

*"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 November 6, 2016

Nov 9th John & Katie KainerNov 11th Bill & Theresa Kainer**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**November 6th †Magdalena Denham (by R. Denham)November 13th Senaida Flores, Denise SpeerNovember 20th †Ernest Carter, Gloria HamiltonNovember 27th †Magdalena Denham (by R. Denham)**SANCTUARY LAMP**Nov. 6-12th Angel V. EmrichNov. 13-19th †Kesavalu & †Kamala Devaraj FamilyNov. 20-26th †C.T.S. David & †Rani Family**ALTAR MINISTRY**

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
11/6 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman
11/13 10:30am	Norma Ortiz	Michael Ortiz Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz	Fern Carter Armando Ortiz
11/20 10:30am	Sylvia Davila	Athena Tilley Roderick Tilley Emily Witherspoon	Terri Longoria Gladys Tilley
11/27 10:30am	Korey Hardeman	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Krista Ramirez	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos

GREETERS & USHERS

11/6 David Longoria, Eunice Sharkey, Ann Woodson, Stephanie Woodson

11/13 Sylvia Davila, Korey Hardeman, Margaret Jeter, Stephanie Woodson

11/20 Liz Gomez, Eunice Sharkey, Ann Woodson, William Tilley

11/27 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Elijah Ramos, Cynthia Shaw

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

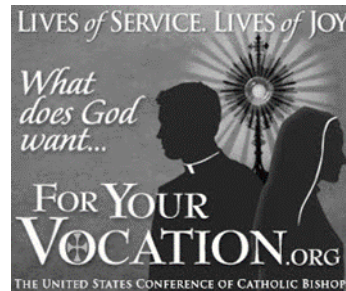
Thank you for your service to God and his people!

Parish Office Hours:

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



News & Upcoming Events in our Parish & Diocese

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK**

Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week. Some of the goals of the week are as follows: to PRAY for vocations to priesthood and religious life; to EDUCATE Catholic children about the various vocations; to INSPIRE young adults to consider a vocation to the priesthood and/or religious life; to HONOR excellent examples of priests and religious men & women; to ASSIST parents in teaching their children to remain open to God's call.

NEW TIME FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious education classes will be held after Mass starting TODAY, November 6th. Students are expected to attend 10:30 am Mass before class.

T.O.U.G.H. RETREAT**Teens Open Up to God's Holiness**

All high school youth are invited to attend the TOUGH Retreat, **December 16-18, 2016 at the Pax Christi Retreat Center**. Registration forms are available online from the DCC Youth Office: <http://www.diocesecc.org/documents/2016/8/TOUGH%20Retreat%20Packet%20Dec%202016.pdf>

ALTAR SERVER RECOGNITION CEREMONY

This year's altar server's recognition ceremony will take place at Corpus Christi Cathedral on **Sunday, November 20th**. All high school servers who have served a minimum of three years will receive recognition. The ceremony will begin at **3:00 pm** with a prayer service (there will be no Mass) followed by the recognition awards.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-14; Ps 37:3-29; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ez 47:1-12; Ps 46:2-9; 1 Cor 3:9-17;
Jn 2:13-22

Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-18; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12;
Lk 21:5-19

Treasures of Catholic Tradition
Prayer for the Faithful Departed

Purgatory (Lat., "purgare", to make clean, to purify) in accordance with Catholic teaching is a place or condition of temporal punishment for those who, departing this life in God's grace, are, not entirely free from venial faults, or have not fully paid the satisfaction due to their transgressions.

The doctrine that many who have died are still in a place of purification and that prayers avail to help the dead is part of the very earliest Christian tradition. Tertullian (160-220 A.D.) mentions prayers for the dead as an Apostolic ordinance, and advises a widow "to pray for the soul of her husband, begging repose for him and participation in the first resurrection"; he commands her also "to make oblations for him on the anniversary of his demise," and charges her with infidelity if she neglects to assist his soul.

The Apostolic practice of praying for the dead was incorporated into the liturgy of the Church from the earliest centuries. St. Cyril of Jerusalem (*Mystagogical Catechesis* V.9) describing the liturgy, writes: "Then we pray for the Holy Fathers and Bishops that are dead; and in short for all those who have departed this life in our communion; believing that the souls of those for whom prayers are offered receive very great relief, while this holy and tremendous victim lies upon the altar."

St. Gregory of Nyssa states that man's weaknesses are purged in this life by prayer and wisdom, or are expiated in the next by a cleansing fire. "When he has left his body and the difference between virtue and vice is known he cannot approach God until the purging fire shall have cleansed the stains with which his soul was infested. That same fire in others will cancel the corruption of matter, and the propensity to evil." Let us not forget to pray constantly for the faithful departed!

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 November 6th



November 9th Michael Ortiz
November 10th Angel Emrich

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday (11/6):** 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
National Vocation Awareness Week
- Tuesday (11/9):** U.S. Election Day
- Wednesday (11/10):** Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
- Thursday (11/10):** St. Leo the Great
- Friday (11/11):** St. Martin of Tours (San Martin Caballero); Veterans Day
- Saturday (11/12):** St. Josaphat



"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 30, 2016)

Adult Env. (35).....	\$ 119.00
Children's Env.(7).....	\$ 13.00
Loose Currency.....	\$ 117.50

TOTAL \$ 1249.50

May God bless you for your generous support!