

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT - 3/05/2017

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 91 Years of Service

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SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

"All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this time, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan!" Matthew 4:9-10



INTRODUCTION

The battle between good and evil is writ large in literature, drama and religion. Today's readings — indeed, all of Scripture — reveal a truth we know all too well. Even the best of us has experienced the powerful attraction of what we should not do. Our tradition tells us even more profoundly that the story is larger than temptation or failure. We hear, instead, what is possible: Grace, justification, obedience, righteousness and life are the real end of the story.

Scripture readings:

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7 Adam and Eve are tempted

Psalms 51 Be merciful, O Lord, for we are sinners

Romans 5:12-19 Jesus' obedience overcomes sin

Matthew 4:1-11 Jesus himself is tempted



LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – George O'Brien

11:00 am – Claire Centrella

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; **Theresa Triggiano**, **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...

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.

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



Francesco Racanati / Krista Campbell – 6th Anniversary – April 2

Wilian and Maria Matute – 16th Anniversary – April 4

Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 59th Anniversary – April 6

Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 6th Anniversary – April 15

Edward and Beverly Obsuth – 26th Anniversary – April 21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:



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. 216 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2017

As of February 26, 2017 – twenty one (32) adult parishioners paid membership in this year. The parish dues in 2017 has 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 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com 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.**

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SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2017 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

"All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this time, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan!" Matthew 4:9-10



9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

10:10 AM – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

10:10 am – Adoration Society – Prayer Blankets project

11:00AM – Holy Mass

After Mass – Confirmation preparation

Monday, March 6, 2017 – St. Perpetua, Felicity & Companions, M.

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

Tuesday March 7, 2017 – St. Thomas Aquinas, D., C

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Wednesday March 8, 2017 – St. Philemon and Apollonius, M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Thursday, March 9, 2017 – St. Gregory of Nyssa, B.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound

Friday, March 10, 2017 – Lent

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

7:30 PM – STATIONS OF THE CROSS



SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

INSTITUTION OF THE POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

"For he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust." Mt. 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

AFTER MASS – ST. PATRICK'S DINNER



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 **91 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.

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 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 - 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**

WINTER COAT DRIVE – CONTINUE ENDS MARCH 12, 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. Thank you in advance for your kindness.



LENTEN DEVOTIONS



On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm. Dates: March 10, 17, 24 ,31 April 7 and Good Friday April 14, 2017 at 3 pm.

The 14 stations depict the following scenes: 1. *Jesus is condemned to death*; 2. *Jesus accepts the cross*; 3. *Jesus falls the first time*; 4. *Jesus meets His Mother*; 5. *Simon of Cyrene carries the cross*; 6. *Veronica wipes the face of Jesus*; 7. *Jesus falls the second time*; 8. *Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem*; 9. *Jesus falls the third time*; 10. *Jesus is stripped of His garments*; 11. *Crucifixion: Jesus is nailed to the cross*; 12. *Jesus dies on the cross*; 13. *Jesus' body is removed from the cross*; 14. *Jesus is laid in the tomb.*

This liturgy helps us to meditate on the sufferings of Jesus and better understand his greatest love for us by dying on the cross for our sins.

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER



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!

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 March 5 – John and Adele Sincavage

Week of March 12 – Offered by Susan Jakob

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

Week of April 9 – Penni Lazor

Week of April 16 – Hughie, Rose Vickerilla

Week of April 23 – Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella

Week of April 30 – Jozef, Agnieszka, Andrzej Cyman

(THERE ARE SOME DATES AVAILABLE)

ALTAR SERVERS



We would like to continue the process of bringing on more altar servers at our Masses. We thank those who served in the past weeks.

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. Please contact Deacon Bill for more information.



**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.

THANK YOU FOR RECENT DONATIONS TOWARD THE BUILDING FUND



We appreciate any donations toward the Building Fund for our future necessary repairs. Also, we ask more parishioners to participate in the purchase of shopping certificates since the profit goes toward the Building Fund.

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.

Confirmation Class



CONFIRMATION CLASSES – The next classes are scheduled as follows: **Sunday 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: **MARCH 5, 11, 19, APRIL 2, 23, 2017** The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. We thank for her service. **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.



THANK YOU TO:

- Renata Cyman, who changed the altar linens to purple color for Lent
- Parish Committee members for attending meetings and making important decisions for the parish.
- Sunday School teachers for providing lessons for the children.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH PRAYER SHAWL AND BLANKET Ministry
ADORATION SOCIETY PROJECT
Parish Hall**

Sunday March 5, 2017 after 9 am Mass.

We knit, crochet and make no-sew fleece blankets. Join us if you would like to learn how to make a prayer shawl or blanket to give to those who need God's love and Comfort. Most of all we need you to come and pray with us as we make these precious wraps. Please join us!

FISH & CHIPS DINNER

“LET’S CELEBERATE SPRING!”

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

Sunday, March 26, 2017

50/50 Raffle – Door Prize

MENU

Manhattan Clam Chowder

Fresh Rolls and Butter

Salads and Coleslaw

Fish and Chips

Chicken Cutlet

Coffee / Tea

Assorted Desserts

Adults \$15/ Children under 12 free

(attending with parents) Fish sticks and mac and cheese at request when purchase tickets

R.S.V.P. by 3/20/17 Call: 201-247-4832 (cell) 973-256-4888 (office)

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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

EVENTS AT THE CHURCH OF TRANSFIGURATION, WALLINGTON, NJ

Pasta Dinner – March 11, 2017 - Saturday 4 pm to 6 pm*

Trick Tray, Wednesday May 3, 2017 at the Fiesta, Wood Ridge, NJ for tickets call 201-463-1512*

72-nd YMS of R. Bowling Tournament on May 19-21, 2017 *

* FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE FLYERS IN THE PARISH HALL

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.



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.

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.

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.



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!