5TH SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 21, 2021

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SUNDAY MASS 9 am & 11:00 am WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. - John 12:27

INTRODUCTION



As Lent progresses, we come closer to the heart and meaning of the Gospel: that Jesus must suffer and die for new life to happen. There is nothing here about rules, practices, theological formulae or perfection. Jesus embraced what is painful and frightening to achieve life on our behalf. Those of us who call ourselves Christian must be willing to walk the same road.

SCRIPTURE READINGS



Jeremiah 31:31-34 God creates a New Covenant with the suffering Israelites Psalm 51 Create a clean heart in me, O God

Hebrews 5:7-9 Jesus became the source of salvation, obedient through suffering John 12:20-23 God's voice confirms that Jesus' passion is approaching

Lectors serving today:

9 am – John Surak

11 am – Mark Koscinski

Live stream Mass for homebound on Facebook 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. <u>GIFT CARDS</u> are available for <u>STOP N SHOP</u>, <u>FOODTOWN AND SHOP RITE</u>. 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: Zaida Bueno; 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.

<u>ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE</u> 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^{rd} Ann – 4/6 Paul Murphy and Christine Tarbox – 10th Ann. – 4/15 Edward and Beverly Obssuth – 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.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes are expressed to the following parishioners:

<u>Holy Cross Church Face Book – link</u> www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church face book. 459 people follow 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 holycrosspncol@gmail.com, thank you. Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



111 Union Boulevard Totowa, NJ 07512

Phone: 973-790-8686 Fax: 973-790-6174

www.festamemorial.com



Carmen Gaita, Jr., Manager

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973.754.9355 973-881-7368 fax



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SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021 - 5TH 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

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 +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 & JOSEPH'S LUNCHEON

Monday, March 22, 2021 – St. Basil of Ancyra, M.

8:30 am – Holy Mass for peace in the world and unity in our country *Tuesday, March 23, 2021 – St. Victorian & Companions, M.*

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

7 pm - 8:30 pm PNCC VIRTUAL LENTEN RETREAT

resister by email PBMIKOVSKY@PNCC.ORG OR ROBNEM21@AOL.COM

Wed., March 24, 2021 – Fest St. Gabriel, Archangel

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

Thursday, March 25, 2021 – Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 pm – Mass for the sick and homebound

7:00 pm - CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE (from Feb.2nd)
"MY TIME WITH MARY" - see flyer

Friday, March 26 – St. Castulas, M.

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 28, 2021 - PALM SUNDAY

9:00 AM HOLY MASS for +Mary, Frank, Stanley, Grace, Edith & Ludwik Piontkowski, Helen and John Anderson, Jennie & John Dziuba, Gene & George Kapchonick, Elizabeth, Oscar & John Daum, Elizabeth Sadler, Margaret & Warren Preisser, Theodor Jarnutkowski: Off. By Lucy and Richard Daum (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 All Parishioners













<u>NEW PARISHIONERS</u> – 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:

- Father David, Laurie Gaydos, Edward, Beverly Obssuth, David Obssuth, Penni Lazor for preparations for our St. Patrick's Luncheon
- 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 - Clergy Conference, 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)

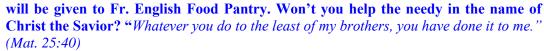
Bluejay Pharmacy

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Phone *or* Text 973-551-7161 Fax 973-246-1649

<u>FOOD DRIVE</u> – Please bring nonperishable food items

to parish hall on any Sunday. Your donation



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

<u>classes.</u> 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 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 7th 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 holycrosspace1@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



memory/honor of your special intentions for \$10. **PLEASE SIGN up on the list 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

<u>Venmo</u>. 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 <u>@holycrosspncc</u> 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.

<u>ALMS BOX</u> – 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."



<u>LENTEN DEVOTION – STATIONS OF THE CROSS -</u> On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross. Dates: <u>March 23</u> (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.



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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"St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's Day Luncheon" Sunday - Harch 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
Homemade Desserts

Adults: \$17.00

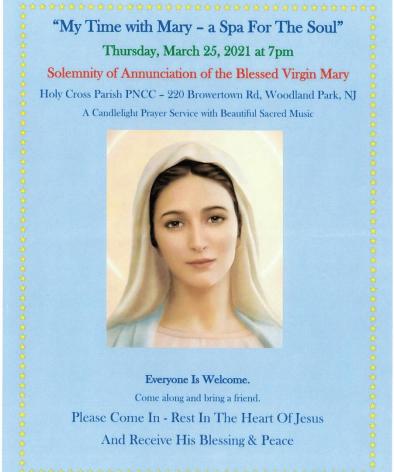
Children and youth attending Sunday School – Free Other Children ages 6 -14 - \$8 Basket of Irish Cheer / Door Prize



Welcomes ALL who wishes to follow Christ
Teaches traditional spiritual and moral values
Has Valid Sacraments,
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 -

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

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Adoration Society invites you to purchase home made Easter Butter Lambs. An Easter butter lamb is butter molded into the shape of a lamb. Introduced to the United States by Eastern European Catholic immigrants, the tradition can be traced back to Poland (as well as Slovenia and Russia)

Plan to attend this service as part of Lenten prayer service and preparation for Easter.
On this feast of Blessed Virgin Mary, we pray for the dignity of human life that begins from the moment of conception.

A.N.S. Will Be Selling

Butter Lambs on Palm Sunday

Easter Butter Lambs

\$5.00
EACH

