

# 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 8, 2017

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 91 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)**

*"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." - Matthew 21:43*



Judeo-Christian history and today's readings remind us again that being called to be God's people is a gift and a privilege. But it is also a responsibility that comes with expectations. Even in difficult times, we hear that what is offered to us is not to be squandered. We are free, of course, to respond however we choose. But if we accept our calling, it comes with a price. Being chosen, being Christian — as with all relationships — is not for the faint-hearted.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS



**Is 5:1-7** God speaks judgement upon Israel

**Ps 80** The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel

**Phil 4:6-9** Paul consoles and advises a persecuted community

**Mt 21:33-43** A parable on responding to Jesus and the kingdom of God

### LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – George O'Brien

11:00 am – Jasmine Cabrejos

### SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. THE TOTAL SALE IS \$66,000 SINCE THE PROJECT STARTED.



Please continue to support our Building Fund is by purchasing weekly shopping gift cards. The Building Fund always needs to finance any future repairs and maintenance of our facility. **We thank all those who participate and who run this wonderful project Lucy Daum and Merry Sleece.** Gift cards are available for **FAIRWAY, STOP N SHOP, FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE.** If you have any questions contact Lucy Daum (973) 694-9457, or Merry Sleece 973-731-3611. God

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**WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT. WE DO NOT RETIRE AT (\$)65.**

**Please remember me and my family in your prayers. I remember you each day in my 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; Loretta Offman, 52 Godwin St, Ap. 11 L, Paterson, NJ 07501, Emilia Bargiel, 820 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470; Sophie Barnes, 35 Florence Ave., Hawthorne, NJ 07506; Liz Wozney 3136 Oceanic**

**Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753; Michael G, Jeffrey O., Avelina Martinez, George Febricatore, Jaelyn Monro, Joseph Capizzi, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Nicky Minson, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, Daad Kasbo, Joseph Spinelli.** We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray. Hail Mary, Glory...

**THE PRAYER REQUEST** - The container "**Prayer Request**" is located at the side altar by the baptismal font. 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.

**ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE** Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage.

**Bob and Doris Kowalik – Sept. 2, 2017 - 50<sup>th</sup> Ann.**  
**Deacon David /Laurie Rusnak 10/ 28 – 38 years**  
**Eric Olsen/Denise Piwowar 10/ 8 - 28 years**  
**Keith Mullin and Jaclyn Ziobro 10/ 16 - 13 years;**  
**Nicholas Lawler/Michele Peano 10/ 15 - 12 years**  
**Martin Maher / Donna Giardino 10/24 – 28<sup>th</sup> Ann. /**  
**Mateo Granada/Delia Velez – 10/29 – 7 ann.**  
**Edward Lazor/Michele Gula 10/8–40 years**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:

Christian Olsen – 9/22; Grace Obidigbo – 9/22; Isabella Estanislao – 9/22; Jean Tierney – 9/23; Katherine Granados – 9/28; Jessica Serbia – 9/29; Armani Jimenez – 9/29; Danny Reyes – 9/30; Meghan Muccilli – 9/30; Lucy Daum - 10/1; Joseph Contreras – 10/4; Dayana Cafa – 10/05; Melissa Betancur – 10/8; Daniel Cupo - 10/10; Josephine Palman – 10/10; Cristoforo Carnemolla – 10/13; Concetta Cafa – 10/15; Francesco Racanati – 10/16; Josephine Palman 10/18 Glenn Peano - 10/18; Bryan Peano - 10/18; Jeffrey Bargiel – 10/20; Miriam Gomez – 10/21; Jerry Limone – 10/22; Lorenzo Soto – 10/23; Veronica Murphy – 10/24; John Antonucci - 10/26; Athena Galindo – 10/26; Loren Galese - 10/27; David Minich - 10/27; John Surak - 10/27; Melissa Hennandes – 10/29; Stephen Gaydos 10/29, Jason Cabrejos - 10/31; *(If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please contact call the parish office.)*



**Holy Cross Church Face Book – link** [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 233 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2017**



**2017 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](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com), thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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**OCTOBER 8, 2017 – 27 SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME**  
**CHRISTIAN FAMILY**

*"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." - Matthew 21:43*



**9:00 am** - Holy Mass +Milos Suvajac, Dorothy Przebieglec, Jim and Helen Murphy, Rose and John Gizzi and Peter Gizzi;

*Requested by The Gizzi Family (All Souls)*

**10:00 am** – Coffee Fellowship

**10:00 am** – School of Christian Living Classes



**11:00 am** – Holy Mass +Melissa and August Centrella, Emanuele Theresa Triggiano; *Requested by Claire Centrella*  
After Mass – Confirmation Class (please read the updated



and  
schedule)

**Monday, October 9, 2017 – St. Dionysius Bp. M.**

8:30 am - Holy Mass for the Victims of Hurricanes

**Tuesday October 10, 2017 – St. Gereon and Companions, M.**

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

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017 – St. Canice, Ab.**

8:30 am - Holy Mass

7 pm – Preparation for Confirmation ( for students with additional classes)

**Thursday, October 12, 2017 – St. Felix and Cyprian, M.**

8:30 am - Holy Mass

**Friday, October 13, 2017 – St. Edward the Confessor, K.**

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

## **OCTOBER 15, 2017 – 2<sup>8</sup> SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME**

*"The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests." - Matthew 22:10*



**9:00 am** - Holy Mass +Todd and Helen Jaxon, Michael and Estelle Gemza; *Requested by Penni Lazor (All Souls)*

10:00 am – Coffee Fellowship

10:00 am – School of Christian Living Classes

**11:00 am** – Holy Mass +Adrian Rodriguez, Carmen Solero, Francisca De Jesus, Carmen Rodriguez, Marc Eason; *Requested by*

*Camillia Rodriguez (All Souls)*

After Mass – Confirmation Class (please read the updated schedule)



### **CONFIRMATION CLASSES – UPDATED INFORMATION**

The next class will take place October 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, and Friday November 17, (rehearsal and confessions at 7 pm). Those students who joined recently are asked to come for additional classes on Wednesdays October 11, 18, 2017 and Nov. 8, 2017 at 7 pm. **THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION WILL TAKE PLACE on Sunday November 19, 2017 at 11 am administered by Bishop Bernard Nowicki.** The Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in your youth's religious education. It also gives opportunity to be plainly involved in the life of the parish. We are looking for volunteers to serve as Lectors in our church after your confirmation.



### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION –** Upcoming classes: (tentative) October 15, 29, Nov. 12, 26, Dec. 3, (Dec. 10 practice for Christmas Dinner Program) Dec. 17, 2017 at 10 am. **Registration is open.**



*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)*  
**Some requirements: Students should be enrolled in 2nd grade or older to**

**participate;** Parents/Guardians are required to attend Sunday Mass each week with children. First Communion classes are 50 minutes long (10:00 – 10:50 am) mostly 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.

### SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING



After summer we started **SUNDAY SCHOOL classes on Sunday Sept. 10, 2017.** Our Sunday School classes take place on Sundays from 10:10 am to 10:55 am. To enroll your child please find the application on the church website or you can pick up application from the church office. The program is free of charge. We thank Mr. Paul Murphy, Mrs. Donna Maher, Natalie Lazar for teaching our students. Looking forward to see you on Sunday.



**ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> CHILDREN ARE INVITED FOR THE HALLOWEEN PARTY IN THE PARISH HALL.** Snacks will be provided.

We ask parents and children to not bring costumes too scary since we are a church group. We will have contest for Most Original, Prettiest and Funniest category. Prizes will be given for the winners.

Parents are invited to attend meeting this Sunday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> and volunteer helping teachers in the preparation of Halloween Party. Thank you in advance.

### HOLY CROSS PARISH PRAYER CHAIN

Dear friends, would you please join other parishioners praying daily especially at 12 Noon forming together A PRAYER CHAIN in our parish.



Please pray for each other, especially for our parishioners who are sick, home-bound and are in need of any kind of support and healing. Especially please pray for Michael G. and his family. God is listening to our prayers when we

sincerely call for his blessing. Also, please ask God to increase our faith, dedication and zeal in His service. May the Holy Cross Church grow in faith and number so that we continue be the place of worship where many people will accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. In this time after devastation caused by the recent hurricanes please pray for people's safety and ask God to avert storms.

Please say special prayers for the peace in the world to end any war and protect us from hatred and future terror. We pray for the deceased victims of Las Vegas shooting, many injured for their recovery and for their families and friends in this heartbreaking time. We also pray for the proper gun control in our nation.

### Stewardship Committee Next Project



The next project will be from October 15 – November 5, 2017.

We will bring items for the veterans living at Veterans Home in Paramus, NJ.

### Upcoming Events

October 27, 2017 – Tricky Tray, Local 464, 245 Paterson Ave., Little Falls NJ

(new) Nov. 12, 2017 – Pancake Sale by Adoration Society

(new) Nov. 19, 2017 – Bake Sale by Adoration Society

Nov. 19, 2017 at 11 am – SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



December 10, 2017 after 11 am Mass - Christmas Dinner

**UPCOMING DATES IN 2018**

**YOUTH CAMP – Kurs – during the week of July 4<sup>th</sup> 2018**

**National Convocation** will take place next year from July 23 to 27, 2018 at University of Scranton, PA

**National Synod** will be hosted by The Western Diocese in at The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, in Belleville, Illinois. Web site: <https://snows.org/> Dates of the Synod: October 1-3, 2018.

**TRICKY TRAY ““Come One Come All!” – FRIDAY OCT. 27**

**Amalgamated Meat Cutters (Local 464) 245 Paterson Ave. Little Falls**

**DEAR FRIENDS**

Our Tricky Tray, the largest fundraiser of our Parish, is Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. If you have not donated a prize yet please do so before Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup> so that we can print your donation in the program. We are in need of more trays especially Regular Trays which are value \$35 and Super Trays, value \$50+. Also entrance tickets are available and we would love you to join us since it is always a fun filled evening. And just think you might even win one of our great prizes. Get your tickets in advance at \$15, or at the door for \$20. You can call the church 201-247-4832 or Penni 973-768-7917 for tickets or purchase them on Sunday after Mass in the parish ahll. BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HAVE FAMILY REUNION. We really count on your support and hope you will attend.

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

We thank all those who donated trays. 😊

If you have any questions, please call 201-247-4832 (cell / text); 973-256-4888 or send email [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)

Those who didn't buy an entrance ticket and plan to attend please purchase them Sunday October 8, 15 and 22<sup>nd</sup> or send your donation by mail and we will keep your tickets at the door.

Doors open - 6 pm. /Calling begins at 8 pm.

We will transport trays from our hall on Friday October 27<sup>th</sup> beginning 1 pm.  
**NEED WOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers, who will serve different job assignments, please arrive at Meat Cutters hall before 5:30 pm. Youth of our parish are free of charge when they are helping in the kitchen and delivering gifts to the winners.

Let us work together to make this event a successful one and beneficial for our parish and for our ministry. Hope to see you on Friday October 27<sup>th</sup>. Enclosed

is our Tricky Tray information.  
God Bless, Tricky Tray Coordinators

## HURRICANE RELIEF

**THE TOTAL DONATION TO DATE IS \$579.00**

**PLEASE SEND / GIVE DONATIONS PAYABLE TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH WITH MEMO –**



**HURRICANE RELIEF.** The Parish Committee chose CHURCH WORLD SERVICE and will send to this organization in order to support the victims of recent devastation. On behalf of the hurricane victims we thank four your support and generosity. May the Lord reward your generosity. "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure

you use, it will be measured to you."



### 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 October 8, 2017 – available / Please call for further information Penni Lazor Adoration Society President at 973-768-7917 or contact parish office.



**Be a Good Steward**

**THE LORD'S DAY SUMMONS US TO REJOICE IN THE GOD WHO BROUGHT US FROM DEATH TO LIFE IN JESUS, HIS SON. LET US GIVE THE LORD PRAISE WITH OUR OFFERINGS AND PRAYERS.**

**ATTENTION 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. 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.**

### Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

<b>Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman</b>	973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832
<b>Deacon - David Gaydos</b>	973-209-4729
<b>Deacon - William Gaydos</b>	973-239-4725
<b>Parish Comm. Chairperson, Lynn Imperiale</b>	862-368-3653
<b>Secretary – Claire Centrella</b>	201-572-1299
<b>Organist - Neil Estanislao</b>	201-966-9026
<b>Organist - Jessica Muccilli</b>	973-903-7273
<b>Adoration Society - Penni Lazor</b>	973-768-7917
<b>Daughters of Holy Cross Elaine Rotsaert</b>	973-838-4246
<b>Lectors Coordinators - John Surak</b>	201-264-6711
<b>Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos</b>	973-239-4725
<b>School of Christian Living (SOCL) Mrs. Donna Maher (201-774-9560), Mr. Paul Murphy (201-463-7656), Nayef, Ned Kiame (volunteers)</b>	
<b>St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611</b>	
<b>Parish Life Committee - Deacon David &amp; Laurie Gaydos, Merry Sleece, Angela Gulla, Ed and Beverly Obsuth, Penni Lazor, Renata Cyman</b>	

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**

**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** - Fr. Joseph R. Cyman – 201-247-4832

**Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish - 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parish Dinner will be held on Sunday October 15, 2017 at 12:30 pm. Donations for adults \$20. Children (under 12) \$10. For reservation please call Rectory at 973-777-0066 by Oct. 8, 2017**

**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 91 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.

**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.

**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). Please remember that during Lent we don't have flowers in the sanctuary.



**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

**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 201-247-4832*



#### **HALL RENTAL**

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](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)

#### **50 /50 RAFFLE**



Dear Friends, Holy Cross Parish is having a 50 /50 raffle. The raffle drawing will be held during our Tricky Tray event on October 27, 2017. **TO DATE THE RAFFLE BROUGHT IN \$930.00.** The Parish Executive Committee will be overseeing the progress of ticket sales. Ticket stubs with money and unsold tickets are to be returned to the parish office or collection basket by October 17, 2017.

This fundraiser is licensed to be sold to the general public. Sell them to family members and friends. More tickets are available by calling or texting Penni Lazor at 973-768-7917. Thank you and God bless you, Parish Committee of Holy Cross Church

#### **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.**



**ALL SOULS CEMETERY SERVICE** – will take place on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at the PNCC section of East Ridgelawn Cemetery, Clifton beginning at 2:00 p.m.



For this annual event the clergy and faithful from four parishes, Holy Cross Church, SS Peter and Paul, Passaic, Transfiguration of Our Lord, Wallington, The Most Holy Name of Jesus, Passaic are invited to attend. We will remember our departed loved ones in our prayers.



**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2017 – SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS** is the Holy Day of obligation. This is a special day in remembrance of all our holy saints. There will be special Mass celebrated at 7:30 pm. With the reading of all Soud Day Remembrances



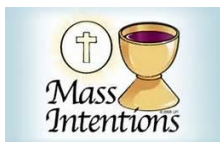
**MINISTRY OF GREETERS** – Those who would like to serve as ***Greeters*** in our parish by giving out Sunday bulletins are asked to contact Lynn Imperiale. Ministry of Greeters is very important in the parish's life that makes people feel welcome to participate in our liturgies. Thank you for your service.

**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: 201-247-4832



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**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 201-247-4832 if your son /daughter are interested in becoming altar servers.



**THE PRAYER REQUEST** - The container "**Prayer Request**" is located at the side altar by the baptismal font. 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.

**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS** - 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!

**SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING ( SUNDAY SCHOOL)**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We begin Sunday School on Sunday September 10th. 2017.

Presently, we offer three levels of instruction.



Please join us by enrolling your child in this free of charge program.

**Level I - Pre-school – Kindergarten – 2nd grade**

**Level II – 3rd and 4th grades**

**Level III - 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades**

The Sunday School teachers continue to dedicate their talents, efforts and time for the benefit of your children. However they still need your assistance to regularly bring your children to attend Holy Masses and S.O.C.L. classes.

Classes are held every Sunday from 10:10 A.M. - 10:50 A.M. Masses are celebrated at 9:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. For parents with small children, if needed the Holy Mass can be heard in the church hall. Coffee hour takes place in the church hall at 10:00 A.M and includes coffee, rolls, donuts, etc.

Children are encouraged to participate as altar servers, choir members, readers of the "prayers of the faithful", and participate in the "offering of the gifts". After Confirmation youth can serve as Lectors. Sunday school students not only receive a religious education but also participate in a variety of enjoyable activities provided by the teachers and the parish. These activities include a Halloween Parade and Party; Pumpkin / Apple Picking and Hay Ride, a visit from St. Nicholas with a Christmas Party, Easter Egg Hunt with a Party, and graduation ceremony, Parish Picnic and much more.

**In the mail you received copy of the Fall 2017 SOCL education calendar, and SOCL registration form.** Please complete the form, sign and return to Holy Cross by Sunday August 31, 2017. The Sunday School will meet for 15 Sundays. Meeting begins at the parish hall. Good attendance awards will be given to students attending at least 11 classes.

Please drop off your children in the parish hall. Classes commence in the school building at 10:10 am. If arriving 10:10 or later, please escort your child to school building.

We pray and encourage all of you to be involved in every aspect of our parish's life for the spiritual benefit of our Christian family.

With prayers and best wishes to you and your loved ones,

Yours in the Lord,

**Rev. Joseph R. Cyman and School of Christian Living Teachers: Mrs. Donna Maher, Mr. Paul Murphy and Ms. Natalie Lazar**