

HOLY CROSS CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends, enjoy recent pictures showing the life of our parish.











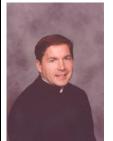






Pictures #1, #2 - Good Friday children

participation in the Stations of the Cross / Picture #3- S.O.C.L. Teachers and children getting ready for the Easter Egg Hunt
Picture #4 – Children playing musical chairs at the Easter Party / Picture #5 – Children at the Easter Egg Hunt
Picture #6 – The beautiful altar decorated with flowers / Picture #7 – Baptism of Davis Hector Taeyang Chang,
son of David and Priscilla Chang; Godparents Luke Midgley & Elyse Norton / Picture #8 – Parish Committee
Oath - April 27, 2014 (missing on the picture: Penni Lazor and Claire Centrella)



FROM PASTOR'S DESK



FOLLOWING THE 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; George Fabricatore, 22 Wilber St., Belleville, NJ 07109; 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; Irene Legawiec, Mario Peano, Roy Zebrowski, Gene Kapchonick 123 Cabrillo Blvd., Toms River, NJ 08757; Liz Wozney 3136 Oceanic Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753. 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

Richard Minich & Mary Booker - 34th Ann. - May 18 Erick Urban & Fae Ludkiewicz – 15th Anniversary – May 22

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

Dominick Bucci - May 4; Vicki Cupo - May 5; Mary Margo – May 8;

Stivet Salcedo Jr. - May 8; Robert Robinson -May 9; Stefano Sung – May 13;

Rosa Rojas - May 18; Mario Peano - May 21; John A. Lazor Jr. – May 23;

Nelly Cabrejos – May 27;

(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).

<u>Holy Cross Church Face Book – link</u>

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.

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 April 27 – Emanuele Triggiano

Week of May 4 - Penni Lazor 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 – <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2014 -CROWNING OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

The preparation for first Holy Communion is held on Sundays, after the 11 AM Mass in the parish hall. Children who are enrolled at second grade and older are eligible to take classes. The Holy Eucharist is Jesus Christ 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) Upcoming Classes: May 11 - (Mother's Day) Short Communion Class with parents after 11:00 a.m. Mass; May 16 - Friday - Rehearsal and Confession at 7:00 p.m. May 18 **FIRST** SUNDAY HOLY **COMMUNION** CELEBRATION at 11 a.m. Mass. We pray for students receiving their first Holy Communion - Cindy Matute, Sebastian Arias, Rana Mikhail, Claudio A. Soto Sanita, Jr.



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 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 4, 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.

FUTURE DATES OF HEALING MASSES - Healing Mass will be celebrated - Thursday, May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2014 @ 7:15 PM.

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.

<u>ALMS BOX</u> – 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)

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. 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. **TO DATE: \$1,490.00**



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.



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."**

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.



SPECIAL PARISH MEETING

Was held on Sunday March 30, 2014 to discuss the needs of a new furnace. The decision was made to

pursue with this project. A special letter will be 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 October 2013 issue. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes and people.



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.

HOME MADE PIZZA – Pizza is available in the freezer located in the meeting room. Your donation of \$4 per each pizza pie is greatly appreciated. Income to date \$12.

Information for our Youth

"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 information or Convo 2014 on Facebook.

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.

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.

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u> – Flowers at the altar are the wonderful sign of praise and thanksgiving to God. If you would like to

Flowers .

donate flowers to remember an Anniversary, Birthday, departed loved one, etc. please call the rectory for further information (973-256-4888).

UPCOMING DATES

May 11, 2014 - Mother's Day Breakfast

May 17, 2014 - 100th Anniversary of Woodland Park /

Parade at 1 pm

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 at 11 Am Mass – Sacrament of Confirmation

November 7, 2014 - Tricky Tray



<u>Upcoming Baptism</u> – Sunday May 25, 2014 – Alyson Julin Matute Pauta, the precious daughter of William and Maria Matute (Pauta)

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.

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> 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 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.



THANK YOU

THANK YOU – We thank all those who donated toward our Easter Flower Fund that enabled us to decorate the church for Easter season.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank Renata Cyman and members of the Adoration Society for decorating altars for Easter celebration.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank Claire Centrella, Donna Maher and Donna Fabricatore for preparations toward

Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Party for our children.

THANK YOU - I wish to thank all those who helped me during the Easter celebration: Deacon David, Deacon Bill, organist Neil Estanislao, Lectors, Altar Servers, those who carried baldachin, Pascal Candle, Resurrection Cross and Statue of the Resurrected Jesus, and children who strew flower petals. May the risen Lord reward your participation and service.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank Stewardship Committee and children of School of Christian Living for preparing beautiful

Easter flowers which were delivered to Care One in Wayne before Easter.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – We thank all youth who participated in the Good Friday Stations of the Cross and their parents for their support.

THANK YOU - We thank Richard and Lucy Daum for the



purchase of the new microphone to be used in the church sanctuary.

THANK YOU – We thank John Surak for the purchase of the mixer/amplifier, Audio Technical Body Pack System & Lapel Microphone to be used in the church sanctuary.

EASTER SEASON - During the 50 day season of Easter (until May 19, 2013) we commemorate the life giving resurrection of our Lord. Fasting does not take place during this time. We say our prayers standing rather that 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

<u>LASTING GIFTS</u> - "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 88 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.

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.

<u>BEAUTIFUL CROSSES</u> – (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.

<u>ADVERTISEMENT OF THE PARISH</u> – 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.

Welcome Guests 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



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.

Children thoughts about love



Since a very long time ago, people have searched for the meaning of love. But even the great philosophers, with their profound definitions, could not fully touch its true essence. In a survey of 4-8 year olds, kids share their views on love. But what do little kids know

about love? Read on and be surprised that despite their young and innocent minds, kids already have a simple but deep grasp of that four-letter word.

"Love is that first feeling you feel before all the bad stuff gets in the way."

"When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love."

"When someone loves you, the way she says your name is different. You know that your name is safe in her mouth."

"Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they smell each other."

"Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your french fries without making them give you any of theirs."
"Love is when someone hurts you. And you get so mad but you don't yell at him because you know it would hurt his feelings."

"Love is what makes you smile when you're tired."

"Love is when my mommy makes coffee for my daddy and she takes a sip before giving it to him, to make sure the taste is OK."

"Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen."

"If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend who you hate."

"Love is hugging. Love is kissing. Love is saying no."

"When you tell someone something bad about yourself and you're scared she won't love you anymore. But then you get surprised because not only does she still love you, she loves you even more."

"There are 2 kinds of love. Our love. God's love. But God

makes both kinds of them."
"Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it everyday."

"Love is like a little old woman and a little old man who are still friends even after they've know each other so well."

"During my piano recital, I was on a stage and scared. I looked at all the people watching me and saw my daddy waving and smiling. He was the only one doing that. I wasn't scared anymore."

"Love is-if you hold hands and sit beside each other in the cafeteria. That means you're in love. Otherwise, you can sit across from each other and be okay."

"My mommy loves me more than anybody. You don't see anyone else kissing me to sleep at night."

"Love is when mommy gives daddy the best piece of chicken."

"Love is when mommy sees daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is handsomer than Robert Redford."

"If you want somebody to love you, then just be yourself. Some people try to act like somebody else, somebody the boy likes better. I



think the boy isn't being very good if he does this to you and you should just find a nicer boy."



"Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone all day"

"When you're born and see your mommy for the first time.

"Love goes on even when you stop breathing and you pick up where you left off when you reach heaven."



"You really shouldn't say 'I love you' unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget."

"You have to fall in love before you get married. Then when you're married, you just sit around and read books together."



"I let my big sister pick on me because my Mom says she only picks on me because she loves me. So I pick on my baby sister because I love her." *

"Love cards like Valentine's cards say stuff on them that we'd like to say ourselves, but we wouldn't be caught dead saying."



"When you love somebody, your eyelashes go up and down and little stars come out of you."

"You can break love, but it won't die."

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

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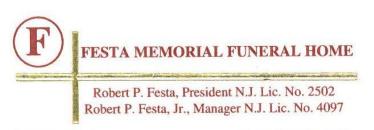


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Join us for our



Mother's Pay Breakfast

on

May 11, 2014 after 9am Mass

Enjoy

Fresh Fruit Salad, French Toast, Panish, Scrambled Eggs, Home Fries, sausage, and coffee, etc.

Made especially for Mothers by our men from the parish

All Arg Welcome!