

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPT. 29, 2019

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 92 Years of Service
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The Reverend Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor
The Rev. David Gaydos (Reserve Clergy)

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

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INTRODUCTION



My friends, sometimes our readings are full of good news; sometimes they abound in hard warnings. Today we are warned that we need to be attentive to the opportunities around us to serve others. It's easy to postpone for another day the steps we need to take. Trusting in God's ultimate mercy is only half the story. Today may be the only time we have to respond.

Today's Scripture Readings



Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Warning to those who ignore the needs of others
Psalm 146 Praise the Lord, my soul!
1 Tim 6:11-16 The time to respond in discipleship is now.
Luke 16:19-31 The parable of the rich man and Lazarus

WE THANK those who serve as LECTORS TODAY:

9:00 am – Neil Kiamie 11:00 am – Mark Koscinski

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES. RECENTLY ANOTHER \$1,000 WAS DEPOSITED TO BUILDING FUND FROM GIFT CARDS SALE. To date income \$72,000. 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, 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 _____

George and Dorothy O'Brien – 9/11 - 48 Ann.

Cesar and Christina Colon – 9/23 – 13 Ann.

Edward Lazor/Michele Gula 10/8–42nd Ann.

Deacon David /Laurie Rusnak 10/ 28 – 40 years

Eric Olsen/Denise Piwowar 10/ 8 - 30 years

Keith Mullin and Jaclyn Ziobro 10/ 16 - 15 years

Nicholas Lawler/Michele Peano 10/ 15 - 14 years / Martin Maher / Donna Giardino 10/24 – 30 years



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Visiting our website Blog.holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 279 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our face book

MEMBERSHIP 2019

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

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SUNDAY SCHOOL Mass

Monday, September 30, 2019 – Feast of St. Michael, Archangel

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

Tuesday, October 1, 2019 – St. Rheims of Rheims, Bp.



8:30 am – Holy Mass for the Youth

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – Feast of Guardian Angels

8:30 am – Holy Mass for our Nation

Thursday, October 3, 2019 – St. Teresa of Lisieux, V.



8:30 am – Holy Mass

Friday, October 4, 2019 – St. Francis of Assisi

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019 – 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM Holy Mass for all Parishioners living and deceased

10:00 am – Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM – First Holy Communion Class



SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

11:00 AM – Holy Mass WITH BLESSING OF PETS IN THE PARISH HALL

PLEASE REMEMBER BRING YOUR PETS FOR THE BLESSING

OCTOBER 6, 2019 – BLESSING OF PETS the 11am Holy Mass will take place in the parish hall.



Well behaved dogs, cats, fish, birds and other God's creatures are invited with their owners. The blessing will be given in commemoration of Saint Francis of Assisi, patron saint of environment. Animals trusted St. Francis and he treated them with courtesy. Near the end of his life St. Francis composed a song of praise and thanks to God for all his creations, called "Canticle to Brother Sun" – also known as the "Canticle of the Creatures." From this song we know that St. Francis did not perceive himself isolated from other creatures. He simply assumed that all creatures – not only humans – form one family of creation. So we are encouraged to bless and praise God with cats, dogs, birds and all God's creatures.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES Enrolment for the Sacrament of Confirmation is open. Students who are 13 years and older including adults are eligible to take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism as important step in Christian religious education.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Classes started on Sunday September 22, 2019.

The next class will be on Sunday October 6, 2019 at 10 am in the parish hall (June Pettegrew classroom). Registration is open. So far we have four (4) students registered. Our Lord, Jesus Christ is really present in the Holy

Eucharist under the forms of bread and wine. Jesus 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)

Some requirements: Students should be enrolled in 2nd grade or older to participate; Parents/Guardians are required to attend Sunday Mass each week with children. The First Holy Communion teacher is Ms. Mary Vitaletti.

50 /50 Raffle

Holy Cross Parish is having a 50/50 raffle. The raffle draw will be held during our Tricky Tray event on October 25, 2019 at 10 pm. No need to be present to win though we would like you there in person to join us in the fundraiser. We kindly ask that each parishioner or family unit actively participate in the sale of enclosed tickets at \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10. There are 10 tickets in the book. Total cost of the book is \$35. Ticket stubs with money and unsold tickets are to be returned to the parish office or collection basket by October 18, 2019. This fundraiser is licensed to be sold to the general public. More tickets are available by calling or texting parish office 201-247-4832. Please pick up the letter from the parish hall or you may receive it in the mail.

Tricky Tray – Friday October 25, 2019

Our Tricky Tray, the largest fundraiser of our Parish will be held on Friday, October 25, 2019 at Amalgamated Meat Cutters, 245 Paterson Ave., Little Falls, NJ. This year we celebrate the 35th Anniversary of Holy Cross Tricky Tray fundraiser.

Please consider donating a prize before Sunday October 20th so that we can print your donation in the program. We are in need of Regular Trays which are value \$35+, Super Trays, value \$50+, Grand Trays value \$100+ and 5 Platinum Trays value \$200+.

Please include your name and the content of the basket / donation that could appear on the outside of the prize. You can wrap your prize or we will do that for you. Entrance tickets are now available for purchase. You can reserve a table for 8-10 participants. **BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, HAVE A FAMILY REUNION.** Get your entrance tickets in advance at \$15, or at the door for \$20. You can call the church at 201-247-4832 or Fran at 973-303-3874 or Penni at 973-768-7917 for tickets or purchase them on Sunday after Mass in the parish hall.

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.

THANK YOU

- Appreciation to our lectors, altar servers, greeters for their service
- Parish Committee members for attending the monthly meetings
- Adoration Society members, Angela Gulla, Natalie Lazar, Janet Andrews for attending with Pastor, Fr. Joseph on Sunday Sept. 22nd the Adoration Society meeting in Wallington, NJ
- Adoration Society members for their activities and fundraisers for our parish
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our Facebook,
- Fran Cuccinello for help in the parish office



- We thank those who purchase gift cards supporting Building Fund. Another \$1,000 from gift cards sale was deposited in the Building Fund. Great news!
- Anyone who share their time, talent and treasure for the good of our parish.



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 and for the growth of our parish. 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 protection from opioid overdose, 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 to end 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.



WELCOME! 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!**

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



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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.

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.

Recent Parish Project -seal-coating and re-striping 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-striped. 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. **TOTAL EXPENSES \$5,000.**

THANK YOU FOR RECENT DONATIONS - \$4,430.



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 22 – available /**

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



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: October 31, 2019.** The Lord hears to our prayers and has the power of healing of body, mind and spirit. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

On Sunday, September 22, 2019 the Sacrament of Baptism was administered to **Benson Jessie LaPorta, son of Christopher La Porta and Cynthia (nee Crespo)**. Proud godparents were Edwin Crespo and Sabrina Cardona. We congratulate LaPorta, Crespo families, and their friends on 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, Benosn 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.



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

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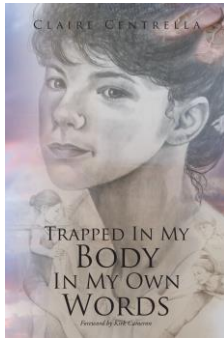
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Our dear parishioner Claire Centrella who lost her daughter to complications from Dystonia 17 years ago, has put together a beautiful book with friends on her daughter Melissa's life and legacy. It has recently been released for purchase on Amazon 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. We hope you can support the foundation by purchasing a book. Thank you

and God bless.



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.



GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE - The latest issue of *God's Field* is now available online at <http://www.pncc.org>.

Click on the God's Field link at the top of the home page and follow the directions to access the recent issue. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.