

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPT. 1, 2019
LABOR DAY WEEKEND

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 92 Years of Service
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Regular SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am
WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

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

INTRODUCTION



Today's readings focus on humility and instruct us to attend to those who are most needy. After all these centuries, they seem especially relevant now. How to conduct ourselves when we live in a culture that promotes success, power, self-glorification at every level? Awareness — both of self and others — is essential. Jesus calls us to sacrifice our own wants, pay attention to those in need and expect no reward in return. That sounds easier than it is, which is why we're gathered today to ask God's help and blessing.

Scripture readings:



Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Wise advice on humility
Psalm 68 God, you have made a home for the poor.
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a The glory of living in the new covenant with Christ
Luke 14:1, 7-14 A banquet parable on living humbly and serving the most needy

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:

9:00 am – Deacon Bill Gaydos / 11:00 am – Angela Gulla

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.



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 or send it by mail. Thank you for your cooperation. Name (husband) _____

Name (wife maiden name) _____ Date of Marriage _____

Miriam and Thomas Gomez – 8/23 – 33rd Ann.
Geovanny and Amanda Bautista- 8/28 – 10th Ann.
Rafal Daniewski/Ewa Sobstyl – 8/29 – 27th Ann.



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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, 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



After Mass – Confirmation Class

Monday, September 2, 2019 – LABOR DAY USA

8:30 am – Holy Mass for our Nation

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 – St. Bronislawa, V.

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

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 – St. Rosalia, V.

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, September 5, 2019 – St Zachariah

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

Friday, September 6, 2019 – Weekday.

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

+August Centrella (birthday); Offered by Claire Centrella

7:30 pm – Additional preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 – 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM Holy Mass for +Dorris J. Holloway; *Req. Cyman Family*

10:00 am – Coffee Fellowship

10:00 am – Adoration Society meeting

10:20 am - Tricky Tray meeting

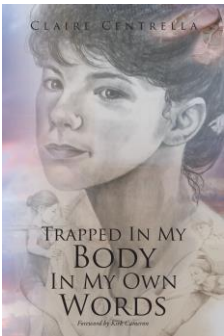
11:00 am – SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES (during the Holy Mass at 11 am in the parish hall)

11:00 AM – Holy Mass for All Parishioners

After Mass – Confirmation class



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



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



- Appreciation to our lectors, altar servers, greeters for their service during our Sunday Masses.
- Parish committee members for attending monthly meetings.
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our Facebook,
- Fran Cuccinello for help in the parish office;
- We Thank those who purchase gift cards supporting Building Fund
- Dominick Bucci who helped to organize donations for Straight and Narrow fire victims
- 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



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

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

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 the victims of Hurricane Dorian, for calm weather. 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.

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.



Confirmation Classes – Next Class will take place on following Sundays: 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.

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!**



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.



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 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

November 10 – Pancake Breakfast at 10 am

Nov. 17, 2019 – Bake Sale and Stuffed Cabbage Sale after both Masses

Dec. 8, 2019 – Christmas Dinner after 11 am Mass

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 \$860***



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.

More financial information in the next bulletin

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*

The parishioners of Holy Cross Church witnessed Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday August 25, 2019 administered to **William Parker Estrella**, son of David and Marie Estrella. Proud godparents were Santiago Estrella and Patricia Traugh. We congratulate the Estrella and Kutlenios 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.

As God made the covenant with his people so through Baptism, Jesus makes a new and everlasting covenant with his followers. As Jesus won new life for us on the cross, with the symbol of the cross, David was marked to receive the new life in the Lord. As the waters of the Red Sea led the people of Israel to freedom so the water of Baptism gave new life and lead to Salvation. Parents, godparents and all members of our parish pledge to help this child to grow in Christian faith.




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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 Slysz 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.

Contact Information for Organizations & Ministries

- Pastor – Rev. Joseph R. Cyman, 201-247-4832 / 973-256-4888
- Rev. David Gaydos, 973-580-1256 (reserve clergy in the diocese)
- Deacon – Deacon William Gaydos, 973-902-9321
- Parish Committee Chairperson – George O’Brien - 973-341-3241
- Hall Rentals – 201-247-4832
- Blessed Sacrament Society (ANS) – Penni Lazor, 973-768-7917
- Organist – Neil Estanislao, 201-966-9026; Organist – Jeccisa Muccilli, 973-903-7273
- Lectors 9:00 a.m.- George O’Brien - 973-341-3241
- Lectors 11:00 a.m.- Parish Office, 201-247-4832
- Altar Servers – Deacon William Gaydos, 973-902-9321
- School of Christian Living (SOCL) – Donna Maher, 201-774-9560; Paul Murphy, 908-875-4493; Natalie Lazar, 973-563-6494
- St. Nicholas Ministry – Lucy Daum and Richard Daum, 973-694-9457; Merry Sleece, 973-731-3611
- Stewardship Committee – Pat Olsen, 973-696-6581
- Youth Group – Deacon William Gaydos, 973-902-9321
- Ushers – John Surak, 201-891-3702
- Greeters – Fran Cuccinello – 973-256-1392
- Coffee and Cake Fellowship Group – Hughie Vickerilla, 973-942-4399
- Maintenance Committee – 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



**DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS
FOR THE PARISH COMMITTEE TO
DISCUSS AT THEIR MEETING?
REQUESTS AND IDEAS MUST BE AGREED AND VOTED
ON BY THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS
DROP YOUR NOTE IN THE BOX
(NO NEED TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME)**

LOOKING FORWARD FOR SUGGESTIONS, IDEAS, PRAISES AND EVEN COMPLAINTS

Confirmation Class



On Sunday Sept. 15, 2019 at 11 am Mass we will host the presence of Bishop Bernard Nowicki, who will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. There will be a reception following the Mass in the parish auditorium. The food will be catered by Francesco's Restaurant from Woodland Park. The reception is open to Confirmands, sponsors, parents, family members, friends and parishioners of Holy Cross. We will need to know how many people will be attending. Therefore, we are asking you to reply with the number of guests attending the dinner.

You can answer by email holycrosspncc1@gmail.com phone call, 201-247-4832 (call/ text) or sign up in the parish hall by Sunday September 8, 2019 as seating is limited to 140 people. The cost of the dinner per adult person is \$15. The cost for children ages 4 to 13 years old is \$7.50. Please indicate how many children will attend. Please write check payable to Holy Cross Church, memo Dinner Sept. 15th by Sept. 8 2019. You can bring checks on Sunday or drop it off with a prior arrangement by calling 201-247-4832.