# **3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 26, 2020**

SINCE 1926 HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC 93 Years of Service

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> The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor The Reverend David Gaydos, (Reserve clergy in Diocese)



The Deacon William Gavdos

SUNDAY MASS & 11:00 am WEEKDAY MASSES - 8:30 am

"With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him." Luke 24:31

**INTRODUCTION** 

Brothers and sisters, sometimes it's hard to recognize the face and the voice of Jesus - in friend or stranger, in familiar or foreign, in our families, or even in our church community. We get distracted and miss the signs of his presence. Today's Gospel is about two friends of Jesus who didn't recognize him. Let's pray today for ears open to his word, eyes open to his face in others, hearts open to his will for us. Today we continue to pray for the recovery

### from coronavirus epidemic and spare us from this dangerous illness.



### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Acts 2:14, 22-33 Peter preaches, "You do not know who you killed." Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 Lord, you show us the path of life.

1 Pet 1:17-21 Jesus was revealed for you.

Luke 24:13-35 The disciples on the road to Emmaus failed to recognize Jesus

3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER- MASS & 11 AM - online ww.holycrosswoodlandpark.com Lector: George O'Brien / Natalie Cyman



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: people in our communities, our country and in the world who are affected by coronavirus infection we continue to pray also for Filip Sepelowski, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, 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

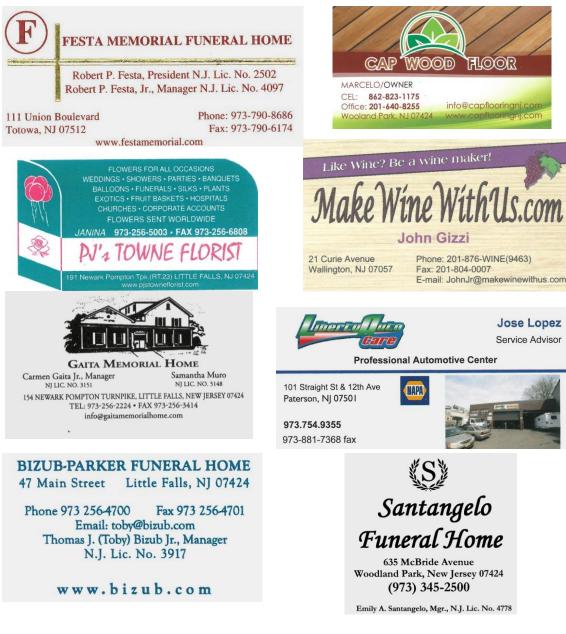
Jerome Rotsaert & Elaine Skawinski – 56th Anniversary – May 3 Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 57th Anniversary – May 12 **Stephen and Pilar Bradbury – 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - May 16** Richard Minich & Mary Booker - 40th Ann. - May 18 Erick Urban & Fae Ludkiewicz – 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary – May 22

**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). In this time of coronavirus, priests cannot visit the sick but can call and say prayers over the phone. If you or a member of your family are ill, please notify the rectory 201-247-4832.

### **MEMBERSHIP 2020**

For further information please contact church office at

**Holy Cross Church** 220 Browertown Rd. Woodland Park, NJ 07424 973-256-4888 201-247-4832 (cell) holycrosssite.org holvcrosspncc1@gmail.com www.holvcrosswoodlandpark.com **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.



# SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020 – 3<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread. - Luke 24:35



11:00 AM HOLY MASS ONLINE on Facebook www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com +Melissa & August Centrella, Emanuele & Theresa Triggiano; Offered by Claire Centrella Christ is risen!

# He is Risen indeed!

Dear parishioners, the daily Mass will be celebrated from Monday to Friday at 8:30 am. Due to coronavirus the church is closed. You can watch live stream Mass on Facebook celebrated in the past.

Monday, April 27, 2020 – Easter time - St. Marcellinus, Bp. – church closed
8:30 am – Holy Mass for Emanuele Triggiano (8 <sup>th</sup> Ann.); Offered by Claire Centrella
Tuesday, April 28, 2020 – Easter time - St. Vitalis and Valeria, M
8:30 am – Holy Mass for cure infected from coronavirus
Wednesday, April 29, 2020 – Easter time. church closed
8:30 am – Holy Mass for cure infected from coronavirus
Thursday, April 30, 2020 – Easter time – Solemnity of St. Joseph the Workman
8:30 am – Holy Mass for sick and homebound
Friday, May 1, 2020 – Feast of St. Phillip & James, Apostles. – church closed
8:30 am – Holy Mass for benefactors of Holy Cross

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020 - 4<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

# **11:00 AM HOLY MASS ONLINE on Facebook**

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+Anne Piascik and departed members of the Piascik, Raczkowski, Hess, Hrabovsky & Merson & Jone's families; Offered by Adele Merson

+Theresa Triggiano; Offered by Claire Centrella

# Christ is risen! He is Risen indeed!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Due to Coronavirus classes are held at home until further notice. The First Holy Communion is postponed until further notice. Communion class 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!

<u>WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS</u> - 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. We pray for all those who are affected by outbreak of coronavirus disease (COVID-19). We pray for the sick for their



recovery and for medical staff for wisdom and guidance and protection in their medical service. We pray for end of this global illness.

Our prayers are addressed for those who were affected by any recent tragedies; for the victims of natural disasters; we ask that God be their source of strength in their horrible time. 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.

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. 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 There is no hall rental

**until further notice.** 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**

May 3, 2020 – Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary May 17, 2020 – First Holy Communion Celebration at 11 am - POSTPONED 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 Friday October 23, 2020 – Tricky Tray at Amalgamated Meat Cutters, 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.

**Dear Friends** Holy Cross is now able to accept donations through Venmo. By using



Venmo, parishioners, donors, and benefactors can utilize electronic giving that comes <u>with no extra cost</u> 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.



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**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 fount. Fr. Joseph says the Holy Mass on Thursdays for the sick and shutins. 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.

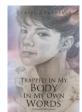
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Arrangements at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

**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

**<u>HEALING MASS</u>** – 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.



<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> 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 (after coronavirus epidemic)** 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 those parishioners who sent donation by mail or electronically using Vanmo or PayPal. May the Lord reward your concern for the church generosity
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook <u>www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com</u>
- Claire Centrella for helping with checking texts through emails.
- 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

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#### 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

**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

Shook Funeral Home has given us 2020 calendars for distribution. Anyone wishing to have one please take yours free of charge from the vestibule of the church.

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# My Time With Mary a Spa For The Soul. The date will be announced



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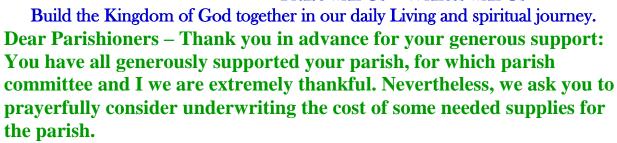
694-9457, or Merry Sleece 973-731-3611. God bless.



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Welcomes ALL who wishes to follow Christ Teaches traditional spiritual and moral values Has Valid Sacraments. Church allows its priests to marry. You don't have to Imagine anymore! **COME** to Holy Cross Church Worship with Us - Pray with Us Praise with Us - Witness with Us -



Also, please prayerfully consider underwriting some essential operating costs of the parish:

The annual fire alarm system inspection: \$260.

One monthly payment of the parish loan: \$500

The annual website fee \$325

**Annual Burglary alarm - \$400** 

One monthly payment for Xerox copy lease - \$195

If you are interested in helping the parish, please see Father Joseph or a member of the Parish Committee.



### **THANK YOU FOR DONATION TOWARD EASTER FLOWERS** *Continue*... Diane Hitchcock in memory of Eleanor Niedzwiecki and James Hitchcock

### RECENT MAINTENANCE AT HOLY CROSS PREMISSES:

- 1. New light fixtures and ventilators in each bathroom were installed in February 2020.
- 2. We ordered from Little Falls Trophy plaque in memory of Hughie Vickerilla to be installed above church kitchen door.
- 3. The day care playground fence (three pieces) was down. Smart Fix installed two new posts and fixed the fence
- 4. Two new toilets for the ladies bathroom were purchased and installed by Smart Fix.
- 5. The bathrooms ceilings and walls are being repainted by volunteers









Our Parishioner, Mary Margo passed away on Friday, April 24, 2020. She lived in the Nursing Home, Chatham for the last few months. I had the chance to visit her there a few times administering her Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick. Mary served at Holy Cross Church for several years helping in the parish office as the secretary. We appreciate her service for the good of our parish.

As by state law, during corona-virus epidemic the funeral service can be conducted only at the cemetery. With the concurrence of Shook Funeral Home, Clifton and the Ridgelawn Cemetery in Clifton, the funeral service for Mary Margo will be held at the cemetery of PNCC section on Friday May 1, 2020 at 10 AM. There can only be eight people in attendance. Everyone needs to wear a mask. At the later date there will be a memorial Mass celebrated for Mary when the church will be open again to the public.

May she rest in peace

- Fr. Joseph

# Dear Parents of First Holy Communion

Hope you and your family are doing well.

In one of my previous emails I notified you that the celebration of First Holy Communion due to situation we live now has to be postponed until further notice.

It is hard for me to predict when our churches would be open again.

Therefore, as soon as I will know when we can celebrate Masses with the public, I will notify you about the date of First Holy Communion giving you notice in advance. Meantime, please review at home with your children the material based on the catechism and workbook. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter – Fr. Joseph and Mrs. Mary (teacher)