5TH **SUNDAY OF LENT - 4/02/2017**

SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC 91 Years of Service

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The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor The Deacon David Gaydos / The Deacon William Gaydos

SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

" So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb....Jesus said, "Take away the stone." - John 11:38-39



INTRODUCTION

This Lenten season invites us to explore the meaning of life — our lives here and now and life after death. In a world where many have so little while a few have so much, we are called to embrace life as well as to ensure that precious resources are available for the most vulnerable. Mindful of the fragile balance in our earthly life, we place our faith in Christ's

resurrection and the promise of life everlasting upon death.



Scripture readings:

Ezekiel 37:12-14 God's life-giving presence restores Israel Ps 130 With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption Rom 8:8-11 If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive John 11:1-45 Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am - George O'Brien 11:00 am - Claire Centrella



SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. We thank Lucy Daum and Merry Sleece for running this project. 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 FAIRWAY (NEW), STOP N SHOP, FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE. 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. WE DO NOT RETIRE AT (\$)65.

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



The following members of our parish community are in need of our prayers, cards and other signs of Christian support: Mary Margo 2 Oak Place, Little Falls, NJ 07424; Stella Skawinski (Rehabilitation Center, Lincoln Park) home: 213 Illinois Ave. Paterson, NJ 07503; Loretta Offman, Regency Gardens, 296 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470; Emila Bargiel, 820 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470; Sophie Barnes, 35

Florence Ave., Hawthorne, NJ 07506; Gene Kapchonick 123 Cabrillo Blvd., Toms River, NJ 08757; Liz Wozney 3136 Oceanic Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753; Alice Kriskewic, Jaclyn Monro, Joseph Capizzi, Theresa Triggiano, Linda Fitzpatrick, Dennis Diestler, Ann Obssuth, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Zachary Decker, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray: Hail Mary, Glory...

THE PRAYER 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.

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



Francesco Racanati / Krista Campbell – 6th Anniversary – April 2 Wilian and Maria Matute – 16th Anniversary – April 4

Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 59th Anniversary – April 6 Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 6th Anniversary – April 15

Edward and Beverly Obssuth – 26th Anniversary – April 21

Jerome Rotsaert & Flaine Skawinski – 53rd Anniversary – Ma

Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 53rd Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 54th Anniversary – May 12

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:



Al Cuccinello – 3/21; Dana Jakob - 3/21; Edward Obssuth – 3/22; Claudio Soto Sanita – 3/24; Kaitlyn Gonzalez – 3/26; Stivet Salcedo Sr. – 3/28; Stephen Bradbury Sr. – 3/27; Bryan Bucci – 3/31. 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; (If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please contact call the parish office.

<u>Holy Cross Church Face Book – link</u> <u>www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com</u>

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 220 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

2017 BULLETIN ADS - \$100 per year – THANK YOU

BUSINESS ADVERTISING – We thank businesses that gave donations for bulletin ads and thus helping us to defray the cost of bulletin printing. The donation for one year is \$100.00. If you wish to submit your ad, please contact church parish office at 973-256-4888 or send e-mail holycrosspncc1@gmail.com, thank you. Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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Phone: 973-790-8686 Fax: 973-790-6174

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Funeral Home 635 McBride Avenue Woodland Park, New Jersey 07424

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SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb....Jesus said, "Take away the stone." - John 11:38-39

9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM - SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

10:00 AM – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

11:00AM - Holy Mass for all Parishioners

Sacrament of Baptism – GABRIELA ROSALIE RACANATI, daughter of Francesco Racanati and Krista (Campbell)

3:30 pm - NY/NJ Adoration Society AGAPE Holy Cross at Church Hall

Monday, April 3, 2017 – Lent

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

7:00 pm – Preparation for Baptism and First H. Communion (adults)

Tuesday April 4, 2017 –St. Isidore Bp., D. Lent

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Wednesday April 5, 2017 – Lent

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Thursday, April 6, 2017 – St. Marcellinus, M. - Lent

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound Healing Mass)

Friday, April 7, 2017 – Lent

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

7:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017 - PALM SUNDAY

















10:00 AM - COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

10:00 AM – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

11:00AM – Holy Mass for Melissa and August Centrella, Emanuele Triggiano; Offered by

Claire Centrella



Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross is a Catholic community with doors open to all and bringing them into a personal

relationship with Jesus Christ and thus giving comfort and purpose to a struggling world. "You are to go into the entire world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere! (see Mark 16:15)." We believe that we are a Church where the timeless message of Christ is communicated in a contemporary style. "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save those who are lost (Luke 19:10)." In the past **91 years** of service we feel that we became a strong and faithful community with unselfish service to God and all our brothers and sisters, giving unending praise and thanksgiving for the blessings and gifts bestowed upon us.

Upcoming Events

April 12, 2017 - Clergy Conference, Chrism Mass - Scranton, PA

April 16, 2017 – Easter – Resurrection of the Lord

April 23, 2017 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)

April 29, 2017 – Applebee's Breakfast 8am – 10 am (Applebee's in Totowa)

May 5, 6, 7, 2017 - National Mission and Evangelism Workshop at Holy Cross

 $May\ 7,\ 2017-\textbf{Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary}$

May 14, 2017 - Mother's Day Breakfast at 10 am

May 20, 2017 – FLEA MARKET 9 am to 3 pm (please note that the date was changed)

June 11, 2017 – SOCL attendance awards and Parish Picnic

June 18, 2017 - Father's Day breakfast at 10 am

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

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Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832

Deacon - David Gaydos973-209-4729Deacon - William Gaydos973-239-4725

Parish Comm. Chairperson, Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653

Secretary – Claire Centrella 201-572-1299
Organist - Neil Estanislao 201-966-9026
Organist - Jessica Muccilli 973-903-7273
Adoration Society - Penni Lazor 973-768-7917
Daughters of Holy Cross Elaine Rotsaert Lectors Coordinators - John Surak 201-264-6711

Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos 973-239-4725

School of Christian Living (SOCL) Mrs. Donna Maher (201-774-9560), Mr. Paul Murphy (201-463-7656), Nayef, Ned Kiame (volunteers)

St. Nicholas Ministry - Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

Parish Life Committée - Deacon David & Laurie Gaydos, Merry Sleece, Angela Gulla, Ed and Beverly Obssuth, Penni Lazor, Renata Cyman

Stewardship Committee – Pat Olsen 973-696-6581 / Diane Lacey 973-256-1288 / Al Katinsky 973-694-3208

Ushers – John Surak 201-264-6711

Greeters - Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653; Claire Centrella – 201-572-1299 / Karen Paulison 973-686-0584;

Maintenance - Dominick Bucci 973-785-2299

Shopping Certificates Sale - Lucy Daum 973-694-9457, Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

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

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm. Dates: April 7 (7:30 pm) and Good Friday April 14, 2017 at 3 pm.

The 14 stations depict the following scenes: 1. <u>Jesus is condemned to death</u>; 2. Jesus accepts the cross; 3. Jesus falls the first time; 4. Jesus meets <u>His Mother</u>; 5. <u>Simon of Cyrene</u> carries the cross; 6. <u>Veronica</u> wipes the face of Jesus; 7. Jesus falls the second time; 8. Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem; 9. Jesus falls the third time; 10. Jesus is stripped of His garments; 11. <u>Crucifixion</u>: Jesus is nailed to the cross; 12. Jesus dies on the cross; 13. Jesus'

body is removed from the cross; 14. Jesus is laid in the tomb.

This liturgy helps us to meditate on the sufferings of Jesus and better understand his greatest love for us by dying on the cross for our sins.

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 parish hall, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society. Thank you for your donations.

Week of April 2 – In memory of Peter Troand by Stephen Morgan

Week of April 9 – In memory of Tod Jaxon by Penni Lazor

Week of April 16 –In memory of Hughie, Rose Vickerilla

Week of April 23 - In memory of Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella

Week of April 30 – In memory of Jozef, Agnieszka, Andrzej Cyman by the Cyman Family

Week of May 7 - In memory of Anne Piascik by the Merson Family

(THERE ARE SOME DATES AVAILABLE)

ALTAR SERVERS



We would like to continue the process of bringing on more altar servers at our Masses. We thank those who served in the past weeks.

Please sign-up on the sheet in the Parish Hall. Parents, please put your child's name in the Sunday that they can serve. You will be notified as a reminder prior to their Sunday Mass. Please contact Deacon Bill for more information.





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.



<u>ATTENTION PARISHIONERS</u> – IN CASE OF YOUR INABILITY TO COME TO CHURCH ON ANY PARTICULAR SUNDAY, PLEASE MAIL OR SUBMIT YOUR SUNDAY OFFERINGS AND DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH. YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN ORDER TO PAY UTILITIES AND EXPENSES. THANK YOU. THE PARISH COMMITTEE.



Also, we ask more parishioners to participate in the purchase of shopping certificates since the profit goes toward the Building Fund.



education.

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CONFIRMATION CLASSES – The next classes are scheduled as follows: APRIL 2 (Class at 3:30 pm – AGAPAE) April 23, May 7, 28, 2017 AFTER 11 A.M. MASS. The registration forms are online and in the parish office. Students who are in the 7th grade and older and adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in your youth's religious

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Upcoming classes: APRIL 2, 23, 30, May 7, 19 (rehearsal) and 21st CELEBRATION AT 11 AM. The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. We thank for her

service. 1st Holy Communion date is Sunday May 21, 2017. 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) Some requirements: Students should be enrolled in 2nd grade or older to participate; Parents/Guardians are required to attend Sunday Mass each week with children. First Communion classes are 45 minutes long (10:10 – 10:55 am) on bi-weekly

basis (check bulletin) duration Sept-May; Students must attend School of Christian Living classes at 10:10 am other Sundays followed by the Holy Mass at 11 am.

EVENTS AT THE CHURCH OF TRANSFIGURATION, WALLINGTON, NJ

Tricky Tray, Wednesday May 3, 2017 at the Fiesta, Wood Ridge, NJ for tickets call 201-463-1512*
72-nd YMS of R. Bowling Tournament on May 19-21, 2017 *
* FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE FLYERS IN THE PARISH HALL

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 fee for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888. /201-247-4832 (cell) email $\underline{\text{holycrosspnc1@gmail.com}}$



<u>EASTER EGG HUNT</u> – will take place on Sunday April 23, 2017 at 10:00 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.



<u>EASTER FLOWERS</u> – An Easter Flower Fund Envelope is included in the Sunday Collection envelopes and is available in the parish vestibule. All parishioners are asked to make a donation to the fund so that flowers can be purchased for the Resurrection of our Lord and part of the Easter season. Your offering can be made in memory of a departed loved one. All offerings will be acknowledged in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you for beautifying our church.

HOLY WEEK

Tuesday April 11, 2017 – Tuesday of Holy Week

10:00 am – Central Diocese Clergy Conference, Scranton, PA 4:00 pm – Central Diocese Chrism Mass (blessing of oils), Scranton, PA

Thursday, April 13, 2017 – Holy Thursday

7:30 PM – Liturgy of the Lord's Supper.

Friday, April 14, 2017 – Good Friday

3:00 PM – Stations of the Cross with children and youth participation

ON GOOD FRIDAY at 3:00 pm the liturgy of the Stations of the Cross with children and youth participation will take place. We will meditate the passion and suffering of our Lord for the last time during this Lent. The opening of the Lord's tomb will take place. A simple reception will take place in the parish hall consisting of coffee and juice with crackers hoping that some parishioners would stay for Good Friday Service which will be held at 4:15 pm.

4:15 PM – Liturgy of Good Friday

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament until 6:30 PM.





Saturday, April 15, 2017 – Holy Saturday

4:00 PM – Blessing of Easter Food

6:00 PM – LITURGY OF HOLY SATURDAY / VIGIL LITURGY

After Liturgy Blessing of Easter Baskets

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017 - RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - EASTER

Figure 1

"Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb." John 20:1

9:00 AM Easter Procession (Processional Cross, Pascal Resurrection Statue, Resurrection Cross, Members of the Society with candles, Altar Servers, Celebrant with Parishioners / Holy Mass for all Parishioners



Candle, Blessed Sacrament Monstrance,

11:00 AM - Holy Mass for all Parishioners



Fish and Chips - Sunday March 26, 2017



First Holy
Communion
with Ms.
Vitaletti –
March 26,

<u>class</u> <u>Mary</u>

<u> 2017</u>



Sunday School class with Ms. Natalie Lazar - March 26, 2017

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

Our Sunday School classes take place on Sundays from 10:10 am to 10:55 am. If your child is not enrolled yet, please do so at your earlies convenience. The program is free of charge. We thank Mr. Paul Murphy, Mrs. Donna Maher, her husband Martin, Natalie Lazar as well as volunteers Nayef and Ned Kiame for teaching our parish students.

<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.

HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN In the case when small children need more attention during the Mass, parents can now listen to the Liturgy of the Mass in the **parish hall** while the children can play or do the drawings.

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

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.

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.

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<u>INCOME TAX</u>— Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding of their donations to the church for the year 2016 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.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, Father Joseph after Mass. Please sign your name in "Our Church Guests" book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship.



Nelcome!

<u>NEW PARISHIONERS</u> – If you are new to our parish, please submit your name and phone number to Father Joseph. Father will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have regarding our church. WELCOME!

GIFT SHOP OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

WE THANK THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROJECT

There are new religious articles (donated) available in the parish hall for purchase at the much discounted price. They are perfect for weddings, baptisms, communions, confirmations, and other special days. **Come and Browse.**



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