4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1/29/2017 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) " Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God." Matt 5:9 INTRUDUCTION

Brothers and sisters in Christ, today we will hear one of the most familiar, yet difficult, Gospel passages, challenging us to consider what it means to be one of God's chosen: humble,

weak, lowly, poor, meek. These are not the typical goals of our education, our hard work, our hopes and dreams. Perhaps we could join together today and pray for



understanding, for wisdom, and for the grace to hear God's Word to us today.

Scripture readings:

<u>Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13</u> Seek the Lord, you humble of the earth. **<u>1 Cor 1:26-31</u>** God chooses the weak, the lowly, the despised. <u>**Matt 5:1-12**</u> Blessed are the poor ...

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Ned Kiame 11:00 am – Jason Cabrejos SHOPPING CERTIFICATES We thank Lucy Daw



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 <u>STOP N SHOP, FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE.</u> 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.



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 Obssuth, 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... **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>ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE</u> 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.

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

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 216 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2017

As of January 22, 2017 – 4 adult parishioners paid membership in this year. <u>The parish dues in 2017 has</u> been changed since the diocesan Synod held in October 2016 EXPLANATION: The parish needs to send to the diocese and General Church the following: \$25 (*This amount was accepted at the Diocesan Synod held in 2016*) to the Central Diocese, and \$100 to the General Church; Total membership is \$125.00 per adult. 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 or send email <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u> Thank you for your support.

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.**



SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2017 – FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY



"Blessed are they..." Matthew 5:4

 9:00AM
 – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

 10:00 AM
 – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

 10:10 AM
 – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

 11:00AM
 – Holy Mass for +Jean and Joseph Zajac, Dawn

 Zajac, Helen Zajac, Deceased of Jakob, Kukowski and Zajac

 families; Offered by Susan Jacob (All Souls)

Monday, January 30, 2017 – St. Martina V. M.

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

Tuesday January 31, 2017 – St. Marcella, W.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Wednesday February 1, 2017 – St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bp. M. 8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, February 2, 2017 – Presentation of the Lord

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

Friday, February 3, 2017 – St. St. Blaise of Sebastea, Bp. M.

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. Matthew 5:13

9:00AM – Holy Mass for +June Pettegrew, Robert Pettegrew Flora Paulison, Gene Paulison, Joseph Bielke; Offered by Paulison Family (All Souls) **10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP**

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

10:10 am – FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

11:00AM – Holy Mass for all parishioners

After Mass – Confirmation class

YOU

<u>THANK YOU</u> We thank Renata Cyman and Dorothy O'Brien who this past week dedicated their time to clean and reorganize items in the church and Adoration Society storage room.

Upcoming Events

February 12, 2017 - Valentine's Day Dinner after 11 am Mass 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 - Solemnity of the 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 – Mission and Evangelism Workshop at Holy Cross Church 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

Holy Cross Church Ministries and

Organizations

Holy Cross Church Ministries, Organizations & Services Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832 **Deacon - David Gaydos** 973-209-4729 973-239-4725 **Deacon - William Gavdos** 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 973-768-7917 Adoration Society - Penni Lazor **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)

St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611 **Parish Life Committee** - 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



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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 January 29 – Domenick Bucci Feb. 1, 2000 (17 years) and Anna Bucci February 1, 1990 (27 years)

Week of February 26 – Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella

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.

<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!

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 February 5, 19, 2017 after 11 am Mass. The registration forms are online and in the parish office. <u>Students who are in the 7th grade and older and adults</u> 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 5, 19, 2017 at 10:00 am a.m.** The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. 1st Holy Communion date is Sunday May 21, 2017.

HEALING MASS – The next Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, February 24, 2017**, at 7:30 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.



<u>CONGRATULATION</u> to <u>Genesis</u> Joann Figueroa, daughter of Luis Figueroa and Juana (Herrera) who received the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday January 22, 2017, Proud godparents were Angel Obando and Leslie Landa. Best wishes to the Figueroa Family and our prayer that they find Holy Cross to be their second home, a place of spiritual growth and social contentment.

DAY CARE PROJECT

Few words about the progress with our day care project as we get ready to welcome the new day care tenant with toddlers and infants. The project is in the final stage. Three doors are installed, ramps and roof is finished. The railing will be installed this week. Please continue to pray so that the project will be completely finished and allow the daycare to move in to our premises on February 15th. Some more donations for the building fund came in. Your support is truly appreciated. We are thankful for your generosity.



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 Slysz building provided by high school youth. All the societies of our parish are asked to give their annual report from year 2016 and their projects for

the year 2017. 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 Tuesday 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 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.



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.



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 201-247-4832. Normally the blessing of homes takes place from Christmas until the season of Lent.

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 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. <u>Please sign-up</u> 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.

UPCOMING BAPTISMS:

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

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 201-247-4832 (cell) email

holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

<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)



<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.

GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE



Please pick up copies from the parish hall. Also the issues of *God's Field* are available online at <u>http://www.pncc.org</u>. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.