

# Holy Cross Catholic Church & Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bay City & Wadsworth, Texas

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 05, 2021



## CLERGY AND STAFF

Pastor: Father Stephen Vacek

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

CCD Coordinator: Dcn. Kevin Knox

Confirmation: Dcn. Kevin Knox / Natalie Friesenhahn

## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Catholic Scripture Study: Dcn. Walley Rodriguez

RCIA: Tim & Barbara Bricker / Father Stephen Vacek

Holy Cross Catholic Church 2001 Katy Avenue Bay City, TX Phone: 979-245-6379

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hwy 60 Wadsworth, TX Phone: 979-245-6379

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Saturday Vigil 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30 a.m. Sacred Heart Church  
10:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

*1st Saturday Mass - 8:00 a.m.*

Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday 5:00 pm  
Wednesday & Friday 8:00 am, Thursday 8:30 am

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION TOGETHER WITH OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*In the Church*

Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
Tuesday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Thursday 9:30 am—12:00 Noon

## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

979-245-5632

### *Mission Statement*

*To make a difference in the world by loving God, others and ourselves through learning as we build our Christian family*

Interim Principal  
School Secretary  
School Advisory President  
School Foundation President

Dr. John Quarry  
B.J. Chavez  
Jacob Rodriguez  
Joey Sliva

**Mass Intentions**

September 06, 2021 - September 12, 2021  
HOLY CROSS CHURCH - BAY CITY

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	5:00 pm	James & Ruth Engbrock *A
Wednesday	8:00 am	Marilyn Hollas
Thursday	8:30 am	Theresa Lyle
Friday	8:00 am	Josh Zbranek *B
Saturday	6:00 pm	Terry Osborne Bill Gormley
Sunday	7:30 am	Frank & Carmel Harrison
	10:00 am	In Thanksgiving Pham Family
	6:00 pm	Pro Populo

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**Mass Assignments:**

Saturday, September 11, 2021

6:00 p.m. Sacristan Raymond Chavez  
Lector Nate Carr



Sunday, September 12, 2021

10:00 a.m. Sacristan Ronnie Chilek  
Lector Volunteer



6:00 p.m. Sacristan Ivonne Betancourt  
Lector Melissa McAnnally

**The Sanctuary Candle**

will burn the week of:

September 05 — September 11, 2021

at Holy Cross Catholic Church  
In Memory of Adam Fuentes

at Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
In Memory of Helen Keep

**REGISTRATION FOR RCIA**  
(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The classes are for:

- 1) Those wanting to join the Catholic Church, or inquire about the Catholic faith.
- 2) Adults baptized as Catholics who wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation through reception of First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

In order to register, those interested are asked to please call the church office (245-6379) for an appointment.



**Collections**  
August 28 & August 29, 2021

Regular \$5,612.00  
Building & Maintenance Fund \$26,190.00

Thank you for your generosity!



**Pray for our Seminarians:**

Transitional Deacons: Rev. Mr. Richard Barfield & Tran Dinh.

Seminarians: Joseph Blackburn, Philippe Du-bourdieu, Shane Goertz, Ryan Kapavik, Caleb Krischke, Aaron Padilla, and Luke Prihoda.



**Holy Cross Catholic Church Office**

will be closed on

Monday, September 06, 2021

in observance of

**Labor Day**

A Reflection

*The Glorious Mercy of God*

Fr. Paschal Mary, MVFA

Continued from last week

Our Lord breathes His Holy Spirit into us, sending us out into the world as missionaries of mercy. We cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard. In the resurrection of Christ, we can rejoice. In a special way Christ commissions His apostles and priests to proclaim this wonderful mercy of God through the ministry of reconciliation. The very life of God poured forth upon the world from the heart of Jesus on the cross. That life is restored and strengthened in us every time we enter into the tribunal of mercy. Yes, we priests are weak instruments, but it is the forgiveness of God that He works in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance. It is His mercy that reveals to us our sins, their gravity and number and gives us the humble grace to confess them in kind and number to the priest, simply, without excuses, without long stories, and standing in the truth of who we are and what we have done. And for that God enters into our heart. Purifying us of sin and filling us with grace, restoring us to divine friendship.

To be continued...



## Holy Cross Fall Festival Sunday, September 26, 2021

**COUNTRY STORE:** We are asking parishioners to donate items such as jellies, jams, pickles, cookies, cakes, or any home baked goods. Also, homemade crafts such as pot-holders. *Please no plants.* Items may be brought to the church office. If you have questions, please contact Twyla Busha 245-9418.

**ON-LINE AUCTION:** Anyone interested in donating a new item or items, please contact Cindy Tomek at 979-244-2222. We thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

**Fall Festival yard signs are back!!!**

*New yard signs are available in the foyer of the Church or the Church office, please pick yours up today to help advertise our Fall Festival!!*

***A Special Note:***

*This is the main fundraiser for our Parish. Please prayerfully consider using your time, talents, and treasures to help make this event a big success!*

*Thank you!*



**The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will have a *Salad Dinner and Meeting* on Thursday, September 16th, beginning at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone please bring your favorite salad dish to share.**

### Notice to Parents

Registration for CCD (K-6th) is now closed. Please note we will have a Family Mass at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 15. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 22nd from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Unfortunately, due to low enrollment, there will be no Kindergarten or 1st grade class this year.

### Confirmation

Holy Cross is revamping the preparation program for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration for Confirmation (Grades 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> and High School) begins this month and closes on September 30. To enroll your child, please contact the Church Office.

High School students 9th grade or higher will be enrolled in a one-year program, *Didache*, led by Deacon Kevin. They will receive Confirmation in the Spring of 2022.

Junior High students in 7th or 8th grade will begin a two-year formation program. Natalie Friesenhahn and her team will lead the first-year of formation. The following year, the second-year formation will be led by Deacon Kevin Knox. Confirmation will be held in the Fall following the completion of the two-year program.

Please join us as we begin this new chapter in continuing our Education at the Foot of the Cross. The new Confirmation program will be separate from our Sunday Night Youth Group.

## Holy Cross Catholic School Job Openings

**Interim School Principal**

**PreK-3 Teacher**

**Substitute Teachers**

The ideal candidates should be a joyful disciple of the Lord—seeking to follow Him in both his/her personal and professional life—as well as a proven leader who can implement the vision of HCCS as the center for evangelization, formation, and education within the community.

***Qualified Principal candidates should be able to demonstrate that they:***

- \*Are a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church;***
- \*Hold a Master's degree in Educational Administration or a related field;***
- \*Are committed to continuing the tradition of academic and spiritual excellence that HCCS was founded upon; and***
- \*Possess strong leadership capabilities and excellent communication skills.***