



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— JULY 24, 2016

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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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

“And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” Luke 11:10

INTRODUCTION



Is there a limit to mercy, forgiveness, hope, intercession? We sometimes run out of steam or reach impenetrable walls. But today’s readings are about abundance and persistence, grounded in love. With God, there are no limits to mercy or promise. We don’t fully understand God’s mercy or the meaning or effectiveness of prayer, but we are urged to continue head-on. We are invited into loving relationship with God and one another, where there are no bounds or limits.

Scripture readings:

Genesis 18:20-32 Abraham dialogues with God about God’s mercy.

Psalms 138 Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Col 2:12-14 We have been brought to life with Christ.

Luke 11:1-3 Jesus’ teachings about persistent prayer



LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – John Surak 11:00 am –



SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. RECENTLY WE RECEIVED \$1,000 from Shopping Certificates for a TOTAL of \$64,000! 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 2 Oak Place, Little Falls, NJ 07424; **Emila Bargiel**, 21 Lincoln Lane, Woodland Park, NJ 07424; **Jean Tierney** 207 Crane Road Brick, NJ 08723, **Sophie Barnes**, 35 Florence Ave., Hawthorne, NJ 07506; **Gene Kapchonick** 123 Cabrillo Blvd., Toms River, NJ 08757; **Liz Wozney** 3136



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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.

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



Louis Phillips /Eileen Haftek– July 7 – 43rd Ann.
William Lamping /Judy Bartol – July 16 – 50th Ann

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. 203 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 – 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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9:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Leon Bujak; Offered by Bob and Merry Sleece
10:00 am – Coffee fellowship
10:30 am – preparation for Baptism
11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Marie Filler; Offered by Susan Kendal / +Melida Castillo; Requested by Miosotty Castro +Hermes O. Santiago; Requested by Lauren



Santiago

Baptism of Isabella Rose Mazur, daughter of Christopher David Mazur and Rosanna (nee Bartolomeo); godparents Jeff and Mara Mazur

Monday July 25, 2016 – St. James the Greater, Apostle

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Tuesday July 26, 2016 – St. Joachim and Anna

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

Wednesday July 27, 2016 – St. Pantaleon, M.

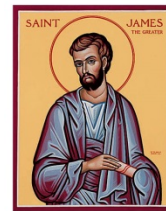
8:30 am - Holy Mass

Thursday, July 28, 2016 – Weekday

7:30 PM - Holy Mass for the Sick and Homebound (Healing Mass)

Friday, July 29, 2016 – St. Martha

8:30 am - Holy Mass the past, present, and future benefactors of Holy Cross Church



18th Sunday In Ordinary Time – July 31, 2016

"Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." Luke 12:21



9:00 AM – Holy Mass for All Parishioners
10:00 am – Coffee fellowship
11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Leon Bujak; Offered by John and Joanne Plaxa

Our Mission – The Holy Cross Church is a

community of faith with the mission to welcome all people 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.



Beginning in July the Mass for the Sick and Home Bound will be celebrated **on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm.** We hope for more participants to present prayers for you or for others. **Dates of Healing Masses: July 29, August 25, September 29.** The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit.

GIFT SHOP OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES



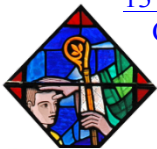
WE THANK THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROJECT

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.**



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 your crocheting and/or knitting. **We have given out 19 shawls to those in need.** **We thank all the ladies who made the shawls.**

CONFIRMATION CLASSES Upcoming classes: **Sunday Sept. 18, 2016 after 11 am Mass.** 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 – **Sunday Nov. 6, 2016 @ 11 am**



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Thank you for your anticipated support toward our parish.



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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.

UPCOMING DATES

July 7, 2016 – **Movies Under the Stars begins at dusk in Woodland Park**
August 2, 2016 – **National Night Out 6-9pm by Boys and Girls Club, Woodland Park**
August 7, 2016 – **Lector's Meeting after 9 am**
August 20, 2016 – **Sacrament of Marriage between David Yip and Jessica Gesualdi**
September 18, 2016 – **NY/NJ Adoration Society Convention at Holy Cross Church**
September 24, 2016 – **Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship Beefsteak at Holy Cross Church**
12th Diocesan Synod, Central Diocese PNCC, Wallington NJ October 6-8, 2016



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.

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