JANUARY 7, 2018 EPIPHNY OF THE LORD/ BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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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)

" They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. - Matthew 2:10-11 In this time of increased nationalism, erecting barriers, and labeling others as threats or enemies, this feast calls us to a powerful counter-message. Our field of vision and inclusion must be much larger than that of the status-quo. It must have been shocking to learn that God's love extended not only to the Gentiles, but to the whole world. It may be equally shocking to realize that our boundaries are also too narrow. This feast is an epiphany about God's will for Christ's impact and ours on the world.



Is 60:1-6 "Nations shall walk by your light." Ps 72 Lord, every nation will adore you Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Jews and Gentiles are co-heirs Mt 2:1-12 The Magi visit from the east

LECTORS SERVING TODAY 9:00 am - Deacon Bill Gaydos 11:00 am - Jason Cabrejos

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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 bless. WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

JANUARY 7. 2018 - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



10:00 am - Coffee e and Cake Fellowship 10:10 am – Sunday School Classes

9:00 am - Holy Mass for All Parishioners

11:00 am – Holy Mass for + Leslie Peter Schlesinger, Stanley Clayton Owen, Audrey Mildred, Bryan Stanley Owen, Sandra Louise Owen, Samantha Gertrude Owen; Requested by Wendy Schlesinger

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Monday January 8, 2018 St. Apollonarius Bp.	
8:30 am - Holy Mass for peace in the world	
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 – St. Marciana V., M.	
8:30 am - Holy Mass for growth of our parish	
Wednesday, January 10, 2018 – St. John the Good, Bp.	
8:30 am – Holy Mass	
Thursday, January 11, 2018 – St. Theodosius, H.	
8:30 am - Holy Mass	
7:30 pm – Sunday School Teachers meeting	
Friday, January 12, 2018 – St. Benedict, Ab.	
8:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors of Holy Cross Church	
JANUARY 14, 2018 - 2 [™] SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
9:00 am - Holy Mass for All Parishioners	
10:00 am – Coffee e and Cake Fellowship	
10:10 am – Sunday School Classes	
11:00 am – Holy Mass for +Stella Skawinski; Req. by Toni Hoppe	



HOLY CROSS CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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FROM PASTOR'S DESK **PICTURE #1-2**

Thank You!

For all support to a successful "COME ONE COME ALL" Tricky Tray fundraiser: \$18,964 **INCOME** -EXPENSES \$ 2,885 **NET INCOME -**\$16,079 Enjoy some pictures on the Facebook

PICTURE #3

WE THANK all those who have donations supporting veterans living in Veterans Home, Paramus NJ. Special thank you expressed to Pat Olsen, who organized this event and delivered items to Paramus. **PICTURE #4**

On Sunday Nov. 5, 2017 School of Christian Living enjoyed Halloween Party after 11 am Mass. We thank teachers Mrs. Donna Maher, Mr. Paul Murphy and Ms. Natalie Lazar for preparing the program and games for the children. We thank children participating in the party.

PICTURE #5

Nine (9) Thanksgiving baskets were delivered to Woodland Park Municipal Building. The needy families from our community did benefit from our kindness. May the Lord reward your generosity. **PICTURE #6 – see Family Movie Night**

PICTURE #7-8

Sacrament of Confirmation – Nov. 19, 2019 **CONGRATULATION TO CONFIRMANDS & THEIR SPONSORS**

Natalie Magdalene Cyman / Sponsor – Joanne Plaxa Brianna Clare Correa / Sponsor – Margarita Reyes David James Dziezawiec / Sponsor – Charlie Raad Neil Peter Kiame / Sponsor – German Aldas

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Emily Clare Reyes-Sung / Sponsor – Gisella Castillo Valerie Lucy Vance / Sponsor – Natalie Molina

Celebrant: Rt. Rev. Bernard Nowicki, Diocesan Bishop **PICTURE #9**

The first meeting of Woodland Park Clergy Association (since 2003 years) took place on Tuesday Nov. 21, 2017 hosted by Fr. Joseph at Holy Cross Church. From left - Pastor Abraham Lee - Methodist Church; Rev. Daniel from - St. Bonaventure, RC Church; Rev. Jack - St. Ann Melkite Church RC; and Fr. Joseph from Holy Cross Church PNCC. The next Meeting will be held on Wednesday January 17, 2017 at St. Ann's Church. As Christians we respect our differences and together pray for the spread of Jesus' teaching and the growth of God's Kingdom on earth. **PICTURE #10-11-12-13**

On Sunday December 10, 2017 Holy Cross Church in Woodland Park, NJ, had a wonderful time with parishioners in our annual Christmas Dinner. Beautiful sing-a-longs to be heard and a variety of delicious food. First off all, we thank the parents for bringing their children who represent the youth in our church and have enlightened us in a stunning Christmas Carols. We also would like to acknowledge the Teachers of School of Christian Living, Mrs. Donna Maher, Mr. Paul Murphy, Ms. Natalie Lazar our wonderful organist, Neil Estanislao our amazing chef Deacon David and his helpers, and to all of those who attended and helped make another wonderful and successful day.

PICTURE #14-15

We thank School of Christian Living teachers Mrs. Donna Maher, Mr. Paul Murphy and Ms. Natalie Lazar for their time, and talent in preparation for Family Movie Night that took place last

Wednesday in the parish hall. The children watched the movie, shared fellowship, enjoyed pizza, popcorn, snacks, and time of play in opening the gifts with the kitchen mittens. We invite all parents to help and participate in the events for the good of our children. The enrolment for the winter / spring 2018 School program is open. Classes start on Sunday January 7, 2018. Welcome and enjoy!

PICTURE #16

On Sunday Dec. 30, 2017 the Holy Cross Church welcomed new member GIANNA SOLEIL COE through the Sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate Gianna's parents Timothy Coe and Giselle (nee Martinez), godparents Stephen Walz and Robin Coe as well as her siblings, relatives and friends. The Sacrament of Baptism takes away our sins, regenerates to a new life of grace, unites us with God and makes us members of Christ's Church (Catechism).

THANK YOU



Parish Committee members for attending monthly meetings and making important decisions for the good of Holy Cross Church.

- Lynn Imperiale for updating our face
- Claire Centrella and Lynn Imperiale for helping in the parish office.
- Renata Cyman for changing the church altar linens for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.
- Natalie and Michael Cyman for folding parish newsletter.
- Altar servers who serve during our Masses / Lectors who read the Holy Scripture / Ushers who collect donations and Greeters who welcome people and distribute bulletins.
- Penni Lazor for cleaning altar servers and confirmation outfits and cleaning the storage room.
- Beverly Obssuth for cleaning church linens
- Frances Sanches and Mary Bruce for ironing and repairing Christmas vestments for children
- Claire Centrella, Frances Sanches and Penni Lazor for preparing Thanksgiving baskets and all those who donated nonperishable food items for the needy in our community.
- Confirmation Class parents for their support and involvement in preparation of the youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Also, for sponsoring the soloist as well as altar flowers and fall flowers and all preparations for the reception with Bishop Bernard Nowicki and parishioners after the ceremony on Nov. 19th.
- Neil Estanislao and Jessica Muccilli for serving as organists at our Sunday liturgies
- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church. God bless you all! Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor

Please remember me and my

family in your prayers. I remember you each day in my prayers.

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. HEALING MASS - The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound



are celebrated on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit.

THE PRAYER 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.

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. THE TOTAL SALE IS \$66,000



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ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE Dear

Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage.

Jose Acosta/Paola Perez – 12/3 – 11th Ann.

John Lazor / Alexandra Jaxon – 12/16 – 45th Ann. Arvie and Maria Babaran – Dec. 22 - 20th Ann Fr. Joseph Cyman /Renata (Bujak) – Feb. 21 – 20th Ann. Richard Torre / Diane McNamara – Feb. 27 – 41st Ann.

Holy Cross Church Face Book – link

www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 253 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book

PARISH MEMBERSHIP 2017



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – 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:** <u>Students</u> <u>should be enrolled in 2nd grade or older to</u> <u>participate</u>

<u>Confirmation Classes – ENROLMENT IS OPEN. Clarres</u> <u>take place after 11 am Mass.</u> The registration forms are online and in the parish office. <u>Students who are in the 7th</u> <u>grade and older and adults</u> are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in Christian religious education.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING



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, Ms. Natalie Lazar for teaching our students. Looking forward to see you on Sunday.

UPCOMING DATES IN 2018

<u>YOUTH CAMP</u> – Kurs – during the week of July 4th 2018 <u>National Convocation</u> will take place next year from July 23 to 27, 2018 at University of Scranton, PA

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

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

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 7 – In memory of Leslie Peter Schlesinger and Stanley Clayton Owen Week of Jan. 14 - available

For more information, please call Penni Lazor, Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 or contact parish office – 201-247-4832.

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.



UPCOMING BAPTISMS:

FEBRUARY 25, 2018 - DAVID JOSEPH MAZUR, SON OF CHRISTOPHER AND ROSANNA MAZUR. UPCOMING DATES IN 2018

Feb. 11, 2018 – Annual Parish Mtg. 10–10:50 am

February 11, 2018 – St. Valentine's Dinner March 18, 2018 – St. Patrick's Dinner after 11 am Mass March 18, 2018 – ANS Agape in Linden, NJ at 4 pm March 26, 2018 – Life Line Screening in the parish hall Register: www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle April 1, 2018 – Easter, Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

May 13, 2018 – Mother's Day Breakfast June 10, 2018 – Parish Picnic June 17, 2017 – Father's Day Breakfast



HOLY CROSS PARISH PRAYER CHAIN



Dear friends, please join us 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. God is listening to our prayers when we call for His blessing. Please pray 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 who will accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

In this Christmas season we pray for those who went through tragedies caused by natural disasters or violence of We pray for those who lost their homes, individuals. businesses, and source of income. We ask God to be the source of our strength especially in time of any king of tragedy and challenge. Please say special prayers for the peace in the world and end of any war. We pray for the proper gun control in our nation.

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We appreciate any donations toward the Building Fund. Also, we ask more parishioners to participate in the purchase of shopping certificates since the profit goes toward the Building Fund.

Thank you for your anticipated generosity.



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.

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations		
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), Ms. Natalie Lazar		
973-563-6494 and Nayef, Ned Kiame (volunteers)		
St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457		
Merry Sleece 973-731-3611		
Parish Life Committee - Deacon David & Laurie Gaydos, Merry		
Sleece, Angela Gulla, Ed and Beverly Obssuth, Penni Lazor,		
Renata Cyman		
Stewardship Committee – Pat Olsen 973-696-6581 / Diane		
Lacey 973-256-1288 / Al Katinsky 973-694-3208		
Ushers – John Surak 201-264-6711		
Greeters - Lynn Imperiale 862-368-3653; Claire Centrella		
– 201-572-1299 / Karen Paulison 973-686-0584;		
Maintenance - Dominick Bucci 973-785-2299		

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Polish National Union of America - Fr. Joseph R. Cyman -201-247-4832



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.

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

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.

LIFE LINE SCREENING, a leading provider of communitybased preventive health screenings will be in our community on Monday, March 26, 2018 at Holy Cross Church. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; Carotid Artery (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), Peripheral Arterial Disease (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a Heart Rhythm Screening (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an Osteoporosis Risk Assessment for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.**Register** online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!

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.

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



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.



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, Welcome! 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.

<u>NEW PARISHIONERS</u> – If you are new to our parish, please submit your name and phone number to Father Joseph. Father



will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have regarding our church. WELCOME!

Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross, Polish National Catholic Church 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.

May the Joy and Peace of Jesus, our Savior be with you now

And all throughout the coming year 2018! Happy New Year - 2018! / Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku – 2018!

- Bonne Novell L'Année 2018! / Buen Ano Nuevo 2018!
- Ein gutes neues Jahr 2018! / Felice anno nuovo 2018
- * Sretna Nova Godina! 2018 / Sťastný Nový **Rok 2018**

Father Joseph Cyman with Family and the Parish Committee

2017 BULLETIN ADS - \$100 per year – THANK YOU

PLEASE SUPPORT the following businesses that give financial contributions for our church BUSINESS ADVERTISING – The monies received will go towards photocopy supplies. Please contact church parish office at 973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832 to submit your ad, or send e-mail holycrosspncc1@gmail.com.





St. Valentine's Day Luncheon

Holy Cross Church

220 Browertown Rd. Woodland Park NJ



Sunday, February 11, 2018

12:00PM (after 11am Mass)

Donation: Adults - \$10 / Children – Free

Includes: (tentative) Chicken, Stuffed Cabbage, Pasta, Rice, Vegetables, Coffee, Water, Tea and Dessert, / 50/50 drawing / Basket of Cheer,

Champagne, Chocolates etc.

Call for tickets 201-247-4832 or 973- 256-4888

Email holycrosspace1@gmail.com / RSVP by Feb. 4, 2018