, 2-5pm.

## INTENCIONES DE LA MISA



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Martes 11/18, 6:00 p.m.:  
Rosa and Joseph Pham  
Domingo 11/23, 1:00 p.m.:  
Jean Davis



**¡Mírelo. Córdelo. Gane dinero!**  
Muchas gracias a todos los que nos mandaron en Octubre, Tapas y Sellos para la Educación. La meta eran 4300 tapas y recaudamos 4360.  
**¡Fabuloso trabajo!**

**¡Compran ustedes en Price Chopper?** Otra manera de ayudar a nuestra querida escuela es a través de los sellos UPC de los productos de Best Choice, encontrados en Price Chopper. Estos sellos valen \$.03 para la Escuela Holy Cross. Cada sello que nos manden hasta el **9 de Diciembre**, cuentan para el cheque que recibe la escuela en Enero, 2015. Pueden mandarlos con los estudiantes a la escuela o la oficina.  
**¡Gracias por su generosidad!**

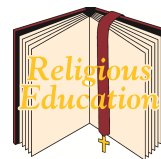


**LECTURAS PARACOMPARTIR LA FE:**  
11/23/14: *Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo*

Ezequiel 34:11-12, 15-17;  
1 Corintios 15:20-26, 28; Mateo 25:31-46



**M i s a d e Thanksgiving:** La Misa de Acción de Gracias este año, se celebrará en **inglés, a las 9am., el jueves, 27 de Noviembre.** Todos serán bienvenidos.



## EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

**Programa de la Tarde(4:30-5:45pm)** Los niños en el 1er año del programa continuarán con la Unidad N°2, "Jesús Nuestro Dios y Salvador" y van a trabajar en la sesión N°9. Si tienen preguntas o si necesita reportar que su niño estará ausente, favor de llamar a Karla Melgar, 913/381-2755, ext. 140.

**Programa Familiar (6:40-8:15pm)** El Programa de Catequesis Familiar va a empezar *las clases sobre el Sacramento de la Primera Reconciliación.* Van a estar conociendo más a "Jesús con un Amigo", en la lección N°2. Si tienen preguntas o si necesita reportar que su niño estará ausente, favor de llamar a Karla Melgar, 913/381-2755, ext. 140.

**"Si oramos, creemos; si creemos, amamos; si amamos, servimos".** Madre Teresa.



**Reserven esta fecha para "CELEBRATION", nuestro mayor evento para recaudar fondos para nuestra parroquia:**

Todos los años tenemos esta muy divertida fiesta con el propósito de recaudar fondos para la iglesia. Se llevará a cabo en el **Centro de Actividades Parroquial de Holy Cross, el sábado 24 de Enero, 2015, de 5pm-1am.** Vengan todos a divertirse, ayudando a nuestra parroquia. Tendremos comidas, bebidas, diversiones y baile. ¡No se lo pierdan!



**Ministerio de Jóvenes:** Sandy Schluter, 205-0825, [sschluter@holycrossopks.org](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org). Para preguntas sobre Escuelas Intermedia y Superior, comuníquense con Sandy Schluter. Verifiquen los eventos en nuestro Facebook, añadiendo a Sandra K Schluter.

**Estudiantes de Escuela Superior:** Nos reuniremos en la Iglesia. Dejen la luz de Cristo iluminar a través de ustedes compartiendo su fe con otros, identificando la presencia de Dios en sus vidas. Verifiquen los eventos en nuestro Facebook, añadiendo a Sandra K. Schluter.

**Sesión para Candidatos de Confirmación y sus Padrinos:** Esta sesión es para todos los estudiantes de 8° Grado y de High School, quienes serán confirmados en la Primavera, 2015. Se llevará a cabo el **domingo, 23 de Noviembre, 3:30-5pm.** Habrá otra sesión, **sábado 11 de Enero, 2015**, para aquellos estudiantes y padrinos que no puedan asistir en Nov. Cubriremos lo que pueden hacer los padrinos para compartir sus experiencias en la fe, para ayudar a los candidatos a prepararse a recibir el sacramento de la Confirmación.

### **Reflexiones del Servicio Cristiano, 11/16/15**

Jesús dijo: "Un hombre que, estando a punto de irse a otro país, llamó a sus empleados y les encargó que cuidaran su dinero. A uno de ellos le entregó 5000 monedas, a otro dos mil y a otro mil. A cada uno según su capacidad. Entonces se fue de viaje." *Mateo 25:14-15*

Aunque en esta parábola, el significado original de talento fue cierto peso de dinero, en nuestro tiempo, talento significa un regalo o habilidad. Los dos significados trabajan para nosotros los servidores. Por la generosidad de Dios hemos recibido nuestra inteligencia, educación, oportunidades de trabajo, etc., y también hemos recibido los resultados de todo esto, el ingreso que necesitamos para sostener nuestras vidas. Así como hemos recibido, así debemos de dar a los demás.



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### **¡Ayúdenos a prepararnos para la Navidad!**

Una vez más, este año queremos asegurarnos que todas las familias de Holy Cross y sus miembros, tengan un regalo que abrir y comida para preparar una cena estas Navidades. **¿Sabén de alguien en nuestra parroquia, que necesite asistencia estas Navidades?** Favor de llamar a la oficina de la iglesia lo antes posible, aunque sea usted mismo. Toda información será confidencial. Familias o individuos que no son miembros de Holy Cross, serán referidos a Catholic Charities. Proveremos asistencia de acuerdo a la información que recibimos de ustedes y los fondos que recibamos. Más información seguirá luego, sobre *El Árbol de los Ángeles*, del Círculo de San Benedicto.