25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 9/18/2016 SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS CHURCH PNCC

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SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. WEEKDAY MASSES 8:30 am (check bulletin)

"The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great one...." Luke 16:10



My friends, we so often find ourselves confronted with conflicting values and demands. Today we ponder how to balance our call to discipleship with our culture's call to accumulate wealth and material things. We hear that God is aware of both greed and the needs of the poor. Discipleship challenges us to be prudent, wise, focused and balanced in our interaction with money. It's not easy. Keeping our eyes on the final prize is what really matters. Lord Jesus, you recognized your disciples' attraction to worldly goods: Lord, have mercy. Christ Jesus, you taught them that money is to be used wisely: Christ, have mercy.

Today's Scripture Readings



Amos 8:4-7 God is aware of Israel's greed and the needs of the poor. Psalm 113 Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. 2 Tim 2:1-8 Paul urges prayer for those in authority. Luke 16:1-13 The dishonest steward exemplifies wisdom and the use of money.

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Nayef Kiame 11:00 am – Angela Gulla



SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. RECENTLY WE RECEIVED \$1,000 from Shopping Certificates for a TOTAL of \$65,000! We thank Lucy Daum and Merry Sleece for organizing and 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 **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.

I remember you in my prayers each day. Please keep me and my family in your daily 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; Emila Bargiel, 820 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470; Jean Tierney 207 Crane Road Brick, NJ 08723, 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; Rose Gentile, 237 Salomone Ave. Woodland Park, NJ 07424; Sophie Plaxa, Stella Skawinski, Ann Obssuth, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk,

Zachary Decker, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Annie Lee, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, Jaclyn Monro. 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. Jamie and Mayra Valer – 8/05 – 11th Ann. Miriam and Thomas Gomez – 8/23 – 30th Ann. Rafal Daniewski/Ewa Sobstyl – 8/29 – 24th Ann. George and Dorothy O'Brien – 9/11 - 45 years Edward Lazor/Michele Gula 10/8–39 years

Deacon David /Laurie Rusnak 10/28 – 37 years Eric Olsen/Denise Piwowar 10/8 - 27 years Keith Mullin and Jaclyn Ziobro 10/16 - 12 years; Nicholas Lawler/Michele Peano 10/15 - 11 years Martin Maher / Donna Giardino 10/24 – 27th Ann.

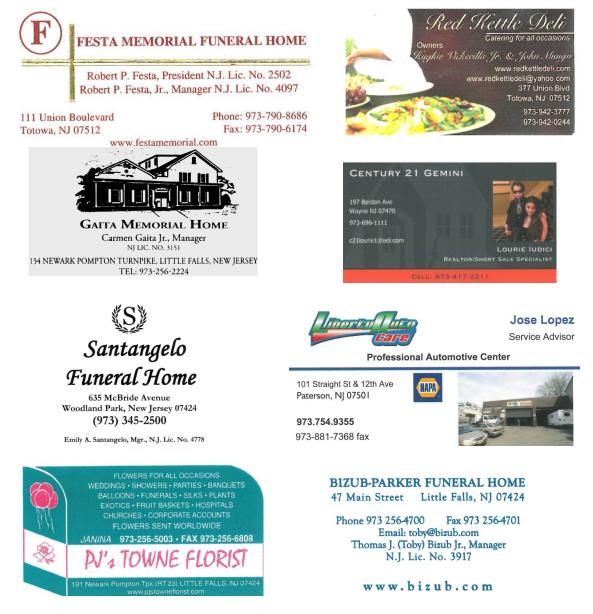
Holy Cross Church Face Book – link www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 212 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2016

2016 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 <u>holycrosspnc1@gmail.com</u>, thank you. **Parishioners and friends**, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



25 th Sunday In Ordinary Time – SEPTEMBER 18, 2016
"The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also
dishonest in great ones." Luke 16:10
<u>9:00 AM</u> – Holy Mass for +Francesco and Fresolina Noesi, Enrique and Ana Silvia Fermin,
Juan Garcia, Mery Andia, Loli Sanchez, Maria and Jorge Vargas,
Francisco Menchon, Josefa Jimenez, Aura Quinonez, Graciela Fermin;
Offered by Francisco Menchon (All Souls)
10:00 am – Coffee fellowship
10:10 am – School of Christin Living SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Melissa, August Centrella and Emanuele Triggiano; By Claire
Centrella
After Mass – Preparation class for Sacrament of Confirmation
Adoration Society NY/NJ Seniorate meeting at Holy Cross Church - service in the church - 3 pm
Monday September 19, 2016 – St. Janarius & Companions, Martyrs
8:30 am - Holy Mass
Tuesday September 20, 2016 – St. Eustace & Companions, Martyrs
8:30 am - Holy Mass for peace in the world
Wednesday September 21, 2016 – St. Matthew Apostle / Evangelist
8:30 am - Holy Mass
7:30 pm – Parish Committee meeting
Thursday, September 22, 2016 – Weekday
8:30 am - Holy Mass
7 pm – Preparation for Baptism (Adriana Joelle Carvajal)
Friday, September 23, 2016 – St. Thecla of Iconium, V., Martyr
8:30 am - Holy Mass for the past, present, and future benefactors of Holy Cross Church
Saturday, September 24, 2016 – St. Gerard, Bp.
8:00 am – 10 am – Holy Cross fundraiser at Applebee's, Totowa, Rt. 46 East
6 pm – Melissa Centrella Scholarship Foundation Beefsteak and Tricky Tray
26 th Sunday In Ordinary Time – SEPTEMBER 25, 2016
"He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment."" Luke 16:27-28
9:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Francesco and Fresolina Noesi, Enrique and Ana Silvia Fermin,
Juan Garcia, Mery Andia, Loli Sanchez, Maria and Jorge Vargas, Francisco Menchon,
Josefa Jimenez, Aura Quinonez, Graciela Fermin; Offered by Francisco
Menchon Menchon
10:00 am – Coffee fellowship
10:10 am – School of Christin Living
10:10 am – Preparation for First Holy Communion
11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Julia Sarnecky; Offered by Dorothy Stanchak
Sacrament of Baptism - ADRIANA JOELLE CARVAJAL

Mission

The parish of Holy Cross, Polish National Catholic Church 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 **90 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. Holy Mass is offered on Sunday at 9am and 11am with School of Christian Living Classes (Sunday School) (September – June) held from 10:05am to 10:50am. Weekly Holy Mass is celebrated at 8:30am and on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm for the sick and homebound (Healing Mass).



School of Christian Living Classes

Please join us by enrolling your child in this free of charge program. We welcome Paul Murthy as our new Sunday School teacher. Level I - Pre-school - Kindergarten - 2nd grade - Paul Murphy / Navef Kiame Level II – 3rd and 4th grades -Level III - 5th - 8th grades - Mrs. Donna Maher We need one more SOCL teacher. Please contact parish office – 973-265-4888 / 201-247-4832



ALTAR SERVERS We thank all Altar servers serving in our parish. We would like to continue the process of bringing on more altar servers at our Masses. 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.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES Upcoming classes: Sunday Sept. 18, 2016 after 11 am Mass. Students who are 13 years old and older as well as 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. The date of Confirmation – Sunday Nov. 6, 2016 @ 11 am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Class will begin on Sunday September 25, 2016 at 10:10 am (please note that the hour of class has changed)



Registration is open. So far we have five (5) students registered

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)

requirements: Students should be enrolled in 2nd grade Some or older to Parents/Guardians are required to attend Sunday Mass each week with children. participate: 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; The First Holy Communion teacher is Ms. Mary Vitaletti.



FOOD DRIVE – A food drive to benefit the Father English Food Pantry brought in 18 bags of nonperishable food items. The next food drive will be held today Sunday, October 2, 2016. All parishioners are asked to bring a bag of groceries to church on this day. Won't you help the needy in the name of Christ the Savior? "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done it to me." (Mat. 25:40)



HOLY CROSS PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - Do you crochet or knit? Then join us in this new ministry by helping make shawls for home bound, persons in need of our prayers, people dealing with illnesses. We can make a difference by comforting them in their time of need by presenting them with a handmade shawl and special prayers for our blessed shawl. May God's grace be upon this shawl...Warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven...a sacred place of security and well being... May the one who

receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace. And wrapped in love! Blessed Be!!! Great gift for the Caregiver as well! And if you know of anyone in need please contact Claire Centrella. We have patterns for your crocheting and/or knitting. We have given out 19 shawls to those in need. We thank all the ladies who made the shawls. Thank you.



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

DEAR 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.

Thank you for your anticipated support toward our parish.

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 September 18 – August Centrella by Claire Centrella

Week of September 25 – Melissa Centrella by Claire Centrella

Week of October 2 - Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella

Week of November 6 - Nancy Ysla by Claire Centrella

Week of December 25 – August Centrella and Emanuele Triggiano by Claire Centrella

<u>WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS</u> - 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.



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!

UPCOMING BAPTISMS:

SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 – ADRIANA JOELLE CARVAJAL, DAUGHTER OF HUGO CARVAJAL AND GRISELLE (NEE FERNANDEZ) NOVEMBER 19, 2016 - MATEO POMATES, SON OF STEVEN POMATES AND MELISSA TORRES

<u>Sacrament of Confirmation</u> Sunday November 6, 2016 at 11 am



Stewardship Committee Next Project

The next project will be October 16 – November 6, 2016; We will bring items for the veterans living at Veterans Home in Paramus, NJ.



<u>THE PRAYER REQUEST</u> - 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.

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 holycrosspnce1@gmail.com

PARISH CHOIR –Volunteers who wish to share their vocal or musical talents and would like to join our choir, please contact our or organist, Neil Estanislao - tel. 201-966-9026.



Thank you. Make a joyful shout to God all the earth! Sing out the honor of His name; make His praise glorious - Psalm 66:1,2



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.



Help Holy Cross raise more \$. There are 172 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. <u>To date we raised \$94.32</u>. The link is: <u>http://www.goodsearch.com/nonprofit/holy-cross-church-woodland-park.aspx</u>. 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.



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 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.

GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE - The latest issue of *God's Field* is now available online at <u>http://www.pncc.org</u>.

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.



<u>MINISTRY OF GREETERS</u> – 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.

WOODLAND PARK LIBRARY

On Sunday, Oct. 23rd at 2:00 pm, the library will present 'A Tribute to the Stars'with Mike Gintella. He will perform songs made popular by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Bobby Darin, Elvis, Englebert and more......Concert will be held in Council Chambers at 5 Brophy Lane.





<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u> – 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). Please remember that during Lent we don't have flowers in the sanctuary.



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



<u>ANNUAL BLESSING OF PETS</u> - will take place on Sunday, October 2, 2016 at the beginning of the 11:00 o'clock Mass. The Mass will take place in the parish hall. Well behaved dogs, cats, fish, birds and all God's creatures are invited with their owners. The blessing will be given in commemoration of Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

UPCOMING DATES



September 25, 2016 – First Holy Communion class October 6-8, 2016 - 12th Diocesan Synod, Central Diocese PNCC, Wallington NJ <u>Friday, October 28, 2016 - TRICKY TRAY</u> - Meat Cutters, 245 Paterson Ave, Little Falls, NJ December 11, 2011 – Christmas Dinner after 11 AM Mass

TRICKY TRAY "God Bless America" - FRIDAY OCT. 28, 2016 Amalgamated Meat Cutters 245



Paterson Ave. Little Falls The next Tricky Tray preparation meeting will take place on Sunday September 11, 2016 at 10:10 AM. Parishioners can bring their donations for Tricky Tray to the parish hall any time from now on. We need about 100 Regular Trays - \$35, about 100 Super Trays - \$50 plus, about 25 Grand Trays - over \$100; and about5 Platinum Trays-

over \$200. No need to put a bow on the gift, we will do



so. Bring to the Church with your Basket's Name, Your Name and state its value as: Regular, Super, Grand, or Platinum. In addition to your regular donated trays please consider **donating scratch-offs** to be used to make Grand Prizes, please bring them or send them to the church in the envelope marked "Tricky Tray". We know how everyone loves to win scratch-offs so these prizes will attract many. Also this year we will be selling packages of raffles tickets in advance at a reduced cost. There will be 4 levels of prizes (regular, super, grand and platinum). There will also be a 50/50 being sold at the affair. Those who would like to reserve tables of 8 or 10 please contact Penni 973-768-7917. TRICKY TRAY CAPTAINS WILL RECEIVE THE LIST OF NAMES WITH PHONE NUMBERS TO CALL AND ASK FOR DONATIONS. PLEASE SIGN UP AS VOLUNTEERS FOR THE TRICKY TRAY IN THE PARISH HALL. THANK YOU



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.**



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HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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TICKETS: \$10

DATE & TIME: Saturday, September 24th, 2016 8am-10am

CONTACT: 973-703-6473 dbucci3@optimum.net or Holy Cross Church 201-247-4832 (cell) holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

To host a Flapjack Fundraiser for your organization, visit FlapjackFunds.com. Please submit your requests for Donations, Sponsorships and Youth Connection by visiting "Community" at DohertyInc.com.

Meal includes: Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and a beverage (coffee, juice, soda or tea.) Please contact organization to purchase a ticket. This flyer is only intended for advertising purposes. Ticket valid for pancake event only. Applebee's® menu items are not included as part of purchase.