

*"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 September 4, 2016

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> Holy Souls (by Vu family), Bill Kainer, Claudette Wilson

Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Holy Souls (by Vu family), Bill Kainer, Ellie Palma

**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

September 4<sup>th</sup> Shana Green, Bill Kainer, Ellie Palma, Leonor G. Brooks (by R. Denham)

September 11<sup>th</sup> †Gloria Rinche (by G. Tilley), Senaida Flores

September 18<sup>th</sup> †Leonor G. Brooks, Bill Kainer, Ellie Palma

September 25<sup>th</sup> †James F. Vesely, †Delia Herrera (by S. Davila)

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

August 13<sup>th</sup> — September 3<sup>rd</sup> Sheldon Family

September 4<sup>th</sup> — October 1<sup>st</sup> Henry Lamb, Jr. (by T. Longoria)

**ALTAR MINISTRY**

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
9/4 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Krista Ramirez Athena Tilley Roderick Tilley	Armando Ortiz Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
9/11 10:30am	Roland Woodson	Juan Aranda Hannah Rinche Jenna Perez	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman Dolores Vesely
9/18 10:30am	Norma Ortiz	Michael Ortiz Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz	Armando Ortiz Ray Ramos Dolores Vesely
9/25 10:30am	Korey Hardeman	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Fern Carter Erika Ramos Ray Ramos

**USHERS**

9/4 Sylvia Davila, David Longoria, Cynthia Shaw, William Tilley

9/11 Liz Gomez, Eunice Sharkey, Roland Woodson, Ann Woodson

9/18 Sylvia Davila, Korey Hardeman, Margaret Jeter, William Tilley

9/25 Liz Gomez, Eunice Sharkey, Roland Woodson, Ann 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!**



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

**ST. MOTHER TERESA CANONIZATION TODAY**

Today we celebrate the canonization of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, one of the greatest modern saints. Come see the beautiful display on the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta in the St. Katherine Drexel Parish Hall! To celebrate the canonization of St. Mother Teresa today, St. Martha's kitchen is offering a special plate.

**HOLY CROSS ANNUAL BARBEQUE**

Volunteers are needed to help with food preparation, serving and transportation for the annual barbeque on **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>**. Please contact David Longoria at 774-6565. Volunteers are needed to prepare the firewood for the barbeque this **TUESDAY, September 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm**.



**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE**

On Friday, Sept. 9, the Catholic Church in the U.S. will observe a National Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities. Everyone is welcome to join Bishop Mulvey for Mass at 5:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church followed by a prayer service for peace.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER'S COMMISSIONING**

Faithfully practicing Catholic parishioners of Holy Cross who perceive the call to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion are required to attend a formation meeting either on Wednesday, **October 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm** or on **Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon**. All previous and prospective extraordinary ministers will be **commissioned on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**. Those considering this important ministry should carefully review the diocesan guidelines in preparation for the formation meeting: [http://diocesec.org/documents/2015/2/Guidelines\\_for\\_Extraordinary\\_Ministers\\_for\\_Diocese\\_of\\_Corpus\\_Christi\\_2015.pdf](http://diocesec.org/documents/2015/2/Guidelines_for_Extraordinary_Ministers_for_Diocese_of_Corpus_Christi_2015.pdf).

*"Any country that accepts abortion, is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what it wants. It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish." -St. Teresa of Calcutta*

**TREASURES of CATHOLIC TRADITION**  
**St. Mother Teresa (Part II)**

The Missionaries of Charity founded by St. Teresa of Calcutta began in 1950 as a small congregation with 13 members in Calcutta. In 1952, Mother Teresa opened the first Home for the Dying in an abandoned Hindu temple, renamed Kalighat, the Home of the Pure Heart. Patients were treated with compassion and given the opportunity to die with dignity. Mother Teresa soon opened a home for those suffering leprosy and in 1955 opened the Children's Home of the Immaculate Heart for orphans and homeless youth.

By the 1960s had opened hospices, orphanages and leper houses all over India and in 1965 the congregation began expanding throughout the world. The Missionaries of Charity Brothers was founded in 1963 and later other branches of religious, priests, and laity were formed. By 2007 the Missionaries of Charity numbered 450 brothers and 5,000 sisters worldwide, operating 600 missions, schools and shelters in 120 countries.

As with all Catholic saints, Mother Teresa had an intense spiritual life, which included daily Mass, two hours of daily Eucharistic adoration, the rosary, and weekly confession. Mother Teresa was also known for taking a strong public stand against abortion, artificial contraception and other intrinsically evil practices. In her words and actions she was consistently and uncompromisingly Catholic. After living a life of heroic holiness she died on 5 September 1997. [

In 2002, the Vatican recognized the miraculous healing of a tumor in the abdomen of an Indian woman, Monica Besra. Besra said that a beam of light emanated from a picture of Mother Teresa, curing the cancerous tumor. On December 17, 2015, the Vatican confirmed that Pope Francis recognized a second miracle attributed to her involving the healing of a Brazilian man with multiple brain tumors. From now on she will officially be known as St. Teresa of Calcutta.

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

- Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11,
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-17; Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday: Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-23
- Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-27; Ps 84:3-12; Lk 6:39-42
- Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-18; Lk 6:43-49
- Sunday: Ex 32:7-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Marylou Areola, Marchant Bradford, Tony Canales, Fern Carter, Paul Carter, Gail Dement, Louise Gazin, Doug Hopkins, Otis Jackson, Rodessa 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 Spear, Dolores Vesely, Patricia Whitfield, Henry G. Winn

**Birthdays for the week of September 4<sup>th</sup>**

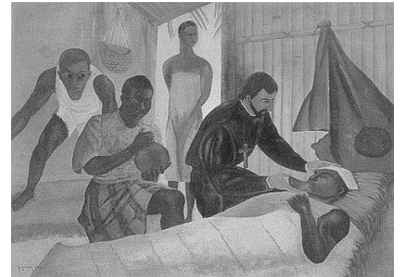
*Birthday Blessings*

September 10<sup>th</sup> Maricela Cuevas

*"By blood, I am Albanian. By citizenship, an Indian. By faith, I am a Catholic nun. As to my calling, I belong to the world. As to my heart, I belong entirely to the Heart of Jesus."*  
 -St. Teresa of Calcutta

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- September 8<sup>th</sup> Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- September 9<sup>th</sup> St. Peter Claver



"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



*Tithes and offerings*

**Sunday Offering**  
 (August 28, 2016)

- Adult Env. (35).....\$ 796.00
- Children's Env.(6).....\$ 12.00
- Loose Currency.....\$ 33.00

**TOTAL \$ 841.00**

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