


**Welcome to Holy Cross Church**  
NEW PARISHIONERS We welcome you with joy and invite you to register with us (and introduce yourself). Please drop by our parish office.

 **Pew Cushions**  
If you are interested in donating toward the purchase of more cushions, the cost is \$552 per cushion. Please contact the church office to make a donation and help cover the rest of the pews. Any size donation will go towards the purchase of a cushion.

**Holy Cross Part- Time**  
**Paid position for Janitor/Custodian**  
Is needed to maintain the parish office, the rectory and St. Anthony's School. Applications are available at the Parish office. The purpose of the Custodian is to perform custodial duties necessary to keep church building clean, note needs for repairs as needed. The person in this position is to present a positive, professional and welcoming demeanor to those who they come in contact. Employment applications are available at the Parish Office.

**WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH**  
If you are new to our Parish, we invite you to stop by the office during regular business hours and register .  
**Baptism**  
Baptismal Class is held at Holy Cross Parish Office , every first Wednesday of the month at 6 pm. Call for registration.  
**Quinceañeras**  
Make arrangements with the priest six months in advance. Faith Formation classes and regular Church attendance is required.  
**Marriage**  
Make arrangements with the priest six months in advance. Pre-marriage instruction required according to Archdiocesan policies.  
**Birthday & Anniversary Blessings**  
If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary, Father will be blessing birthdays and anniversaries during Mass, the first weekend of every month. Please send a photo and information to the office if you would like it published in The Voice.  
**Care of the Sick**  
Please inform the office secretary of any illness in the family. The prayer List is updated monthly. Please call the Parish Office to add or remove a loved one.  
**Prayer Intentions**  
If you have any special intentions you are welcome to send to the office to be placed in the bulletin for prayers.

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This feast brings to an end the season of Christmas. Ordinary Time lasts from the day after this feast to the Tuesday before Lent .



**January Birthday & Anniversary Blessing**  
“The Lord bless you and keep you, may the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you, may the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.” Numbers 6:24-26

**Decorations at church will be taken down on Sunday, January 12th at 1:30 pm.**  
**Everyone is welcome and invited to help. If you purchased a Poinsettia, please pick up after Mass.**

**Holy Cross Parish families are welcome to sponsor flowers for the Altar.**  
-In Memory of-  
-In celebration of-  
-In Thanksgiving-  
**Call the Parish Office.**

**Treasures of the Archdiocese of San Antonio**  
Copies of this beautiful coffee table book are still available at the church office for \$40. *All churches in the Archdiocese are represented in this book, including Holy Cross and Immaculate Heart of Mary.*

**UPDATED FOR HOLY CROSS**  
**The Archbishop's Appeal donations for 2024 totaled \$8,218**  
**With your effort and support, we have reached 97% of our goal (\$8437.00).**  
***Thank you for journeying together, good stewards!***

“Do not wish to be anything but what you are, and try to be that perfectly.”  
— St. Francis de Sales



# THE VOICE

## January 12, 2025

### Baptism of Our Lord



**HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
P.O. Box 426/310 FM 2200 S  
D'Hanis, Texas 78850

**HOLY CROSS MASS SCHEDULE**  
Saturday ..... 5:30 pm  
Sunday.....9:00 am  
Tues, Thurs, Fri. . ....7:00 am  
Wednesday..... 7:00 pm

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**  
Wednesdays.....5:15 - 5:45pm  
Saturdays .....4:30 – 5:15 pm  
or by appointment

**HEALING SERVICE**  
Last Wednesday of month during Mass

**HOLY HOUR**  
Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Send bulletin items to:  
[holycrossdhanis@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossdhanis@gmail.com)  
**Deadline is Monday at 4pm**

Donate electronically online at:  
<http://holycross-dhanis.org>

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We, the communities of Holy Cross Catholic Church in D'Hanis, Texas and Immaculate Heart of Mary in Yancey, Texas, believe that God comes first, and with the Holy Cross as our guide, we are reminded of his love and sacrifice. We are committed to sharing our faith, spirituality, gifts and talents by educating our families and by welcoming visitors to our community. We strive to become one parish family by living our faith, serving God and one another.

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**  
**MASS SCHEDULE**  
Sunday .....11:30 am  
  
**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**  
Sundays before Mass 10:50—11:15am  
or by appointment

**HOLY CROSS OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday through Thursday**  
  
**9 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 4 pm**

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Email: [holycrossdhanis@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossdhanis@gmail.com)  
Webpage: [www.holycross-dhanis.org](http://www.holycross-dhanis.org)

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**  
  
**Fr. John Cyriac, MSFS.....Pastor**  
**Fr. Lajarus Soreng .....Parochial Vicar**  
Samuel Heinz.....Deacon  
Peggy Bendele.....Bookkeeper  
Christine Ortega.....Administrative Asst.  
Sheila Rothe.....DRE/Faith Formation



### St. John's/Holy Cross ACTS Core

Is accepting nominations for Retreat Director for Women's ACTS Retreat for October 2025.

Please submit all nominations to an ACTS Core Member—**Linda Cote, Larry Huesser, Roland DeLeon or Laura Gonzales**

#### **RETREAT DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS**

\*Members must be practicing Catholics, in good standing with the Catholic Church

\*Must have served on at least 2 teams

\*Must live a moral, ethical and faith filled life in communion with the Catholic Church

\*Must have demonstrated leadership qualities with a servant's heart.



**2025 St. John's/Holy Cross Youth ACTS Retreat**

### St. John's/Holy Cross Men's ACTS Retreat

**Feb 27—March 2, 2025**

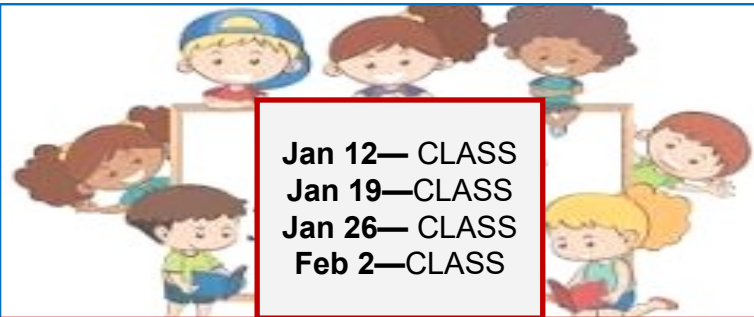
Men's ACTS would like to invite you to REGISTER for an Extraordinary weekend at Moye Center in Castroville. This is an invitation for Men to spend a weekend of celebration and an encounter with Christ. Men's ACTS 2024 Retreat cost is \$190 per retreatant with a \$50 deposit. This will cover all lodging and meals. Please contact Steve Wilson 210 331 6851.



#### **Prayers for the following people, their families and their caregivers:**

Theresa Tapia, Henrietta Fernandez, Odette Rodriguez, Leatrice Ahr, Esther Nester, Audrey Urban, Jon Koch, Ann Rodriguez, Sharon Mechler, Naomi Maestes, Micah Schulze, John Rock, Elsie Rothe, Lydia Torrez, Alexis Wright, Vicente Hernandez, Adalyn Bustillos, Arturo Ramos, Ralph Martinez, Janie Gallegos, Marissa Ibarra, Israel Hernandez, Heather Ahr, Vanessa DeLeon, David Nehr, John Nester, Jeremy Bupp, Robert Tapia, Lucy Garcia, Ray Morua, Linda Cortinas Jerry Garcia, Jesse Ortiz, Juan Moncada, Elias Hernandez, Addie Woodsbury, Stephen & Denise Duffy, Alma Garcia, Dorian Herrera

*Please inform the office secretary of any illness in the family. The prayer List is updated monthly. Please call the Parish Office to add or remove a loved one.*



**Jan 12— CLASS**  
**Jan 19—CLASS**  
**Jan 26— CLASS**  
**Feb 2—CLASS**

Start the new year with 8 weeks of Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke. Beginning January 13th thru March 3rd.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Please contact Linda at 210-701-3411 to sign up.

### *Where is the Lord calling you to serve in our parish?*

Mass Ministries is looking for a few new Rosary Leaders, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, Lector's & Sacristan's. Please prayerfully consider this ministry. Contact the Parish Office for Information.

### **Join us for Rosary and Prayer**

**service every Monday at 4:00 pm at Church. Everyone is welcome to attend and pray for the intentions of peace and rain to end this drought.**

### **January 18, 5:30 PM**

**Rosary: TONI B**

**Music: REC**

**Lectors: SUSIE**

**Extraordinary Ministers: LOUIS, ELVA\*, MICHELE©, DEACON©**

**Ushers: CHARLIE, GERALD, VOLUNTEER**

**Altar Servers: JOANIE, MAGGIE, TR**

### **January 19, 2024 9:00 AM**

**Rosary: JOE & ROSANNE**

**Music: ADULT**

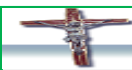
**Lectors: WARREN, JILL**

**Extraordinary Ministers: VICKI, KERI\*, RALPH©, DEACON©**

**Ushers : STEPHEN, DAVID N, DEBBIE**

**Altar Servers: PEYTON, SECI, ERIN**

**Counters: 1/20: SHANNON, MICHELE, MARGIE H**



### *Mass Intentions*

#### **MONDAY—January 13, —NO MASS**

[1John,Ps97:1,2b, 6 and 7c, 9,Mark1:15,Mark 1:14-20](#)

#### **TUESDAY— January 14, 7:00 AM**

[Hebrews 2:5-12,Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7,8-9, 1Thessalonians 2:13,Mk 1:21-28](#)

#### **1) In Honor of AMBER WILLIAMS BIRTHDAY**

by Andy & Lori Gilliam

#### **WEDNESDAY—January 15— 7:00 PM**

[Hebrews 2:14-18, Ps105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9,John 10:27,Mark 1:29-39](#)

#### **1) +ROBERT “BOBBY” ROTHE by Norma Rothe**

#### **2) +WILLIAM KEMPF by John & Kim Rothe**

#### **THURSDAY— January 16—7:00 AM**

[Hebrews 3:7-14,Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9,10-11,Matthew 4:23,Mark 1:40-45](#)

#### **1) +DENNIS HERRMANN by Dottie Cheney**

#### **FRIDAY —January 17 — 7:00 am MASS**

*Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot*

[Hebrews 4:1-5,11, Ps 78:3 &4bc,6c-7,8, Luke 7:16, Mark 2:1-12](#)

#### **1) +WALT ROTHE by Clay & Mary Linda Braden**

#### **SATURDAY—January 18, - 5:30 pm**

**VIGIL :** [Hebrews 4:12-16, Ps 19:8,9,10,15, Luke 4:18, Mark 2:13-17](#)

[IS 62:1-5; PS 96: 1-3,7-10; 1 COR 12:4-11; JN 2:1-11](#)

#### **1) Special Intentions for ELSIE ROTHE**

#### **2) +TOMMY ROTHE by Louis & Susie Rothe**

#### **3) Confirmation Candidate JACKSON CROSS by Guardian Angel**

#### **SUNDAY—January 19 - 9:00 am**

[IS 62:1-5; PS 96: 1-3,7-10; 1 COR 12:4-11; JN 2:1-11](#)

#### **1) +MELVIRA CARLE by David & Sandy McGehee**

#### **2) +WILLIAM KEMPF by John & Kim Rothe**

#### **3) +ANTONIA VASQUEZ by Alicia Ortiz**

**HOLY CROSS PARISH**

*Upcoming Second Collection for The Church in Latin America, January 26, 2025*

### **Holy Cross Catholic Church**

Weekend Collection: \$5307.51

Children's Collection: \$12.00

Online Giving: \$735.00

Holy Day Collection: \$978.00

Parish Hall Renovation: \$120.00

**PARISH HALL RENOVATION TOTAL**

**DONATED: \$253,664.19**

**PARISH HALL EXPENSE: \$312,097.93**



### **January 12, 2025 — The Baptism of the Lord**

*IS 42:1-4, 6-7 or IS 40:1-5, 9-11; PS 29:1-4, 9-10 or PS 104:1B-4, 24-25, 27-30; ACTS 10: 34-38 or TI 2:11-14; 3: 4-7; LK 3:15-16; 21-22*

As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership. We see in Jesus a type of leadership that is characterized by humility and leading by example. Certainly, the sinless Savior did not need a baptism of repentance! But Jesus humbly made Himself one with his people to draw us to Him and create a relationship with us so that we would be open to His teachings and influence. As a servant leader, we also see that Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them. To lead like Jesus, we, too, must “walk the walk” and not just “talk the talk.” If we want those who we lead to be generous and hard-working, then we must show them how to do this by demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves. Immediately after His baptism, we learn of the powerful affirmation of the Father who opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in bodily form, and says audibly, “This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased.” Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too. Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too.

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### ***Congratulations Immaculate Heart of Mary***

*The Archbishop's Appeal donations for 2024 totaled \$860.00 With your effort and support, we have reached 103% of the goal (\$832.00) which exceeded our goal. Thank you for journeying together, good stewards!*

### **Immaculate Heart of Mary**

**January 19, 2025**

**Special Intentions for Gay Esquell**

by Kevin & Lucretia Marmor

**LECTOR: Roy Wilson**

**January 26, 2025**

**Special Intentions for Greg Grothues**

by Kevin & Lucretia Marmor

**LECTOR: Lucretia Marmor**

**Weekend Collection: \$576.01**

**Holy Day Collection: \$303.00**

