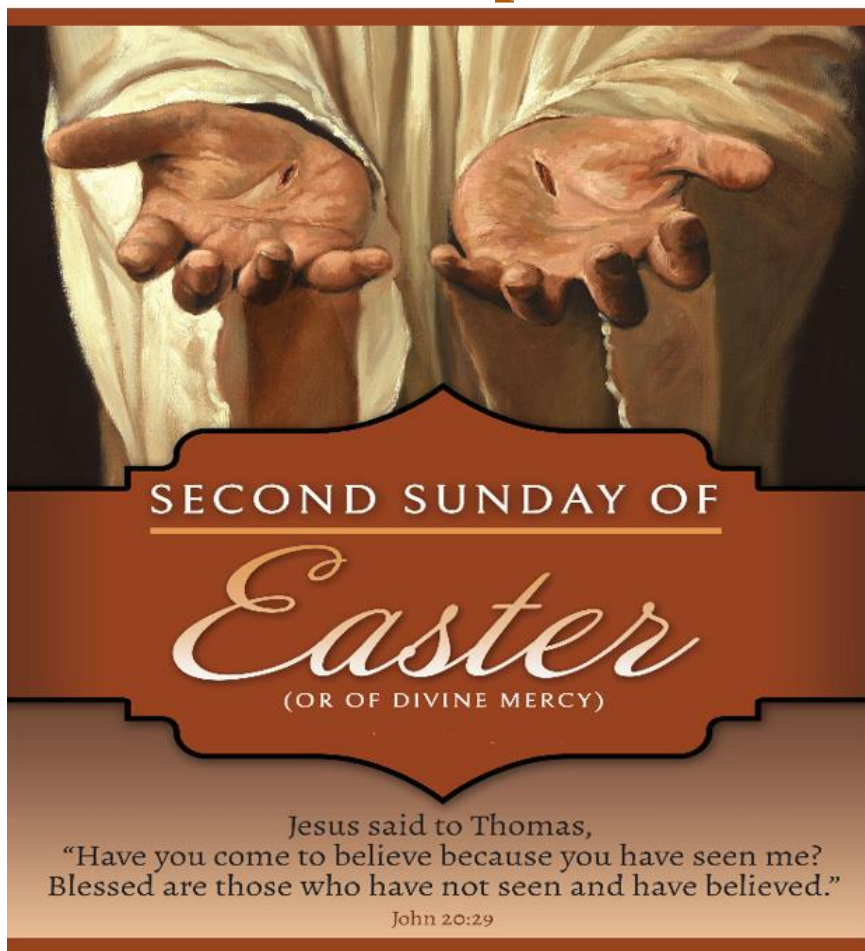


The Catholic Parishes of Crawford County

April 26th & 27th, 2025



Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Phone: (573) 885-3520 Fax: (573) 885-3501
Address: 415 W. School Ave., Cuba, MO 65453
Email: hccccuba@gmail.com
Web: holycrosscubamo.org

Fr. Anthony (Tony) Onyeihe: (573) 462-6522
aonyeihe@diojeffcity.org

S. Karen Thein SSND: (507) 514-3226

Deacon Chad Lewis: (573) 885-3520

Holy Cross School Office:

Phone: (573) 885-4727
Email: holycrossschoolcuba@gmail.com
Website: www.hcschoolcuba.org
Principal, Melinda Osentoski:
holycross.osentoski@gmail.com

School Advisory Members:

Aminta Abdinova	Mike Kempf
Alan Collins	Christy Moreland
	Kathy Royal

Parish Council Members:

Jim Bathe	Mike Kempf
Jerry Dubbelde	RuthAnn Kuethe
Alice Engelbrecht	Esli Navarro
Joe Howdeshell	Diane McCameron
Don Hudson	Ruth Woodson
Vicky Dunakey	

Finance Council Members:

Larry Howdeshell	Donna Conduitt
Teresa Leicht	

Mass Schedules:

Holy Cross

Saturday 6:00 p.m. **Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.**
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Mass in Spanish: (every 1st & 3rd Sunday) at 11:30 a.m.

St. Francis Caracciolo

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m.

St. Michael

Sunday ~~CANCELLED~~ 8:00 a.m. Sunday ~~CANCELLED~~ 8:30 a.m.

Bishop McKnight's Monthly Prayer Intention:

"For all who have suffered abuse, that they may experience healing and restoration. That we may be ever-vigilant in protecting the vulnerable and ensuring our parishes remain places of safety, love, and respect. We pray to the Lord."



April 27 – Divine Mercy Sunday

May 1 – Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

May 2 – H.C. School Field Day

May 7 – May Crowning after 8:30 a.m. Mass

May 8 – Finance Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

May 9 – Celebrating the Legacy of Holy Cross School Mass & Celebration 5 p.m.

May 10 – Dia de las Madres (Mother's Day in the Latino Community)

May 11 – First Holy Communion, Good Shepherd Sunday, Mother's Day

May 29 – The Ascension of the Lord

May 31 – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 8 – Pentecost Sunday

June 15 – Holy Trinity

Mission Statement:

We, the Catholic parishes of Holy Cross, St. Francis, and St. Michael, aware of the intergenerational communities and the various cultures living in our communities, welcome all – no matter where they are on the journey of Faith. We strive to strengthen the communities of Faith by working together through prayer, works of Justice and concern for our neighbors.



Ministry Scheduler Pro

Go to this link to see the schedule:

www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/HolyCrossCuba

Mass Intentions for 4/28 – 5/4, 2025

- 29 H.C. Tues. 8:30 p.m. - Leo Robinson ☩
 30 H.C. Wed. 8:30 a.m. - Holy Cross School
 1 St.F. Thurs. 8:00 a.m. - No intention requested
 2 H.C. Fri. 8:00 a.m. - Knights and Ladies Auxiliary #8920 ☩
 3 St.F. Sat. 4:00 p.m. - Family Knoblauch
 3 H.C. Sat. 6:00 p.m. - George Nisbet ☩
 4 H.C. Sun. 8:00 a.m. - No intention requested
 4 H.C. Sun. 10:00 a.m. - Tom Conduitt ☩
 4 H.C. Sun. 11:30 a.m. - People of the parish (Mass in Spanish)

There will be no Mass Saturday, May 3 at 8:00 a.m. for the First Saturday Devotion.

Parish Collections: April 19 & 20, 2025

Parish	Envelopes		Loose		Total
Holy Cross	\$8,173.00	+	\$1,044.00	=	\$9,217.00
St. Michael	\$1,120.00	+	\$234.00	=	\$1,354.00
St. Francis	\$200.00	+	(No Mass) \$0.00	=	\$200.00



Joyce, Joe Kuenz, Cayden Richards, Mariana Weber, Don and Kaye Robertson, Dustin Drennan, Yazmin Viramontes, Carolyn Horsefield, James Happle Sr., Sandy Mowry, Aiden Leos, James Ray, Norbert Reinsch, Allen Havard, Clayton Miller, Mike Catlett, Kayla Pitts, Merry Cloer, Doug Winn, Chuck Walls.

Adoration: Every Wednesday



Adoration is every Wednesday after Mass to 3 p.m. There are weekly sign-up sheets at Holy Cross. You can sign up online at Ministry Scheduler Pro.
What hour can you be before the Blessed Sacrament?

Faith Formation:



Classes are Wednesdays 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

NO Class April 30 May 7 May 14

First Holy Communion



First Communion is scheduled for May 11th, Good Shepherd Sunday, at the 10 a.m. Mass at Holy Cross! Please notice the pictures of the children in each of the parishes.

OCIA:



The Elect (those receive into the church on Holy Saturday) will meet on Sunday, May 4th at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Office! This is Mystagogy time!

Welcome and Congratulations to the New Members of the Church



Full Initiation - Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation

Jamie Chandler
Leonard Ferguson
Ricky Lee Strosnider

Baptism - Only

Brilee Chandler

Sacraments of Holy Eucharist, Confirmation (Profession of Faith)

Karen Timmons
Hailey Timmons

Celebration of Confirmation

Miguel Ramirez



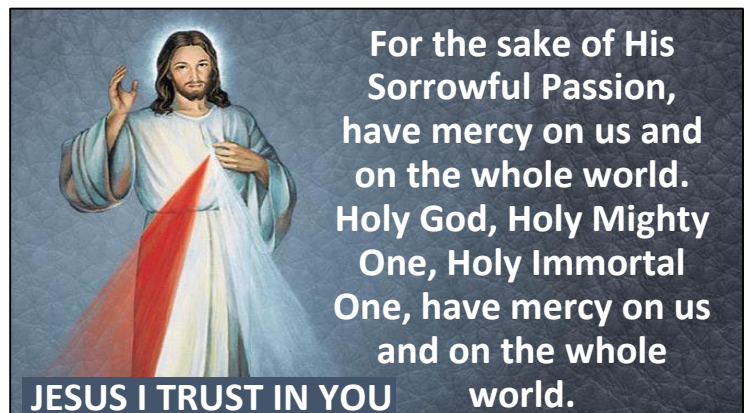
Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

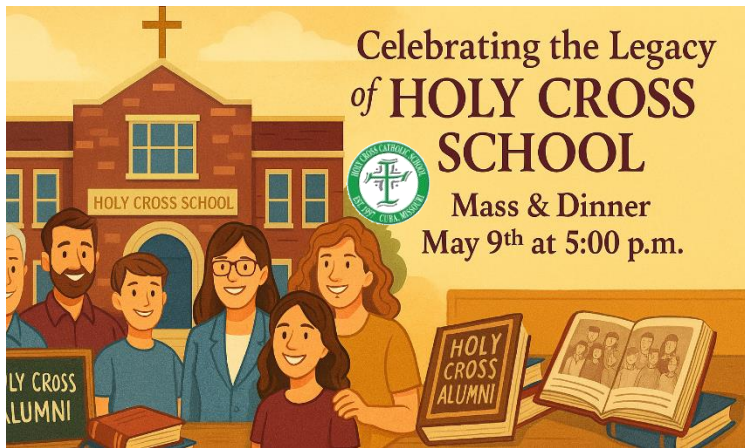
OCIA is a process in which the Church invites adults (18 and older) who have not been baptized or baptized in another Faith Tradition or who have not completed the sacraments of Initiation (First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation), to come together to learn more about the Catholic Church.



If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please contact the office, or register on line. You can also speak with Sister Karen.

If there are parishioners that know of someone who would be interested in this process (OCIA), please speak with them and encourage them to contact the office.





Celebrating the Legacy of **HOLY CROSS** **SCHOOL**

Mass & Dinner
May 9th at 5:00 p.m.

Join us as we honor the history and legacy of Holy Cross School before it permanently closes at the end of this school year.

Friday, May 9th

Mass at 5:00 p.m. followed by a **catered dinner in the parish hall.**

This special evening is for all who have been touched by Holy Cross School — alumni, former teachers and staff, parishioners, and friends. We'll share memories, recall milestones, and celebrate the school's impact on generations of families.

Help us spread the word!

To attend, please call the school or parish office by phone or email, so we can plan for dinner, **before May 1st.**

From The Gospel Reading - John 20: 19-31:

*Jesus said to Thomas,
"Have you come to believe
because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen
and have believed."*

Reflection:

How can we "prove" to others that Christ is risen from the dead? Our nourishment for that task comes from the Scriptures, preaching, teaching, personal witness, liturgical celebrations etc. – ways we can help a modern doubter like Thomas come to know Christ. Today's passage affirms that people come to believe in the Risen Christ through their experience of the believing community, people like us.

So, we ask ourselves:

- How does my life reflect the risen Christ?
- What and who help me grow in my role as a witness to the resurrection?



Save the Date:

The Altar Society Rummage Sale at Holy Cross is set for Saturday, June 7th! Start saving your "stuff" to donate. More information to follow.



Farwell to Deacon Chad:



Deacon Chad will be at our parishes next weekend (May 3rd and 4th). A farewell gathering with coffee and donuts will be held in the parish hall May 4th after the 10 a.m. Mass. There will be a basket for cards in the parish hall. All are invited to come.

The 3rd Quarter Finance Review:

The 3rd quarter review reports are now available. To save on cost, we will NOT be placing the reports into the bulletins. The reports will be posted in each of the parishes. There will also be copies available in each of the parishes for you to take if you wish. (if you would like a printed copy of the report and there are no more available, please call the office.) Likewise, the reports are also available in the online version of the bulletin which you can received through FlockNote or if you visit our website at www.holycrosscubamo.org

Memorial Mass for Pope Francis:



There is **Memorial Mass** at Holy Cross on **Wednesday, April 30th** at **8:30 a.m.** **Rosary** is at **8:10 a.m.** before Mass. All parishioners are encouraged to come and pray for Pope Francis. A photo of the Holy Father is displayed in the sanctuary at **Holy Cross Church**, along with a space for prayer and remembrance.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Archbishop Shawn McKnight:

Pope Francis has appointed the Most Reverend Shawn McKnight, S.Th.D., as the fifth Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas. Archbishop-designate McKnight will continue serving as Bishop of the Diocese of Jefferson City until his installation in Kansas on May 27.



As he prepares for this new assignment, Archbishop McKnight invites all the faithful to a **Mass of Thanksgiving** on **Monday, May 20, at 5:30 p.m.** at the **Cathedral of St. Joseph in Jefferson City.** A light meal and reception will follow the Mass.

All are welcome, but seating is limited. Please RSVP by visiting: diojeffcity.org/thanksgiving-mass

3rd Quarter Review July 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025

Holy Cross	
Income	
Ordinary Income	
Offertory Collections	\$ 251,845.22
Donations & Bequests	\$ 950.00
Collections and Other Devotions	\$ 3,362.00
School Collections & Donations	\$ 58,927.65
School Special Fundraisers	\$ 35,407.36
Offertory Collections	\$ 103,774.00
Extra Ordinary Income	
Special Collections	\$ 31,261.12
Reimb. from St. Michael & St. Francis	\$ 49,500.00
Investment Income	\$ 272.54
Diocesan Collections	\$ 1,604.00
School Tuition & Book Fees	\$ 76,599.53
School Main Fundraiser-Fall Festival	\$ 18,095.91
Total Income	\$ 631,599.33
Expenses	
Parish Salaries & Benefits	\$ 101,539.03
Utilities, Insurance, Repair, & Maint.	\$ 44,809.08
Liturgy, Bulletins, Church Supplies, Etc.	\$ 14,124.79
Parish Ministries & Other Expenses	\$ 49,693.86
Parish Tithe Submitted to Diocese, CSR	\$ 41,414.00
Diocesan Collections	\$ 3,645.00
School Salaries & Benefits	\$ 175,767.21
School Expenses	\$ 31,244.15
Main School Fundraiser-Fall Festival	\$ 12,009.59
School Special Fundraisers Expenses	\$ 6,735.24
Parish Salaries & Benefits	\$ 448.38
Total Expenses	\$ 481,430.33
Income less Expenses	\$ 150,169.00

St. Michael	
Income	
Ordinary Income	
Offertory Collections	\$ 47,889.00
Collections and Other Devotions	\$ 100.00
Extra Ordinary Income	
Special Collections	\$ 490.00
Investment Income	\$ 834.08
Diocesan Collections	\$ 710.00
Insurance Refund	\$ 223,651.42
Parish Fundraiser-Building Maint.	\$ 70,651.00
Total Income	\$ 344,325.50
Expenses	
Parish Administration	\$ 27,000.00
Utilities	\$ 5,626.07
Insurance	\$ 2,687.87
Repair and Improvements	\$ 3,700.00
Liturgy, Bulletins, Church Supplies, Etc.	\$ 1,122.54
Parish Tithe Submitted to Diocese, CSR	\$ 4,596.00
Diocesan Collections	\$ 520.00
Parish Fundraiser-Building Main.	\$ 91,761.81
Total Expenses	\$ 137,014.29
Income less Expenses	\$ 207,311.21

St. Francis	
Income	
Ordinary Income	
Offertory Collections	\$ 31,240.06
Collections and Other Devotions	\$ -
Parish Property Rental	\$ 9,044.22
Extra Ordinary Income	
Special Collections	\$ 540.00
Insurance Refund	\$ 8,171.00
Cemeteries Income	\$ 3,458.99
Diocesan Collections	\$ 600.00
Parish Fundraiser-Building Main,	\$ 6,606.00
Total Income	\$ 59,660.27
Expenses	
Parish Administration	\$ 22,500.00
Utilities	\$ 2,563.63
Insurance	\$ 2,792.63
Repair and Improvements	\$ 13,149.22
Liturgy, Bulletins, Church Supplies, Etc.	\$ 2,326.69
Cemeteries Expenses	\$ 4,879.37
Parish Tithe Submitted to Diocese, CSR	\$ 3,950.00
Diocesan Collections	\$ 600.00
Parish Fundraiser Expenses-Building Main.	\$ 2,615.00
Total Expenses	\$ 55,376.54
Income less Expenses	\$ 4,283.73

These are summary reports of the finances for the 3 parishes. Thank you to all who have continued to tithe/contribute.

This is the 3rd Quarter of the fiscal year
July 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025

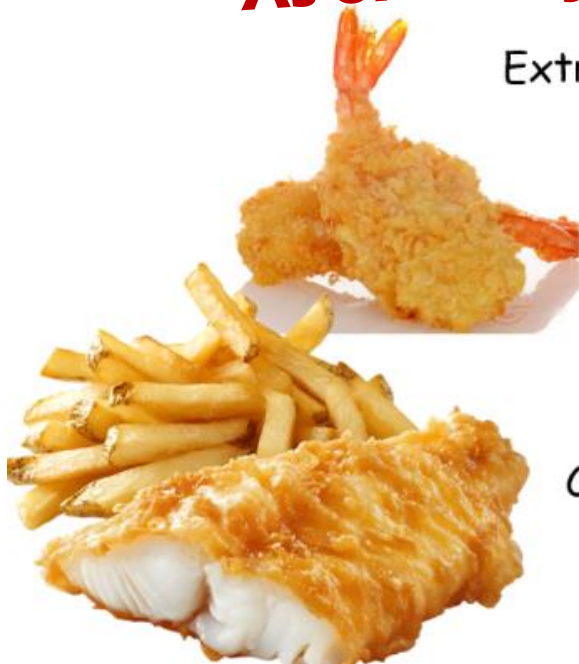
Our Fiscal Year begins July first of each year per the Diocese recommendations.

If you have any questions, please see Father

Tony, or contact one of the Finance
Committee members:

Larry Howdeshell, Teresa Leicht, or Donna
Conduitt.

As of Friday, April 25, Afternoon



Extra food from the Fish Fry's Available

2	cases of slaw	\$22.98
1	bag of Slaw	\$4.60
5	tartar sauce	\$23.54
2	cocktail sauce	\$24.46

Call the parish office if you would like to purchase any food. (FCFS)

573-885-3520

PROMISE TO PROTECT PLEDGE TO HEAL



[diojeffcity.org/
safe-environment](http://diojeffcity.org/safe-environment)



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April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, reminding us of the important role each person has in preventing child abuse in our community. Learn more about safe environment training in our diocese at diojeffcity.org/safe-environment.

Mass of Thanksgiving

As he prepares for his new assignment leading the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, Archbishop Shawn McKnight is inviting all the faithful to a Mass of Thanksgiving on the evening of May 20 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, followed by a light meal and reception. Please help us share the news of this special Mass. All are invited but seating is limited, so please make sure to RSVP to attend.
<https://diojeffcity.org/thanksgiving-mass/>



Let us give thanks to the Lord



With immense gratitude for the Diocese of Jefferson City,
Archbishop Shawn McKnight
invites you to attend a special

Mass of Thanksgiving

accompanied by a light meal and reception

May 20, 2025
5:30 p.m.

Cathedral of St. Joseph
Jefferson City, MO

All are asked to RSVP at diojeffcity.org/Thanksgiving-Mass

Faith Forward

Studies show that nearly 80% of young Catholics disengage from their faith after high school—not because they've rejected it, but because they were never intentionally connected to a new faith community. The Diocese of Jefferson City is partnering with Newman Connection's Faith Forward movement to connect high school seniors to their campus ministry or military chaplain before they leave home for college or military service. Seniors can sign up for Faith Forward using the quick online form on this page signupnc.newmanministry.com. After submitting the form, Newman Connection will connect each senior to their campus ministry using their diverse network of contacts, at no cost to the student. Please help us promote this opportunity to get our Catholic high school seniors involved quickly and easily!

High School Seniors, listen up!

College is a big transition—don't do it alone!

Sign up to connect to your college or military Catholic community **now**, and have a strong support system **before** you arrive.

Fill out the form today!



faith 
forward



It is with deep sorrow that we share the news of the passing of our Holy Father, **Pope Francis**. Pope Francis died on Easter Monday, April 21, 2025, at the age of 88.

Our hearts are heavy as we mourn the loss of a beloved shepherd and spiritual father. Yet even as we grieve, we give thanks for his life, leadership, and the profound witness of faith he offered to the world. Pope Francis served the Church with humility, compassion, and courage, always reminding us of the call to love, to go to the margins, and to live the Gospel with joy.

Throughout his papacy, Pope Francis encouraged us not to hide behind the walls of comfort or isolation, but to step into the unpredictable moments of life where God most often speaks. He invited us to be present to the poor and the suffering, to walk alongside one another in unity, and to engage the world with open hearts and discerning spirits.

Pope Francis modeled what it means to follow Christ in our time — with mercy, with authenticity, and with hope.

Locally, we invite all parishioners to come and pray for Pope Francis. A photo of the Holy Father is displayed in the sanctuary at **Holy Cross Church**, along with a space for prayer and remembrance.

There will be a **Memorial Mass** at Holy Cross on **Wednesday, April 30th at 8:30 a.m.** **Rosary is at 8:10 a.m.**

Additionally, the **Cathedral of St. Joseph** in Jefferson City will host a **Memorial Mass on Friday, April 25 at 12:00 noon**, and all are welcome to attend.

We also encourage you to watch the livestream of Pope Francis' **funeral Mass**, which will take place on **Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 10:00 AM (Rome time)** in **St. Peter's Square**. The Diocese of Jefferson City will have the livestream available at the **Cathedral of St. Joseph**.

***** Please note:** Pope Francis's funeral will be at **10:00 a.m. Rome time (April 26, 2025), which is 3:00 a.m.**

Central Time. You can watch the funeral live on major news networks like NBC News, CNN, CBS News and ABC. You can also stream the funeral on the Vatican's news channel on YouTube and other news outlets like The New York Times and NBC.

Let us join together in prayer for the repose of Pope Francis' soul, and for the Church he so faithfully served.

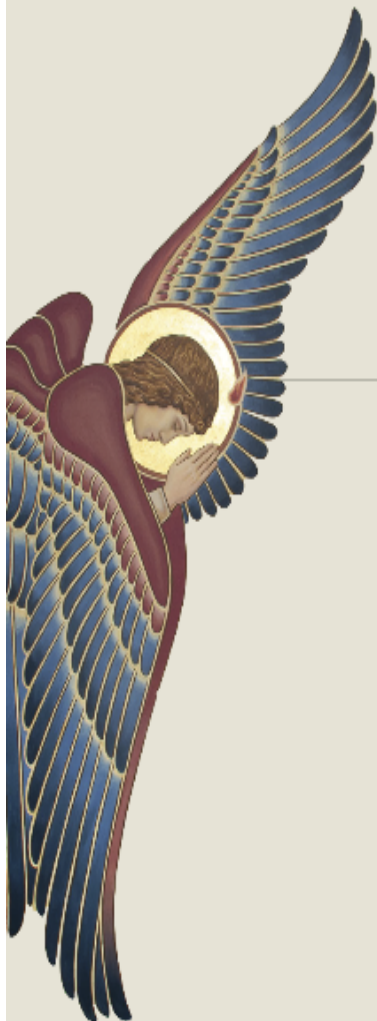
Prayer for the Holy Father:

Lord Jesus, you have called Pope Francis to yourself. Thank you for the gift of his papacy. When he was with us, he tirelessly showed the Church your constant mercy toward sinners. Grant him now your mercy and let him rest eternally with you in your Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Pope Francis rest in peace, and may we continue his legacy of mercy and unity as we walk together as one Body in Christ.

PRAYER. SILENCE. LECTIO DIVINA.

ENCOUNTERING CHRIST RETREATS



On these silent retreats you can expect:

- Silence and a technology “fast”
- Four conferences given by a monk, intended to lead the retreatant to encounter Christ
- Participation in the Divine Office and Mass with the monastic community
- Specific times for personal prayer and *lectio divina*
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation

MEN'S RETREATS

Jan. 24–26, 2025	July 18–20, 2025
Feb. 21–23, 2025 (full)	Aug. 29–31, 2025
May 16–18, 2025	Oct. 17–19, 2025
May 30–June 1, 2025	Nov. 21–23, 2025
June 27–29, 2025	Dec. 19–21, 2025

WOMEN'S RETREATS

Jan. 17–19, 2025	July 11–13, 2025
Jan. 31–Feb. 2, 2025	Aug. 22–24, 2025
March 21–23, 2025	Sep. 12–14, 2025
May 23–25, 2025	Oct. 31–Nov. 2, 2025
June 20–22, 2025	Dec. 12–14, 2025

Pricing: \$250 per person.

Retreat costs includes all the meals, a private room, linen and towels, and retreat director fee.

*We are located in northwest Missouri:
37174 State Hwy V V | Conception, MO 64433*

*Scan the code to visit our
website for more information!*





Travel with Fr. Alexander Gabriel
Pastor of St. Peter Church - Fulton & St. Jude-Thaddeus Church - Mokane
on our JUBILEE 2025: Pilgrimage to Italy & Poland

Where: Rome • San Giovanni Rotondo • Assisi • Krakow
• Auschwitz • Lagiewniki • Czestochowa

Trip Dates: October 26th - November 7th, 2025

Cost: \$5,999.00 - 13 Days - THIS PRICE INCLUDES AIRFARE FROM ANYWHERE IN THE U.S.

For more information and the trip Itinerary visit: <https://tinyurl.com/4kdy2xs4>

To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370

You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com

For any questions or concerns please contact:

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P23 DISCERNMENT CAMP

An epic vocation camp for junior high guys based on Psalm 23

June 26-28 — Shelbina
July 9-11 — Camdenton

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P23 Camp

Camp P23 is an overnight summer camp for junior high boys that pulls from Psalm 23 in looking at Christ and his priests through the identity of a shepherd.

Over 3 days/2 nights at this outdoor-focused experience, campers join small groups led by seminarians and participate in games, prayer, and activities that promote openness to the priestly vocation. Learn more at: [/diojeffcity.org/camp-p23/](http://diojeffcity.org/camp-p23/)



Summer Missionaries:

The Diocese is in the recruitment stage for summer missionary staff and they are asking for your help! They are looking for young adults who have the gift of sharing Faith with others; and would thrive in a Catholic community focused on growing in relationship with God. Each summer they hire at least 24 young adults to serve as Totus Tuus Missionaries and Camp Staff. For more information and for the application please go to:
www.diojeffcity.org/summer-missionaries

Joyful community & faith		Adventure Sisterhood Brotherhood Leadership			
Camp Lolek FOR JUNIOR HIGH		Camp Maccabee FOR YOUNG MEN		Camp Siena FOR YOUNG WOMEN	
Boys: June 8-12 Girls: June 15-19		July 2025		July 2025	
finalized dates for Maccabee and Siena will be announced at end of month					
REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 31					
DIOCESE OF Jefferson City		DIOJEFFCITY.ORG/YOUTH-CAMPS			

Save the Date

MidWest March for Life



THURSDAY
MAY 1, 2025

*To honor and glorify Jesus Christ
and defend innocent life.*



MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL LAWN

Jefferson City, Missouri

Activities starting at 9:00 a.m. • Rally starting at 10:00 a.m.

March Immediately Following

***Lunch Break followed by Holy Mass celebrated at
Proto-Cathedral of Saint Peter by Bishop Edward M. Rice***

Speakers:

David Bereit — Founder of 40 Days for Life

Christina Bennett — Live Action

Rebekah Hagan — Vitae Foundation

(More speakers to be announced)

WE ARE CALLED TO PROTECT LIFE

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Young Adult Pilgrimage to Uganda

JANUARY 2026

Young Adults (18-35) will have an opportunity to immerse in a different culture that practices the same Catholic faith.



Cost

\$2000
includes flights,
ground travel,
security, housing
and some meals



More Info



Apply Today

Application &
Interview due
by April 30, 2025



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diojeffcity.org/young-adult-pilgrimage/

Are you new to the Parish?

If you are new to the parish, please call the office at 573-885-3520 to register or stop by so we can meet you!

Has your information changed?

If you have moved, disconnected your home phone and only use a cell, or have any other household changes, please let us know so we can update our records.

Remember – if you don't tell us – we won't know!

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



If you would like to have a Mass said, the suggested amount for the stipend is \$10. Call the office to schedule a Mass Intention, or put your stipend in an envelope with the following Information:

- Your name & phone number
- Who the Mass is for
- If they are deceased
- Specific date (if any) please specify if the intention can be on a weekday or not.

Anointing of the Sick:

It is important to seek the sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation prior to going to the hospital, when you are sick, or nearing death. Contact the office or Father for to schedule a time for the sacrament.



Homebound: If you would like to minister to the homebound by visiting them and bringing them Communion, please contact S. Karen 507-514-3226.

Yoga Class on Tuesdays Offered at Holy Cross:



For a small fee, Yoga Class offered on Tuesdays at HC from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Diane 314-578-1132 or Donna 573-259-6957.

“Heavenly Cleaner” Volunteers – Please Help:

Holy Cross has a group of volunteers called “Heavenly Cleaners” that clean the church each week. They are divided into teams of 2. Each team cleans the church once a month. The team is asked to freshen up the bathrooms, vacuum the floor, dust, take out trash, and sanitize. If you would be interested in helping with this ministry of the church, please call the parish office.



ASSISTIVE
LISTENING
SYSTEMS
AVAILABLE



Remove from charging station.

The On button is on the top

Volume Control is on the front.

After Mass, wipe off unit and return to charging station.



Misa en español

CADA 1° Y 3° DOMINGO DEL MES.
MASS IN SPANISH IS EVERY 1ST & 3RD
SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Cemetery/ Columbarium:

Many people feel it can be a great help to their grieving family members if the desires of the deceased were planned by him/herself before the time of death. Whether cremation or burial is chosen, consider Holy Cross as yours or your loved one's final resting place. Many people are not aware that the proper practice for cremation is to place the cremains in the columbarium or bury them in the cemetery. If members of our community have the cremains of a loved one in their home, or another place other than the cemetery, they should make arrangements to give their loved ones a place to rest in the columbarium or cemetery with the proper prayers of interment.



Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery plots/niches are available whether burial or cremation is your choice. Contact Louis Raineri 573-259-8920 or the parish office for more information. Sacred Heart in Leasburg and Mount Calvary in Bourbon.

Baptisms & Weddings:



If you are planning a Baptism, there is a preparation class. Please speak with Sister Karen to schedule. If you are planning a wedding, please contact Father Tony. There is a preparation that needs to be done 6 months prior to the wedding.



Funeral Dinners:



If you are interested in helping with the funeral dinners, please call the office. You will be called upon when a funeral dinner is requested. Help with bringing food, set up, or clean up! Please consider this ministry of the church so we can provide for our grieving families.

FlockNote 
Keep in touch with us
VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE
Text: **crawfordcounty**
To: **84576**
OR online at: **HCross.flocknote.com**

Ways to Save for the Parishes:

- Turn in used **ink cartridges**. Given to Staples to recycle, the school receives \$2 for each cartridge, up to \$40 a month!
- Turn in **Best Choice UPC codes** found on the labels. Each UPC code is redeemable for 3¢ cents each.



(Both St. Michael and Holy Cross Save Best Choice UPC Codes) Please deposit your Best Choice UPC codes and ink cartridges in the collection box in the church entrance or bring to the parish office.



CubaKofC Membership Invite:



The Cuba Knights of Columbus covers all of Crawford County. CubaKofC is in search of new members to help our order grow and maintain its position as the strong right hand of the Church and service to the community of Crawford County.

CubaKofC consists of the men and women volunteers. The Knights of Columbus Chapter 8920 and the Ladies Auxiliary 8920. These men and women's service helps many local organizations and individuals in need. CubaKofC helps the parishes of Crawford County and community organizations such as the food pantries, Special Olympics, and prolife organizations, as well provides community wide events such as the Kids Christmas Party.

This is a personal invitation to all men and women of our parish to come and join our CubaKofC service community. In our busy lives many people do not think they have time to add another activity. However, your commitment is to do what you can. Maybe it is helping with just one event, attending our monthly dinner social and business meeting, or helping with our Bingo fundraiser. The choice is yours, but many hands will make light work.

Help us Help Others in our parishes, school and community by inquiring into Cuba Knights of Columbus, please join us. You won't regret it. For Further information on how to join please contact District Deputy Louis Raineri at 573-259-8920 or louisraineri8920@gmail.com or Grand Wayne Kuethe.



Altar Society meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at the Holy Cross Parish Hall. This organization coordinates and works on fundraising events that support our parish, school and youth group. They also help supply the liturgical needs of the parishes. All are welcome to attend and join! Please contact Christy Moreland for more information.

QUILTING GROUP

EVERY TUESDAY

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S

Starting Tuesday, January 7th,
from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.,
the group will gather at the
Golden Echoes Center
(401 N. Spring St., Steelville).

They will continue meeting there every Tuesday until
St. Michael's Church renovations are complete.

All are welcome to join and help make quilts for
those in need!



APRIL 2025 BINGO NEWS

Thursday Nights @ 6:15 p.m. (doors open at 4)

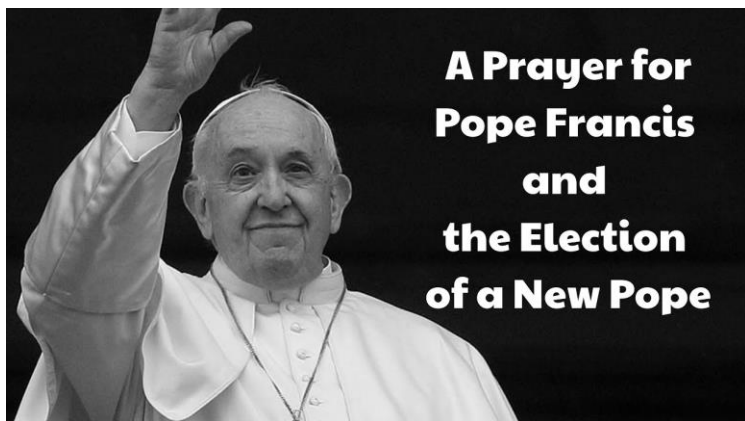
PROGRESSIVES ~ The Coverall Progressive is at **\$3,000.00** with 3 hot balls and a consolation prize of \$300.00. The **Second Progressive** will play out and pay **\$500.00, \$750.00 or \$1,000.00**.

QUEEN OF HEARTS ~ Will be over \$9,300.

RAFFLE ~ Every week at Bingo - you take the prizes home that night!!!!

MATCH ONE OF THESE ~ Bring your tally sheet from the previous week. Win a free gas card.

Numbers are: **184791, 184832, 184888 and 184901.**



Are you VIRTUS certified?

Do you have your background check completed?

Have you signed the Code of Conduct?

If you are not sure, or answered “no” to any of these questions, let us know!

Call or email Michelle in the office to find out if you are VIRTUS compliant! 573-885-3520 or hcccuba@gmail.com

All volunteers and all school parents (both parents) must to be VIRTUS compliant prior to volunteering or your child starting school.

Please help us, keep our children safe. The training provides us the knowledge on how to recognize signs of abuse and what to do if we suspect abuse happening. If we ALL are certified and have the training, the likelihood of a child being harmed is greatly reduced.

Call the office if you would like to have an in-person VIRTUS class, or go to www.virtusonline.org to register and take the 2-hour class online.

If you or a family member have experienced abused in the past, please contact our victim assistance coordinator through the Diocese, Jacqueline Baldwin at 573-694-3199.

KEEPING OUR PROMISE
TO PROTECT
Child and Youth Protection



Breaking the Silence of Abuse:

As a diocese, we are committed to breaking the silence of abuse. When someone is reporting abuse, we must



acknowledge their pain and how difficult it is to talk about it. False allegations are very rare. Our initial response to someone who is disclosing abuse for the first time must be compassionate. For those who need to report abuse, encourage them to contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator, Jacqueline Baldwin, (573-694-3199) and to make use of the appropriate State of Missouri hotline (1-800-392-3738) or the [Attorney General's clergy abuse online form](#). All of this information is also on our website, under the 'report abuse' tab. For those who want information, or want you to convey a message to Bishop McKnight, please encourage them to write to us at reportabuse@diojeffcity.org.



Need Support Now? If you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available. Call or text 988 or chat 988lifeline.org.

Online Counseling Services:

Catholic Charities Counseling services is now providing professional in-person and online therapy across the Diocese of Jefferson City. To learn more simply visit cccnmo.diojeffcity.org/counseling



Service Opportunity in Our Community:

Drivers are needed to drive veterans to the VA hospital in Columbia MO. The local DAV (Disabled American Veterans) have the vehicles. Drivers do not have to be veterans. This is unpaid. You do get free meals! Call 885-1390 or 885-3680 to volunteer or for more info. Veterans needing a ride, call 885-1390 to schedule.



Ministerial Alliances and the Food Pantries:

In Cuba, the Cuba Ministerial Alliance (CMA) “runs” the food bank and cooperates with the Life Line Pregnancy Center.



Holy Cross has a St. Martin De Porres envelope to help the poor. The monies collected from this fund help support the Cuba Food pantry.

Crawford Country Mobile Food Market



3rd Thursday of each month

Begins at 10:30 a.m. at the Cuba Food Pantry

Local Food Pantry Hours:

Cuba: (573-885-6703)

Thursdays 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Fridays 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.

Steelville: (573-775-4827)

Last 2 Tuesdays of the month hours: 2-4 p.m.

Bourbon: (573-732-4888)

Saturday 9-12pm.

Thrift shop: Mon. Tues. & Thur. 9-4p.m. and Sat. 9-12p.m.

**Always looking for volunteers!
Call today to help!**

Feed the Hungry:

Our Local food banks are in need of food. The cost of food has gone up! To help, there is a “food basket” in the entryways of our churches. Please bring nonperishable food items and place them in the baskets. The food items will be sent to the 3 food pantries in our three towns.



Jefferson City Diocesan Women's Ministry:

The Women's Ministry of Jefferson City was established to help the women of our diocese connect with each other so that we can support each other in our spiritual journeys. We find inspiration and comfort in praying with each other, in talking with each other, and in sharing the stories of our faith journeys.



<https://diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry/>

For opportunities to get involved in the ministry, please contact Barb Prasad, Director of Women's Ministry at bprasad@diojeffcity.org or (573) 635-9127 ext. 222

"Like" the Women's Ministry page on Facebook to keep up with events and news, and to get to know women in your parish and deanery.

www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100070216385915



"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your request known to God." Philippians 4:6



The God Minute is a short, daily Christian prayer that includes peaceful music, scripture and a reflection to bless your day with the Lord. It's only 10 minutes. Take a few God Minutes each morning and see how your day rises in abundance. A Catholic devotional by the Congregation of the Mission - the Vincentians.

<https://www.thegodminute.org/wix-podcast-player>

Please Listen to the Diocese of Jefferson City Podcast.



Prayer is how we orientate ourselves as stewards of God's gifts. In this month's podcast, we continue our discussion with Fr. Stephen Jones



about the Four Pillars of Stewardship. These series are designed to help us deepen our understanding of the Spirituality of Stewardship as we approach the Catholic Stewardship Renewal in **October**. Listen to the podcast at <https://diojeffcity.org/podcast/> or use the QR code above.

Propane Offer:

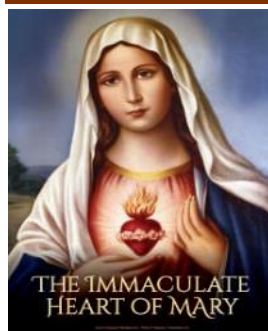
Boland Energy Boland is willing to offer employees and parishioners the **fixed rate of \$1.69**. This fixed rate will expire May 31, 2025. The only stipulations are: the delivery must be a minimum of 250 gallons delivered at a time and customers must own their tank. If you would like to partake in this offer, please call Boland Energy at: 636-239-9400 and tell them the code word "Holy Cross".



The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer to the Immaculate heart of Mary:



O Immaculate Heart of Mary, we entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. Patroness of the Diocese of Jefferson City, you know what we need. We are certain of the power of your intercession, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who taught us to "love one another, as I have loved you" took our sufferings upon Himself and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Bring under your mantle of protection all who provide care for the sick and minister to their needs, as your Son implores us to do for one another. **V.** We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. **R.** Do not despise our pleas and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Preparing for a Great Marriage:

The Catholic Church teaches that marriage is a covenant, a contract and a bond between a man and a woman that forms a partnership for life. The marriage bond is a unique and exclusive relationship between husband and wife for the sanctification of the couple and for the procreation and Christ-centered nurturing of children in a family.

The family, with its foundation in marriage, is a fundamental unit of the Church. Marriage is also a basic social institution of human society. Marital love is at the service of the couple, the children, the community, and of the world. Because of its timeless importance, the Church teaches that marriage between two baptized Christians is a sacrament, a source of grace and a sign of God's love for the world.

Every sacrament needs preparation for its fruitful celebration. The Church wants to ensure that those entering the life-long commitment of marriage are adequately prepared for the riches and the responsibilities that are intrinsic to it. This is why the Diocese of Jefferson City has a policy for marriage preparation. It is not to make the couple "check the boxes" or "jump through hoops." In her efforts of remote, proximate and immediate preparation, the Church is not trying to make it more difficult to get married, but rather provide the best opportunity for equipping the couple to live a shared life of love, compassion and nurturing grace.

Marriage Resources:

Marriage preparation – USCCB –

www.usccb.org/topics/marriage-and-family-life-ministries/marriage-preparation

Marriage & Family Life –

www.archstl.org/marriage-family-life/resources/sexuality

Natural Family Planning - www.diojeffcity.org/natural-family-planning-2/

Pre-Marriage Inventory © is a comprehensive, user-friendly tool for lay individuals, couples or professionals who are helping couples prepare for marriage, and who become trained as FOCCUS Facilitators.

www.foccusinc.com/foccus-inventory.aspx

Prepare/Enrich provides training for premarital counseling, coaching, and education, investments in your couples' futures. www.prepare-enrich.com

Pre-Cana is one component of the marriage preparation options available to couples that are considering marriage within the Catholic Church. The conference itself consists of presentations by couples and individuals on topics that are a practical as well as a spiritual nature. www.diojeffcity.org/marriage-preparation/pre-cana-registration/





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