

## 26 SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME – SEPT. 27, 2020

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH** PNCC 94 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 Gaydos**

**SUNDAY MASS & 11:00 am (ONLINE)**

**WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am**

*“Which of the two did his father's will? - Matthew 21:31*

### INTRODUCTION



Who is truly righteous? In today's readings, as throughout the Gospel, it isn't always who we might think. Appearances may deceive us, and we shouldn't compare ourselves with others. There is hope for those of us who recognize our mistakes, rely on God's mercy, and make changes. Self-emptying seems outdated in our current culture fascinated with celebrity, hubris and arrogance. But as followers of Jesus, we are called to examine our own lives and walk in humility. God is waiting for us there.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**Ezekiel 18:25-28** Those who transform their lives shall live

**Ps 25** Remember your mercies, O Lord

**Phil 2:1-11** Christ's self-emptying is a model for the Philippians

**Mt 21:28-32** A parable about the truly righteous



### Lectors serving today:

**9 am – Dominick Bucci      11 am – Deacon Bill Gaydos**

**Live stream Mass for homebound on Facebook [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com) - 11 am**

**SHOPPING CERTIFICATES ARE GREAT GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS. RECENTLY \$1,000**

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you can use also as gift cards for any occasion. **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. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**



Please pray for the Sick of the Parish: Out of respect for the privacy we can only publish the names of the sick with their consent. 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. Jeanne Lexton, Carmen**. If you would like to have your name on the list or your loved ones with their permission, please contact the parish office. 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 \_\_\_\_\_

George and Dorothy O'Brien – 9/11 - 49 Ann.

Cesar and Christina Colon – 9/23 – 14 Ann.

Edward Lazor/Michele Gula 10/8-43rdAnn.

Fr. David Gaydos /Laurie Rusnak 10/ 28 – 40 years

Keith Mullin and Jaclyn Ziobro 10/ 16 - 17 years;

Nicholas Lawler/Michele Peano 10/ 15 –14 years

Martin Maher / Donna Giardino 10/24 –304th 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



**Holy Cross Church Face Book – link [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)**

**Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://holycrosssite.org) you can go directly to our church face book. 359 people like our church face book! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.**

**MEMBERSHIP 2020**



**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](mailto: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 27, 2020 – 26 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**POLISH NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA**

**9:00 AM** HOLY MASS FOR **LIVING AND DECEASES MEMBERS OF POLISH NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA (PNU.ORG)**

**COFFEE HOUR WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING**

**10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class**

**11:00 am – Sunday School class during 11 am Mass in the parish hall**

**11:00 AM** HOLY MASS for blessing upon John and Joanne Plaxa

+James & Amelia Powers; Maria Magdalena Gonzalez

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** of Christian James Gonzalez, son of Cesar and Christine Gonzalez



**COFFEE HOUR WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING / Confirmation Class after 11 am Mass**

**Monday, September 28, 2020 – St. Wenceslaus of Bohemia**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass for the peace and justice in our country**

**Tuesday, September 29, 2020 – Fest of St. Michael, Archangel**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass for the peace and justice in our country**

**Wed., September 30, 2020 – St. Jerome, D.**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass for end of coronavirus pandemic**

**Thursday, October 1, 2020 – St. Remegus of Rheims, Bp.**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass with prayers for the sick and homebound**

**Friday, October 2, 2020 – Feast of Guardian Angels**

**8:30 am – Holy Mass for benefactors of Holy Cross living and deceased**

**Saturday, October 3, 2020 – St. Teresa of Lisieux, V.**

**9:00 am – 3:00 pm - Holy Cross YARD SALE**



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020 – 25 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Are you envious because I am generous? - Mt 20:14-15*

**9:00 AM** HOLY MASS FOR +Joseph & Stella Ruyzam, Joseph & Katherine Ruyzam, Konstanty & Cecylia Zaremba, deceased of Ringenberger Families; Off by John Ruyzam)

**COFFEE HOUR WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING**

**10:00 am – First Holy Communion Class**

**11:00 am – Sunday School class during 11 am Mass in the parish hall**

**11:00 AM** HOLY MASS WITH **BLESSING OF PETS (PARISH HALL)**



**COFFEE HOUR WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING / CONFIRMATION CLASS AFTER 11 AM MASS**





**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.

**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.

**ACRAMENT 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. 201-247-4832

**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 the end of this global pandemic.**

**IN OUR PRAYERS WE ASK FOR THE RESPECT OF THE SANCTITY OF EACH LIFE AND DIGNITY OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, POLITICAL PARTY, GENDER, ETHNICITY, STATUS OR CREED. WE PRAY FOR PEACE THAT WE MAY LIVE HARMONIOUSLY WITH EACH OTHER SIDE BY SIDE, RESPECTING DIFFERENCES, CHERISHING DIVERSITY, LIVING WITHOUT FEAR OF THE OTHER HONORING THE IMAGE OF GOD IN EVERY HUMAN SOUL.** Our prayers are addressed for those who were affected by any recent tragedies. We pray for the peace in the world to end any wars. We pray for peaceful resolutions in recent conflicts; for better relations between countries and for effective dialogues. We remember persecuted Christians around the world. We pray for those who are addicted to drugs 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 in that respect. 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 to be the place of worship where many people will accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Amen.



**HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH** There is a limit of people in attending the hall rentals according to CDC requirement. 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

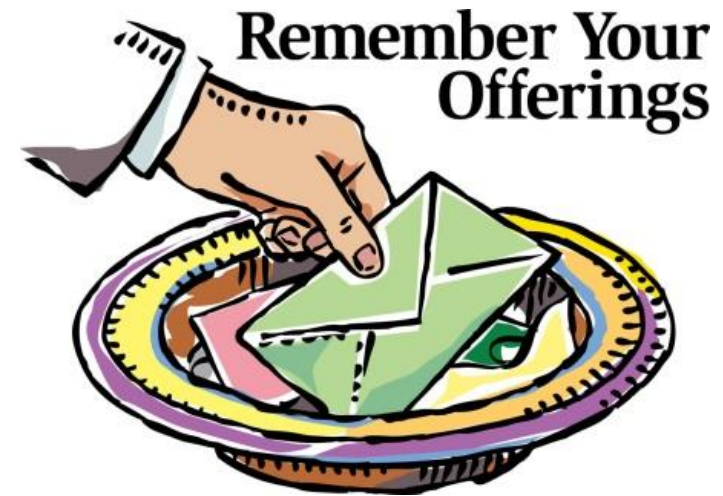
*Our Mission* - The parish of Holy Cross, PNCC is a Catholic community with doors open to all and bringing them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and thus giving comfort and purpose to a struggling world. **“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation”.** (see **Mark 16:15**) 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.



**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 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.

**LET US IMITATE THE WAYS OF GOD BY BEING MORE GENEROUS AND LOVING IN OUR SERVICE TO HIS MYSTICAL BODY, “THE CHURCH.”**





**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.

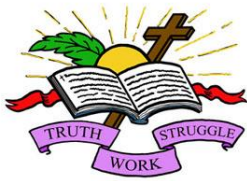
**THANK YOU**

- We thank those parishioners who sent donations by mail or electronically using Venmo or PayPal. May the Lord reward your concern for the church generosity
- Fran Cuccinello for her help in the parish office
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook [www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com](http://www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com)
- 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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 Worship with Us – Pray with Us  
 Praise with Us – Witness with Us  
**Build the Kingdom of God together**



**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.

Church of Transfiguration, 135 Hathaway St. Wallington – Chicken BBQ  
 October 10, 2020, 4-6 pm. Donation \$12. Call to reserve tickets: Mr. Ed  
 973-773-4090. Deadline for reservation October 7, 2020

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

**If you are interested in helping the parish, please contact parish office [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)**



**SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING** Our Sunday School classes has begun on Sunday September 13, 2020. The lessons take place from during the 11 am Mass in the parish hall. Please wear masks. The program is free of charge. You can register at the parish office or after the Mass. We thank Mr. Paul Murphy, Ms. Natalie Lazar for teaching our students. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Registration is open**

**Please contact parish office to register 973-256-4888 or 201-247-4832 or contact Fr. Joseph after Sunday Mass. The first class has begun on September 20<sup>th</sup> between Masses at 10 am.** *The Holy Eucharist is Jesus Christ who is really present under the forms of bread and wine. In the Eucharist, Jesus Christ 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)*



**Confirmation Classes – ENROLMENT IS OPEN. Please contact parish office to register or contact Fr. Joseph after Sunday Mass. The first class will be on September 27<sup>th</sup> after 11 am Mass.** Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and older and adults are eligible to

take confirmation lessons. Sacrament of Confirmation is a completion of the sacrament of Baptism and important step in Christian religious education. THE FIRST CLASS WILL TAKE PLACE in September 2020 AFTER THE 11 AM Mass.

**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.**



**ANNUAL BLESSING OF PETS** - will take place on Sunday, October 4, 2020 at the beginning of the 11:00 o'clock Mass. The Mass will take place in the parish hall. Well behaved dogs, cats, fish, birds and all God's creatures are invited with their owners. The blessing will be given in commemoration of Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi (Oct. 4). As we know, 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.



**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. Thank you for your donations.



**Week of September 27 – available**  
**Week of October 4 - available**

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



WE WELCOME SUSAN KNIGHT, CHRISTINE AND CESAR GONZALEZ AND KAREN PERLATA AND ALEX ORTIZ WHO JOINED THE HOLY CROSS CHURCH.



The Sacrament of Baptism was administered to Scarlett Rose Wysocki, daughter of Sebastian and Ashley (nee Burr) Wysocki on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2020. We congratulate parents, godparents, Anthony and Jessica, family members and friends on this special occasion.

**The Sacrament of Baptism 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 Baptism we are regenerated and incorporated into Christ's body – His Church.**

## My Time With Mary a Spa For The Soul.

Oct. 7, 2020 - @ 7:00 pm

On the Solemnity of the Holy Mother of the Rosary

Beautiful Candlelight Prayer  
 Service

With Special Music  
**Everyone Is Welcome**  
 Come along and bring a  
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Please Come In

Rest In The Heart of Jesus  
 And Receive His Peace



Dear Friends of Holy Cross Church,

The Holy Cross Church annual Tricky Tray fundraiser is our largest event of the year to financially support our parish. This important event scheduled for October 23, 2020 has been canceled due to the Covid-19 pandemic's restrictions on the number of people allowed to be seated indoors. We know that the Tricky Tray is a fun filled event, anticipating the chance to win prizes and to socialize with family and friends. Unfortunately it can't happen this year. The parish committee after discussions on this matter made a decision to ask parishioners for monetary donations in lieu of trays or other contributions you normally donated in the past.

Your generosity is truly appreciated in this unprecedented pandemic time affecting our parish financially. Please pick up envelopes from the parish hall. Some letters will be sent by mail. The mailing includes a self-addressed Tricky Tray Appeal envelope for your convenience. Please return your envelope with the donation in the Sunday collection basket or by mail by the end of November 15, 2020. For any donations sent by Venmo please specify – Tricky Tray contribution.

P.S. Please find the winning results of 50/50 drawing on the reverse  
 With appreciation and prayers,

Fr. Joseph Cyman  
 Pastor

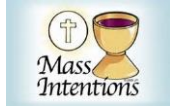
George O'Brien  
 Chairman of Parish Committee



**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**

**LECTORS - READERS NEEDED** We are in need of lectors to read during our liturgies. Please contact Fr. Joseph – 201-247-4832 or contact George O’Brien Lector’s Coordinator 973-809-7091 if you are interested in becoming a lector. Thank you for your service

**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.**



**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.**

**Dear Parishioners,**  
**ON SUNDAY WE CONTINUE TO HAVE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MASSES AT 9 AM AND 11 AM** with necessary precautions to keep you safe. You are invited to attend Sunday Mass wearing masks and keeping social distancing. Our pews are prepared for these requirements indicating places where you may sit.  
 Hand sanitizer is available to disinfect hands. After careful calculations it was determined that 40 people can be seated in the church with a required 60 inch separation. Families may sit together in the same pew. If there is an overflow of people seating is available in the parish hall. The Mass can be seen and heard on the closed circuit TV. Coffee hour are held since Sept. 20 following social distancing. The 11am Live Stream on Facebook will sometime be available for those who cannot attend Mass. Please log in @ [holycrosswoodlandpark.com](https://www.facebook.com/holycrosswoodlandpark.com)  
 The Tricky Tray had to be cancelled. Please find letter asking for donations in the place of annual Tricky Tray.  
 Do not hesitate to email, call or text if you have any questions.  
 With prayers and missing you all,  
 Father Joseph and Staff