

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

Monthly: First Thurs: 7:00 pm

Office Hours:

Mon/Wed/Fri, 9 am - 12 noon

Parish Office (361) 888-4012
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Reconciliation : By appointment
Baptism: By appointment
Marriage: Six months in advance

6:30 AM SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Sept 10 Pete Cavazos
 Sept 17 Sam Solis
 Sept 24 John & Katie Kainer

10:30 AM SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Sept 10 †Johann Jakob Emmerich
 Sept 17 Henry Thiagaraj
 Sept 24 Bill & Theresa Kainer
 Oct 1 †Aborted children & Mission *Ad Gentes*

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Week of September 10, 2017

Sept 13 Greg Melton, Denise Speer
 Sept 15 †Earl Francis Emrich

SANCTUARY LAMP

Sept 10-16 †Earl & Ellen Emrich

ALTAR MINISTRY

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers
9/10	Andrew Duarte	Juan Aranda Marylou Aranda Olivia Ramos	Fern Carter Ray Ramos
9/17	Norma Ortiz	Michael Ortiz Roderick Tilley Emily Witherspoon	Fern Carter Korey Hardeman
9/24	Armando Ortiz	Elijah Ramos Olivia Ramos Rayven Ramos	Erika Ramos Ray Ramos
10/1	Angel Emrich	Daniel Ortiz David Ortiz Michael Ortiz	Armando Ortiz Norma Ortiz

GREETERS & USHERS

9/10 Elijah Ramos, Korey Hardeman, Cynthia Shaw, Stephanie Woodson
 9/17 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Ann Woodson, William Tilley
 9/24 Korey Hardeman, Ann Woodson, Roland Woodson, Stephanie Woodson
 10/1 Sylvia Davila, Margaret Jeter, Eunice Sharkey, William Tilley



Birthdays for the week of Sept 10th
 September 12: Corine Rosales



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

MASS FOR HOLY CROSS FEAST

A special Mass will be celebrated for the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross this **Thursday, at 6:30 PM** in the main church. The Mass will include the veneration of the relic of the true cross. Refreshments will be provided after the Mass. If you would like to contribute refreshments, please call the parish office by Wednesday, September 13.

BBQ & RAFFLE MEETING TODAY

An extraordinary parish council meeting will be held after the **10:30 AM Mass today** to determine the date to reschedule the Holy Cross BBQ and Raffle. All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religious education classes start **TODAY (11:45-1 PM)** in St. Drexel Hall.

FATIMA CENTENNIEL ROSARY

From **Wednesday, September 13, to Friday, October 13**, Holy Cross Parish will pray a daily rosary to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, culminating with the final apparition of Our Lady of Fatima on October 13, 1917. At Fatima Our Lady requested everyone to pray the rosary daily. The rosary will be prayed with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at **3 PM daily in the adoration chapel. A signup sheet is available in the back of the church for each day of this 30-day rosary novena for conversion of sinners and peace throughout the world.**

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

All parishioners are invited to attend the parish pastoral council meeting on **Wednesday, September 20 at 7 PM in the St. Katharine Drexel Hall.**

TREASURES of CATHOLIC TRADITION
EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

This Thursday, Holy Cross Church commemorates our namesake feast, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

After the death and resurrection of Christ, both Jewish and Roman authorities in Jerusalem made efforts to obscure the Holy Sepulcher, Christ's tomb in the garden near the site of His crucifixion. The earth had been mounded up over the site, and pagan temples had been built on top of it. The Cross on which Christ had died had been hidden by the Jewish authorities nearby.

In 326 A.D., Saint Helena, mother of Roman Emperor, decided under divine inspiration to travel to to excavate the Holy Sepulcher to locate the True Cross. A Jew who knew the account of the Cross's hiding, led excavators to the place where it was hidden. Three crosses were found at the location.



To verify which one was the cross of Jesus, experiments were conducted. First, the three crosses were taken to a woman who was near death; when she touched the True Cross, she was healed. Then the body of a dead man was brought to the place where the three crosses were found, and laid upon each cross. The True Cross restored the dead man to life.

To celebrate the discovery of the Holy Cross, Constantine ordered the construction of churches at the site of the Holy Sepulcher and on Mount Calvary. Those churches were dedicated on September 13 and 14, 335 A.D., and shortly thereafter the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross began to be celebrated on September 14th. The feast slowly spread from Jerusalem until, by the year 720 A.D., the celebration was universal.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Marylou Areola, Marchant Bradford, Tony Canales, Fern Carter, Paul Carter, Gail Dement, Ana Dudley, Louise Gazin, Doug Hopkins, Otis Jackson, Rodessa Jones, Darell Johnson, Charlester Lewis, Nathan Lopez, Fr. McGowan, Martha Moore, Billie & Hector Munguia, Emily Petru, Rosanne Ramirez, Phillis Ridgels, Renalda Sharkey, Lamont Taylor, Carolyn Satterwhite, Eula Shaw, Les Spear, Dolores Vesely, Patricia Whitfield, Henry G. Winn

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES



Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary
Wednesday: St. John Chrysostom
Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows
Saturday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

“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



Weekly Contributions

(Sunday, September 3, 2017)

Adult Envelopes (30).....\$ 1210.00
 Children's Envelopes (2).....\$ 7.00
 Loose Currency.....\$ 12.00
 Maintenance Fund.....\$ 213.00

TOTAL \$ 1442.00

May God bless you for your generous support!