# 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 12, 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)

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"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." - John 10:27



Fear of the other is pervasive today, but it's not new. The early Christians confronted it in preaching the Gospel and often paid a heavy price for their message. As hard as it may be to accept, God's love is not limited to us and those with whom we feel comfortable. We, too, are called to reach out beyond borders and barriers of our own making. Why is this so hard for us

to grasp, even now?

# **Today's Scriptures**

Acts 13:14, 43-52 The cost of preaching the Gospel to the Gentiles Ps 100 We are his people, the sheep of his flock Rv 7:9, 14b-17 A universal vision of Jesus' followers Jn 10:27-30 Those who follow Jesus will have eternal life

#### WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY: 9:00 am – Neil Kiame 11:00 am – Chris Galindo / Daniel Galindo

#### 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. <u>GIFT CARDS</u> are available for <u>STOP N SHOP, FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE</u>. 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: Russel Jockel, Josephine Palman, Filip Sepelowski, Mary Margo, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Liz Wozney, Frances Sanchez,

Wendy Schlesinger, Carol Miller, 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.

<u>ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE</u> Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage.



#### Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 55th Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 56th Anniversary – May 12 Troy & Mary Rose Hilton – May 24 – 5<sup>th</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 \_\_\_\_\_ \_(If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please contact or call the parish office. Thank you)

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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 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com, thank you. Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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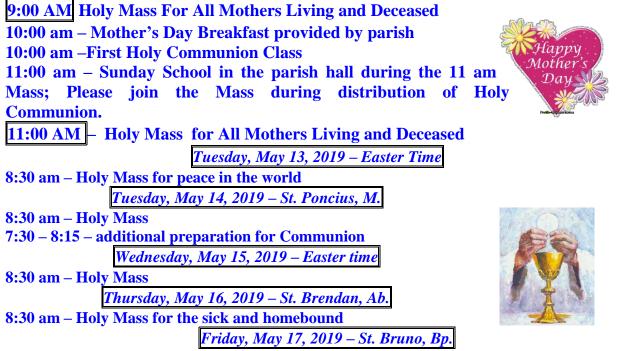
# **MOTHER'S DAY**



On Sunday, May 12, 2019 we 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. (10 am) All parishioners and friends especially Mothers are cordially invited to attend this annual celebration.

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019 - 4<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

""My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." - John 10:27



8:30 am – Holy Mass for benefactors of Holy Cross Church 7 pm – rehearsal and confessions for First Holy Communion

# SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019 - 5™ SUNDAY OF EASTER



"My children, I will be with you only a little while longer." - John 13:33 9:00 AM Holy Mass for +Melissa, August Centrella, Emanuele,

**Theresa Triggiano:** Reg. by Claire Centrella 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 students receiving First Holy Communion



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 tragedies. 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 May 12 (Help during Mother's Day Breakfast), May 26, June 9, 16, 2019. 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 Confirmation 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. -



May 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)



CHOCOLATE CANDIES \$1 each- Sale to date - \$590. 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.** 

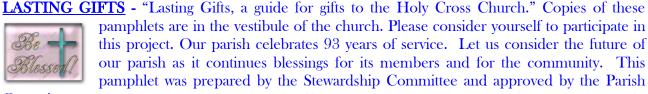
NEW PARISHIONERS – If you are new to our parish, please submit your name and phone number to Father Joseph. Father will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have regarding our church. WELCOME!



**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.



Committee.

#### **THANK YOU TO**

- Parish committee members for attending meeting
- Fran Cuccinello for helping in the parish office \_
- Claire Centrella for helping with checking our bulletin online
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook

#### We thank Smart Fix Business for doing some repairs in the bathrooms in the church hall and rectory.

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 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 <u>with no extra cost</u> 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 \* - \$670 Donations can be made also through PayPal. The link to donate through PayPal can be found on Holy Cross Church website – <u>holycrosssite.org</u>. However, PayPal keeps <u>a small percentage</u> (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 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

Upcoming Events June

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

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.



**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)

#### HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH



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 <u>holycrosspncc1@gmail.com</u>

#### NOTE FROM PASTOR: BIBLE STUDY



\_\_The Bible Study classes will take place ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: Wed., June 12, July 10, (NO CLASS in AUGUST) September 11, 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. Interested, please sign up in the parish hall or send email at holycrosspncc1@gmail.com. Thank you, Fr.

Joseph



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Join us

for our



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

Enjoy!

Fresh Fruit Salad, Pancake, Scrambled Eggs, Home Fries, sausage, and coffee, etc.

Made especially for you by our men from the parish





Crowning of Mary on



the Blessed Virgin Sunday May 5, 2019

#### New Parish Project seal-coating and re-striping of parking lot

Thank you for the past donations to Building Fund.

As per parish committee we have voted and agreed on seal coating and re-striping our parking lot. The project will cost \$3,000.00. We hired Doctor Driveway Paving. It is the same company that repaired 75% of our parking lot with new pavement three years ago. Now is the time that this area of our parking lot needs to be seal coated for the first time. The "old" parking lot (25% of the total area) has some holes and needs to be repaired and seal coated as well. Finally, all parking area will be re-striped.

We are asking for your donations to help pay for this project.

In advance, we thank you for your generosity and may God bless and reward you abundantly.

# **Holy Cross Church Ministries and Organizations**

Pastor - Father Joseph R. Cyman 973-256-4888 / 201-247-4832 973-580-1256 Fr. David Gaydos (helping priest for the Central Diocese) **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 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 Advent Tree - Pat Olsen 973-696-6581 Ushers - John Surak 201-264-6711 / Greeters -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

So Blessed by You, Mom A mother who always cares, A mother who's always there. A mother who always prays, A mother who always stays. When things get rough, When life gets tough, When all is just too much to bear, God's Word she shares. God's light she shines. So blessed God made this mother mine.

