

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 18, 2014

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS CHURCH** PNCC 88 Years of Service
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Deacon David Gaydos / Deacon William Gaydos

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES 9:00 A.M. (check bulletin)

"With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him." Luke 24:31

INTRODUCTION



Brothers and sisters, during this Easter season we have been hearing selections from the Acts of the Apostles, stories about the life of the very early church. Everything we experience in the church today — inspiration and ignorance, compassion and conflict, extraordinary charity and extraordinary self-interest — all these were experienced by our earliest ancestors in the faith. Today we will hear about one conflict between the Greek Christians and the Hebrew Christians and how they solved the problem. Let us pray for our church — for the desire and the creativity to find solutions to our struggles today.

Scripture readings:

Acts 6:1-7 The call of the first deacons

Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-10 Lord, we place our trust in you.

1 Pet 2:4-9 We are chosen to witness to the glory of God.

John 14:1-12 Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 AM – Lucy Daum

11:00 AM – Claire Centrella



SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. We thank all those who participate and who run this wonderful project. Gift cards are available for *STOP & SHOP, A&P, PATHMARK, FOODTOWN, SHOPRITE and FAIRWAY*. 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. Good news! Recently the shopping certificates donated \$1000 toward the Building Fund for a total of 57,000 since the project started. 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.

Please remember me and my family in your prayers. – Fr. Joseph

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY ARE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS, CARDS AND OTHER SIGNS OF CHRISTIAN SUPPORT:

Diane Asbaty, 296 Linda Vista Ave, N. Haledon, NJ 07508; **Irene Novak**, 1120 Alps Rd Wayne, New Jersey; **Mary Margo**, 2 Oak Place, Little Falls, NJ 07424; **Jean Tierney** 207 Crane Road Brick, NJ 08723, **Michele Lazor**, 47 Bramshill Drive, Mahwah, NJ 07430; **Sophie Barnes**, 35 Florence Ave., Hawthorne, NJ 07506; **Jean Zajac**, 148 Fern St. Washington Twp., NJ 07676; **Wanda Gec**, 165 Sheridan Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011; **Gene Kapchonick** 123 Cabrillo Blvd., Toms River, NJ 08757; **Liz Wozney** 3136 Oceanic Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753; **Irene Legawiec**, **Mario Peano**, **Roy Zebrowski**. Our friends: **Dorothy**, **Larry Skawinski**, **Michael Poalillo**, **Jo Ann Murphy**, **Fr. Sr. Wieslaw Pietruszka**, **Judy Bozza**, **Stanley Mikolajczyk**, **Raymond Coss**, **Vincenzo Gravino**, **Patricia Jarmakowicz**, **Zachary Decker**, **Joseph Denne, Jr.**, **Declan and Urbano**, **Ann Catalano**, **Maryann Nuzzo**, **Helen Blum**. We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray: Hail Mary, Glory...

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

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

Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 50th Anniversary – May 3

Stephen and Pilar Bradbury – 3rd Anniversary - May 16

Richard Minich & Mary Booker - 34th Ann. – May 18

Erick Urban & Fae Ludkiewicz – 15th Anniversary – May 22

(If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please call the parish office at (973)-256-4888).



Holy Cross Church Face Book – link


www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog.holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 116 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

2014 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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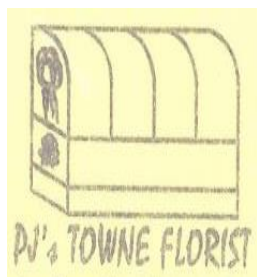
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Christ is risen ! / He is Risen indeed!

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2014 – 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

"Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" John 14:5



- 9:00 AM** - Holy Mass + August & Melissa Centrella, Emanuele Triggiano Offered by Claire Centrella
- 10:00 AM** – Coffee and cake Fellowship
- 10:10 AM** – School of Christian Living class (except First Holy Communion students)
- 11:00 AM** – Holy Mass with Intention for First Holy



Communion children:

CINDY FIORELA MATUTE, SEBASTIAN HERNAN ARIAS, CLAUDIO A. SOTO SANITA, JR., RANA HILAL MIKHAIL
After Mass - Confirmation Class

Tuesday, May 20, 2014 – Easter Weekday

9:00 AM – Holy Mass for the peace in the world

Wednesday May 21, 2014 – Easter Weekday

9:00 AM – Holy Mass

6:30 pm – Preparation for baptism

7:30 pm – Parish Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 22, 2014 – Easter Weekday

7:15 PM – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound (Healing Mass)

Friday, May 23, 2014 – St. Brendan Ab.

9:00 AM – Holy Mass for the Benefactors of Holy Cross Church

Saturday, May 24, 2014 –

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2014 – 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live." John 14:19



9:00 AM - Holy Mass +Frances LaCorte, Offered by daughter

10:00 AM – Coffee and cake Fellowship

10:10 AM – School of Christian Living class

11:00 AM – Baptism of Alyson Julin Matute Pauta, the

daughter of Wilian and Maria Matute (Pauta)



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On Father's Day June 15, 2014 we are reminded to support the Clergy Pension Fund. Please use the special envelope included in your envelope box.- see more information in the parish hall on the bulletin board.

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 **vestibule of the church**, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society. Thank you for your donations.

Week of May 11 - Mike Poalillo

Week of May 18 - Blessing for Michael & Kelly

Week of May 25 - John & Adele Sincavage



Parish Picnic– June 11, 2014 -We would like our parishioners to invite their family and friends to our Picnic as guests. As you know there is no charge and we will have games for the children and food for all. Volunteers are welcome to bring your favorite dish. There will be a sign up sheet where you could indicate the dish you will bring. The parish picnic **PREPARATION** mtg.

Sunday June 1, 2014 at 10:10 AM.

GRADUATES – Soon it will be graduation time for many schools in our area. We would like to salute the members of our parish who will be graduating from school in the spring of 2014 and print their names in the Father's Day (JUNE 15) edition of the Sunday bulletin. Graduates or parents of graduates are asked to submit names and information to the church office no later than Sunday, June 8, 2014. You can send information by e-mail – holycrosspncc1@gmail.com



CONFIRMATION CLASSES The preparation for Confirmation is held on Sundays, after the 11 AM Mass in the parish hall. Youth who are in the seventh grade and older are eligible to take classes. The date of the Sacrament of Confirmation will be scheduled. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in your youth's religious education. Upcoming Classes after 11:00 am Mass; May 18, June 1, 8 - **SOCL Awards / PARISH PICNIC, June 15 - Father's Day Breakfast, prayers, poems for Fathers. The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday October 19, 2014 at 11 am.**

Confirmation

FLEA MARKET by DAUGHTERS OF HOLY CROSS and ADORATION SOCIETY has been postponed until September 20, 2014. If you have any questions, please call Elaine 973-838-4246 or Penni 973-768-7917. Thank you in advance for your participation.

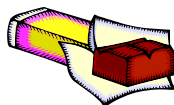
ALMS BOX – Our parish traditionally uses the Alms Box in the vestibule of the church for the benefit of the poor. Please continue to support this great cause to help the less fortunate of our society.

The last count was \$285. "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." (Matthew 6:3-4)

Good Search

Help Holy Cross to raise more \$. There are 123 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 \$73.94. 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.**

3rd ANNUAL FUNDRAISER – World's Finest Chocolate.



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.



Easter Flowers Donations continued....– Jean Tierney, Carolyn Tomesko

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE HOLY CROSS CHURCH

May the Lord reward your generosity!

LET US IMITATE THE WAYS OF GOD BY BEING MORE GENEROUS AND LOVING IN OUR SERVICE TO HIS MYSTICAL BODY, "THE CHURCH."



DONATIONS TOWARD 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.

New Boiler - SPECIAL PARISH MEETING

Was held on Sunday March 30, 2014 to discuss the needs of a new furnace. The decision was made to proceed with this project. A special letter is being sent to all parishioners.



HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH



Fees: For non-members of the parish: The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$100.00 for each hour of rental time. For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$50.00 fee for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888.

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.



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.

BEAUTIFUL CROSSES – (donated by our parishioner) are for sale. The retail price is \$25 each and the Holy Cross Church is selling them for \$10. Don't forget yours for gifts. Father Joseph blessed all of these crosses in advance.

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.*



ADVERTISEMENT OF THE PARISH – The new print of Holy Cross Church pamphlet is available in the vestibule of the church. Please use it as the tool to advertise our parish in your neighborhood welcoming especially those who are not affiliated with any church.

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

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.

THE PRAYERS 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. were delivered to Care One in Wayne before Easter.



PARISH CHOIR – We share our love for the Lord and praise Him through music. 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 or talk to him after mass. Thank you.

LECTORS - READERS WANTED

We are in need of lectors to read during our liturgies. Please contact John Surak, Lectors' coordinator 201-264-671 or the parish office 973-256-4888 or if you are interested in becoming a lector. We welcome Angela Gulla as our new lector serving in our parish.



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 Church Ministries and Organizations

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Organist - Neil Estanislao	201-966-9026
Organist - Jessica Muccilli	973-903-7273
Parish Comm. Chairperson – Lynn Imperiale	862-368-3653
Adoration Society - Penni Lazor	973-768-7917
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) Claire Centrella, Donna Fabricatore, Donna Maher	
St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum	973-694-9457
Parish Life Committee -Deacon David & Laurie Gaydos, Merry Sleece, Angela Gulla, Ed and Beverly Obsuth, Penni Lazor, Renata Cyman and more....	
Stewardship Committee – Al Katinsky 973-694-3208 / Pat Olsen 973-696-6581 / Diane Lacey 973-256-1288	
Ushers – John Surak 201-264-6711	
Greeters - Karen Paulison 973-686-0584; Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653; Claire Centrella – 201-572-1299	
Maintenance - Dominick Bucci 973-785-2299	
Shopping Certificates- Lucy Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611	
Polish National Union of America - Alice Kriskewic – 973-427-9648	

NEW REGISTRATIONS - Our parish is leasing the Sunday school building to the tenant **FUN KIDS ACADEMY, L.L.C from Monday to Friday**. The service is offered for the children from *two and half to five years old*. Ann Marie Scirica, the Director of the Fun Kids Academy accepts NEW registrations. Please call 973-256-0760. Discount rates are available for the members of Holy Cross Church.



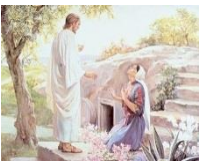
We thank those men and young gentlemen who prepared, served and cleaned after the Mother's Day Breakfast. We thank children who said prayers of the faithful, red poems and sung songs for our Mothers. God bless all our Mothers living and deceased!



We thank those parishioners who participated in the Centennial of Woodland Park parade May 17, 2014 representing proudly our parish, carrying the church sign, flags, distributing candies and church flyers. We enjoyed so beautiful weather after the rainy days, fellowship and the opportunity to meet several organizations, businesses, civil authorities and individuals including our parishioners.

**CONGRATULATION
TO THE COMMUNITY
OF WOODLAND PARK!**

EASTER SEASON



During the 50 day season of Easter (until June 8, 2014) 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

HEALING MASSES

The Healing Mass will be celebrated - Thursday, May 22, 29, 2014 @ 7:15 PM.



Information for our Youth and Parents

Youth Camp (KURS) is held every year in Waymart, Pa. It begins on July 4th and ends on July 12th. Our theme this year is "Miracles." As Christians come together to spend a week at the recreation center, we will focus not only on the miracles within the scriptures and by the hands of Jesus Christ, but those in the world around us. Lectures will feature views on miracles from bishops, priests, the military, and the medical field. There is an average of 5-7 attendees at a cost of approximately \$220 per person. Ask Fr. Joseph for application or log on online <http://www.pncc.org>

The Woodland Park Drug and Alcohol Alliance will pick one winner. The winner will be sponsored by the WP Drug and Alcohol Alliance to attend the Youth Camp help in Waymart, PA beginning on July 4th.

What's so wrong with underage drinking? Statistics and research show that the brain continues to develop from birth through the teen years and into the mid-20s. Using or abusing alcohol at a young age impairs brain growth. Underage drinking increases the chances of alcohol addiction later in life. How can you help your peers become aware of these statistics and make healthy alternative choices to drug and alcohol? Write a persuasive essay of at least 500 words.

Essays are due to Father Joseph by May 30th. The essays will be forward to WP Municipal Alliance to choose the winner.

"Convo" is held every other summer as a national PNCC youth convention begins. This year it will begin on July 21-25, 2014 at Heidelberg University; Tiffin, OH. This gathering gives the youth of our church a chance to make lifelong friendship with other church members from across the country. Opportunities are also available for youth to be elected to the Church United Youth Association (UYA) where they represent the youth of the church through their own ministry and with adult members.



Registration packets are available at the Rectory. Save money by registering early! Early Bird (Postmarked by May 23, 2014) Fee: \$240 per person. Final deadline for registration is to be received by July 7, 2014. Go to westerndiocesepncc.org/wduya for Convo 2014 information or Convo 2014 on Facebook.

UPCOMING DATES

- May 18, 2014 – First Holy Communion
- June 8, 2014 – Parish Picnic and SOCL Awards
- June 15, 2014 – Father's Day Breakfast
- June 22, 2014 – Corpus Christi in Dunellen, NJ
- Sept. 13, 2014 – Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship Fundraiser
- October 18, 2014 – Beefsteak Dinner fundraiser
- October 19, 2014-11 AM Mass – Sacrament of Confirmation
- November 7, 2014 – Tricky Tray