

# 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  
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Assistant: Michelle Rieger  
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](mailto:gradeschool@holycrosscatholicschool.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  
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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.

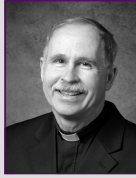
**MARRIAGES:** Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

**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

Our Holy Cross Parish festival was wonderful. A huge crowd turned out. God blessed us with good weather. Our volunteers worked hard to make it a success. Thanks to all who participated. It was a great event for a great parish, an excellent way to celebrate our feast day.



Fr. Mike



<b>Monday</b>	9:00 a.m. Geoff Engen
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 a.m. Betty Hauber 8:15 a.m. Spec Int-John Daniel (at school)
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 a.m. Lottie Ciesielski 7:00 p.m. Milena Berroa Vda. Castillo (Spanish)
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m. Marlene Golub (All School)
<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 a.m. World Peace 5:00 p.m. Luella Goodnow 7:00 p.m. Sharon Williams
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 a.m. Patricia Stockton 9:00 a.m. Josephine Golub 11:00 a.m. Patrick Morris 1:00 p.m. People of the Parish (Spanish)



**REST IN PEACE**

Prayers are requested for **Sam Ashley** of Holy Cross and **Willard Dresser**, father of Henry Dresser.



**Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:** Koby Becker, Jamie Boos, Mic Haynes, Joe Hernandez, George Vogel, Betty White, Margaret Wortman, Rick Zila, Jeff Zila, and Tami.

*Stewardship Reflection September 20, 2015*

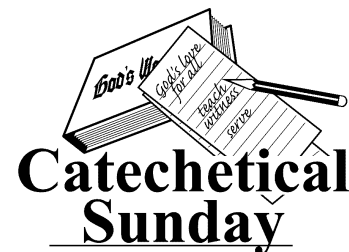
Jesus asked his disciples, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. “ Mark 9:33-34

Even Jesus’ closest friends had a hard time understanding the command that his followers be the last of all and servant of all. Good stewardship is a wonderful way to be the servant of others.

**Financial Update**

	Sept 13	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,500	\$288,100
Weekly Offering Received	21,449	273,381
Over/(Under)	(5,051)	(14,719)
Special Donations	3,068	8,535
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	
<b>Unpaid Debt—Archdiocese of KCKS</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	
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.”



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**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:  
26th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Numbers 11:25-29  
James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48



**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



**Life Chain is Sun, Oct 4th from 1:30-2:30 pm along 95th St.** Life Chain is a peaceful hour of prayer on

public sidewalks. A choice of pre-printed signs will be available on-site. All are encouraged to attend, but babies and young children must be secured in strollers, backpacks or held and no one may sit on or get close to the curbs. **Our church assembles in front of Holy Cross Catholic School at 1:30 pm.** For more info call Becky Dixon 913-961-5538.

**Diaper Drive-** There will be a diaper drive in conjunction with the Life Chain. Donated items support Grace Center Maternity Home (KCK) and Advice and Aid Pregnancy Center (Shawnee). Drop off tables will be located on the SW corner of 95th & Antioch.



The **Monthly Food Collection** for Catholic Charities is held the **last Sunday** of each month. The next collection will be **Sun, Sept 27**. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

***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**

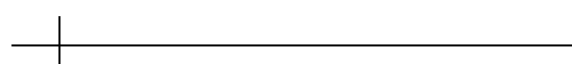
**Sat, Sept 26** from 11:30am—3:00 pm in the Club House of the Oakshire Homes Assoc, 9555 Nieman Place, on the Southeast corner of 95th & Neiman across from Oak Park Mall. We will have Kentucky fried chicken and beverages, Please bring one of the following: A-M Side Dish, N-Z dessert. Contact Karen Simecka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



#### 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.



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### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



#### 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](mailto:ruthkuse@gmail.com) for more info on which hours are available.



**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](http://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!



**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](http://shinedc.weebly.com) or email [craigdoty@donnelly.edu](mailto:craigdoty@donnelly.edu).



**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](http://SanctuaryofHope.org).



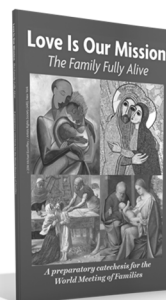
**Interfaith Hospitality Network Training** for working with the homeless in our IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) program will be **Saturday, Sept 26, 9:30-12** at **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**, 15915 W 143rd St, Olathe. For more info call Shirley Maxwell, 913-897-2127.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

40 Days for Life—Be among those who are praying and fasting in cities around the world for an end to abortion, **Sept 23—Nov 1**. We will be praying peacefully at 4840 College Blvd in Leawood every day from 7am to 7 pm. For more information, visit the 40 Days for Life website: [www.40daysforlife.com/overlandpark](http://www.40daysforlife.com/overlandpark) or contact Wendy [40daysforlifekc@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifekc@gmail.com)

### Mass of Innocents

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann will celebrate Mass in honor of our children that were lost before or shortly after birth on Sun, Oct 11 at 3:00 pm at Cure of Ars Parish, 9401 Mission Rd. Parents, family members and friends all welcome to attend. For questions please call Brad DuPont 647-0103

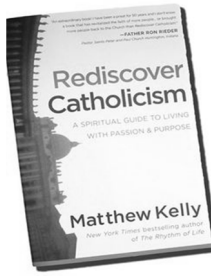


### Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs and Books

This book explains how all of Catholic teaching about sex, marriage, and the family flows from our basic belief about Jesus. This catechesis offers a narrative beginning with our creation, soberly noting our fall and the challenges we face, but emphasizing God's plan for our salvation. Love is our mission, and it is by loving God and one another that we will be fully alive.

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

## 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](http://www.archkck.org/ranch) -- 785-746-5693 -- [psrministry@archkck.org](mailto:psrministry@archkck.org)

**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](mailto:marcusk16@hotmail.com) or call 913-634-7870. The course is FREE but registration is required. Materials for the course will be provided along with a light snack and drink .



### Johnson County Catholic High Schools Open House

Come visit the Johnson County Catholic High Schools. Open Houses will be:

St. Thomas Aquinas—Mon, Oct 12  
[stasaints.net](http://stasaints.net)

Bishop Miego  
Sat, Oct 17  
[bishopmiego.com](http://bishopmiego.com)

St. James Academy  
Sat, Nov 4  
[sjakeepingfaith.org](http://sjakeepingfaith.org)

Check our websites for more details!



### 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!

# 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)



## 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



### 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](mailto:sschluter@holycrossopks.org), dándonos su teléfono o email.

Queridos feligreses,  
Nuestra Santa Cruz festival de la parroquia fue maravilloso. Una enorme multitud resultó. Dios nos bendijo con buen tiempo. Nuestros voluntarios trabajaron duro para que sea un éxito. Gracias a todos los que participaron. Fue un gran acontecimiento para una gran parroquia, una excelente manera de celebrar nuestro día de la fiesta.

*Fr. Mike*

**ENTRENAMIENTO DE VIRTUS:** Para ser voluntario en Holy Cross en cualquier ministerio, organización o entrenamiento donde los niños están involucrados, debe estar en plena conformidad con la política de VIRTUS de la Arquidiócesis. Si necesita entrenamiento en ESPAÑOL, visite [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) para registrarse para la proxima sesión el sabado, 10 de octubre, 9am-12pm en la parroquia Our Lady of Unity, KCK.

Las Posadas



### CELEBRACIONES DE DICIEMBRE:

Las practicas ya iniciaron para Las Posadas y la Representación de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Si desea apoyar estas celebraciones de nuestra cultura, favor de comunicarse con Nallely Romero (913) 484-6872. Todavía necesitamos la ayuda de hombres, jóvenes y adultos y algunas damas.

## Noticias del Ministerio Juvenil

### Grupo Juvenil de Escuela Superior

¡¡¡El inicio ha sido pospuesto hasta octubre!!!  
¡Atentos al boletín para más detalles sobre la ubicación y registración! Cambio de dia... el grupo de High School se reune los JUEVES por la noche durante el año escolar, normalmente de 7:00-8:45pm.

### Grupo Juvenil de Escuela Intermedia

Este año, se reunen los MARTES por la noche, empezando el 6 de oct., de 7:00-8:30pm en el Salón 4. Este grupo esta abierto a todos los alumnos de 7° y 8° grado. ¡Atentos al boletín para más detalles!

### Botanas

¡Siempre agradecemos donaciones de botanas y bebidas para que nuestra juventud las disfruten durante las reuniones! Si usted desea donar, favor de entregar su donación en la oficina de la parroquia. ¡Le damos gracias por su generosidad!