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

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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)

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



As in any new counter-movement, early Christians made their case regarding Christ's identity and redemptive work under perilous conditions and the possibility of persecution. Their faith and commitment were expressed at enormous risk. This is still true for Christians in some places and situations, but not for most of us. Today's readings challenge us who are not personally endangered:

How compelling is our personal faith commitment?



## **Today's Scriptures**

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 The apostles testify boldly before the Sanhedrin Ps 30 I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me Rv 5:11-14 All creation is called to worship Christ as redeemer Jn 21:1-19 Jesus feeds his disciples, calling them to love

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY: 9:00 am - George O'Brien / 11:00 am - Angela Gulla

## 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: 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...

<u>THE PRAYER REQUEST</u> - 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.

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



### Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 55th Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 56th Anniversary – May 12

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 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, MAY 5, 2019 - 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER CROWNING OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - BEFORE EACH MASS

""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 – Adoration Society Meeting

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 +Departed members of Piascik, Raczkowski,

Hrabovsky and Hess Families; Req. by The Merson Family

Tuesday, May 6, 2019 – Easter Time – St. Evodius of Antioch, Bp.

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

Tuesday, May 7, 2019 – St. Stanislaus, Bp.

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, May 8, 2019 – St. Victor Maurus, M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass

7:15 - 8:00 pm - Bible Study

Thursday, May 9, 2019 – St. Gregory of Nanzianzen, Bp. D.

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

Friday, May 10, 2019 – 68<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Martyrdom of Bp. J. Padewski

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

Saturday, May 11, 2019 – Easter Time

10:00 am - NY/N Seniorate Council Meeting at STS Peter and Paul Parish, 126 River Drive, Passaic, NJ

## SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019 - 4™ SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

9:00 AM Holy Mass For All Mothers Living and Deceased

10:00 am – Mother's Day Breakfast provided by parish

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 Mothers 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 (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 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 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)



**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.

**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 TO

- Dominick Bucci for help with maintenance work
- 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 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 – <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 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

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Upcoming

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)



#### 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 holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

#### **MOTHER'S DAY**



celebration.

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



**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.

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



Sacrament of Baptism, Isabella Ailani Figueroa, daughter of Raul and Priscilla (Zavala) **Figueroa Proud godparents** were: William Fuentes and Ana Zavala We congratulate the Figueroa, and Zavala families as well as grandparents, family members and friends on this special occasion. The Sacrament of Baptism-

Confirmation is the foundation of our Christian faith, is a gateway to new life in the Spirit, and the door that gives access to other sacraments. Through the Sacrament of Baptism-Confirmation we are regenerated and incorporated into Christ's body - His Church.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**



We congratulate Sebastian Wysocki and Ashley Lynn Burr on their Sacrament of Marriage held on April 27, 2918 at Holy Cross Church. Proud Best Man was John Koban and proud Maid of Honor was Nancy Nakhle. We congratulate parents, grandparents, family members and friends on this special occasion. Matrimony is the Sacrament that makes a Christian man and woman husband and wife, gives them grace to be faithful to each other and to bring up their children in love and devotion to God.



## NOTE FROM PASTOR: BIBLE STUDY



The Bible Study classes will take place ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: Wed., May 8, 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. Fr. Joseph

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

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