

3 SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 7, 2021

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

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The Reverend Father Joseph R. Cyman, Pastor
The Reverend David Gaydos, (Reserve clergy in the Diocese)
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SUNDAY MASS 9 am & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES – 8:30 am

"Zeal for your house will consume me John 2:17"

INTRODUCTION



My friends, in today's Gospel we hear a story that might be confusing, even shocking. It is the story of the anger of Jesus at those who were buying and selling in front of the Temple. Some scripture scholars think that Jesus was so angry because the moneychangers were cheating the poor and that their love of money defied the first commandment, "You shall not have other gods besides me." Remembering those false gods

that we put before the one true God, let us ask for mercy and forgiveness.

Scripture readings:



Exodus 20:1-17 Ten commandments

Ps 19:8-11 Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 We proclaim Christ crucified

John 2:13-25 Jesus drives out the moneychangers.

Lectors serving today:

9 am – George O'Brien

11 am – Natalie Cyman

Lectors Meeting immediately following the March 7th 9:00 am Mass.

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. **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.



Michael & Elizabeth Rutch – Feb. 28 – 3rd Ann.

Nelson Castillo Jr. & Kiara Santiago – 4 Ann. - March 5th

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

Richard Daum and Lucy Piontkowski – 63rd 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

Visiting our website [Blog holycrosssite.org](http://Blog.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.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021 – 3 SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 AM HOLY MASS for +Stella & Joseph Ruyzam, Edna & Edward Ringenberger, Cecylia & Konstanty Zaremba, Stephen & Katherine Ruyzam, Helene Ringenberger; Offered by John, Joan and Joseph Ruyzam (All Souls)

9:45 AM – OATH OF PARISH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

LECTOR'S MEETING AFTER MASS

10:10 AM ADORATION SOCIETY MEETING

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 Marica Herssert and Joanne Plaxa; *Cyman Family*

Confirmation class after 11 am Mass

Monday, March 8, 2021 – St. Philemon and Apollonius, M.

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

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 – St. Gregory of Nyssa, Bp.

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

Wed., March 10, 2021 – Forty martyrs of Sebaste, M.

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

BLOOD DRIVE IN THE PARISH HALL – 1 PM–7 PM ph (917) 699-9073

Thursday, March 11, 2021 – St. Constantine, M.

8:30 pm – Mass for the sick and homebound

Friday, March 12, 2021 – St. Gregory the Great, Bp. D.

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 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)

9:45 AM – OATH OF PARISH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

LECTOR'S MEETING AFTER MASS

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 Living and Deceased

Confirmation class after 11 am Mass



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 in any way shape or form 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 7, 2021- Oath of parish Committee at 9:45 am

March 10, 2021 – Blood Drive at Holy Cross – parish hall. More information soon

March 21, 2021 – St. Patrick’s / St. Joseph’s Luncheon after 11 am

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)

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 three (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 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 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

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:

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

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

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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

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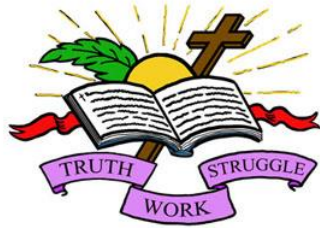
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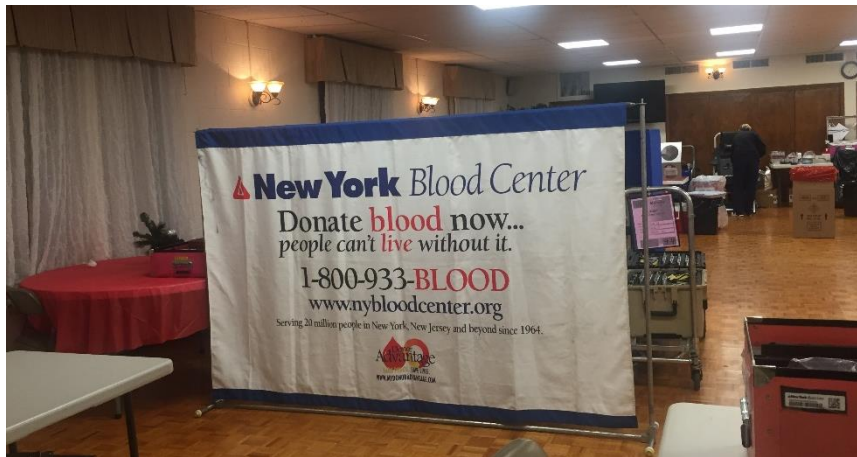
LENTEN DEVOTION – STATIONS OF THE CROSS



On Fridays in Lent everyone is invited to attend Lenten Devotion of Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm. Dates: March 16, 23 and Good Friday March 30, 2018 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.



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