

“We adore You, O Christ, and we praise you, because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world.”

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Holy Cross Church



Weekly Masses:

Sunday, 10:30 am
Wed & Fri, 6:00 pm

Office Hours:

Mon/Wed/Fri, 9 am - 12 noon

Parish Office (361) 888-4012
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Reconciliation (Confession):
By appointment / Upon request

Baptism: By appointment
Marriage: Six months in advance

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Week of May 28, 2017

May 31 Mothers' Novena

June 2 †Gladys Duncan, Sam Solis

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

May 28 †Jinks Elliot, †Roxanne Ramirez

June 4 New Pentecost, 2017 Confirmands

June 11 Richard Vesely, †Seferino Ramirez

June 21 †A.B. Duncan, Stephanie Wagner

SANCTUARY LAMP

May 28– June 10 †John Sheldon

June 11-17 Sheldon Family intentions

ALTAR MINISTRY

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Ext Ministers
5/28 10:30am	Angel Emrich	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
6/4 10:30am	Korey Hardeman	Allora Banda Elizeo Banda Ray Banda, Jr.	Fern Carter Armando Ortiz
6/11 10:30am	Norma Ortiz	Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz Michael Ortiz	Korey Hardeman Armando Ortiz
6/18 10:30am	Terri Longoria	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Olivia Ramos	Fern Carter Erika Ramos
5/25 10:30am	Andrew Duarte	Athena Tilley Roderick Tilley Emily Witherspoon	Armando Ortiz Ray Ramos

GREETERS & USHERS

5/28 Korey Hardeman, Margaret Jeter, Eunice Sharkey, William Tilley

6/4 Elijah Ramos, Ann Woodson, Roland Woodson, Stephanie Woodson

6/11 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Ann Woodson, William Tilley

6/28 Elijah Ramos, Korey Hardeman, Cynthia Shaw, Stephanie Woodson

If you will be absent 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**



CONGRATUALIONS OLIVIA & ATHENA!

Holy Cross Parish honors our Spring 2017 confirmand, **Olivia Ramos**, and St. John Paul II High School graduate, **Athena Tilley**, with a special blessing as they begin a new stage of their spiritual and academic journeys. **Everyone is invited to a reception in the St. Katharine Drexel Parish Hall after Mass to honor our youth and celebrate their success!**

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

June is the month of the Sacred Heart! This Friday's Holy Hour of reparation for sins committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus will begin with 6 PM Mass in the adoration chapel and continue with adoration until 7:15 PM. Come console our Lord's Sacred Heart with your presence and prayers!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Volunteers are needed to assist with Our Summer "Discovery Mission" VBS, **June 26-30**. Our first team meeting will take place on Wednesday, **June 6 @ 6:30 PM** in St. Drexel Hall.

JUNE FELLOWSHIP MEAL

The Holy Cross June fellowship meal will take place after the 10:30 AM Mass on **June 25**. The meal will consist of a "soul food" potluck meal. Please sign up with **Eunice Sharkey** to prepare a specific dish: **361-882-1090**.

**St. Charles Lwanga and Companions
Martyrs of Purity**

One of 22 Ugandan martyrs, **Charles Lwanga** is the patron of youth and Catholic action in tropical Africa. He protected his fellow pages, ages 13 to 30, from the homosexual demands of the corrupt Bagandan ruler, Mwanga, and encouraged and instructed them in the Catholic faith during their imprisonment for refusing the ruler's demands.

Charles first learned of Christ's teachings from two retainers in the court of Chief Mawulugungu. While a catechumen, he entered the royal household as assistant to Joseph Mukaso, head of the court pages. On the night of Mukaso's martyrdom for encouraging the African youths to resist Mwanga's sexual advances, Charles requested and received baptism. Imprisoned with his friends, Charles's courage and belief in God inspired them to remain chaste and faithful.

For his own unwillingness to submit to immoral acts and his efforts to safeguard the faith of his friends, Charles was burned to death at Namugongo on June 3, 1886, by Mwanga's order. Pope Paul VI canonized these 22 martyrs on October 18, 1964.

Holy Cross Church has a beautiful painting of St. Charles Lwanga and his martyred companions above the main entrance. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Charles Lwanga, let us pray for the virtue of purity and the courage to resist evil influences that tempt us to compromise our faith and moral values.



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, Lamont Taylor, Carolyn Satterwhite, Eula Shaw, Les Spear, Dolores Vesely, Patricia Whitfield, Henry G. Winn

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventh Sunday of Easter;
Monday: Memorial Day
Wednesday: **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Thursday: St. Justin Martyr
Friday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter; First Friday
Saturday: **St. Charles Lwanga and Companions;**
First Saturday (*Immaculate Heart*)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-7; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-21; Jn 17:1-11
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18; Is 12:2-6; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13-21; Ps 103:1-20; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3-13; Jn 20:19-23



Birthdays for the week of May 28th
May 29th Joshua Ramirez

"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
(Sunday, May 21, 2017)

Adult Envelopes (31).....\$ 813.00
Children's Envelopes (4).....\$ 10.50
Loose Currency.....\$ 171.00
May Crowning Contribution.....\$ 7.00

TOTAL \$ 1001.50

St. Martha's Kitchen Breakfast Proceeds.....\$138.00

May God bless you for your generous support!