

# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 14, 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)**

*“The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - John 10:3*

## INTRODUCTION

We are reminded today that spreading the word about Christ did not go smoothly in the early church. Understanding and accepting Jesus was a slow and often unsuccessful process. It may seem different now, but if we consider our own questions and struggles with faith, we realize that our commitment is not formed overnight. It is often subject to life circumstances that challenge our faith. There is still work to be done in spreading the good news. If we want to contribute to the effort, we might begin with ourselves.



## SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**Acts 6:1-7** Challenges in the early Christian community

**Ps 33** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

**1 Pet 2:4-9** Christ is the true foundation

**John 14:1-12** “You have faith in God; have faith also in me.”

## LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Deacon Bill

11:00 am – Claire Centrella

**SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. GREAT NEWS- ANOTHER \$1000 WAS DEPOSITED TO BUILDING FUND FROM SHOPPING CERTIFICATE SALES. THE TOTAL IS \$66,000 SINCE THE PROJECT STARTED.** Please continue to support our Building Fund is by purchasing weekly shopping gift cards. The Building Fund always needs finance any future repairs and maintenance of our facility. **We thank all those who participate and who run this wonderful project Lucy Daum and Merry Sleece.** Gift cards are available for FAIRWAY (NEW),



**STOP N SHOP, FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE.** If you have any questions contact Lucy Daum (973) 694-9457, or Merry Sleece 973-731-3611. God bless.

**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, 52 Godwin St, Ap. 11 L, Paterson, NJ 07501, Emilia 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; George Febricatore, Jaclyn Monro, Joseph Capizzi, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, 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 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.

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



**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**  
**Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 53rd Anniversary – May 3**  
**Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 54<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – May 12**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:



Dominick Bucci – May 4; Vicki Cupo – May 5; Mary Margo – May 8; Stivet Salcedo Jr. – May 8; Robert Robinson – May 9; Valerie Vance – 5/10; Aedan Vance – 5/12; Stefano Sung – May 13; Rosa Rojas – May 18; Maria Matute – 5/20; Mario Peano – May 21; Kimberly Matute- 5/21; John A. Lazor Jr. – May 23; Ariana Rubio – 5/26; Maria Vasquez – 5/26; Nelly Cabrejos – May 27; Sebastian Arias – 5/31;

*(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](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)

Visiting our website [Blog.holycrosssite.org](http://Blog.holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 224 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2017**



### **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](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com), thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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**MAY 14, 2017 – 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER MOTHER'S DAY**

"Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip?" - *John 14*



**9:00 am Holy Mass for All MOTHERS**

**10:10 AM – MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**  
**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!**

**11:00 am – Holy Mass for All MOTHERS**

+Melissa and August Centrella, Emanuele and  
Theresa Triggiano; Offered by Claire Centrella



**11 am - SPECIAL GUESTS: Choir members St. Annes Parish, Jersey City**

**5 pm - WAKE SERVICE for +Alice Kriskewic at Browning-Forshay Funeral Home, 557**

**Lafayette Ave., Hawthorne, NJ Christ is risen ! / He is Risen indeed!**

**Monday, May 15, 2017 – Easter Weekday**

**8:30 am Mass at Holy Cross for Deceased Alice Kriskewic; Offered by Cyman Family**

**10:30 AM – FUNERAL SERVICE for +Alice Kriskewic at Browning-Funeral Home, 557 Lafayette Ave., Hawthorne, NJ**

**7:00 pm – Preparation for Baptism and Holy Communion (for adults)**

**Tuesday May 16, 2017 – St. Brendan, Ab.**

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

**7:30 pm – Parish Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 17, 2017 – St. Bruno, Bp.**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass**

**Thursday, May 18, 2017 – St. Venantius, M.**

**8:30 am - Holy Mass**

**7:00 pm – Sacrament of Baptism for Kendri Luis Garcia (godparents – Armando Vasques and Dominica Santiago)**

**Friday, May 19, 2017 – St. Dustan Bp.**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass for Benefactors of Holy Cross**



Forshay



**MAY 21, 2017 – 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION**

"Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." - John 14:15



**9:00 am** Holy Mass for  
**10:00** – Coffee and cake Fellowship  
**10:10 AM** – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES  
**11:00 am** – **HOLY MASS FOR RECIPIENTS (CHILDREN AND ADULTS) RECEIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**



**Refreshments after Mass**

*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.



**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 May 7 - In memory of Anne Piascik by the Merson Family**

**Week of May 14 – In memory of Jean and Joseph Zajac by Susan Jakob**

(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.**

**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 91 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.



**Thank you for RECENT DONATIONS to National Church Center and Missions -** Al and Fran Cuccinello - \$25



**Be a Good Steward**

**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.**



**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS** – IN CASE OF YOUR INABILITY TO COME TO CHURCH ON ANY PARTICULAR SUNDAY, PLEASE MAIL OR SUBMIT YOUR SUNDAY OFFERINGS AND DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH. YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN ORDER TO PAY UTILITIES AND EXPENSES. THANK YOU. THE PARISH COMMITTEE.

Confirmation Class



**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** – The next classes are scheduled as follows: **Sunday May 28, 2017 AFTER 11 A.M. MASS.** The registration forms are online and in the parish office. Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> 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: **Sunday , May 19 (rehearsal) and May 21<sup>st</sup> CELEBRATION AT 11 AM.** The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. We thank for her service.



**1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## Upcoming Events



**FLEA MARKET POSTPONED TO SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2017**

June 11, 2017 – **SOCL attendance awards and Parish Picnic**

June 18, 2017 – **Father’s Day breakfast at 10 am**

### **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](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)



**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.



**EASTER SEASON** - During the 50 days season of Easter (until June 4, 2017) we commemorate the life giving resurrection of our Lord. Fasting does not take place during this time. We say our prayers standing rather than kneeling. We stand during the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass. We greet one another with the words, “Christ is Risen! Indeed, he is Risen! This is the time of great rejoicing.



**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.**

**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.

**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

**EVENTS AT THE CHURCH OF TRANSFIGURATION, WALLINGTON, NJ**

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

**\* FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE FLYERS IN THE PARISH HALL**

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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.

**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

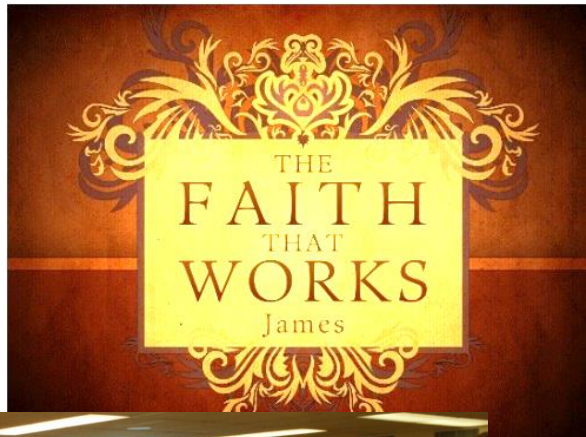




**Mission and Evangelism Workshop  
at Holy Cross Church May 5-7, 2017**









**DEAR PARISHIONERS, PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEPARTED PARISHIONER, ALICE KRISKEWIC (94) who passed away Friday May 12, 2017.**

**She was a member of Holy Cross Church for many years serving additionally as Treasurer of Adoration Society, Member of Daughters of Holy Cross and former member of the parish choir.**

**She will be missed by our parish. We remember her in our thoughts and prayers.**

**On behalf of the parish and my family we extend deep sympathy to her family, relatives and friends.**

**The Funeral Service will be held on Monday at 10:30 am at Browning-Forshay Funeral Home, 557 Lafayette Ave., Hawthorne, NJ. Visitation hours at the funeral home on Sunday from 3-7.**

**Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.**

**Obituary published by Browning-Forshay Funeral Home, 557 Lafayette Ave., Hawthorne, NJ**

**Kriskewic, Alice Theresa (nee: Sentkowski), age 94, of Hawthorne, on Friday, May 12, 2017. Born and raised in Little Falls, Alice had lived in Paterson before moving to Hawthorne in 1963. Alice held many different jobs throughout the years; she worked as an inspector for REDM, a butcher at A&P, and as an insurance agent for Spojnia Insurance Company. Alice was a parishioner of Holy Cross Polish National Church in Woodland Park where she was a member of the Adoration Society, the Women's Club and the choir.**

**Alice was the beloved wife of the late Edward J. Kriskewic (1989). Loving mother of Joe Kriskewic of Dunedin, FL, the late Stephen Kriskewic and the late Edward Kriskewic. Loving grandmother of Edward Kriskewic and his wife Lisa, Valerie Wheatley and her husband William, Lauralee Brown, Dawn Piccione and her husband Nicholas, Heather Kriskewic, Jennifer Martinez and her husband Michael, Courtney Kriskewic, David Kriskewic and his wife Melanie and Stephen Kriskewic, Jr. Dearest great-grandmother of 24; great-great grandmother of one. Alice is survived by her daughter-in-law Kathy Kriskewic and predeceased by two brothers and two sisters. Alice is survived by many loving nieces and nephews.**



*In Our  
Thoughts  
and Prayers*

**DEAR PARISHIONERS, PLEASE PRAY FOR ANN OBSSUTH (89), the mother of David A. Obssuth, Andrew S. Obssuth, Jr. and Edward J. Obssuth and his wife, Beverly A., all of Clifton, grandmother of Edward J. Obssuth, Jr. She is also survived by her devoted niece, Rosanne Boturla among other loving nieces and nephews.** The Funeral Mass was held on Friday, May 12, 2017 at Most Holy Name of Jesus Slovak National Catholic Church in Passaic with the presence of Fr. Joseph and Deacon David.

**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.

## Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

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**School of Christian Living (SOCL)** Mrs. Donna Maher (201-774-9560), Mr. Paul Murphy (201-463-7656), Nayef, Ned Kiame (volunteers)  
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**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.*