



ASCENSION SUNDAY – MAY 28, 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)

"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Matthew 28:20

INTRODUCTION

Brothers and sisters, today we remember the mysterious and glorious event of Jesus' ascension into heaven. As the disciples gaze after Jesus, two strangers appear and ask them why they are looking for Jesus in the sky. Where do we look for Jesus? Let us pray for open eyes and minds and hearts to find Jesus wherever he may be for us today.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Acts 1:1-11 Jesus ascends to heaven.

Psalms 47:2-3, 6-9 God mounts his throne to shouts of joy.

Ephesians 1:17-23 Jesus is seated at God's right hand.

Matthew 28:16-20 Go into the world and preach the Gospel.

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Nayef Kiame

11:00 am – Jasmine Cabrejos

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. GREAT NEWS - ANOTHER \$1000 WAS DEPOSITED TO BUILDING FUND FROM SHOPPING CERTIFICATES 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 to 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; Stella Skawinski; Loretta Offman, Emila Bargiel; Liz Wozney; 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.



Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 54th Anniversary – May 12

Robert Muller/Kim Kowalik – June 9 – 15th Ann.

Gale Galese/Patricia Carrigan – June 14 – 30th Ann.

Keith Rotsaert/Donna Clavelle – June 24 – 17th Ann.

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

Visiting our website 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.



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 May 28, 2017 – Ascension of the Lord (from Thursday May 25th)

The Ascension of Our Lord, which occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead on Easter, is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday. On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven (Luke 24:51; Mark 16:19; Acts 1:9-11).

MAY 28, 2017 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD

"The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. - Matthew 28:16

9:00 am Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 – Coffee and cake Fellowship

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

11:00 am – Holy Mass for Melissa, August Centrella, Emanuele and Theresa Triggiano; Offered by Claire Centrella

After Mass – Confirmation Class

Monday, May 29, 2017 – Memorial Day – USA

Tuesday May 30, 2017 – St. Felix of Rome, Bp.

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

Wednesday, May 31, 2017 – St. Petronella, V.

8:30 am – Holy Mass

7:00 pm – Preparation for Sacrament of Marriage

Thursday, June 1, 2017

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Friday, June 2, 2017- St. Erasmus, Bp. M.

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

Friday, June 30, 2017- St. Kevin, Ab.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for Emanuele and Theresa Triggiano; Offered by Claire Centrella



JUNE 4, 2017 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." - John 20:22-23



9:00 am Holy Mass for Alice Kriskewic; Offered by Richard and Lucy Daum /

+Deceased of Kasbo Family; Offered by Daad Kasbo

10:00 am – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

11:00 am – Holy Mass for Melissa Centrella (15th Ann.); Offered by Claire Centrella

Confirmation Class



CONFIRMATION CLASSES – The next classes are scheduled as follows: **Sunday May 28, 2017 AFTER 11 A.M. MASS.** 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.

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



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

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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.

Parish Picnic– June 11, 2017 -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. WITH PARISH COMMITTEE WE ARE PLANING TO HAVE AN ETHNIC/INTERNATIONAL MENU. PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE ETHNIC FOOD. We would appreciate if you write a simple menu of the dish. THERE IS A SIGN-UP sheet where you can indicate the dish you will bring. The parish picnic **PREPARATION** mtg. **Sunday June 4, 2017 at 10:00 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 2017 and print their names in the Father's Day (JUNE 18) 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 4, 2017. You can send information by e-mail –



holycrosspncc1@gmail.com Thank you.



On Father's Day June 18, 2017 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. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

June 10, 2017 – Youth Car Wash 10 am – 2:00 pm (set up 9:30 am)

June 11, 2017 – SOCL attendance awards and Parish Picnic

June 11, 2017 – Corpus Christi procession in Wallington, NJ

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

September 23, 2017 – Flea Market 3:00 am – 3:00 pm



UPCOMING SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM

JUNE 17, 2017 - LOUIS SALVADOR BRADBURY

JUNE 25, 2017 – OLIVIA ALICE SANTINI

UPCOMING BLESSING OF MARRIAGE

JUNE 25, 2017 – OMAR AND JASMINE COTES

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 June 4 – Melissa Centrella

Week of June 11 – James and Maria Filler by Sue Kendal

Week of June 18 – Available

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 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.\



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.



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.

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

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.

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.

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.

Thank you to volunteers who cleaned church kitchen.



CONGRATULATION: The Holy Cross Church joyfully witnessed the celebration of First Holy Communion on Sunday May 21, 2017. We congratulate DIEGO ERNESTO HILL, JUSTIN HAYSEL RAMIREZ, JAZLYN JUSTA BAUTISTA, ARIANNA RODRIGUEZ, JHYANNA EMMA BEATO, KENDRI LUIS GARCIA, AND STEFANIE SANTIAGO who received Holy Eucharist for the first time. We thank Mary Vitaletti for helping Fr. Joseph in providing First Holy Communion classes for children. During the Mass, the children and two adults participated in the liturgy by reading the Prayers of the Faithful and bringing to the altar the offertory gifts of bread and wine. We thank parents for their help and support as well as for sponsoring beautiful flowers for this special occasion. We thank organist, lector, altar servers, greeters and ushers who served at the Mass and everyone who attended



the liturgy last Sunday. *In the Holy Eucharist, Jesus Christ is really present under the forms of bread and wine. He 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 or bishop says the words of consecration which Jesus used during the Last Supper: This is My Body... This is My Blood.*

Thank you to the members of the Parish Committee who attend monthly

meetings and make important decisions for the good of the parish.



YOUTH Camp 611 Honesdale Rd. Waymart, PA

Dear Parent/Guardian and Campers, spring is here and summer is right around the corner. That means it is time once again for the annual Kurs encampment. Our theme is "We Hold a Treasure". Registration and drop off of campers will be Saturday July 1st starting at 9 am. The registration time is earlier this year because of our INDEPENDENCE DAY. Celebration will happen that day with Holy Mass at Noon by the Most Rev. Anthony Mikovsky, Prime Bishop. The Y.M.S. of R. picnic will follow Mass. There

will be no Mass or picnic on July 4th. Pick up of campers will be Saturday July 8th at Noon. The Kurs encampment is a Polish National Catholic Church tradition sponsored by the YMS of R Central Committee. Rates: Polish National Catholic Church Member- \$210.00 per child. Non - PNCC member rate-\$260.00 per child. The reasonable rates will provide your child with 7 days of camp. They will participate in team building and leadership activities that will build lifelong friendships. The campers will be under the leadership of the Kurs counselors who were all campers themselves once and want to make your child's experience as memorable and enjoyable as possible. It is their hard work and dedication that makes the Kurs experience possible. Our Theme "We Hold a Treasure" is

relative to Jesus Christ being our one treasure our Lord and Savior. The Treasure is also present in the Holy Eucharist, The Word of God, The Church and there is a treasure in Family, Friends and Community. There is also a Treasure in all of us that we need to find and discover. With all this treasure talk, the staff plans to build on the theme socially by incorporating the Pirates of Waymart. We will also be digging up a time capsule that was placed in the ground in 2007, and place a new one this year.



Camper Registration and Medical Forms are due back by Saturday June 17th, 2017. A \$20.00 deposit is required with registration and checks can be made payable to the YMS of R Central Committee. Mail Registrations to: **KURS 2017 - 611 West Grace St. Old Forge, Pa 18518** (**This is not the camps address, this is only the registration address**) ***The Camp address is 611 Honesdale Rd. Waymart, Pa 18472 ***. To ensure your child's stay please return your form as soon as possible. We will notify you if we have reached our capacity. Please do not come earlier than the times listed for drop off and pick up of campers. If there is a conflict please email Stacey Crispino-Shrive at Scrispo83@aol.com to make arrangements. If you need further information please call Nick Kazinetz at (570) 604-2620.

We look forward to seeing you.

Nick Kazinetz - President United YMS of R

Rev. James Konicki, Camp Spiritual Advisor

Stacey Crispino-Shrive, Counselor PLEASE ASK FOR REGISTRATION FORM - Fr. Joseph



HOLY CROSS YOUTH GROUP CAR WASH
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SATURDAY

June 10

CAR WASH!

GIVE A FREE WILL DONATION
HAVE YOUR CAR WASHED

On Saturday, June 10, 2017, Holy Cross Church will be having car wash! You can have your car washed between 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come and **give a free will donation** to support our Youth Group. See you there!

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