

*"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 January 29, 2017

There will be no weekday Masses at Holy Cross during the month of February while Fr. Roy is on vacation.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

- January 29 Robert & Zonia Vesely, †David M. Longoria
- February 5 Zonia Vesely, †John Sheldon
- February 12 John Vesely, Yolanda Jaimes
- February 19 Dolores Vesely, †Msgr. Patrick Higgins
- February 26 Cydney Hamilton, Emily Petru

SANCTUARY LAMP

Jan 29– Feb 4, 2017 Sheldon family intentions

ALTAR MINISTRY

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
1/29 6:00pm	Norma Ortiz	Michael Ortiz Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz	Ray Ramos Armando Ortiz
2/5 10:30am	Angel Emrich	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
2/12 10:30am	Korey Hardeman	Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz Michael Ortiz	Fern Carter Armando Ortiz
2/19 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Athena Tilley Roderick Tilley Emily Witherspoon	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman
2/26 10:30am	Josie Ramirez	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Elijah Ramos	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos

GREETERS & USHERS

- 1/29 Liz Gomez, Korey Hardeman, Cynthia Shaw, Elijah Ramos
- 2/5 Sylvia Davila, Korey Hardeman, Margaret Jeter, William Tilley
- 2/12 Liz Gomez, Eunice Sharkey, Ann Woodson, William Tilley
- 2/19 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Ann Woodson, Stephanie Woodson

If you cannot be present on your assigned day, please arrange a substitute. Arrive to prepare fifteen minutes before Mass .

Thank you for your service to God and his people!



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

ENCOUNTER RETREAT

The life-changing Encounter seminar and retreat will be held at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church** starting on February 1st. Please pick up a registration flyer today or contact Norma Ortiz asap: 249-2679.

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION

This Friday's holy hour of reparation will be held **6-7 pm in the Adoration Chapel**. **There will be no Mass at Holy Cross**, but all are encouraged to attend Mass elsewhere to receive the graces promised by Jesus to St. Margaret Mary for the First Friday devotion.

FULLNESS OF TRUTH CONFERENCE

The Fullness of Truth Conference will be held at the American Bank Center on March 4-5. This year's theme is "Our Family Reunion: Healing the Domestic Church." Flyers are available in the back of the church.



Treasures of Catholic Tradition
St. John Bosco: A Prophetic Saint

John "Don" Bosco was a Catholic priest who lived in Italy in the 19th century. He is most famous for his work with troubled youth. He founded the Salesian Society, named after St. Francis de Sales, which established Salesian Homes for boys where they could live and be educated. At the time of Don Bosco's death in 1888 there were 250 houses for boys founded by the Salesian Society containing 130,000 children; of these, over 6,000 became priests. The Salesian Society still exists today and is the second largest religious order in the world, continuing St. Bosco's mission.

St. Don Bosco is also known for his **many prophetic dreams**. His most famous dream regards future troubles for the Church and is known as the **Prophecy of the Two Columns**. In his words, here is the dream:

"There is one stately flagship [symbolizing the Catholic Church]. Winds and waves are with the enemy. In this midst of this endless sea, **two solid columns**, a short distance apart, soar high into the sky: one is surmounted by a statue of the **Immaculate Virgin** at whose feet a large inscription reads: Help of Christians; the other, far loftier and sturdier, supports a **[Communion] Host** of proportionate size and bears beneath it the inscription Salvation of believers... Standing at the helm, the Pope strains every muscle to steer his ship between the two columns from whose summits hang many anchors and strong hooks linked to chains.

"The entire enemy fleet closes in to intercept and sink the flagship at all costs. They bombard it with everything they have: books and pamphlets, incendiary bombs, firearms, cannons. The battle rages ever more furious. ...In blind fury the enemy takes to hand-to-hand combat, cursing and blaspheming. Suddenly the Pope falls, seriously wounded. He is instantly helped up but, struck down a second time, dies. ... But no sooner is the Pope dead than another takes his place. ... The enemy's self-assurance wanes.

Breaking through all resistance, **the new Pope steers his ship safely between the two columns** and moors it to the two columns; first to the one surmounted by the Host, and then to the other, topped by the statue of the Virgin. At this point something unexpected happens. The enemy ships panic and disperse, colliding with and scuttling each other. ... A great calm now covers the sea.

Very grave trials await the Church. What we have suffered so far is almost nothing compared to what is going to happen. The enemies of the Church are symbolized by the ships which strive their utmost to sink the flagship. **Only two things can save us in such a grave hour: devotion to Mary and frequent Communion.** Let us do our very best to use these means and have others use them everywhere."

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 January 29th

Happy Birthday

February 4th Elizaéo Banda

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. John Bosco
Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord
Friday: St. Blase; St. Ansgar; First Friday; Blessing of throats
Saturday: Bl. Virgin Mary; First Saturday

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
 Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26-32; Mk 5:21-43
 Wednesday: Heb 12:4-15; Ps 103:1-18; Mk 6:1-6
 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
 Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1-9; Mk 6:14-29
 Saturday: Heb 13:15-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
 Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

"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

Weekly Contributions
 (January 22, 2017)

Adult Envelopes (31).....\$ 1019.00
 Children's Envelopes (3).....\$ 9.00
 Loose Currency.....\$ 35.05
 Collection for Latin America.....\$ 126.90

TOTAL \$ 1189.95

May God bless you for your generous support!