

# 124<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF PNCC – MARCH 14, 2021

SINCE 1926 **HOLY CROSS PARISH PNCC** 95 Years of Service

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The Reverend David Gaydos, (Reserve clergy in the Diocese)

The Deacon William Gaydos

**SUNDAY MASS 9 am & 11:00 am**

**WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am**

*I am the true vine, and my father is the vine-grower. John 15:1-8*

## INTRODUCTION

My friends, today we celebrate the anniversary of the institution of the Polish National Catholic Church. Our Church has roots in the Church in Jerusalem established by our Lord Jesus Christ. As a denomination, our Church had been in existence since 1897, under the leadership of the Most Reverend Francis Hodur. The first Polish National Catholic parish of St. Stanislaus Cathedral in Scranton, PA and many parishes throughout the USA joined together with their legal ownership of church properties, the parish government in secular matters was directed by parish committees elected by the parishioners and appointment of their pastors was approved by parishioners. This democratic system of the administration of the church was the only cause of the establishment of the PNCC. The consecration of the Rev, Francis Hodur by the Old Catholic Bishops of Holland in 1907 gave the Polish National Catholic Church of America that important direct line of Apostolic Succession. Apostolic Succession is the belief that bishops succeed one another in an unbroken chain from Christ himself through his apostles and their successors. Our PNCC church welcomes new members who are from other racial and cultural background. We become Church increasingly rich in diversity. My Brothers and Sisters let us continue our Lenten journey with more prayer fasting and giving alms so we would bear much fruit in the Lord. Amen.

### Scripture readings:

Wisdom 5:1-5 He is accounted among the sons of God

Ps 137 Let me tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you

1<sup>st</sup>. Paul to Timothy 4:1-5 Everything created by God is good

John 15:1-8 I am the true vine, and my father is the vine-grower.

### Lectors serving today:

9 am – Richard Daum

11 am – Mark Kosciński

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



**SHOPPING CERTIFICATES ARE GREAT GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS. RECENTLY another \$1000 was deposited to Building Fund from shopping certificates sales. To date our income is \$74,000. Please 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. **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. May God bless and reward you.



**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: Annie Hornak, Filip Sepelowski, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Ewa B., Jeffrey, Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik, Enrico, Josephine B. Jeanne Lexton, Carmen.**

**ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE** Dear Parishioners, we wish to extend our congratulations and best wishes on your anniversaries of marriage.



**Wilian and Maria Matute – 20th Anniversary – 4/4**

**Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 63<sup>rd</sup> Ann – 4/6**

**Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 10th Ann. – 4/15**

**Edward and Beverly Obsuth – 30th Ann. – 4/21**



**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.

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

## MEMBERSHIP 2021



**BUSINESS ADVERTISING Year 2021**

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 \$125.00. 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, MARCH 14, 2021 – INSTITUTION OF THE PNCC**



**9:00 AM** HOLY MASS for +Susanne and Frank Costello, Andrew and Lucy Sleece; Offered by Merry and Bob Sleece (All Souls)

**10 AM - "HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR" WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING**

10 am - Communion class in June Pettegrew classroom

11:00 am – Sunday School class in the parish hall @11 am

**11:00 AM** HOLY MASS for +Deceased of The Jarmakowicz Family, The Kaczmariski Family, Barbara Troiano, Pete Troiano; Req. by Karem Jarmakowicz and Steven Morgan

Confirmation class after 11 am Mass

**Monday, March 15, 2021 – St. Longinus, M.**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world and unity in our country

**Tuesday, March 16, 2021 – St. Julian of Antioch, M.**

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

7:30 pm – Parish Committee Meeting

**Wed., March 17, 2021 – ST. PATRICK OF IRELAND, BP.**

8:30 am – Holy Mass for the growth of our parish

**Thursday, March 18, 2021 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bp.**

8:30 pm – Mass for the sick and homebound

**Friday, March 19 – St. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

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

7:30 pm – STATIONS OF THE CROSS – PLAN TO ATTEND

**SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021 – 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT - PASSION SUNDAY**

**9:00 AM** HOLY MASS for +Melissa, August Centrella, Theresa and Emanuele Triggiano; Req. by Claire Centrella

**10 AM - "HUGHIE COFFEE HOUR" WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING**

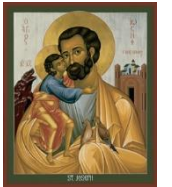
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11:00 am – Sunday School class in the parish hall @11 am

**11:00 AM** HOLY MASS for +Anastasia Lazor, John Lazor, Sr., Michael

Gula, Jr., Henry Plachinski and Mary Lazor; Offered by Mr. & Mrs. Edward Lazor and Ms. Sophie Gula

**ST. PATRICK'S / ST. JOSEPH'S LUNCHEON AFTER 11 AM**  
**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE / TAKE OUTS UPON REQUEST**





**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!

**THANK YOU TO:**

Natalie Lazar and Paul Murphy for teaching our children Sunday School classes with CDC precautions.

- Fran Cuccinello, for her help in the office
- Parish Committee members for attending monthly meeting and making important decisions for the benefit of our parish.
- Anyone who with prayers and sharing time and treasure supported our parish. God bless you all.



**HELP FOR PARENTS & SMALL CHILDREN** In the case when small children need more attention during the Mass, parents can now listen and follow the Liturgy of the Mass in the **parish hall** while the children can play or do the drawings.

**Upcoming Events**

**March 30, 2021 – Chrism Mass & St Stanislaus Cath., Scranton, PA**

**April 4, 2021 – Easter – Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**April 11, 2021 – Easter Egg Hunt & Party for School of Christian Living (SOCL)**

**May 2, 2021 – Crowning of the Blessed Mary**

**May 9, 2021 – Mother’s Day Breakfast at 10 am**

**June 6, 2021 – Corpus Christi celebration at?**

**June 13, 2021 – SOCL attendance awards**

**June 13, 2021 – Church picnic**

**June 20, 2021 – Father’s Day Breakfast at 10 am**

**Week of July 4th 2021 - YOUTH CAMP – Kurs**

**Waymart, PA (tentative)**



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**FOOD DRIVE** – Please bring nonperishable food items

to parish hall on any Sunday. Your donation

will be given to Fr. English Food Pantry. Won’t you help the needy in the name of Christ the Savior? “*Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done it to me.*”

(Mat. 25:40)

**NEW REGISTRATIONS** - Our parish is leasing the Sunday school building to the tenant, **GOLDEN STEPS LEARNING CENTER, from Monday to Friday** offering PRE SCHOOL DAY CARE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS. Please contact Mrs. Gail for further information at 973-812-8030. Discount rates are available for the members of Holy Cross Church.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - The weekly classes are held at 10 am on Sunday. To date we have five (5) children and thee (3) adults taking classes.**

*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 become 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)*

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY MAY 16, 2021 @ 11 AM.**

Confirmation Class



**Confirmation Classes – To date we have eight (9) students, (youth and adults) taking classes. Please contact parish office to register or contact Fr. Joseph after Sunday Mass. The classes are held after the 11 am Mass. Students who are in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and older and adults**

are eligible to take confirmation lessons. The date of Confirmation will be scheduled.



**HALL RENTAL HOLY CROSS CHURCH** Fees: For non-members of the parish: The hall rental fee for the use of the facilities is \$120.00 for each hour of rental time. For members of the parish (paid membership). The rental hall fee for the use of facilities is \$60 fee for each hour of rental time. Call 973-256-4888. / 201-247-4832 (cell) email [holycrosspncc1@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosspncc1@gmail.com)

**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 vestibule of the church, use special envelopes and make your check out to Adoration Society. Thank you for your donations.**



**Week of March 7 – Edwin Koscinski**  
**Week of March 14 – Clara Uscinski**  
**Week of March 21 – For those who have no one to pray for them**  
**Week of March 28 – Hughie Vickerilla**

**Week of April 4 – Adele and John Sincavage**  
**Week of April 11 – Jozef Cyman (8 anniversary)**  
**Week of April 18 – Deceased Bishops of PNCC**

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

**VENMO** Dear Friends, the Holy Cross Church 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.





**HOLY CROSS PARISH DAILY PRAYER CHAIN**

Dear friends, please join our parish in **DAILY PRAYER CHAIN**. God is listening to our prayers when we address our needs to Him. We pray for our nation, for peace and unity and blessing upon those who were elected to serve our nation. May they serve justly and conscientiously implement policies that are respecting God’s commandments and have in mind the well-being of all citizens. **IN OUR PRAYERS WE ASK FOR THE RESPECT OF THE SANCTITY OF EACH LIFE AND DIGNITY OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL SINCE MOMENT OF CONCEPTION TO LAST MEMENT OF LIFE REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, POLITICAL PARTY, GENDER, ETHNICITY, STATUS OR CREED. WE PRAY FOR PEACE THAT WE MAY LIVE HARMONIOUSLY WITH EACH OTHER, RESPECTING DIFFERENCES, CHERISHING DIVERSITY, LIVING WITHOUT FEAR OF THE OTHER HONORING THE IMAGE OF GOD IN EVERY HUMAN PERSON.**

We pray for all those who are affected by outbreak of coronavirus disease. We pray for those who lost their jobs and for those who struggle financially. We pray for the sick for their recovery and for medical staff for endurance, wisdom and guidance in their service. We pray for the end of this global pandemic. Our prayers are offered for those who were affected by any recent tragedies. We pray for peaceful resolutions in recent conflicts and for peace in the world. 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 for the growth of our parish, for an increase of our dedication in the service for the Church established by our Lord, Jesus Christ. May the Holy Cross Church continue to grow in faith and in number as place of prayer where people worship God and accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

**THE SEASON OF LENT**



**With humble hearts we ask God to prepare us for the journey of spiritual renewal.**

During the Lenten time all of us should remember personal prayers, read the Holy Scripture and attend the liturgy of Sunday Mass. Fasting – we are called to abstain from meat on Fridays and Wednesdays (PNCC) by those who are 14 years old and older. On Good Friday additionally we should fast which means intake of one full meal by those who are 18 to 60 years of age. Also, we are invited to attend Lenten Devotions to

reflect on the redemptive sufferings and death of our Lord on Fridays at 7:30 P.M.

**ALMS BOX** – Our parish traditionally uses the Alms Box in the vestibule of the church for the benefit of the poor. Please continue to support this great cause to help the less fortunate of our society. *“When you give alms, your left hand must not know what your right is doing – your almsgiving must be secret, and your father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.” (Matthew 6:3-4)*

**Dear Parishioners – 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 for some essential operating costs of the parish. You can send donation by mail or place it in the collection basket.**

**The annual fire alarm system inspection: \$260.**

**The annual fire alarm monitoring: \$400**

**One monthly payment of the parish loan: \$490**

**The annual website fee \$325**

**Annual Burglary alarm - \$400**

**One monthly payment for Xerox copy lease - \$200**

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



**INCOME TAX**– Any parishioner who wishes to receive information regarding of their donations to the church for the year 2020 for their income tax purposes, please contact Financial Secretary, Richard Daum 973-694-9457. We thank Richard Daum for his time and dedication in his service as Financial Secretary/Treasurer of Holy Cross Church.





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**“St. Patrick’s - St. Joseph’s Day Luncheon”**  
**Sunday – March 21, 2021 12 P.M. (after 11:00 AM Mass)**



WITH IRISH MUSIC

### MENU

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes  
Baked Chicken, Variety of Vegetables, Assorted Breads  
Irish Soda Bread, Coffee / Tea  
Irish Coffee, Desserts

**Adults: \$17.00**

**Children and youth attending Sunday School – Free**

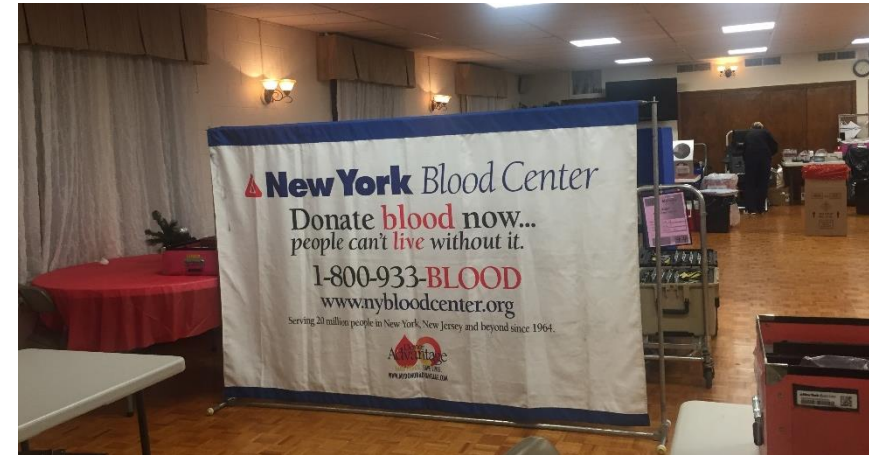
**Other Children ages 6 -14 - \$8**

**Basket of Irish Cheer / Door Prize**

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**Buy tickets in the parish hall or send donation by mail**



There were 30 donors of blood that came last Wednesday, March 10, 2021 to our parish hall to save other's people's lives.

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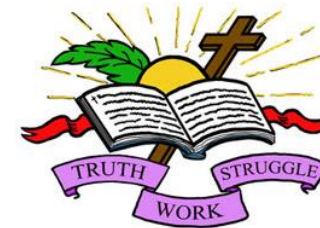
COME to Holy Cross Church

Worship with Us – Pray with Us

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Build the Kingdom of God together in our daily Living and spiritual journey.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



### LENTEN DEVOTION – STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross. Dates: March 23 (7:30 pm) and Good Friday March 30, 2021 at 3 pm with children and youth.



The 14 stations depict the following scenes: 1. *Jesus is condemned to death*; 2. *Jesus accepts the cross*; 3. *Jesus falls the first time*; 4. *Jesus meets His Mother*; 5. *Simon of Cyrene carries the cross*; 6. *Veronica wipes the face of Jesus*; 7. *Jesus falls the second time*; 8. *Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem*; 9. *Jesus falls the third time*; 10. *Jesus is stripped of His garments*; 11. *Crucifixion: Jesus is nailed to the cross*; 12. *Jesus dies on the cross*; 13. *Jesus' body is removed from the cross*; 14. *Jesus is laid in the tomb.*

This liturgy helps us to meditate on the sufferings of Jesus and better understand his greatest love for us by dying on the cross for our sins.



**THE GOSPEL Jn 15:1-8**

**The Vine and the Branches.** "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.



On the second Sunday of March, we celebrate the feast of the Institution of the Polish National Catholic Church. Today we celebrate its **124<sup>th</sup> anniversary**. It was established on the second Sunday of March 1897. We pray for blessing upon deceased and living members of the Church and the growth in the future.

The Holy Cross Church celebrates this year **95<sup>th</sup> anniversary**.



**1897 – 2021**

**124<sup>th</sup> Ann.**

