

*"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 October 23, 2016

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> †Magdalena Denham (by R. Denham)Oct 28<sup>th</sup> †Magdalena Denham (by R. Denham)**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**October 23<sup>rd</sup> †Magdalena Denham, †Rosella Drinkard (by M. Jeter)October 30<sup>th</sup> †Magdalena Denham, †Dr. Jesse Garcia (by S. Davila)November 6<sup>th</sup> †Magdalena Denham (by R. Denham)October 13<sup>th</sup> Seneida Flores**SANCTUARY LAMP**October 9-29<sup>th</sup> John & Becky Sheldon Family**ALTAR MINISTRY**

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
10/23 10:30am	Korey Hardeman	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
10/30 10:30am	Gladys Tilley	Krista Ramirez Athena Tilley Roderick Tilley	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
11/6 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Emily Witherspoon	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman
11/13 10:30am	Norma Ortiz	Michael Ortiz Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz	Fern Carter Armando Ortiz

**GREETERS & USHERS**

10/23	Liz Gomez, Eunice Sharkey, Ann Woodson, William Tilley
10/30	Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Elijah Ramos, Cynthia Shaw
11/6	David Longoria, Eunice Sharkey, Ann Woodson, Stephanie Woodson
11/13	Sylvia Davila, Korey Hardeman, Margaret Jeter, Stephanie 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 God and his people!*

**Parish Office Hours:**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
9am-12noon**



## News & Upcoming Events in our Parish & Diocese

**Month of the Rosary Petitions**

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Each day of October Fr. Roy invites parishioners of Holy Cross to pray the rosary for these intentions:

WEEK FOUR (Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>): for the suffering

WEEK FIVE (Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>): for the Faith

**Dear Heavenly Father, Thank you for our daily bread; please satisfy those who suffer from hunger and thirst. Thank you for our homes; please provide shelter for the homeless. Thank you for our family and friends; please console those who are neglected, rejected, and lonely. Thank you for our health; please heal those suffering from sickness of body, mind, or spirit. Make us merciful to those in need and after this life welcome us and those who suffer into your eternal dwelling where there is no hunger, sickness, loneliness, homelessness, sorrow, or pain. Amen.**

All are invited to pray the **Rosary** starting at **10am on Sundays** and with the Prayer Group, **Mondays at 6pm** in the Adoration Chapel.

**LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS' FORMATION**

Current and prospective Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (who did not attend last Sunday) are required to attend a formation meeting **this Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.**

**CMSE TRAINING REQUIREMENT**

If your blue card is expired or near expiration **PLEASE SET AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE PARISH OFFICE FOR THE ONE-HOUR TRAINING BY OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**NEW TIME FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious education classes will be held after Mass starting on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Students are expected to attend 10:30am Mass before class.

**Scripture Readings for the Week**

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-6; Lk 13:10-17  
 Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21  
 Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30  
 Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1-35; Lk 13:31-35  
 Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16  
 Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2-5; Lk 14:1, 7-11  
 Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thes 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10

Treasures of Catholic Tradition  
**The Ministry of Instituted Acolyte**

The seven sacraments are “efficacious signs of grace, instituted by Christ by which divine life is dispensed to us” (CCC 1131). In addition to these *sacraments* established by Jesus himself, the Church recognizes many *sacramentals* (e.g., rosary beads, brown scapulars, sacred images, etc.).

In 1972 Bl. Pope Paul VI changed the name of “minor orders” to “ministries,” which are liturgical ministries different from the ordained offices of Bishop, Priest, and Deacon. Whereas the sacrament of holy orders was instituted by Christ since the beginning of the Church, minor orders/ ministries (‘sacramentals’ rather than a sacrament) were instituted by the Church (not directly by Christ) in response to pastoral needs. For centuries, two of these minor orders were “Lector” and “Subdeacon.” In the Latin rite Church these offices are “ministries” open to qualified laymen rather than simply reserved to those preparing for priesthood. Most Catholics are not familiar with the ministry of ‘instituted acolyte’ because most parishes have typical altar servers (periodically trained and commissioned) rather than permanently instituted acolytes. Nevertheless, the stable (permanent) ministry of instituted acolyte exists as an important ministry in the Church and is becoming more known.

So what is the difference between a regular “altar server” and an “instituted acolyte”? There are primarily three differences: 1) the ministry of instituted acolyte is reserved only to males age 21+ (usually preparing for ordination to the diaconate and/or priesthood); 2) instituted acolytes are permitted to purify the sacred vessels during and after Mass, and 3) instituted acolytes are *indefinitely* allowed (with pastoral permission) to assist in the distribution of holy communion without being periodically “recommissioned” (a requirement for temporary extraordinary ministers of holy communion).

The institution of acolytes takes place at a special “installation Mass” celebrated by a bishop. While most instituted acolytes are preparing to become deacons and/or priests, some dioceses (such as the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston) now install qualified men to permanently serve as instituted acolytes (See *Code of Canon Law*, 230), mainly to assist with distributing holy communion and purifying the sacred vessels. Currently in the Diocese of Corpus Christi, two instituted acolytes are Santos Jones (Pastoral Associate at St. Joseph’s in Beeville) and David Emrich (here at Holy Cross). Both of these men previously attended seminary, were installed by a bishop, and are currently preparing to be permanent deacons. Please pray that they worthily fulfill their ministry for God’s glory and the good of his people.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Marylou Areola, Marchant Bradford, Tony Canales, Fern Carter, Paul Carter, Gail Dement, Louise Gazin, Gloria Hamilton, 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, Atanacio Sanchez, Renalda Sharkey, John Sheldon, Lamont Taylor, Carolyn Satterwhite, Eula Shaw, Les Spear, Dolores Vesely, Patricia Whitfield, Henry G. Winn

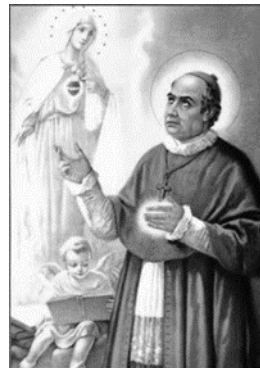
**Birthdays for the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>**



- October 24<sup>th</sup> Savannah Lopez, Danica Perez
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Roland Woodson
- October 26<sup>th</sup> Eula Shaw
- October 27<sup>th</sup> Jessica Hardeman, Cassie Lopez

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Oct 24<sup>th</sup>** St. Anthony Mary Claret
- Oct 28<sup>th</sup>** St. Simon & St. Jude, Apostles



“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**  
 (October 16, 2016)

Adult Env. (29).....\$ 747.00  
 Children’s Env.(2).....\$ 8.00  
 Loose Currency.....\$ 27.50

**TOTAL \$ 782.50**

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