MARCH 4, 2018 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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)



"Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." - John 2:16 Jesus was something new to the Jews. From extensive laws guiding all of life, to their temple worship, their profound understanding of God had been established over time. But then Jesus challenged all that they knew. Lent calls us to encounter God in new and deeper ways and to reflect on how we respond to new insights or information that may challenge our comfortable beliefs, understanding or religious practices.

SCRIPTURE READINGS



Exodus 20:1-17 Israel is given the commandments
Psalm 19 Lord, you have the words of everlasting life
1 Corinthians 1:22-25 Christ surpasses human understanding
St. John 2:13-25 Jesus cleanses the Temple in Jerusalem
LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Deacon Bill

11:00 am - Natalie Cyman

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. RECENTLY \$1,000 WAS DEPOSITED TO BUILDING FUND FOR A TOTAL



OF \$67,000 SINCE THE BEGINNING OF GIFT CARDS SALE. We thank all those who participate in shopping certificates sale and Lucy Daum, Richard Daum and Merry Sleece who are in charge of this project. **GIFT CARDS MAKE GREAT GIFTS!** They are available for *FAIRWAY*, *STOP N SHOP*, *FOODTOWN AND SHOP*

RITE. Please continue to support our Building Fund by purchasing weekly shopping gift cards. The Building Fund always needs to finance any future repairs and maintenance of

our facility. 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.

I remember you in my prayers each day. Please keep me and my family in your daily 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, Emila Bargiel, 820 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470; Sophie Barnes, 35 Florence Ave., Hawthorne, NJ

07506; Liz Wozney 3136 Oceanic Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753; Susan Honk, Anthony Vargas, John, William and Eric Bruce, Jenna Errico, David P. Richard Cornelius; Jeffrey O., Avelina Martinez, Wendy Schlesinger, George Fabricatore, Jaclyn 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...

<u>THE PRAYER REQUEST</u> - 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.

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

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. 260 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book

MEMBERSHIP 2018 (\$125 per adult) paid for the Diocese



As of Feb. 25 2018 – (46) adult parishioners paid membership in this year. EXPLANATION: The parish dues in 2018 are the same as in 2017. The parish needs to send \$25 to the Central Diocese, and \$100 to the General Church; Total

membership is \$125.00 per adult. THE PRINTING COMPANY DIDN'T PRINT THE RIGHT AMOUNT ON THE ENVELOPES; IT SHOULD BE – THE SINGLE MEMBERSHIP - \$125 AND THE FAMILY \$250. PLEASE SEND THE RIGHT AMOUNT. For further information please contact Richard Daum at 973-694-9457. If you cannot afford to pay the church membership please contact Fr. Joseph or send email holycrosspncc1@gmail.com Thank you.

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

<u>BUSINESS ADVERTISING</u> — 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 <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>, thank you. **Parishioners and friends**, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



111 Union Boulevard Totowa, NJ 07512 Phone: 973-790-8686 Fax: 973-790-6174

www.festamemorial.com





The Bethwood

38 Lackawanna Avenue, P.O. Box 303 Totowa, New Jersey 07512 Phone-(973) 256-8316 Fax-(973) 256-8434 E-mail: hvickerilla@thebethwood.com



BIZUB-PARKER FUNERAL HOME 47 Main Street Little Falls, NJ 07424

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"Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." - John 2:16



9:00 am - Holy Mass for +Todd and Helen Jaxon (parents); Reg. by Penni Lazor (All Souls)

10:00 am – Coffee and Cake Fellowship

10:10 am – Sunday School Classes

10:10 am – Adoration Society meeting

- Holy Mass for +Georgette Kabbad; Req. by Daad Kasbo (All Souls)

+Ruth, Stanley Hudzik; Reg. by Diane Bishop (All Souls)

Monday March 5, 2018 - St. Eusebius, C.

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

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 – St. Perpetua and Felicity & Companions, M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for our parish

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 – St. Thomas Aquinas, D.C., Ab.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

7:30 - 8:15 pm - Bible Study (Letter of St. James - continue)

Thursday, March 8, 2018 – St. Philemon and Apollonius, M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for sick and homebound (Healing Mass)

Friday, March 9, 2018 – St. Gregory of Nyssa, Bp.

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



7:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS **PLAN TO ATTEND**

MARCH 11, 2018 - 4[™] SUNDAY OF LENT

"And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. - John 3:19

9:00 am - Holy Mass for +Suzanna Costello, Frank Costello, Lucy Sleece, **Andrew Sleece**; Reg. by Bob and Merry Sleece (All Souls)

10:00 am – Coffee and Cake Fellowship

10:10 am – Sunday School Classes

11:00 am - Holy Mass for +Graziella Pellicciotta; (All Souls)



FOOD DRIVE to benefit the Father English Food Pantry. You can bring your donations any Sunday to our parish hall and place them by the room "Food Bank" Won't you help the needy in the name of Christ the Savior? "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done it to me." (Mat. 25:40)





Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross, PNCC 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 **92 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Registration is open. So far we have four students enrolled.

Students in 2nd grade or older can attend First Holy Communion classes.

Registration forms are in the office and online. The first Holy Communion celebration will take place on Sunday May 20, 2018



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)



<u>Confirmation Classes – ENROLMENT IS OPEN.</u> The registration forms are online and in the parish office. <u>Students who are in the 7th 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.

ATTICLE AND ATTICLE AND ASSESSED AS SUMALL CHILDREN In 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

UPCOMING DATES IN 2018

YOUTH CAMP - 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





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 Feb. 25 – Melissa Centrella

Week of March 4- Melissa and August Centrella

Week of March 11 – Leslie Peter Schlesinger

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:

APRIL 8, 2018 - LEILA ROSE SCHAEFER, DAUGHTER OF LEONARD W. SCHAEFER AND LIDIA (AGUILAR) SCHAEFER

UPCOMING DATES IN 2018

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 / SOCL attendance awards

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.**

INCOME TAX— Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding their donations to the church for the year 2017 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.

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.

Be a Good Steward

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.



<u>PARISH CHOIR</u> – 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.

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



<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> 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. **We thank Deacon Bill for lessons preparing new altar servers.**

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.

BLESSING OF HOMES Please contact Fr. Joseph if you wish to have blessed your home or apartment. 201-247-4832 or holycrosspncc1@gmail.com



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 Welcome! your name in "Our Church Guests" book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship.







LIFE LINE SCREENING WILL BE HERE AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH ON MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Please refer to the attached flyer to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease.

There is no time like the present to take action! Learn more by watching this short video: http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/

Three ways to register:

Call toll-free: 866-229-0469

Online: www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle

Text: the word circle to 797979



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!

Transfiguration Church in Wallington – Tricky Tray on Wed. April 18, 2018 at The Fiesta, 255 Route 17S, Wood-Ridge, NJ; Door Open 6:00 pm, Auction begins at 7 pm; Admission \$45 includes Three Course Dinner, Dessert plus Sheet of Regular Chances; Tickets by April 4, 2018 Contact **Dawn Wassman Phone 201-463-1512**

Transfiguration Church, 135 Hathaway Street, Wallington, NJ Invites for Pasta Dinner with salad, Meatballs, Italian Bread, Cake, Tea, Coffee and Soda.

Date: Saturday 4pm-6pm Donation \$10 Adults, \$5.00 Children. Please call Barbara Puzak 201-939-3533 or rectory 973-779-4329

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.



BAKE GOODS NEEDED FOR ST. PATRICK'S LUNCHEON

Ladies of the parish are asked to bring baking goods for St. Patrick's Luncheon. Please bring your donations on Sunday March 18, 2018. Thank you.

<u>LENTEN DEVOTION – STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u>



On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm. Dates: March 9, 16, 23 and Good Friday March 30, 2018 at 3 pm with children and youth.

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.

BIBLE STUDY - LENT 2018



NOTE FROM PASTOR: ADVENT - SPIRITUAL RENEWAL - BIBLE STUDY

During Advent the Bible Study classes will take place ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: Wed., 7, 14, and March 21, 2018 from 7:15 pm to 8:00 pm. The classes will include Scripture readings, and discussions. This is a wonderful way to renew our spiritual life during Lent. Interested, please sign up in the

parish hall or join on above mentioned Wednesdays. Fr. Joseph



<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> - 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

HOLY CROSS PARISH PRAYER CHAIN

Dear friends, please join us praying daily if possible at 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.

We pray for seventeen deceased victims of high school shooting in Florida, their terribly devastated families, community and our nation. We ask God to be the source of our strength in this time of another senseless loss and tragedy. Please say special prayers for the peace in the world and end of any war as well as for the proper gun control in our nation for the safety of our citizens and especially children.

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 Joseph.

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. 973-256-4888

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

On Sunday February 25, 2018 the Sacrament of Baptism was received, **David Joseph Mazur**, **son of Christopher Mazur and Rosanna (Bartolomeo) Mazur**; Proud godparents were Nicola Bartolomeo and Gabrielle Brown. We congratulate Mazur and Bartolomeo families as well as grandparents, family members and friends on this special occasion. The Sacrament of Baptism is the foundation of our Christian faith and it is a gateway to new life in the Spirit and the door that gives access to other sacraments. Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are freed from sin and are incorporated into Christ's body - His Church, Christian family.

As God made the covenant with his people so through Baptism, Jesus makes a new and everlasting covenant with his followers. As Jesus won new life for us on the cross, with the symbol of the cross, David was marked to receive the new life in the Lord. As the waters of the Red Sea led the people of Israel to freedom so the water of Baptism gave new life and lead to Salvation. Parents, godparents and all members of our parish pledge to help this child to grow in Christian faith.

David became the newest member of Holy Cross Church. With his presence we continue our service of spreading God's presence in our community for the past 92 years.



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 Centrella201-572-1299Organist - Neil Estanislao201-966-9026Organist - Jessica Muccilli973-903-7273Adoration Society - Penni Lazor973-768-7917

Daughters of Holy Cross Elaine Rotsaert973-838-4246Lectors Coordinators - John Surak201-264-6711Altar Servers - Deacon William Gaydos973-239-4725

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

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



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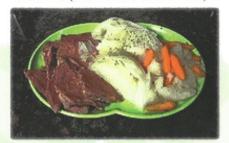
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"St. Patrick's Day Luncheon"

Sunday - March 18, 2018

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 attending Sunday School – Free

Other Children ages 6 -12 - \$7.50

Basket of Irish Cheer / Door Prize / 50/50 Raffle R.S.V.P by 3/11/2018 / ph.: (201) 247-4832 or (973) 256-4888 Email: holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

Buy tickets in the parish hall or send donation by mail