

*“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 / Upon request

**Baptisms:**

By appointment

**Marriages:**

Six months in advance

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Week of May 29, 2016**

**June 1<sup>st</sup>** 6:00pm Bill Kainer, Claudette Wilson

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>** 6:00pm Bill Kainer, Ellie Palmer

**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**May 29<sup>th</sup>** 10:30am †Roxanne Ramirez, †Aunt Jinks Elliot (by Vesely family)

**June 5<sup>th</sup>** 10:30am †Mark Kistner (by David Emrich)

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** 10:30am Richard Vesely

**June 19<sup>th</sup>** 10:30am †Ernest Carter, †A.B. Duncan

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

**May 1<sup>st</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup>** John & Becky Sheldon Family

**June 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>** †Mark Kistner

**ALTAR MINISTRY**

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
<b>5/29</b> 10:30am	Roland Woodson	Hannah Perez Joshua Ramirez Krista Ramirez	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman Carolyn Satterwhite
<b>6/5</b> 10:30am	David Emrich	Juan Aranda Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos	Fern Carter Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
<b>6/12</b> 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Korey Hardeman Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
<b>6/19</b> 10:30am	Gladys Tilley	Juan Aranda Sydney Jackson Jenna Perez	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman Dolores Vesely

**USHERS**

**5/29** Sylvia Davila, Terri Longoria, William Tilley, Ann Woodson

**6/5** Benjamin Galvan, Liz Gomez, Joshua Ramirez, Roland Woodson

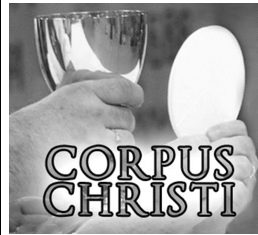
**6/12** Sylvia Davila, David Longoria, Cynthia Shaw, William Tilley

**6/19** Benjamin Galvan, Chris Greenwood, Joshua Ramirez, Roland Woodson

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

**Thank you for your service to our parish!**

**The Feast of Corpus Christi**

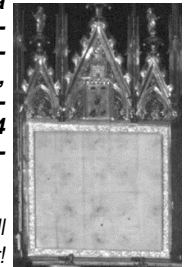


*We celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi today thanks to the prayers and sacrifices of a Belgian religious sister, St. Juliana of Liège. In 1208, Jesus appeared to her and asked her to plead for the institution of the feast of Corpus Christi.*

*Eventually St. Juliana told her confessor and her bishop instituted the feast in the diocese of Liège in 1246. With the help of the Dominican Cardinal Hugh of St-Cher, the feast was expanded to a large portion of Europe. Having completed her life's mission, St. Juliana passed into eternal glory in 1258 and became known as the "Apostle of the Blessed Sacrament."*

*Several years later, a Eucharistic miracle took place in a church not far from Rome. During Mass, the consecrated host started bleeding in the hands of a priest who doubted our Lord's real presence in the Eucharist. Inspired by this extraordinary miracle in Bolsena-Orvieto, Pope Urban IV expanded the feast of Corpus Christi to the whole Church in 1264 and asked St. Thomas Aquinas to compose a special liturgy for the occasion.*

*Evidence of the Eucharistic Miracle of Orvieto still visible 750 years later!*



**News & Upcoming Events in our Parish & Diocese**

**CMSE Safe Environment Training TODAY**

Today two safe environment classes will be held for those who need renewal of their "blue cards" (required every three years) to volunteer at Holy Cross. Please call the parish office if you are not sure if your certification is still valid or need initial certification. Classes will be held **9-10am** and **12-1pm** in **St. Katherine Drexel Hall**.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



Registration begins this week for Vacation Bible School (**June 20-24<sup>th</sup>**). If you are free to volunteer from **8:30am-12:30pm** during this week, please contact David Emrich at the church office.

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

The next altar server training will be on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> after Mass (12-1 pm). All current altar servers and those who wish to become servers are required to attend. For more information please contact Ray Ramos at 774-9737.

**ST. MARTHA'S KITCHEN**

**Everyone is** invited to enjoy complementary coffee and juice after Mass today in St. Drexel Hall. Breakfast tacos are for sale starting at 8:30am and continuing after Mass until 12:30pm!

**TREASURES of CATHOLIC TRADITION**  
**Corpus Christi: Jesus always with us**

Faith in the real, physical presence of Christ in the Eucharist is based in Scripture. St. Paul tells us that the Eucharist is actually the Body and Blood of Christ according to "the tradition which I handed on to you that came to me from the Lord Himself" (I Corinthians 2: 23-26). Bishops practiced the custom of the *fermentum* (since 120 A.D.) when they carried a particle of the Eucharist with them to other dioceses as a sign of their unity in the Catholic Faith.



As monastic life developed, the early hermits reserved the Eucharist in their cells. Since at least the 200's A.D., hermits kept the consecrated elements with them in their cells and when they moved from place to place. From the Council of

Nicea (325 A.D.) we know that the Eucharist was reserved in the churches of monasteries and convents. St. Basil (who died in 379 A.D.), for example, "divided the Eucharistic Bread into three parts when he celebrated Mass in the monastery. One part he consumed, the second part he gave to the monks, and the third he placed in a golden dove (tabernacle) suspended over the altar."

Since the days of the early Church, our Eucharistic Lord has made himself physically present at all times beyond the celebration of Mass itself. The feast of Corpus Christi reminds us that our Lord is waiting in the tabernacle to share his love and grace with all who come to visit and adore him. Corpus Christi Bay was discovered and named on the feast of Corpus Christi in 1519 by Alonso Álvarez de Pineda. For nearly 500 years our locale has been a constant reminder of our Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

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

**Birthdays for the week of May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**May 29<sup>th</sup>** Joshua Ramirez



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

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- May 30<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day
- May 31<sup>st</sup> VISITATION of the BVM
- June 1<sup>st</sup> St. Justin Martyr
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> Sts. Marcellinus & Peter
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> SACRED HEART OF JESUS
- June 4<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Heart of Mary

*"O Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, I would like to be filled with love for You; keep me closely united with You, may my heart be near to Yours."*

*-Pope St. John XXIII  
(Journal of a Soul)*



**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

- Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-2
- Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18; Is 12:2-6; Lk 1:39-56
- Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-12; Ps 123:1-2; Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-14; Mk 12:28-34
- Friday: Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7
- Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; 1 Sm 2:1-8; Lk 2:41-51
- Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24; Ps 30:2-6, 11-13; Gal 1:11-19; Lk 7:11-17

"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  
(May 15, 2016)**

- Adult Env. (36).....\$ 1044.00
- Children's Env.(4).....\$ 10.00
- Loose Currency.....\$ 37.00

**TOTAL \$ 1091.00**

Next Week's Second Collection: Holy Cross Maintenance Fund

**May God bless you for your generous support!**

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