

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 16, 2014

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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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

"Rise, and do not be afraid." Matthew 17:7

INTRODUCTION

My Brothers and sisters in Christ, today we hear a familiar story that illustrates how confusing it must have been to be a friend and follower of Jesus. It is the story of the Transfiguration, when Jesus invites three of his friends to come to the mountain with him. While they are there, strange things happen that leave the disciples afraid and wondering just who this Jesus is. Sometimes we must wonder the same — who is this Jesus?

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Genesis 12:1-4 The call of Abraham

Psalms 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Lord, we trust in your mercy.

2 Timothy 1:8-10 God calls us to live a holy life.

Matthew 17:1-9 Jesus is transfigured; God says, "Listen."

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 AM – Dominick Bucci

11:00 AM – Jason Cabrejos

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. 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 & 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. **WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

Please remember me and my family in your prayers.

I remember you each day in my prayers. – Father Joseph



THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY ARE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS, CARDS AND OTHER SIGNS OF CHRISTIAN SUPPORT: 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; Louis and Wanda Gec, 165 Sheridan Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011; 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, Ed Dunn, Judy Bozza, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Raymond Coss, Vincenzo Gravino, Patricia Jarmakowicz, Zachary Decker, Joseph Denne, Jr., Rose Lattarulo, 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.

Francesco Racanati and Krista Campbell – 3rd Anniversary – April 2

Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 56th Anniversary – April 6

Robert Robinson and Barbara Skrzypek – 34th Anniversary – April 25

Edward and Beverly Obsuth – 23rd Anniversary – April 21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:



Brendan S. Novak – 3 /4; Jacqueline Coss – 3/4; Kayla Mullin – 3/5; Zackary Mullin – 3/5; Meghan Lazor – 3/6; Lenny Hrinuk – 3/7; Michael Muccilli – 3/7; Matthew Montero – 3/10; Deyanira (Pena) Salcedo – 3/10; Christopher Paulson – 3/10; Gianni Maher – 3/11; Hunter Rotsaert – 3/12; Pamela Caceres - 3/17; Vincent Poggi – 3/17; Kiley Bartolozzi – 3/21; Dana Jakob - 3/21; Edward Obsuth – 3/22; Stivet Salcedo Sr. – 3/28; Stephen Bradbury Sr. – 3/27; Bryan Bucci – 3/31 (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](#)

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Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://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.

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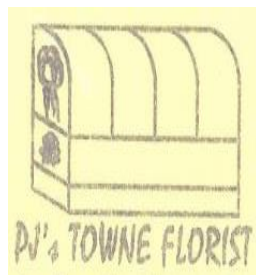
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SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2014 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00AM – Holy Mass - Good heath for Michael POALILLO; OFFERED BY WIFE AND FAMILY

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

11:00AM – Holy Mass +Louis Gec; Offered by Roy and Suzan Zebrowski

St. Patrick's Dinner

Children's Baking Contest / Green Grab Bag

Confirmation Students will be serving as community service in lieu of class



Tuesday, March 18, 2014 – Lent

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

Wednesday, March 19, 2014 – St. Joseph

9:00 am - Holy Mass

7:30 pm – Parish Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 20, 2014 – Lent

7:15 pm – Holy Mass for sick and home bound (Healing Mass)

Friday, March 21, 2014 – Lent

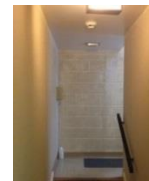
9:00 am – Holy Mass for all Benefactors of the Parish

7:15 pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 22, 2014 – Lent

9:30 am – Volunteers are needed to change wall paper in the hallway

11:00 am – 3:00 Pm – Candy sale by our youth (in front of Chinese Restaurant by Fairway)



SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2014 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"A woman of Samaria came to draw water". John 4:7



9:00AM – Holy Mass - +Mr. Hayes; Offered by Nancy LaCorte

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP

10:10 AM – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES

11:00AM – Holy Mass - +Louis Gec; Offered by Richard & Ela Lisiura

After Mass First Holy Communion Class

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES



The preparation for first Holy Communion is held on Sundays, after the 11 AM Mass in the parish hall. NEXT CLASSES will be held on Sunday, March 23, April 6, 2014. 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). The celebration of the First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday May 18, 2014 at 11 am.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES The preparation for Confirmation is held on Sundays, after the 11 AM Mass in the parish hall. NEXT CLASSES will be held on Sunday, March 16 (serving at St. Patrick's Day Dinner); 30, 2014. 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.

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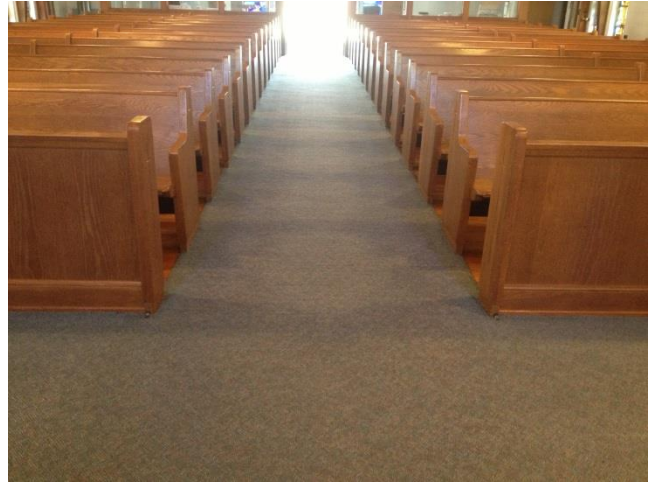
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On Thursday, March 13th, the carpet in the sanctuary, parish office and steps were cleaned by Oxy magic P.O. Box 51 Roseland, NJ 07068; 201-372-1040. We thank the Adoration Society for funding this effort.

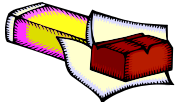
Please support Oxy magic who has joined our bulletin business advertising friends.



SPECIAL PARISH MEETING

Our parish needs a new furnace. A Special Parish Meeting to discuss this issue will take place on Sunday March 30, 2014 after 9 am Mass. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

3rd ANNUAL FUNDRAISER – World's Finest Chocolate. TO DATE: \$848.00



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.

Next Saturday and Sunday (March 22 & 23), our youth will be selling candy in front of IMPERIAL 46 in the Kohl's shopping center. Stop by, say hello and buy some candy.

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 March 16 – Melissa Centrella

Week of March 23 – Adele and John Sincavage

FUTURE DATES OF HEALING MASSES – Healing Mass will be celebrated - **Thursday, March 20, 27, 2014 @ 7:15 PM.**

FLEA MARKET by DAUGHTERS OF HOLY CROSS and ADORATION SOCIETY on Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 9 to 4 PM. Parishioners and outside vendors can rent out space for **\$20 a table. Tables are still available.** To rent a table, please call Elaine 973-838-4246 or Penni 973-768-7917. There will be a parish table to sell for the church profit. The ladies are asking parishioners to donate GOOD CONDITION, CLEANED and NEW items for the sale. **You can bring those items beginning on Sundays April 6, 13, 27, 2014 and place them in the parish hall.** We need volunteers to set up the parish hall on Friday May 2, 2014 beginning at 9 am. We also need help in the kitchen and clean up after the event. The sign-up sheet will be placed in the parish hall. If you have any questions, please call Elaine 973-838-4246 or Penni 973-768-7917. Thank you in advance for your participation.



LENTEN DEVOTIONS

On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross at 7:15 pm.

The 14 stations depict the following scenes: 1. *Jesus is condemned to death*; 2. *Jesus accepts the cross*; 3. *Jesus falls the first time*; 4. *Jesus meets His Mother*; 5. *Simon of Cyrene carries the cross*; 6. *Veronica wipes the face of Jesus*; 7. *Jesus falls the second time*; 8. *Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem*;

9. Jesus falls the third time; 10. Jesus is stripped of His garments; 11. Crucifixion: Jesus is nailed to the cross; 12. Jesus dies on the cross; 13. Jesus' body is removed from the cross; 14. Jesus is laid in the tomb.

This liturgy helps us to meditate on the sufferings of Jesus and better understand his greatest love for us by dying on the cross for our sins.

Good Search

Help Holy Cross to raise more \$. There are 122 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 \$73.92. 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.**



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

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.

Information for our Youth

Convo 2014 ; July 21-25, 2014; Heidelberg University; Tiffin, OH

Registration Information:

Registration packets are available at the Rectory. Save money by registering early!

Early Bird (Postmarked by May 23, 2014) Fee: \$240 per person

Regular Registration (Postmarked by June 13, 2014) Fee: \$295 per person

Late Registration (Postmarked after June 14, 2014) Fee: \$325 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.

ACOLYTE RETREAT at Bp. Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Waymart, PA – June 24-27, 2014

Youth Kurs Camp at Bp. Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Waymart, PA – beginning on July 4th.

More information will be given when available.

INCOME TAX– Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding of their donations to the church for the year 2013 for their income tax purposes, please contact Financial Secretary, Richard Daum 973-694-9457. We thank Richard Daum for his time and dedication in his service as Financial Secretary/Treasurer of Holy Cross Church.

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!**

A 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.*

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.

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.*

UPCOMING DATES

March 16, 2014 – St. Patrick's Dinner and Children's Bake Contest (with parents help) -:
April 6, 2014 – ANS Agape in Bayonne, NJ
April 11, 2014 – Fish and Chips Dinner
April 27, 2014 – Easter Egg Hunt and Party
May 3, 2014 – ANS and Daughters of Holy Cross - Flea Market
May 4, 2014 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary
May 11, 2014 – Mother's Day Breakfast
May 17, 2014 – 100th Anniversary of Woodland Park
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
September 13, 2014 – Melissa A. Centrella Scholarship Fundraiser
October 18, 2014 – Beefsteak Dinner
November 7, 2014 – Tricky Tray



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

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.



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. Parents need to come for the preparation before baptism takes place.

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. 973-256-4888

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.

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.

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).

BOX TOPS – Children are collecting box tops as fundraiser for their schools. If you wish to bring box tops for that purpose, please place them in the envelope located in the parish hall. Thank you.

FISH & CHIPS DINNER

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