

HOLY FAMILY SOLEMNITY

SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC 90 Years of Service

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> The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor **The Deacon David Gaydos The Deacon William Gaydos**



NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES: 9 AM & 11 AM Regular SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

" And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man". Luke 2:52

My friends, today's readings give us 2,000-year-old guidelines for living together in family. We hear that families take work: They require compassion, kindness, patience and above all, love. Families come in every configuration, and they're often imperfect. But they provide the environment for us to become who we are called to be. People are stretched, often painfully, in the process. It's good to know that Jesus' family was really no different.

Lord Jesus, you lived, like us, in an ordinary family: Lord, have mercy. Christ Jesus, you knew the challenges of family life: Christ, have mercy.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 The responsibility of caring for one's parents Psalm 128 Blessed are those who fear the Lord. Colossians 3:12-21 A prescription for Christian family living Luke 2:41-52 Jesus is found in the temple.

. .LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Deacon Bill Gaydos 11:00 am - Jason Cabrejos

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. We thank Lucy Daum and Merry Sleece for 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. WE DO NOT RETIRE AT (\$)65.



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., Paterson, NJ 07501; Emila 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; Joanne Plaxa, Dennis Diestler, Ann Obssuth, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Zachary Decker, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, 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...

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.

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 at 7:15 pm.



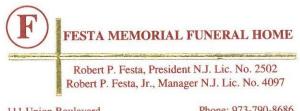
ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage. Jose Acosta/Paola Perez – Dec 3rd – 10th Ann. John Lazor / Alexandra Jaxon – Dec 16 – 44th Ann.

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

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 216 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

<u>BUSINESS ADVERTISING</u> – 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.



111 Union Boulevard Totowa, NJ 07512 Phone: 973-790-8686 Fax: 973-790-6174

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Jose Lopez
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Professional Automotive Center

NAPA

101 Straight St & 12th Ave Paterson, NI 0750I

973-881-7368 fax

973.754.9355







BIZUB-PARKER FUNERAL HOME 47 Main Street Little Falls, NJ 07424

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2016 - HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY

"" And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man". Luke 2:52

9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 AM - COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

11:00AM - Holy Mass for +Julia Sarnecky; Offered by Adele Kamerus

Monday, January 2, 2017 – Holy Name of Jesus

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

Tuesday January 3, 2017 – St. Genevieve V.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Wednesday January 4, 2017 – St. Gregory B.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Thursday, January 5, 2017 – Christmas weekday

8:30 am – <u>Holy Mass</u>

Friday, January 6, 2017 – blessing of incense and chalk

8:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors of the Holy Cross Church



SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2016 - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. Matthew 2:9



9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

<u>10:10 am – Adoration Society meeting</u>

11:00AM – Holy Mass for + Julia Sarnecky; Offered by Sophie Gula
ADORATION SOCIETY POTLUCK AFTER 11 AM MASS

And all throughout the coming year 2017!

Happy New Year - 2017! / Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku - 2017!

- Bonne Novell L'Année 2017! / Buen Ano Nuevo 2017!
- ❖ Ein gutes neues Jahr 2017! / Felice anno nuovo 2017
- Sretna Nova Godina! 2017 / Šťastný Nový Rok 2017

Father Joseph Cyman with Family and the Parish Committee

Dur 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 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.



<u>HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN</u> 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.



<u>PARISH CHOIR</u> – 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.

<u>2017 ADULT ENVELOPES</u> are available in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church.



<u>CONFIRMATION CLASSES – The next classes are scheduled as follows: Sunday January 8, 22, 2017 after 11 am Mass.</u> The registration forms are online and in the parish office. <u>Students who are in the 7th grade and older and adults</u> 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.

<u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</u> Upcoming classes: January 8, 22, 2017 at 10:00 am am. The First Holy Communion preparation is provided by teacher, Ms. Mary Vitaletti. 1st Holy Communion date is Sunday May 21, 2017.

HEALING MASS – The next Mass will be celebrated on Thursdays, December 29, 2016, January 26, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. You are invited to attend this special Mass if you have any health problems or you wish to present prayers for other people. The Lord always listens to our prayer and has the power of healing. Celebrant:



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – CONTINUE...

Claire Centrella in memory of Melissa and Augie Centrella, Emanuele Triggiano; Diane Hitchock in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki and Jim Hitchock; Any new donations will be included in the next bulletin

EPIPHANY PASTORAL VISITATIONS – Fr Joseph will be blessing homes during Epiphany Pastoral Visitations. Please let Fr. Joseph know that you wish to have your home/apartment blessed by calling 201-247-4832. Normally the blessing of homes takes place from Christmas until the season of Lent.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Will be held on second Sunday, February 19, 2016 (please note that the date has changed) after 9:00 a.m. Mass. The second Mass will be at 11:30 AM. There will be refreshments after the 9 AM Mass. School of Christian Living will have their program in Fr. John Slysz building provided by high school youth. All the societies of our parish are asked to give their annual report from year 2016 and their projects for the year 2017. Another important aspect of our Annual Parish Meeting will be the election of the Parish Committee. The Parish Committee is the council, which meets once per month (usually for about 1 hour on the 3rd Tuesday evening of the month) to discuss concerns and make decisions for the parish. Would you consider serving on this committee? Please contact Fr. Joseph or Lynn Imperiale for additional information.

Upcoming Events

January 29, 2017 – Music Scholarship Sunday

February 12, 2017 – Valentine's Day Dinner after 11 am Mass

March 1, 2017 – Ash Wednesday

March 12, 2017 – St. Patrick's Dinner after 11 am Mass

March 26, 2017 – **Fish and Chips Dinner** after 11 am Mass (tentative date)

April 2, 2017 – NY/NJ Adoration Society AGAPE

April 12, 2017 – Clergy Conference, Chrism Mass -St. Stanislaus Cathedral Parish,

Scranton, PA

April 16, 2017 – Easter – Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 23, 2017 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)

April 29, 2017 – Applebee's Breakfast 8am – 10 am (Applebee's in Totowa)

May 5, 2017 - Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship Fdn. Beefsteak Dinner

May 7, 2017 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 14, 2017 - Mother's Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 11, 2017 – SOCL attendance awards and Parish Picnic

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



Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

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Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832

Deacon - David Gaydos 973-209-4729

Deacon - William Gaydos 973-239-4725

Parish Comm. Chairperson, Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653

Secretary - Claire Centrella201-572-1299Organist - Neil Estanislao201-966-9026Organist - Jessica Muccilli973-903-7273Adoration Society - Penni Lazor973-768-7917

Daughters of Holy Cross Elaine Rotsaert973-838-4246Lectors Coordinators - John Surak201-264-6711Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos973-239-4725

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

St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

Parish Life Committee - Deacon David & Laurie Gaydos, Merry Sleece, Angela Gulla, Ed and Beverly Obssuth, Penni Lazor, Renata Cyman

Stewardship Committee – Pat Olsen 973-696-6581 / Diane Lacey 973-256-1288 / Al Katinsky 973-694-3208

Ushers – John Surak 201-264-6711

Greeters - Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653; Claire Centrella - 201-572-1299 / Karen Paulison 973-686-0584;

Maintenance - Dominick Bucci 973-785-2299

Shopping Certificates Sale - Lucy Daum 973-694-9457, Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

Polish National Union of America - Alice Kriskewic - 973-427-9648



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 December 25 – August, Mellissa Centrella and Emanuele Triggiano *by Claire Centrella* /(THERE ARE STILL MANY DATES AVAILABLE)



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.

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.



Dear Parishioners,

Few words about the progress with our day care project as we get ready to welcome the new day care tenant with toddlers and infants. The new window ordered for the day care project came on Dec. 27, 2016. It was installed by Smart Fix along with the third door. The other two doors were installed earlier. The inside four doors have newly installed tempered class windows as required. This project will continue after Sunday. Please help me to pray for good weather. Some more donations for the building fund are coming in. We are thankful for your generosity.

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 89 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.



<u>NEW PARISHIONERS</u> – 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!

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



<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> 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. <u>Please sign-up</u> 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.

UPCOMING BAPTISMS:

APRIL 2, 2017 - GABRIELA ROSALEE RACANATI THE DAUGHTER OF FRANCESCO AND KRISTA RACANATI.

GOD'S FIELD - (Rola Boza) ONLINE



<u>Please pick up copies from the parish hall.</u> Also the issues of *God's Field* are available online at http://www.pncc.org. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.

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

<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. "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." (Mat.6:3-4)



<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.