

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

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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

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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
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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.)

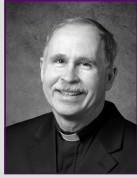
Contact the office to confirm times and to register.

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,



As we approach Thanksgiving day, it is good to reflect upon the blessings that we have received. That is something that I do personally as your pastor. I deeply appreciate your involvement in the ministries and activities here at Holy Cross. It is a joy to meet with you for Bible study, to celebrate the liturgy with you, to visit with the children. The wonderful things going on at Holy Cross are possible because of your generosity in giving of your time, talents and treasure.

Fr. Mike

Stewardship Reflection November 15, 2015

“Then the Son of Man will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.” Mark 13:27

Jesus’ teaching makes clear that the elect are those who care for others, who are persons of compassion and generosity, and filled with love.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	9:00 a.m. Mike Golub
Tuesday	6:30 a.m. Dick Obert 8:15 a.m. All Souls (at school)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Hazel Lucille Vogel 7:00 p.m. Frank Theisen (Spanish)
Thursday	6:30 a.m. Cheri Burchett 8:15 a.m. Staff at Holy Cross School (at school)
Friday	9:00 a.m. Dec K of C Holy Cross
Saturday	7:30 a.m. Rosa Nguyen 5:00 p.m. Marcia Werp 7:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday	7:30 a.m. William Oothout 9:00 a.m. Douglas Roth 11:00 a.m. Anne & Michael Polacek 1:00 p.m. World Hunger (Spanish)


Financial Update

	Nov 8	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,020	\$497,780
Weekly Offering Received	23,277	468,371
Over/(Under)	(2,743)	(29,409)
Special Donations	1,158	15,691

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.”




Thanksgiving Day Mass

Mass will be at **9:00 am**.
There will be **no 6:30 am** Mass.



Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers:

Keith Adkins, Joyce Ferwalt, Mary Kate Garst, Tracey Grant, Don Tillett, and George Vogel.



**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

Daniel 7:13-14
Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33b-37



St. Monica's Mother's of Young Children Group

Attention Holy Cross mothers! Please note that our November meeting has been changed to **Mon, Nov 16 in room 3 at 7:30 pm.** Our

topic for this meeting will be how to prepare our hearts, homes and families for the coming of Christ this upcoming Advent. Please bring a tradition to share! If you have any questions, please contact Vicki D'Amico at 913-634-8647.



Thanksgiving Pies Needed: Holy Cross brings the pies for the Thanksgiving meal served at St. Mary's Kitchen. If you can provide a pie, please bring it to Holy Cross Church either **Wed, Nov 25** (put them in the fridge in kitchen) or **before 9:00 am on Thus, Nov 26.** Questions call Bill or Nadine Swanson, 888-6025 or Wayne Guelbert, 492-1857



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We will be serving pasta casserole, salad and dessert to those who are less fortunate on **Friday, Nov 20.** If you can make a casserole, please pick up a baking pan and the recipe which is provided in the narthex. Tomatoes, bags of green garden salad are needed too! Thanks to all those who help!



Mission Outreach Opportunity

Our pastoral council has set community outreach as one of the goals for our parish. There is an activity coming up soon that can help us pursue that goal. **Our parish, along with Valley View United Methodist Church and the First Baptist Church,** will leave brochures at the doors of households in the neighborhood. These brochures will contain information about our churches, schedules of worship and websites. To carry this out, we will need some willing hands to distribute the brochures. Can you help? We have targeted the Sunday after Thanksgiving, **Nov 29, 3-5:00 pm,** as the time to carry out this mission. We will meet at Holy Cross to begin. **Call the church office to sign up to help or for questions!**

HELP US GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS!

Once again this year, we want to make sure that every Holy Cross family member has a gift to open and a meal to enjoy this Christmas. **Do you know someone in our parish, who will need assistance this Christmas?** Please have them call the Church Office right away and let us know even if that someone is you. All information will be held in confidence. Families or individuals who are not Holy Cross parishioners will be referred to Catholic Charities. We will provide assistance based on the information relayed back to us and available resources. Watch for more information about St. Benedict Circle's *Angel Tree.*



Thanksgiving Turkey Drive

In place of our regular food collection for the Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Center, Holy Cross will be collecting **FROZEN TURKEYS** for the Food Pantry on the weekend of **Nov. 21/22.** Rather than shop for groceries, please purchase one frozen turkey. Simply place it in the van, located right outside the front doors, when you come to Mass. **We can only accept frozen turkeys after the Masses that weekend.** In gratitude, let us share our abundance with others.

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:
 Church of the Holy Cross
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SCHOOL NEWS

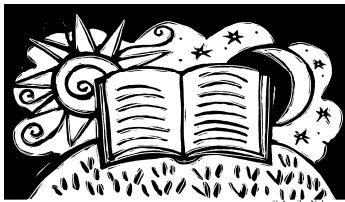


Remember to Clip for Holy Cross!

Please remember to clip **Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education and Best Choice Labels** for Holy Cross School! Drop off Box Tops and labels at the school or the church office. Thank you for your generous support!



Grandparents Day at Holy Cross School will be **Tuesday, Nov 24**. We will celebrate Mass at 9:00 am **in the school gym**. All are welcome.



Sign Up For An Hour Of Adoration



Join a powerful prayer ministry here at Holy Cross taking place seven days a week, 24 hours a day...Adoration!!! Adorers are needed for the following times: **We have open hours everyday of the week!** Some hours that are open are: Sun 4-5am; Mon 2-3pm, Tues 3-4pm, Wed 10-11pm, Thurs 3-4am, Fri 8-9pm Sat 6-7pm

Name _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____
 Time _____

Drop off form at the church office.

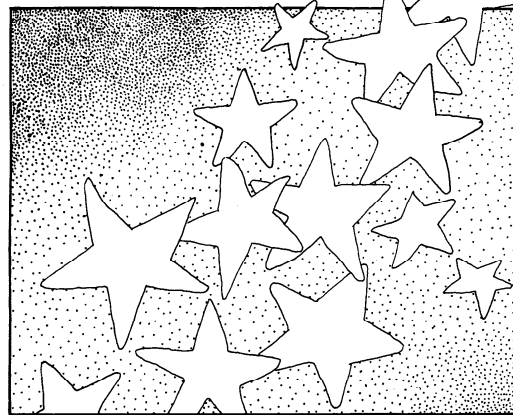
For questions or list of open hours, call Ruth Kuse 649-7344, 963-3700 or ruthkuse@gmail.com



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word gives children, grades K-4th, the opportunity to hear the Liturgy of the Word at their level of understanding. Children are dismissed at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Word and return at offertory time. We would like to bring this back to the 9:00am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm Mass but **we need adult volunteers to help!** We also need youth volunteers (7th grade and up) to assist during this time. **To volunteer** or more info contact Bridget Turello 381-2757, ext 140 or bturello@holycrossopks.org

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Boy Scout Troop 251 Annual Cinnamon Roll

Pre-orders will be taken after all masses **Dec 5 & 6** or you can call Terry Dressman 599-4725 to place your order. Cost: \$20 a dozen or \$10 for a 1/2 dozen. Pick up will be Dec 12 & 13 after all Masses.

St. Catherine's Circle will meet **Thurs, Nov 19** at 11:30 am at Sullivans Restaurant at 119th and Roe in the same parking lot as Trader Joe's Grocery. Call 913-638-8369 for reservations. All are welcome!



Interfaith Hospitality Network

Training to help the homeless in the IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) program will be **Tues, Nov 17** from 6:30-9:00 pm at

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church,

11100 College. Holy Cross Church supports this ministry and our next week to help is Dec 6. For more information, call Shirley Maxwell, 913-897-2127

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Go to Formed.org and if you are a returning user, just click Log-in at the top right corner and sign in. If you are a first time user, scroll down to "Does your parish already have Formed?" Enter 9de4da, click submit and follow the directions.

For questions contact Brenda Scruggs at 302-8430

In Thanksgiving for Life, attend the FertilityCare System (Creighton Model) Introductory Session, offered monthly at a variety of area locations and long distance. Fulfills marriage policy requirement. Helpful for achieving and avoiding pregnancy plus medical applications. Better than IVF for infertility. Register online at www.fertilitycarekc.com, or call the FertilityCare Center of KC at (816) 858-0198. **Para Espanol call Brooklynn Salazar, FCPI (816) 398-9327**



Come one; come all to our Advent Day of Reflection at Sanctuary of Hope Prayer and Retreat Center in KCK on **Saturday, Dec 5**, from 8 AM to 1 PM! The theme of our day is "Bearing Good Fruits," from John 15: 8, "By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples." As the whole Church prepares for the feast of Christ's Nativity, I will give a couple presentations on a life of prayer that leads to good works, and actually gives joy to our Heavenly Father. We will have time for our own private reflection, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or Spiritual mentoring. The day will conclude with the rosary, asking Our Lady's powerful intercession, the Eucharist and lunch. The cost is \$30.00 for an individual, \$50.00 for a couple. Come walk our new Labyrinth and enjoy our 33 sacred acres as well. With a grateful heart!



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



Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs and Books

The Right Perspective

Father Mitch is a priest of the Society of Jesus, a highly respected scripture scholar and author, a regular host of EWTN Television and Radio, and the founder and president of Ignatius Productions—a catholic teaching and media apostolate. Listen as Fr. Pacwa describes the "big picture" of the Catholic Faith while explaining the perspective that Catholics ought to have in their relation to and with God.

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

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NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL HOSPICE MONTH -- 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, the multidisciplinary team provides 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 913-621-5090 or visit catholiccommunityhospice.com to learn more.

AARP Tax-Aide **AARP TAXAIDE VOLUNTEERS:** Looking for volunteer tax preparers to help AARP Taxaide program. This program provides free tax assistance and preparation for taxpayers with low- and middle- income, with special attention to those age 60 and older between February and April with training in cooperation with the IRS during January. Anyone interested in taxes can be a volunteer after training and testing. See www.kstaxaide.com or call Gene Meiners 913-262-8134.



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.**

“Grieving During the Holidays: A Grief Support Group”

A Holiday Grief Support Group Session will be offered at Church of the Nativity (3800 W. 119th Street, Leawood, KS 66209) on **December 9**. If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and find yourself facing the holidays in the midst of grief please join us on **Wednesday, December 9 from 6:30-8pm in the St Joseph Room**. Together with group leaders Brent Doster and Rich Gier of Catholic Community Hospice, we will discuss the challenges of living with the loss of loved ones in the midst of holiday cheer and will share with one another as we find our way through the holidays while grieving. The group will meet in the St Joseph Room. To reserve your seat, please RSVP to Brent Doster at 913-433-2058.



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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**,

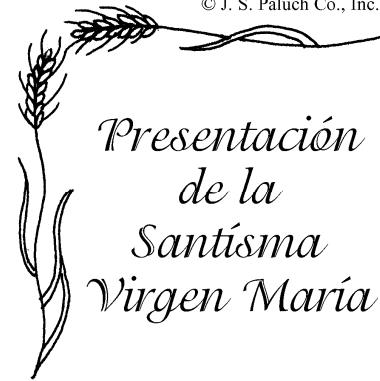
SERVICIOS EN ESPAÑOL: Para hablar en español, llamen a la oficina de la iglesia, **381-2755**
miércoles, 3-8 p.m., lunes y martes y jueves, 9am-1 p.m.
viernes 9am-12:00 (noon)

Queridos feligreses,

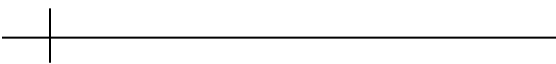
A medida que nos acercamos a día de Acción de Gracias, es bueno reflexionar sobre las bendiciones que hemos recibido. Eso es algo que yo personalmente como su pastor. Aprecio profundamente su participación en los ministerios y actividades aquí en Santa Cruz. Es una alegría para reunirse con usted para estudiar la Biblia, para celebrar la liturgia con usted, para visitar con los niños. Las cosas maravillosas que se encienden en Santa Cruz son posibles debido a su generosidad en la entrega de su tiempo, talentos y tesoros

Fr. Mike

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*Presentación
de la
Santísima
Virgen María*



Liturgia de la Palabra de los Niños

La Liturgia de la Palabra para Niños ofrece a niños de grados K-4º la oportunidad de escuchar la Liturgia de la Palabra en su propio nivel de entendimiento. Los niños son despedidos al principio de la Liturgia de la Palabra y regresan al momento de la ofrenda. ¡Nos gustaría regresar este programa a las misas de 9:00am, 11:00am y 1:00pm, **pero necesitamos de la ayuda de voluntarios adultos!** También necesitamos voluntarios jóvenes (grado 7º en adelante) para ayudar durante ese tiempo. Para ser voluntario o para más información, comuníquese con Bridget Turello 381-2757, ext 140 o bturello@holycrossopks.org.

**¡AYUDENOS A PREPARARNOS PARA
NAVIDAD!**

Una vez más este año, queremos asegurarnos de que cada miembro de nuestra familia de Holy Cross tenga un regalo para abrir y una cena para disfrutar de esta navidad. ¿Usted sabe de alguien en nuestra parroquia que necesitará ayuda esta navidad? Por favor, haga que llamen a la oficina de la iglesia de inmediato para dejarnoslo saber, incluso si ese alguien es usted. Familias ó individuos que no son feligreses de Holy Cross serán referidos a Caridades Católicas. Vamos a proveer asistencia en base a la información que se nos transmita y los recursos disponibles. Espere más información en el boletín sobre el Arbol de Angel de Navidad de San Benedicto.