

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 17, 2019

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

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The Deacon William Gaydos

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

"They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen. - Luke 9:36



Our readings today remind us to keep our eyes fixed on heaven. God asks Abram to look up at the sky and count the stars. Philippians reminds us our citizenship is in heaven. Peter, James and John's eyes are fixed heavenward as they climb the mountain and witness Jesus' transfiguration. Where are our eyes fixed? On our electronics, on what others have? Today, let us ask for the grace to fix our eyes and hearts heavenward.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 Look at the sky and count the stars

Ps 27 The Lord is my light and my salvation

Phil 3:17-4:1 Our citizenship is in heaven

Lk 9:28b-36 This is my chosen Son; listen to him

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:

9:00 am – Richard Daum 11:00 am – Chris and Daniel Galindo

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



LAST WEEK TO BUILDING FUND FROM SHOPPING CERTIFICATES SALE – SINCE THE BEGINNING OF GIFT CARDS SALE WE RAISED \$70,000.

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 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*

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish



Out of respect for the privacy of the person who is ill we can only publish the names of the sick with their consent. We review our list monthly. The following members of our parish community are in need of our prayers: Mary Margo, Helen Jarmakowicz, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Liz Wozney, Lucy Daum, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger,

Ewa B., Josephine Palman, Susan Honk, Jeffrey, Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Urbano. *If you would like to have your name on the list or your loved ones with their permission, please contact the parish office. 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 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.

Wilian and Maria Matute – 18th Anniversary – 4/4

Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 61st Ann – 4/6

Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 8th Ann. – 4/15

Edward and Beverly Obsuth – 28th Ann. – 4/21

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

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

BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2019 – 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 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com, thank you. **Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.**

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SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019 – 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

"They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen. - Luke 9:36



9:00 AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 am – Coffee and Cake Fellowship

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall during the 11 am Mass; Please join the Mass during distribution of Holy Communion.

11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Melissa, August Centrella, Theresa, Emanuele

Triggiano; Req. by Claire Centrella

After Mass – St. Patrick's Dinner – Welcome!

Monday March 18, 2019 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bp.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

7:30 pm – Preparation for marriage

Tuesday March 19, 2019 – Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of Blessed

Virgin Mary

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

Wednesday, , March 20, 2019 - Lent

8:30 am Holy Mass

7:15-8:00 pm – Adult Bible Study Gospel of St. Mark (plan to attend)



Thursday March 21, 2019 – St. Benedict, Ab.

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

Friday March 22, 2019 – St. Basil of Ancyra, M.

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

7:30 pm – Stations of the Cross (plan to attend)

8:00 pm – Preparation for Baptism

Friday March 22, 2019 – St. Basil of Ancyra, M.

12 Noon – Confirmation Class – community service, painting, cleaning



SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019 – 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

"Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future." - Luke 13:8-9



9:00 AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners

10:00 am – Coffee and Cake Fellowship

10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class

11:00 am – Sunday School in the parish hall during the 11 am Mass; Please join the Mass during distribution of Holy Communion.



11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +John, Adele Sincavage, Hughie and Rose Vickerilla; Offered by Beverly and Hughie Vickerilla



BIBLE STUDY – LENT 2019 During Lent - The Bible Study classes will take place ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: Wed., March 20, 27, and April 3, 2019 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 send email at holycrosspncc1@gmail.com. Fr. Joseph



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. 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. Our prayers are addressed for those who were affected by the recent tragedies. We ask God to be the source of our strength especially in the time of trial. We continue to pray for all deceased victims caused by 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. 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.



Confirmation Class **Confirmation Classes – Next Class will take place on Sunday March 31, April 14, 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.

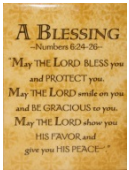
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Next classes will be held on the following Sundays at 10 am. - **March 24, April 7, 28, May 5, 2019. Rehearsal, Confessions on Friday May 17th at 7 pm. The first Holy Communion celebration will take place on Sunday May 19, 2019 at 11 am. Please attend with parents Sunday Mass each 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)*



CHOCOLATE CANDIES \$1 each- Sale to date - \$550. We are selling candy from World's Finest Chocolate. This year we offer a variety of different kinds with and without nuts. Please consider taking a box and selling to your friends, family or at



work. We expect the shipment at the end of September. More information in the parish hall.
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.



BLESSING OF HOMES Please contact Fr. Joseph if you wish to have blessed your home or apartment. 201-247-4832 or 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. We thank Deacon Bill for lessons preparing new altar servers.

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!**



Holy Cross Prayer Shawl Ministry - Do you crochet or knit? Then join us in this new ministry by helping make shawls for home bound, persons in need of our prayers, people dealing with illnesses. We can make a difference by comforting them in their time of need by presenting them with a handmade shawl and special prayers for our blessed shawl. “May God’s grace be upon this shawl... Warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven... a sacred place of security and wellbeing... May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace. And wrapped in love! Blessed Be!!! Great gift for the Caregiver as well!



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. In the words of St. Augustine: “He who sings, prays twice” Please consider joining our choir. You can help our parish to grow. Thank you



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

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 92 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.



THANK YOU

- Adoration Society members, Penni Lazor, Renata Cyman and Beverly Obsuth for decorating the parish hall for St. Patrick’s Luncheon
- Fr. David Gaydos, and Laurie Gaydos for preparing St. Patrick’s Luncheon with the help of Ed Obsuth
- Renata Cyman for changing the altar linens to Lenten season and Penni Lazor for cleaning Altar linens (the purificators and lavabo towels)
- Fran Cuccinello for helping in the parish office
- Claire Centrella for helping with checking our bulletin online
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook
- All those who attended Bible study and Stations of the cross last week



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

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.

Electronic donations (Venmo) to date * - \$500



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

UPCOMING EVENTS



April 7, 2019 – Agape – Commemoration of Last Supper at Holy Cross @ 3 pm

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

June 9, 2019 – Church picnic

June 16, 2019 – Father's Day Breakfast at 10 am

June 8, 2019 from 9 am – 2 pm - Adoration Society Flea Market

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



Be a Good Steward

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.

Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations

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Organist - Neil Estanislao 201-966-9026

Organist - Jessica Muccilli 973-903-7273

Adoration Society - Penni Lazor 973-768-7917

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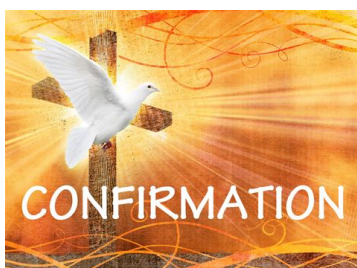
Polish National Union of America - Fr. Joseph Cyman – 201-247-4832



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. **The TV set is connected with camera in the church sanctuary. You can see mass in the parish hall.**



Our congratulations to Josephine and Justin Palman, on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday March 10, 2019. Proud Confirmation Sponsors were, Jonathan Palman and Denise Harlem. We congratulate parents, Italo and Patricia, family members and friends. We thank Bishop Bernard Nowicki for coming to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation making this occasion very special. We keep Josephine and her family in our prayers - Fr. Joseph Cyman



After the Sacrament of Confirmation, the reception for the Palman family with the presence of Bishop Bernard Nowicki and parish committee was held in the parish hall.



Saint Patrick was a fifth-century Romano-British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. Known as the "Apostle of Ireland", he is the primary patron saint of Ireland, the other patron saints being Brigit of Kildare and Columba. He is venerated in the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion, the Lutheran Churches, the Old Catholic Church, and in the Eastern Orthodox Church as equal-to-the-apostles

and Enlightener of Ireland.

Saint Patrick's Day is observed on 17 March, the supposed date of his death. It is celebrated inside and outside Ireland as a religious and cultural holiday. In the dioceses of Ireland, it is both a solemnity and a holy day of obligation; it is also a celebration of Ireland itself.