A Message from the Pastor

Father Bill Kraft

I am truly blessed to be at Holy Cross Church in Linden. The community helped form me in faith. As a graduate of Linden High School, (year unknown), Holy Cross welcomed me with open arms. I feel great joy when standing at the Altar reminiscing on our years when we were all younger. This is the type of community that sees a need and is generous to respond. We were recently able to refresh the interior of the church, honoring our previous generations of this community.

A Brief History:

For many years there was no Catholic Church in Linden and Catholic families in the area traveled to Stockton or to Lockeford to attend Mass. In 1882, Linden was designated a mission of St. Joachim’s by Archbishop Alemany of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and remained under its authority until 1904. Father Kennedy was the priest serving this area in 1882. He was succeeded by Father Cassin in 1883, under whose leadership the first Holy Cross Church was built on the current parish property. It is presently being used as the church hall and classroom.

Fr. Maisano was instrumental in building the present day Holy Cross Church which was dedicated in 1953 by Bishop Guifoyle. In 1959, Fr. Meyer became pastor of both St. Michael’s and Holy Cross. In 1962, Holy Cross Catholic Church became a parish.

Share the Good News:

- Our Catechism program begins September 4. We serve over 180 students in classes 1st through Confirmation as well as 2nd through 6th in Spanish.
- Our Ladies Guild will begin their 62nd year in October.
- We are very happy about the success of our parish Round-Up festival that was held on August 17-18. Our Saturday evening BBQ dinner was sold out and the music and fellowship was enjoyable! On Sunday, we united our Masses to one service at 10:30 and following Mass, we began an afternoon of food, games, fun and fellowship. Our Ladies Guild will begin their 62nd year in October.
Holy Cross
Upcoming
Events:

September 4: Catechism Program Begins

October (Exact Date TBD): Polenta Dinner

December (Exact Date TBD): Linden High School Ace Show Choir

(please visit the Holy Cross website for an expanded calendar)

Photos taken Aug. 17-18 during the parish Round-Up festival
Parish Information:

STAFF:

Fr. Bill Kraft, Administrator
Fr. Luis Navarro, Spanish Mass
Janice Colombini, Administrative Assistant
Susanne Boysen, Director of Religious Education
Andreina Guzman, Religious Education (Spanish), Youth Minister/Hostess
Elizabeth Torres, Youth Minister/Hostess
Garry Evans, Deacon

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

WEBSITE:

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MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:30 am 11:30 am Spanish
Wednesday: 8:00 am