

# 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEB. 3, 2019

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 92 Years of Service  
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**The Reverend Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor**  
**The Reverend David Gaydos (helping priest in the Central Diocese)**  
**The Deacon William Gaydos**

**Regular SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am**  
**WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)**

*"Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place."  
- Luke 4:24*



Who really wants to be called upon to change, let alone promote it in others? The prophets surely didn't, and Jesus early on heard the reaction to his sermon among his own people. Today's readings remind us that our faith is grounded in God's word. That always involves the call to be and live differently. Just as God's love sustained others, we are equipped with spiritual gifts, especially love, to respond to that same call.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19** Jeremiah, called to prophecy, will face resistance

**Ps 71** I will sing of your salvation

**1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13** Love is the greatest of all gifts

**Lk 4:21-30** Jesus announces his ministry to those considered outsiders



**WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:**

**9:00 am – John Surak**

**11:00 am – Dominic Porcoro**

### **SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. GREAT NEWS! – ANOTHER \$1,000 WAS DEPOSITED TO**



**BUILDING FUND FROM SHOPPING CERTIFICATES SALE – SINCE THE BEGINNING OF GIFT CARDS SALE WE RAISED \$69,000.** We thank Lucy Daum, Merry Sleece, Richard Daum who are in charge of the project and anyone who is buying gift cards. **GIFT CARDS** 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: **Helen Skawinski, Mary Margo, Helen Jarmakowicz, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Liz Wozney, Lucy Daum, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Judy, Ewa B., Tom Mamary, Josephine Palman, Carol Thaller, Ann and Andrew, Susan**

**Honk, Anthony Vargas, Jenna Errico, David P. Richard Cornelius; Jeffrey, Avelina Martinez, Joseph Capizzi, Roy Zebrowski, Jo Ann Murphy, Stanley Mikolajczyk, Declan, Urbano, Helen Blum, Char O'Neill, Danielle Geeza, Janice Krasulja.** 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.

**Fr. Joseph Cyman /Renata (Bujak) – Feb. 21 – 21<sup>st</sup> Ann.**

**Richard Torre / Diane (McNamara) – Feb. 27 – 42<sup>nd</sup> Ann.**

Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage. Those who were married in another church, and we don't have your records, please write your name and the date of your marriage on the form below and mail it to us or place it in the collection basket. Thank you for your cooperation.

Name (husband) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (wife maiden name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_



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

**Visiting our website Blog [holycrosssite.org](http://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**

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**SUNDAY, FEB. 3, 2019 – 4<sup>TH</sup> SUN. IN ORDINARY TIME / BLESSING OF THROATS**

*"Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place." - Luke 4:24*



- 9:00 AM** – Holy Mass for + Deceased ancestors of Erick Honk; Req. by Honk Family
- 10:00 am** – Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 am** – Adoration Society meeting
- 11:00 am** – Sunday School Classes in the parish hall during the 11 am Mass.
- 11:00 AM** – Holy Mass for +Edward and Sophie Budjinsky, Lilly and Walter Hrinuk, deceased of Kobylarz family; Offered by Junda Family



**Saint Blaise** was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. Very little is known about his life. According to various accounts he was a physician before becoming a bishop. His religion spread throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat.

**Monday February 4, 2019 – St. Nicholas Ab.**

- 8:30 am - Holy Mass**
- 7:30 pm - Preparation for marriage**

**Tuesday February 5, 2019 – St. Agatha, V. M.**

- 8:30 am - Holy Mass for peace in the world**
- 7:30 pm – Budget Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, February 6, 2019 – St. Titus, Bp.**

- 8:30 am - Holy Mass**

**Thursday February 7, 2019 – St. Richard, King C. K.**

- 8:30 am - Holy Mass for the sick and home-bound**

**Friday February 8, 2019 – St. Josephine V.**

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



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019 – 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



*"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." - Luke 5:5*

**9:00 AM** – Holy Mass for all Parishioners



**10:00 am – 11 am – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING and REFRESHMENTS**

**10:00 am – Communion class**

**11:00 am – That Sunday Sunday School will be held in Fr. John Slysz Building during 11 am Mass. Parents please attending the parish meeting. Thank you**

**11:00 AM** – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

Dear Parishioners,

Holy Cross is now able to accept donations through Venmo. By using Venmo, parishioners, donors, and benefactors can utilize electronic giving that comes with no extra cost to the donor or to Holy Cross.

For anyone looking to donate electronically, Holy Cross' Venmo account is @holycrosspncc. Electronic donations make it easy for those to donate whether they are near or far – again, with no added cost associated with the transaction.

For your convenience here is the link you can scan to access or find Holy Cross' Venmo account.



Donations can be made also through PayPal. The link to donate through PayPal can be found on Holy Cross Church website – [holycrosssite.org](http://holycrosssite.org). However, PayPal keeps a small percentage (app. 2.5%) of all donations made to the church.

Please spread the word to anyone you know who may be interested in electronic giving. Thank you!

**THANK YOU**

- Parish committee members for attending the monthly meeting and making decisions for the good of our parish.
- Fran Cucinello for her help in the parish office
- Claire Centrella for online help with church bulletin
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our church Facebook
- Paul Murphy for his help to set up Venmo account for our parish. See more information
- Volunteers who scrubbed, cleaned and polished the floor, painted the radiator in men's bathroom.
- Deacon Bill for his help to schedule the altar servers practices and lessons practices for them and for new lectors
- for providing lessons practices for them and for new lectors.
- Mary Vitaletti for help in teaching children First Holy Communion lessons.
- Donna Maher, Paul Murthy and Natalie Lazar for teaching children in our School of Christian Living.
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**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.



**Confirmation Classes – Next Class will take place on Sunday Jan. 20; , 2019; Feb. 3, 17, March 3, 17, 2019.** To register please ask Fr. Joseph or call parish office, 973-256-4888 or 201-247-4832. Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> 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 classes will be held on the following Sundays at 10 am. - Feb. 10, 24, March 10, 24, 2019. Further dates will be given later. The first Holy Communion celebration will take place on Sunday May 19, 2019 at 11 am.



**Please attend with parents Sunday Mass each Sunday.** Children please join Sunday School classes during the 11 am Mass in the parish hall. With teachers they join the church service during distribution of Holy Communion or receiving blessing. Please stay in the church for final prayer and announcements. Thank you

*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)*

***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.



#### **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 Slyszy 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

**FEB. 15, 2019 – FUNDRAISER – VALENTINE FOR JOSEPHINE – SEE MORE INFORMATION**

**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, 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 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**

**Tricky Tray – Friday October 25, 2019**



**PLEASE DONATE GENTLY USED COATS, JACKETS, SWEATERS BY FEB. 3<sup>RD</sup>**



**These items will be given to Fr. English Food Pantry in Paterson.**

# Thank you

**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.



**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!**

We welcome parishioners who recently join our parish family:

**Sebastian Wysocki and Ashely Burr**

**Cecilia and Susan Hong**

## 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 February 3, - Available

Week of February 10 – 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 asking God's blessing in New Year 2019. Please pray 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, dedication in the service for the Church established by our Lord, Jesus Christ. Please pray for those who were affected by the recent tragedies, and recent earthquakes. We ask God to be the source of our strength in time of 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.**



**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.

## CHURCH CALENDARS

**Shook Funeral Home** have given us **2019** calendars for distribution. Anyone wishing to have one please take yours free of charge from the vestibule of the church.



**2019 ADULT ENVELOPES** were taken from the parish hall or sent by mail. Some boxes are still available in the parish hall. If you are missing envelopes, please submit your name and address in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church. We believe that God blesses us and our families when we support the Church, Jesus established on earth to spread His Kingdom.

**2018 Contribution Statements** - Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding their donations to the church for the year 2018 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.

**MINISTRY OF GREETERS** – Those who would like to serve as **Greeters** in our parish by giving out Sunday bulletins are asked to contact Fran Cuccinello. 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.

**LIFE LINE SCREENING**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on Tuesday, February 12, **2019 at the 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](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle) and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!**

**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

#### **HALL RENTAL**

Fees: For non-members of the parish: The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$125 for each hour of rental time. For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$60 for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888. / 201-247-4832 (cell) email [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)



## **Valentine for Josephine**

**Dinner, Drinks, and Music  
Featuring Ray Sowiak's Band-  
"DOCKSIDE"**

**Friday, February 15th, 2019  
5:45pm**

**Holy Cross Church  
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**Hot Buffet, Beer, Wine, Soda  
Coffee, Tea, Homemade Desserts Included**

**Donation: \$50.00**

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# St. Valentine's Day Luncheon

Holy Cross Church

220 Browertown Rd. Woodland Park NJ



Sunday, February 17, 2019

12:00PM (after 11am Mass)

Donation: Adults - \$15 / Children - Free

Includes: Meatballs, Pasta, Eggplant Rollatini,  
Vegetables, Coffee, Water, Tea and Desserts,

50/50 drawing / Gift Auction,

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

Email: [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com) / RSVP by Feb. 10, 2019



