

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
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PARISH STAFF

Stewardship & Development Director: Robert Bacic
Music Director: JoAnna Rubino
Parish Manager: Jon Oakes
Administrative Assistant: Carol Morris
Receptionist: Barb Williams
Bilingual Assistant: Claudia Bustos

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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

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7917 W 95th St. 66212
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Director: Penny Miller
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Rebeca Richmond, 671-8722

Parish Center Manager

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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.

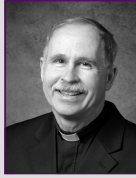
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: M, T, Th. 8:30 to 3:00 p.m.; Wed 8:30am-7:30 pm; Fri., 8:30 a.m. -noon

PREGNANT? NEED HELP? All calls confidential. Gabriel Project, 913-602-0306

Dear Parishioners,

Lent is approaching. Ash Wednesday falls on February 10th this year. To get us ready, our parish is offering a retreat in English on Saturday February 6th, and one in Spanish on Saturday February, 13th. Mark your calendars. We will also offer Bible studies during Lent on the theme of the “Good News of God’s Mercy” based on selections from the gospel of St. Luke.



Fr. Mike

Stewardship Reflection *January 10, 2016*

(After Jesus’ baptism), a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” Luke 3:22

Each of us is God’s beloved daughter and son; each of us is God’s steward of creation, of our world and all its inhabitants; with each of us, we hope God is well pleased.



Monday	
9:00 a.m.	Adan Lopez (All School)
Tuesday	
6:30 a.m.	Gene Stevenson
Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	Evelyn M. Rothenberger
7:00 p.m.	Spec Int– Amelia & Matt (Spanish)
Thursday	
6:30 a.m.	Spec Int—Jim & Gerry Wendling
Friday	
9:00 a.m.	Christian Watson
Saturday	
7:30 a.m.	Cindy White
5:00 p.m.	Lorraine Finerty
7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)
Sunday	
7:30 a.m.	Jim Highland
9:00 a.m.	Peter Nguyen Van Che
11:00 a.m.	Nick Callegari
1:00 p.m.	Helen Kobe (Spanish)

Financial Update

	Jan 3	Fiscal YTD
Weekly Offering Needed	\$26,020	\$705,940
Weekly Offering Received	40,182	740,974
Over/(Under)	14,162	35,034

Special Donations	3,092	32,072
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Restricted Assets as of Sept 30	
Parish Endowment-Restricted	\$79,413
School Endowment-Restricted	\$35,160
Capital Campaign-Restricted	\$27,517

Long Term Liabilities as of Sept 30	
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.”

Please Pray for Those Asking for Prayers: Sally Brown, Roseann T. Hoedl, Pat Klopovich, Bill Lodge, Loretta Malinowski, Betty Radetic, Don Tillett, Margaret Wortman and Zaylee Foley Zahabi



Palms: Do you have any old palms at home? Please bring them and put in the basket in the Narthex. These will be used for the ashes on Ash Wednesday. Thank You!



REST IN PEACE

Prayers are requested for **Adan Lopez** and **Yadira Amaro**, both of Holy Cross and **Leona Shulda**, mother of Thais Fahy.



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Isaiah 62: 1-5 ; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
 John 2:1-11



**Celebration:
Our Parish's Largest
Fundraiser**



**Celebration 2016 Tickets
Celebration is Jan 23, 2016**

Celebration tickets are now on sale! Tickets cost \$50 a person. Tickets can be purchased at Holy Cross School or office or call Brandi Carroll-Garcia at 816-835-8898 or bcarroll619@gmail.com for more information.

Silent Auction is part of the event with various rooms setup with different themes (Ladies, Men, Kids, Sporting Goods, Religious items, Home and Garden etc). To support the Silent Auction we will have the Gift Giving Tree in the Narthex. Please take a tag from the Giving Tree and bring your unwrapped donation to the church or school. The Giving Tree is meant to give ideas, but feel free to solicit a service or donation from a business of your choice. Check the church community board for additional ideas. Tax deduction donation forms are available at church and school. Questions? Please contact Linda Arensberg at 913-558-6541 or lindaarensberg@gmail.com.

New This Year... We have created a **SignUpGenius and Facebook page for Celebration this year!** The SignUpGenius is for anyone who can volunteer in any aspect of Celebration. We want everyone to be recognized for their hard work in the catalog this year. Even if you signed up to volunteer at sign up day or in the narthex, we need you to sign up again. This is just an easy way for us to export the list so it can be entered into the catalog. The link is below, so please take the time to sign up.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f48adaa29a3f85-celebration>

If you have a Facebook account, please search "Celebration - Church of the Holy Cross" and "Like" the page. We will soon start posting updates about electronic bidding and pictures of items being auctioned off.



Spaghetti Dinner

Women of Holy Cross invite you to join us for our Annual Spaghetti Dinner, **Sat, Jan 30 from 4:30-7:30 pm** in the **church hall**. We will sell tickets in advance after Masses on Jan 16 & 17. Tickets may also be purchased the night of the event. Delicious pasta and meat sauce, salad, bread, drinks and dessert. Adults are \$10 and children under 12 are \$3.



St. Monica's Mothers Group

Our next meeting will be Mon, Jan 25 at 7:30 pm in room 3. We are excited to host Fr. Anthony Saiki as our guest speaker. It will be a great time of fellowship for us all!



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Ushers Needed!!! Have you ever thought about ushering during Mass? Well now is the time! We are in need of ushers for all the weekend Masses. If you are interested in volunteering or for more information, contact Ken

Castinado at kenneth.castinado@mmodal.com



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We will be serving pasta casserole, salad and dessert to those who are less fortunate on **Friday, Jan 15**. 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!

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

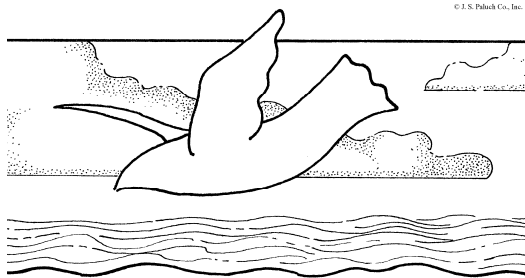


Be a Hornet! Are you interested in an excellent Catholic education for your children? Holy Cross Catholic School is the place for you. Please contact Allison Carney, Principal at 913-381-7408 to schedule a tour. **Enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year opens on January 6th.** Tuition assistance is available for parish families. Watch the bulletin for enrollment directions.



See it. Clip it. Earn!

It's a New Year and a new opportunity to support Holy Cross School. Our community has a \$3,000 goal for the Labels Program this school year. Since August we have earned **\$958** from Box Tops for Education, **\$120** is on its way from Best Choice, and we have earned **11,190** points from Labels for Education! **Thank you!** Let's make a resolution we will all keep. Let's all remember to clip those labels, and ask 1 more person to clip labels for us. Every little bit adds up, makes a difference and contributes to Holy Cross School! Thank you for your generosity!



Catholic Charities: We donated **57 bags** of groceries to Catholic Charities in Dec! The **Monthly Food Collection** for Catholic Charities is held the **last Sunday** of each month. The next collection will be **Sun, Jan 31.** Your donations are greatly appreciated!



RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation Service

Tues, Jan 12 at 7:00 pm at the church.



Volunteers Needed: Please consider joining Hospital Ministry. This ministry takes very little time, about 2 hours a month, and we have several times available that will work with your schedule. Pope Francis has called for a "Year of Mercy" and this is an excellent way to practice both Corporal and Spiritual works of mercy. For more info or to volunteer, please call Vicki Bronson (913) 291-2345 or (913)484-9593 or email at vbronson3@gmail.com.



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We served **325** dinners to those less fortunate on Dec 18. For the year, Holy Cross served **3,800 dinners during 2015.** Thank you to everyone who provided food, helped serve and gave monetary donations.



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



Looking for a way to volunteer at Church?

We have two new volunteer opportunities for you!

1. We need help hanging a mirror and a shelf in the sacristy.
2. Do you have access to a large scanner? We have old facility blueprints and drawings that we need scanned for our archives. If you can help us do this, please let us know.

To volunteer for one or both of these opportunities, contact Jon Oakes 381-2755 .



Baptism of the Lord

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Join the 31 Club!!!

Holy Cross 31 Club prays for vocations to priesthood and consecrated religious life. 31 Club members are asked to pray for vocations at a weekday Mass at least once a month during 2016. **Sign-up** will be after all Masses the weekend of **Jan 23-24**. If you are a member of the 31 Club in 2015, please take the opportunity to sign up again in 2016. Ask Our Lord to send laborers for His harvest. For information, please contact George Dirnberger at 913-642-0585 or John Spaniol at 913-383-1157.

Parish



Retreat

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In preparation for Lent, Holy Cross is offering a pre-Lenten Retreat

“The Lord is Kind and Merciful”

Feb 6 – 8:00am-1:30pm

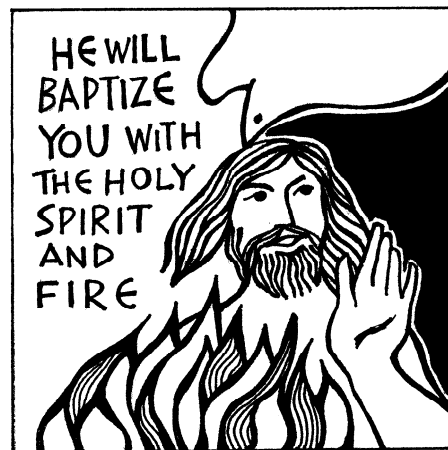
7:30am Mass Optional

Speakers will be Maureen Engen and Ryan Best

Time for reflection & discussion.

Lunch provided-free will offering collected
Reconciliation Service will be offered.

Register by calling the office at 381-2755 or email churchoffice@holycrossopks.org



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Logo Design Contest

The **Hispanic Festival** committee invites everyone to participate in the design of the new logo for this year's Hispanic Festival on 5 de Mayo. **Submit your design between Jan. 11th and Feb. 17th**. For details or further information, please contact Teresa Aguilar, Event Coordinator at (913) 701-8014.



catholic charities

OF NORTHEAST KANSAS

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas provides many services which include the Kansas Kids Summer Food Program, Adoption Services, Mobile Resource Bus, Hospice, and emergency assistance.

Because of the time, talent and treasure of volunteers and supporters, Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas is able to help more than 63,302 people each year.

Thank you for considering volunteering and contributing to the Catholic Charities Christmas collection.



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Marriage Minute

Jan 10 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

These words are words of encouragement to every family. When we have our children baptized, we give a gift to God the Father, another child to delight in! Imagine how pleased the Father is with the gift of that little child.

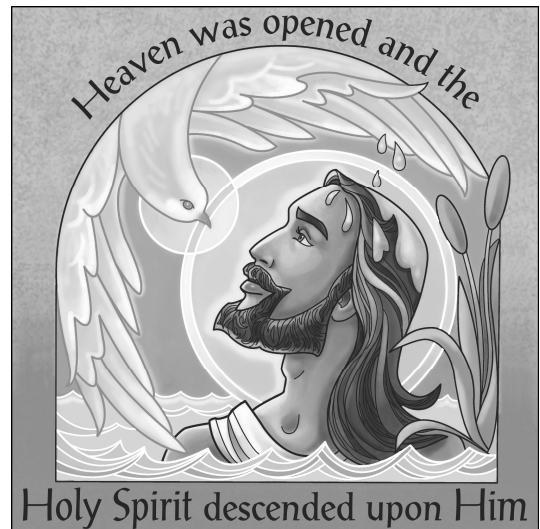
Baptisms are often joyous gatherings that reunite extended members of families. Baptism awakens us in a very practical way that we belong to a much larger family than our own. Ultimately, we belong to God’s family.

The Feast of the Baptism of Jesus is a great opportunity for us to share the story of our own baptism, or to tell the story to our children of their baptism. Perhaps, if you can find them, pull out pictures of family baptisms and pass them around to remind everyone the importance of belonging to God’s family. This feast is a great opportunity to light the baptism candles of our children throughout the day to teach the significance of the Sacrament. One popular tradition is the celebration of Baptism Days. Just like we celebrate birthdays, it can be a great teaching moment for children when we celebrate the day they entered God’s family. However we do it, it is important to celebrate this important feast in the life of Christ!



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.**



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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: Llaman 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)



Cena de Espaguetis

El grupo de Mujeres de Holy Cross les invita a acompañarnos para la Cena Anual de Espaguetis, sábado 30 de enero de 4:30-7:30 pm en el salón de la iglesia. La venta avanzada de boletos será después de las misas de inglés el 16 y 17 de enero. Boletos también pueden ser adquiridos la noche antes del evento. Tendremos pasta deliciosa con salsa de carne, ensalada, pan, bebidas y postre. Adultos \$10 y niños menores de 12 años \$3.



CONVOCATORIA para el "Festival Hispano del 5 de Mayo"

El comité del festival convoca a los feligreses a participar en la elaboración del nuevo logotipo para este evento. Presente su diseño del 11 de enero al 17 de febrero. Para recibir detalles o mayores informes, favor de comunicarse con Teresa Aguilar, Coordinadora del Evento al (913) 701-8014.

Queridos feligreses, Cuaresma se acerca. Miércoles de Ceniza cae el 10 de febrero de este año. Para prepararnos, nuestra parroquia está ofreciendo un retiro en Inglés el sábado 6 de febrero, y uno en español el sábado de febrero de 13. Marque su calendario. También vamos a ofrecer estudios bíblicos durante la Cuaresma en el tema de la "Buena Nueva de la misericordia de Dios", basada en selecciones del Evangelio de San Lucas.

Fr. Mike



Educación Religiosa

Candidatos para recibir la Primera Reconciliación: Vamos a celebrar nuestro Rito Comunal de Reconciliación para estudiantes de Educación Religiosa K-6 y de la Escuela Holy Cross. Nos reuniremos puntualmente a las 6:30 pm este Martes, 12 de Enero de 2016 en la Iglesia.



Celebration: La Recaudación de Fondos Mas Grande de Nuestra Parroquia

¡Los boletos para "Celebration" estan a la venta! El costo es de \$50 por persona. Boletos pueden ser adquiridos en la Escuela Holy Cross o en la oficina o llamando a Brandi Carroll-Garcia al (816) 835-8898 o bcarroll619@gmail.com.

Necesitamos muchos voluntarios para hacer un gran exito de Celebración, nuestra recaudación de fondos mas grande de la parroquia. Regístrate hoy para ayudar. ¡Contactar a Claudia Bustos913-381-2755 Ext. 116 ó cbustos@holycrossopks.org para ser voluntario!

CONMEMORACIÓN DEL PRIMER AÑO DE FALLECIMIENTO

El Padre Jesús Olivares CS será recordado en una misa al año de su camino de este mundo al Cielo. Todos están invitados en la Iglesia de Blessed Sacrament el martes 26 de enero a las 6:00pm

Misa Especial Para Inmigrantes y Refugiados

El Arzobispo Naumann celebrará esta misa especial en la Catedral de San Pedro en KCK. Domingo 17 de enero a las 11:00am. Todos están invitados.