

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 25, 2019

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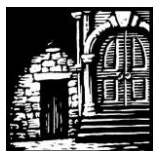
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The Reverend Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor
The Deacon William Gaydos

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

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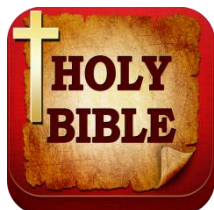
INTRODUCTION



Who would not be interested in accepting God's endless mercy? Today's readings remind us that not everyone responds in the same way to what is offered. Living the Gospel is a joy and a privilege, with ultimate rich rewards. But we know there is no guarantee of a smooth journey. The discipline required may not be for everyone — even those we love. All we can do is to embrace the invitation issued to us and pray that countless others will join us in discipleship when they are

ready

Scripture readings:



Isa 66:18-21 God's mercy will extend to all people.
Psalm 117 Go out to all the world and tell the good news.
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Encouragement to those enduring hardship and trials
Luke 13:22-30 Not all will take advantage of God's mercy.

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:

9:00 am – George O'Brien

11:00 am – Mark Koscinski

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. RECENTLY ANOTHER \$1,000 WAS DEPOSITED TO BUILDING



FUND FROM GIFT CARDS SALE. To date income \$71,000. 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.**

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: 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...*



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.

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

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

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 _____


Richard Bartolozzi/Jennifer Hitchcock 8/5–20th Ann.
Jamie and Mayra Valer – 8/05 – 14th Ann.
Gerald Muller / Nancy Ramos – 8/7 – 20th Ann.
Miriam and Thomas Gomez – 8/23 – 33rd Ann.
Geovanny and Amanda Bautista- 8/28 – 10th Ann.
Rafal Daniewski/Ewa Sobstyl – 8/29 – 27th Ann.



Holy Cross Church Face Book Link:
www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://Blog.holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 278 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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9:00 AM Holy Mass + Russ Jockel; Req. by Helen and Ron Yuswack

10:00 am – Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am – Tricky Tray Preparation Meeting

11:00 AM – Holy Mass for All Parishioners

Sacrament of Baptism: William Parker Estrella, son of David and Marie Estrella
After Mass – Confirmation Class



Monday, August 26, 2019 – Our Lady of Czestochowa

8:30 am – Holy Mass for Youth of our church

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 – St. Monica

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

Wednesday, August 28, 2019 – St. Augustine, Bp. D.

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, August 29, 2019 – St. Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

7:30 pm – HEALING MASS – Mass for the sick and homebound

Friday, August 30, 2019 – St. Felix, M.

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



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 – 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"My friend, move up to a higher position.' ... For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 14:10-11



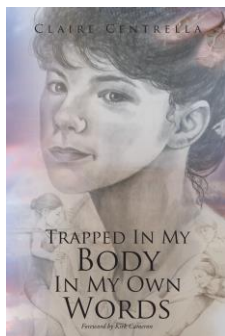
9:00 AM Holy Mass for all parishioners

10:00 am – Coffee Fellowship

10:00 am – Lector's Meeting (readers at 9 am Mass)

11:00 AM – Holy Mass for +Daniel V. Cupo; Offered by Fr. Joseph and Mrs. Renata Cyman

We thank, Smart Fix – Chris Wysocki (201) 790-2991 for his recent maintenance work at Holy Cross Church. His business specializes with Woodworking, Ceramic Tile, Countertops, Doors, Drywall, Electrician, Flooring, Handyman Service, Insulation, Lighting, Interior Painters, Plumbing, Remodeling, Bathroom & Kitchen Remodeling, Window Treatments, Replacement Windows



Our dear parishioner Claire Centrella who lost her daughter to complications from Dystonia 17 years ago, has put together a beautiful book with friends on her daughter Melissa's life and legacy. It has recently been released for purchase on Amazon and Barnes and Noble. The name of the book is Trapped In My Body In My Own Words. All proceeds from the book will go to Melissa's Hope Foundation in support of scholarships for students in NJ, pursuing careers in nursing or medical/sciences as well as helping families with special needs children. Kirk Cameron befriended her when she visited him on the set of Growing Pains and has written the Foreword to the book. He will be flying out for a book launch on Sept. 19th 3:30pm at the Nutley Public Library. We hope you can support the foundation

by purchasing a book. Thank you and God bless.

THANK YOU



- I thank Fr. David and Deacon Bill for their help during my recent vacation.
- Thank to lectors, altar servers, greeters for their service during our Sunday Masses.
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our Facebook,
- Fran Cuccinello for help in the parish office; Volunteers who painted the doors of the parish hall; To those who purchase gift cards supporting Building Fund
- Anyone who share their time, talent and treasure for the good of our parish.



HEALING MASS – The Masses for the Sick and Home Bound are celebrated **on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS. Dates of Healing Masses: August 29, September 29, 2019.** The Lord hears to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. **WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS**

HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN



Dear friends, please join us in our parish **DAILY PRAYER CHAIN**. Please pray for each other asking for 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 healing and support. You are invited to 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 a test. We continue to pray for all deceased victims caused by shootings in our country and in other countries in the world. We pray for devastated families, and their 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 pray for the victims of any sexual abuse and harassment. Our Polish National Catholic Church has a zero tolerance. 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.

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!**

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



Confirmation Classes – Next Class will take place on following Sundays: August 25, Sept. 1, Sept 8, 2019. The rehearsal for Confirmation is scheduled on Friday Sept. 13, 2019 at 7:15 pm. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on **September 15, 2019 at 11 am Mass celebrated by Bp. Bernard**

Nowicki. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and is very important step in Christian religious education.

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

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, Father Joseph after Mass. Please sign your name in "Our Church Guests" book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship.

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.

Our Mission - The parish of Holy Cross, PNCC 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. **"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation". (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 the lost."** (Luke 19:10) In the past **93 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.



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 August 25 – available ; Week of September 1 - available

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

UPCOMING EVENTS



September 8, 2019 – School of Christian Living classes resume

September 15, 2019 – Sacrament of Confirmation administered by Bishop Bernard Nowicki at 11 am Mass

September 22, 2019 – NY/NJ Adoration Society meeting, Transfiguration of our Lord Church, 135 Hathaway St. Wallington, NJ at 3 pm.

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

October 25, 2019 – Special Synod, Scranton, PA – election of the bishop



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.



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.

MASS INTENTIONS - *In order to request the Holy Mass Intention such as For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries, please contact Fr. Joseph 201-247-4832; holycrosspncc1@gmail.com*



CHOCOLATE CANDIES Sale to date - \$890. 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 NEED MORE HELP TO SELL THE CANDIES. The remaining candies are in the refrigerator.**

Recent Parish Project -seal-coating and re-stripping of parking lot and new Air Condition / Heating Unit



The project did cost **\$3,000. which was done by Doctor Driveway Paving.** This company is highly recommended. It is the same company that repaired 75% of our parking lot with new pavement three years ago. All parking lot was seal coated and re-stripped. Also any path holes (on "old parking lot") were repaired as well.

Also, recently we had to replace the air conditioning unit located at Fr. John Slys Building / Day Care for the cost of **\$2,000.** We are asking for your donations to help pay for these projects.



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

TOTAL EXPENSES \$5,000.

THANK YOU FOR RECENT DONATIONS - \$3,300.



Central Diocese Clergy Retreat and Conference August 22-23-24, 2019 at Villa of Our Lady Mt. Pocono, PA



Certificates of Recognition for Juliana, Dominick and Dominick Porcoro Jr. Certificates of recognition for Nayef (not on picture) Neil and Ned Kiame