

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.

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Parochial Vicar: Rev. Anthony Saiki
Rectory: 341-5618

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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.

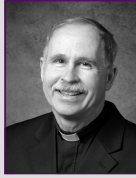
MARRIAGES: Six months notice required. Call the office for information.

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,

Many have admired the three marble insets in the floor running down the middle of the church. During the dedication, the Archbishop pointed out that they are Jerusalem crosses: one large cross with four smaller crosses, one in each quadrant. Together, the five crosses represent the five wounds of Christ as he hung upon the cross. They are a constant reminder of his love for us.



Fr. Mike



Monday	9:00 a.m.	Spec Int-Amelia & Matt
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Spec Int– Arnold & Mary Meier
	8:15 a.m.	Adan Lopez & Yadira Amaro (at school)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Dec K of C Holy Cross
	7:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving (Spanish)
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Gene Stevenson
	8:15 a.m.	Mildred Parizek (at school)
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Eileen Keane
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Joseph Nguyen Van Kiem
	5:00 p.m.	Harold Cagle
	7:00 p.m.	Leona Shulda (Spanish)
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	John Max Family
	9:00 a.m.	Spec Int-Austin Minors & Fiance
	11:00 a.m.	Gary Matousek
	1:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)

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

REST IN PEACE

Prayers are requested for **Mildred Parizek, Alfredo Cruz Contreras** and **Alfredo Cruz Fernandes** of Holy Cross and **Amelia Garrison**, mother of Marie Spies

Stewardship Reflection January 17, 2016

When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” John 2:3-4

The words of Jesus resonate with us: we don’t always know when it’s our time to act, when it’s our time to step up to the plate. Like with Jesus, let’s be open to hearing that our hour has come, that now is the time to act in grace and encouragement.

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
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.”



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!



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

One Time Mass and Confession Change

Sat, Jan 23 Mass will be at **4:00 pm**
Confessions will be at **2:30-3:30 pm**



The Adoration Chapel will be **closed Thurs, Jan 21** from **8:00 am-4:00 pm** for carpet installation.

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-\$5

Reconciliation Service will be offered.

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



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

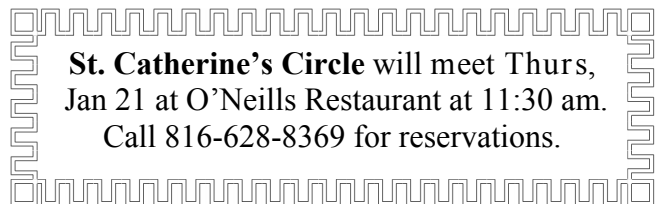
Our next meeting will be **Mon, Jan 25** at 7:30 pm in room 3. We are excited to host Fr. Anthony Saiki as our guest speaker. It will be a great time of fellowship for us all!



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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, 16 ys and older, for all the weekend Masses. If you are interested

in volunteering or for more information, contact Ken Castinado at kenneth.castinado@mmodal.com



St. Catherine's Circle will meet Thurs, Jan 21 at O'Neills Restaurant at 11:30 am. Call 816-628-8369 for reservations.



Six Weeks With The Bible:

Luke: The Good News of God's Mercy

This study is an overview of the key themes and messages of the book of Luke. The overriding message of Luke is that God has acted through Jesus Christ to meet our deepest needs, and encourages us to welcome God's actions throughout our lives, and, in turn, to go out and offer God's mercy to the world around us.

To register, see the flyer in today's bulletin. Various days and times offered. **Deadline to sign up is Thurs, Jan 28.**

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



Enrollment is now open for Holy Cross Catholic School for the 2016-2017 school year. The early bird registration fee is \$150.00 per child, not to exceed \$400.00. After February 10th, the registration fee is \$175.00, not to exceed \$450.00. Applications for enrollment are online. Follow the steps below to enroll:

- Go to holycrosscatholicschool.com.
- Click on the "Registration" button. It is a hornet. New families click on the login for new families and enter the code **hccs16**.
- Complete the family enrollment data and click continue
- Next, complete the student data form and click continue.
- Then click on the "complete registration" button. Current families use your family log in and update your current information.
- Pay the registration fee on PayPal or come by the school office. We accept cash, checks, and credit cards. Call or stop by the school office. Complete the Tuition Payment Form in the school office.

Enrollment is completed when you submit the registration fee and tuition payment form.

Enroll now! Classes fill up fast!

**Holy Cross School Open House
Feb 7, 2016 from 8:30 – 1:00 PM**

Holy Cross Catholic School offers traditional Catholic values in a technology rich environment. Faith is infused in every aspect of our students' lives. If you are looking for a school that provides a high quality education and a Christ-centered approach to the world community, Holy Cross is the place for you. Mark your calendars now for our Open House on Sunday, February 7, 2016 from 8:30 – 1:00 PM. If you have questions or would like more information before February 7th, please contact Allison Carney at 381-7408. You can also learn more information at www.holycrosscatholicschool.com

Youth Ministry News

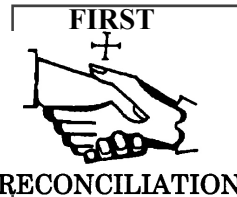
Attention young people! Youth group will begin meeting again soon!

- High School Youth Group will meet on **Thur, Jan 21 from 7-8:30 pm.**
- Jr. High Youth Group will meet on **Tues, Jan 26 from 7-8:30 pm.**

Meetings will be in the youth room at church, room 4.

All the youth in jr. high and high school are invited to attend!

For questions, contact Fr. Saiki at 381-2755 ext 124 or asaiki@holycrossopks.org



Congratulations to the **75 children** who made their First Reconciliation last Tuesday evening! Let us continue to pray for them as they prepare for their First Communion this spring!



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



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.

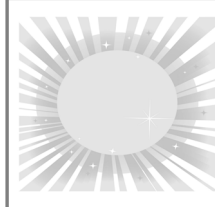
Silent Auction is part of the event with various rooms setup with different themes (Ladies, Men, Kids, Sporting Goods, Religious items, Home and Garden etc). To support the Silent Auction we will have the Gift Giving Tree in the Narthex. Please take a tag from the Giving Tree and bring your unwrapped 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](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.



Sunshine Club Social

We will meet **Wed, Jan 27** from 4-6pm at Jack Stack's B-B-Que at 95th & Metcalf. Call Arlene at 888-7215 to reserve a spot!



Baby Shower: The Knights of Columbus

will be conducting the annual Baby Shower on **Jan 16/17 & 23/24**. A baby crib will be in the **narthex** to accept **baby care items** such as diapers, bottles, formula and wipes. Also **new and slightly used** baby clothing, blankets or toys will be accepted. Cash donations will also be accepted. All donations will be given to a local crisis pregnancy center.

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.



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.



Pancake
Breakfast



**Holy Cross Boy Scout Troop 251
Chris Cake Pancake Breakfast**

Boy Scout Troop 251 will hold a **Chris Cakes Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** to raise funds for its first High Adventure trip in over 5 years. The breakfast will be held **from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM on Sunday, January 31, in Lickteig Hall.** Tickets for the pancake breakfast will be sold at the door on the morning of the event. Ticket costs are as follows: \$7 per person or \$25 per family of 4.

The Troop plans to attend High Adventure in South Dakota this Summer 2016 and appreciates your support!



IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) training to work with the homeless will be **Wed, Jan 20 from 6:30-9pm** at Overland Park Christian Church, 7600 W

75th St. This is the church that Holy Cross helps staff on our rotation week. For more info, call Shirley 913-897-2127.



**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 .



Kansas City's Catholic Men's Conference will be Sat, Feb 13 at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W 127th St., from 6:30 am-3:30 pm. Cost is \$35. To register go to www.ksmuc.org

Marriage Minute

January 17

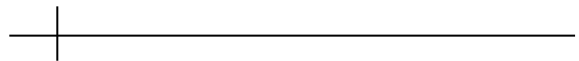
Ball and chain. Our culture today often refers to marriage as the death of passionate romance. Whereas new love seems exciting, those long-married are expected to fall into a comfortable co-existence devoid of joy.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus changes ordinary water into wine for the bride and groom who have run out. What Jesus wanted for this couple was beyond the necessity of water. He wanted them to have a life of *joy!*

How many of us have gotten a little too familiar in our marriages? We seem to have run out of wine? Let's take our ordinary water (tendency to take the other for granted, to do the minimum, etc.) to Jesus and ask him to change it into wine. Practically speaking, we can:

- pray for ambition for our marriage and that God will show us the good qualities of our spouse
- affirm our spouse's good qualities
- do something that makes our spouse feel loved and appreciated.
- attend a marriage enrichment retreat

When we allow Jesus to change our hearts and our behaviors toward our spouse, it's not nostalgia; it restores and deepens the joy of marriage. This overflowing joy benefits our children and the whole community.



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.**

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.



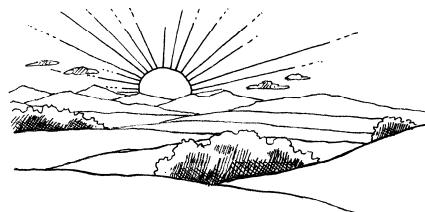
CONVOCATORIA para el "Festival Hispano del 5 de Mayo"

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,
Muchos han admirado las tres inserciones de mármol en el suelo corriendo por el medio de la iglesia. Durante la inauguración, el Arzobispo señaló que son cruces de Jerusalén: una gran cruz con cuatro cruces más pequeñas, una en cada cuadrante. En conjunto, las cinco cruces representan las cinco llagas de Cristo mientras pendía de la cruz. Son un recordatorio constante de su amor por nosotros.

Fr. Mike

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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.