



# 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY – 12/11/2016

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

## SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES 8:30 am (check bulletin)

*"Go and tell John what you hear and see...." Matthew 11:4*



We are still waiting for the world we long to see.

Like our ancient ancestors, we yearn for peace and justice, healing and restoration. Today we are told that the signs of Jesus' presence are all around us, if we know how to see them. We hear in the Gospel the signs we are to look for, especially when we are distracted or doubtful, confused or disappointed. The good news is that there is even more to come. We live in an impatient world, but today we are told:

"Be patient!"

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10 Isaiah describes the fulfillment of human longing.

Ps 146 Lord, come and save us.

Jas 5:7-10 A call for patient waiting.

Mt 11:2-11 Jesus fulfills Isaiah's promises.

## LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Michael Cyman

11:00 am – Jason Cabrejos

**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 **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.**



**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 213 Illinois Ave. Paterson, NJ 07503; Loretta Offman, 52 Godwin St., Paterson, NJ 07501; 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; Joanne Plaxa, Dennis Diestler, Ann Obsuth, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Zachary Decker, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, Jaclyn Monro, We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray: Hail Mary, Glory...

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



Stephen Morgan / Karen Jarmarkowicz. – 11/01 – 7th Ann.

Russell Paulison and Karen Pettegrew – 11/ 22 – 24th Ann.

Dennis and Joyce Diestler – 11/28 – 46<sup>th</sup> Ann.

Jose Acosta/Paola Perez – Dec 3rd – 10th Ann.

John Lazor / Alexandra Jaxon – Dec 16 – 44<sup>th</sup> Ann.

[Holy Cross Church Face Book – link](#) [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)

Visiting our website Blog [holycrosssite.org](http://holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 213 people like our church face book!  
We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2016



**2016 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](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com), thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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[www.bizub.com](http://www.bizub.com)



**WE THANK ALL THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED LAST SUNDAY IN SHOPPING CERTIFICATES SALE. OUR APPRECIATION TO LUCY DAUM AND MERRY SLEECE FOR COORDINATING THIS IMPORTANT PROJECT THAT SUPPORTS OUR BUILDING FUND.**

**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 11, 2016  
 ADVENT TREE PROJECT CONTINUES**

*"Go and tell John what you hear and see...." Matthew 11:4*



- 9:00 AM**– Holy Mass for All Parishioners
- 10:00 am** – Coffee fellowship
- 10:10 am** – School of Christian Living
- 11:00 AM**– Holy Mass for +Auturo Johnson; Offered by sister, Clarice Leary



**AFTER MASS – CHRISTMAS DINNER – WELCOME!**

**Monday December 12, 2016 – Our lady of Guadalupe - Advent**

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

**Tuesday December 13, 2016 – St. Lucy, V., M - Advent**

**8:30 am - Holy Mass**

**Wednesday December 14, 2016 – Advent**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass**

**Thursday, December 15, 2016 – S. Nino V. - Advent**

**7:30 pm – Holy Mass for All Parishioners**

**Friday, December 16, 2016 – St. Eusebius, Bp. - Advent**

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

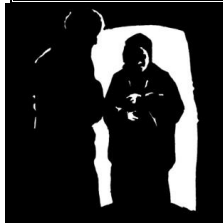




4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 18, 2016

ADVENT TREE PROJECT ENDS

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home." Matthew 1:20



**9:00 AM** – Holy Mass for All Parishioners

**10:00 am** – Coffee fellowship

**10:10 am** – School of Christian Living

**10:10 AM** – First Holy Communion class

**11:00 AM** – Holy Mass for all parishioners

**After Mass – Preparation for Sacrament of Confirmation**



SUNDAY SCHOOL



**OPLATEK – CHRISTMAS WAFERS** are available to keep the tradition of sharing it with the family and members of the household at the beginning of the supper on Christmas Eve. The donation of \$3 per package is appreciated. Please help yourself and deposit your donations in the envelope located next to the oplatek (Christmas Wafer).

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**



All parishioners are asked to make a donation to the Christmas Flower Fund. Special envelopes are enclosed in the envelope box and also are available in the vestibule of the church. You would be asked to please return your donations by Sunday, December 18, 2016. **Your donation including names of your departed loved ones will be printed in the Christmas bulletin.** Any later donations will appear in the consecutive bulletins



**CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES** – We will celebrate, traditionally, two Masses on Christmas Eve, which will be held this year on Saturday, December 24, 2016. The Holy Mass with the participation of children and youth will be held at 4:00 PM. The second solemn Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 PM.



**CHRISTMAS DAY MASS** – ONE MASS will be celebrated on Sunday, December 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM. Enjoy the celebration of the Nativity of the Lord.

Confirmation Class



**NEW GROUP - Confirmation Classes – The next classes are scheduled as follows: Sunday December 4,**

**18, 2016; January 8, 2017 after 11 am Mass.** The registration forms are online and in the parish office.

**Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> 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 education.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** – Upcoming classes: **Dec. 4, 18, 2016; January 8, 2017 at 10:00 am am.** *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; The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion date is Sunday May 21, 2017.***



**Be a Good Steward**

**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.**

**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 December 11 – Mikhail Hanna, Najeeba Aboudy, Balkees Awad, Sabech Kako, Salma Aboudy, Maysoon Awad; by Hilal Hanna and Family**

**Week of December 25 – August, Mellissa Centrella and Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella** / (THERE ARE STILL MANY DATES AVAILABLE)



**Dear Parishioners,**

**Since November 22, 2016 installation begin of additional handicap bathroom, three new emergency doors, two ramps and roof above one of the ramps leading to the playground. These renovations are recommended to have a new day care tenant coming not only with toddlers but also with infants.**

**It is our appeal to all of you to support this project in order to defray unexpected expense. Your donations toward building fund are truly appreciated. We are looking forward to grow together as one Christian family serving our community and spreading the good news of our Savior, Jesus Christ.**

**Father Joseph Cyman Pastor**

**Lynn Imperiale, Chairperson and Parish committee members**

***Our Mission*** - The parish of Holy Cross, Polish National Catholic Church 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 **90 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 DATES**

December 11, 2016 – **Christmas Dinner** after 11 am Mass

January 8, 2017 – **Adoration Society Potluck** after 11 am Mass

February 12, 2017 – **Valentine's Day Dinner** after 11 am Mass

March 12, 2017 – **St. Patrick's Dinner** after 11 am Mass

March 26, 2017 – **Fish and Chips Dinner** after 11 am Mass (tentative date)



**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.



**HEALING MASS** – The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound are celebrated **on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm.** WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. **Dates of Healing Masses: December 29, 2016.** The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit.

**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.



**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.



**NEW PARISHIONERS** – 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!



#### **UPCOMING BAPTISMS:**

**APRIL 2, 2017 – GABRIELA ROSALEE RACANATI THE DAUGHTER OF FRANCESCO AND KRISTA RACANATI**

#### **Good Search.**

Help Holy Cross raise more \$. There are 172 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 \$99.16.** 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.

#### **GIFT SHOP OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES**



**WE THANK THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROJECT – PLEASE FIND GREAT GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS**

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.**



**GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE** - The latest issue of *God's Field* is now available online at <http://www.pncc.org>. Click on the God's Field link at the top of the home page and follow the directions to access the recent issue. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.

#### **HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH**



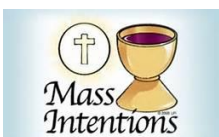
Fees: For non-members of the parish: The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$110.00 for each hour of rental time. For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$55 fee for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888. / 201-247-4832 (cell) email [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)



**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.



**MINISTRY OF GREETERS** – 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.



**MASS INTENTIONS** - In order to request the Holy Mass Intention such as For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries, please contact Fr. Joseph 973-256-4888



**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*



**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.



**ALTAR SERVERS** We thank all Altar servers serving in our parish. We would like to continue the process of bringing on more altar servers at our Masses. 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.

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

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**Deacon - William Gaydos** 973-239-4725

**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** 973-838-4246

**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)**

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

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



**ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 4, 2016** SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING PREPARED CHRISTMAS CRAFTS THAT WILL BE GIVEN TO HOME-BOUND OF OUR PARISH AND WILL BE USED TO DECORATE OUR CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE PARISH HALL. THE YOUTH PRACTICED WITH ORGANIST, JESSICA MUCCILLI CHRISTMAS SONGS FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY WHICH WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2016 AFTER THE 11 AM MASS.









