# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 12, 2015

# SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS CHURCH PNCC 88 Years of Service

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# SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. WEEKDAY MASSES 8:30 am (check bulletin)

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." John 20:29



# INTRODUCTION

My dear friends, today we have further glimpses into the early community of believers. Many practices among the faithful have changed over time; we no longer share our possessions as the early Christians did. But our belief in the risen Christ remains. Here is the question: Do we have the freshness of the early community's belief? The sense of urgency they had? Even then, it took some courage to rely on the word of others. It always does. But that reliance flowers into steadfast faith that John

calls "the victory that conquers the world." Despite our own doubts, we are privileged to be in a long line of witnesses who attest to life.



# **Scripture readings:**

Acts 4:32-25 The early Christian community witnessed and shared.

Psalm 118 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

1 John 5:1-6 Faith in Christ and love are required of believers.

John 20:19-31 Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.

# **LECTORS SERVING TODAY**

9:00 AM –Dominick Bucci 11:00 AM –Jasmine Cabrejos



**SHOPPING CERTIFICATES.** The easiest way to support our Building Fund is by purchasing weekly shopping gift cards. The Building Fund is needed to finance any future repairs and maintenance of our facility. **We thank all those who participate and who run this wonderful project.** Gift cards are available for *STOP & SHOP*, *A&P*, *PATHMARK*, *FOODTOWN*, *SHOPRITE and FAIRWAY*. Please encourage other members of the parish and friends to join in this wonderful project. If you have any questions contact Lucy Daum (973) 694-9457, or Merry Sleece 973-731-3611. **WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.** 

Please remember me and my family in your prayers. I remember you each day in my prayers. - Father Joseph



The following members of our parish community are in need of our prayers, cards and other signs of Christian support: Irene Novak, Mary Margo, Jean Tierney, Sophie Barnes, Jean Zajac, Wanda Gec, Gene Kapchonick, Liz Wozney, Bp. Bernard Nowicki;

Roy Zebrowski. Our friends: Jo Ann Murphy, Judy Bozza, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Patricia Jarmakowicz, Zachary Decker, Joseph Denne, Jr., Declan, Urbano, Ann Catalano, Maryann Nuzzo, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Gloria Counsellor. We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray: Hail Mary, Glory...

**HOSPITAL VISIT.** "Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord..." (James 5:14). If you or a member of your family are ill and would like to receive the Holy Communion at home or at the hospital, please notify the rectory.

<u>HEALING MASS</u> – The next Mass will be celebrated on **Thursdays**, **April 16**, **23**, **30**, **2015** at 7:15 p.m. You are invited to attend this special Mass if you have any health problems or you wish to present prayers for other

people. The Lord always listens to our prayer and has the power of healing.

#### ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage.

Francesco Racanati / Krista Campbell – 4th Anniversary – April 2



Wilian and Maria Matute – 14th Anniversary – April 4

Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 57th Anniversary – April 6 Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 4th Anniversary – April 15

Edward and Beverly Obssuth – 24th Anniversary – April 21

Robert Robinson and Barbara Skrzypek - 35th Anniversary - April 25

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:



Hughie Vickerilla – April 1; Jerry Rotsaert – April 1; Rocco Mupo – April 1; William Lamping III – April 2; Theresa Triggiano – April 4; Sebastian Morales – April 5; Robert Robinson – April 5; William Lamping II – April 9, Rachel Merson – April 11, Alissa Paulison – April 11, Luisa Cwiakala – April 11, Denise Olsen – April 13; Cristina Santini – April 14; Kelly Robinson – April 14; Beverly Obssuth – April 15; Aubrey Santos – April 16; Thaddeus Gec – April 21 Daniel V. Cupo – April 21; Andrea Lerggios – April 26;

Anthony Gravino – April 27; Lourie Iudici – April 27, Zaida Bueno – April 29; Mark Hofmann – April 29; (If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please call the parish office at (973)-256-4888).

## Holy Cross Church Face Book – link www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 155 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

# PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2015

As of March 29 2015 - 67 adult parishioners paid their membership in the year 2015.

**EXPLANATION:** The parish needs to send to the diocese and General Church the following: \$12 to the Central Diocese, and \$100 to the General Church (*This amount was accepted at the General Synod in 2014*); Total membership is \$112.00 per adult. The National membership dues were not increased for several years and this caused a large jump from \$55 to \$100 in 2015. Please contact Richard Daum at 973-694-9457 for further information. If you cannot afford to pay the church membership donation please contact Fr. Joseph 973-256-4888. Thank you.

#### 2015 BULLETIN ADS - \$100 per year – THANK YOU

<u>BUSINESS ADVERTISING</u> —The donation for one year is \$100.00. The monies received will go towards photocopy supplies. Please contact church parish office at 973-256-4888 or send e-mail <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>, thank you. **Please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.** 



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# SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2015 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER FOOD DRIVE FOR FR. ENGLISH FOOD PANTRY

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." John 20:29



9:00 am Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 am – Coffee and cake Fellowship

10:10 am – Easter Egg Hunt followed by Easter Party

10:10 am - ANS Meeting

11:00 am - Holy Mass for +Bishop Anthony Rysz;

by Muccili Family

+Benedetto Russo; Offered by Santa L Domicolo After Mass – First Holy Communion

Tuesday April 13, 2015 –Easter Weekday

8:30 am - Holy Mass for the peace in the world

Wednesday April 14, 2015 –Easter Weekday

8:30 am – Holy Mass

7:30 pm – Parish Committee meeting

Thursday, April 15, 2015 –Easter Thursday

7:15 pm – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound (Healing Mass)

Friday, April 16, 2015 –Easter Friday

8:30 am - Holy Mass for the Benefactors of Holy Cross Church



# SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2015 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

"You are witnesses of these things." Luke 24:48



9:00 am Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:10 am – Coffee and cake Fellowship

10:10 am - SOCL Classes

11:00 am - Holy Mass for +August & Melissa Centrella; Offered by Claire

Centrella / After Mass – Confirmation Class

**Sanctuary Candle** 

Adoration Society is sponsoring sanctuary candles that are lit for a week in memory/honor of your special intentions

for \$10. Please sign up on the list in the **vestibule of the church**, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society. Thank you for your donations.

Week of April 12, 2015 - In memory of Jozef Cyman

Week of April 19, 2015 - available

Week of April 26, 2015 - in memory of Emanuele Triggiano

Week of May 3, 2015 - in memory of Anne Piascik

### DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONE BOOKS / PNCC RITUAL

Our Parish is in need of new "Holy Sacrifice of the Mass" booklets. You could help us by purchasing any amount of new books in memory of your loved ones @\$3 per booklet, please call the rectory for amount. Your name would be put on each book as the sponsor. 30 have been purchased by Claire Centrella in memory of August & Melissa Centrella.

Our Parish is in need of one (1) new PNCC Ritual also at \$30. If you would like to purchase this in memory of a loved one, please contact the rectory. 973-256-4888.

## World's Finest Chocolate SALE BY OUR YOUTH

Last year we did such a great job of selling candy (Matute, Rotsaert, Kiame and Cyman families) in front of the stores in the shopping center of Fairway on Rte. 46 Woodland Park. We actually had a contest of the boys versus the girls and the girls won! LOL. We would like to do this again this year so I have a few Saturdays and Sundays that we could do this. Please let me know if you are available any of these days (10-2PM) and we will set up times and assignments. Dates: Saturday April 25, Sunday April 26, Saturday May 2, Sunday May 3. This is a great way to volunteer with charity services. Father Joseph could supply a letter of service times for you. Thanks so much for your help! - Claire Centrella

# **MOTHER'S DAY**



On Sunday, May 10, 2015 we will celebrate Mother's Day and honor of all our mothers with special prayers during both Masses. The Mother's Day Breakfast will take place in the parish hall after the 9:00 A.M. Mass. (10:10 A.M.) All parishioners and friends especially Mothers are cordially invited to attend this special celebration.



THE PRAYERS REQUEST - The container "Prayer Request" is located at the side altar by the baptismal fount. Fr. Joseph says the Holy Mass on Thursdays for the sick and shut-ins. If you have any sick members in your family and/or homebound, please write their names and place them in the container. Fr. Joseph will include these intentions at the Holy Mass on Thursday evening Mass.

#### **Information for our Youth**



Acolyte Retreat - All altar servers are invited for the annual Acolyte Retreat that will be held at Bp. Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center in Waymart, PA from Tuesday June 23 (Noon) to Friday, June 26, (Noon), 2015.



Please contact Fr. Joseph for applications. Those who serve as altar servers will attend the retreat free of charge through the sponsorship of Adoration Society.

**ALTAR SERVERS** This is an important ministry for our parish and your support and involvement is needed! Please contact Deacon - William Gaydos 973-239-4725 or parish office 973-256-488 if your son /daughter are interested in becoming altar servers.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES:

The preparation for first Holy Communion is held on Sundays, after the 11 AM Mass in the parish hall. NEXT CLASSES will be held on Sunday, April 12, 26, May 10 – Mother's Day, May 15 (Friday) – First Holy Communion rehearsal and Confessions at 7 pm, Sunday May 17, 2015 - First Holy Communion celebration at 11 am. Children who are enrolled at second grade and older are eligible to take classes. The Holy Eucharist is Jesus Christ who is really present under the forms of bread and wine. In the Eucharist, Jesus Christ gives us Himself as a food for our souls. The bread and wine becomes the Body and Blood of our Lord during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass when the priest says words of consecration which Jesus used during the Last Supper: This is My Body... This is My Blood. (Catechism)

<u>CONFIRMATION CLASSES</u> will begin on Sunday **April 19, 2015 after the 11 am Mass**. Students who are 13 years old and older as well as adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons.

<u>BEAUTIFUL CROSSES</u> – (donated by our parishioner) are for sale. <u>The retail price is \$25 each and the Holy Cross Church is selling them for \$5. Don't forget yours for gifts</u>. Father Joseph blessed all of these crosses in advance.

#### 4th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER - World's Finest Chocolate. TO DATE: \$699.00



We are selling World's Finest Chocolate candy bars and hope you will help. Bring a box to work, sell to family and friends or just keep a box for your own snacking. At \$1.00 per bar and a coupon for Quiznos on the back of the wrapper, it is a wonderful deal. Pick up your boxes at the Church Hall and return money when you will sell as soon as you can. **Such an easy way to help your** 

parish raise funds!

<u>ALMS BOX</u> — Our parish traditionally uses the Alms Box in the vestibule of the church for the benefit of the poor. Please continue to support this great cause to help the less fortunate of our society. "When you give alms, your left hand must not know what your right is doing — your alms giving must be secret, and your father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you." (Mat.6:3-4)

# **FLEA MARKET**

by DAUGHTERS OF HOLY CROSS and ADORATION SOCIETY on Saturday, May 30, 2015 from 9 to 3 PM. Parishioners and outside vendors can rent out space for \$20 a table. Tables are still available. To rent the table, please call Elaine 973-838-4246 or Penni 973-768-7917. There will be a parish table to sell for the church profit. The ladies are asking parishioners to donate GOOD CONDITION, CLEANED and NEW items for the sale. You can bring those items beginning on Sundays April 12, 19, 26, 2015 and place them in the parish hall. We need volunteers to set up the parish hall on Friday May 29, 2015 beginning at 9 am. We also need help in the kitchen and clean up after the event. The sign-up sheet will is placed in the parish hall. If you have any questions, please call Elaine 973-838-4246 or Penni 973-768-7917. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Help Holy Cross to raise more \$. There are 148 Supporters registered so far. So please join us and you can imagine how much we can earn for our church! When you do your Shopping online please take advantage of GoodShop, GoodSurvey, Goodtvads, GoodOffers or GoodDining and the church will get a percentage of your purchase. We will get 1 cent for every search and it adds up quickly. To date we raised \$88.09. The link is:

http://www.goodsearch.com/nonprofit/holy-cross-church-woodland-park.aspx. You can copy this link or mark it and open it as a Hyperlink. YOU CAN EVEN EARN \$ PLAYING GAMES, DOING SURVEYS, AND DINING OUT.



# LET US IMITATE THE WAYS OF GOD BY BEING MORE GENEROUS AND LOVING IN OUR SERVICE TO HIS MYSTICAL BODY, "THE CHURCH."

Thank you for your anticipated support toward our parish.

We appreciate any donations toward the Building Fund for our future necessary repairs. Also, we ask more parishioners to participate in the purchase of shopping certificates since the profit goes toward the Building Fund.

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**INCOME TAX**— Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding their donations to the church for the year 2014 for their income tax purposes, please contact Financial Secretary, Richard Daum 973-694-9457. We thank Richard Daum for his time and dedication in his service as Financial Secretary/Treasurer of Holy Cross Church.

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# HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH

Fees: For non-members of the parish: The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$110.00 for each hour of rental time. For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$55.00 fee for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

celebration - 11:00 am

at Holy Cross Church

Awards

May 3, 2015 - Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 10, 2015 – Mother's Day Breakfast

**May 30, 2015** - **Flea Market** 

May 17, 2015 - First Holy Communion

June 7, 2015 – Corpus Christi Procession

June 14, 2015 - Parish Picnic and SOCL

June 21, 2015 – Father's Day Breakfast

Sept. 26, 2015 - Melissa A. Centrella

- Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship Fdn. Beefsteak T/T
- Tricky Tray at Amalgamated Meat Cutters hall, 245 Paterson Ave., Little Falls NJ

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Oct. 23, 2015

<u>ADVERTISEMENT OF THE PARISH</u> – The new print of Holy Cross Church pamphlet is available in the vestibule of the church. Please use it as the tool to advertise our parish in your neighborhood welcoming especially those who are not affiliated with any church.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO DOES NOT BELONG TO A CHURCH OR WHO DOES NOT ATTEND MASS, WHY NOT INVITE HIM OR HER TO JOIN US IN WORSHIP AT HOLY CROSS PARISH? ALL ARE CORDIALLY WELCOMED

<u>NEW REGISTRATIONS</u> - Our parish is leasing the Sunday school building to the tenant **FUN KIDS ACADEMY, L.L.C from Monday to Friday**. The service is offered for the children from *two and half to five years old*. Ann Marie Scirica, the Director of the Fun Kids Academy accepts NEW registrations. Please call 973-256-0760. Discount rates are available for the members of Holy Cross Church.

<u>LECTORS - READERS WANTED</u> We are in need of lectors to read during our liturgies. Please contact John Surak, Lectors' coordinator 201-264-671 or the parish office 973-256-4888 or if you are interested in becoming a lector.

<u>Join the Alfred Baumann Library</u> on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>May 17th</u> at 2:00 in council chambers, 5 Brophy Lane, for an afternoon of jazz. The Mike Luipersbeck Trio will perform music of the Great American Songbook, Jazz, Broadway and more!

<u>Diabetes Awareness Workshop</u> with Heather Shasa, Dietitian from ShopRite at the Alfred Baumann Library, 7 Brophy Lane. On **Thursday, April 23** at 6:30 p.m. you can learn about balancing blood sugar levels, healthy recipes including healthy whole grains and creating balanced nutritious meals. Call the library to register at 973-345-8120 or register online at www.abwplibrary.org

The Alfred H. Baumann Library is holding its 20th Annual Poetry Contest. Three copies of your poem must be submitted with name, address, phone # and category on the back. Poems must be submitted by 3:00 on **Saturday, May 2nd**. Please call the library at <u>973-345-8120</u> for details.

<u>The SYNOD body</u> was to establish a P.N.C.C. database which is in progress with the creation of a church-wide email list. The name will be <u>futuredirection@pncc.org</u>. We will share the information with our parish as an attachment in our Sunday bulletin.



<u>MINISTRY OF GREETERS</u> – Those who would like to serve as **Greeters** in our parish by giving out Sunday bulletins are asked to contact Lynn Imperiale. Ministry of Greeters is very important in the parish's life that makes people feel welcome to participate in our liturgies. Thank you for your service.

PRAYER NOTES – new prayer notes for children, teens and adults to help take care / give care and overcome some difficult situations are available in the vestibule of the church. They are sponsored by St. Nicholas Ministry.

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PARISH CHOIR –Volunteers who wish to share their vocal or musical talents and would like to join our choir, please contact our Organist, Neil Estanislao - tel. 201-966-9026.

Thank you. Make a joyful shout to God all the earth! Sing out the honor of His name; make His praise glorious - Psalm 66:1, 2



**DAILY MASSES** are held as announced in the bulletin. Examples of the Mass intentions are: For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries. Please contact Father Joe.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Arrangements at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

EMERGENCIES, SICKNESS should be reported to the rectory office immediately. Phone: 973-256-4888

#### **Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations:**

Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888 **Deacon - David Gaydos** 973-209-4729 **Deacon - William Gaydos** 973-239-4725 Secretary - Claire Centrella 201-572-1299 Organist - Neil Estanislao 201-966-9026 973-903-7273 Organist - Jessica Muccilli 862-368-3653 Parish Comm. Chairperson – Lynn Imperiale **Adoration Society -**Penni Lazor 973-768-7917 **Daughters of Holy Cross** Elaine Rotsaert 973-838-4246 Lectors Coordinators - John Surak 201-264-6711 Altar Servers -Deacon William Gaydos 973-239-4725 School of Christian Living (SOCL) Donna Maher; Andrea Lergios-

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Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653; Claire Centrella – 201-572-1299 **Maintenance -**Dominick Bucci

973-785-2299

Shopping Certificates- Lucy Daum 973-703-6473

Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

Polish National Union of America - Alice Kriskewic - 973-427-9648

LASTING GIFTS - "Lasting Gifts, a guide for gifts to the Holy Cross Church." Copies of these pamphlets are in the vestibule of the church. Please consider yourself to participate in this project. Our parish celebrates 88 years of service. Let us consider the future of our parish as it continues blessings for its members and for the community. This pamphlet was prepared by the Stewardship Committee and approved by the Parish Committee.



## EASTER FLOWERS DONATIONS – 2015 – Thank you

Karen Hitchcock; Frances & Gregory Junda in memory of Edward & Sophie Budjinsky; Deacon & Mrs. D. Gaydos; Diane Hitchcock – in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki, Bruno Niedzwiecki, James Hitchcock; Lenny Hrinuk in memory of Mr. & Mrs. W. Hrinuk

(additional donations will be published in the next bulletin) If you wish to donate toward Easter flowers please use envelopes from the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

**FOOD DRIVE** – A food drive to benefit the Father English Food Pantry will be held on **Sunday, April 12, 2015**. All parishioners are asked to bring a bag of groceries to church on this day. Won't you help the needy in the name of Christ the Savior? "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done it to me." (Mat. 25:40)



<u>EASTER EGG HUNT</u> – will take place on Sunday April 12, 2015 at 10:10 a.m. All children from our parish are invited to enjoy this event. The party in the parish hall will follow. Please invite your friends.



# THANK YOU

**THANK YOU** – We thank all those who donated toward our Easter Flower Fund that enabled us to decorate the church for Easter season.

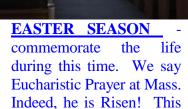
<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank Renata Cyman, members of the Adoration Society for decorating altars for Easter celebration.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank Claire Centrella, Renata Cyman, Donna Maher and Andrea Lergios-Smith for preparations toward Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Party for our children.

<u>THANK YOU</u> - I wish to thank all those who helped me during the Easter celebration: Deacon David, Deacon Bill, organists Neil Estanislao and Jessica Muccilli, Lectors, Altar Servers, those who carried baldachino, Pascal Candle, Resurrection Cross and Statue of the Resurrected Jesus, and children who

strew flower petals. May the risen Lord reward your participation and service.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank all youth who participated in the Good Friday Stations of the Cross and their parents for their support.





During the 50 day season of Easter (until May 24, 2015) we giving resurrection of our Lord. Fasting does not take place our prayers standing rather that kneeling. We stand during the We greet one another with the words, "Christ is Risen! is the time of great rejoicing