

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
In Residence: Rev. Oswaldo Sandoval
Coordinator of Hispanic Ministry
for Johnson County
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

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

El boletín *Encuentro* en español
se encuentra en la página 7.

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.

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.)

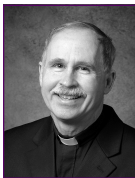
Contact the office to confirm times and to register.

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,



In a few days, we will reach the high point of our worship as Catholics: the Easter Triduum. It will begin with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, continue with the Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, and culminate in the most important liturgy of the entire year, the Easter Vigil. I encourage you to consider attending these liturgies. They are a wonderful way to celebrate the mystery of Our Lord's death and resurrection.

Fr. Mike



Mass Intentions for the Week

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Monday	
9:00 a.m.	Spec Int- Dave & Joyce Boone
Tuesday	
6:30 a.m.	Jean Davis
6:00 p.m.	All Souls (Spanish)
Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	Max & Goetz Families
Thursday	
7:00 p.m.	Jacqueline Davis
Friday	
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
3:00 p.m.	Liturgy of Lord's Passion
6:00 p.m.	Prayer Service-Passion & Veneration of Cross
7:30 p.m.	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (Spanish)
Saturday	
9:00 a.m.	Prayer Service
8:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass-Elizabeth Miller
Sunday	
7:30 a.m.	Joseph Nguyen Van Khiem
9:00 a.m.	Edward Pelot
11:00 a.m.	Ken VanBooven
1:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)

Stewardship Reflection *March 29, 2015*

Jesus said, "For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish." Mark 14:7

Even though Jesus said these words as a rebuke to onlookers who criticized the woman who anointed him, they do remind us that the poor in fact are always with us. During this Holy Week, let's resolve to show kindness to the poor generously and often.

Financial Update

	March 8	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$23,817	\$974,309
Weekly Offering Received	23,392	972,026
Over/(Under)	(425)	(2,283)
Special Donations	1,355	25,260
Restricted Assets as of Feb 28		
Parish Endowment-Restricted	Calculated Monthly \$79,017	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,012	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$423,764	
Long Term Liabilities as of Feb 28		
Unpaid Debt—Archdiocese of KCKS	Calculated Monthly \$ 0	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$435,569	

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:

Holy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-8,11-14
1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15

Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42

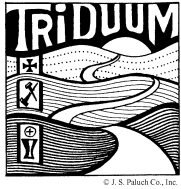
Easter Sunday:

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



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:

Jan Feitz, Dave Ferguson, Kenneth Koscielny, Tina Marcellus, Nadine Swanson, Don Tillett, George Vogel, and Tami.



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)

Good Friday service (Spanish) at 7:30m

Easter Vigil

8:00 pm (Bilingual)

Easter Sunday

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



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: Holy Cross provides a dinner and salad the 3rd Friday of every month. We would like to add a few more parishioner names to our "**Calling List of Folks Who Provide Salad**". Please let us know if you would like us to add you to our list and we would then call you periodically and ask you to provide a bag of salad. Call Wayne Guelbert 913-492-1857 to get your name added to the list!



Sunshine Club News

- No Meeting in April.
- Next Sunshine Club Meeting will be **Sunday, May 3** after the 7:30 am Mass..



ADORATION CHAPEL

Open Hours



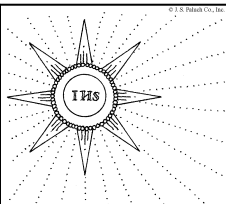
Sun: 5-6 am, 9-10am, 2-3pm;

Wed: 3-4 am

Thurs: 3-4 am; 4-5 am

Fri: 1-2am, 2-3am, **Sat:** 6-7 pm, 7-8 pm

To fill an open hour slot, please call Ruth Kuse at 649-7344, 963-3700 or email ruthkuse@gmail.com.



You Got Mail!

All Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament are asked to pick up a letter from Ruth Kuse, our new Chapel Coordinator, during your next hour of prayer. Ruth introduces herself and reviews some important information.

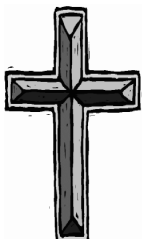
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Reconciliation

Communal Reconciliation Services

Sun, Mar 29, 3:00 pm St. Ann
7:30 pm Nativity



REST IN PEACE: Prayers are requested for **Connie Askland** mother of Robert Morris.

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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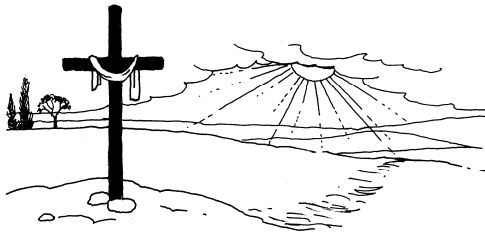
SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Cross Catholic School is in the 5th year of the accreditation process through AdvancEd. In an effort to improve system practices, Holy Cross Catholic School is conducting a Stakeholder Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey. In order to complete the survey, please go to: <http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/4500045> Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Allison Carney
Principal



Be a Hornet! Enrollment is open for Holy Cross Catholic School. The registration fee is \$175.00, not to exceed \$450.00. Applications for enrollment are online. For questions, contact the school office at 381-7408.



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Many employers match donations made by their employees to charitable organizations dollar for dollar. These are called *Matching Gifts* or *Matching Funds*.

Do you know if your employer has such a program? If you work for Colgate Palmolive, Sprint, Bank of America, General Electric, Deluxe Corp, DST Systems, Takeda Pharmaceuticals, Hallmark Cards, Wachovia, or RH Donnelly Corp, the answer is yes! More eligible companies are listed on the parish website under "Stewardship/Make-a-Donation/Matching Gifts".

If you don't work for one of these companies, contact your human resources department to find out. This simple inquiry could double your contribution. Donations to the Guardian Angel Fund qualify for most programs.

If you have any questions, contact Robert Bacic or Mark Engen in the Church Office.



Religious Education Information

Stations of the Cross: We invite the parents of students to join us praying the Stations of the Cross. You can send snacks with your child to share with the class as we celebrate the last RE class for the semester. Don't forget to thank your child's catechist for all their hard work this year!



First Communion
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First Communion Retreat will be **Sat, April 11** from 8:50 am -12:00 pm. All children who will be making their First Communion this spring must attend.



Save Money and Time!!!

**Early Registration for Religious Education
K - 12 grade
April 21- May 26**

Early registration will take place April 21- May 26. If you register before May 26, 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 26 in order to receive the 15% discount.**

Youth Ministry

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 7th and 8th 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.

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



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

Rediscover Catholicism

"Over and over in life, God challenges us to abandon our doubts and fears and cast our nets into the deep waters of the spiritual life. It is never convenient, it is almost always difficult, and it is sometimes quite painful, but if we heed the Lord's direction we will always bring in a huge catch. Don't be afraid of the deep places." *Rediscover Catholicism* (page 187)



Attention Blood Donors:

Update on Royal's tickets. The tickets will be mailed to all presenting donors by the end of March.

From Cathy Lucas-Blood Donor Coordinator



Couples celebrating their **50th Wedding Anniversary in 2015** are invited to the Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration on **June 14, at 2:30pm at Cathedral of St.**

Peter. To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office, 381-2755, and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding. Please do this as soon as possible!



Pro-Life Workshop will be held **Sat, April 18** at Savior Pastoral Center from 10 am- 4 pm. This all day workshop will

inspire and equip parishes with tools and ideas to "activate a great campaign in support of life" (Evangelium Vitae) Speakers are Archbishop Naumann as the keynote speaker, Rev Matthew Habiger, OSB, former president of Human Life International and currently speaker with Natural Family Planning Outreach and Rev Andrew Strobol, Archdiocesan Director of Evangelization. To register go to www/ProLifeKC.com. Cost is \$15 and includes lunch.



Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

Check out the many CDs in the Lighthouse kiosk in the narthex. Questions? Call Brenda Scruggs 302-8430.



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Beginning Experience

A weekend away for a lifetime of change. Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced; who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel left out by their church, uneasy around married friends, unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. Helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is March 27-29 at Precious Blood, Liberty MO. For more information visit: www.beginningexperience.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com or contact Lynne 816-457-0391 or Jerry 785-843-2079



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.**



Advice & Aid Pregnancy Centers, Inc. is in need of volunteers, including bilingual volunteers, and will be offering a Volunteer Informational Meeting on **Tuesday, March 31, 2015** (7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.). The meeting will be held at 11644 West 75th Street, Shawnee, KS. For more information on volunteering in this ministry or to RSVP, please contact Mary Newcomer at [913-962-0200](tel:913-962-0200) or email volunteer@adviceandaid.com.



The **Cure of Ars Singles** will host its annual Spring Fling Dance on **Sat April 11**, from 7:30-11:30 pm in the school cafeteria at 9401 Mission Rd, Leawood, KS. The cost is \$20

at the door and includes meat hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine, beer, soda and bottled water. Lighted parking behind the school. Questions, call 631-6813.



6-Week Sacred Scripture: The Fall of Jerusalem through the Infancy Narratives

Classes are beginning soon at the following locations:

Mon 7-8pm starting Mon, April 6
Church of the Ascension
Church of the Nativity

Tues, 7-8pm starting April 7
Holy Spirit

Cost is \$40 per person. To register go to www.schooloffaith.com Questions call Rebecca long at 913-310-0014 ext 11



At **Camp Tekakwitha** kids, incoming 5th through 12th graders, have a blast making good friends and developing deep relationship with Jesus Christ. We have room for all ages, and we ask you to consider giving your kids the deeply moving spiritual experiences that are encountered at Camp Tekakwitha. Additionally, the time away from screens, out in nature, fun with friends and the mix of deep prayer and outdoor adventures is inspiring and fortify. Kids grow closer to Christ, develop a deeper appreciation for their families and for our local church. Our web site is <http://www.archkck.org/camp>.

FAMILY DAY!!! Sun, April 19 join us at Prairie Star Ranch for a day of fun, fellowship and families. Only \$5 per person when you pre-register at psrministry@archkck.org or 785-746-5693



34th Annual Golf Classic

Catholic Charities Foundation of Northeast Kansas is proud to host the 34th Annual Golf Classic founded by Ben and Betty Zarda Family on **Monday, May 11** at **Lake Quivira Country Club**. Don't miss this opportunity to "chip in" and join us for a day of fellowship on the course. Golfers will enjoy lunch, a round of golf, dinner reception and awards ceremony. Learn more and **r e g i s t e r o n l i n e** at www.catholiccharitiesgolfclassic.org

Anyone who believes that a child is being abused or neglected can make a confidential report to the Kansas Department for Children and Families Protection Report Center: (800) 922-5330. If a child is in immediate danger, first call 911. Additionally, please call the Archdiocesan confidential report line: (913) 647-3051 or Dr. Dennis Schemmel, victim assistance coordinator (913) 909-2740

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: Dom., 1 p.m. y martes, 6 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 todas las 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.

A PARTIR DE MAYO, 2015:

Bautismo:

Plática: Padres y padrinos tomarán una clase de preparación. Favor de **NO** traer niños. **Deben anotarse con anticipación para las dos cosas**, llamando a la oficina de la iglesia, durante el horario en español, 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.



¡Marquen sus calendarios ahora! La ceremonia de la Confirmación se celebrará el martes, Abril 7, a las 7pm.

LA CUARESMA EN HOLY CROSS

Estaciones de la Cruz: todos los viernes, 6:30pm., *con excepción* del viernes, Marzo 27. Vengan esa noche a disfrutar del programa "*Stations*", 7pm.

Domingo de Palmas: serán repartidas en todas las misas regulares.

Jueves Santo: Misa bilingüe, 7 pm.

Viernes Santo: Misa en español, 7:30 pm.

Vigilia Pascual: Misa bilingüe, 8 pm.

¡AHORREN DINERO Y TIEMPO! La Matrícula Temprana para Educación Religiosa, Grados K-6, comienza **Abril 21 hasta Mayo 26, 2015.**

Queridos Feligreses,

Próximamente, llegaremos a la cúspide de nuestra adoración como Cristianos: el Triduum de Pascua. Empezando con la Misa de la Última Cena del Señor, el Jueves Santo. Continuando con el solemne Evangelio de la Pasión y Muerte del Señor, el Viernes Santo. Culminando con el Evangelio más importante del año entero: La Vigilia Pascual, del Sábado Santo. Los animo a considerar venir a estas liturgias. Ellas son una forma maravillosa de celebrar el misterio de la muerte y Resurrección de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. **Fr. Mike**

Reflexiones del Servicio Cristiano 3/29/15

"Pues a los pobres siempre los tendrán entre ustedes y pueden hacerles bien cuando quieran; pero a mí no siempre van a tener". (Mark 14:7)

Aunque Jesús dijo estas palabras como un reproche a los que estaban presente, quiénes criticaban a la mujer que lo uncía, ellos nos recuerdan que el pobre verdaderamente siempre está con nosotros. Durante esta Semana Santa, resolvamos demostrar bondad a los pobres generosamente y a menudo.



EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

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

Los niños en el programa del Primer Año, Segundo Año e

Iniciados: Los niños terminarán las clases

con la Estaciones de la Cruz. Invitamos a los padres a unirse a esta celebración. Pueden enviar meriendas con sus niños para compartir en clase. Esta oportunidad es ideal para agradecerle a los catequistas de sus hijos, todo el trabajo que han hecho durante el año.

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

Los niños juntos a sus padres terminarán las clases de este año. Invitamos a los padres a unirse a esta celebración. Pueden traer comida para compartir y agradecer a los catequistas el buen trabajo del año entero.

RECUERDEN: La última clase de este curso para los dos Programas será el martes, 31 de Marzo, debido a la Renovación de la Parroquia.

"Si oramos, creémos; si creémos, amaremos; si amamos, serviremos". Madre Teresa