

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: Rev. Anthony Saiki
Rectory: 341-5618

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

PARISH STAFF

Stewardship & Development Director: Robert Bacic
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Parish Manager: Mark Engen
Administrative Assistant: Carol Morris
Receptionist: Barb Williams
Bilingual Assistant: Claudia Bustos

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Director - Pre-Gr. 6: Bridget Turello
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Session Coordinator- Maria Palazuelos
Confirmation Coordinator: Sandy Schluter

Youth Ministries: 205-0825

Director: Sandy Schluter

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
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Director: Penny Miller
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Advocate for Annulments:

Rebeca Richmond, 671-8722

Parish Center Manager

Michael Long, 219-3382

MASSES:

Weekend Sat. Vigil 5:00 p.m. & Spanish 7:00 p.m.; Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. & Spanish-1:00 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.

Wed. 7:00 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.)

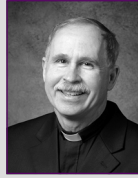
Contact the office to confirm times and to register.

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 dedication of our renovated church will take place Fri, Oct. 23, at 7 p.m. You may ask, wasn't the church dedicated previously? Yes, but with the renovation, the church was completely gutted. That calls for a new dedication. The ceremony will begin outside, with the doors locked, since we will have kept out of the worship space for five months. Led by the cross, we will enter into the church, along with the Archbishop, who represents the diocesan church. He will preside over the ceremony.

Fr. Mike

Stewardship Reflection August 23, 2015

"Because of (what Jesus said), many of his disciples turned away and no longer walked with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also want to go away?' Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life.'" John 6:66-68

Beyond doubt, Jesus set a high bar... for himself, and for those who would be his followers. But his question to the twelve seems more a kind invitation than challenge... an invitation to try, an invitation to learn, an invitation to life. So, with Peter, we too can say, "Where else would we go?"



Monday	9:00 a.m.	Amanda Nepomuceno
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Naty Nicolas
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Allen Troyer (All School)
	7:00 p.m.	Unity Among Christians (Spanish)
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	World Peace
Friday	9:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Antonio del Carmen
	5:00 p.m.	John Benson
	7:00 p.m.	World Hunger (Spanish)
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Patty Hruska Stockton
	9:00 a.m.	Lois Hudson
	11:00 a.m.	Louis Malinowski
	1:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)

Financial Update

	Aug 16	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,500	\$182,100
Weekly Offering Received	22,649	176,759
Over/(Under)	(3,851)	(5,341)
Special Donations	362	2,024
Restricted Assets as of July 31	Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,413	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,160	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$81,629	
Long Term Liabilities as of July 31	Calculated Monthly	
Unpaid Debt —Archdiocese of KCKS	\$ 0	
Long term—St. James Academy	\$422,582	

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:
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**



Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

James 1:17-18, 21b-22,27; Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Koby Becker, Mary Kate Garst, Joe Hernandez, Don Tillett, Margaret Wortman, and Tami.



The **11:00 am Nursery** and the **Bible Study Nursery** will be **CLOSED** through Sept 6.



PARISH FESTIVAL will be held on **SATURDAY, SEPT. 12.** We will begin our celebration with 4 pm Mass, followed by the festival, 5-8:30 pm. Please join us for food, fun, and fellowship and enjoy activities for all ages. Listen to music from the 80's or try your luck at bingo. Come celebrate all that is Holy Cross.



Holy Cross Parish Open/Jack Weitkamp Memorial Golf Tournament
Friday, September 11th,
12:30 shotgun start.

Join us at Deer Creek Golf Course in Overland Park for an exciting round of Holy Cross golf, celebrating our fantastic parish. Your \$140.00 fee includes a delicious dinner. Contact Allison Carney at 244-5970 or email acarney@holycrosscatholicschool.com for details and registration.

Come and See!

Do you know someone who is not Catholic and interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Invite your friend or family member to attend the next...

Inquiry Series

Sunday Mornings beginning September 27 at 9:45am.

To register and for more information contact Fr. Mike mstubbs@holycrossopks.org | (913) 381-2755



Attention, all Mothers of Young Children!

Are you interested in meeting more women like you in our parish? Do you want to build community, learn how to strengthen your spiritual life, gain support and friendship with others, and most importantly learn how to raise little saints? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please mark your calendars and come to our organizational meeting, **Monday, August 24th at 7:30pm in Room 3.** We will come together for the first time to discuss our vision and goals. If you have any questions, please contact Vicki D'Amico at 913-634-8647 or Rebecca Heiman at 913-568-7122.



Sunshine Club Social Hour and Dinner

We will meet at Bravo's Italian Restaurant at Town Center Plaza (5505 W 117th St) on **Wed, August 26 at 4:00 pm.** Please call or email Karen Simecka at 913-424-9587 or krw1049@yahoo.com for reservations.



Catholic Charities: The Monthly Food Collection for Catholic Charities is held the **last Sunday** of each month. The next collection will be **Sun, August 30.** Your donations are greatly appreciated!

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 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 opened its doors on August 20th to begin the **29th** year of educating children. Two hundred eighty one students strong, with forty-three students in kindergarten (two classes), Holy Cross will focus on God’s infinite mercy with the theme, **“Be Merciful as your Father is Merciful.”** Please keep the students, teachers and staff, and families in your prayers.



New Teachers at Holy Cross

We are blessed to have three new teachers this year! We welcome first grade teacher **Rachel Jacobs**, fifth grade teacher **Christopher Patterson** and seventh grade teacher **Erica Johnson**. All three teachers are graduates of Benedictine College and have family members who also teach in Catholic schools!

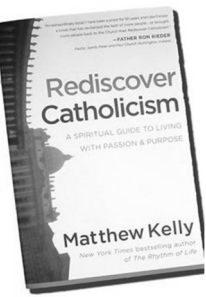


Save Time and Donate Online!

Online Giving is available for parishioners, it’s an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure.

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.HolyCrossOPKS.org and follow the Quick Link on the right of the home page. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our church office at 381-2755.

Rediscover Catholicism



“St Francis of Assisi shared the secret with his brother and sisters: “First do what is necessary. Then do what is possible. And before you know it, you will be doing the impossible.” If not you, then who? . . . What is holding you back from being all you can be?” Rediscover Catholicism (page 130)



Religious Education Information

RE Office Hours

In the month of August, the Religious Education K-6 office will be open from **9am to 1pm on Tuesdays** and on **Wednesdays from 6 to 8:30 pm** for office visits and/or enrollments. If you need to make a special appointment, please call us at 381-2757 ext 140 and we will be happy to get back with you.

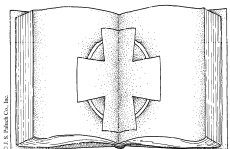


Confirmation Information

Registration forms for Confirmation and Sacramental Preparation for middle school (7th and 8th grade) and High School students can be downloaded from the Documents Page on our website or can be picked up at the church. Registration form can also be emailed or mailed to you by contacting 205-0825 (call or text) or sschluter@holycrossopks.org and giving your address or email.

Classes for Middle School meet Sunday evenings from 6-7:30pm starting October 4. High School students will begin Oct 4th as well, late afternoon or evening. Class times for high school students are determined by number of students enrolled and catechist availability.

YOU HAVE
THE WORDS OF
ETERNAL
LIFE



Adoration Chapel

Open Hours: There are several days with open hours. If you are able to commit to a specific hour, you will be joining a powerful prayer ministry taking place seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Call Ruth Kuse at 649-7344, 963-3700 or email ruthkuse@gmail.com for more info on which hours are available.



Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

Men, Women, and the Mystery of Love

In today's culture we're constantly bombarded with a secular notion of love and intimacy, instead of the kind of love that God intended for his children. In this presentation, Dr. Edward Sri explains how Saint John Paul II teachings of the Theology of the Body can help us prepare for our future marriage, by showing us how to live as selfless, authentic men and women.

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



Shine for Donnelly College, a fundraiser for student scholarships, will be **Sat, Oct 10 at 6:00 pm** at **Sheraton Crown Center**. The cost is \$125 per person. Fr. Mike Stubbs

will be attending. You can request to sit at his table! For more info go to shinedc.weebly.com or email craigdoty@donnelly.edu.

HOW TO HEAL THE WOUNDS OF DIVORCE

Are you a Catholic who is going through or has gone through the pain of divorce? Prince of Peace Church is hosting a 10 week series on how to heal the wounds of divorce, created by Rose Sweet. This series begins **Tuesday, September 15, and runs every Tuesday for ten weeks. Class is from 6:15 to 7:45pm in the Prince of Peace school building.** The address is 16000 West 143rd St. Olathe, KS 66062. Enrollment is \$50.00. For more info and to enroll, please call Julie Knoche at 913-710-7083. or Anne Anderson at aanderson@holycrosscatholicsschool.com Class is open to all parishioners in the Diocese.



AMERICAN
HERITAGE
GIRLS

American Heritage Girls

Drop in for donuts, coffee, oj and pick up some information about American Heritage Girls at Cure of Ars, 974th and Mission rd, on Sun, Sept 6 at 10:00 am and 11:30 am. Bring your daughters and find out what American Heritage Girls is all about! You can contact Nancy Deschamp, a Holy Cross parishioner, with any questions at 901-0446.



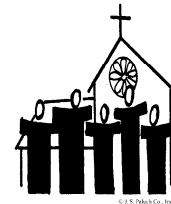
SYMBOLON
THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED

“Imagine Our Parish...encountering the Catholic faith not just on Sunday, but all throughout the week.”

Symbolon opens up the big picture of the Catholic faith in a way that helps us know it, live it and articulate it to others. Through beautifully crafted teaching and state-of-the art video, author-speaker-and theologian, Dr. Edward Sri leads a team of dynamic teachers who provide a clear and comprehensive explanation of the Catholic faith.

Every parishioner has access...with Symbolon digital platform, parishioners can create a login that allows them to access Symbolon on their own, wherever and whenever they want, using smart phones, tablets or computers. **This wonderful program is available on the parish website. It FREE for every parishioner.**

Go to www.holycrossopks.org/faithformation/adultformation/Symbolon:Catholic Faith Explained to sign up.



Part-Time Job Opportunity

St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Leawood is seeking individuals to staff the Parish Nursery during various adult faith formation opportunities. The position entails taking care of pre-school age children while their parents attend programs at the Parish. This is a part-time, hourly position. We need to cover both day and evening hours at various times throughout the year. Please contact Mary Ann Moore at maryann.moore@stmichaelcp.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 **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.**



Holy Family School of Faith Courses

Register Now for Fall 2015 Courses! Use coupon code **SOFF15EB** to receive a \$10 discount now through Aug 31.

Classes offered:

- Islam, Christianity and the Victory of Mary
- Sacred Scripture -The New Testament
- Virtue: The Standard of Happiness
- Continuing Catechism
- Beginning Catechism

Go to www.schooloffaith.com for locations, dates, course descriptions and to register.



Catholic Women's Bible Study Now Registering: **Come study the book of Isaiah with us on Thursday mornings** starting September 10th at

Holy Trinity Parish in Lenexa from 9:30-11:00am in the Father Quigley Center. Whatever your age or stage in your faith you are welcomed and needed to participate! Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is offered for 3 -12 year olds while we gather for our bible study. Children under 3 are welcome in the nursery or they can stay with mom in a "Mom's study group". Our children's programs always fill fast so please register now! For registration form, go to the Holy Trinity website: www.htlenexa.org and click on the Catholic Women's Bible Study link. Registration is due by August 31st to Kathryn Burditt if you want the book on the first day of class. Registrations taken after that date will receive their materials the 2nd or 3rd week of class. For more information, contact Laura Haeusser at [913-341-9057](tel:913-341-9057) or Kathryn Burditt at [913-451-3680](tel:913-451-3680) or tkburditt@hotmail.com. Come meet new friends and discover what blessings God's Word has in store for you this year!



St. Patrick's Ice Cream Social will be **Sat, Sept 12** starting at 5:00 pm. St. Patrick's is located at 94th and

State Ave. Mass will be at 4:00 pm with the social following. Come enjoy Italian dinner, Hispanic Dinner, hamburgers, polish sausage, hot dogs. There will be a car show, polka band, DJ and games for the kids. For more info call Fritz Vertz 913-515-0621



Master,
to whom
shall
we go?

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A four session **Grief and Loss Support Program** for couples, individuals or others who are living with the loss of an infant due to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or early infant death, is being held at **Nativity Parish**, 3800 West 119th St., Leawood KS, on four Thursday evenings, **August 27, September 3, 10, and 17, from 7-9:00 PM**. Please contact Mary Helen Dennihan at 913 491 4268 or dennihan6@kc.rr.com with questions and to register

Birthright

Birthright, an emergency pregnancy service, is in need of maternity clothes (new or gently used), especially in XL and plus sizes. If you can donate a few, you may bring them to our center at 6309 Walnut, KCMO. Call **Birthright** at 816-444-7090, or Catherine Martin, 816-224-3753 for further information or if you need items picked up.

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: sábado 7 pm; domingos 1 p.m. miércoles, 7 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:

miércoles: 5:30 p.m.- 6:30 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 1:00 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 bautizo**, 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**: miércoles, 3-8 p.m., lunes y martes y jueves, 9am-1 p.m. viernes 9am-12:00 (noon)



Festival Parroquial ... Sept. 12!

EL FESTIVAL PARROQUIAL se llevará acabo el SABADO, 12 de SEPTIEMBRE. Empezaremos nuestra celebración con la Misa a las 4pm, seguido por el

festival, 5-8:30 pm. Por favor, acompañenos para la comida, diversiones y compañerismo y disfrutar de actividades para todas las edades. Venga a escuchar música de los años 80's ó pruebe su suerte en el bingó. Venga a celebrar todo lo que es Santa Cruz.

Queridos feligreses,

La dedicación de la iglesia reformada tendrá lugar vie, 23 de octubre, a las 7 pm Usted puede preguntar, no era la iglesia dedicada anteriormente? Sí, pero con la reforma, la iglesia fue completamente destruida. Esto exige una nueva dedicación. La ceremonia comenzará a las afueras, con las puertas cerradas, ya que habremos mantenido fuera del espacio de culto durante cinco meses. Liderados por la cruz, nos adentraremos en la iglesia, junto con el Arzobispo, quien representa a la iglesia diocesana. Él presidirá la ceremonia.

Fr. Mike



EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Durante el mes de Agosto, la oficina de Educación Religiosa de K-6 va a estar abierta de 9am a 1pm los Martes y de 6 a 8:30 pm los Miércoles para visitas de oficina y/o inscripciones. Si necesita realizar una visita especial, por favor llámenos y con gusto nos pondremos de acuerdo con usted.



Matrículas para la Confirmación y Preparación Sacramental: Ya empezaron las matrículas para la Escuela Intermedia (Grados 7 y 8) y Escuela Superior. Las matrículas las pueden llenar en nuestro Website, o recogerlas en la iglesia. También pueden recibirlas por correos o email, llamando o texting a Sandy Schluter, 205-0825, o sschluter@holycrossopks.org, dándonos su teléfono o email.



La Parroquia Cure of Ars en Leawood, 94 y Mission Rd., extiende una invitación para niñas de edad escolar que estén interesadas en aprender acerca de American Heritage Girls, un programa aprobado por el Arquidiócesis y basado en morales Cristianas. Visitenlos para obtener información y disfrutar de donas, café, jugo y nuevas amistades. Domingo, 6 de septiembre a las 10 am ó 11:30 am. Preguntas, comunicarse con Linda Garza Bond (816) 372-7266.