APRIL 8, 2018 – 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER 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)

"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" - Mark 11:9



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In the heart of this season of Easter rejoicing, we are reminded that faith is sometimes fragile and circuitous. If we listen carefully, we realize that Scripture relays another truth about people who struggle and need to be convinced. This is a good Sunday for those of us who have ever experienced doubt and who need to hear that God still loves and forgive us. That describes most of us.

SCRIPTURE READINGS



Acts 4:32-35 Evangelism and daily life in the early church Ps 118 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting 1 John 5:1-6 The importance of faith and love in the community John 20:19-41 Jesus challenges Thomas' doubts

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – George O'Brien 11:00 am – Natalie Cyman

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



TOTAL OF \$68,000 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. <u>GIFT CARDS</u> 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. 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; **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, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, Daad Kasbo. We pray also for all those who asked us to pray and for those whom we promised to pray. Hail Mary, Glory...



HOSPITAL VISIT. "Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord..." (James 5:14). If you or a member of your family are ill and would like to receive the Holy Communion at home or at the hospital, please notify the rectory.



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. Dates of Healing Masses: March 29, April 27 (Holy Thursday), May 24, 2018. The Lord listens to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit.

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage. Wilian and Maria Matute – 17th Anniversary – April 4 Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 60th Anniversary – April 6 Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 7th Anniversary – April 15 Edward and Beverly Obssuth – 27th Anniversary – April 21

Holy Cross Church Face Book – link www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 262 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book 2018 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 <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>, thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**



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

Phone 973 256-4700 Fax 973 256-4701 Email: toby@bizub.com Thomas J. (Toby) Bizub Jr., Manager N.J. Lic. No. 3917

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018 – 2™ SUNDAY OF EASTER "Do not be unbelieving, but believe." - John 20:27 9:00 AM Holy Mass 10:00 am - Coffee and Cake Fellowship 10:10 am – Sunday School classes 11:00 AM – Holy Mass +Mikhail Awad, Sabeh Quago, Maysoon Awad, Balkees Awad, Mazin Sami, Salma Aboodi, Najeeba Abboodi; Req. by Hilal Hanna & Family Sacrament of Baptism for Leila Rose Schaefer, daughter of Leonard W. Schaefer and Lidia (Aguilar) Schaefer HOIV **Christ is risen!** Baptism Monday, April 9, 2018 –Easter Monday 8:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world Tuesday, April 10, 2018 – St. Macarius Bp. 8:30 am – Holy Mass growth of our parish Wednesday, April 11, 2018 – St. Leo the Great, Bp. D. 8:30 am - Holy Mass 7:15 pm – Preparation for First Communion Thursday, April 12, 2018 – St. Julius of Rome, Bp. 8:30 am – Holy Mass Friday, April 13, 2018 – St. Martius , M. 8:30 am – Holy Mass for Benefactors of Holy Cross Church Saturday, April 14, 2018 – St. Justin, M. 12 pm – Memorial Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018 – 3[™] SUNDAY OF EASTER

"You are witnesses of these things." - Luke 24:48



9:00 AM Holy Mass +Helen & Joseph Mihok, Ann & Andrew E. Obssuth, Sadusky Family; *Req. by Bev. And Ed Obssuth* 10:00 am – Coffee and Cake Fellowship 10:10 am – Sunday School classes



10:10 am – First Holy Communion Class

11:00 AM – Holy Mass

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.

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.

POLISH NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA - Fraternal Organization of our Church.

In the parish hall you can find pamphlets about PNU of A explaining different programs and benefits offered by this organization. One of them, to received the college stipends, students have to be at least five years member of this organization. Ask Fr. Joseph for further information.

18TH ANNUAL MISSION AND EVANGELISM WORKSHOP at All Saints parish, PNCC, 500 Fifth St. Carnegie, PA. Please see flyer in the parish hall. For questions please contact Very Rev. Richard Seiler, Jr. (412)-276-2462

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – The first Holy Communion celebration will take place on Sunday May 20, 2018 at 11 am Mass.



Confirmation Class



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 – ENROLMENT IS OPEN.** The registration forms are in the parish office – please ask Fr. Joseph or online – holycrosssite.org. Students who are in the 7th grade and older and adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a

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

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. We have three age groups. To enroll your child, please ask for applications in the parish office, or find on website holycrosssite.org. 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.

HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL 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

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

National Convocation will take place next year from July 23 to 27, 2018 at University of Scranton, PA. CONVO 2018 facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/convo2018/

<u>National Synod</u> will be hosted by The Western Diocese 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.



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 April 1- Ann Obssuth by Tracey Banta

Week of April 8 – Leslie Peter Schlesinger by Wendy Schlesinger

Week of April 15 – Audrey Owen

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

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.



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.

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>Transfiguration Church in Wallington – Tricky Tray on Wed. April 18,</u> 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

MELISSA CENTRELLA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

April 20, 2018 Beef Steak Dinner & Tricky Tray at Nutley Parks & Rec. Center, 44 Park Ave. Nutley, NJ Doors open 6:00 pm; \$45 per person, Catered by Giresi's; For Tickets call Claire: 201-572-1299 of mail check MACS 120 Quarry Dr. Clifton, NJ 07013



EASTER EGG HUNT POSTPONED - will take place on Sunday April 15, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. All children from our parish are invited to enjoy this event. The party in the parish hall will follow. Please invite your friends.

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, and those who are 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 all deceased victims caused by shootings in our country, their terribly devastated families, community and our nation. We ask God to be the source of our strength in time of senseless loss and tragedy. Please say special prayers for the peace in the world and the end of any war as well as for the proper gun control in our nation for the safety of our citizens and especially children.

THANK YOU FOR DONATIONS for Easter Flowers: Dominick Bucci in



memory of Michael Savastano; Zaida Bueno in memory of Emilio & Julia Escobedo De Bueno, Emilio Bueno Escobedo, Silvio & Otilia Sirvas De Velarde; Al and Fran Cuccinello in memory of Domenico & Anna Bucci, Alphonse & Evelyn Cuccinello; Cyman Family in memory of deceased of Cyman, Bujak, Bronk and Domaszk families; Karen Hitchcock in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki, Carol & Bill Mallanda; Diane Hitchcock in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki and James Hitchcock; Susan Jakob in memory of Jean &

Joseph Zajac, Zajac, Jakob Kukowski families; Penni Lazor in memory of Lazor and Jaxon families; The Merson Family in memory of Anne Piascik; M/M Michinski in memory of Mary and Peter Michinski; K. Jarmakowicz & S. Morgan in memory of deceased of Jarmakowicz, Kaczmarski and Morgan Families; Jessica and Al Muccilli in memory of deceased of Kwiatkowski and Muccilli families; George and Dorothy O'Brien; Edward and Beverly Obssuth in memory of Helen and Joseph Mihok; Helen Skawinski in memory of Stanley Skawinski; Bob and Merry Sleece in memory of Suzanne & Frank Costello, Lucy & Andrew Sleece; Verna Swider in memory of Swider and Kutzer Families; Hughie and Beverly Vickerilla; Mark Koscinski and Susan Hornak in memory of Charles Yastishock; Deacon David and Laurie Gaydos in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Rusnak, Mr. & Mrs. J. Gaydos; Richard and Lucy Daum in memory of Graziella Pellicciotta; *continue...* Daad Kasbo, Greg and Fran Junda Joseph and Joan Ruyzam in memory of Stella & Joseph Ruyzam, Edward and Edna Ringenberger

EASTER FLOWERS – A Special Flower Fund envelope was included in the envelopes box. There are also envelopes in the vestibule of the church. All offerings will be acknowledged in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you for beautifying our church.





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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)



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; holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

<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!

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

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

<u>WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS</u> - 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.

<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. <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.



We congratulate Nelson Castillo Jr. and Kiara Marie (Santiago) on the baptism of their precious daughter, Valentina Rose Castillo on Saturday April 7, 2018.

We congratulate also proud godparents, Brandon Santiago and Isabel Castillo as well as grandparents, members of Castillo and Santiago families, relatives and friends. We welcome Valentina as the newest member of Holy Cross Church.

The Sacrament of Baptism is the foundation of our Christian faith, it is a gateway to life in the Spirit and the door that gives access to other sacraments. It regenerates us to a new life of grace, unites us with God, and makes us members of Christs' Church. In baptism we are immersed into the life of Jesus – His death and resurrection.

