# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 28, 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 (reserve priest in the diocese) The Deacon William Gaydos

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

"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those... and believed." - John 20:29



Dear friends, today's readings are about signs and wonders, doubters and believers and — once again — God's unending mercy. Peter was a doubter, and today we add Thomas to the list. Neither of them is condemned for doubting, and each becomes a powerful witness preaching the Gospel. St. Faustina, a 20th-century Polish nun, recorded revelations

that she received from Jesus who, as she wrote in her diary, desired that "a Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls." With God's unending mercy, doubt becomes a pathway. Mercy is available to those of us who sometimes struggle, like the disciples, with our own doubts.



### **Today's Scriptures**

Acts 5:12-16 Many signs and wonders were done among the people Ps 118 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 I am the first and the last, the one who lives Jn 20:19-31 Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:

9:00 am - George O'Brien / 11:00 am - Dominick and Dean Porcoro

### SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. 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: Josephine Palman, Filip Sepelowski, Mary Margo, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Liz Wozney, Frances

Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Carol Miller, Russ Russell, Ewa B., 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 – 61<sup>st</sup> Ann – 4/6 Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 8th Ann. – 4/15 Edward and Beverly Obssuth - 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. 273 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 holvcrosspnce1@gmail.com, thank you. Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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### SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019 - 2™ SUNDAY OF EASTER

""Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those... and believed." - John 20:29

9:00 AM Holy Mass +Helen Skawinski; Offered by The Cyman family

**+David Bucci** (1<sup>st</sup> Ann); Offered by Fran and Al Cuccinello

10:00 am - Coffee and Cake Fellowship

10:00 am - Lectors' Meeting

10:00 am -First Holy Communion Class

10:30 am - Easter Egg Hunt / Please invite your friends

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 - +Helen Jarmakowicz; Offered by The Bizub Family

### **CONFIRMATION CLASS AFTER 11 AM MASS**

Tuesday, April 29, 2019 – Easter Time – St. Mark Evangelist

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

Tuesday, April 30, 2019 – St. Joseph Workman

8:30 am - Holy Mass

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 – St. Philip and St. James, Ap.

8:30 am – Holy Mass

7:15 pm – preparation for Baptism

Thursday, May 2, 2019 – St. Athanasius, B.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the sick and homebound

Friday, May 3, 2019 – Finding of the Holy Cross

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

+Theresa Triggiano (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.); Req. by Claire Centrella

Saturday, May 4, 2019 – St. Pelagia, M.

1:00 pm - Sacrament of Baptism, Ailani Isabella Figueroa, daughter of Raul and Priscilla (Zavala) Figeroa

### SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019 - 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

""Come, have breakfast." - John 21:12



**9:00 AM** Holy Mass +Michael P. Gaydos; Req. by the Martin and Gaydos families

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 All Parishioners living and deceased



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 and test. We continue to pray for all deceased victims caused by shootings in our country, and other countries in the world, especially recent tragedy in Sri Lanka on Easter Sunday. We pray for 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 Classes – Next Class will take place on Sunday April 28, 2019, May 12, 26, June 9, 16, 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. The Sacrament of Cnfirmation will take place on September 15, 2019 at 11 am Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Next classes will be held on the following Sundays at 10



am. - April 28, May 5, 12 (Mother's Day Breakfast), 2019. Rehearsal, Confessions on Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. The first Holy Communion celebration will take place on Sunday May 19, 2019 at 11 am. Parents, please attend each Sunday Holy Mass with your children. 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)* 



<u>CHOCOLATE CANDIES</u> \$1 each- <u>Sale to date - \$590.</u> 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.



<u>BLESSING OF HOMES</u> Please contact Fr. Joseph if you wish to have blessed your home or apartment. 201-247-4832 or <a href="https://doi.org/10.2011/joseph.com">holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</a>

<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>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!



<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. 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 93 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

- **Renata Cyman for preparing altars for Easter Sunday**
- Fran Cuccinello for helping in the parish office
- Claire Centrella for helping with checking our bulletin online
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook

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.

Week of April 21 – Fran Cuccinello

Week of April 28 – Prayer for Josephine / Week of May 12 – Prayer for Theresa

Osborne / Week of May 19 - Prayer for Mabela Burgos

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 \* - \$570

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**

May 5, 2019 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 11, 2019 NY/NJ Seniorate council meeting at St. Peter and Paul Parish, Passaic, NJ

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

May 17, 2019 - First Holy Communion Confessions and Rehearsal

May 19, 2019 at 11 am Mass – First Holy Communion celebration

May 21, 2019 – Tuesday, Parish Comm. Mtg. at 7:30 pm

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, SS Peter and Paul, Passaic, NJ

September 15, 2019 - Sacrament of Confirmation administered by Bishop Bernard

#### Nowicki

Upcoming

Events

October 25 (Friday) – Tricky Tray at Local 464, Paterson Ave, Little Falls, NJ 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.



<u>FOOD DRIVE to</u> 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)





The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$125.00 for each hour of rental time (for non parishioners). For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$60 for each hour. Call 201-247-4832 (cell) email holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

### **MOTHER'S DAY**



On Sunday, May 12, 2019 we will celebrate Mother's Day and honor of all our mothers with special prayers during both Masses. The Mother's Day Breakfast will take place in the parish hall after the 9:00 A.M. Mass. All parishioners and friends especially Mothers are cordially invited to attend this annual celebration.

<u>Transfiguration Church in Wallington – Tricky Tray on Wed. May 2, 2019</u> 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; For tickets please contact Dawn Wassman Phone 201-463-1512



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.





<u>EASTER FLOWERS</u> – An Easter Flower Fund Envelope is included in the Sunday Collection envelopes and will be available in the parish vestibule. Thank you for beautifying our church. Committee

### **EASTER FLOWERS DONATIONS – continue...**

Jessica and Al Kwiatkowski in memory of Joseph Kwiatkowski; Greg and Frances Junda in memory of Sophie & Edward Budjinsky, Elaine and Jerry Rotsaert in memory of Helen Skawinski;

On Easter Sunday, April 21st we began the joyous celebration of Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ with Easter Procession around the church before 9 am Mass and Easter Procession inside the church before the 11 am Mass. The four corners of the world were blessed with the Risen Lord present in the Holy Eucharist. Jesus lives among us and in as for the Holy Scripture says, where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in their midst. Mt. 8:20

We thank organist and readers, Adoration Society members, altar servers, ushers, greeters, and volunteers who carried the Resurrection canopy - baldachino, resurrection statue, Paschal candle, and resurrection cross, as well as children who spread flower petals during the procession. We thank everyone who attended these special celebrations of the Resurrection of our Savior. Happy Easter to everyone!

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. 201-247-4832







### **Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations**

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

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Deacon - William Gaydos 973-239-4725

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 Secretary – Claire Centrella
 201-572-1299

 Organist - Neil Estanislao
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 Organist - Jessica Muccilli
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 Adoration Society - Penni Lazor
 973-768-7917

**Lectors Coordinator (9 am service)** - 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 – 973-653-6494

St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy and Richard Daum 973-694-9457 Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

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Shopping Certificates Sale - Lucy Daum 973-694-9457, Merry Sleece 973-731-3611

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