

# 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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se encuentra en la página 7.

## Holy Cross Catholic School

8101 W. 95th St. 66212  
School Office: 381-7408  
E-Mail: [gradeschool@holycrosscatholicsschool.com](mailto:gradeschool@holycrosscatholicsschool.com)  
Principal: Allison Carney  
Secretaries: Anita Lemmon & Martha Beisser

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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.

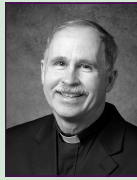
**MARRIAGES:** Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

**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

Dear Parishioners,

The Archbishop's visit to our parish went very well. In the meeting with him, several parishioners presented reports on how Holy Cross is responding to the Five Priorities of the Archdiocese: Conversion, Evangelization, Faith Formation, Stewardship and Outreach to The Needy. The reports supply a great of detail concerning our parish's efforts in those areas. We have posted the reports on the parish website for you to read as well.



Fr. Mike

*Stewardship Reflection*     *January 25, 2015*

*As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people."* Mark 1:16-17

Each of us is likewise invited to fish for people. One way to do this is to care for others, in other words, to be a steward, a care-giver. We are invited to reach out a hand of welcome, of support, of grace, of respect. Sometimes this means financial support; sometimes it simply means a voice of encouragement.

**Mass Intentions**



<b>Monday</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Maria Martinez
<b>Tuesday</b>	
6:30 a.m.	Leonard Joseph Conrick
6:00 p.m.	Spec Int- James Conroy (Spanish)
<b>Wednesday</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Christian Watson
<b>Thursday</b>	
6:30 a.m.	Albert Schreiner
<b>Friday</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Mary Ann Bockelman
<b>Saturday</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Villaning Requidan
5:00 p.m.	Spec Int-Hazel & George Vogel, Sr.
<b>Sunday</b>	
7:30 a.m.	Juan Vidovic
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	Cady Housch
1:00 p.m.	Ken Voorhes (Spanish)

**Financial Update**

	Jan 18	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$25,450	\$801,445
Weekly Offering Received	25,190	802,734
Over/(Under)	(260)	1,289
Special Donations	568	20,432
Restricted Assets as of Dec 31	Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,017	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,012	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$358,913	
Long Term Liabilities as of Dec 31	Calculated Monthly	
Unpaid Debt—Archdiocese of KCKS	\$ 0	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$440,521	

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."

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time:**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28



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



**Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:**

Lew Anderson, John Manning, Rickey Payne, Tami and George Vogel.



**Palms:** Do you have any old palms at home? Please bring them to church and put in the basket in the Narthex. These will be used for the ashes on Ash Wednesday, Feb 18. **Last day to turn in palms is Mon, Feb 9.**

**Parish**  
  
**Retreat**  
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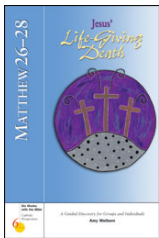
In preparation for Lent, Holy Cross is offering a pre-Lenten Retreat

**“The Pascal Mystery: Death & Resurrection”**

**Feb 14 – 8:00am-1:30pm**  
**7:30am Mass Optional**

Two talks given by guest speakers  
 Time for reflection & discussion  
 Reconciliation Service  
 Lunch  
 \$5 donation

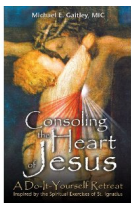
To sign up call the Parish office at 381-2755



*Six Weeks With the Bible* is coming to Holy Cross again! We will be studying **Matthew 26-28: Jesus’s Life-Giving Death**. Groups will start meeting the week of Feb 15. Look in the bulletin today for an insert to sign up for a group. **Deadline to sign up is Mon, Feb 2.**



**Sunshine Club Breakfast Meeting**  
 We will meet on **Sunday, Feb 1** in Lickteig Hall after 7:30 am Mass.  
 New members welcome!



Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat- a wonderful way to start 2015. Small group started Jan 22 for 10 weeks-- you can join us at any time on Thur evenings, 7-8:30 pm. OR order your book and workbook and do the retreat yourself or with a small group of your own. (It can also be done as a weekend retreat) Call Brenda Scruggs 913-302-8430 for details or questions!

**Funeral Planning Workshop**

Sessions are forming! Information and resources will be provided to help parishioners pre-plan a Wake Service and Funeral Mass for themselves or a loved one. For more information on when sessions are available or to sign up contact Bill O’Neill at 913-888-1932



Today, we will take up the **Collection for the Church in Latin America**. Your gifts to the collection will fund catechesis, marriage and family programs, and seminarian education in Latin America and the Caribbean. The support you give today will provide opportunities for years to come. Please support the Church in Latin America and be generous in today’s collection.

**Rediscover Catholicism**

“That morning I came to the church and with a simple prayer in my heart, I looked up toward the tabernacle and began to explain, *God, I’ve got this problem...This is the situation...These are the circumstances...* Then I stumbled onto the question that would change my life forever: *God, what do you think I should do?* With that question my life began to change. *God, what do you think I should do?* Rediscover Catholicism (p175)



**SYMBOLON - Adult Faith Formation** - available to every member of the parish 24/7 -- on your computer, i-phone, or i-pad. Great videos!!! You'll love them. Go to the Holy Cross website, [www.holycrossopks.org](http://www.holycrossopks.org) and click on the SYMBOLON link. View them as an individual, with your family, or with a small group. Leader and participant guides also available on the website. Questions? Call Brenda [913-302-8430](tel:913-302-8430)



**St. Mary’s Food Kitchen:** We served 310 dinners to those less fortunate on Jan 16. Thank you to everyone who provided food, helped serve and gave monetary donations.

**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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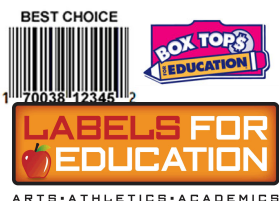
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Open House on Sunday, February 1, 2015 from 8:30 – 1:00 PM.** If you have questions or would like more information before February 1<sup>st</sup>, please contact Allison Carney at 381-7408. You can also learn more information at [www.holycrosscatholicschool.com](http://www.holycrosscatholicschool.com)

**Enrollment is now open for Holy Cross Catholic School.** The early bird registration fee is \$150.00 per child, not to exceed \$400.00. After February 11<sup>th</sup>, the registration fee is \$175.00, not to exceed \$450.00. Applications for enrollment are online. Follow the steps below to enroll:

- \* Go to [holycrosscatholicschool.com](http://holycrosscatholicschool.com).
- \* Click on "Family Log In" on the lower left hand side.
- \* Click on Online School Enrollment under the picture in the middle of the page.
- \* New families use the code `hccs15`.
- \* Current families use your family log in and update your current information.
- \* Pay the registration fee. We accept cash, checks, and credit cards. Call or stop by the school office.
- \* Complete the tuition payment form in the school office.

Enrollment is completed when you submit the registration fee and tuition payment form. Enroll now! Classes fill up fast.



**Holy Cross Labels Program Great Happenings!!!**

**Labels for Education  
Box Tops for Education  
Best Choice Labels**

It's a New Year and a new opportunity to support Holy Cross School. Our community has a \$3,000 and 30,000 points goal for the Labels Program this school year. From August through December 2014 our efforts really paid off, we received **\$2004.44** from Box Tops for Education, **\$120.00** is on its way from Best Choice, and we have earned **11,132** points from Labels for Education! **Thank you!** Let's make a resolution we will all keep. Let's all remember to clip those labels, and ask 1 more person to clip labels for us. Every little bit adds up, makes a difference and contributes to Holy Cross School! Thank you for your generosity!



**Religious Education Information**

Children in Year I program and Initiated will learn about "Sacraments, Our Way of Life." The children in Sacrament Preparation will start the First Communion unit "Everyone Arrives for Mass". If you have any questions or your child will be absent, please contact Karla Melgar 913- 381-2757 ext 140

**First Reconciliation** will be celebrated on **Wed, Feb 4 and 11 at 7:00 pm.** We will have 65 children receiving the sacrament for the first time. Additional priests will be present to provide parents the opportunity to participate more fully in this celebration by going to confession too. Please remember these children, their families and teachers in your prayers as we celebrate this wonderful gift of God's love and forgiveness.



**Confirmation Information**

**Mark your calendar...**Confirmation Ceremony will be **Tues, April 7 at 7:00 pm.** Approximately 60 students will be confirmed. Please pray for them as they prepare to receive this sacrament.



**VBS is back!** It will be June 15-19. It's time to start planning our **Vacation Bible school for summer 2015.** We need the help of adults and youth from **High School who want to be leaders**, to help plan the program. If you have talents with music, or performances, or the desire to share with young children we need you!!. **This year's VBS Theme is "Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus" from Cat. Chat Publisher.** If you are interested, please contact us Karla Melgar (913) 381-2755 ext.140 or [kmelgar@holycrossopks.org](mailto:kmelgar@holycrossopks.org) Maria Palazuelos (913) 381-2755 ext.119 or [mpalazuelos@holycrossopks.org](mailto:mpalazuelos@holycrossopks.org)

**Youth Ministry**  
Here's What's Happening

**M I D D L E  
S C H O O L  
Y O U T H  
G R O U P 7<sup>th</sup> and**

**8<sup>th</sup> graders...** Monday evenings 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room. Play games, have a snack, share prayer and gather in God's name for some fun.

**High School Youth Group...** Wed evenings at 7-8:45 pm in the Youth Room. Share an evening of faith, fun, food and friends. We will meet Jan 28.

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

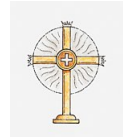


**Mission Trip 2015...** \$100 nonrefundable deposit deadline is fast approaching! **Deposits must be received BEFORE Jan 30 to get a spot!** No spots will be available after Jan 30. Our destination for the summer of 2015 is Colorado Springs, CO with Catholic Heart Workcamp. We will be gone June 27 to July 6. Total cost is \$480. Several fundraisers will be held to help defray cost. For more info and a registration form go to [www.holycrossopks.org](http://www.holycrossopks.org) under Faith Formation or see bulletin board downstairs. You can contact Sandy at 205-0825 with questions.



**Thanks**

Thank you to all the Women of Holy Cross and the Women's Circles who have served 19 funeral dinners during 2014. They served lunch to 1,895 family and friends of deceased parishioners. A special thank you to Norma McCall who is the coordinator of this ministry. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, call Norma at 648-4058. If you are interested in more info about Women of Holy Cross and the Circles, call Margi at 381-8145.



**ADORATION CHAPEL**

**Open Hours:**

Sun: 1-2 am, 4-5 am, 5-6 am; 2-3pm;  
Mon: 2-3am, 8-9am 1-2pm;  
Wed: 3-4 am; Thurs 2-3pm;  
Fri: 2-3 am; Sat 7-8 am, 2-3 pm

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

To fill an open hour slot, please call Ruth Kuse at 649-7344.

**MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

**Men Under Construction  
Catholic Men's Conference**

Come spend a day with other men from our archdiocese learning how to better live our faith. Men Under Construction 19 is a perfect Lenten investment in your spirituality. Featured speakers include Mike Aquilina, a Catholic authority on Patristics, Bear Woznick, a professional surfer & Adam Blai, Catholic demonologist who trains priests. You will be able to participate in reconciliation and hear from Archbishop Naumann. It is **Sat, Feb 21 at Church of the Ascension**. For more information and to register go to [www.ksmuc.org](http://www.ksmuc.org)

**NO act  
of love  
IS LOST**

Recently you received a letter from Archbishop Naumann asking for your generous support of the **Archbishop's Call to Share**. Your gift helps bring the love of Jesus to every corner of Northeast Kansas. Please give prayerful consideration to how you can respond as Jesus' disciple by filling out your pledge card and returning it to the collection next weekend. Our parish goal is \$123,705. Please give generously to support the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kansas!



**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](mailto: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.**



The Knights of Columbus of Holy Cross will soon celebrate its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a council.

These devoted men, through their events, have worked hard to proclaim our faith and assist our parish and community. Some of the Knights recent contributions are:

- \$600 to help our seminarians
- \$500 to the Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ
- \$325 for the parish religious education
- \$1,400 to the parish capital campaign from the November family breakfast.

Thank you for your continued support and know that the Knights are making a difference!

We are asking any men of the parish who are not members to please contact us. We do great work and have a lot of fun doing it! For more information contact Marty Power at 232-6972 or knightsofcolumbus11534@gmail.com



**“Super” Spaghetti Dinner** at St. Patrick Parish, KCK to benefit Sisters, Servants of Mary....**Sun, Feb 1, 11am to 4 pm at St. Patrick’s Parish Center**, 94th &

State Ave, Kansas City, KS. Donation: adults \$8; children \$3. Meal includes Italian sausage, meatballs and spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Carryouts available. For more info, call 913-371-3423.



**“COPING WITH LIFE ALONE” - PEER-TO-PEER GRIEF SUPPORT “COPING WITH LIFE ALONE ®”**

is a Beginning Experience ® Christ-centered grief support program that meets each week for 7-8 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation move, through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope. The sessions focus on topics of the grief process, changes in family and other relationships, trust, and coping with memories of your deceased spouse or dealing with your former spouse. The next program will meet on **Monday evenings: Feb 2 – Mar 23 from 6:30– 9:00 p.m.** For additional information, or to register, please call Cathy at (816) 540-4644. These sessions will be held at **Holy Cross Church in Overland Park, KS**, registration is necessary, to serve you better.

# Encuentro

## 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 11 a.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.



**Palmas:** Si tienen palmas viejas en la casa, favor de traerlas a la iglesia y déjelas en la canasta del vestíbulo. Ellas serán usadas para las cenizas del Miércoles de Cenizas, Feb. 18.

**Las palmas serán recibidas hasta el lunes, 9 de Febrero.**



**Escuela Católica Holy Cross: Ya estamos matriculando en la Escuela**

**HC.** La matrícula temprano es de \$150/niño, hasta \$400. Después de Feb.11, costará \$175/niño, hasta \$450. Pueden aplicar online: go to [holycrosscatholicschool.com](http://holycrosscatholicschool.com), click “Family Log In”, click “Online school Enroll”, familias nuevas usen código **hccs15**. Familias actuales usen su family log in y revisen su info. Paguen su matrícula, cash, cheque o tarjeta de crédito. Complete su pago en la oficina de la Escuela. La matrícula está completa cuando someta el pago de la matrícula y el formulario de los pagos.

**Marque su calendario, tendremos “casa abierta”, domingo, Feb. 1, 2015, 8:30am.-1pm.** Más información llamando a Allison Carney, 381-7408.

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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.

## Queridos Feligreses,

La visita del Arzobispo a nuestra parroquia el sábado pasado fue muy buena y provechosa. En la reunión con él, algunos feligreses presentaron reportes sobre cómo Holy Cross está respondiendo a las Cinco Prioridades de la Arquidiócesis: Conversión, Evangelización, Formación de la Fe, Servicio a Dios y Llegando a los Necesitados. Los reportes suplieron un gran número de detalles acerca de los esfuerzos de nuestra parroquia en estas áreas. Planeamos anunciar los reportes en el website de la iglesia, para que todos puedan leerlos.

*Fr. Mike*



**Seis semanas de Estudio Bíblico durante Cuaresma:** Holy Cross los invita a Conocer, Caminar y Crecer en le Fe, durante estas 6 semanas de

Estudio Bíblico y Reflexión, sobre el evangelio de Mateo. Empezaremos el 19 de Feb., hasta el 28 de Marzo. Más información llamando a Teresa Aguilar, 217-7005, ó taguilar@holycrossopks.org.



**Retiro de Cuaresma, 2015:** Pronto iniciaremos la Cuaresma y estaremos preparándonos con Ayuno, Limosna y Oración. Holy Cross los invita a participar en el Retiro Cuaresmal, el sábado, 21 de Feb., 2015, 8:30am.-

2pm., en el salón de la parroquia. ¡Reserva este día con anticipación! Llamen a Teresa Aguilar, 217-7005, ó taguilar@holycrossopks.org.

**Retiro de Quinceañera:** Enero 24-25, 2015, en el Ministerio Hispano. Para registrarse o más información llamen a Lety, 281-6644.

**Retiro Pre-Matrimonial:** Se celebrará el fin de semana de Marzo 7-8, 2015, en el Ministerio Hispano. Para más información o registrarse, llamen a Lety, 281-6644

**Cambio de horario provisional: Los bautizos en español del sábado, Feb. 14, 2015, se celebrarán a las 10 am.**



## EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

**Programa de la Tarde (4:30-5:45pm):**

**Los niños en el programa del Primer Año e Iniciados van a continuar con la Unidad No. 4, sesión N ° 17, "Los Sacramentos, Nuestra Forma de Vida".** Los niños que están en su segundo año de preparación sacramental van a comenzar la Unidad 1, de la Primera Coomunión, "Todos nos reunimos en la Misa". Si tiene alguna pregunta o si necesita reportar la ausencia de clases de alguno de sus hijos por favor de llamar a Karla Melgar [\(913\) 381-2757](tel:9133812757) ext.140

**Recuerden que tendremos clases el 27 de Enero, para los dos grupos.**

**Programa Familiar (6:40-8:15pm):**

**Los niños que están en su segundo año de preparación sacramental junto con sus padres,** van a comenzar la Unidad 1, de la Primera Comunión, "Todos nos renimos en la Misa". Si tiene alguna pregunta o si necesita reportar la ausencia de clases de alguno de sus hijos por favor de llamar a Karla Melgar [\(913\) 381-2757](tel:9133812757) ext.140

**La Ceremonia de la Primera Reconciliación se celebrará el miércoles, 11 de Febrero, 7pm.** Tendremos sacerdotes presents para ofrecer a los 65 niños y sus padres la oportunidad de celebrar este sacramento juntos. Oremos por todos ellos.

## **Reflexiones del Servicio a Dios 1/18/15**

*"Jesús pasaba por la orilla del Lago de Galilea, cuando vió a Simón y a su hermano Andrés. Eran pescadores y estaban hechando la red al agua. Les dijo Jesús: Síguenme y yo haré que ustedes sean pescadores de hombres".* (Marcos 1:16-17)

Cada uno de nosotros está igualmente invitado a ser pescadores de hombres. Una forma de hacer esto es cuidando a los demás, o sea, servir a Dios, cuidar a los demás. Estamos invitados a ofrecer una mano de bienvenida, de apoyo, de bendición, de respeto. Algunas veces, esto significa apoyo financiero; otras veces quiere decir una palabra de ánimo.