

THIS WEEK

SAT, August 2 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM Holy Cross Ernest Sertuche (d)
SUN, August 3 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM San Luis Agustin Jr. & Ortencia Serrano (d)
9:30AM Holy Cross People of Holy Cross, San Luis & St. Ann
MON, August 4 Saint John Vianney
6:00PM San Luis Israel Garcia (d)
TUES, August 5 Weekday
8:00AM Chapel Leon & Agnes Srubar (d)
WED, August 6 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
8:00AM Chapel Alice Plasczyk (d)
5:30PM San Luis Michael Janacek (d)
THURS, August 7 Weekday
5:30PM Chapel Christine Ellen Boudreaux (d)
FRI, August 8 Saint Dominic
8:00AM Chapel Aloys & Ethel Pieprzica (d)
SAT, August 9 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM Holy Cross Marcus Puente (d)
SUN, August 10 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM San Luis Lucy Reza (d)
9:30AM Holy Cross People of Holy Cross, San Luis & St. Ann

One more photo sitting date available before they print our new **Parish Directory!** Sign up for your portrait sitting for Monday, August 11. Website: www.ucdir.com
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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; To Others the Profits
Palms: Ps 90:3-6, 12-14,17; If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
Second Reading: Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Renunciation of Vice
Gospel: Lk 12:13-21; Parable of the Rich Fool
READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Num 11:4-15; Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mt14:13-21
Tuesday: Num 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36
Wednesday: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pet 1:16-19; Lk 9:28-36
Thursday: Num 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Deut 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Deut 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, Aug. 9 5PM Holy Cross
Lector: Christy Lemke
Sacristan: Cindy DuBose
EMHC: Cindy DuBose
Altar Servers: Michael
Sunday, Aug. 10 8AM San Luis
Lector: Estela Sierra
Sacristan & EMHC: Minga Rios
Altar Server: Devin
Sunday, Aug. 10 9:30AM Holy Cross
Lector: Danette Respondek
Sacristan: Wanda & Charles
EMHC: Charles Styra
Altar Servers: Kylan
Homebound: Cindy

Holy Cross Festival
will be held
September 14th

You are invited to be a part of our upcoming festival!
If you're looking for a way to contribute but are unsure where your talents would be most helpful, please contact the parish office. Your assistance is invaluable to us!
To donate to the Auction call:
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Items may include:
New, vintage, gently used items. All items should be in good, clean and working condition if they are old or used.
Country Store:
Attention canners and preservers! Reserve a jar or two of your goodies for this booth.
Other popular items include bonnets, aprons, handmade pot holders, noodles, & baked goods.
Don't forget to pot those plants!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

July 27, 2025	Holy Cross	San Luis	St. Ann
Saturday/Sunday	\$ 3,662.00	\$ 520.00	\$ 40.00

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers the souls of all who have passed away, "Eternal rest grant unto them Lord & let perpetual light shine upon them"



Also pray for physical and spiritual healing of:
Bubba Campbell, Ruben Rios, Keefe & Donna Worley, Elaine Hruska Malina, Joe D. Kozielski, Christy Lemke, Alex Gutierrez, Sara Sertuche, Leo James, Kevin Wilson, Amber Gloor, Lillian Kozielski, Danny R. Cruz, David Cruz, Ronnie Wolter, Nelda Warzecha, Martin Sanchez, Matthew Worsham, Fred Elliff, Joan Cahill, Fr. Frank Lenz, Estella Muschalek, Austin C. Gonzales, Willy V. Gonzales, Wade Bolting, Charlie Perez, Ryan Neighbors, Michael Ortiz, Mike Rios, Sandy Janacek, Ramona Yanes, Myra Yeretsky, Larry Mueller, Mary Helen Torres, Lin Migura, Margaret Wollny, Anna Fay Olenick, Alice Perez, Mary Margaret Weischwill, Janice Tiemann, Bertha Burda, James Rohan, Rose Tam, Kaycee Flores and Harvey Mueller.

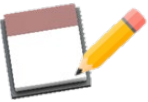
If you have someone on the prayer list, they will stay on the list for 3 months. Please call the office Tuesday-Thursday, to put them back on the list. Thank you!

You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?
Luke 12:20

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4: First Monday: Adoration, Reconciliation 5PM, San Luis & Mass 6PM San Luis
4: Knights of Columbus meeting 6:30PM, Activity Center
5: Catholic Daughters meeting 6PM, Activity Center
14: Vigil Mass The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 5:30PM at Holy Cross
15: Mass The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00AM at Holy Cross
16 & 17: Backpack Blessing at Masses

Faith Formation Registration
& 1st Communion Parent Meeting
Sunday, August 24 at 10:30AM in the Activity Center
Breakfast will be provided by the KC's



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AUGUST 3, 2025
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catholicism is Not a Behavior Modification Program

One of the most valuable resources of our Catholic Church is her wealth of knowledge and tradition. The Catechism (the official teaching of the Church) and the Magisterium (the Church's official teaching authority) guide us to live rightly, as well as provide faithful Catholics with answers about discernment issues — big and small — and why we believe what we do. Unfortunately, the Church's teachings and authority are often misinterpreted as imposing and arduous, merely a list of a rules we are made to follow because some dead men said so.

But, Christ gave the Church the authority to discern and share her teachings because He knew the faithful within the Church, no matter how holy, would occasionally (or always) need a guide to keep them on the right path for pursuing the heart of the Father. Our Church is that guide.

Catholic teaching does not include so many specific details about how to live because the pope wants to create an army of brainwashed, homogenous robot followers. These teachings exist to free us from sin and allow us to pour out the truest love possible to God and others. Being Catholic changes so much more than how we act; our faith changes the whole of who we are. By accepting Christ's invitation of love and entering into the fullness of His Church, we become beloved children of the Father and vessels of His love to be poured forth over the Earth. Catholic teachings on morality aim to tell us not just how to live, but how to love, for the heart of each of our vocations is to love and be loved by our heavenly Father.

Being "Catholic" is a Call to Love

When done right, Catholicism transforms us so deeply that we can't help but fall more in love with the Lord as we continue to seek Him. The beauty of tradition, the genius of teachings, and the joy of living in the community of the Church are all wonderful things, and they most clearly and perfectly lead us into the Father's embrace. Catholicism is much more than a way of life; it's a pathway to eternal life.

The Father has chosen us as members of His Son's mystical body to come home to Him through the Church. And, in the richness of our culture, history, and tradition, our Father never ceases to invite us deeper and deeper into His eternal love. We will know we have succeeded in living an authentic Catholic life, if we dive into the intimate, strong, gentle, and safe embrace of the Father. Christ gave us the Church to teach us to love as He loved and to bring us home — home into authentic community, the richness of truth, the communion of saints, the Kingdom of God, and the heart of the Father.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
 8:30 AM -12:00 PM
 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Cross

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM
Tuesday	8:00 AM
Wednesday	8:00 AM
Thursday	5:30 PM
Friday	8:00 AM

San Luis

Sunday	8:00 AM
1 st Monday	6:00 PM
Monday	5:30 PM
Wednesday	5:30 PM
1 st Saturday	9:00AM

ADORATION & RECONCILIATION

Holy Cross

First Friday 8:30-9:30 AM

San Luis

First Monday 5:00-6:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

Holy Cross

Saturday 4:00 PM
Or by appointment