



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 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

SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am
WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

“And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child”.

My friends, we live in a world that tends to segregate people along many lines, especially the weak from the powerful. This Christmas season and today’s feast remind us that God’s

revelation is for all people and that Jesus was sent for all. God’s will for the human race is unity—that all may be one. This vision is yet to be achieved, and there are those still threatened by it. But today we are called to walk in the light of this truth and to ask: From whom are we still separated? What are we called to do to bridge this chasm?

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-6 Nations shall walk by your light
Ps 5 Lord, every nation on earth will adore you
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 All are co-heirs and co-partners
Mt 2:1-2 Jesus is made known to the powerful

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – George O’Brian **11:00 am – Jasmine 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.** To date the shopping certificates sale brought in \$65,000.

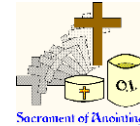
WE DO NOT RETIRE AT (\$)65.



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 Obsuth, 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners: Isabella Mazur – 12/17; Isabel Tiseo – 12/27; Greg Wozney – 12/30; Deacon David Gaydos – 12/31; Logan

Bartolozzi – 1/2; John Gizzi – 1/2; Penni Lazor – 1/3; Rebecca Suhok – 1/4; Neil Kiame – 1/6; Wendy Schlesinger – 1/9; Edward Obsuth Jr. – 1/11; Richard Daum – 1/12; Oby Eid – 1/14; Michele Gizzi – 1/15; Gail Blake – 1/17; Elizabeth Wozney – 1/18; Claire Centrella – 1/21; Alex Lazor – 1/24; Brenda Nin – 1/23; David Obsuth, 1/24; Thomas Emker – 1/25; Justin Fultz – 1/28; Sebastian Arias – 1/28; Susan Jakob – 1/29; Timothy Daum – 1/29; Jazmin Bradbury – 1/30; Gregory Suhok – 1/31; *(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 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.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2017

The parish dues in 2017 has been changed since the diocesan Synod held in October 2016

EXPLANATION: The parish needs to send to the diocese and General Church the following: \$25 *(This amount was accepted at the Diocesan Synod held in 2016)* to the Central Diocese, and \$100 to the General Church; Total membership is \$125.00 per adult. Please contact Richard Daum at 973-694-9457 for further information. If you cannot afford to pay the church membership donation please contact Fr. Joseph or send email holycrosspncc1@gmail.com Thank you for your support.

20176 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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 Robert P. Festa, President N.J. Lic. No. 2502
 Robert P. Festa, Jr., Manager N.J. Lic. No. 4097

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 Totowa, NJ 07512 Fax: 973-790-6174
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John Gizzi
 21 Curie Avenue Phone: 201-876-WINE(9463)
 Wallington, NJ 07057 Fax: 201-804-0007
 E-mail: JohnJr@makewinewithus.com

GAITA MEMORIAL HOME
 Carmen Gaita Jr., Manager
 NJ LIC. NO. 3151
 154 NEWARK POMPTON TURNPIKE, LITTLE FALLS, NEW JERSEY
 TEL: 973-256-2224

CENTURY 21 GEMINI
 197 Berdan Ave
 Wayne NJ 07470
 973-696-1111
 c21lounie1@aol.com
LOURIE IUDICI
 REALTOR/SHORT SALE SPECIALIST
 CELL: 973-417-2211

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Santangelo
Funeral Home
 635 McBride Avenue
 Woodland Park, New Jersey 07424
 (973) 345-2500
 Emily A. Santangelo, Mgr., N.J. Lic. No. 4778

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 101 Straight St & 12th Ave
 Paterson, NJ 07501
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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
10:10 am – Adoration Society meeting
11:00AM – Holy Mass for + **Julia Sarnecky**; Offered by *Sophie Gula*
ADORATION SOCIETY POTLUCK AFTER 11 AM MASS

Monday, January 9, 2017 – Baptism of the Lord

8:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world
Tuesday January 10, 2017 – Octave of the Epiphany

8:30 am - Holy Mass
Wednesday January 11, 2017 – St. Theodosius, Hermit

8:30 am – Holy Mass
Thursday, January 12, 2017 – St. Benedict, Ab.

8:30 am – Holy Mass
Friday, January 13, 2017 – Octave of the Epiphany

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2016 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“ On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.” John 1:33



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*May the Joy and Peace of Baby Jesus be with you now
 And all throughout the coming year 2017!*

Happy New Year – 2017! / Szczeńliwego 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

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 **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.



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 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.

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

Confirmation Class



CONFIRMATION CLASSES – The next classes are scheduled as follows: Sunday January 8, 22, February 5, 19, 2017 after 11 am Mass. The registration forms are online and in the parish office. 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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Upcoming classes: **January 8, 22, February 5, 19, 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:



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 **Shopping Cards** takes place from Christmas until the season of Lent.

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 Centrella** 201-572-1299
- Organist - Neil Estanislao** 201-966-9026
- Organist - Jessica Muccilli** 973-903-7273
- Adoration Society - Penni Lazor** 973-768-7917
- Daughters of Holy Cross** Elaine Rotsaert 973-838-4246
- Lectors Coordinators - John Surak** 201-264-6711
- Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos** 973-239-4725
- 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 Obsuth, 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 January 2017 – available (THERE ARE MANY DATES AVAILABLE)

THANK YOU FOR CLERGY PENSION FUND DONATIONS:

George and Dorothy O’Brien - \$25; Edward and Beverly Obsuth - \$20; Ron and Helen Yuswack - \$20; Zaida Bueno - \$10; Al and Fran Cuccinello - \$25; Hughie and Beverly Vickerilla - \$20;

Total Holy Cross income on Sunday January 1, 2017 (one Mass counted) - \$465.99



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.

PARISH LOAN. LAST YEAR OUR PARISH HAD NECESSARY REPARATIONS SUCH AS REPLACEMENT OF LEAKING ROOF ON BELL TOWER, CLEANING STUCCO, INSTALLATION OF NEW LIGHT FIXTURES IN THE SANCTUARY, CHURCH WAS PAINTED AND PARKING LOT HAD TO BE MOSTLY RESURFACED AND REPAIRED. FOR THESE MAJOR RENOVATIONS WE TOOK A \$49,000 LOAN FROM SPOJNIA CREDIT UNION, SCRANTON, PA. OUR PARISH PAYS \$490.39 PER MONTH FOR THE LOAN. AS OF January 1, 2017 THE REMAINING LOAN IS \$45,374.56. We thank you for your donations. Also by buying shopping certificates is one of THE ways to HELP the Building Fund.

THANK YOU FOR RECENT DONATIONS TOWARD THE BUILDING FUND – Ed and Michele Lazor - \$1,000; Bob and Merry Sleece - \$1,000. Nelly Cabrejos and Family - \$100; Diane Hitchcock in memory of Eleanor Hitchcock - \$20; Greg and Fran Junda - \$50; Juan Reyes - \$100; Alice Kriskewic - \$20; Lynn Imperiale - \$25; Passaic Valley UNICO - \$65; M/M Maher - \$20; George and Dorothy O’Brien - \$1,000; K. Jarmakowicz / S. Morgan - \$50; Bob and Merry Sleece - \$50; Passaic Valley UNICO - \$50; The Merson Family - \$100; Al and Fran Cuccinello - \$25; M/M O’Brien - \$100; Ed and Michele Lazor - \$1,000; M/M Vickerilla - \$20; Richard and Lucy Daum in memory of Jean Tierney - \$50; Passaic Valley UNICO - \$75; Alfreda Bazanowski - \$50; M/M Phillips - \$50; Verna Swider - \$20; M/M Michinski - \$50; John Ruyzam - \$250; Claire Centrella - \$250; 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.

THANK YOU FOR RECENT DONATIONS HEATING/ AIR CONDITION: Verna Swider - \$20; M/M Maher - \$20; Karen Hitchcock - \$25; Helen Skawinski - \$10; Cyman Family - \$50; Lynn Imperiale - \$5, Adele Merson - \$20; M/M Yuswack- \$25, M/M Vickerilla - \$20; M/M Cuccinello - \$25;



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.

GOD’S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE



Please pick up copies from the parish hall. 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.

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.



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.



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!**

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



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.

UPCOMING BAPTISMS:

JANUARY 22, 2017 – GENESIS JOANN FIGUEROA, DAUGHTER OF LUIS FIGUEROA AND JUANA (HERRERA); GODPARENTS ANGEL OBANDO AND LESLIE LANDA

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

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

ALMS BOX – 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)*



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.