

# 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

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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  
Secretaries: Anita Lemmon & Martha Beisser

## Early Education Center: 381-7151

7917 W 95th St. 66212  
E-Mail: [preschool@holycrosscatholicschool.com](mailto: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 Spanish-1:00 pm & 2:30 pm

**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.)

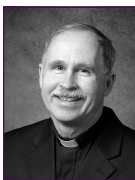
Contact the office to confirm times and to register.

**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,



During the renovation of the church interior, we will attempt to continue normal activities of the parish as much as possible. At times, however, it will require some adjustments on our part. I appeal for your cooperation, as we engage in this important improvement for our parish. Hopefully, we will grow closer together, and stronger as a community, as a result.

Fr. Mike



Mass Intentions for the Week

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**Monday**

9:00 a.m. Evelyn Schmitz

**Tuesday**

6:30 a.m. David Volz

8:15 a.m. Elizabeth Miller

6:00 p.m. NO MASS (Spanish)

**Wednesday**

9:00 a.m. Alice Gill

**Thursday**

6:30 a.m. Bill Root

8:15 a.m. Mr. Vincent Anh Duong

**Friday**

9:00 a.m. Gerald Angell

**Saturday**

7:30 a.m. Jean Davis

5:00 p.m. Jodi Langley

**Sunday**

7:30 a.m. Bunny Goetz Ingalls

9:00 a.m. Spec Int - Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Rutherford

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

1:00 p.m. All Souls (Spanish)

2:30 p.m. Joseph Mai (Spanish)

*Stewardship Reflection April 5, 2015*

*Mary Magdalene (left the empty tomb) and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord."*  
John 20:18

Mary's announcement that she had seen and talked with the risen Lord was the first proclamation of the resurrection. Her message resonates throughout the centuries and comes to us today, inspiring us to proclaim the resurrection by our lives of peace, justice and love.

**Financial Update**

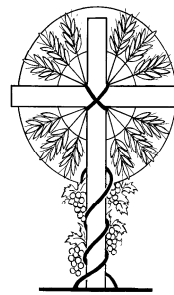
	March 22	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$23,817	\$1,021,943
Weekly Offering Received	22,387	1,023,814
Over/(Under)	(1,430)	1,871

Special Donations 368 26,318

Restricted Assets as of Feb 28	Calculated Monthly
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,017
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,012
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$423,764

Long Term Liabilities as of Feb 28	Calculated Monthly
<b>Unpaid Debt</b> —Archdiocese of KCKS	<b>\$ 0</b>
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."



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**REST IN PEACE:** Prayers are requested for **Ruth Adams** of Holy Cross.



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

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



**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

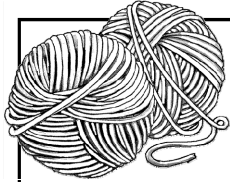
**Second Sunday of Easter**

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31



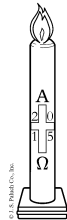
**St. Mary's Food Kitchen:** Holy Cross provides a dinner and **salad** the 3rd Friday of every month. We would like to add a few more parishioner names to our "Calling List of Folks Who Provide Salad". Please let us know if you would like us to add you to our list and we would then call you periodically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



**The Holy Cross Quilters and Crafters** would welcome donations of yarn to make lap throws and baby blankets. Keep us in mind as you do your spring cleaning. Please drop off at the church office.

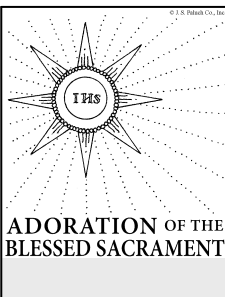


The Book Discussion Group will meet on **Tues., April 7, 9:30 am**, in Room 1. The book will be *Farewell To Arms* by Ernest Hemingway.



### Rediscover Catholicism

"Almost every person I speak to about the future of Catholicism says, 'The church really needs to change,' or something to that effect. What we perhaps forget in making this statement is that *we* are the church, and so the real question becomes: Are *you* willing to change? Am *I* willing to change? Are you and I willing to become the change the church needs?" *Rediscover Catholicism* (page 279)



**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.



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!



**St. Mary's Food Kitchen:** We served **360 dinners** to those less fortunate on March 20. Thank you to everyone who provided food, helped serve and gave monetary donations.



### 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](mailto:ruthkuse@gmail.com).

**Welcome to Church of the Holy Cross!** We invite you to join the parish! Fill out the form below and we will send a registration packet to you or go to [www.holycrossopks.org](http://www.holycrossopks.org) to register online.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Drop in collection basket, bring or mail to:  
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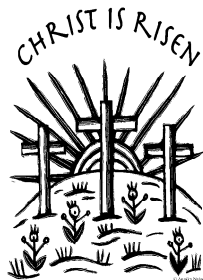
**SCHOOL NEWS**

Holy Cross Catholic School is in the 5<sup>th</sup> 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.



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**



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.**



**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.

**Youth Ministry**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 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.

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



## 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](http://www/ProLifeKC.com). Cost is \$15 and includes lunch.



## St. James Academy Summer Sports & Enrichment Camps

There's a wide variety of activities available for students of all ages this summer at St. James

Academy! These exciting camps are led by SJA faculty and coaches, facilitated by student leaders and will help you and your kids pass the summer with active opportunities to learn a skill or improve fitness and become a better person. We look forward to spending time with your student this summer! More information can be found at [www.sjakeepingfaith.org](http://www.sjakeepingfaith.org) (under the School News Tab on the left hand side).

## Grill Your Seminarians Trivia Night



Play an exciting game of trivia, meet and interact with our seminarians and see the men being ordained this year “roasted”. Join us for this casual and affordable evening that directly benefits seminarians. Grill Your Seminarian is **6:30-9:30 pm, Thurs May 21 at St. Michael's the Archangel Gym**. Details and credit card registration are at [kckvocations.com](http://kckvocations.com) in the “news”. All other inquiries: [vocation@archkck.org](mailto:vocation@archkck.org) or 913-647-0303



## Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

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



**Pilgrimage to Philadelphia** with Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann. **Sept 21-28**. Join other members of our Archdiocese as we embark on a global experience to reignite the fire of Marriage and Family Ministry! Cost is \$2495 per person double occupancy. **DEADLINE FOR DEPOSIT – APRIL 10**. For more

information or to register, please contact Denise Hay at Grand View Tour & Travel, 800-737-6739 or 610-361-7979 or [denise@grandviewtours.com](mailto:denise@grandviewtours.com) or Archdiocesan Contact: Deacon Tony Zimmerman, Lead Consultant, The Office of Marriage and Family Life, 913-647-0329 or [famlife@archkck.org](mailto:famlife@archkck.org)

**Living In Truth- Kansas City Catholic Women's Conference** is hosting a half-day event for women on **April 25 from 7:30 am-12:30 pm at Church of the Ascension, Overland Park**. Join women throughout the Kansas City area for a morning of Christ's joy, prayer and uplifting Catholic speakers. Featuring Imaculee Ilibagiza, a Rwanda massacre survivor, and Teresa Tomeo, an author, talk show host and motivational speaker. Archbishop Naumann will celebrate Mass at 7:30 am to open the conference. For more details and to register go to <http://livingintruthkc.com>



**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 [volunteer@gabrielproject.com](mailto:volunteer@gabrielproject.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 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 bottles water. Lighted parking behind the school. Questions, call 631-6813.



**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 register online at [www.catholiccharitiesgolfclassic.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesgolfclassic.org)

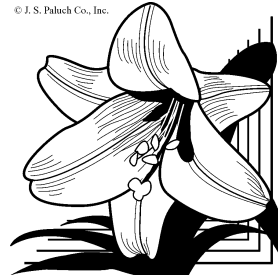
**Catholic Community Hospice**

a ministry of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, is the only Catholic faith-based hospice in the Kansas City area. Guided by the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care, we provide compassionate, end-of-life care to support the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of patients and their families. If you or a loved one is facing a terminal illness, please call us at 913-621-5090 or visit [catholiccommunityhospice.com](http://catholiccommunityhospice.com) to learn more.



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](mailto:psrministry@archkck.org) or 785-746-5693



**Training for new Respite Volunteers** will be Saturday, **May 9, 9-3:30** at **St. Joseph Health Center (education center)** located at I-435 and State Line Road. Respite is a rewarding ministry giving companionship and care to a homebound person, while allowing their caregiver some much needed time away. Men and women are needed to become volunteers. Respite is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women and trained volunteers are insured against liability. Volunteers serve in their own parish. For more information or to make a reservation phone Pat Scheibel 913 897-6589

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.*

**EMPEZANDO EL DOMINGO, ABRIL 12, 2015, Y DEBIDO A LA RENOVACIÓN DE LA IGLESIA, todos los Sacramentos y otras actividades de la parroquia se celebrarán en el sótano.**

**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL:** domingos 1 p.m. y 2:30 p.m.  
martes, 6 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 todas las liturgias.

**RECONCILIACIÓN EN ESPAÑOL:**  
martes: 5:15 p.m.- 6 p.m. y domingos: 12:15 p.m.- 1p.m.

**MATRIMONIOS:** Llamen a la parroquia 6 meses antes de la fecha en que desean casarse para tener la primera entrevista con un sacerdote.

**BAUTISMOS:** 3er domingo del mes solamente, después de la Misa de las 2:30 p.m.

**PLÁTICA:** Padres y padrinos tomarán una clase de preparación, el 1er sábado del mes, 9:30 a.m. Favor de NO traer niños. **Deben anotarse con anticipación para plática y bautizos**, 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, 2-6 p.m., miércoles y jueves, 2-5 p.m.

*Queridos Feligreses,*

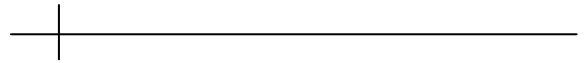
Durante la renovación del interior de la iglesia, vamos a procurar continuar con las actividades de la parroquia lo mejor posible. Tendremos que hacer algún ajuste cuando sea necesario durante este tiempo también. Les suplico por su cooperación, mientras tomamos parte de estas mejoras importantes para nuestra parroquia. Esperamos que como resultado, podamos crecer unidos y fuertemente como comunidad.

*Fr. Mike*

**Reflexiones del Servicio Cristiano** 4/5/15

*“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 ungía, 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

**RETIRO DE PRIMERA COMUNIÓN:**  
**Sábado, Abril 11, de 8:50 am.- 12 pm.**  
**Todos los niños que recibirán su Primera Comunión esta Primavera deberán asistir.**

### **¡AHORREN DINERO Y TIEMPO!**

La Matrícula Temprana para Educación Religiosa, Grados K-6, comienza **Abril 21 hasta Mayo 26, 2015.** Un descuento de 15% será aplicado al pagar el total completo de su matricula. ¡Apunten a sus niños prontamente, antes que se llenen las clases! Pueden venir a la oficina de Rducación Religiosa, o llamar a Karla Melgar, 913/381-2757, ext. 140, o María Palenzuelos, ext. 119, para matricular. ***El último día para traer las planilla llenas y recibir su 15% de descuento, es Mayo 26, 2015.***

***“Si oramos, creémos; si creémos, amaremos; si amamos, serviremos”.*** Madre Teresa



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

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