



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 3, 2010 – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By Appointment After Pre-Baptismal Instructions
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By Appointment
ADORATION: From 7:30 AM Thursday Continually Until 7:00 PM Thursday
Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Friday – 8 AM to 12 Noon – 1 PM to 4 PM



Monday 4		No Service
Tuesday 5	6:00 PM	+ Ralph Vasek
Wednesday 6	7:00 AM	+ Msgr. Benton Thurmond
Thursday 7	7:00 AM	+ Dustin Etzel
Friday 8	7:00 AM	+ Edward Dressler
Saturday 9	5:00 PM	Felix & Sophie Korenek's 59 th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 10	7:00 AM	Parishioners
	9:00 AM	+ Bill & Frances Hanzelka
	11:00 AM	+ Allen & Elaine Talas

WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Wednesday – 7 am – Katie Kubes, Sarah Sims
Thursday – 7 am – Tyler Kurtz, Joshua Mica
Friday – 7 am – Cody & Miranda Lehmann

Saturday, January 9 – 5:00 P.M. Mass

Servers: Garrett Losack, Kara & Cathryn Morse
Lector: Karen Moszkowicz
Ushers: Lance Potts Family
Eucharist: Ann Kramr

Sunday, January 10 – 7:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Derrick Rucka, Blaine & Tyler Sulak
Lector: Gary Krenek
Ushers: Francis Vacek & Volunteer
Eucharist: Ken Stavinoha

Sunday, January 10 – 9:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Cody Ognoskie, Eric Pribyl, Jared Rejsek
Lector: Henriette Jalowy
Ushers: Robert Michulka Family
Eucharist: Ed Vacek

Sunday, January 10 – 11:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Taylor Perez, Anna Persyn, Tricia Polak
Lector: Stephen Hlavinka
Ushers: Donald Buxkemper Family
Eucharist: Liz Reed



Mass Attendance Last Weekend: 791
Your Gift to God Last Weekend: \$6,190.00
Christmas Collection: \$6,881.00 Parish Development: \$3,514.00

Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:
Bucek & Pilcik Family in memory of Donald Kopecky.

Please Pray for our Sick: Rev. Henry Rachunek, Sr. Doloretta Leopold, Sr. Lillian Barta, Samuel Britton, J.B., M.B., Joe Burtschell, Sr., Gloria Buxkemper, Gloria Centeno, Rena Chauvin, Della Chmelik, Anna Chumchal, Joe Chumchal, Roy Demny, Eva Dusek, Lucille Ferguson, Beatrice Fojtik, Frances Hadash, Tillie Haedge, Caylee Ann Hammock, Mary Hennecke, Susie Hillmann, Florence Holmes, Ron Horelica, Brent Irby, Joyce Janik, Mary Jochech, Ruthie Jochech, Jeanette Kalina, Mary Jane Kelner, Leslie King Quinnell, Rudy Klecka, Bessie Kramr, Mary Kucera, Oscar Litvik, Archie & Jeremy Lopez, Barbara Lopez, Vincente Lopez, Jake Marik, Pati Marik, Hope Martinez, Charlie Michulka, Leona Milder, Gene Mrkwa, Lillian Pilcik, Agnes Polak, Marvin Polasek, Shirley Powers, Stanley Rejsek, LeRoy Repka, Mildred Repka, Sam Rubio, Sr., Agnes Smaistrla, Greg Smaistrla, Joe Sodolak, Joe Szymanski, John Szymanski, Lillie Talafuse, Lucy Talas, Victor Tichacek, Amy Thomas, Evelyn Ullmann, Sylvia Yackel

Our sick list has started anew for the new year. Please call or email us if you want to add someone to the list.

We pray for the soul of Vyolanda Maria Salcido Kubes who passed away last week. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
begins every Thursday after the 7:00 a.m. Mass and closes at 7:00 p.m.**

Communion to the Homes:

January 3: Lora Faltysek, Dennis & Dianne Viktorin, Pati Marik

January 10: Charles Bucek, John & Mary Ann Kubes, Lydia Scianna

Please call Janelle Barta at 335-7975 if you need to receive home communion.

Altar Society: Berna Pilcik, Tina Kutach, Sandy Logan, Suzanne Dujka

Knights of Columbus meet the first Tuesday of the month, January 5th at 7 p.m. in the Holy Cross Meeting Room. Please call Grand Knight Joe Darr at 979-234-5196 for more information.

JCDA News: *New Meeting Time* – First Wednesdays from 5 – 6 pm in the blue religious ed. classroom. Next meeting will be on **January 6th**. If you have not turned in your permission form and \$6 dues for this year, please bring it to the meeting on Wednesday. All girls age 6 – 18 years are welcome to join us!! If you would like more info about JCDA, contact Jennifer Coker (335-6454) or Janice Polak (335-4029)

**The 2010 Flower Calendar is in church, ready for your intentions.
Special Thank You to Patsy Krenek for making the calendar!**

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions – please call the parish office to select your date.

**St. Wenceslaus, Beasley, Annual Chicken Fried Steak Dinner –
Sunday, January 17, starting at 10:30 a.m.**



Second: Kevin Kopecky & Cori Siska

CDA Chicken Noodle Soup & Sandwich Supper & Raffle: Wednesday, January 27 at the American Legion Hall – Great food & fun for all!

CDA Raffle Tickets are located in the foyer – Please pick yours up!

Polka Mass – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 30

Parish Funds: *Building Fund:* Frank & Evelyn Kramr in memory of Bernice Twardowski, Frances Tallas, & Annie Ruppert.

Scholarship Fund: Britt & Julie Whitley in memory of Frances Tallas.

Vocation Fund: Gary & Patsy Krenek in memory of Annie Ruppert & Frances Tallas. Don & Gloria Demny in memory of Frances Tallas.

**Dinner & Party – Sunday, January 3rd
Following the 11 a.m. mass in the Meeting
Room**

The Knights of Columbus Council 2500 and Catholic Daughters Court 1108 of Holy Cross parish will end the Christmas Season by hosting a covered dish dinner and party on Sunday, January 3rd, 2010, the Feast of the Epiphany. It will be held in the meeting room, following the 11:00 a.m. mass. The meeting room will be decorated for the holiday. This will be a festive covered dish party consisting of good food, and entertainment. We would like to see a great turnout and make this an ongoing event for Holy Cross.

CDA Education Contest - Court St. Bernadette #1108 is sponsoring an Education Contest open to ALL students in Grade 4 through 12 and all Catholic Daughter members.

The following categories are available to compete for awards:

Division 1 Grades 4-5	Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art
Division 2 Grades 6-7-8	Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography
Division 3 Grades 9-10-11-12	Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography
Division 4 CDA members	Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music

The themes for this year are: "The Joys of God Surround Us" or "The Joys Life Brings Through Others"

Deadline is February 5, 2010 to Education Chairman, Janice Polak. Forms and contest rules are available in the vestibule of the church or contact Janice Polak at 979-335-4029.

Choosing to Live Our Vows Everyday: A Weekend Marriage Retreat.

Father Gary Janak, and five team couples, will be facilitating this unique weekend retreat for married couples. It is for couples seeking to focus on what brought their covenant into existence-their marriage vows. It is not a weekend for couples experiencing serious marital problems, but for those wanting to strengthen their couples spirituality and discover ways to live their vows, on a daily basis. The retreat will be held at the Palacios Baptist Encampment, on January 22-24, at \$200.00 per couple. Application forms are available at the Parish Office or request one by calling 979.543.3770.

"Angel Workshop/Training" Tuesday, January 26
Holy Family Catholic Church (Educational Bldg. across from the Church)
Mallette Dr., Victoria, Texas
6:30p.m. – 9:30 p.m. RSVP by Friday, January 22:
Becca (innocentfamily@juno.com) or (361) 564-3887
Martha (mdulcak@yahoo.com) or (361) 571-7130

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

It is important that we keep our membership records up-to-date. Catholics regularly attending Holy Cross Church should register as members of the parish. If you are new to the area and have not yet registered please take time to do so. You can register by stopping by the church office or call 979/335-7551. Anyone who has an address change or moves out of the parish should also contact the office so that the change can be recorded.

Generations Of Faith – Wednesdays, January 6th & 13th

Topic – Making Moral Decisions – Pizza Served from 6 to 6:20 p.m.

Opening Prayer 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Christmas Flower Donations:

Aurelia Janik Cerny in memory of my parents & brother –
Joseph F. & Maria M. Urbish Janik & Constant W. Janik.

Raymond & Margie David in memory of all Deceased Members of their families.

JoAnn Dietz in memory of Joe L. Stavinoha, Jr., Joseph Stavinoha, Andrew Wicke, Joe Stavinoha, Sr.

New Parishioners – Welcome to Holy Cross Parish!

Please come by the Parish Office to let us know you have arrived.
Census forms are in the foyer in the religious reading material bin.

Men's ACTS Retreat Registration Forms are in church.
Retreat date - January 7 – 10.

Please mark your calendars:

January 23, 2010 - Texas Rally for Life in Austin

January 31, 2010 - Jr. High Fiesta (6-8th graders) @ KC Hall in Hallettsville

February 14, 2010 - Confirmation Retreat @ St. Michael in Cuero

February 28, 2010 - Confirmation Retreat @ Sacred Heart in Hallettsville

March 7, 2010 - High School Spectacular @ Knights of Columbus Hall in El Campo

March 13, 2010 - Confirmation Retreat @ TBA

Registration forms will soon be emailed...hard copies will be in church vestibule. Adults will be needed to chaperone and transport students. (Parish pays adult registration fees.)