

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 9, 2014

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SUNDAY MASSES

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

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

"The tempter approached and said to him ... Matthew 4:3



INTRODUCTION

My Brothers and sisters in Christ, Lent has begun. If you haven't yet chosen a Lenten discipline, it's not too late. As we listen today to the familiar stories of Adam and Eve in the Garden and the introduction of sin into the world; and the story of Jesus facing temptation in the desert, let us ask for the gift of an honest and holy Lenten season.

Scripture readings:

Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7 The introduction of sin into the world.

Psalms 51:3-6, 12-13, 17 Be merciful, O Lord.

Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 Through the obedience of One, all will be made holy.

Matt 4:1-11 Jesus fasted and was tempted in the desert.



LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 AM – Lucy Daum

11:00 AM – Claire Centrella

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

PARISH NEWSLETTER- Today please pick up the copy of your newsletter. Also, we thank you to deliver it to those who are homebound and your close neighbor parishioners. Thank you



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 Paulison – 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).



The 2014 Sunday envelopes Thank you for supporting the Holy Cross Church. Please use only 2014 envelopes. Do not use envelopes from last year. You may have different envelope number as it was in 2013. Please write your name on the envelopes. It helps counters and person who serves as envelope recorder. Thank you.

Holy Cross Church Face Book – link

www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://Blog.holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 100 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2014

As of March 2, 2014 - 58 adult parishioners paid their membership in the year 2014.


EXPLANATION: The parish needs to send to the diocese and General Church the following: \$12 to the Central Diocese, and \$55 to the General Church; the remaining \$13 is a donation to the Holy Cross Church. Total membership is **\$80.00 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 973-256-4888.

2014 BULLETIN ADS - \$100 per year – THANK YOU

BUSINESS ADVERTISING –The donation for one year is \$100.00. The monies received will go towards photocopy supplies. Please contact church parish office at 973-256-4888 or send e-mail holycrosspncc1@gmail.com, thank you. **Please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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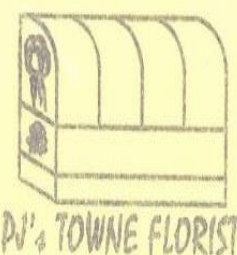
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Emily A. Santangelo, Mgr., N.J. Lic. No. 4778

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2014 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
INSTITUTION OF THE POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH



"For he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust." Matthew 5:4

- 9:00AM** – Holy Mass +Amilia Senius; Offered by John Surak
- 10:00 AM** – COFFEE AND CAKE FELLOWSHIP
- 10:10 AM** – SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING CLASSES
- 10:10 AM** – 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOODLAND PARK MEETING
- 11:00AM** – Holy Mass
- +Najeba Abboudi; Offered by son, Hilal and niece, Zina Naem



After Mass – First Holy Communion Class

Tuesday, March 11, 2014 – Lent

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

Wednesday, March 12, 2014 –Lent

9:00 am - Holy Mass

6:00 pm – Preparation for Marriage

Thursday, March 13, 2014 – Lent

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

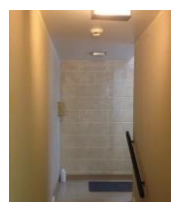
Friday, March 14, 2014 – Lent

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

7:15 pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 15, 2014 – Lent

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



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

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER & CHILDREN'S BAKE CONTEST – SEE FLYER

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH HALL

(Please purchase tickets by Sunday March 9, 2014. You may send donation by mail. If you have any questions call 973-256-4888 or e-mail holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)

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 9, 23, 2014. Children who are enrolled in 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)

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, 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.

THANK YOU for donations in memory of Louis Gec

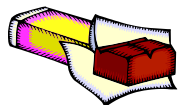
Roy and Susan Zebrowski for their donation of \$150; Mr. & Mrs. Kwedlo for their donation of \$60

Anna and Krzysztof Lewielcz \$20

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: \$788.00



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.

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 9 – Nancy Ysla

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 13, 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 the 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 119 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 \$73.89. 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.

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.

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.

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.

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

Holy Cross Church Ministries, Organizations & Services

Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888

Deacon - David Gaydos 973-209-4729

Deacon - William Gaydos 973-239-4725

Secretary – Claire Centrella 201-572-1299

Organist - Neil Estanislao 201-966- 9026

Organist - Jessica Muccilli 973-903-7273

Parish Comm. Chairman - Dominick Bucci 973-703-6473

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) Claire Centrella, Jamie Santos, Donna Fabricatore, Donna Maher

St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457

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

Stewardship Committee – Al Katinsky 973-694-3208 / Pat Olsen 973-696-6581 / Diane Lacey 073-256-1288

Ushers – John Surak 201-264-6711

Greeters - Karen Paulison 973-686-0584;

Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653; Claire Centrella – 201-572-1299

Maintenance - Dominick Bucci 973-785-2299

Shopping Certificates- Lucy Daum 973-694-9457

Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

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

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.

FISH & CHIPS DINNER

“LET’S CELEBRATE SPRING!”

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

220 Browertown Rd.

Woodland Park, NJ

Friday, April 11, 2014

6 pm – 8 pm

50/50 Raffle – Door Prize

MENU

Manhattan Clam Chowder

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Fish and Chips

Chicken Cutlet

Coffee / Tea

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R.S.V.P. by 4/7/14 Call: 973-256-4888

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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.



FOOD DRIVE – A food drive to benefit the Father English Food Pantry was held on **February 9, 2014** and brought in **12 bags of non-perishable food items and 5 bags of light used clothing.**

“Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done it to me.” (Mat. 25:40)

The Next Food Drive will take place on Sunday May 11, 2014.

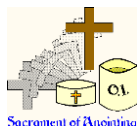
GOD’S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE

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.



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.



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.

PRAYERS OF SYMPATHY FOR LOUIS GEC



Louis Gec, 96, of Clifton, passed away on March 2, 2014. Born in Utica, NY, he lived in Kearny before moving to Clifton 57 years ago.

A parishioner of Holy Cross Polish National Catholic Church, Woodland Park, Louis was a welder for Midway Co in Lodi for 20 years, retiring in 1970. After retirement, Lou and his wife Wanda owned and operated Louwan Kennels where they bred and showed prize winning Shih-Tzu's, and were members of the North Jersey Kennel Club.

Beloved husband for 72 years of Wanda (Siedziak). Devoted father of Thaddeus Gec of Delray Beach, Fl., and Lois Antonucci of Clifton. Loving grandfather of Brandon Gec and his wife Lisa, and John Antonucci.

Funeral Mass was held on Friday at Holy Cross Church.

In lieu of flowers, donations made to Holy Cross PNC Church, 220 Browertown Rd., Woodland Park, NJ 07424, in memory of Louis, would be greatly appreciated.

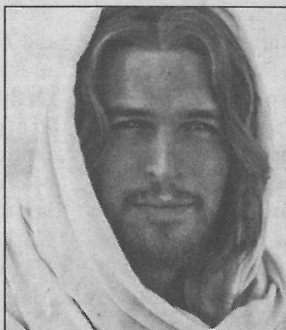
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

PNU CARIBBEAN CRUISE – The Polish National Union of America is inviting everyone to join for a Caribbean Cruise aboard the Royal Caribbean’s Vision of the Seas. The cruise will be September 14 through the 19th, 2015. The cost for the trip starts at \$570 per person based on double occupancy. Please call 1-800-642-2469 for additional details and reservations.

The Bible Back on Film

Son of God

The epic biblical drama film *Son of God* is a motion picture event experience created to be shared among families and communities across the United States. Through compelling cinematic storytelling, it brings the story of Jesus' life to audiences – that is both powerful and inspirational.



Based on Mark Burnett and Roma Downey's ten-hour miniseries *The Bible*, the film will feature sections of the miniseries, as well as deleted scenes not shown during the telecast. Told with the scope and scale of an action epic, the film features powerful performances, exotic locales, visual effects and a rich orchestral score. The film spans from Jesus' humble birth through his teachings, crucifixion and ultimate resurrection. Now playing in theaters and special screenings nationwide.

Noah

In a world ravaged by human sin, Noah is given a divine mission: to build an Ark to save creation from the coming flood. Directed by Darren Aronofsky and starring Russell Crowe, Anthony Hopkins, Emma Watson, and Jennifer Connelly, the film is based on the story of Noah's Ark and will be released in theaters on March 28.



Exodus

Directed by Ridley Scott and starring Christian Bale, Ben Kingsley, and Sigourney Weaver, this Biblical epic film is an interpretation of the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt as led by Moses and related in the Bible book of *Exodus*.



Cinematography by Dariusz Wolski. The film will be released on December 12, 2014.

CONVO - In the Beginning

As part of the Convo 2014 planning committee, I have attended meetings where we've brainstormed ways to make our Convo great. But when I sat back and thought about it, no matter what we do, Convo will always be great because it's not just about the sessions or the outings, it's about the people who attend. I can say from experience that our Church has some wonderful people. Now obviously there are many people who spend hours planning and making decisions about that week in July and our efforts shouldn't be undermined. However, none of those decisions or the plans made are worth it if you don't attend. So this is my request: Help us out and attend Convo 2014 at Heidelberg University, July 21-25th, 2014 in Tiffin, Ohio. You won't regret it.

I have never not had fun at Convo and I've always walked away from the week a better person for attending. You meet people at Convo who make your week fun and your life so much better. The people you meet, the ones who live in your diocese or 5 states away, are the people who are always going to be by your side in your life, maybe not physically, but in spirit. At every Convo an amazing sense of community develops between all participants. Kids from Rhode Island are becoming best friends with ones from Michigan. You sit in sessions and learn things about our Church and our God while simultaneously learning things that help you in life. And all the while, you sit next to over 200 people who are going through similar situations. This brings you closer to people you would've never had the chance to meet if you stayed home. Every Convo you will find more and more friends. It wasn't until my 5th Convo that I met the girl I call my best friend. So if you've attended before, come again; or if you're reading this and you have no idea what I've been talking about, take a leap of faith and join us.

You help us out by attending and being yourself, and I promise you the Western Diocese Convo 2014 planning committee will deliver an awesome week where you'll meet great people and have fun participating. I promise that the sessions and outings will be amazing as well. God bless.

Lauren Bilinski
President, Convo 2014 Committee

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Sunday – March 16, 2014

12 P.M. (after 11:00 AM Mass)



WITH IRISH MUSIC

MENU

Corned Beef, Cabbage

Irish Red Potatoes

Baked Chicken

Variety of Vegetables, Assorted Breads

Irish Soda Bread

Coffee / Tea

Irish Coffee

Homemade Desserts

Adults: \$15.00

Children and youth – Free

Basket of Irish Cheer / Door Prize

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