

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2/19/2017

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)

"...Jesus said to his disciples: "You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you..." Matthew 5:38-39

INTRODUCTION

Today's readings make even more difficult demands on us regarding our behavior as Christians. We live in a culture where there is so much rhetoric about protecting oneself and one's property, about guns and gated communities. How do we reconcile this with Jesus' call to turn the other cheek and love one's enemy? What does it take to embrace these teachings, which many of us — quite honestly — find foolish?

Scripture readings:

Lev 19:1-2, 17-18 Be holy as God is holy
Ps 103 The Lord is kind and merciful
1 Cor 3:16-23 You are the temple of God
Mt 5:38-48 Turn the other cheek; love your enemy

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Dominick Bucci 11:00 am – Jason / Jasmine 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 **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** 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; **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**, **Jaelyn 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.

Fr. Joseph Cyman /Renata (Bujak) – Feb. 21 – 19th Ann.

Richard Torre / Diane McNamara – Feb. 27 – 40th Ann.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:

Susan Jakob – 1/29; Loretta Offman – 1/29; Timothy Daum – 1/29; Jazmin Bradbury – 1/30; Gregory Suhok – 1/31; Isabella Granada – 2/05; Carlos Garcia – 2/7; Troy Hilton – 2/7; Fr. Joseph Cyman – 2/8; Jennifer Palman – 2/8; Edwin Legawiec – 2/8; Nicole Pellegrini – 2/10; Alexander Teimouri – 2/12; Karen Paulison – 2/12; Meghan Palman – 2/12; Stella Skawinski – 2/13 (101 years young!); Joyce Diestler – 2/16; Michael Merson – 2/16; Anthony Canceres – 2/20; Brenda Nin – 2/23; Josephine Limone – 2/14; Sebastian Rodriguez – 2/17; Neil Estanislao – 2/18; Natalie Cyman – 2/20; Ned Kiame – 2/22; Natalie Lopez – 2/23; Juan Reyes – 2/24; Kristen Suhok – 2/27; Brendan S. Novak – 3 /4; Jacqueline Coss – 3/4; Kayla Mullin – 3/5; Zackary Mullin – 3/5; Meghan Lazor – 3/6; Lenny Hrinuk – 3/7; Michael Muccilli – 3/7; Matthew Montero – 3/10; Christopher Paulison – 3/10; Gianni Maher – 3/11; Hunter Rotsaert – 3/12; Viviana Galindo – 3/13; Pamela Caceres - 3/17; Vincent Poggi – 3/17; Kiley Bartolozzi – 3/21; Al Cuccinello – 3/21; Dana Jakob - 3/21; Edward Obsuth – 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. (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.

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

Visiting our website Blog.holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 218 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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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Will be held on second Sunday, February 19, 2016 (please note that the date has changed) after 9:00 a.m. Mass. The second Mass will be at 11:30 AM. There will be refreshments after the 9 AM Mass. School of Christian Living will have their program in Fr. John Slys building provided by high school youth.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017 – SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“...Jesus said to his disciples: “You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you...”
 Matthew 5:38-39



- 9:00AM** – Holy Mass for all parishioners
- 10:00 AM** – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (10:00 -10:25 AM)
- 10:10 AM** – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES
- 10:10 am** – FIRST COMMUNION CLASS
- PLEASE REMEMBER THE SECOND MASS IS AT 11:30 AM**

11:30AM – Holy Mass for +Eileen Walsh, Mercedes Castro
 After Mass – Preparation for Sacrament of Confirmation
Monday, February 20, 2017 – President’s Day

8:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world
Tuesday February 21, 2017 – St. Severian. Bp.

8:30 am - Holy Mass +Melissa Centrella (40th Birthday)

7:30 pm – Parish Committee Meeting
Wednesday February 22, 2017 – Weekday

8:30 am – Holy Mass
Thursday, February 23, 2017 – St. Serenus M.

7:30 pm – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound (Healing Mass)



Friday, February 24, 2017 – St. Matthias, Apostle

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

Saturday, February 25, 2017 – St. Caesarius, De

10:00 am – NY/NJ Seniorate clergy meeting at Holy Cross

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2017 – EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You cannot serve God and mammon...” Matthew 6:24



9:00AM – Holy Mass for +Jozef a Anna Skawinski, Jozef i Dorota Mamcarz, Dorota Jess, Stephania Mikulek; Offered by Stella Skawinski

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

11:00AM – Holy Mass for +Stanley Hudzik, Ruth Hudzik; Offered by Diane Bishop (All Souls)

Winter Coat Drive by Students of Confirmation Class

From February 12 – March 5, 2017



The temperatures are freezing, and during this time of the year the homeless suffer the worse. It would be a great idea to show our youth understanding of giving and compassion. One opportunity would be to prepare care packets and give them to the homeless. Within the next few weeks, we will be heading out to distribute those care packages along with youth and a few parents from our church. Anyone interested in donating hand warmers, one size fits all

gloves, portable wipes, and waters please do so. We have blankets that we're prepared by the adoration society that we will be handing out also. There is a container/box in the Parish Hall for you to put the items in. Thank you for caring about those less fortunate. We fulfill our Lord's command, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers or sisters of mine, you did for me." (Mt 25:40)

ASH WEDNESDAY - THE BEGINNING OF LENT



Ash Wednesday

The Church will begin the Season of Lent this year on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017. On that day two Masses will be celebrated with the blessing and distribution of Ashes at 12:00 P.M. and 7:30 p.m. All are Welcome.

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 earliest 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.



Upcoming Events

- March 1, 2017 – Ash Wednesday
- March 12, 2017 – St. Patrick's Dinner after 11 am Mass
- March 26, 2017 – Fish and Chips Dinner after 11 am Mass
- April 2, 2017 – NY/NJ Adoration Society AGAPE at Holy Cross Church
- April 12, 2017 – Clergy Conference, Chrism Mass -St. Stanislaus Cathedral Parish, 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 – 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



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 February 26 – Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella

Week of March 12 – Offered by Susan Jakob

Week of March 19 – Melissa, August Centrella by Claire Centrella

Week of April 23 – Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella (THERE ARE STILL MANY DATES AVAILABLE)



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.



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 89 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.

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!



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

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 **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.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES – The next classes are scheduled as follows: **Sunday FEB. 19; MAR. 5, 19; APRIL 23, 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 education.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Upcoming classes: **FEBRUARY 19, MARCH 5, 11, 19, APRIL 2, 23, 2017** The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. **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.



ST. PATRICK'S DINNER & FATHER & CHILD'S BAKE CONTEST – SEE SIGN UP IN THE HALL (WITH PARENTS HELP) SUNDAY MARCH 12, 2017 AFTER 11:00. MASS. MENU: CORNED BEEF, CABBAGE, IRISH RED POTATOES, BAKED CHICKEN - VARIETY OF VEGETABLES, ASSORTED BREADS / IRISH SODA BREAD, IRISH COFFEE /TEA, HOMEMADE DESSERTS. FOR THAT DINNER WE NEED 3 VOLUNTEERS TO HELP ON SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2017 BEGINNING AT 10:00 A.M. AND 3-4 PEOPLE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017 AFTER 9:00 A.M. MASS. WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS – ESPECIALLY THE YOUTH - TO SERVE THE DINNER. TAKE OUTS WILL BE AVAILABLE. ORDER TAKE OUTS WHEN PURCHASING TICKETS. TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES. Adults \$15 - Children and youth free of charge. THE CHILDREN WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE BAKE CONTEST WITH PARENTS ARE ASKED TO SIGN UP ON THE SIGN UP LIST IN THE PARISH HALL. Please purchase tickets by Tuesday March 7, 2017. You may send donations by mail. If you have any questions call 201-247-4832 or e-mail holycrosspncc1@gmail.com Looking forward to see you all enjoying the dinner!

HAPPY 101!

Our parishioner, Stella Skawinski celebrated her 101st Birthday on February 13th. We visited Stella at her home with a special flowers, card signed by many, and cake we had ordered for our St. Valentine's Day Luncheon the day before. Stella unfortunately could not come due to bad weather conditions. The Holy Cross Church is tremendously pleased to have Stella as our member. She is full of energy, joy and inspirational to all of us. Happy Birthday Stella, with God's many blessings of good health and happiness. At the picture from left, Fr. Joseph with wife, Renata, Elaine Rotsaert (Stella's niece) and STELLA SKAWINSKI!



THANK YOU - ST VALENTINE'S LUNCHEON



We thank those who supported our St. Valentine's day Luncheon held on Sunday February 12, 2017, especially Renata Cyman who decorated the hall, ANS members for preparing the food and those who served and cleaned after the event. Even though the weather was not on our side, we enjoyed the food, fellowship and music. We thank those who participated in 50/50 drawing and cheer of basket prepared by Adoration Society. See you at St. Patrick's Dinner!



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

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.

THE PRAYER REQUEST - The container "**Prayer Request**" is located at the side altar by the baptismal font. 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.

INCOME TAX - 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.



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!**

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.**

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.

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.

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

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Deacon - William Gaydos	973-239-4725
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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.