

Church of The Holy Cross

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Overland Park, Kansas 66212
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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
Music Director: JoAnna Rubino
Parish Manager: Mark Engen
Administrative Assistant: Carol Morris
Receptionist: Barb Williams
Bilingual Assistant: Claudia Bustos

Religious Education Staff: 381-2757

Director - Pre-Gr. 6: Bridget Turello
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@holycrosscatholicsschool.com
Principal: Allison Carney
Secretaries: Anita Lemmon & Martha Beisser

Early Education Center: 381-7151

7917 W 95th St. 66212
E-Mail: preschool@holycrosscatholicsschool.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, 6:00-7:00 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.)

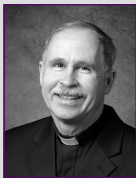
Contact the office to confirm times and to register.

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,



What can we expect from our renovated church? Besides a new roof which should keep us from having leaks when it rains, we will experience a new worship space that will enhance our liturgies. The improved lighting will make it easier to see. The acoustics will make music sound better. All in all, it should help our prayer together. In addition, the renovation will say to the world that our parish has enough commitment and strength to take on and complete such a major project. After all, the church building visually represents our parish community. It reflects what we are. And it is truly beautiful.

Fr. Mike



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Mary Jane Pavelcik
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	William Oothout
	8:15 a.m.	Allen Troyer (at school)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Barbara Madden
	7:00 p.m.	Special Intentions (Spanish)
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	World Peace
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Patrick Morris
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Joan Winger
	5:00 p.m.	Corinne Johnston
	7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Patricia Stockton
	9:00 a.m.	Geoff Engen
	11:00 a.m.	Michael Drinane
	1:00 p.m.	André Maloney (Spanish)



REST IN PEACE

Prayers are requested for **Joan Winger** of Holy Cross

Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:
Keith Adkins, Koby Becker, Joe Hernandez, George Vogel, Margaret Wortman, and Tami.

Stewardship Reflection *October 25, 2015*

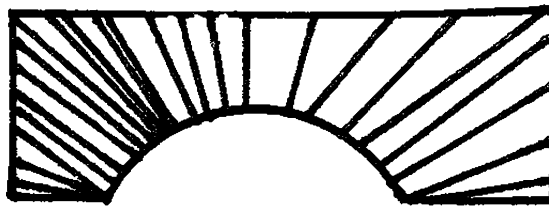
And the disciples called to Bartimaeus, the blind man, saying, "Take heart; get up, Jesus is calling you." Mark 10:49

When Bartimaeus approached him, Jesus asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asks us the same question. Let's take heart and respond honestly, telling the Lord what it is that we want him to do for us.

Financial Update

	Oct 18	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$27,660	\$418,080
Weekly Offering Received	24,621	389,863
Over/(Under)	(3,039)	(28,217)
 Special Donations	 1,151	 13,251
 Restricted Assets as of Sept 30	 Calculated Monthly	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,413	
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,160	
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$27,517	
 Long Term Liabilities as of Sept 30	 Calculated Monthly	
Construction Loan —Archdiocese	\$142,868	
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."



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

All Saints

Revelation 7: 2-4,9-14

1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a



The **11:00 am Nursery** will be closed thru Nov 15. The **Bible Study Nursery** will be open 10:00-10:45 am now.



Veterans Wanted!

Holy Cross would like to honor all veterans on **November 11, 2015 at the 9:00 AM Mass.**

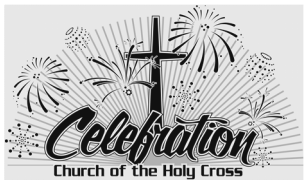
Please **RSVP** to the church (381-2755) or the school (381-7408) if you can attend the Mass and celebration.



“The Sultan and St. Francis”

A film telling the fascinating story of how St. Francis of Assisi traveled to the Holy Land on a peace mission during the Crusades. Playing at Holy

Cross on **Monday, Nov 2 at 7:00 pm in the church hall.** All are welcome!



Celebration Gift Gathering Party

Come join us for appetizers and drinks at our **Celebration Gift Gathering Party on Sat,**

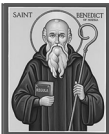
Nov 7 from 7-9:00 pm at Holy Cross School. We ask that you bring a gift for the Silent Auction at Celebration which is Jan 23,2016. We need items in the following categories: On the Town, Religion & Holiday, Men’s Club, Kid’s Paradise, Home & Garden and A Beautiful You!

RSVP to Pat Sheldon 816-522-1801, pat.sheldon@yahoo.com or Denise Barron 816-645-9105, denise_barron17@yahoo.com. **Free** childcare will be provided.



International Day of Marian Consecration Dec 8

Nov. 5 is the day to start preparing for the **International Day of Marian Consecration on Dec. 8** as we begin The Year of Faith. Groups are forming now -- or you can form a group in your home or do one individually. All materials are available free of charge at formed.org (Holy Cross login code is 9de4da.) Call Brenda at 913-302-8430 for questions, to lead a group, join a group, or to let her know you are doing it on your own. We’d like to know how many members of our parish will be Consecrating or re-Consecration on Dec 8.



St. Benedict’s Circle will meet **Sat, Nov 7 at 9:30 am** in room 2 here at Holy Cross!

~ LIVING YOUR STRENGTHS ~

Discover your God-given talents and Inspire Your Community!

Hmmm ... What Talents Do I Have?

To help you uncover your top 5 talents and develop these into strengths Holy Cross presents Gallup *StrengthsFinders*.

Take an assessment that will give you a personal report on your top 5 talents and will include strategies for applying your strengths in your career, relationships, volunteering and service.

Then take advantage of this weekly *Living Your Strengths* workshop to develop these talents into strengths.

JOIN US FOR SIX WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 4TH 7:00 PM IN ROOM 5AB.

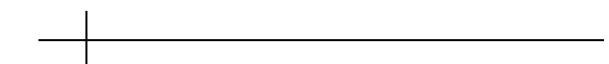
There is a \$15 registration fee to cover the cost of materials payable at the first meeting.

Contact the Church Office by telephone or email to register no later than October 26th. Be sure to include your name and daytime contact information. Space is limited to 10 people, so don’t delay.



Sunshine Club Social

We will meet at **Olive Garden Restaurant** at 9750 W 95th St on **Wed Oct 28** from 4-6:00 pm. For reservations call Karen Simecka 424-9587.



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



Pumpkin Patch

Visit the inaugural Holy Cross Pumpkin Patch from now until —Oct 31. The pumpkin patch will be in the field between the school and the Early Education Center. Choose from a variety of pumpkins of all sizes.

Hours are:

M-F 10:00 am—2:00 pm and 4:00 pm—8:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am— 5:00 pm
Sunday 12:00 pm— 5:00 pm



Would you like to keep up with your parish school activities? We would love to email you our weekly

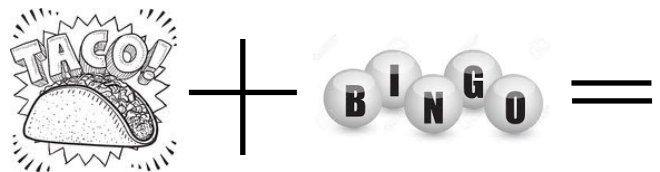
newsletter. Please contact Anita or Martha in the school office to be placed on the email list. Thank you for your continued support of Holy Cross Catholic School.



Trunk or Treat

Fri. Oct 30 : 5:30—8:00 pm

Come join us for a frightfully good time at the annual Trunk or Treat! We will have a DJ, prizes for best costumes and best decorated trunk! Bring a canned good for Cans for Candy to support the local food pantry. So, bring candy to give out to hand out and join us! Parking lot closes at 6:00 pm and the fun begins! Everyone in the parish is invited to attend!



FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT!!!

Join us at Holy Cross School for a fun night of dinner and bingo on **Fri, Nov 6**. **Taco Buffet** is from 6:00—7:00 pm and **Bingo** will be from 7:00-9:00 pm. Proceeds benefit the 8th Grade Graduation Fund.



Tamale Sale

Benefits the Holy Cross School Guardian Angel Fund assisting families desiring a Catholic education.

Sold by the dozen at **\$15.00 per dozen**

Order Forms and Money can be turned in on **Sat/Sun Nov 7/8** after all Masses

or

drop off at the school office **no later than Wed, Nov 11**

of Dozens @ \$15.00/dozen

Name: _____ dozen of Chicken tamales

Phone Number: _____ dozen of Pork tamales

Circle your pick up day: **Fri, Nov 20:** 2:00-4:00 pm at SCHOOL
Sat Nov 21: after 5:00 pm Mass at CHURCH
Sun Nov 22: after 11:00 am & 1:00 pm Mass at CHURCH

For questions contact the Holy Cross School Office at 381-7408



**Religious Education
Information**

Touch Safety lessons, which are part of our Archdiocese Child Protection program, will be presented during Religious education classes on **Tues, Oct 27**. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend this session. Opt-out forms were sent home Tuesday, October 20th. Please return this form if you **do not** want your child to participate in the VIRTUS – Protecting God’s Children – Touching Safety Program. If we do not hear from you, your child will be included in this week’s class. For questions, please contact Bridget Turello at 381-2757 ext. 140 or email bturello@holycrossopks.org

First Reconciliation: If your child is preparing for First Reconciliation, they should have received their first of six homework assignment. These are to be completed and returned weekly. For questions, please contact Bridget Turello at 381-2757 ext. 140 or email bturello@holycrossopks.org



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Knights of Columbus congratulate Jerry Viviano for winning the Wine Tasting Certificate Raffle. We raised \$186 for our seminarians! Thank you!

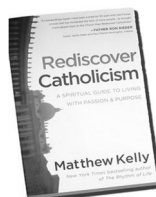
Our next business meeting will be Thurs, Nov 12. Rosary at 6:30 pm, business meeting at 7:00 pm.



**PRIESTHOOD
SUNDAY**

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Rediscover Catholicism



“God, what do you think I should do? This question should be a constant theme in our spiritual lives. When we are attentive to it we are happy regardless of external realities, because we have a peace and contentment within. . . As Christians, as Catholics, as a Church and as citizens, we should always take time to check and adjust the compass that guides us.” *Rediscover Catholicism*

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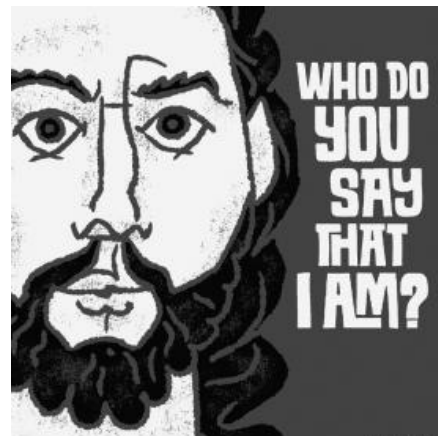
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Adoration Chapel

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.



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Cell Phone Collection

Catholic Charities Foundation of Northeast Kansas is asking for your **old cell phones and smartphones!** Donated phones will be accepted **during the month of October right here at Holy Cross.** Funds raised from the recycling of used phones help to support Catholic Charities’ programs that help thousands in our community each year. All cell and smartphones: working, outdated, or damaged are accepted.



31st Annual Viviano Variety Benefit Show

This year's show benefits the Hurtado Scholars, an educational and leadership program offered at Rockhurst High School. It will be on **Sat, Nov 21** at the Rockhurst Rose Theatre, 9301 State Line Rd. Dinner begins at 4:30 pm with the show starting at 7:00 pm. Dinner is a delicious Italian buffet of pasta, meat sauce, chicken, salad, garlic bread and dessert. Tickets are \$25 for open seating and \$35 for reserve. Tickets are available at Holy Cross Church office or by calling 816-363-2036 ext 582 or on Rockhurst High School website www.rockhursths.edu



Would you like to help troubled pregnant women? Birthright, an international emergency service offering positive alternatives to abortion, is staffed by volunteers. If you are willing to commit some of your time, there are a number of ways to help. We especially need compassionate women and men to answer the hotline calls, run pregnancy tests, and befriend mothers in crisis. Training will be held on **Saturday, November 7th, at the Birthright Center, 6309 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri.** Reservations are required by November 3rd; call Birthright, 816-444-7090, or Janet Cozad, 816-741-2696.



Face to Face Family Adoration

Come join in 1st Sundays of the month family adoration on **Sun, Nov 1 at Church of the Ascension from 7:00-8:00 pm.** There will be prayer, candles, silence, Scripture meditations, praise band and one thing every catholic parent wants...the whole family together with Christ! For more information go to

www.schooloflovekc.com



St. James Academy Open House
24505 Prairie Star Parkway, Lenexa KS
Sat, Nov 4 9:00 am 12:00

Drop in to see the campus, meet student leadership, experience the community and learn about the many academic achievements we are celebrating!

There will be a **Financial Aid Workshop** at 10 am & 11 am, a **photo booth** and **Advance RSVP!** Check in online at sjakeepingfaith.org/open-house.

Your faith
 has
 saved
 you



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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.**



Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas is seeking volunteers interested in working as Cashiers or in the Donation Bay at TurnStyles Thrift Store in Overland Park, KS. Morning and afternoon shifts available Monday through Saturday. Interested in volunteering or have questions? Please contact Michelle Carlstedt at 913.433.2080 or mcarlstedt@catholiccharitiesks.org.

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: 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.

RECONCILIACIÓN EN ESPAÑOL:

miércoles: 6:00 - 7:00 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: usualmente el 4th domingo del mes, después de la misa de la 1:00 pm. Comuníquese con la oficina para confirmar fechas y para registrarse.

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)



CONGRESO DE FAMILIAS: ¡PRIMER CONGRESO DE FAMILIAS! Con la participación del Padre Darío Betancurt. Sábado, 31 de oct. 8:00 am - 3:00 pm y domingo, 1º de nov. 11:00 am - 6:00 pm, culminando con la Santa Misa. Les invita la Parroquia Nuestra Señora de la Unidad (San Juan Evangelista y Sagrado Corazón) 2646 S. 34th St. Kansas City, KS 66160. Costo \$20 adultos y \$15 niños. Para inscripciones y mayor información, llamen al 913-915-6494 o 913-375-8180.



RETIRO DE CONVALIDACIÓN: 7 y 8 de noviembre en la Parroquia del Buen Pastor 12800 W 75th St., Shawnee KS. Favor de registrarse con el Ministerio Hispano y pagar la cuota de \$60/pareja. Para más información llamen al (913) 281-6644.

Queridos feligreses,

¿Qué podemos esperar de nuestra iglesia reformada? Además de un nuevo techo que debe mantenernos de tener filtraciones cuando llueve, vamos a experimentar un nuevo espacio de culto que mejorará nuestras liturgias. La iluminación mejorado hará que sea más fácil de ver. La acústica hará música suene mejor. Con todo, hay que ayudar a nuestra oración juntos. Además, la renovación va a decir al mundo que nuestra parroquia tiene suficiente compromiso y fuerza para asumir y completar un proyecto tan importante. Después de todo, el edificio de la iglesia representa visualmente nuestra comunidad parroquial. Refleja lo que somos. Y es verdaderamente hermoso.

Fr. Mike



Educación Religiosa

La lección de Seguridad en el Contacto, que son parte de nuestro programa de Protección a los Niños de Dios de nuestra Arquidiócesis, será presentada durante las clases de educación religiosa el martes, 27 de oct. Se invita y anima a los padres a asistir a esta sesión. Las formas con la opción de rechazar la oportunidad de que sus niños reciban esta instrucción se enviaron al hogar este martes, 20 de octubre. Favor de entregar la forma completa si no desea que su hijo asista al Programa de VIRTUS - Protección a los Niños de Dios - Seguridad en el Contacto. Si no recibimos noticias tuyas, su niño (a) será incluido en la clase de esta semana

Primera Reconciliación: Si su hijo (a) se prepara para Primera Reconciliación, debieron haber recibido la primera de seis tareas. Estas deben ser completadas y devueltas cada semana. Si tiene preguntas, favor de comunicarse con Bridget Turello al 381-2757 ext. 140 o mande correo electrónico a bturello@holycrossops.org.



¡La Fundación de Caridades Católicas del Noreste de Kansas está pidiendo sus teléfonos celulares viejos! Teléfonos donados --si sean dañados o no-- serán aceptados durante el mes de octubre aquí en Holy Cross. Los fondos recaudados serán usados para apoyar los programas de Caridades Católicas que ayudan a miles de personas en nuestra comunidad cada año. El contenedor de reciclaje verdes se encuentra en el narthex.