

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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asaiki@holycrossopks.org
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Fr. Anthony Saiki

El boletín *Encuentro* en español
se encuentra en la página 7.

Holy Cross Catholic School

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School Office: 381-7408
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Principal: Allison Carney
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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: 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

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend we hear in the Gospel the followers of Christ asking Him to teach them how to pray. As He teaches them the beautiful words of the Our Father, which we are so privileged to say even in our day, He is showing us the intimate and deep relationship that God Almighty desires with each of us. This relationship is very real, as we are made in God’s image and likeness. It is even truer through the Sacrament of Baptism. Because of Baptism and all the Sacraments, we as Catholics enjoy a “Divine Filiation”, that is to say a Divine Sonship and a family bond with God. If we wish to grow in our faith, it is truly essential to grow in our relationship with God, as Our Father in Heaven. Pope Benedict XVI wrote in his encyclical *Deus Caritas Est*, “Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.” (§1) Encountering the Person of Jesus Christ, and growing in our relationship with God will help us to foster a Divine perspective, focusing on our eternity. It will give clarity to all the teaching of our Catholic Faith, and will bring great peace to our daily living. Our Blessed Lord says, “I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” We are invited to always and everywhere to depend on God as children depend on their parents. To not be afraid to turn to Him, and to ask, to seek, to knock, to pursue, and to trust in all that we do. God may not answer our prayers the exact way we want, but He does answer them in the way that best helps us find Eternal life. He is constantly looking to guide us, be with us, to help us find the path that best leads us to Heaven. May we trust Him always, pray without ceasing, grow in our relationship with Him, and truly mean it when we say “Our Father”.

Father Saiki



Monday	9:00 a.m.	Pete and Mary Schartz
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Matt Dufaut
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Spec Int—Paul & Kathy Bastasch
	7:00 p.m.	Peace and Unity for the Church (Spanish)
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Cruz Ruth Medina
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Robert J. Schmitt
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Sherry Deere
	5:00 p.m.	John Falbe
	7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (Spanish)
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Michael Kenny
	9:00 a.m.	Craig & Nancy Elliott
	11:00 a.m.	Chris Watson
	1:00 p.m.	Feliz Luzardo (Spanish)

Finance Update

Weekly Collection Report for July 2-3, 2016

Weekly Offering	\$26,188
Capital Campaign	\$1,605
Extra Parochial/Special Donations	\$216

Commentary

In an effort to increase financial transparency, periodic commentary related to all things finance will be forthcoming in this section. I welcome suggestions or questions as chances are, you are not the only one wondering about a topic.

One change noted above in the weekly collection report is the lack of a “weekly needed” budget column. Moving forward, this will be provided on a monthly basis to even out the monthly donation cycle and help provide a more accurate budget picture. Our fiscal year runs July through June so we’re busy closing the 2015/2016 books and preparing the annual financial report. Thank you for your generous support of Holy Cross and God bless.

Parish Manager
Jonathan Oakes



Please Pray for Those Asking for

Prayers: Lorene Campbell, Mary Cerkey, John Highland, Susan Lentz, Mary Ann Meert, Helen Miller, and George Vogel.



The Women of Holy Cross are hosting a Summer Social!!! All Women of Holy Cross are invited to join us **Wed, Aug 3 at 6:00 pm** in the church basement for a cocktail hour and socializing. A **salad bar dinner** will begin at **6:30 pm**. We will have a Master Gardener as a **guest speaker at 7:00pm**. This is a great time for fellowship with other women in the parish. Bring a friend! **Cost is FREE!** RSVP is appreciated by emailing Marie Spaniol at mspaniol@holycrosscatholicschool.com or call or text at 913-787-4793. Be sure to include your name as well as the name of any friends you are bringing!



St. Mary's Food Kitchen: We served **320** dinners to those less fortunate on July 15. Thank you to everyone who provided the pasta dishes, salad, tomatoes, carrots, helped serve and gave monetary donations. We appreciate your donations of resources, time and talent!



We have several volunteer opportunities! Can you help?

~ We are in need of an **electrician** to replace a ballast in one of the church office lights.

~ **Collection Counters** are needed! Are you good with numbers and attention to detail? Join the Holy Cross Collection Count Team! The commitment is usually 3 hours on a Sunday, once a quarter. This is very essential to our parish and help is needed!

If you can help with any of these opportunities, contact Jon Oakes at 381-2755 or joakes@holycrossopks.org Thanks for your support!

Stewardship Reflection July 24, 2016

“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” Luke 11:9

Today's stewards sound the same as those of 2,000 years ago: "I will follow you wherever you go." And today's followers face the same challenges. How are we to follow Jesus? How are we to be faithful? How are we to live out the kingdom of God?



Let's Play Bridge! Holy Cross has a bridge group that meets monthly starting in September. They are always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining or have questions, please call Bill Kelly 913-341-5437 or Nancy Dimberger 913-642-0585.



St. Monica's Mothers Group

Attention all mothers of young children: Are you looking for a faith-filled community in which to grow in friendship and fellowship?

Look no further than our very own group! Join us for our next meeting on **Monday, July 25th, 7:30 pm in room 3.** For questions, contact Vicki at victoria.demaria@gmail.com or 913-634-8647.



Save the Date!!! The Parish Festival will be held on **Sat, Sept 10!!!** We will kick off the celebration with 4pm Mass, followed by food, fun and fellowship on the church grounds. Watch bulletin for more details!!!



Sunshine Club July Social Hour

We will meet for dinner at **Cactus Grill**, (11849 Roe, Leawood) on **Wed, July 27 at 4:00 pm.** Call Marie Spies at 913-381-8923 for reservations.

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



Holy Cross School Office Hours

The summer hours are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
9:00 am—1:00 pm

Enjoy your summer!



Holy Cross School Junior High Choir Director Needed!!!

Holy Cross Catholic School is looking for a **volunteer choir director for the junior high choir**. The choir meets once per week on Thursdays for 2:25- 3:25pm, leads a few All School Masses throughout the year, occasionally sings at nursing homes, and performs in the Spring Concert. If you share of love of music and young people and are willing to give some time to our school, please contact Allison Carney at acarney@holycrosscatholicschool.com or call 913-244-5970.



Calling All Hornets!!! Summer Packet Pick Up

Summer packets will be available for pick up after all masses the weekend of **July 30th**

and **31st**. Please stop by the table in the narthex to receive your packet with all the exciting information for the 2016-2017 school year. Packets not picked up will be available in the school office beginning August 1st. Contact Anita or Martha in the school office with questions – 381-7408.

We're Going Back To School



Important Dates! Mark Your Calendar!

Sign Up Day: Mon, Aug 15 from 9am-12 noon and 5:30-7:30 pm at the school.

PTO Ice Cream Social: Mon, Aug 22 from 6-7:30 pm

First Day of School: Wed, Aug 24 with noon dismissal



Religious Education Information

Religious Education Enrollment Hours

Stop by the RE Office at the following times to register for Religious Education and Confirmation classes!

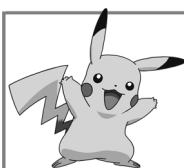
Tuesday	9:00am– 12:00pm
Wednesday	5:00pm—8:00pm
Thursday	9:00am—12:00pm

Contact Bridget at bturello@holycrossopks.org to schedule another time.



Children in Need of Catechists! If you're looking to serve our church in a very rewarding Ministry, we have a place for you! The children in Religious Education are in need

of Catechists and Assistants to teach classes. Classes start in September, and we meet on Tuesdays in the afternoon (4:30-5:45 pm) or evening (6:30-8:00pm). Training, resources and support is offered. To inquire about how to start, contact Bridget Turello at 913-381-2757 ext. 140 or send an email to bturello@holycrossopks.org.



Join us for the High School Youth Group Pokémon Hunt!!!

Who: All High students, including incoming freshmen

When: Friday, August 5 at 7:30pm

Where: Youth Room at church

What: Food, fun activities and hunt Pokémon!



There are 3 "PokeStops" at Holy Cross and we will be activating lures throughout the night! Pikachu has been know to hangout at Holy Cross, so be on the lookout!

Don't play PokémonGo, no problem! Come hang out and have some fun on a summer night before school starts! Remember, we will have FOOD!!!



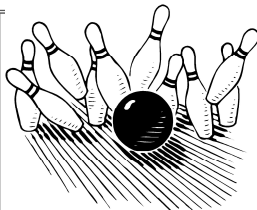
We Welcome Our Newly Baptized Children!

Mia Areli Monroy, Mateo Tapia Pedroza, Liam Antonio Benitez, Wyatt Oliver Cole, Oliver Vu Pham, Mateo Avalos, Jasmine Caraveo, Josue Javier Caraveo, Alicia Jazmine Hernandez, Julio Cesar Hernandez, Jesly Abigail Hernandez Herrera, Maria Danae Yarely Munoz Banda, Nathan Elias Orantes, Alondra Romero Osorno, William Santos Perez, Christopher Silverio Piñon



Congratulations to our Newly Married Couples!

Cole Zenisek & Rebecca Roberts
David Rinck & Abby Kepka
Jimmy Romero & Dulce Jimenez
Tanner Hageman & Logan Antenen



It's Not Too Late! There are still some spots left for the **Celebration Bowling Party!** It will be on **Sat, Sept 24** at St. John's Catholic Club. Cost is \$25 per person and includes

food, adult beverages, bowling and lots of fun!!!
Contact Melissa Schultz at melissatvschultz@gmail.com or 913-515-2043 for questions or reservations.



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!**

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Time _____

Drop off form at the church office.

For questions or list of open hours, call Ruth Kuse 258-5008, 963-3700 or ruthkuse@gmail.com

Looking for inspiration? Come and See!

Join representatives of the *Ignatian Spirituality Center of Kansas City* for prayer and a brief overview of the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL). The program is based on the conversion experience of St. Ignatius Loyola. The Spiritual Exercises include journaling, praying with Scripture, and meeting weekly with a trained prayer companion.

Church of the Ascension

July 26, 2016 · 7:00 PM · Saint Luke Room

9510 W 127th St

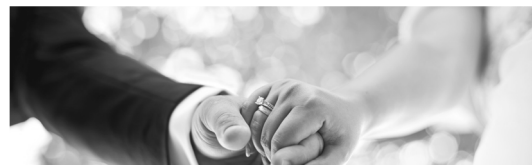
Overland Park, KS 66213

If you are wondering if this is the right time for you, or if you want to hear about other ways to expand your prayer life, spend an hour or so with us. Can't come on July 26? Check out our other programs at: <http://ignatiancenterkc.org>. For more information, please contact Mary Anne, ISC-KC, 816-809-6652 or 816-523-5115 x212.



Important CYO News

Starting in the fall of 2016, if any child wants to participate in CYO sports they **are required to submit a Pre-Participation Physical form before he or she attends any practice session for any given sport.** Go to www.cyojwa.org for more info. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Jareczek - yipyiplater@yahoo.com



Married couples: Wouldn't you like to be great lovers?

"It has been said that great artists begin to 'think in music, or think in colors,' and so it is with great and holy lovers...they begin to think in love!" Come and hear about three simple steps: beholding, listening and forgiving in your spousal relationship that are the path to being great and holy lovers. Deacon James Keating, married 29 years, father of 4 children, from the Institute for Priestly Formation will share insights that Catholic writer and speaker Ralph Martin calls practical and inspiring. Location: **Church of the Ascension, July 30th, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.** To register: www.archkck.org/marital_happiness or call 913 647 0329.



Do You Welcome Visitors to Your Parish?

*** Help newcomers connect.** While you are getting to know visitors, introduce them to other parishioners as the opportunity presents itself. Feel free to invite visitors to sit next to you.

*** Say goodbye with genuine warmth.** After Mass, bid farewell to visitors, inviting them to return. Introduce them to the pastor if the opportunity arises.

Check out next week's bulletin for more ways to provide hospitality in your parish!!!



A Quiet Morning: Coffee and Silence
Sophia Spirituality Center in Atchison, KS offers space for a private retreat when there are no groups scheduled. Spend time in silence. Walk

the beautiful grounds. Visit St. Scholastica Chapel. Coffee provided! Arrive any time after 8:30 am, bring a sack lunch and leave by 4:00 pm. Free will offering. Some dates available are Thurs, July 21, Wed, Aug 17, and Thur, Sept 8. Reservations required. Call 913-360-7153 or visit www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org for more info or to register. Others dates are available.



Celebrate Marriage! Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann invites you to celebrate the gift of Natural Family Planning by commemorating the papal encyclical, Humanae Vitae, with a Mass on **Thursday, August 4, at Cure of Ars** parish in Leawood at **7PM**. Mark your calendars to celebrate with the Church of NE Kansas the gift of family!



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.– 12:45p.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)



Marchas AIRR - a favor de Inmigrantes y Refugiados
¡Caminamos por la reforma migratoria!

La próxima caminata se llevará a cabo el jueves, 11 de agosto. Pronto anunciaremos el lugar, Este atento con el boletín.

CURSILLOS PARA HOMBRES Y MUJERES:

¿Están interesados en crecer en su fe con un taller espiritual diseñado para hombres y mujeres, respectivamente? Regístrese para uno de los próximos cursillos que se llevaran a cabo en El Salvador del Mundo. Para registración o mayores informes, comuníquese con el Padre Oswaldo Sandoval en Good Shepherd. Gonzalo Aguilera 913-999-8296 or Guillermina Aguilera 913-944-1463

HOMBRES: 8 al 11 de septiembre
MUJERES: 11 al 14 de agosto

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo, Este fin de semana escuchamos en el Evangelio como los discípulos de Cristo le piden que les enseñe a orar. Como les enseña las palabras hermosas del Padre Nuestro, que repetimos en nuestro tiempo, nos está mostrando la relación íntima y profunda de que Dios Todopoderoso desea con cada uno de nosotros. Esta relación es muy real, porque somos creados a imagen y semejanza de Dios. Es aún más cierto a través del Sacramento del Bautismo. A causa de Bautismo y todos los Sacramentos, nosotros, como católicos disfrutamos una "filiación divina", es decir, un vínculo familiar con Dios. Si queremos crecer en nuestra fe, es verdaderamente esencial para crecer en nuestra relación con Dios, como nuestro Padre en el Cielo. El Papa Benedicto XVI ha escrito en su encíclica Deus Caritas Est, "No se comienza a ser cristiano por una decisión ética o una gran idea, sino por el encuentro con un acontecimiento, con una Persona, que da un nuevo horizonte a la vida y, con ello, una orientación decisiva." (§1) El encuentro con la Persona de Jesucristo, y creciendo en nuestra relación con Dios nos ayudará a fomentar una perspectiva divina, centrándonos en nuestra eternidad. Se dará claridad a todas las enseñanzas de nuestra Fe Católica, y traerá una paz profunda a nuestra vida diaria. Nuestro Señor dice: "Pidan y se les dará, busquen y encontrarán, toquen y se les abrirá." Se nos invita a todo tiempo y lugar a depender en Dios como los niños dependen de sus padres. Nos invita a no tener miedo de volverse a Él, y nos invita a pedir, buscar, tocar, seguir, y confiar en Dios en todo lo que hacemos. Dios a veces no responde a nuestras oraciones de la manera exacta como queremos, pero responde de la manera que mejor nos ayudara a encontrar la vida eterna. Él está constantemente buscándonos, para que nos guíe, para estar con nosotros, para ayudarnos a encontrar el camino que mejor nos va a llevar al cielo. Que confiemos en Él siempre, oren sin cesar, crezcan en nuestra relación con Él, y que digamos sinceramente "Padre Nuestro".

- Padre Saiki



Educación Religiosa

Inscripciones para Educación Religiosa esta semana:

martes 9am to 12:00

miércoles 5:00 pm– 8:00 pm

jueves 9am to 12:00

Comuníquese con Bridget
bturello@holycrossopks.org para programar su
registración para otra ocasión.



¿Usted da la Bienvenida a Visitantes a Su Parroquia?

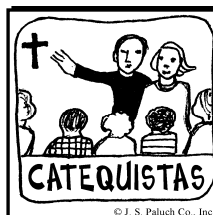
La bienvenida a los recién llegados a su parroquia no es sólo el trabajo del personal pastoral, acomodadores, ministros de hospitalidad o recibidores. Es responsabilidad de todos. Aquí hay un par de cosas que usted puede hacer para proporcionar una mejor hospitalidad en su parroquia.

* **Llegar temprano, salir tarde.** En lugar de correr a Misa para llegar a tiempo, y luego salir corriendo a su conclusión, haga tiempo para llegar un poco temprano y quedarse un poco más tarde. Haga espacio en su vida ocupada para saludar y pasar tiempo con otras personas en la Misa.

* **Dar la Bienvenida a Todos.** No son solo los visitantes quienes necesitan su cálida bienvenida, los asistentes regulares también necesitan un saludo amistoso. Desarrolle un bueno apretón de manos y sea entusiasta acerca de su parroquia. Recuerde que está saludando en el nombre de Cristo.

TALLER PARA CATEQUISTAS

Excelente taller ofrecido por el Ministerio Hispano para catequistas que quieran más formación. Comuníquese con Lety Fernández 913-220-5315 o Judith Breton 913-433-4786 para más información. Julio 20 y 27 y agosto 3 y 10, con un retiro final el 20 de agosto, 2016.



¡Niños Necesitando Catequistas! Si está considerando servir a nuestra iglesia en un Ministerio muy valioso, tenemos un lugar para usted. Los niños en Educación Religiosa necesitan Catequistas, Asistentes y líderes. Las clases comienzan en Septiembre, y nos reunimos los Martes por la tarde o la nochecita. Ofrecemos entrenamiento, material y apoyo. Si le interesa, contacte a Bridget Turello al 913-381-2757 ext. 140 o envíe un mensaje electrónico a bturello@holycrossopks.org.