## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME – AUGUST 22, 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) The Deacon William Gaydos

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

"Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of everlasting life. John 6:69

#### INTRODUCTION



Brothers and sisters, today's readings are about decisions, challenges and hard choices. Life is full of them! Choices that involve commitments are probably the hardest because of their long-lasting implications. We are reminded today that all relationships demand decisions about commitments. Whether the relationship is with God, with Jesus, with our

families or our friends, we are challenged to decide how deep that relationship will be and what it might require of us. Israel could not avoid the hard questions, nor could the disciples or the early Christians. We can't avoid them, either. What kind of commitment are we willing to make?

## HOLY BIBLE

## **Scripture Readings**

Josh 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Decide today whom you will serve.

Psalm 34 Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Eph 5:21-32 On mutual love between husband and wife

John 6:60-69 The disciples are conflicted about whether to stay with Jesus

#### LECTORS SERVING TODAY

9:00 am – Lector: Richard Daum 11:00 am – Lector: Mark Koscinski WE THANK ALL LECTORS SERVING IN OUR PARISH



### SHOPPING CERTIFICATES ARE GREAT GIFTS FOR ANY TIME.

To date our income is \$74,000. Please support our Building Fund 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: Dorothy O. Zaida Bueno; Annie Hornak, Emila Bargiel, Sophie Barnes, Frances Sanchez, Wendy Schlesinger, Jerry R., Ewa B., Jeffrey, Roy Zebrowski, Declan, Erik, Enrico, Josephine B. Jeanne L.

#### **Prayer for the Sick**

O Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen

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

Richard Bartolozzi/Jennifer Hitchcock 8/5-21st Ann.

Jamie and Mayra Valer – 8/05 – 16th Ann.

Gerald Muller / Nancy Ramos – 8/7 – 21st Ann.

Miriam and Thomas Gomez – 8/23 – 36th Ann.

Geovanny and Amanda Bautista-8/28 – 12th Ann.

Rafal Daniewski/Ewa Sobstyl – 8/29 – 29th Ann



**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 FaceBook – link www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com

Visiting our website Blog holycrosssite.org you can go directly to our church Facebook. 459 people follow our church Facebook! We thank Lynn Imperiale for her dedication in updating our Facebook.

#### MEMBERSHIP 2021





**FOOD DRIVE** – A food drive to benefit the Father English Food Pantry is open on a weekly basis. Last week food items were picked up by Fr. English Food Pantry, Paterson. You can bring imperishable food items as "gifts for the poor" to the parish hall. We all need to remember the words of our Lord: "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you have done

it to me." (Mat. 25:40).

#### **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 the parish office at 201-247-4832 or send e-mail <a href="mailto:holycrosspnce1@gmail.com">holycrosspnce1@gmail.com</a>, thank you. Parishioners and friends, please support the following businesses that give financial contributions to our church.



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## SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021 - 21 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM Holy Mass for +Melissa and August Centrella, Emanuele and Theresa

Triggiano; Req. by Claire Centrella

10:00 am "Hughie Coffee Hour"

**Tricky Tray preparation Meeting** 

11:00 AM Holy Mas for Jose, Luis Diaz Sr., Julia Medina, Angelica Rojas, Asensio

Martinez, Delia Castillo, Gladys Martinez; Req. by Matthew and Pilar Diaz-Martinez

Monday, August 23, 2021 – Claudius, Asterius, Neon, Domnina &

Theonilla, M.

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

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

8:30 am - Holy Mass for our nation

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 – St. Louis of France, K.

8:30 am - Holy Mass for growth of our parish

Thursday, August 26, 2021 – Blessed Virgin Mary - Our Lady of

Czestochowa

7:30 pm – Mass of Healing – for the sick and homebound

Friday, August 27, 2021 – Weekday

8:30 am - Holy Mass for Benefactors of Holy Cross Parish

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021 - 22 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM Holy Mass for +James Hitchcock, Eleanor Niedzwiecki (10 Years), Carol,

William & Michael Mallanda; Req. by Diane Hitchcock and Family

10:00 am "Hughie Coffee Hour"

11:00 AM Holy Mas for Parishioners Living and Deceased

## **Our Wission** 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 95 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.





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.



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## 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 \$125.00 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



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<u>HEALING MASS</u> – The Masses for the Sick and Homebound are celebrated on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm. WE HOPE FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS TO PRESENT THEIR PRAYERS FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS.

**BLESSING OF HOMES** Please contact Fr. Joseph if you wish to have

blessed your home or apartment. 201-247-4832 or holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

## **Upcoming Events**

Sept. 9 – My Time with Mary – Candlelight Service at 7 pm

Sept. 12, 2021 – Sunday School begins after summer

Sept. 25, 2021 - Tricky tray fundraiser in the parish hall from 12 noon to 6 pm

Oct. 3, 2021 – Adoration Society NY/NJ Convention at Holy Cross Church – 3 pm

Oct. 16, 2021 - Pasta Dinner Fundraiser at Holy Cross Church with Passaic Valley Unico

Oct. 17, 2021 - Sacrament of Confirmation at Holy Cross Church, Woodland Park, NJ



GOD'S FIELD – (Rola Boza) ONLINE The latest issue of God's Field is now available online at <a href="http://www.pncc.org">http://www.pncc.org</a>.

Click on the God's Field link at the top of the home page and follow the directions to access the recent issue. We hope you enjoy reading about the life and work of our parishes.

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> 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.

#### 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. We pray for people in Afghanistan for peace and reconciliation. For the people in Haiti after earthquake; for help in

efforts to rebuild after devastation. We pray for our nation, for peace and unity. May those who were elected to lead our country serve justly and conscientiously implement policies that are respecting God's commandments. IN OUR PRAYERS WE ASK FOR THE RESPECT OF THE SANCTITY OF EACH LIFE AND DIGNITY OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL SINCE THE MOMENT OF CONCEPTION TO LAST MOMENT 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 loved ones and as well for those who lost their jobs and struggle financially. We pray for the sick for their recovery and for the medical staff for endurance, wisdom and guidance in their service. We pray for the end of this global pandemic. We pray for peaceful resolutions in conflicts within our country and in the world. We remember persecuted Christians and for freedom of worship. 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 a place of prayer where people can worship God and accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior.



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 @holycrosspnce. For your convenience is the link you can scan to access or find Holy Cross' Venmo account.

Last week donation - \$20

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 <u>essential operating costs of the parish</u>. You can send a donation by mail or place it in the collection basket.



Nelcome!

MASS INTENTIONS - In order to request the Holy Mass Intention such as For the Sick, In Remembrance of the Faithful Departed, To Beseech God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries, please contact Fr. Joseph 201-247-4832; holycrosspncc1@gmail.com

## LET US IMITATE THE WAYS OF GOD BY BEING MORE GENEROUS

AND LOVING IN OUR SERVICE TO HIS MYSTICAL BODY, "THE CHURCH."

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Registration is open

Registration for Classes in September, 2021 is open (first class after summer on Sunday Sept. 12, 2021 at 10 am). Please contact parish office to register your child who will be this September in the second grade or older. Thank you. Registration is also available online at holycrosssite.org.

**THANK YOU** 

- Parishioners who support financially by giving donations in the church, by sending donations in the mail or electronically using Venmo or PayPal. May the Lord reward your generosity.
- Fran Cuccinello for her weekly help in the parish office
- Tricky Tray subcommittee for making preparation for our Tricky Tray.
- Richard Daum and Merry Sleece for selling shopping certificates in the parish hall. Plan to join this important fundraiser.
- Lynn Imperiale for updating our parish Facebook <u>www.holycrosswoodlandpark.com</u>
- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of Holy Cross Church.

Confirmation Classes – The next class will be held on Sunday September 19, 2021 after the 11 am Mass. The date of Confirmation is October 17, 2021 at 11 am. We accept registration for 21/22 class. Please contact the parish office 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. Thank you.

<u>Sanctuary Candle</u> 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 August 1, 2021 – available** 

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

50/50 RAFFLE Dear and Friends, Holy Cross Parish is having a 50 /50 raffle. We collected as of Aug, 8, 2021 - \$700. The raffle drawing will be held during our Tricky Tray event on Saturday, September 25, 2021. We kindly ask that each parishioner or family unit be responsible for the sale of tickets at \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10; book \$35. The Parish Committee

will be overseeing the progress of ticket sales. Ticket stubs with money and unsold tickets are to be returned to the parish office or collection basket by Sept. 10, 2021. This fundraiser is licensed to be sold to the general public. Please sell them to family embers and friends. More tickets are available by contacting parish office – 201-247-4832. Thank you and God bless you.

## "My Time with Mary – a Spa For The Soul" Candlelight Service

Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 7pm
Let us pray with Holy Mary our Spiritual Mother
Holy Cross Parish PNCC - 220 Browertown Rd, Woodland
Park, NJ

A Candlelight Prayer Service with Beautiful Sacred Music





## Everyone Is Welcome. Come along and bring a friend.

Please Come In - Rest In The Heart Of Jesus And Receive His Blessing & Peace

# TRICKY TRAY



## "A Hawaiian Luau"

At: Holy Cross Church Hall

220 Browertown Rd. Woodland Park NJ 07424



(On-site and virtual)

Sept. 25, 2021

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

Super Trays - \$50 plus / Grand Trays - \$100 plus
Platinum Trays - \$200 plus
Scratch Offs; and other great prizes,
win 50/50 raffle need not be present to win
Must be 18 years of age or older to participate.

**Limited seating** 

Register for pre-paid admission (time slots):

A) 12 - 2 pm; B) 2:30 - 4:30 pm; C) 5 - 7 pm

Reserve a table for 8-10 participants. HAVE A FAMILY REUNION.

Bring your own food and/or buy pizza, hot dogs etc.

Prize Drawings @ 7 pm onsite and live stream on the church Facebook

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PRE-PAID ADMISSION - \$15 payable to: Holy Cross Church, 220 Browertown Rd., Woodland PK, NJ 07424

Admission includes coffee / tea, sweets & 15 super prize chances.

\*ADMISSION FEE DAY OF THE EVENT (If available) - \$20 includes coffee / tea, sweets & 10 super prize chances.

Order and purchase pre-packaged T.T. raffles for 20-35% SAVINGS

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All proceeds go to our local scholarship and charitable endeavors

## Holy Cross Chocolate Fundraiser – 2021

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