

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH AUSTIN, TEXAS AUGUST 01, 2010 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**PASTOR'S CORNER
OUR PRAYER IS PUBLIC
AND COMMUNAL**

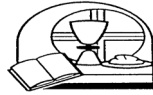
Above all, the Teacher of peace and Master of unity did not want prayer to be made singly and privately, so that whoever prayed would pray for himself alone. We do not say *My Father, who art in heaven* or *Give me this day my daily bread*; nor does each one ask that only his own debt should be forgiven him; nor does he request for himself alone that he may not be led into temptation but delivered from evil. Our prayer is public and common, and when we pray, we pray not for one person but for the whole people, since we, the whole people, are one.

The God of peace and the Master of concord, who taught unity, willed that one should pray for all, just as he himself, being one, carried us all. The three children observed this law when they were shut into the fiery furnace, praying with one voice and with one heart: thus our faith in divine Scripture teaches us, and, as it teaches us how such people prayed, gives us an example that we should follow in our own prayers, so that we may become like them: *Then these three sang a hymn as if with one mouth, and blessed the Lord.* They spoke as if with one mouth, even though Christ had not yet taught them how to pray.

And therefore, as they prayed, their prayers were heard and were fruitful, because a peaceful, sincere, and spiritual prayer deserved well from the Lord. Thus, too, we find the Apostles and the disciples praying after the ascension of the Lord: *They all continued with one accord in prayer, with the women and with Mary who was the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.* They continued with one accord in prayer, showing, by the urgency and the unanimity of their praying, that *God, who makes the inhabitants of a house to be of one mind*, only admits to his divine and eternal home those

among whom prayer is unanimous.

**Have a blessed month!
Fr. Michael Ajewole, MSP**



Mass Intentions
Of The Week

Vigil Mass July 31, 2010

For all the Holy Cross Church volunteers and staff. Requested by Audrey Morton.

Sunday Mass August 01, 2010

8:00 AM

For repose of the soul of Frank Coleman.
Requested by Gloria Coleman-Hardeman.

10:00 AM

For the people of Holy Cross Church.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

Maxine Miller, Ella Collins, Rufus Boyce, Derrick Britton, Rev. Raymond Scott, Sue Henderson, Talfred Collins, Patrice Collins, Maggie Williams, Michael Martin, Paula Babineau, Ruthie Taylor, Preston Evans, Jesse Sanchez, Helen Hart-Shelby, Evelyn Cline, Gloria Hardeman, Bill Wilkins, Earlene Underwood, Alice Maney, Warren Nicholas, Geraldine Bridges, Ione Watts, Camille Johnson, Renae Martin, Teighlor Martin, Gloria DeLeon, Robert Taylor Sr., Earl Taylor, Michael Watson, Lonnie Taylor, David Jones, Donna Irving, Angie Brown, Bobby Martin Jr., Mary Collins, Davis Wilkins, Beatrice DeLeon, Monica Godsey, Bernadette Phifer, Marie Thompson, Shay La Harris, Charles Wright, Roderick Davis, Anthony Davis, Thea Williams-Douglas, Stanley Taylor, Shannon Murphy, Gloria Harris, Catherine O'Neal, Wendell Darbonne, Carolyn Vidrine, Madeline Wilson, Aaron Carter, Regina Collins, Willie Gresson III, Ronald Collins

Pray for those on active Military duty

William Cay, Jr., Steve Furr, Erica Harris Myers, Vincent Marshall, Scott Townsend Cooper, James Tate, Raphael Lee, Talferd David Collins

Pastoral Corner

Sisters and brothers, we have come today at God's invitation to be nourished by word and Eucharist. The word that we hear today is a challenge: All our possessions, all our achievements amount to nothing unless we become rich in what matters to God. As we listen to God's word today let us prayerfully ponder the question of what it is that matters to God. Then let us joyfully respond by putting on the "new self" of which Saint Paul writes.

Reflection

The message of today's scripture readings is quite simple: keep your eyes fixed on Christ Jesus rather than on the possessions of this world. Let us allow the challenging word of God to penetrate and change our hearts. For this kind of change, we rely on the power of the Holy Spirit who is present in this holy place.



Attendance

Weekend of July 25, 2010

5:30 pm Vigil Mass	14
8:00 am Mass	43
10:00am Mass	153

OFFERTORY

Weekend of July 25, 2010

Offertory	\$ 4439.50
Children	\$ 8.00
St. Vincent dePaul	\$ 499.00
Altar Rosary Society	\$ 125.00
Altar flowers	\$ 80.00

Weekly Readings

- Sun 08-01:** Eccl 1:2;2:21-23 Ps 90:3-6,12-14, 17 Col 3:1-5,9-11 Lk 12:13-21
- Mon 08-02:** Jer 28:1-17 Ps 119:29,43,79-80, 95,102 Mt 14:13-21
- Tues 08-03:** Jer 30:1-2,12-15,18-22 Ps 102: 16-23,29 Mt 14:22-36 Mt 15:1-2,10-14
- Wed 08-04:** Jer 31:1-7 Jer 31:10-13 Mt 15:21-28
- Thu 08-05:** Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:12-15,18-19 Mt 16:13-23
- Fri 08-06:** Dn 7:9-10,13-14 Ps 97:1-2,5-6,9 2Pt 1:16-19 Lk 9:28-36
- Sat 08-07:** Heb 1:12-2:4 Ps 9:8-13 Mt 17:14-20
- Sun 08-08:** Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1,12,18-22 Heb 11:1-2,8-19 Lk 12:32-48

Calendar of Events

Sun August 01

- Rosary 9:30 am
- Family Life Ministry Meeting
- Welcoming Committee Meeting
- Liturgical Dance Practice
- KPC Sr. National Convention—St. Louis, MO.

Fr. Mike on vacation

Mon August 02

- KPC Sr. National Convention—St. Louis, MO.
- Fr. Mike on vacation**

Tue August 03

- Mass 12 noon
- Choir Practice 6:30 pm
- KPC Sr. National Convention—St. Louis, MO.
- Fr. Mike on vacation**

Wed August 04

- Mass 12 noon
- Summer Series Bible Study 6:00 pm
- Liturgical Dance Practice 6:30 pm
- Austin Energy representative available to answer any questions 5:30 – 7:30 pm
- KPC Sr. National Convention—St. Louis, MO.
- Fr. Mike on vacation**

Thurs August 05

- Mass 12 noon
- KPC Sr. National Convention—St. Louis, MO.
- Fr. Mike on vacation**

Fri August 06

- Mass: 12 Noon
- First Friday Devotion Mass 6:00 pm
- Fr. Mike on vacation**

Sat August 07

- First Saturday Devotion 10:00 am
- Rosary Making
- Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

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Who's Serving this Sunday
August 01, 2010

8:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers—Olevia Owens
Lectors —Rosalind Cunningham,
Joann Meadows

Parish Announcements—
Craig Williams

Ext. Ministers —Mary Brown,
Lester Johnson

Altar Rosary Society —

Craig Williams, Elinor Stoldal

10:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers —

Lectors — Sandra Murry,
Maureen Agwuncha

Parish Announcements —

Craig Williams

Ext. Ministers — Sandra Murry,
Gene Phillips

Altar Rosary Society —

Maureen Agwuncha, Evelyn Battle
August 08, 2010

8:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers—Olevia Owens

Lectors —Rosalind Cunningham,
Joann Meadows

Parish Announcements—
Craig Williams

Ext. Ministers —Joann Meadows,
Carolyn Collins

Altar Rosary Society —

Craig Williams, Elinor Stoldal

10:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers —

Lectors — Bernie Little

Parish Announcements —
Craig Williams

Ext. Ministers — Raye Nicholas,
Dean Dorsey

Altar Rosary Society —

Maureen Agwuncha, Evelyn Battle

Vigil Mass Lector Assignments

July 31, 2010

Pastoral Corner & Announcements

Deidra Raney

Lectors — Stacey Clack,
Rosalyn Hall

Altar Servers — Miya Hall,
Cameron Clack, Kristian Clack

August 7, 2010

Pastoral Corner & Announcements

Deidra Raney

Lectors — Stacey Clack,
Rosalyn Hall

Altar Servers — Miya Hall,
Cameron Clack, Kristian Clack

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- August 01 Samuel King, Tonietta Martin,
- August 02 Felicia Guidry
- August 03 Paula Onuoha, Brent Brown
- August 04 Taylor Raney, Patrick Wheeler
- August 07 Mary Collins

Announcements
KPC FANS

Eight fans were left over from the fan drive. If you are in need of a free fan please contact the church office. First come, first serve!

FREE WEATHERIZATION

Austin Energy will be here at 5:30-7:30 pm on Wednesday, August 4 to help with your application for free assistance. Please bring your ID and proof of income, Social Security or disability. Please call the church office 472-3741 for more information.

BIBLE STUDY

The last Bible Study Summer Series Class is scheduled for Wednesday, August 4 at 6:00 pm in Weber Hall. Our lesson plan will cover the Book of Revelation. Please make plans to attend. Youth, children and friends are welcome.

SPECIAL APPEAL

It's summer and vacation time! Your giving can still help *Holy Cross Church* even while you are on vacation. Simply mail in your weekly offertory to: 1610 E. 11th St, Austin, TX 78702. With your continued support of our stewardship program, we can maintain the ministries and services that make all of our lives better and more enriched.

SAY CHEESE!!!

Don't forget to take your pictures Monday, August 2 through Thursday August 5 at St. Thomas More if you signed up. Remember to tell them your home church is Holy Cross Church. Please respect any appointment that you made with them.

Should you find yourself not able to honor the appointment, please call early enough to cancel the scheduled appointment. Olan Mills' toll free number is 1-800-866-2263.

SUMMER WORKSHOP

The Office of Pro-Life Activities and Chaste Living of the Diocese of Austin will offer a Summer Volunteer Workshop if you are currently involved in a pro-life ministry or would like to learn more. The event will be August 21 at St. Dominic Savio High School in Austin, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Opening Mass will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Parish. Please call (512) 949-2486 or send an email to yvonne-saldana@austindiocese.org to learn more. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by August 6 for both the workshop and lunch.

Flowers For the Altar



This week's altar flowers are for birthday blessings for Brent Brown's 69th birthday. Requested by Frances Brown.

KNOW YOUR FAITH

APOSTASY

Christ wishes us to be in communion with him and one another through his Church. There are, however, various ways in which persons can deliberately separate themselves from union with the Church.

The schismatic believes in the truth that Christ has revealed, but does not accept his will coming to us through the principal authority (held by the successors of St. Peter) instituted by Christ so as to maintain the communion of his followers.

The separation of the heretic is much greater, though still partial. He or she deliberately rejects some doctrine or doctrines taught by the Church in Christ's name, as part of the deposit of faith entrusted to her. The apostate repudiates the faith in its entirety. Many people today have "fallen away" from the faith. Usually this is due to moral weakness; to letting oneself be influenced by bad example; to not clarifying doubts (faith being a virtue, temptations – doubts – are bound to come and need to be rejected); to a failure to read explanations of Church teaching that accurately present its content and show its beauty (every Catholic assailed by doubt should consult the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or ask your priest).

These people are not yet apostates, for their attitude is one of apparent indifference rather than deliberate and total rejection. Such persons very often retain a longing to find God, but have to be helped over difficulties or prejudices before there is any possibility of their returning to the fold of Christ. The attitude of practicing Catholics toward them can be decisive; it must show the affectionate concern of one whose brother or sister has had the misfortune to leave the family, and whose constant prayer is that he or she will find the way back home.

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Please remember to pray your Rosary everyday!



As Catholics, called to reflect the light of Jesus in places of great darkness, we must speak out and work tirelessly on behalf of our brothers and sisters of captivity. We must educate others on what we can do to eradicate the deplorable trade of women and children for profit. And we must pray for the rescue and restoration of victims, for the redemption of traffickers, and for the protection of all human life.

□ Diane Bayly, "Sex Trafficking: The New Slavery" USCCB Respect Life Program (2010-2011)

Please remember to pay your pledge!