

*"We adore You O Christ and we praise you.
Because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world."*

Holy Cross Church

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Masses:

Sunday – 10:30 am
Wednesday & Friday – 6:00 pm

Reconciliation:

By appointment only

Baptisms:

By appointment only

Marriages:

Six months in advance

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Week of May 1, 2016

May 4th 6:00pm Bill Kainer, Claudette Wilson, †Roxanne Ramirez

May 6th 6:00pm Bill Kainer, Ellie Palmer, †Roxanne Ramirez

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

May 1st 10:30am †Augustine M. Sanchez (by family)
Bill Kainer, Ellie Palmer

May 8th 10:30am †Millie Vesely, †Gladys Duncan
Bill Kainer, Ellie Palmer

May 15th 10:30am Robert Vesely, †Rita Vesely, †Msgr Patrick
Higgins, Bill Kainer, Ellie Palmer

May 22nd 10:30am †Ernesto Jaimez (by Sylvia Davila)

SANCTUARY LAMP

May 1st – June 4th John & Becky Sheldon Family

ALTAR MINISTRY

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
5/1 10:30am	Norma Ortiz	Michael Ortiz Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz	Armando Ortiz Erika Ramos Carolyn Satterwhite
5/8 10:30am	Armando Ortiz	Sydney Jackson Joshua Ramirez Krista Ramirez	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman Dolores Vesely
5/15 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Ray Ramos Erika Ramos Dolores Vesely

USHERS

5/1 Adriana Gomez, Diana Ramirez, Ashleigh Wagner, Stephanie Wagner

5/8 David Emrich, Chris Greenwood, Norma Ortiz, Roland Woodson

5/15 Sylvia Davila, David Longoria, Cynthia Shaw, William Tilley

5/22 Liz Gomez, Margaret Jeter, Eunice Sharkey, Ann Woodson

If you are unable to serve, please call the parish office as soon as possible. Please arrive fifteen minutes before Mass starts.

Thank you for your service to our parish!

St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor

St. Athanasius, the great champion of the Faith was born at Alexandria, Egypt, in 296 A.D. St. Athanasius went to the desert on retreat with St.



Antony the Great. When he was ordained a deacon in 319 A.D. he was called upon to help fight against the false teaching of Arius, a heretic who denied the Divinity of Christ. This became the lifelong struggle of St. Athanasius.

In 325 A.D., he attended the Council of Nicaea and after his bishop's death was unanimously elected Patriarch in 326 A.D. His refusal to tolerate the Arian heresy resulted in many trials and persecutions for St. Athanasius. He spent seventeen of the forty-six years of his episcopate in exile. After a life of virtue and suffering, this champion of the Catholic Faith, the greatest man of his time, entered eternal glory on May 2, 373 A.D. His famous works include the *Life of St. Antony* and *On the Incarnation*.



News & Upcoming Events in our Parish & Diocese

Year of Mercy PARISH MISSION

May 23rd-25th

Guest Preacher: Fr. Peter Marsalek, SOLT

ST. MARTHA'S KITCHEN

Come join us in St. Katharine Drexel Hall after Mass for fellowship, complementary coffee, juice, and taquitos for sale.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Cross children will celebrate first holy communion on Sunday, May 15th, Trinity Sunday.



HOLY ROSARY & MAY CROWNING

To commemorate our Lady's month of May everyone is invited to participate in the Holy Rosary at 10am before Mass in the Church. All are invited to bring flowers to honor the Blessed Mother.

HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION

Please join Fr. Roy and the Alliance of the Two Hearts group for the First Friday holy hour of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the adoration chapel, 6-7pm this Friday, May 6th.

TREASURES of CATHOLIC TRADITION

MAY: Month of Mary and Mercy

"God wills that all his gifts should come to us through Mary" (St. Bernard of Clairvaux)

In Rome, one evening in May towards the end of the eighteenth century, a poor child gathered and led his companions to a statue of Mary. There, the children sang the Litany of our Lady. The next day more children gathered there and other groups were formed, and the devotion rapidly became popular. Holy souls saw the hand of God in this growing veneration, and they cooperated with divine providence by approving and promoting this new devotion, as a public and solemn act of reparation. So May became the Month of Mary. "This is the month in which, in the churches and individual homes, the most affectionate and fervent homage of prayers and devotions from the hearts of Christians are raised to Mary. It is also the month in which from his throne descend upon us the most generous and abundant gifts of the Divine Mercy" (Bl. Pope Paul VI, *The Month of Mary*, 1967).

The Second Vatican Council reminds us that the Virgin Mary is "Mediatrice" of grace (*Lumen Gentium* 62). St. Bernardine of Siena explains: "Every grace that is communicated to this world has a threefold course. For by excellent order, it is dispensed from God to Christ, from Christ to the Virgin, from the Virgin to us." So let us give special honor to Our Lady this month by offering our prayers and sacrifices in reparation to her Immaculate Heart so that God's mercy may continue to pour out upon the Church and the world.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
- Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
- Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday: Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-9; Jn 17:20-26

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Paul Carter, Gail Dement, Eula Shaw, Charlester Lewis, Fr. Seamus McGowan, Billie & Hector Munguia, Emily Petru, Gloria Rinche, Renalda Sharkey, John Sheldon, Atanacio Sanchez, Phillis Ridgels, Martha Moore, Marchant Bradford, Lamont Taylor, Lonnie R Jones, Darell Johnson, Henry G. Winn, Otis Jackson, Ray Ramos, Patricia Whitfield, Fern Carter, Louise Gazin, Maria Witherspoon, Josie Ramirez, Rosanne Ramirez, Les Edward Spear, Carolyn Satterwhite, Marylou Areola, Randy Ramirez, Dolores Vesely

Birthdays for the week of May 1st

May 1st Charlesta D. Lewis
 May 2nd Atanacio Sanchez



May God fill your special day with his grace, joy, and blessings as you celebrate the gift of life!

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- May 2nd St. Athanasius of Alexandria
- May 3rd Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
- May 5th NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
- May 6th First Friday (*Sacred Heart of Jesus*)
- May 7th First Saturday (*Immaculate Heart of Mary*)
- May 8th Mother's Day

Ascension of Our Lord
 (Solemnity observed on Sunday)

"Christ was made man that we might be made God."

— St. Athanasius of Alexandria
On the Incarnation



"Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

-2 Corinthians 9:7

Sunday Offering (April 24, 2016)



Adult Env. (38).....\$ 1102.00
 Children's Env.(9).....\$ 16.00
 Loose Currency.....\$ 45.75

Second Collection.....\$ 152.28
 (Catholic Home Missions)

TOTAL \$ 1301.03

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION: Church Maintenance Fund

May God bless you for your generous support!

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