

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEB. 16, 2020

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 93 Years of Service

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The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor
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Regular SUNDAY MASSES 9:00 & 11:00 am
WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am (check bulletin)

"Go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift." Matthew 5:24

INTRODUCTION

My friends, today's readings are about making choices. We hear in the first reading that we are offered life and death, and whichever we choose will be given to us. In the Gospel Jesus preaches about our choices — to be angry or not, truthful or not, faithful or not. What we choose will have lasting impact on our earthly lives and the lives of our loved ones, and on our life beyond the grave. Let us pray today for the wisdom and the will to make good choices.

Scripture readings:

Sirac 15:15-20 Before us are life and death; it is our choice.

Psalms 119: 1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord.

1 Cor 2:6-10 God's wisdom, not that of the rulers of this age

Matt 5:17-37 A sensible, sometimes difficult, way to live

LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – George O'Brien 11:00 am – Natalie Cyman

SHOPPING CERTIFICATES ARE GREAT GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS. To date income

\$72,000. The easiest way to support our Building Fund is by purchasing weekly shopping certificates. The more you participate in purchasing certificates the loan taken for recent renovations will be paid back earlier. The shopping certificates you can use also as gift cards for any occasion. The Building Fund is needed to finance any future repairs and maintenance of our facility. GIFT CARDS are available for

STOP N SHOP, FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE. 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, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Filip Sepelowski, Ewa B., Jeffrey, Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik, Enrico, Josephine B. Amanda.** 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...



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 _____

Fr. Joseph Cyman /Renata (Bujak) – Feb. 21 – 22nd Ann.

Richard Torre / Diane McNamara – Feb. 27 – 43rd Ann.

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.



MEMBERSHIP 2020 To Date:(\$125 per adult) paid for the Diocese

As of Feb. 9, 2020 – (37) adult parishioners paid membership. **EXPLANATION:** The parish needs to send \$25 to the Central Diocese, and \$100 to the General Church; Total membership is \$125.00 per adult. **THE PRINTING COMPANY DIDN'T PRINT THE RIGHT AMOUNT ON THE ENVELOPES; IT SHOULD BE – THE SINGLE MEMBERSHIP - \$125 AND THE FAMILY \$250. PLEASE SEND THE RIGHT AMOUNT.** For further information please contact Richard Daum at 973-694-9457. If you cannot afford to pay the church membership please contact Fr. Joseph or send email holycrosspncc1@gmail.com Thank you.



BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2020 – 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, FEBRUARY 16, 2020 - 6RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00AM – Holy Mass for + John Swider and deceased of Kutzer Family;

Req. by Verna Swider

10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class (with Fr. Joseph)

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE

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

11:00AM – Holy Mass for +Melissa, Augie Centrella, Theresa & Emanuele Triggiano; Req. by Claire Centrella

God's Blessing of good health for Filip Sepelowski;
AFTER MASS - ST. VALENTINE'S LUNCH



Monday, February 17, 2020 – St. Theodolus & Julian, M.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for unity in our country

Tuesday February 18, 2020 – St. Simeon, Bp. M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for the youth

7:30 pm – Parish Committee meeting

Wednesday February 19, 2020 – Weekday

8:30 am - Holy Mass for peace and justice

Thursday, February 20, 2020 – St. Tyrannio, Zenobis & Companions, M.

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Friday, February 21, 2020 – St. Severian, Bp. M.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors of the Holy Cross Church

+ Melissa Centrella (43rd birthday); Offered by Claire Centrella



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020 - 7RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"For he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust."
 Matthew 5:4*

9:00AM – Holy Mass for +Urbano Giardino;

Of. By Lucy and Richard Daum

10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class (with Fr. Joseph)

10:00 AM – COFFEE AND CAKE

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

11:00AM – Holy Mass for +Hughie Vickerilla;

Offered by John Surak



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Classes are held each Sunday at 10 am in the parish hall (June Pettegrew classroom). The First Holy Communion teachers are Fr. Joseph and Ms. Mary Vitaletti.



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!

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.

HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN

Dear friends, please join us in our parish DAILY PRAYER CHAIN. Our prayers are addressed for those who were affected by any recent tragedies especially for families who lost their loved ones. We pray for the victims of natural disasters earthquakes and fires. We ask that God be their source of strength in their horrible time.



Please pray for each other asking for God’s blessing especially for our parishioners who are sick, home-bound and are in need of any kind of healing and support. We pray to increase our dedication in the service for our Church established by our Lord, Jesus Christ and for the growth of our parish. We pray 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.

HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH



The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$120.00 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

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 **94 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS



February 26, 2020 – Ash Wednesday
March 15, 2020 – St. Patrick’s after 11 am
March 29, 2020 – Agape at 4 pm, Wallington, NJ
April 7, 2020 – Clergy Conference, Chrism Mass, Cathedral, Scranton, PA
April 12 2020 – Easter – Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 19, 2020 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)
May 3, 2020 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary
May 10, 2020 – Mother’s Day Breakfast at 10 am
May 17, 2020 – First Holy Communion Celebration at 11 am
June 7, 2020 – Church picnic
June 14, 2020 – Corpus Christi celebration at Holy Cross
June 21, 2020 – Father’s Day Breakfast at 10 am
Week of July 4th 2020 - YOUTH CAMP – Kurs , Waymart, PA
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.

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](https://www.venmo.com/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.



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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.



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 94 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.

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.

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.



DAILY MASSES are held as announced in the bulletin. Examples of the Mass intentions are: For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries. Please contact Father Joe.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Arrangements at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

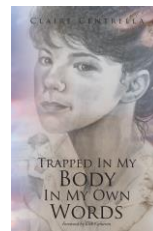
SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

EMERGENCIES, SICKNESS should be reported to the rectory office immediately. 973-256-4888



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.



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. THERE ARE SOME COPIES OF THESE BOOKS IN THE PARISH HALL AVAILABLE FOR THE PURCHASE.

WINTER COATS, SCARFS, GLOVES, SWEATERS

PLEASE DONATE LIGHTLY USED AND IN GOOD CONADITION COATS, SCARFS, GLOVES, SWEATERS. Please your donation in the parish hall. Donations will be given to Fr. English Food Pantry and Eva's Shelter respectfully in Paterson, NJ.



"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

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.

BLESSING OF HOMES Please contact Fr. Joseph if you wish to have blessed your home or apartment. 201-247-4832 or holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

THANK YOU

- We thank Fran Cuccinello, for her help in the parish office.
- Renata C. for decoration of the hall for our St. Valentines Luncheon
- Ed, Beverly and Edward Obsuth who with the help of Fran Cuccinello, Natalie Lazar and Penni Lazor prepared St. Valentine's Luncheon
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com
- Altar servers who serve during our Masses / Lectors who read the Holy Scripture / Ushers who collect our donations and Greeters who welcome people and distribute bulletins.
- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church. God bless you all!



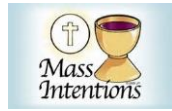
PARISH CHOIR – Volunteers who wish to share their vocal or musical talents and would like to join our choir, please contact our Organist, Neil Estanislao - tel. 201-966- 9026. In the words of St. Augustine: "He who sings, prays twice" Please consider joining our choir. You can help our parish to grow. Thank you

Prayer for the Sick

O Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen

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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.**



2020 ADULT ENVELOPES are available in the parish hall. Thank you for your financial support toward the Holy Cross Church.

2020 CHURCH CALENDARS



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George O'Brien and Ed Obsuth,

My Time With Mary – a Spa For The Soul.

Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 7pm.



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