

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

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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
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. & 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.

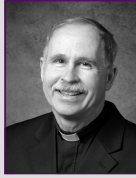
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

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

Both our parish and the Archdiocese have set evangelization as a priority. We have many opportunities to address that goal. For example, soon Holy Cross will begin its Inquiry Series into the Catholic faith. Do you know anyone who might benefit from attending that? Invite them. In addition, we will hold an open house the Sunday after the dedication, Oct. 25, 3-5 p.m. This will include guided tours of our renovated church. Once again, this is an opportunity to welcome people to our parish. Spread the word.



Fr. Mike

Stewardship Reflection September 13, 2015

Jesus called the crowd and his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves. Mark 8:34

Denying ourselves is often not the politically correct way to go. On the contrary, we are frequently encouraged to consume, to help the economy, to satisfy our needs and our wants (easy to confuse those two!). Jesus, obviously, suggests a different way. What do we think about his suggestion? How might we implement it in our lives?



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Financial Update

	Sept 6	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,500	\$261,600
Weekly Offering Received	21,160	251,932
Over/(Under)	(5,340)	(9,608)

Special Donations	2,552	5,467
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Restricted Assets as of Aug 31	Calculated Monthly
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,413
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,160
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$116,613

Long Term Liabilities as of Aug 31	Calculated Monthly
Unpaid Debt—Archdiocese of KCKS	\$ 0
Long term—St. James Academy	\$419,849


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."

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Esperanza Braceros
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Special Intention
	8:15 a.m.	Staff at Holy Cross (at school)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Marilyn Bockelman
	7:00 p.m.	World Peace (Spanish)
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Nancy Chick
	8:15 a.m.	William M Roberts (at school)
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Ken Morgan
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	George & Mildred Flanery
	5:00 p.m.	Johnston Family
	7:00 p.m.	Peggy Sheehan
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Mike Peterson
	9:00 a.m.	Dec K of C Holy Cross
	11:00 a.m.	Ruth Adams
	1:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)

2015 Annual Mission Cooperation

Thank you for the generous support for the SOLT and Mission Co-Op. May God bless you for all the ways you witness Christ to others and encourage those around you to live their faith. Thank you for welcoming me and the SOLT community.

Fr. Jerry Drolshagen



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Koby Becker, Jamie Boos, Mic Haynes, Don Tillet, George Vogel, Betty White, Rick Zila, Jeff Zila, and Tami.



**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Wisdom 2:12,17-20
James 3:16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37

What is a Parish Ministry Fair?



Next Sunday
Sept. 20th!
After the Morning Masses

It's an opportunity ...
... To visit displays and **LEARN** about the work of the parish.
... To **MEET** the people who serve in these ministries and programs.
... To show your **SUPPORT** of their efforts.
... To **ENJOY** Coffee & Donuts and the company of other parishioners.

Win a Prize!



St. Monica's Mothers of Young Children Group

Mothers, please join us for our next meeting on Mon, Sept 28 at 7:30 pm in Room 3. All are welcome to join us in prayer, fellowship, and friendship. Come be part of this new and exciting group of women in our parish! Find us on Facebook at Holy Cross Mothers of Young Children. If you have any questions, please contact Vicki at 913-634-8647



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.

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



Sunshine Club News

Sunshine Club Picnic

Sat, Sept 26 from 11:30am—3:00 pm in the Club House of the Oakshire Homes Assoc, 9555 Nieman Place, on the Southeast corner of 95th & Neiman across from Oak Park Mall. We will have Kentucky fried chicken and beverages, Please bring one of the following: A-M Side Dish, N-Z dessert. Contact Karen Simecka 424-9587 with questions. See you there!

Social Hour

Sunshine Club Social Hour Dinner will be held at Longhorn Steakhouse 4500 W 119th St (119th & Roe) on **Wed, Sept 30 at 4:00 pm**. Please call Marie Spies at 913-381-8923 for reservations.

Argosy Casino

Save the date and your money, we are going to the Argosy on **Fri, Oct 23**. The cost is \$17. We will meet at 10:15 am. Make the check out to Holy Cross Church indicating in the memo for Sunshine Club. Contact Lucinda (Cindy) White 901-8979 to RSVP as she needs a count to give the Argosy. Send payment to Bill O'Neill or have it with you on Oct 23.

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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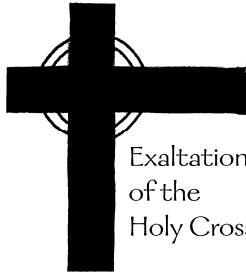


SCHOOL NEWS



Pumpkins Are Coming

Don't buy your pumpkins from the grocery store this year. The Holy Cross Catholic School PTO is sponsoring a **Pumpkin Patch** in the field between the school and the Early Education Center. Choose your favorite from over 3000 pumpkins will be **beginning October 10th**. Watch the bulletin for more information.



Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

The Mass Comes Alive –Episode 1

Cat.Chat is a Catholic Audio Show for kids ages 3-11 to help them learn and love their Faith like never before! Using prayer, great conversations, faith-filled stories, and catchy songs, each CD discusses the Catholic Faith while teaching kids powerful lessons for living out their Faith every day. Join Moses the Talking Cat, Papa, Josh, Hanna, and friends for an unforgettable experience!

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



Holy Cross Cub Scouts

Attention current **first grade through fifth grade boys** and parents of the parish: **Holy Cross Cub Scout Pack 3251** is having their scout night on **Monday, Sept 14th at 7pm, in Pflumm Hall**. Parents and their boys will learn about the fun and exciting opportunities planned for this scouting year and how to join. For more information please contact the Cubmaster, Glen Hatstrup, at (913)205-0286.



Religious Education Information

K-6 Religious Education classes start Tuesday, September 22nd. The Afternoon Program meets from 4:30 to 5:45 pm. Our Family Program meets from 6:45 to 8:15 pm. For questions, please contact us at 381-2757, for Bridget at ext. 140, and for María at ext 119 or send a message tobturello@holycrossopks.org.



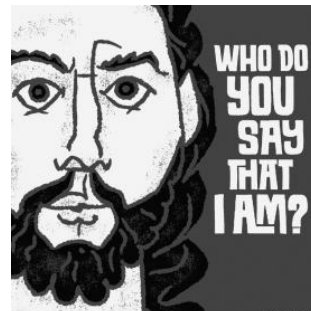
confirmation

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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.



VIRTUS TRAINING:

To volunteer at Holy Cross in any ministry, organization or coaching where children are involved, you must be in full compliance with the Archdiocesan Virtus policy: training class completed, completed paperwork and cleared background check. If you need to be trained, please visit the Virtus website, www.virtus.org to register for an upcoming session. If you have any questions, call Carol Morris in the parish office 381-2755.

Youth Ministry News

High School Youth Group

High School Youth Ministry kickoff has been postponed until October!!! Stay tuned for details regarding location and sign up! Note the day change... High Schoolers meet Thursday evenings throughout the school year, generally from 7pm to 8:45 pm. Add Sandra K Schluter on FB to receive current information on upcoming meetings.

Middle School Youth Group

This year, we meet on **TUESDAY evenings**, from **7pm to 8:30 pm**. Our first meeting is Tuesday, **Oct 6 in Room 4**. This is open to all 7th and 8th graders. Watch the bulletin for more details!

Snacks

We always welcome donations of snacks and pop for our hungry youth to enjoy during our meetings! If you would like to donate an item, please drop it off at the church office. We thank you for your generosity!



Interfaith Hospitality Network

Training for working with the homeless in our IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) program will be **Saturday, Sept 26, 9:30-12** at **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**, 15915 W 143rd St, Olathe. For more info call Shirley Maxwell, 913-897-2127.

GOOD GRIEF: A Young Adult Grief Support Ministry

will meet at **Holy Spirit Catholic Church**, 11300 W. 103rd St., **beginning Mon, Oct 5** from 7:00-8:30 pm.

This new ministry will consist of six weeks titled "The Grief Journey". The group is designed for young adults, (ages 18-40), that have lost a loved one. If you are interested in being a part of one of the groups, know someone that could benefit from this ministry or would like to help in facilitating them you can contact **Marcus Kain** at marcusk16@hotmail.com or 913-634-7870 for additional information. The course is free but registration is required. Materials for the course will be provided along with a light snack and drink.



Knights of Columbus News

The State Council of the Knights of Columbus is having a drawing to benefit religious education in the state. Only 2000 tickets are sold at \$100 each. There are 28 prizes awarded from \$1000 to \$25,000. The winning tickets will be drawn in December. To participate, contact Bill Dickinson, 913-642-1171. This is open to everyone!



Come Help us Celebrate! Fr. Dennis and Sanctuary of Hope invite you to come celebrate the beginning of our 20th year in ministry at the 10th Annual Hope Benefit. **The Benefit is October 10, 2015, from 5:30-10pm**. This year it will be held at Abdallah Shrine Temple at 5300 Metcalf. For tickets or more information, give us a call at 913-321-4673 (HOPE), or go to our website at SanctuaryofHope.org.

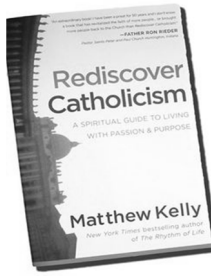
FORMED.org

It's Here! and Holy Cross is giving it to you for free! Become informed about **FORMED.org**! Your parish has gifted you with unlimited access to the best eBooks, talks, videos and movies in the Church today. It's like NetFlix or Amazon Prime -- but with awesome Catholic education. You don't know how much you don't know until you start learning more. Start today. Log in at FORMED.org and use the Holy Cross access code 9de4da. Questions? Call Brenda Scruggs 913-302-8430



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.

Rediscover Catholicism



“The whole world will get out of the way for the man who knows where he is going. For the man who does not, the world becomes a playground filled with distractions and nothingness. . . If you want your future to be different from your past, there is only one way:

Change your habits.” Rediscover Catholicism (page 123)



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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.**



Family Day at Prairie Star Ranch
Climbing Tower, Horseback Riding, Canoeing, Adventures in Prayer, Holy Mass (Sunday obligation), Games, and more on **September 27th at Prairie Star Ranch for only \$5/person!** Our retreat team joyfully

invites you to take advantage of this opportunity to enjoy a day of natural beauty, prayer, and adventure activities. Families, friends, and communities are welcome to come at their leisure and spend the day bonding and building relationships. Let us grow closer to Christ together on this day of Christocentric adventure and fun! Registrations are now available all online. For further inquiries, call or go online, today! www.archkck.org/ranch -- 785-746-5693 -- psrministry@archkck.org

catholic charities OF NORTHEAST KANSAS

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Pregnancy Counseling and Adoption is the founding program of Catholic Charities that continues today. Confidential pregnancy support services are available free of charge to all those facing an unintended pregnancy regardless of marital status, age, race or faith. For those who have longed to adopt a child, Catholic Charities is a leader in nationally accredited adoption services providing the expertise, experience and honest answers throughout the adoptive experience. For more information, contact Donda at 913-433-2063 or dmclaughlin@catholiccharitiesks.org

Catholic Community Hospice, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, is the only Catholic 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 to learn more.

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.

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)

Queridos feligreses,

Tanto nuestra parroquia y la Arquidiócesis han fijado la evangelización como una prioridad. Tenemos muchas oportunidades para hacer frente a ese objetivo. Por ejemplo, antes de la Santa Cruz comenzará su Serie Investigación sobre la fe católica. ¿Conoces a alguien que podría beneficiarse de asistir a eso? Invítelos. Además, vamos a celebrar una jornada de puertas abiertas el domingo después de la dedicación, el 25 de octubre, 3-5 pm Esto incluirá visitas guiadas a nuestra iglesia reformada. Una vez más, esta es una oportunidad para dar la bienvenida a la gente a nuestra parroquia. Difundir la palabra.

Fr. Mike



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EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA



Las clases de Educación Religiosa K-6 comienzan el día Martes, 22 de Septiembre de 2015. El programa de la Tarde es de 4:30 a 5:45 pm. Nuestro Programa Familiar es de 6:45 a 8:15 pm. Si tiene preguntas, por favor comuníquese con nosotros al 381-2757, con Bridget ext. 140, y con María a la ext. 119



Exaltación
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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.