

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 31, 2016

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SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. / Christmas Eve 4pm, 10pm; Christmas Day 10am

WEEKDAY MASSES 8:30 am (check bulletin) / Thursday – 7:15 pm

"Isn't this the son of Joseph?" Luke 4:22

Introduction



As it was with the prophets before him, Jesus was not embraced with loving arms. He met resistance early on in his ministry. Speaking the truth and challenging the status quo is a risky thing. Paul speaks today of the spiritual gifts of faith, hope and love, with love as the superior gift. These gifts must have strengthened Jesus in his ministry. If we follow him, we shouldn't be surprised if we encounter resistance. But faith, hope and, above all, love can sustain us.

Today's Scriptures



Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 God calls and strengthens Jeremiah for prophecy.

Psalm 71 I will sing of your salvation.

1 Cor 12:31-13:13 Paul's hymn on love, the greatest of all gifts.

Luke 4:21-30 The hearers reject Jesus' message in the synagogue.

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 AM – George O'Brien 11:00 AM – Angela Gulla



SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. WE RECEIVED \$1,000 from Shopping Certificates for a TOTAL of \$63,000! We thank Lucy Daum and Merry Sleece for organizing and 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.**

I remember you in my prayers each day. Please keep me and my family in your daily 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; Monica Lukowiak; Emila Bargiel, Jean Tierney, Sophie Barnes; Gene Kapchonick Liz Wozney 3136 Oceanic Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753; Rose Gentile, 237 Salomone Ave. Woodland Park, NJ 07424; Linda Brady, Ann Obsuth, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Zachary Decker, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill,

Annie Lee, Theresa Petrusky, Janice Krasulja. 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.

HEALING MASS – The next Mass will be celebrated on **Thursdays, January 21, 28, 2016** 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.

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

Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://Blog.holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 189 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

2016 BULLETIN ADS - \$100 per year – THANK YOU

BUSINESS ADVERTISING –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 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com, thank you. **Please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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9:00 am Holy Mass for All Parishioners
10:00 am – Coffee Time Fellowship
10:10 am – School of Christian Living Classes
11:00 am Holy Mass +Milos Suvajac, Baka Suvajac, Dorothy Przebieglec, Judy Przebieglec, Jim and Helen Murphy, Rose Gizzi and Mary Card; Offered by Michele, John and Nicholas Gizzi (All Souls)

After Mass – Preparation for First Holy Communion

Monday February 1, 2016 – St. Ignatius of Antioch Bp., M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Tuesday February 2, 2016 – Presentation of the Lord

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

Wednesday, February 3, 2016 – St. Blaise Bp., M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Thursday February 4, 2016 – Weekday

7:15 pm - Holy Mass for the sick and home-bound (Healing Mass)

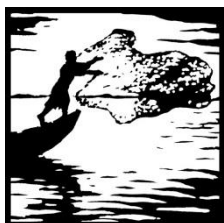
Friday February 5, 2016 – St. Agatha, V. M.

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



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 7, 2016

"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." Luke 5:5



9:00 am Holy Mass +Frank Costello, Suzanne Costello, Andrew Sleece, Lucy Sleece; Offered by Bob and Merry Sleece (All Souls)
10:00 am – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING in the hall (light refreshments served)
10:00 am – Coffee Time Fellowship
10:10 am – School of Christian Living Classes



PLEASE REMEMBER FEB. 7, 2016 - THE SECOND MASS AT 11:30 AM

11:30 am Holy Mass + Frances Kobylarz, Edward Kobylarz; Offered by Rudolph Kobylarz (All Souls)

After Mass – Preparation for Confirmation

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 church vestibule, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society. You can send donation by mail. Thank you for your donations.

January 17, 2016 – *In memory of Melissa & August Centrella* – offered by Claire Centrella

January 24, 2016 - *In memory of Nancy Ysla* - offered by Claire Centrella

January 31, 2016 – *In memory of Agnieszka Cyman* – offered by Fr. Joseph and Family

February 7 – *Jean and Joseph Zajac* - offered by Susan Jakob.



Ash Wednesday

ASH WEDNESDAY - THE BEGINNING OF LENT The Church will begin the Season of Lent this year on Ash Wednesday, February 10, 2018. 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 CORDIALLY WELCOMED.**

CHURCH CALENDARS

Shook Funeral Home have given us 2016 calendars for distribution. Anyone wishing to have one please take yours free of charge from the vestibule of the church.



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.

2016 ADULT ENVELOPES. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church. If you have any questions or need church envelopes please ask Richard Daum, Financial Secretary, 973-694-9457.

School of Christian Living Classes

Please join us by enrolling your child in this free of charge program.

Level I - Pre-school – Kindergarten – 2nd grade – Nayef Kiame

Level II – 3rd and 4th grades – Mrs. Claire Centrella

Level III - 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades – Mrs. Donna Maher



EPIPHANY PASTORAL VISITATIONS

– Fr. Joseph will be blessing homes during Epiphany Pastoral Visitations. Please let Fr. Joseph know that you wish to have your home/apartment blessed by calling 973-256-4888 /201-247-4832. Normally the blessing of homes takes place from Christmas until the season of Lent.



ALTAR FLOWERS – Flowers at the altar are the wonderful sign of praise and thanksgiving to God. If you would like to donate flowers to remember an Anniversary, Birthday, departed loved one, etc. please call the rectory for further information (973-256-4888).

HOLY CROSS PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - Do you crochet or knit? Then join us in this new ministry by helping make shawls for home bound, persons in need of our prayers, people dealing with illnesses. We can make a difference by comforting them in their time of need by presenting them with a handmade shawl and special prayers for our blessed shawl. May God's grace be upon this shawl... Warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven... a sacred place of security and well being... May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace. And wrapped in love! Blessed Be!!! Great gift for the Caregiver as well! And if you know of anyone in need please contact Claire Centrella. We have patterns for knitting. We thank the ladies who donated prayer shawls. We have given out



your crocheting and/or

already 11 shawls to those in need. There is yarn available in the parish hall for those who would like to make a shawl.



90th Anniversary of Holy Cross Church - June 26, 2016.
Solemn Mass at 11:00 am presided by Bp. Bernard Nowicki

Reception at The Brownstone, Paterson NJ at 1:00 pm - Please mark your calendars.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES: The preparation for first Holy Communion will begin on Sunday, **Jan. 31, Feb. 14, 28, 2016.** It is held on Sundays, after the 11 AM Mass. 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)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES Upcoming classes: **Feb. 7, 21, 2016.** Students who are 13 years old and older as well as 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. The date of Confirmation – fall 2016.



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.**

St. Valentine's Day Luncheon - Sunday, February 14, 2016

12:00PM (after 11am Mass)

Donation: Adults - \$10

Children - Free

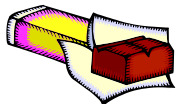
Includes: Salad, Meat Balls, Pasta, Dessert Basket of Cheer and 50/50!

Purchase tickets after Masses or

Call for tickets 973-256-4888 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com by Feb. 7, 2016



4th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER – World’s Finest Chocolate. TO DATE: \$1,471.00



WE THANK THOSE WHO SELL OUR CHOCOLATES AND WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.☺

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!**

We thank anyone who in any way, shape or form serves for the betterment of our parish. May the Lord reward you for sharing your time, talent and treasure.

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.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2016 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. **All the societies of our parish are asked to give their annual report from year 2015 and their projects for the year 2016.** Another important aspect of our Annual Parish Meeting will be the election of the Parish Committee. The Parish Committee is the council, which meets once per month (usually for about 1 hour on the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month) to discuss concerns and make decisions for the parish. Would you consider serving on this committee? Please contact Fr. Joseph or Lynn Imperiale for additional information.

Help Holy Cross to raise more \$. There are 170 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 \$90.50. 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.



UPCOMING DATES

- February 14, 2016 – **Valentine’s Day Dinner** after 11 am Mass
- February 21, 2016 – **100th Birthday** Stella Skawinski
- March 13, 2016 – **St. Patrick’s Dinner** after 11 am Mass
- March 13, 2016 - **Adoration Society Agape** in Dunellen, NJ
- March 13, 2016 – **Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship FDN. Casino Night – The Brownstone**
- March 20, 2016 – **Palm Sunday**
- March 27, 2016 – **Easter Sunday**
- April 3, 2016 – **Easter Egg Hunt & Party** for School of Christian Living (SOCL)
- May 1, 2016 – **Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- May 7, 2016 (Saturday) – **NY/NJ Central Diocese Adoration Society Convention** at Transfiguration of our Lord Parish, Wallington, NJ
- May 8, 2016 - **Mother’s Day Breakfast** at 10 am
- June 12, 2016 – **SOCL attendance awards and Parish Picnic**
- June 19, 2016 – **Father’s Day breakfast** at 10 am
- June 26, 2016 at 11 am – **90th Anniversary of Holy Cross Church**, dinner following at the Brownstone, Paterson, NJ (ONE MASS THAT SUNDAY)



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.

We thank Deacon Bill for lessons preparing new 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.

Winter Coat Drive Starting on Feb.7th until Feb. 21st, we will be collecting new and slightly used winter coats for Father English/Eva’s Village. This is a drive created by our Confirmation Class students. There will be 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)



Dear Pastor Joseph, Thank you for helping us potentially save lives in your community. It is because of your generosity that Life Line Screening continues to be able to bring these health screenings into your area and for that, we are very appreciative.



We look forward to working together again! We appreciate all your help and support with hosting this community outreach event. Sincerely, Barbara Church / Life Line Screening

www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners

NOTE FROM PASTOR: LENT - SPIRITUAL RENEWAL



I would like to have Bible Study classes during Lent on Wednesday Feb. 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16, 2016 at 7:15 pm. The classes will include Scripture readings, discussions and, occasionally, film reviews. This is a wonderful way to renew our spiritual life during Advent. Interested, please sign up in the parish hall or call 973-256-4888 / or 201-247-4832 (cell). Fr. Joseph.



Our parish will celebrate a special occasion on Sunday February 21st – the 100th birthday of Stella Skawinski. The family invites parishioners for this so joyful event. Please contact Lawrence Skawinski (Stella's son)

Tel. 859-781-6565 or email charm@fuse.net RSVP by February 10, 2016. Thank you.



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.

MELISSA A. CENTRELLA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION -The Board of Directors of the Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship Foundation invite you to attend thirteenth annual fundraiser CASINO NIGHT, Blackjack, Craps, Poker, Roulette & Big Six, Professional Dealers, Open Bar, Buffet Dinner. Chips will be converted into raffle tickets for fabulous prizes. Help them raise money for scholarships for 2016! They have awarded 130 scholarships to-date! Sunday, March 13, 2016, 5:30 p.m. at the Brownstone 351 West Broadway, Paterson, NJ. Tickets: \$75.00 (Includes a \$50 initial set of chips). Open bar all evening. All profits will go to the Scholarship Foundation. Please RSVP by March 1, 2016 to: Claire Centrella MAC Scholarship Foundation 120 Quarry Dr., Clifton, N.J. 07013 www.macscholarship.org Call at 201- 572-1299 for more information.



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

