

NATIVITY OF THE LORD

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC** 92 Years of Service

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The Deacon William Gaydos

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES: 4:00 pm & 10:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS – 10:00 am

Regular SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

The Word became man and dwelt among us. John 1:14

ENTRANCE HYMN: O Come, all Ye Faithful

1. O Come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, o come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem: Come and behold Him, born the King of angels. *Refrain:* O come, let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

THE BLESSING OF THE MANGER (Crèche)

Celebrant: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Celebrant: O Lord hear our prayer.

People: And let our cry come unto you.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.



MONDAY DECEMBER 24, 2018 – CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 P.M. – HOLY MASS WITH CHILDREN & YOUTH

10:00 P.M. – HOLY MASS WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY DECEMBER 25, 2018 – CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 AM - HOLY MASS FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

Wednesday, December 26, 2018 – Feast St. Stephen



8:30 am – Holy Mass for the growth of Holy Cross church

Thursday, December 27, 2018 – Feast St. John the Apostle, and Evangelist.

7:30 pm – Holy Mass for sick and homebound (healing Mass)

Friday, December 28, 2018 – Holy Innocents, M.

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

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2018 – HOLY FAMILY / HUMBLE SHEPHERDS

" After three days they found him in the temple. - Luke 2:46

9:00 AM – Holy Mass for all

10:00 am – Coffee and Cake

11:00 AM – Holy Mass for



Parishioners

Fellowship

all Parishioners



**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WILL BEGIN ON SUNDAY
JANUARY 6, 2019**

*May the Joy and Peace of Christmas be with you now
And all throughout the coming year 2019*

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year – 2019!

**❖ Wesółych Świąt Bożego Narodzenia i
Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku – 2019!**

- ❖ **Joyeux Noël et Bonne Novell L'Année 2019!**
- ❖ **Feliz Navidad y Buen Año Nuevo 2019!**
- ❖ **Froehliche Weihnachten und ein gutes neues Jahr 2019!**
- ❖ **Buon Natale e felice anno nuovo 2019**
- ❖ **Sretan Božić! Sretna Nova Godina! 2019 / Veselé vánoce a šťastný Nový Rok 2019**

Father Joseph Cyman with Family and the Parish Committee

THANK YOU TO:



- Everyone who participated in the Advent Tree project and Pat Olsen who coordinated this noble cause. It benefited the less fortunate of our society - boys and girls of **DYFS (Division of Youth and Family Services), and men and women living in EVA'S SHELTER, Paterson.** Your generosity is appreciated and rewarded by the Lord who asks us to take care of the needy.
- Deacon Bill Gaydos for his help in the liturgies of the Mass, scheduling the altar servers and help in preparations for Christmas Pageant at 4 pm.
- Fr. David Gaydos for his service when he is available between responsibilities helping different parishes at the request of Bp. Nowicki.
- Parish Committee members attending monthly meetings Richard Daum, Lynn Imperiale, Penni Lazor, Bob Sleece, George O'Brien, Dominick Bucci, Hughie Vickerilla, Guy Garofano, Paul Murphy, and for decorating the inside of the church for Christmas. Richard Daum for delivery of Christmas flowers.
- Organists, Neil Estanislao and Jessica Muccilli for their great service.
- Adoration Society for their ministry and help in activities of our parish
- Sunday School teachers, Mrs. Donna Maher, Mr. Paul Murphy, Ms. Natalie Lazar for their service
- Renata Cyman for changing the linens on the altars, decorating the hall for Christmas dinner
- Penni Lazor for cleaning the altar linens



- Fran Cuccinello for help in the office
- Claire Centrella for her donation to defray the cost of new costumes for Christmas Pageant



HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN In the case when small children need more attention during the Mass, parents can now listen and follow the Liturgy of the Mass in the **parish hall** while the children can play or do the drawings.



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.

2019 ADULT ENVELOPES are available in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church.

Confirmation Class



Confirmation Classes – Next Class will take place on Sunday Jan. 6, 2019.

To register please ask Fr. Joseph or call parish office, 973-256-4888 or 201-247-4832. Students who are in the 7th grade and older and adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in Christian religious education.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Next class will be held on Sunday Jan. 13, 2019 *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)

Celebrant:

Let us pray:

Almighty God, Who on that wondrous night sent forth Your Salvation, being manifested in the person of Your Son, Jesus Christ, look upon Your faithful people gathered in Your Church tonight, commemorating the Nativity of our Lord in a stable of Bethlehem. Grant, we humbly beseech You, that the Savior of the World might be born again in the hearts and souls of all people of the world. Unto You we sing and give praise, honor and glory; and we ask You to instill in us godliness and holy love; strengthen our faith and grant us Your true Peace - that peace which we can find only in You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Blessing of the Crèche – Our Father, Hail Mary

Lighting the Christ Candle

Lector: We light the Christ candle to remind us that the light of the world was born this night.

People: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness - on them a light has shined.

Lector: His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace, Emmanuel, for in him God is with us.

People: Almighty God - You have made this night holy by the gift of your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of Mary. Upon Him rested all your grace, through Him has come all your mercy. Let his light shine within our hearts tonight



even more brightly than it shines from the candles in this place. Help us to hear your word and to celebrate your everlasting love through Him. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross 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 **91 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.

LECTORS FOR CHRISTMAS

4:00 P.M. – Nayef Kiame 10:00 P.M. – Richard Daum

Dec. 25, 2017 **ONE MASS** at 10:00 A.M. – John Surak

SCRIPTURE READINGS – DECEMBER 24

I READING Isaiah 9 1-6

PSALM (96) Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord

II READING Titus 2: 11-14



ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia. Alleluia. I proclaim to you good news of great joy: today Christ the Lord.

R. Alleluia. Alleluia

(GOSPEL (Luke 2:1-14))

PRAYER of THE FAITHFUL: Lord Hear our Prayer

THANK YOU FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS

As of Sunday December 23, 2018

Monica Lukowiak in memory of William Potter; K Jarmakowicz/ S. Morgan in memory of Jarmakowicz, Kaczmarek, Hart & Morgan Families; Nelly Cabrejos in memory of Mr. Ignacio, Lucia Montalvo; Robert, Doris Kowalik in memory of John & Mary Gagan, Mary Muller; M/M Michinski; Paul and Christine Murphy in memory of Charles Tatbox and James Murphy; Helen and Ron Yuswack in memory of Helen Kubik Fritschy, Stella & Walter Yuswack, Anna & Sigmund Noga; Donna , Martin Maher in memory of Donna Fabricatore; Al & Fran Cuccinello in memory of Bucci and Cuccinello Families; Geovanny, Amanda Bautista; Fr. Joseph and Renata Cyman in memory of Cyman, Bujak, Bronk and Domaszek families; Richard/ Lucy Daum in memory of Mary & Frank Piontkowski, Elizabeth & Oscar Daum; Fr. & Mrs. David Gaydos; Karen Hitchcock Diane Hitchcock in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki, James Hitchcock; Penni Lazor; Jessica and Al Muccilli in memory of Kwiatkowski & Muccilli Families; Mr. & Mrs. L. Phillips in memory of Helen and Stanley Haftek; Joseph and Joan Ruyzam in memory of Stella & Joseph Ruyzam, Edward & Edna Gingenberger; John Ruyzam in memory of Joseph and Stella Ruyzam; Verna Swider in memory of John Swider; Santini Family; Dominick Bucci in



memory of David C. Bucci; Zaida Bueno in memory of Emilio, Julia Bueno, Emilio Bueno Escobedo; The Merson Family in memory of Anne Piascik; George and Dorothy O'Brien; Edward & Beverly Obsuth in memory of Helen & Joseph Mihok, Ann and Andrew Obsuth; Helen Skawinski; Bob and Merry Sleece in memory of Frank & Suzanne Costello, Andrew, Lucy Sleece; Hughie and Beverly Vickerilla; Mark Koscinski, Suzan Hornak in memory of Ernie Hornak and Anthony Koscinski;

Other donations will be included in the next bulletin



EPIPHANY PASTORAL VISITATIONS

Fr Joseph will be blessing homes during Epiphany Pastoral Visitations. Please let Fr. Joseph know that you wish to have your home/apartment blessed by calling 201-247-4832.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Will be held on Sunday, February 10, 2019 after 9:00 a.m. Mass. There will be refreshments after the 9 AM Mass. School of Christian Living will have their program in Fr. John Slysz building. **All the societies of our parish are asked to give their annual report from year 2018 and their projects for the year 2019.** Another important aspect of our Annual Parish Meeting will be the election of the Parish Committee. The Parish Committee is the council, which meets once per month (usually for about 1 hour on the 1st Monday of the month) to discuss concerns and make decisions for the parish. Would you consider serving on this committee? Please contact Fr. Joseph or George O'Brien (Parish Committee Chairman) for additional information.

Upcoming Events

January 6, 2019 – Adoration Society Potluck after 11 am Mass

Feb. 17, 2019 – St. Valentine's Dinner after 11 am

March 6, 2019 – Ash Wednesday

March 17, 2019 – St. Patrick's Dinner after 11 am

April 7, 2019 – Agape at Holy Cross – 3 pm

April 16, 2019 – Clergy Conference, Chrism Mass -St. Stanislaus Cathedral Parish, Scranton,PA

May 4, 2019 – Adoration Society Flea Market

April 21, 2019 – Easter – Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 28, 2019 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)

May 5, 2018 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 12, 2019 – Mother's Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 9, 2019 – Church picnic

June 6, 2019 – Father's Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 13, 2018 – SOCL attendance awards and Parish Picnic

June 23, 2019 – Corpus Christi celebration at SS Peter and Paul, Passaic, NJ

Week of July 4th 2018 - YOUTH CAMP – Kurs , Waymart, PA



ST. NICHOLAS MINISTRY NEWS – Each December the St. Nicholas Ministry supplies poinsettias for delivery to our homebound parishioners. Fr. Joseph visited individuals and families administering Holy Communion, bulletins and calendars for 2019. These flowers as well as the many cards, gifts, Care Notes are funded by your generous donations and stipend from the parish budget. For more information see Lucy, Richard Daum or Merry Sleece.

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832

Fr. David Gaydos (Priest helping the diocese) 973-580-1256

Deacon - William Gaydos 973-239-4725

Parish Comm. Chairperson, George O'Brien 973-809-7091
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
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 Lazor – 973-653-6494
St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611
Advent Tree – Pat Olsen 973-696-6581
Ushers – John Surak 201-264-6711
Greeters 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 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 89 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.

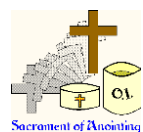


The following members of our parish community are in need of our prayers, cards and other signs of Christian support: **Mary Margo** 2 Oak Place, Little Falls, NJ 07424; **Loretta Offman**, 52 Godwin St, Ap. 11 L, Paterson, NJ 07501, **Emila Bargiel**, 820 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470; **Sophie Barnes**, 35 Florence Ave., Hawthorne, NJ 07506; **Liz Wozney** 3136 Oceanic Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753; **Judy, Ewa B., Frances Sanchez, Tom Mamary, Josephine Palman, Carol Thaller, Ann and Andrew, Susan Honk, Anthony Vargas, Jenna Errico, David P. Richard Cornelius; Jeffrey, Avelina Martinez, Wendy Schlesinger, Joseph Capizzi, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja, Emanuelle Ricci.** 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.



Jose Acosta/Paola Perez – Dec 3rd – 12th Ann.
John Lazor / Alexandra Jaxon – Dec 16 – 46th Ann.



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.

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!



Thank You

We express our heartfelt thanks for all received Christmas cards

and signs of your kindness. May the Baby Jesus who came to enrich us with His blessings reward you abundantly in Year 2019
Fr. Joseph, Renata Michael and Natalie Cyman

MEMBERSHIP 2018



[Holy Cross Church Face Book – link](#) www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog.holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 272 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book

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 December 30 – In memory of **Anne Piascik, By Merson Family**

Week of January 6 – Available / For more information, please call Penni Lazor, Adoration Society President, at 973-768-7917 or contact parish office – 201-247-4832.

HOLY CROSS PARISH PRAYER CHAIN



Dear friends, please join us praying daily 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. Please pray to increase our faith, dedication and zeal in the service for serving the Church our Lord, Jesus

Christ established. Please pray for those who were affected by the recent tragedies, earthquake in Alaska. We ask God to be the source of our strength in time of senseless tragedies. We continue to pray for all deceased victims caused by recent shootings in our country, their terribly devastated families, and communities. Also, we pray for the proper gun control in our nation for the safety of our citizens and especially for safety of children in our schools. Please say special prayers for the peace in the world and the end of any war. We pray for peaceful resolutions in recent conflicts; for better relations between countries and for an effective dialogue. We remember persecuted Christians around the world. We pray for those who are addicted to drug and alcohol, for their recovery and protection from illness and death. WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR VICTIMS OF ANY SEXUAL ABUSE AND HARASSMENT. THE POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE ON SEXUAL ABUSE. God is listening to our prayers when we call for His blessing. May the Holy Cross Church continue to 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. Amen.



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.

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.

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.**

HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH



Fees: For non-members of the parish: The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$120.00 for each hour of rental time. For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$60 fee for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888. / 201-247-4832 (cell) email holycrosspncc1@gmail.com



ALTAR SERVERS We thank all Altar servers serving in our parish. We would like to continue the process of bringing on more altar servers at our Masses. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Parish Hall. Parents, please put your child's name in the Sunday that they can serve. You will be notified as a reminder prior to their Sunday Mass.



A Christmas Prayer

Come, Lord Jesus, Prince of peace and Beloved Savior; come into our hearts this Christmas and fill us with Your gifts of love and joy.

With Mary and Joseph, we rejoice and thank God for You. With the angels and saints in heaven we sing, "Glory to God in the highest."

With the Magi and the shepherds we bow before You with hearts full of wonder. Help us to follow You faithfully and to share the good news of Your coming with everyone we meet, this Christmas season and always. Amen.