

ASCENSION OF THE LORD – MAY 24, 2020

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SUNDAY MASS & 11:00 am (ONLINE)
WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am

"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me ... " Matt 28:18



INTRODUCTION

The Ascension of Our Lord, which occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday. On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven (Luke 24:51; Mark 16:19; Acts 1:9-11). This feast reminds us that like the first disciples, we are not to dally “looking up at the sky,” but are to get busy proclaiming the glory of God’s kingdom by the witness of our lives. In simple words, we are called to be busy doing good deeds for the glory of God. Today we continue to pray for the recovery from coronavirus epidemic and spare us from this dangerous illness.



SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Acts 1: 1-11 Jesus rose from the dead and returned to prepare the disciples
Ps 47 Celebrate with great joy for God rules all the earth
Ephesians 1:17-23 Believers are called to profess belief in the triune God
Matthew 28:16-20 I am always with you

ASCENSION SUNDAY EASTER– MASS & 11 AM – online
www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Lector: George O’Brien and 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: **Filip Sepelowski, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Ewa B., Jeffrey, Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik, Enrico, Josephine B. Amanda, Fr. Marian T.** 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. We pray for all affected by coronavirus 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 _____

Al Cuccinello & Frances Bucci – 57th Anniversary – May 12

Stephen and Pilar Bradbury – 9th Anniversary - May 16

Richard Minich & Mary Booker - 40th Ann. – May 18

Erick Urban & Fae Ludkiewicz – 21st Anniversary – May 22

Gale Galese/Patricia Carrigan – June 14 – 33rd Ann.

eith Rotsaert/Donna Clavelle – June 24 – 20th Ann.

William Lamping /Judy Bartol – July 17 – 53rd Ann

(If you would like to include the date of your birthday or the member of your family in the bulletin, please call the parish office at (201)-247-4832.



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.

[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. 351 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.

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SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD



11:00 AM HOLY MASS Holy Mass for All Parishioners

ONLINE on Facebook

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**Christ is risen!
 He is Risen indeed**

Dear parishioners, we hope that our churches can be open again with precautions provided by CDC. Will inform you, if we can open church on Pentecost Sunday – May 31st.

Monday, May 25, 2020 – Easter Weekday – Memorial Day - USA

Tuesday, May 26, 2020 – Easter Weekday - St. Philip Neri, P.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for cure from coronavirus infections

Wednesday, May 27, 2020 – Easter Weekday - St. Bede de Venabre, Mo. P.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for cure from coronavirus infections

Thursday, May 28, 2020 – St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bp.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for sick and homebound

Friday, May 29, 2020 – Easter Weekday – St. Cyril of Cesarea, M.

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

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020 – SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST



11:00 AM HOLY MASS +Ronnie Cordero; Req. by Hatima Omolon

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Due to Coronavirus classes are held at home until further notice. The celebration of Holy

Communion is postponed until further notice. 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 – (After the church will be open again) 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. We pray for our parish and other churches and houses of worship to be able to open our doors and worship the Lord.



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.



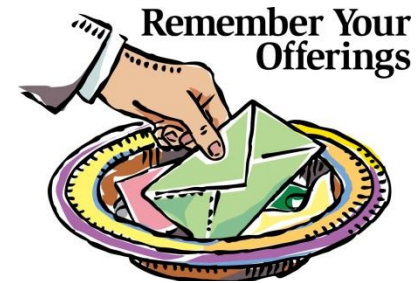
UPCOMING EVENTS
June 14, 2020 – Corpus Christi celebration at Holy Cross ?
June 21, 2020 – Father’s Day Breakfast at 10 am ?
Friday October 23, 2020 – Tricky Tray at Amalgamated Meat Cutters, Little Falls, NJ

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 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.



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.

THANK YOU

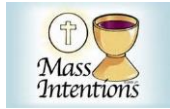
- We thank those parishioners who sent donation by mail or electronically using Venmo or PayPal. May the Lord reward your concern for the church generosity
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

- We thank Fran Cuccinello for helping online with church bulletin.
- We thank Cyman Family for painting ceilings in church bathrooms and some work with the landscape in the front of Fr. John Slysz building.
- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church.
May God bless you in return.

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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.

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.**



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Worship with Us – Pray with Us
Praise with Us – Witness with Us –
Build the Kingdom of God together in our daily
Living and spiritual journey.

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.

My Time With Mary a Spa For The Soul.

The future date will be announced



Candlelight Prayer Service

With Beautiful Music

Everyone Is Welcome.



Come along and bring a friend.

Please Come In
Rest In The
Heart of Jesus And Receive His Peace

Dear Parishioners – Thank you in advance for your generous support: You have all generously supported your parish, for which parish committee and I we are extremely thankful. Nevertheless, we ask you to prayerfully consider underwriting the cost of some needed supplies for the parish.

Dear parishioners,

Memorial Day Weekend Prayer

The Holy Cross Church is getting ready to reopen. Our bishops sent letters to all parishes last week allowing the reopening of churches. I had two private meetings with the parish committee chairman to review the letter. We hope that parishioners will be able to attend **Holy Mass Sunday May 31st.** with necessary precautions. This date will need to be confirmed. A teleconference meeting was held on Tuesday May 19th and it was decided that **every second pew** can be used with **three people seated per pew** for a total of 42 people. **Families with more than 3 people may all sit in the same pew.** If we have an overflow of people in the church seating is available in the parish hall where the Mass can be seen and heard on closed circuit TV.

All parishioners will be required to wear a mask, if you do not have a mask, masks will be provided to those who need one. **Purell sanitizer will be available to disinfect hands.**

Coffee hour will be suspended for the time being, however socializing can take place with the **6 foot distancing rule** in the parish hall.

Since Holy Communion will not be distributed, the Spiritual Communion Prayer will be recited.

Priest and lectors will not wear masks in the sanctuary, however they will wear masks before and after leaving the sanctuary. During the mass two altar servers can be present. In order to keep the distance the altar servers will ring the bells instead of bringing the wine and water to the priest. There will also be restrictions on the pew books and the distribution of weekly bulletins.

For those parishioners who chose to remain at home, the **11am live stream on Facebook will be continued.**

As we slowly and cautiously have to get used to the new norm in our lives and those of worshiping in our church, all activities and fundraisers will be postponed until they are permitted.

With prayers,

Fr. Joseph and parish Committee



Dear Heavenly Father, as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our servicemen and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection.

We also remember the families of our troops. We ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes, and we pray that your peace, provision, and strength will fill their lives.

May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support. In the name of Jesus. Amen.