

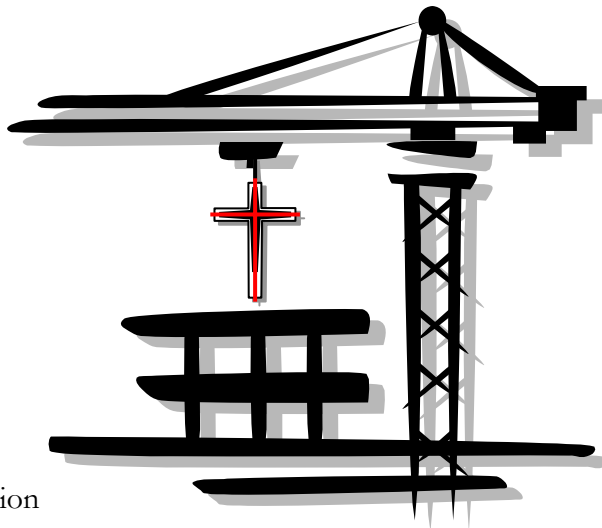
History

For more than 50 years, members of Holy Cross Catholic Church have worshipped in a space designed for a multitude of purposes. In 1956, at the parish's inception, its 200 families also used the room as a fellowship hall. As the parish family grew, the room became home to annual fundraising dinners. Large community meetings were also hosted in this area, which seats 300.

In 2006, the 800 member families of Holy Cross reached two milestones. First, the parish witnessed its 50th anniversary as a people of God who together celebrate faith, family and future. Second, the members committed to build a space designated for worship, where all people – regardless of culture – would be welcome.

Plans for the Future ... Plans for Today

Holy Cross Catholic Church has embarked on a capital investment program to fund the building of a church sanctuary. We are planning a beautifully appropriate center for worship which will enhance the spiritual experience of all who visit. The church will be a major contribution to parish life, as Sunday mass is the source and summit of the identity of our faith community.



Our master plan strategically locates the new sanctuary on the high point of our campus, creating a setting that establishes a unique presence in the community and significantly enhances our southeast Dallas location. This plan respects and celebrates our cultural diversity, is designed with energy efficiency and the environment in mind, and increases the ability of our church to meet the needs of our community and the diocese.

The goal for this investment program is \$4.5 million. The Holy Cross family over the last several years has already raised \$2.5 million toward this goal through donations, church dinners and other events. We continue our efforts to see this dream to fruition.

Anticipated Sanctuary Costs:

Architect & Engineer	\$300,000
Construction	\$3,700,000
Furnishings	\$500,000
TOTAL	\$4,500,000

We expect construction to be completed 11 months after we break ground for the construction of our sanctuary.

You are invited to share in the building of a remarkable tribute to our God, in gratitude and in recognition of the importance of the ministry of this church, and as faithful stewards of God's good gifts. All are invited to give, not in equal amounts but sacrificially, and with joy.

How Can I Participate?

- Consider a one-time gift.
- Make a one-, two- or three-year pledge.
- Dedicate a memorial to a loved one or honor someone special – *ask for a brochure.*
- Consider contributing stocks, property, or other investments.
- Ask your employer about matching your gift.
- Pray regularly for God's provision for this project.
- Mention our name to foundations and other grantors.



Holy Cross Catholic Church

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



Yes! I believe
*in the future of our parish,
and I want to be a part of its success.
I will help in "Building the Vision"
of a new sanctuary for Holy Cross
by committing to give the following:*

\$ _____ Monthly x _____ mos. = \$ _____

\$ _____ Quarterly x _____ qtr. = \$ _____

\$ _____ Lump sum payment = \$ _____

Or as follows \$ _____

For a total amount of \$ _____

*This commitment may be revised or canceled
if circumstances make it necessary to do so.*

**Please place completed pledge form
in the collection basket at any Mass
or drop off at the parish office.**

**Please mail check payable to
HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH to:**

*Holy Cross Catholic Church Building Fund
2926 East Ledbetter Drive
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What is a Commitment Card and what is its purpose?

Holy Cross is distributing “Building the Vision” brochures

and Commitment Cards. It is important that after prayerfully considering your three-year contribution to our Building Campaign, you fill out a Commitment Card. These cards enable our parish leaders to make wise financial decisions about building, construction options, and schedule. After completing your Commitment Card, please return it to the parish office, or place it in the Sunday offering basket. While we ask that you return your Commitment Card by Sunday, November 23, we will, however, accept your commitment at a later date.

How much money is Holy Cross trying to raise in the “Building the Vision” campaign?

Ideally, we need to raise \$2 million in order to build our new church sanctuary and furnish it. Realistically, we will have to adjust or further delay our plans to fit the amount we raise, plus any financing we can secure (i.e., 20-year commercial loan).

What is my part in this Building Campaign?

No effort will be made to tell any person or family what he or she should commit. There are, however, some guidelines that might be used to determine your part: “Have I asked God to direct my decision?” “Does this amount accurately reflect who I am and what my resources are?” “Is this amount truly sacrificial?” “Have I been a good steward of the gifts God has given me and my family?” The key ingredients of a worthy commitment are prayer, sacrifice, and faith. These three guideposts will lead you to the right decision regarding your stewardship.

When do commitments begin?

We are asking everyone to make their first offering to the Building Campaign on Sunday, December 7, 2008. A special offering for the Building Campaign will continue to be collected the first Sunday of each month; however, you may continue to pay on your commitment at any time. Please be sure to use a Building Fund envelope available in the vestibule or in your boxed set, or indicate “Building Fund” on your check so that we may give you proper credit towards your commitment.

I don’t know the future. What if I can’t fulfill my commitment?

No one knows the future. We ask only that you pray and let God lead you to a sacrificial commitment. If your circumstances change, you can revise your commitment accordingly by contacting the parish office to make any increases or decreases.

Will my commitment be made public?

No! As with all parish receipts, commitments will be confidential. The parish will issue a periodic statement to you, reflecting your pledge versus your giving to date in order to keep you informed of where you are in your stewardship.

How should I give my Building Campaign offering over the next three years?

That is your decision. Most of our congregation will give weekly or monthly, and some will give quarterly or annually. Some members may choose to give stocks, bonds or other appreciated assets after consulting their tax advisor about the tax benefits. Some may also check with their employers to see if they will match their contribution. You can use any mix of the above that you feel is appropriate for your situation.

Sanctuary Features

- Sanctuary seating for 700
- Day chapel seating for 50
- Ample space for liturgical worship
- Large courtyard for gathering and outdoor processions

Please join us!

Building the Vision ...



... a Church Sanctuary for Holy Cross

Holy Cross Catholic Church
is a 501(c)(3) organization
as defined in the Internal Revenue Code.

Holy Cross Catholic Church, founded in 1956, is a faith community dedicated to filling the spiritual needs of its culturally diverse members and in sharing God’s love in service to the greater community through works of social justice, peacemaking, education and praise. The church has an average Sunday worship attendance of 1,200 in its 300-seat sanctuary.